

Committee Meeting 9.1.68.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 9th January at 2.30 pm. 6 Members were present with Mrs Martin presiding. Mrs Tinge, Miss Le Page, Mrs Tackman and Mrs Bastable were unable to attend.

The minutes of the December meeting were read and signed.

Mrs Martin read a letter from Mrs Fenwick who wondered why she had not been invited to the December meeting. Mrs Martin had answered explaining the facts to her. (Mrs Fenwick had in fact been invited by Mrs Butler) The programmes for 1968 were distributed.

The January meeting was discussed. Mrs Hands is to be asked to judge the competition. The Secretary is to see that the heating in the hall is turned on early. Mrs Ashton will give the vote of thanks. Mrs Carter & Mrs Tinge are to be asked to be tea hostesses.

It was decided to send Miss King, who is in hospital a present of Anemones.

Mrs Butler agreed to accompany the Produce Guild Secretary, Miss Le Page, to the meeting on 25th January.

It was agreed that in future all tickets should be paid for by the Treasurer.

There will be a film show in the Village hall on Friday 19th January at 7.30 when there will be a collection for Oxfam.

The Village Hall Committee is to be reminded that the bill for the U.I. China has not yet been paid.

E.A. Martin 2.2.68.

Committee Meeting 12th February, 1968.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Monday 12th February at 2.30 p.m.

Mrs Martin Presided & 8 Members were present. Mrs Tinge & Mrs Bastable were unable to attend. The Minutes of the January meeting were read & approved.

The February meeting was discussed. Miss Bunn & Miss Le Page will be tea hostesses. Mrs Best will give the vote of thanks to the speakers & be in charge of the competition. Nominations for the new Committee will be collected. The possibility of enrolling new Members was discussed.

Miss Le Page gave an account of the Produce Guild meeting which she attended with Mrs Butler. There is to be an outing to Wisley in May.

Miss Le Page suggested that our own produce Guild might visit the Knitbury Pottery on Tuesday 27th February at 2.30 p.m.
Mrs Butler gave a report of the last Group Committee meeting. The next meeting will be on 22nd May. The Competition to be 3 crafts for an elderly person taken care to be in charge of the competition & give the vote of Thanks to the judge.

The competition at the Newbury Show was discussed. It is to be called "The Countrywoman's Year", it to represent one of the seasons. Members were asked to bring their ideas to the next meeting. There is to be a meeting on 22nd Feb. to give hints on staging competitions. Mrs Martin will go & it was suggested that Mrs Wilde & Mrs Fawcett should accompany her.

There will be a bring & buy stall at the March meeting to raise money for Institute funds.

H.M. Butler
12/3/68

Committee Meeting 12th March, 1968.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 12th March at 2.30 p.m. in the

absence of Mrs Martin Mrs Butler took the chair. Mrs Bastable, Miss Le Page and Mrs Tonge were also unable to attend.

The Minutes of the February meeting were read and signed. The outing to the Knitbury Pottery was enjoyed.

The March meeting was discussed. West Woodhay will act as Teller and one to be asked to judge the competition. Mrs Butler & Mrs Ashton will be Tea hostesses. Mrs Butler will show Members colour slides. There is to be a bring & buy stall in aid of the flower fund.

The Secretary read the annual report & the Treasurer the financial report. As funds are again low, it was suggested we should have a jumble sale shortly. Mrs Butler suggested another coffee morning at The Driftway in the summer.

Knitbury W.I. have asked for two of our Members to act as Tellers at their meeting on 20th March at 2.30 p.m. Arrangements for this will have to be made at the Monthly meeting.

Mrs Bastable is to be sent a letter of thanks for her work in arranging the

Evergreen Club transport for the past 2 years.

A letter of sympathy is to be sent to Miss Carter on the death of her Father. Sympathy was expressed for Miss Hall who is ill in hospital. It was agreed to wait until she is a little better before sending her flowers.

The crafts for the elderly for the group meeting competition were discussed. Miss Brown has bought some wool & she is making a bed jacket, Mrs Tackman a knee rug & Mrs Bent a Cape. Mrs Mills & Miss Le Page are to be invited to make something.

E. A. Martin.

April 9th 1968.

Committee Meeting 9th April, 1968.

The Meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 9th April at 2.30 pm. All 10 Members were present.

New Committee Members were welcomed.

The Minutes of the March meeting were read and signed.

Miss Le Page suggested that in future years the number of years service in the Committee of each member should be stated on the ballot paper. This was agreed.

Miss Le Page proposed & Mrs Fenwick seconded & it was agreed unanimously that Mrs Ashton should be invited to return to the committee as a co-opted member.

It was agreed to hold a jumble sale in aid of Institute funds on Friday 26th April at 6.30 pm. Helpers to be at the hall at 5 pm.

It was decided that a new lock should be put on the W.I. cupboard. Mrs Rantin will arrange this.

Mrs Edwards reported that the bring & buy stall in aid of the flower fund made £5.5.6d. It was agreed to send flowers to Miss Hall when she comes home.

It was agreed to invite members of the Mothers Union to the April meeting & the Rectory is to be asked to announce it at the Family Service on Sunday.

The Speaker at the April Meeting will be Miss Stuart & she is to be asked to judge the competition for a knitted matinee coat.

The competition at the Newbury Show was discussed. Mrs Wild, Mrs Skofzen & Mrs Fawcett are to be in charge.

The Group meeting at Boxford on 22nd May was discussed. We are in charge of the entertainment & it was suggested that we should do a mime. Mr's Touge is to bring some copies of mimes to the next meeting.

The duties of the new Committee were arranged.

