MINUTES of a HAUGHLEY WI MEETING held in HAUGHLEY VILLAGE HALL

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3rd, 2022 AT 7.30PM, HAUGHLEY VILLAGE HALL

1	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES: Sandra chaired meeting in Marian's absence. Apologies for absence from Marian, Jane, Cath, Lynne, Joyce, Sally, Sheila and Rachel	
	We especially welcomed four ladies who were trying us out: Caroline, and her Mum Joanna from Old Street, Poppy who is Rachel and Melanie's Mum and Julie who recently moved to Haughley and is Poppy's friend. We do hope they will join us as Members	
2	JERUSALEM: was sung.	
3	HOSTESSES for TONIGHT were Anne and Pat B.	
4	TEN BIRTHDAY CARDS and GIFTS w ere presented/will be delivered to Sheila B, Julia, Yvonne E, Vanessa, Lynne, Irene, Enid, Melanie, Rosemary and Barbara.	
5	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: previously e-mailed and circulated. Agreed to be an accurate record. To be signed by president for filing and uploaded to our web page	

		ACTION
6	MATTERS ARISING FROM RECENT MEETINGS	
	6.1 June 29 fish'n'chips supper was a lovely time for all who went. Members to consider if they want to do anything different next year: September agenda item.	ALL
	6.2 July 6 Party – was an enjoyable event, with lots of food and drink to share while enjoying social time together in the Village Hall. Members to consider option to revert next year to a member hosting the party in her garden. We are a large group, so need a lot of space and a hostess who can move the event indoors if needed: September agenda item.	ALL
	6.3 Village Hall Committee discussed. Pat C was thanked for volunteering to represent Haughley WI - a role she has undertaken before. The Chair of the Committee to be advised with a request for the latest minutes and meeting dates/times etc. to be forwarded to Pat.	MA or YH
	6.4 Members advised of thank you card and £50 donation from Margaret Buttle for the help three WI members gave during the celebration of her husband's life at the pavilion June 25 th , after the church service.	
	6.5 Selection of Conflict Slab to sponsor from circulated list discussed. Members invited to vote if they have a preference. Outcome of vote: Balkans conflicts: 13 votes; Cyprus and Gulf war: 2 votes each; Yemen conflicts: 3 votes. Friends of Haughley War Memorial to be advised of our choice to sponsor the Balkans Conflicts.	MA or YH

	6.6 Lunch Club at the Gardners, Tostock. 9 Members attended and a lovely time was had by all! Good food, great service and lots of lively chatter.	
7	REMINDER OF FUTURE EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER	
	7.1 September 1, Lunch Club. Meet at 12.30 for 1.00pm at the Highwayman, (on the A140), Creeting St Mary, IP6 8PD. Pre-order from fixed price menu devised especially for us. 2 courses £20 . Booking to be confirmed when all names and orders received by Y H	YH
	7.2 September 3, Community Café: call for helpers and provisions. Savoury items can ONLY be included on the cake stall. We have 14 volunteer bakers and would welcome a few more. We also need more help at the café and on the stall: we only have 5 volunteer helpers to run the café (service and kitchen) and the stall. Request to Members with minutes. NOTE for Bakers: Please include a list of the ingredients you use.	ΥH
	7.3 September 8, Orwell Boat Trip: pick up at bus stop 1.00pm, return when boat gets back to the quay at around 5.30pm. <i>A few outstanding coach fees still to be paid</i>	AS needed
	7.4 September 14, 7.45pm. Kinky Boots at the Ipswich Wolsey, Cost £20.90 for a minimum group of 15. <u>Contact Lynne Mahon direct if you want to go.</u> <u>Yvonne H has Lynne's contact details if needed</u>	ALL
	7.5 September 26, 7.30pm Gipping Valley group meeting, Old Newton Village Hall. The Gipping Valley group is a friendly alliance of 7 local WIs (Buxhall, Cedars Park, Creeting St Mary, Early Birds, Old Newton and Gipping, Stowmarket and us) who get together twice a year. The next Gipping Valley meeting is called From Sheep to Sleep. <i>Tickets £4.00 from Sandra. Yvonne H has Sandra's contact details if needed</i>	ALL
8	TREASURER'S REPORT by Rosemary	
	8.1 There is £1,948.39p in the account with boat trip coach invoice still to pay.	RW
9	CORRESPONDENCE by Veronica P: None this month	
10	HOSTESSES FOR NEXT MONTH: Helen arranging	НС
11	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
	11.1 November shopping trip to Norwich discussed – ? November 21st if sufficient interest. September agenda Item	
	11.2 Plans for Christmas Meal MUST be agreed SOON: a. Lunch or evening meal b) Preferred venue c. Preferred date.	

	At August meeting: Of those who expressed a preference 12 voted for lunch; 2 voted for evening meal. 9 voted for the Bacton Bull, 8 voted for other venues <u>September agenda item</u>	ı
	11.3 Note: This is a follow-up from June Meeting. No ideas have been received re potential Haughley WI "projects, so no action has been taken	ı
	11.4 Yvonne E passed on a message from Elmswell WI to offer up 2 places for trip to Garden Centre September 19 th – cost £12. Anyone interested invited to speak to YE during social time.	
12	WELCOME TO GUEST SPEAKER: Hawk Honey. He is an ex long distance lorry driver who had an injury and now works for the Suffolk Wildlife Trust	
13	GUEST SPEAKER Hawk Honey: Forgotten Bees Before the talk Hawk Honey (yes that really was his name!) emphasised that any expressed opinions were his own and that he was NOT representing his employer.	
	Hawk gave an interesting and illustrated talk, which included short video clips. He provided insight into the complex and varied lives of wild bees. Certain species are in decline or endangered. He suggested things which could be done to help them.	
	The vote of thanks was given by Irene and several ladies had conversations with Hawk at the end if his session.	ſ
14	REFRESHMENTS AND MEMBERS SOCIAL TIME	
	This followed after the talk, with lots of lively chatter and the draw for the household goods raffle. A special thanks is extended to those who brought things for us to raffle: the table was loaded with a huge number and variety of prizes.	
15	NEXT MEETING: September 7 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall	
16	CLOSE OF MEETING: 9.30 pm	

DATE

PRESIDENT