

## THE HARBOUR W.I.

It was a sad start to the June meeting with President Sandie Goman announcing that member Elaine Smith had passed away suddenly on the 15th May. Former President Hiliary Hooper gave her personal tribute to Elaine and to Gloria Rosato who died in the previous month. This was followed by a minutes silence to remember them both. Collections were made for their favourite charities.

The correspondence from the Federation was read out by Pat Cuttel in the absence of Secretary Daphne Chamberlain – also a letter from Demelza Hospice thanking the members for their donation at the May meeting.

Out of six entries in the South of England Show, the Harbour achieved a third place for Sue Burgess's lemon drizzle and elderflower cake, commended for Sandie Goman's crocheted throw and commended for Judy Latter's watercolour painting. Chairman of the ESWI, Gill Nokes thanked all those involved with making cakes and helping with the catering and stewarding at the show. Gill also thanked Sandie Goman who is stepping down after 7 years on the committee for the show.

Steve Roberts, a former New Scotland Yard detective was the speaker for the afternoon. He told the members that half of all crime now is scams or fraud! He advised everyone to 'Stop, Think and Check' before entering in to anything or giving out any personal information; and to remember that fraudsters can gather information from dustbins, rubbish tips and social media such as Facebook. It used to be notes in the milk bottle! Criminals are hard to tell. They are usually good at what they do, so be vigilant and listen to your inner voice was his advice.

The Craft Club met at St Barnabus Church on the 18<sup>th</sup> June to be shown how to use appliqué to embellish items. They will continue with this next month.

The Lunch Club went to King's Restaurant, Sussex Downs College on the 6<sup>th</sup> June for a delicious three-course lunch prepared and served by the students, and the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday Club met at Simply Italian for coffee and a chat.

Christmas Lunch has been booked for the 12<sup>th</sup> December in the Horizon Suite of the View Hotel.

The July Meeting will be held in the Sovereign Suite of the Sovereign Harbour Yacht Club on the 9<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm, when Gilly Halcrow will give a talk on 'The History of Shopping'.

The Harbour WI membership has reached a maximum for the premises where it is held but visitors are welcome by prior arrangement with Frances Harrap on 01323 472649. Information is also available on our webpage at:

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