Mrs Skotzen and Mrs Fenemore are new subscribers to Home & Country.

Members were reminded that nominations for the new Parish Council must be handed in by 18th April.

E.A. Martin.

May 14th 1968.

Committee Meeting 14. 5. 68.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 14th May at 2.30 pm. Mrs Martin presided. Mrs Edwards and Mrs Wild were unable to attend.

Miss Bursu showed Members the finished articles for the Group competition and arrangements for displaying them were made.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and signed.

The Tumble Sale made £21-1-36.

It was agreed that the appeal for the Stan and Gables should be left until Mrs Edwards can tell us our financial position.

The May meeting at High View was discussed. The competition is to be the names of weeds instead of flowers. The mime which is the entertainment at the Group meeting is to be performed.

Mr's Touge is to buy writing paper for the raffle for the Group meeting.

Mrs Wild is having a coffee morning & bring a buy stall of food on Monday 27th May to raise money to pay for the Newbury Show competition. Each member may take 1 guest.

Mrs Butler will hold a coffee morning on 26th June in aid of Institute funds. It was suggested by Miss Le Page & unanimously agreed that a charge of 2/- should be made for coffee & biscuits. Notices advertising this event should be prominently displayed.

Mrs Martin said she had received a request from Mr Neale to start a Savings Group in the Institute. It was

In example suggested that Members might like to save to pay for their television licences. The matter is to be discussed at the meeting.

The Institute has been asked to arrange transport for 10 members of the year to take 2 blind people to their meetings in Humberford.

Names were taken from those Members requiring 1969 diaries.

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Committee Meeting 9th July, 1968.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 9th July at 2.30 pm. Miss Le Page presided & 8 Members were present. Mrs Martin, Mrs Targe and Mrs Fenmore were unable to attend.

The Minutes of the May meeting were read and approved. Arising out of the Minutes Group Meeting Lutken were second in the competition for 3 crafts for an elderly person with 43 marks out of 50, 1 mark behind Kuntberg. The Kuntbers were thanked for their work. The evening was a great success & the performers were thanked.

Coffee mornings. Mrs Wild was thanked for her coffee morning to raise money to pay for the competition for the Newbury Show.

Mrs Butler's coffee morning in aid of Institute funds raised £12-15-00. She was thanked for her work & for lending her home. The Secretary apologised for having made a muddle of the advertising with the result that a number of Members did not know of the party. This was much regretted.

Savings Group. Mrs Fenmore has offered to run a National Savings Group. It was proposed by Mrs Skolzen and seconded by Mrs Wild that it should be for National Savings only. If Members wish to save for their subscription or any other item, this should be a separate matter.

Transport for the blind This has not yet been settled.

July meeting The speaker will be Mr Hawthorne on Car Dollies. Mrs Wild will give the Vote of thanks. Mrs Wild is to be in charge of the "on the spot"

competition. Mrs Bent & Mrs Belts will be in charge of the refreshments. The next group Committee meeting will be on Monday 15th July. It was suggested there might be a travel talk or a talk on stained glass. For a competition Mrs will suggested Autumn foliage in an unusual container.

The Secretary reported that the Outing on the river was a success. There was a loss to the Institute of about £3.

The appeal from the Stars & Garters was discussed and a donation of 5 guineas was recommended. The appeal for the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council was also discussed & it was suggested we might support this appeal also.

Raffle tickets for the W.I. tent at the Newbury Show were distributed.

A letter from Mrs Wasey to Mrs Martin regarding visits to old people at Notrees Kintbury was read. The Secretary is to get in touch with the Superintendent to ask for further details.

E.A. Martin

10.9.68.

Committee Meeting 10th Sept. 1968.

The meeting was held at Totterdown by kind invitation of Mrs Skotzen. Mrs Martin presided & 9 Members were present, Mrs Tange and Mrs Mills being unable to attend.

The Minutes of the July meeting were read and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes Mrs Martin reported that Mrs Tange has agreed to arrange transport for the blind.

It was agreed that arrangements for the Savings Group should go ahead.

The Group meeting to be held at Kintbury on 23rd October was discussed. It was agreed that it would be a good idea to have colour transparencies as an extra competition & the Group Secretary is to be notified accordingly.

Newbury Show. The newly completed competition entry was on display. Members were asked to provide produce for sale at the Institute stall, to tell Miss Buser at the September meeting if they would like her to collect them.

September Meeting. The Speaker will be

Mrs Duffield on flower arranging.
Mrs Edwards will be Tea hostess in place
of Mrs Skotzen & Mrs Wild & Mrs Head
is to be asked to help Mrs Edwards.

The competition is to be one flower from
Members own gardens in a container.

October meeting The entertainment is to be
given by The Berkshire Strip Players &
it was agreed to invite 6 Members from
each of the 5 institutes in our Group.

The competition will be for a round table
decoration not to exceed 8 inches in diameter.

Autumn Council Meeting. Will take place
in Reading Town Hall on Tuesday 8th October.
A delegate was asked for.

Countyside Treasures Members were asked
to make a list & bring it to the September
meeting.

E.A. Martin
Oct 7, 1968.

Committee Meeting 7th October, 1968.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on
Monday 7th October at 2.30 pm. Mrs Martin
presided & 8 Members were present. Mrs Tonge,
Mrs Ashton and Mrs Fenmore were unable
to attend. The Minutes of the September meeting
were read & signed.

The President congratulated Mrs Wild
and Mrs Skotzen for arranging the
competition at the Newbury Show. Luken
gained 2nd place $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark behind
Kintbury. There was £1-2-3d left over
after the expenses were paid & this money
will go to meet the expense of future
competitions.

