



Newsletter - January 2020

Mansfield Marians WI Coffee Morning

- We raised just over £75 at our coffee morning earlier this month.
- Another coffee morning is being planned for the summer.
- Huge thank you to The Old Meeting House Unitarian Church for letting us host the morning at their venue.
- Plus, a big thank you to all members that volunteered, especially Barbara for organising the event.

Crafting Club

- We held our first Crafting Club this month with five attendees.
- We looked at the Nottinghamshire County Show entry and have come up with a great idea for our display to depict the Roaring 20's.
- Our next meeting will be on Thursday 6th February.
- At this meeting, we will start a glass painting session in the Art Nouveau style, painting them in the March session.
- If you would like to take part, bring along a drinking glass with smooth sides. Ideally, this could be a cocktail or shot glass. Wine glasses, jam jars and small tumblers will also work well.
- All other materials will be provided.
- If this is not for you, you can still come along and bring your own craft project.
- There is an individual competition to make a 20's styled headband/headress, ask for more details if you are interested.
- £4 fee.

Refined Outing

- Menus are now available to view for the evening meal at Refined on Thursday 23rd January.
- <https://www.refinedining.co.uk>
- We have a copy if you would like to have a look before attending.

2020 Membership Fee

- Please make sure this is paid by the end of January.
- Payment can be made by cash, cheque or via bank transfer.
- WI Membership for 2020 is £43.00.
- £10.00 goes to the National Federation, £10.90 goes to Nottinghamshire Federation and £1.55 goes towards the pooling of fares and expenses to send delegates to the Annual Meeting.
- Mansfield Marians WI will receive £20.55 of your membership fee.

2020 Programme

- You will receive your 2020 Programme of events when you renew your membership.
- The committee have tried to source a wide variety of activities to suit all interests.
- Some changes to the previous flyer include the replacement of Voice Versa with Rosie Makes Jam and the inclusion of Quiz Mistress.
- There are posters and flyers for the programme, if you have a venue where they could be displayed, please ask for one from the secretary.

2021 Programme

- We are planning the 2021 Programme already!
- If you have an activity you would really like to explore, then let us know via email, Facebook Member's page or our suggestion box.
- If you know anyone that gives talks or demonstrations, pass us their details for consideration.

February Members Meeting

- Our resident artist, Clare, will be leading a decoupage group based on the WI's Show the Love' environmental campaign.
- We will be creating our own Green Hearts.
- We will also be doing a Valentine's themed 'Share the Love' baking competition. Bring along anything with a LOVE theme. Prize for the best, as judged by The Rutland's staff.

March Members Meeting

- Swap from our original plan, due to Voice Versa disbanding.
- Rosie Makes Jam will give you that chance to work in a group to make your own jam, and get top tips for the perfect preserve.
- Even if you are a Jam Mistress, there may be a new trick to learn, or you can share your own experiences and suggestions.

Evening and Weekend Outing Ideas

- Do you have a good idea for an evening or weekend get-together?
- Is there a theatre show, film or activity you would like others to join you in doing?
- Let us know as we are looking for great ideas for extra evening and weekend activities.

... and finally...

- Due to personal commitments, Barbara will be standing down from the committee.
- Barbara was the first President of Mansfield Marians WI and led us for two years.
- The committee would like to thank her for all her hard work and support.



**Happy New Year from all the
Committee**

