

July 2018

Group Meeting

Avening WI were hosts for the Group Meeting this year and we sold approx. 60 tickets. The Social Club was decorated with our bunting and very pretty flowers on the tables. The competitions were well supported by Avening and Kemble & Ewen WIs but unfortunately Tetbury were unable to take part. We had a lovely supper of salmon, quiche, ham and salads and some amazing puds! Greatly appreciated by everyone. Pat Chase gave an informative talk on the VINE Project - Vulnerable children in Need of Education - which she illustrated with slides. She also had a sales table of bead work jewellery made by the grandmothers in Africa.



August Meeting

After the very successful August meeting last year we have decided to do it again! We will meet in the Social Club at 6.30 and please bring a plate of supper to share. We have arranged for local author, Ross Frowen, who, together with Clare Steele (also local), has written a book for children aged five to ten. They were featured in an article in Good Housekeeping magazine earlier this year and the book was listed as one of Summer's Hottest Reads by The Mail on Sunday. All proceeds from the book go to Medecins Sans Frontieres, an international charity providing relief to migrant families in Europe.

Pennies for the Cobalt Unit

We collected £4.37 in the tin in June. I have sent a cheque for £25.00 to the Cobalt Unit - this amount was collected over the last three months!! Sue O

Flower of the Month

The winners in June were: **1st** Maisie **2nd** Yvonne **3rd** Sue K

Dates for your diary

- 15th July - Bite to eat - Tea in Cherington
- 28th July - Bite to eat - Tea in Cherington
- 15th August - Bite to eat - Lunch in the Social Club
- 5th December - GFWI Christmas Concert. 10 members have requested tickets and the minibus is booked.

Photos

There are lots more photos of the Group Meeting, Summer Outing and Bite to Eat Lunch in June on the web site.

**Next meeting
August 9th**

Social Event in the Social Club

**September Meeting
13th**

**The Amazing WWI Diaries of Sr Edith Appleton OBE
Dick Robinson**

Flower of the Month

Many Happy Returns to our July Birthday Girls!

Jo Harwood, Margaret Nugent and Di Wall

Avening WI President:

Gwyneth Simpson

Treasurer:

Shirley Hand

Secretary:

Soo Rolfe

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Avening WI

meets in the Memorial Hall
on the
second Thursday of every month

Visitors are always welcome!

About us

Avening WI was formed on the 7th October 1930 and has been meeting on the second Thursday of the month since then.

We currently have 38 paid up members. We meet in the Memorial Hall, Avening.

We offer lunches and teas in the Social Club in Avening and in the neighbouring village of Cherington.

Skittles - Thank you to all the team who played against Cam WI on 22nd June at The Globe in Stonehouse. Unfortunately, we came second, but I think we did pretty well against such a large WI - apparently they have in excess of 70 members, and at least two of their team play in leagues on a regular basis. I'm hoping that this isn't the end of our skittles for this year and that we can have a few friendly matches down at the social club in the autumn. Wendy J

Walk

Unfortunately we had to cancel the walk planned for 9th July at the last minute. Not only was it a very hot day but Liz K, who was due to lead the walk, had an issue with a Highways Maintenance truck that became stuck in the lane outside her cottage! She was blocked in but also had to have part of her wall demolished to release the truck. It took 5 hours to free it. We are hoping to try the walk again in the autumn.

Summer Outing

We had a great trip to The Savill Garden, Windsor on 27th June. The coach was almost full and we had a good journey there and back. It was a very hot day but thankfully there was a cooling breeze in Windsor. As we got off the coach we were met by a beautiful, undulating, wooden entrance building. This housed a very spacious shop, café and restaurant and outside was a terrace with tables overlooking the gardens and there were lots of plants for sale. The gardens themselves were full of lovely trees and plants, long borders, seats and structures to sit in. The rose garden had a curved walkway rising out of it and, in places, the scent of roses was almost overpowering!

Thank you Sue O for organising such a good trip.



Winter Outing

Impossible as it may seem in this beautiful weather we have been thinking about our winter trip! The suggestions so far are Cardiff and Winchester. If you have any other ideas please pass them on to a member of the committee.

The Vine Project

We would like to support Pat Chase and her project again this year. Her crate is being shipped in September so please bring your contributions to the September meeting. She has made a special request this year for underwear but also would like all the usual items. There are some lists on the table.