The October meeting was discussed.
Two of the Kintbury Members are to be
asked to judge the competition. Mrs Butler
will show colour slides & Members are
asked to bring any local ones of their own
Preserves for the Group meeting competition
are to be brought to October meeting &
Mrs Skotzen is to bring polystyrene blocks
for staging.

Group Meeting. Mrs Harris is to buy the
raffle prize of bulbs & Miss Le Page will
provide the bowl.

Items from the County News Letter were
read.

Mrs Martin read a draft of the reasons
why the Institute does not want flatside
added to the main water supply.

The AGM of the U.I. Tent, Newbury Show

will be held on Thursday Nov. 7th. It was suggested that the rules for competitions should be more specific. Should all food covered & could the precise dimensions of the exhibits be adhered to? Suggestions for next year's competition were:- A Song, a fairy tale or A day in the Country.

There will be a meeting at Black Latch on 17th October to arrange the W.I. programme for 1969.

E.A. Martin. Nov. 12th

Committee Meeting 12th November, 1968.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 12th November at 2.30 pm.

Mrs Martin presided and 7 Members were present. Mrs Skolzen, Miss Le Page, Mrs Wild and Mrs Tuge were unable to attend.

The minutes of the October meeting were read and approved.

The Group meeting was discussed. Mrs Harris was thanked for giving a cyclamen for the raffle prize. Lukpen was 2nd in the competition for 6 preserves.

Mrs Fenemore reported on the Group Committee meeting. Lukpen's column of side of shine horses is to go forward to Reading for

consideration for the W.I. Calendar for 1970. The next Group meeting will be held at Stockeross on 30th April at 2.30 pm. Lukpen's duties will be ^{hostess} to look after the speaker, Gypsy Petulengio & to look after the bring & buy stall. The competition is to be an arrangement of flowers to represent a popular tune. 10 marks will be given if the tune can be recognised, 20 for arrangement and 20 for interpretation. The competition at the Autumn meeting will be 3 cushions, 1 tapestry, 1 material & 1 pin cushion.

The November meeting was discussed. Mrs Fenemore will be Tea hostess and Mrs Cousins is to be asked to help her. There will be an exhibition of metal objects.

Mrs Martin reported on the Newbury Show committee meeting. The competition is to be a golden celebration.

The card party will be held in The Plaza, Newbury on Thursday December 5th from 2-4 pm.

Mrs Martin read the list of classes for the handcraft exhibition to be held in Reading on July 1st & 2nd, 1969.

E.A. Martin Dec 3, 1968.

Committee Meeting 3rd Dec. 1968.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 3rd December at 2.30 pm.

Mrs Martin presided, 8 Members were present. Mrs Fenimore, Mrs Wild and Mrs Tuge were unable to attend.

The Minutes of the November meeting were read and approved.

The December meeting to be held at Mistletoe Cottage was discussed. Mrs Taberna is to be asked to judge the competition for a Christmas table decoration. Mrs Fenimore is to be asked to give the Vote of Thanks.

The programme for 1969 was discussed. It was suggested we might have a talk & film from the Berks, Oxon & Bucks Naturalists Trust for our January meeting. Failing this a gardening talk by Mr Dodson or a Brain's Trust. It was decided that the talk on meat should be used for a Produce Guild meeting & should take place in April or May.

The Pennies for Friendship collection raised £1. The National Federation's Appeal for $\frac{1}{2}$ million pounds has now reached £449,000.

The coffee morning to be held at Notices on Thursday 12th December to raise money for Christmas presents for the old people was discussed. There is to be a bring & buy stall of food only & members are to be asked to make biscuits. E.A. Martin. Jan 14/69.

Committee Meeting 14th January 1969.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 14th January at 2.30 pm.

Mrs Martin presided and 8 Members were present. Mrs Wild, Mrs Fenimore and Miss Le Page were unable to attend.

The Minutes of the December meeting were read and signed.

The January meeting was discussed. The speaker will be Mr Baker and the subject The Oxon, Berks & Bucks Naturalists Trust. Miss Watts is to be asked to give the vote of Thanks. It was decided that the competition should be a County Quiz and Miss Watts is to be asked to compile a list of questions.

West Woodhay Institute has been invited to the meeting.

Mrs Harris and Mrs Mills will be tea hostesses.

An invitation has been received from Knitby W.I. to their meeting on Wednesday 19th February at 2.30 pm.

There will be an Art Guild meeting on 6th February and a Produce Guild meeting on 20th February.

Mrs Martin reported that the coffee morning at Notices was a success.

Members were reminded that nominations for the new Committee must be handed in at the February meeting and that three new officers would be required.

The Golden Celebration Competition at the Newbury Show was discussed.

It was decided to order 12 entry forms for the handcraft exhibition to be held in July.

A letter was read from our new County Chairman, Mrs Matec.

E.A. Martin.
Feb. 11th. 1969.

Committee Meeting 11th February, 1969.

The meeting was held at Ivy House on Tuesday 11th February at 2.30 pm.

Mrs Martin presided and 10 Members were present. Mrs Fenmore was unable to attend.

The Minutes of the January meeting were read and signed.

The President thanked Mrs Mills and Mrs Harris for the excellent tea they provided at the January meeting. It was suggested by Mrs Martin that the Quiz devised by Miss Watts should be typed & sold for 1/- per copy and the proceeds sent to the Berks, Bucks & Oxon. Naturalists Trust.

Members are invited to the old Vicarage Knitby to a coffee morning on 12/2/69 in aid of W.I. & Connaughton Hall Funds.

