

**MINUTES of a HAUGHLEY WI MEETING held in HAUGHLEY VILLAGE HALL
WEDNESDAY 2 October 2024 at 7.30pm**

1	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES: Julia welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies for absence from Yvonne, Anne Ardley, Fiona, Barbara Dunscombe, Sally, Sue, Jenny, Lesley, Rosemary, Irene, Mandy, Sandra, Eileen, Pat B.
2	JERUSALEM: was sung.
3	HOSTESSES for TONIGHT: were Anne M with help from Sarah and Marian in the absence of Irene and Sue.
4	BIRTHDAY CARDS : will be delivered to Anne Ardley
5	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: previously e-mailed and circulated. Agreed to be accurate record and signed by President for filing and for upload to our web page

6	MATTERS ARISING	ACTION
	<p>6.1 4 September new member Victoria Phillips immediately signed up to help at that month's WI hosted Community Café.</p> <p>6.2 5 September Lavenham Tea Room Trip. Jane reported a very enjoyable afternoon attended by 15 with savoury and sweet items, beautifully presented, lovely service, and nothing negative to report!</p> <p>6.3 7 September Community Café. Tracey reported a fairly steady, busy morning with plenty of volunteers and a plentiful supply of cakes. See under Treasurer item for total profit.</p> <p>6.4 9 September Pilates launch. An initial free taster session was held on the 10th with good attendance. The following session not so well attended so JB encouraged attendance.</p> <p>6.5 9 October Memories Focus Group. Should have taken place on 17 September but has been postponed until Wednesday, 9 October 2.00 pm, Green Room, Village Hall with tea and cake. Attendees include Barbara W, Evelyn and Venessa. Memories shared to be included in Centenary book being prepared by JB and Centenary exhibition.</p> <p>6.6 Reports from member-led groups:</p> <p>Singing for Wellbeing. Lynn reported first two sessions in September attended by 23; down on usual numbers most likely due to holiday absence. Next meeting, Wednesday, 9 October.</p> <p>Walking. Anne reported that she is hoping to resume with a circular Wetherden walk next Wednesday, 9 October. Email has been sent.</p> <p>Lunch Club. Tracey reported 19 had originally signed up to attend the September lunch but only 13 attended on the day, with three no shows. Tracey stressed the importance for members to sign up only if they know they are able to attend due to the extra work involved with last minute alterations having to be made with venues and potential additional costs that may be incurred. Next lunch 17 October at The Highwayman; a clipboard was circulated at the meeting. Christmas menu for the Bacton Bull available.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">All</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BW/ES/VH/JB</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TR</p>

7	<p>REMINDER OF FUTURE EVENTS</p> <p>7.1 6 October Song Sung Blue, The Regal. Apologies from Mandy who has kindly offered her ticket to anyone who would like to go in her place.</p> <p>7.2 18 October Gipping Valley Group Dabble Day, Stowupland Village Hall. Tickets still available from Marian, £5 each. Unfortunately, virtually no interest.</p> <p>7.3 8 October “Demystifying the Menopause” talk at Ipswich Hospital, free.</p> <p>7.4 22/23 October SEFWI event on the WI Constitution changes. Christine and Fiona to attend on our behalf.</p> <p>7.5 30 November Christmas Tree Light Switch-on event WI Cake Stall. Pat has kindly agreed to run the “Guess the Weight of the Cake” for one final year but would like a volunteer to do this alongside her this year with a view to taking it over next year. Volunteers will be needed to bake and help run the stall.</p> <p>7.6 30 November WI 70s/80s themed Disco Village Hall. Tickets £10 each either cash at next month’s meeting or by BACS. Fancy dress encouraged.</p>	<p>MA</p> <p>CS/FD</p> <p>PB ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>
8	<p>TREASURER’S REPORT</p> <p>8.1 September’s Community Café took £274.30</p> <p>8.2 Current Account: Evergreens total = £2,825.00 Less expenses paid out of £971.54 gives a total of £1,183.46 Current Account total including Evergreens = £3,487.35 WI only total = £1,633.18</p> <p>8.3 £2,021.18 in Centenary deposit account</p>	<p>CS</p>
9	<p>CORRESPONDENCE – emailed and displayed on noticeboard.</p>	
10	<p>HOSTESSES FOR NEXT MONTH - Veronica, Evelyn and Lesley</p>	<p>VP/ES</p>
11	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS – none reported.</p>	
12	<p>GUEST SPEAKER Margo and her hearing Dog Linus were welcomed by Julia. Margo gave a really interesting talk on Hearing Dogs for the Deaf and how Linus, her Blue Roan Cocker Spaniel transformed her life by giving her confidence to go out and with help at home. The charity was started in 1982 and Margo has been a volunteer for the last 15 years. Margo explained the different types of deafness and that a dog is not suitable to everyone with hearing impairments. Her talk was well illustrated with slides and a short film and enjoyed by us all.</p>	
14	<p>REFRESHMENTS, MEMBERS SOCIAL TIME and INVITATION TO REVIEW NOTICE BOARDS</p>	
15	<p>NEXT MEETING: 6 November AGM with earlier start time of 7.00 pm.</p>	<p>ALL</p>
16	<p>CLOSE OF MEETING. 9.00 pm</p>	

PRESIDENT

DATE