



Wolston WI News – October 2016

This month we held our AGM and welcomed Margaret Pilkington, Warwickshire Federation President, to oversee the election of our President for the next year. Sue Cross had always said she would only take on the role of President for one year, so Jane Gibbs was chosen as our new President. Thank you Sue for all the hard work you have done this past year and previously as a committee member. Sue and some members of the committee have also decided to take a break so thank you to Irene, Jacquie, Lesley, and Rose for their contributions. We would also like to welcome Jann Owen to the Committee.

It turned out to be a full evening as Jill Moore told us four members had an interesting day at a Federation event about India. She said they were given a brief history of the country, took part in some Bollywood dancing, had a delicious lunch of typical Indian food and then experimented with henna painting. Sally Beament gave us an account of another Federation event when she went to Hardwick Hall but said there was so much to see she thought a second visit would be good. Val Broom and Yvonne Carran said they had a lovely day when they visited Waterperry Gardens with a trip arranged by Federation.

Jill Moore showed us one of two blankets made up of knitted squares that had been made by members and their families, and which will be going to the Salvation Army. She also urged us to keep knitting the squares as the blankets were always needed.

When all the business affairs had been taken care of members enjoyed a buffet supper and tested their knowledge with a quiz.

The speaker at our next meeting will be Paul Thompson and he will be talking about “Dressing the Knight” which we thought might be of interest to a wider audience so have opened the meeting to everyone including gentlemen.

We were very saddened to hear that one of our members, Margaret Hodges, has passed away. Margaret had been a member since 1996 and although she has been unable to attend meetings recently because of ill health, she will be remembered as a quiet, unassuming lady with a ready smile and a lovely sense of humour. We shall miss her.

Jean Morgan