Knitby have invited Members to their meeting on Tuesday Wednesday 19/2/69 at 2.30 pm. Knitby are having an outing to London on 20/3/69. Seats are available at 10/6 each.

Hungerford are visiting Denman College on 4/3/69. There are 4 seats available at 5/3 each.

The February meeting was discussed. The speaker will be Mr Brittain. Mrs Tange will propose the vote of Thanks. Mrs Brittain is to be asked to judge the competition for a bowl of bulbs. Tea hostesses will be Mrs Edwards. Mrs Homen.

The Group Competition for a flower arrangement to represent a Song Title was discussed.

The competition for a golden Jubilee celebration to be held at the Newbury Show was discussed. Mrs Fawcett is to be asked to be in charge with Mrs Wilk. Mrs Skotzen to help her.

Members were reminded that there will be an exhibition of golden preserves in the W.I. Tent.

The Spring Council meeting will be held at the Corn exchange on Friday 7th March from 11-4 pm.

Mrs Martin is to make a list of the people known to her on the ballot paper for the National executive Committee. Members will be asked to approve it at the next meeting.

Nominations for the new committee were discussed. Mrs Skotzen offered to serve as Treasurer.

Funds for entries for the Handicraft ~~Group~~ exhibition to be held in July were distributed.

Dolls from the Westminster Hospital were also distributed.

E.A. Martin. March 11th 1969.

Committee meeting 11th March 1969.

The meeting was held in Ivy House on Tuesday 11th March at 2.30.

Mrs Martin presided, 8 members were present. Apologies were received from Mrs Beck, Mrs Skotzen and Mrs Harris.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

It was noted that the Group Spring meeting to be held at Stockcross on April 30th at 2.30. Mrs Taffa was to speak on Graphology. Inkpen Institute was asked to propose the Vote of Thanks to the Posters Institute.

The Annual general report was read.

It was stated that the Treasurer's report

wanted be ready for the Annual General meeting.

Mrs. Cook & Mrs. Greenough - P. Kintbury Institute had consented to be lessors.

It was suggested that Mrs. Fennimore be asked to propose the date of thank.

It was also suggested that Mrs. Whitlock be asked to display the year's programme in the Post Office to give a wider view of the interests of the Institute.

The Song title competition was again discussed.

Mrs. Martin expressed the gratitude of the committee for to Mrs. Edwards, for the hospitality given for many years.

There being no further business the meeting then adjourned.

J. A. Martin.

April 8th, 1969

Committee Meeting April 8th 1969.

The meeting was held at Mistletoe Cottage at 2.30.

Mrs. Martin presided & seven members were present.

Mrs. Cousins & Mrs. Le Page were unable to attend.

The minutes of the March meeting were read & confirmed.

The following duties were assigned to the Committee

Treasurer Mrs. Skotzen,

Secretary Mrs. Cousins

Asst Sec Miss Burn

Competitions " "

Trade Stall Mrs. Mills

Mrs. Harris

Press Mrs. Cousins

Visitors Mrs. Ashton

Greengreen Club Mrs. Skotzen

Produce Guild Mrs. Le Page

Handicrafts Guild Miss Burn

Monthly Meeting.

Suggested Judges for Competition Mrs. Sinclair Jones & Mrs. Cross were suggested.

Vote to speaker Mrs. Jarrsett.

Matters to be dealt with. Delegate to A.G.M.

Miss Carter's scheme for clothing for Windward Is.

Not requiring Berkshire Quiz 3+

Specimens of writing in preparation for Group Meeting.

Monthly prizes for competitions.

Question of teas. - biscuits or scones.

Invitation from Woodley Group.
Work done on resolution re Roadside verges
Newbury Agricultural Show Competition.

Group meeting.

Mrs Martin & Mrs Wild arrangements for competition.
Choice of 3 handwritings for the speaker.

Vote of thanks to Hostess Institute Mrs Wild
Suggestion for Quiz. Mrs Toney & Mrs Cousins.

Mrs Skotzen to obtain a garden voucher for 21- for Raffle
Transport to be arranged. Numbers for tea?

Correspondence.

1. A letter was read from the Newbury District Group of the Ramblers Assoc. asking for support for a meet in Newbury to discuss legal points arising out of footpaths since the new Countryside Act.
2. An invitation was received from the Woodley Group of Institutes to attend their Jubilee celebrations.

Handwritten. May 13.

Committee Meeting 13th May 1969

The meeting was held at Mistletoe Cottage at 2pm.
Mrs Wild presided 8 members were present.

The minutes of the April meeting were read & confirmed.

Teas. It was suggested that when the meet was held by invitation at a member's home she should be free to decide what refreshments should be.

Dolls Staging to be arranged by Mrs Burn

Mrs Janssett offered to deal with the delivery of the

dolls to the hospital.

County Newsletter. a questionnaire to be read ^{at the meeting} from County Committee, & numbers regarding that & the 'Home & Country' to be obtained. & the 1970 diaries.

A letter was read asking us to take part in the Keep Britain Tidy week.

An appeal for help for Spastics was considered for proposal to the meeting. & the Newbury Show competition also to be decided.

Roadside verges. Mrs Janssett undertook to make a list of the names of lanes which might be adopted by members to keep a record of cuttings, names of flowers growing there, to take photographs or transparencies for use in giving the result of the new cutting programme adopted by the County.

'Look to the Countryside' Day at Compton. It was decided to bring this to the notice of the meeting & to ask for their support.

Vote of thanks to Mr Knell. Mrs Skotzen, who also undertook to stand in for Mrs Cousins if she be unable to act as delegate at the A.G.M.

