

The newsletter of the South Street WI

March 2016

Letter from the President

Dear Fellow members,

The meteorological first day of Spring has come and gone, but I am not getting too carried away, with Whitstable having its first fall of snow this morning as I write this, the 2nd March. Trying to leave Sally's after a committee meeting was not easy! This should not put us off looking forward to the warmer days and lighter evenings and the many activities available within our WI.

I am also pleased to welcome so many new members and we are planning a new members meeting. Our new members are essential to keep our institute vibrant and of course we are always looking for new committee members. We had a visitor today, who was very welcome and thoroughly enjoyed the meeting. Anyone interested can always attend a committee meeting as a guest to see how it all works.

My best wishes to you all,

Ingrid Osborne - President

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Door Hostesses: Jean Bingham, Sylvia Cooke

Tea Rota

March - Jenny Roberts, Evelyn Council, Jane Askew

April - Dorothy Cumings, Avryl Reynolds, Doreen Austin

Committee Meeting

The next South Street WI Committee Meeting is **Weds.** 6th **April** at **9.30am.** Any WI member is welcome to attend, but please call a committee member to make arrangements, as we meet in members' homes where space may be limited.

April Speaker & Competition

Our speaker in April is Len Howell, who will speak to us about Dover Castle.

The competition is a simply "Castles": photos, mementos, etc.

ACM - East Kent Federation

For those coming to the Annual Council Meeting in Folkestone on **Wednesday 23 March**, the coach will leave All Saints Hall promptly at 9 o'clock and be back by about 4.30pm. You may wish to bring a packed lunch. Tickets will be distributed on the coach. (Linda Swift)

Shutterbugs

The photo group will meet **29^h March at 2.30pm** at the tearoom in the square at Chilham. The theme is "abandoned buildings or ruins". Anyone interested in photography is welcome to join us. (Linda Swift or Jane Hakes)

April Quiz

Please sign up today for our April Quiz, held **Friday 8th April**. It's always a fun event. The doors open at 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. As always, there will be plenty of nibbles provided, but please bring your own drinks and glasses.

Craft and Home Economics Guild

The next meeting is **15**th **March**, **2.15pm**, at St. John's Church Centre, St. John's Rd, Swalecliffe. The topic is "Solley's Ice Cream". We look forward to seeing you there. (Sue Larkins)

Drama Group

The Drama Group will meet on Monday **14**th **March at 10.30 am** at 48 Church Street. Please let Pam Lilley (262395) know if you will attend.

Outings

There is already a long list of names for the outing to Hampton Court Palace and boat trip on Wednesday 22 June. Payment of £40 is due at the March and April meetings please.

The Christmas outing to Brick Lane Music Hall with lunch on Friday 2 December is also proving popular. The payment of £60 will be collected at our June and July meetings. (Linda Swift)

Sales Table

Next month **April 13th** we will be having our annual cake sale, so please can we ask that once again as many as possible can make cakes and donate them, and everyone will buy! We have done so well in past years and hope we will again this year. All proceeds go to our funds. Thank you, Shirley and Joyce.

ACWW Walk

Once a year we do a sponsored walk to collect money for the A.C.W.W (Association of Country Women of the World). This year on Thursday **28th April** we will meet at Jo Jo's on Tankerton Slopes at 10 o'clock and walk to Herne Bay along the sea front. If you wish to join us, please give your name to Jenny Taylor (264720)

Calendar (hint: clip this calendar and keep it with your diary)

March

23rd Annual Council Meeting, Folkestone

24th Walk with Jenny

29th WI Shutterbugs, Chilham

April

4th Walk with Jenny

6th Committee Meeting

8th WI Quiz Night

13th WI Monthly Meeting & Cake Sale

28th ACWW Walk the World

Ongoing Activities/News

Darts: played in The Monument Pub every **Monday** from 11am to 1pm approximately.

Local Walks: Our next walks will be Thursday 24th March and Monday 4th April. We meet at All Saints Hall at 10'oclock Weather permitting. New members are welcome to join us. (*Jenny Taylor* 264720)



March Birthdays

Jackson, Mrs Sheila	2^{nd}
Morrell, Mrs Pat	5 th
Neilson, Mrs Jill	5 th
Bingham, Mrs Jean	8 th
Russell, Mrs Liz	10^{th}
Knight, Mrs Pauline	23^{rd}
Knight, Mrs Jay	24 th
Hill, Mrs Ann	26 th
Hykin, Mrs Julia	29 th
Barker, Mrs Margaret	31 st

Reminders

All Saints Hall: Please remember to put your chair back against the wall after the meeting. If you are able, we would also appreciate help in folding the tables and putting them in their places.

Newsletter Items: The deadline for items to include in the "What's On" newsletter is 5pm on the Thursday before the monthly meeting.