

COLLINGHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday 15th January 2019 @ 7.30pm in Collingham Memorial Hall

Apologies were received from Brenda Lowe, Betty Carling, Betty Porter, Anne Chamberlain, Cassie Hovey, Margaret Rowlands, Barbara Bateson, Gill Riley.

Numbers of members present. There were 20 members present

Minutes of the last meeting, having been previously circulated to members, were signed as being a true record.

Matters arising – none

Finance Accounts out with auditors. Members asked to consider beneficiaries of any donation we may make, with the Rural Advice Centre being the favourite at present. Helen Flarry suggests that we initially make a small payment and if our finances are strong enough, then make a further donation later on in the year after our fund-raising at the May Fair. Members thought this a sensible idea.

National correspondence – none

National correspondence brought forward.

- a. President's letter to National is ongoing and almost ready to send.

County correspondence - none

County correspondence brought forward

- a. Diane has Federation raffle tickets for sale

Other correspondence.

- a. Thank you letter from the Salvation Army for the Christmas presents we sent

Collingham business

- a. Members asked to think about joining the committee. Lyn is stepping down as secretary and 'new blood' is always needed.
- b. Lyn has an envelope for the resolutions forms and she will take them to county house before 15th February.
- c. Lynne will have the 2019 programmes ready for February meeting. Members asked if they need a programme to fit handbags, or will the one sent out with the notices be alright? Definitely one for handbags!
- d. Lynne told members about the WI books which we have depicting the WI's history. They will be kept in our cupboard and if anyone wants to borrow them they can.
- e. Members reminded about our used stamp box; which Helen Flarry emptied and took on behalf of 'Hearing Dogs For The Deaf', and also the milk bottle tops which Lyn Blundy takes and forwards for electric wheelchairs for children.

Collingham Business brought forward

- a. Lyn has been informed that the Rural Advice Centre is continuing.

A.O.B.

- a. For the benefit of members who don't receive information via email, pictures of the centenary events were on the table

January's meeting. The meeting started with the business, followed by the raffle and ACWW competition. Our meeting then continued, over refreshments of tea/coffee and biscuits, with the six WI resolutions being discussed. Ten minutes had been allowed for each resolution after which members completed their voting forms. Never having had a meeting exclusively for discussing resolutions, this had been an unexpectedly enjoyable evening for most members. Perhaps it could be done again!

Winners of the ACWW competition for a 2019 calendar were: 1st Marion Tongue. 2nd Lynn Phillips, 3rd Carole Barker.

Winners of the raffle prizes 1st, Judith Christou, 2nd Chris Stothard, 3rd Helen Maric, 4th Barbara Wilson, and 5th Lynn Phillips

Signed Date