E.A. Martin

June 10. 1969.

Committee Meeting June 10th

The meeting was held at Tottenham at 2pm.
Mrs Martin presided & 8 members were present.
The minutes of the May meeting were read & confirmed
arising on the minutes.

1. Keep Britain Tidy week. It was suggested that we should arrange groups to clean rubbish from various well known spots in the village.
2. Appeals. It was suggested that the help for the Spastics should be given by having a Bring & Buy in October next.
3. Roadside verges. Mrs Martin undertook to exhibit a list of the lanes to be studied during the coming year so that members could state their choice.

Mrs Martin then read a letter from a member of the Hopkorn Institute in Australia. She was in London but unfortunately was unable to fit in a visit to Ingher.

Mrs Cousins gave a short account of the A.S.M. June meeting. It was suggested that Mrs Bart be asked to give the vote of thanks to the speaker, & that a judge for the competition should be chosen at the meeting.

July meeting.

Competition a miniature garden - to be arranged in a round ^{and with} ~~circle~~ ^{table} ~~line~~.

Group meeting. Competition 3 cushions or tapestry

one embroidery & a pin cushion.
monthly competitions. It was suggested that the prizes should be pencils for the rest of this year & that prizes should be awarded on the aggregate marks obtained by the end of the year.
Notice Board. It was felt that the notices were more likely to be read if the Board was at the front of the hall.
E.A. Martin. July 3rd 1969

Committee Meeting July 3rd

The meeting was held at Greenleaves at 2.30 pm.
Mrs Martin presided & 4 members were present.
The minutes of the June meeting were read & confirmed.

Mrs Bulter attended in order to give the report on the Group Committee meeting. This is to be at Hungerford on Oct 22nd - possible speaker Mrs Fletcher.

Competition 3 cushions - a pin cushion, tapestry & one of one's own choice. These to be staged on a card table 2ft. There will be a Bring & Buy Stall for funds & the usual raffle. cost 7/6.

The Group Competition was discussed & Mrs Martin offered to attempt the tapestry cushion, Mrs Skotzen embroidery of her own choice & Miss Bunn the pin cushion.

July meeting at High View. Suggestions for voting thanks Mrs Le Page the speaker - Mrs Cousins - Mrs Tonge.

on July 19th
Jette at notrees, Mrs Cousins asked for support
- plants, produce etc E.A. Martin

Committee Meeting Sept. 9th

The meeting was held at Mistletoe Cottage at 2pm.
Mrs Martin presided. Five members were present.
The monthly meeting was discussed. Mrs Martin
agreed to do the tea & it was proposed that Mrs
Bunn should ask Mrs Bent to help. Mrs Ashton
agreed to give the vote of thanks to the speaker.

Miss Le Page offered to collect Mr Sparrows from Skelton
& Mrs Martin to return ^{her} there after the meeting.

Flowers for President's table. Mrs Martin suggested
that this should be done by different members each
time. She herself would do this in Sept. with flowers
from seed supplied by our N Zealand link.

October Meeting. Mrs Cousins is to contact the organisers
concerned about the speaker for the Oct. meeting as there
is some uncertainty about this.

A discussion took place about enlarging the w.i. It
was felt that evening meetings might meet the pocket
of several young mothers who cannot attend during
the afternoon. They are busy with husbands & children
till seven o'clock at least. It was decided to
broach the matter later on.

Milk bottle tops. Mrs Carter has suggested that she

should deal with these as she prefers because in view
of her change of residence she has not the same space
for long storage.

Numbers for the Vook & Ready to have the 'Bridle and
the Donk' will be required at the meeting &
offers of produce for the Newbury show will also
be asked for.

E.A. Martin

Oct. 14 1969.

Committee Meeting Oct. 14th

The meeting was held at Mistletoe Cottage at 2pm.
Mrs Martin presided & 7 members were present.
Oct. meeting. In view of the alterations taking place at the
Village Hall it was decided to accept Mrs Skorzak's
kind invitation to hold the meeting at Totterdown.

As the time of the meeting had to be changed to
meet the wishes of the speaker it was arranged that
the committee would get in touch with all members
to tell them of the change & to remind them of the
Bray - Buy Sale for the Spastics.

Mrs Faussett offered to collect the speaker from Kintbury.

The competition. ~~The picnic which~~ was
substituted for the competition in view of the competition
for the group meeting. It was suggested that Mrs Goodhart
be asked to judge the entries.

Christmas Fair. Mrs Mills & Mrs Harris are running the
Lake & Produce Stall & other members helping with other stalls.

November meeting. The idea of a party to celebrate 40 years of the Inverclyde was suggested, - the form to be discussed at the meeting, the programme & visitors, & time.

Time of meeting for 1970 Afternoon or evening to be discussed.

E.A. Martin. November 11th. 1969.

Committee Meeting Nov. 11th

The meeting was held at Mistletoe Cottage at 2 pm. Mr Martin presided & 8 members were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

Programme for 1970

Suggestions were read & approved for speakers & competitions.

The members then considered the arrangements for the Party. - numbers, catering, transport & entertainment.

E.A. Martin. December 2nd 1969.

Committee Meeting Dec 2nd

The meeting was held at Greenleaves at 2.30 pm. Mr Martin presided & 9 members were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

Party. It was felt that this had been a success - several letters of appreciation were read. The cost would be about £30.

Programme for 1970 This was practically complete - speakers & competitions - one meeting only was undecided.

Dec meeting Miss Coleman is going to speak about New Zealand. Mrs Cole Skolzen undertook to do refreshments & Mr Martin undertook to ask Miss Carter to help. Miss Le Page agreed to give the vote of thanks to the speaker.

