

**Minutes of Haughley WI General Meeting  
June 4, 2025 at 7.30pm in : Haughley Village Hall**

**Register signed by Members and guests on arrival**

<b>1</b>	<p><b>WELCOME</b> by Juia with special welcome to new Member Caroline Lambert  <b>APOLOGIES:</b> Marian, Jane C, Sandra, Christine R, Pat, Irene.</p>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>JERUSALEM:</b> sung by the Members to open proceedings</p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>BUSINESS</b></p> <p>3.1 Minutes of the previous meeting May 7, circulated prior to meeting, agreed as an accurate record and signed by President</p> <p>3.2 Matters arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hostesses revised rolling 3-month rota and refreshments arrangements explained by Julia. To be circulated with meeting agendas with request for absentees to find replacement/do a swap with a colleague if needed. Contact YH for tel/mobile number if needed. Officers and some members unable to be hostesses and excluded from rota.</li> <li>• Birthday cards for Anne M, Sally, Pat, Yvonne H, Barbara D: prepared by Jane T, accompanied by an enthusiastic rendition of "Happy Birthday". Pat's will be delivered.</li> <li>• Updates and Feedback from             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Walking group: temporarily suspended unless volunteer deputy comes forward. Anne M unable to lead group at present due to mobility issue.</li> <li>○ Lunch club: 12 ladies enjoyed the Kings Arms April 24 outing. 10 ladies going to the 4 Horseshoes, Thornham Magna on June 19, car share, 12.00 for 12.30 sit-down. Jane T has booked venue and has collected the pre-orders</li> <li>○ Gp 7 fashion show: Julia reports that it was a very successful evening.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• NFWI annual £1 Raffle: tickets on sale via Yvonne H, available up to end of August. Draw is October 3. Excellent prizes: see notice board or your NFWI April Mag.</li> <li>• Risk assessments to validate our SFWI provided insurance cover. Progress thus far:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Walking completed. Anne Miles holds the paperwork which is also saved on file.</li> <li>b) Food hygiene; Funded on-line course free to member volunteers via Sarah. Participants may purchase optional £4.00 certificate on successful course completion. Yvonne H will do the formal paperwork. 4 Members have signed up to do the course: Caroline, Sally, Veronica, Christine - two further volunteers sought.</li> <li>c) First aid risk assessment still required – to be carried forward.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>3.3 Diary dates and reminders</p> <p>June 7: Community Café: proceeds to Prostate Cancer research. Contents for WI "Baking" Hamper provided by Committee and prepared by Sue. Member Irene invites all who can attend to support this worthy cause.</p> <p>June 10: Evergreens pub lunch in hand. Sadly the initiative is likely to close at the end of the year, because no-one has come forward to take over its leadership beyond 2025.</p> <p>July 2: Summer trip to Felixstowe – our <i>alternative</i> July summer party: Coach arranged by Rosemary: pick up at bus stop 5.30pm return after 7.15pm fish'n'chip supper at the Fish Dish organised by Jane T.</p> <p>July 24: Beth Chatto Garden Visit with car share: Yvonne H will book our tickets on-line. Around 10 people going thus far: if you have not booked, but want to go, please contact Yvonne. Visit will last about 3 hours, if we include light lunch in on-site café.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Car share – meet in Beth Chatto carpark at 10.30 and take it from there!</li> </ul>

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4	<p><b>WELCOME TO TONIGHT'S SPEAKER</b> by Juia</p> <p>11.1 <u>Speaker: Helen Garth – A colourful Journey: all tied up in knots</u> . Very enjoyable presentation with 2 willing volunteers (Maureen and Jane T who have very different skin tones) to illustrate which colours best suit us. Evening concluded with demonstration on interesting and unusual ways to wear scarves of different shapes, materials and dimensions.</p> <p>11.2 Vote of thanks given by regular scarf-wearer Veronica</p>
5	<p><b>MEMBERS SOCIAL TIME.</b> Refreshments by Venessa, Sally and Mandy with a large array of clipboards to consider!</p>
6	<p><b>NEXT MEETING:</b> has been replaced by a trip to Felixstowe. (see 3.3) A newsletter will be distributed to keep you all updated</p>
7	<p><b>CLOSE OF MEETING:</b> 9.15pm</p>

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