

Wolston WI News - September 2017

A Policeman's Lot!

We were lucky that when we held an afternoon tea in August, it was very warm and it was good to relax with friends so thank you to Eileen and Gordon Yates for welcoming us to their lovely garden.

Village Voices went along to Youell Court to sing to the residents and had a lovely afternoon. One lady even had a little dance when we sang songs from the 60's. It was good to see most of the residents singing with us when we sang "We'll Meet Again".

Village Voices had a short break during August and have now started practising some new songs so it would be an appropriate time for new members to join. We meet at the Baptist Chapel on a Tuesday evening at 6.50 p.m so why not come along.

Apart from the afternoon tea the only other event we held in August was a cocktail evening at the Rose and Crown when we had the opportunity to sample several different cocktails and it was appreciated how much effort Daryl had taken to make our evening so enjoyable.

At our September meeting Alan Rogers talked about his 33-year career in the Warwickshire Police Force. As a teenager, he wanted to be a professional footballer but his parents had other ideas. He believes they had decided he should join the police force when he was a baby and after leaving school, they had applied for an application form for him to join the police. He combined his police training with playing football and when given the opportunity to sign for Wolverhampton Wanderers he had to make the difficult decision which career to follow. Influenced by his parents he continued his training with the police. He related many funny stories including one when after a high-speed chase (130 mph) with a motor cyclist who was dressed like a Hells Angel, the motor cyclist pulled on to the hard shoulder of the motorway to find the offender was an 88-year-old man who wanted one last burst of speed before he gave up driving. He so impressed Alan that he gave him a formal caution instead of a fine. However, it did back fire as the man wrote to the Chief Constable congratulating him on the professionalism of his officers and for being let off with a caution. Alan had some explaining to do.

Jean Morgan