Newbury Show 1970 Subject for the Competition...

'All of one colour'. It was felt that this gave wide scope for initiative & skill.

Group Meeting April 29th at Inverclyde 'Competition' Tea Table laid for two with scones, Victoria Sandwich & a third extra item chosen by the Institute.

Produce Guild in St Nicholas Hall March 12th Subject catering for members.

Christmas Fair - general arrangements.

E.A. Martin. Jan. 13, 1970.

Committee Meeting, Jan. 13th

The meeting was held at Greenleaves at 2 pm. Mr Martin presided & ^{six} ~~seven~~ members were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

A letter was read from our Australian Link at Hopetoun.

An invitation was received from Kilmory for their meeting on Jan. 21st 2.15

Payments Subscriptions. It was decided that there should be

at any time up till the March meeting.
Produce Guild hands the jumble for the March meeting
on Feb 13.

Finances In view of the state of our finances it was decided
to hold a Jumble Sale on Feb 20th & Mrs Jawssett
kindly offered to have a coffee morning with Brigs
10.30-12. Tues. Feb. 3rd

Newbury Show Comp. A suggestion that green should be
chosen as our colour was made but no decision
was made. Announced at

Annual Meeting. Nominations for 1970 committee will
be required at the Feb meeting. E.A. Martin.

Feb. 10 1970
Committee Meeting Feb 10th

The meeting was held at Mistletoe Cottage at 2pm
Mrs Martin presided. 8 other members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Coffee morning. Mrs Jawssett was gratefully thanked for arranging
a very successful coffee morning which raised £13 &
was a pleasant social occasion.

Jumble Sale

It was arranged that jumble should be collected at
several centres in the village, & marked. Those helping
in the afternoon would meet at 2 o'clock to arrange

Monthly Meeting Flowers Mrs de Page Refreshments Miss Carter &

Drama Group Nominations for 1970 committee to be given in
Formation of a group was discussed & it was decided
to defer the matter till March after the new committee have
been elected.

Saving Group Members were reminded of this & to see Mrs Butler
who is in charge.

Tea Towels It was suggested that these should be for sale.
Denkman College One ticket had been allotted to Wyper for the opening
of the New Buildings. Chair of members to be decided.

Area Conference It was felt that the Salisbury Centre would be
much easier for Wyper ^{the coach} calling at Hursford, than
the London Centre.

International These to be chosen & names forwarded to Reading as
Representatives soon as possible.

Wyper Quiz It was decided to hold this over until the March meeting
& to use it instead of Desert Island Discs.
E.A. Martin.

March 10, 1970

Committee Meeting. March 10th.

The meeting was held at Mistletoe
Cottage at 2.0pm. Mrs Martin
presided and 9 other members were
present.

Jumble Sale. Mrs Martin stated that she had an
amount of jumble left over which she

wished to dispose of. It was suggested that Mrs. Skotzen should store it until the next Village Jumble Sale.

National Savings It is to be suggested that ten people may like to buy a premium bond together, by each buying one stamp.

International Mrs. Martin is to represent the Institute at International Day in Reading on 12th March.

Delegates Mrs. Wild proposed that the Institute should pay delegates expenses when they are representing the Institute. This was seconded by Miss Le Page. The vote was carried unanimously.

Tea for Annual Meeting Miss Bevan suggested a special tea should be provided at the Annual Meeting. This was agreed by 7 votes to 3.

Annual Meeting There is to be no election of a committee for the coming year as only 10 members have been nominated. Mrs. Cousins read the Secretary's Annual report.

Mrs. Skotzen presented the Treasurer's report. Nomination of officers to be left until the next meeting.

N.Z. Institute A letter of condolence to be sent to N.Z. Institute because the previous link correspondent is very ill in hospital.

Boxford Meeting Invitation has been received for members to attend Boxford's meeting on 11th March at 7.0 pm.

E.A. Martin. April 14, 1970.

Committee Meeting April 14th 1970.

The meeting was held at Mistletoe Cottage Mrs. Martin presided. 8 other members were present. Mrs. Tuck sent her apologies. The minutes of the previous meeting were read + confirmed.

Delegates Mrs. Martin gave her account as W.I. delegate to the International Day on 12th March and stated that she had now become a member of the A.C.W.U. Mrs. Martin also gave an account of her visit to Denman College and the opening of the new buildings.

Election of Officers

The following duties were assigned to the committee: -

Mrs. Martin - President

Vice Presidents. Miss Le Page. Mrs Wild.
 Secretary Mrs. Cousin
 Treasurer Mrs. Skotzen.
 Competition. Mrs. Cousins
 Trading Stall Mrs. Mills + Mrs Harris
 Press. Mrs. Cousins
 Visitors Miss Beun
 Group Representative: Mrs. Butler + Mrs Wild
 Evergreen Club Mrs. Skotzen.
 Produce Guild Miss Le Page
 Handicraft Guild Miss Beun
 Village Hall Committee Mrs. Mills + Mrs Harris
 Catering: Mrs. Fawcett. Mrs Cousin
 Mrs. Butler
 Drama: Mrs Tuck.

Monthly meeting The April meeting was discussed
 Mrs. ~~Cousins~~ Skotzen to give vote of thanks to
 the representative of local home economics
 Group Meeting. Seating accommodation and supplies
 of crockery were discussed
 Mrs. Wild to be in charge of floral decoration
 Madams Butler Fawcett + Cousins in charge
 of catering
 Mrs Beun + Miss Beun to be requested to
 take charge of the competition
 May Competition Floral arrangement. not larger than 12sq"

Evergreen Club. A list to be made and members
 asked to put their names down
 for transporting old people to and
 from Kintbury once a month.
 Trading Stall Mrs. Harris requested that the
 Trading stall should be explained to
 new members.
 Diaries. Orders for 1971 Diaries requested.

Committee meeting 12th May. 1970.

The meeting was held at 2.0pm at
 Mistletoe Cottage. Mrs. Martin presided
 and 9 other members were present.

Group Meeting
 Mrs. Martin congratulated all concerned
 on winning the Spring Group meeting
 competition. A letter is to be sent to
 Miss Beun thanking her also on behalf of the
 committee for her splendid work
 Mrs. Butler + Mrs. Wild reported on the
 Group committee meeting. General approval
 was expressed at the refreshments served
 Next Group Meeting Oct 28th 2.30pm
 at Boxford. Inge to be in charge of
 entertainment and vote of thanks to the judges.

Monthly meeting Mrs. Mayne V.C.O to speak on the A.G.M Resolutions.

Competition Floral arrangements.

May Flowers for president's table: Mrs Bent
Tea Hostess: Mrs Neal + Mrs Skeats suggested
Vote of thank to speaker: Miss Le Page.

Appeals. Watlington House Appeal Champagne Party on June 16th in aid of restoration

Delegate. Delegate to represent Institute at the Area Conference at Salisbury 8th June

Diaries + County News letters.

Orders needed for 1971

Drama Group. It was proposed that Mrs Martin and Mrs Tuck should organise the entertainment of the Autumn Group meeting and the Old Peoples Party in December

National Savings. Mr. Butler requested that we should have a National Savings Committee member to talk to the committee at our next meeting.

E.A. Martin - June 9th /70

Committee Meeting June 9th 1970

The meeting was held at Knights Acre Craven Rd by kind invitation of Mrs Wild. Mrs. Martin presided and only 3 other members were present.

Mrs. Martin welcomed Mrs. Jane Dockill M.B.F. who had come to speak to committee members on National Savings. Her talk was most interesting and members present thanked her for her clear explanations that should now enable us to continue with a more flourishing ^{National Savings} group within the Institute.

The minutes for the May meeting were read and approved.

Minutes Mrs. Martin reported that the Area conference at Salisbury had been cancelled due to the General Election.

The A.G.M report by a Hungerford member had not yet been received.

Monthly Meeting The speaker at the June monthly meeting is to be Mrs. Audrey Collins on the Art of making Fabric + Collage Picture. Mrs. Martin is to give the vote of thanks. Teas + refreshments to be served by Mrs. Wild, Miss Caddoo + Mrs. Seaman

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Flowers for the President's table by Mrs ^{Wild} ~~Skotzen~~
The competition and piece of handicraft
by Members were reminded that the Village
Hall Fete was to be held on 20th June
and not the 4th July as previously stated
and that cakes and produce would be
needed by Mrs Harris + Mrs Mills who are
to be in charge of this stall on behalf of the
w.I

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Monthly meeting

Mrs Cousins reported a Fete at No Trees Kimbury
on July 11th and would be grateful for members
support.
E.A. Martin, July 14, 1970

Committee meeting 14th July 1970
The meeting was held at Mistletoe cottage
on Tuesday 14th July at 2.0pm Mrs Martin
presided and eight other members were
present. Mrs Tuck sent her apologies.

The speaker for the July meeting is to
be Mrs Pamela Ridley on the "Romance of Rose"
Vote of thanks to be given by Mrs Bent.
The meeting is to be held at Mrs Wild's home
Knights Acre. Teas to be served by Mrs
Wild, Mrs Skotzen and Mrs Jackman.
The competition: One Rose

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A letter was received from Mrs Dockrill
thanking the committee for their hospitality
and hoping that our National Savings
Group will flourish.

als.

An appeal for funds has been
received from the Arthritis and Rheumatism
Council.

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Members were asked to vote for their
representatives on the 1970/1972
Berkshire Federation of Women's Institutes
Executive Committee

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Money paid for tickets to the
Area Conference to be left and used
against necessary stationery orders in the
future.

G.M.

A report was read on work required
to be done by Institutes on the following up
of this year's A.C.M. Resolutions

idents.

Meeting Mrs. Wild attended a President's
meeting at Newbury and gave her report.
The main theme being, the need to
incorporate members outside the committee
in the running of the Institute.

September

Meeting Is to be a members meeting.
Committee meeting to be held on the 8th
September at Totterdown to discuss Newbury

Show Exhibit and any other business
E.A. Martin

8. September 1970.

Committee Meeting 8th September 1970
The committee meeting was held at
Tokerdown on Tuesday 8th September at
2.0pm.

Mrs. Martin presided and five other
committee members were present.

As the September meeting is to
be a members meeting the main object
of this meeting was to exhibit and
discuss the Newbury Show Exhibit which
Mrs Skotzen and Mrs Wild had staged and
Miss Buen, Miss Watts, Mr Bent and
Mrs. Eveson were also present.

The minutes of the July committee meeting
were read and approved.

A member of the Parish Council has
approached the W.I. with a view to
a combined village notice board where
the W.I. notice board now stands.

The October speaker has not yet
been decided on and various suggestions were
made. Mrs. Mayne V.C.O is to be asked to

demonstrate fabric picture making.

Mrs. Butler reported that she still had
not received any further information
from the National Savings Group.

It was decided that we should ask
the meeting if they would prefer the
V.C.O's official visit for 1971 to be a
subject other than the discussion of
the A.G.M. resolutions.

E.A. Martin

13 October 1970.

Committee Meeting 13th October 1970.
The committee meeting was held at
Mistlebe Cottage on Tuesday 13th October
at 2.0pm.

Mrs. Martin presided and seven other
members were present.

The minutes were read and approved
for the September meeting.

Mrs Martin thanked Mrs Skotzen
and Mrs Wild for their work on
the Newbury Show Exhibit. A letter
was read from Newbury and District
Arts Guild thanking us for the loan
of our Newbury Show exhibition at
their exhibition and to Mrs Skotzen for
displaying it for them.

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Monthly Meeting The October meeting speaker is to be Mrs Raymond on 'Drying and Preserving of flowers and leaves' Vote of thanks to be given by Mrs Wild Tea hostesses. Mrs Cousins & Mrs Janssett

Group Meeting To be held at Boxford on October 30th at 2.30 pm.

Competition 5 housewarming presents 3rd of Newbury Show exhibits to be used Members to be asked to provide floral arrangement and cake for the other two Mrs Skorzen to make a towel. Entertainment to be a sing-songs

V.C.O. Official visit in 1971. V.C.O to be asked to talk on subject of 'What makes a good W.I'

Programme for 71. Special committee meeting to be held on Friday 30th September at Mrs Janssett's home at 2.0 pm.

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Invitation An invitation has been received from Stockcross to attend their November meeting Jumble Sale. To be held on November 7th at 2.30 at Village Hall to raise money for a charity for funds and to give a donation to W.I Copse

November Competition: A mine To be in group of 3 and limited to 2 min. Subject open.

Coffee Morning. To be held by Mrs Cousins late November early December.

A.G.M. Resolution. A resolution proposed by Mrs Cruse was read.

Delegate to Autumn Council on 16th October at Reading. ~~No volunteers~~ Mrs Martin to be our delegate. E.A. Martin Nov. 10th. 1970.

Committee Meeting 10th November The committee meeting was held on 10th November at Nusthorpe Cottage at 2 pm. Mrs Martin presided and seven other members were present.

Jumble Sale Mrs Skorzen stated £29.2.8 had been received from proceeds of the jumble sale.

It was proposed by Mrs Cousins and seconded by Mrs Wild that a donation of £5.5.0 be sent to the Arthritis + Rheumatism Council and that a donation of £5 be given to the treeplanting in the W.I Copse. It was agreed unanimously Minutes of previous meeting were read & approved.

Parish Notice Board. The committee have been asked to

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abandon their own notice board by the Post office in favour of a joint Parish Notice Board. Suggestions were made as to where we could erect our own notice board. Decision to be put to meeting

Next Month's meeting To be held at village hall speaker. Mrs. V. Maskell, Tea hostess Mrs. Dan Barber, Ashton & Tickle. Mrs. Cousins to give vote of thanks to speaker.

The competition: A mine to be organized ^{separately} by committee members with two other members on any subject.

Group Meeting Competition

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Wills to members who had contributed to the competition in which Inkpen came 2nd.

December Meeting Which is to be a Christmas party for the Old people of the village came in for much discussion. It was finally decided for ~~at~~ committee members to invite the old people within their own area of Inkpen transport to be decided later.

A list for refreshments to be given, to be handed around at the monthly meeting and members who are prepared to contribute to add their names to the list. Expenses

can be met.

E. A. Martin. 1. 12. 70.

Committee meeting 1st December 1970
The committee meeting was held on Tuesday 1st December at Mistletoe Cottage at 2.0pm. Mrs. Darlin presided 8 other committee members were present.

The minutes of the previous committee meeting were read and approved.

Donations Arising from the minutes Mrs. Maskell had received a request for a donation to the Mayors Christmas Fund in Wenbury. It was decided that it would be better to spend the money on the old people of this village who did not benefit from this particular fund.

Notice Board The notice board again came under discussion and it was agreed that the secretary should write to Mr. Bastable to ask him for his opinion of the dismantling of our notice board which had been made and erected under his supervision.

Denman College It was decided that if possible the

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W.I visit to Denman College should take place if possible in June

Programme. The secretary explained the position of next years programme to date and asked for further suggestions on meetings not yet agreed upon.

Village Hall Bazaar. Mrs. Martin thanked Mrs. Mills & Mr. Harris for their work at the Bazaar on behalf of the W.I when £6 - 6^d was raised on the cake & provision stall for the hall funds

Coffee morning Mrs. Fawcett was thanked for her coffee morning which raised £8 for W.I funds

Next Month Meeting: Is to be a Christmas Party for the old folk of the village. Invitations had been given and replies received. It is thought that about 40 guests will attend the party: Transport and catering were discussed and arranged. Entertainment. Slides of Inskip to be shown by Mr. Cooke and members are then to do a short skit followed by community singing.

E. A. Martin

Jan. 12, 1971.

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Committee meeting. 12th January. The committee meeting was held at Mistletoe Cottage on Tuesday 12th January at 2.0 pm. Mrs. Martin presided & other committee members were present.

The minutes of the previous committee meeting were read and approved

Monthly Meeting Mrs. Hodgson V.C.O to be our guest speaker at this months meeting. Other subject "what makes a good Institute". The secretary to ask the speaker to stress loyalty to the members planning projects for the Institute and the need for more people to volunteer to help in the running of it. Vote of thanks to be given by Mrs Cousins. Flowers to be provided by Mrs Wild. Tea hostesses Mrs. Mills & Mrs. Harris. Competition: A Guessing game to be arranged by Mrs Tuck.

Denman College. The Secretary stated that we are too late to apply for a visit to Denman for 1971 and must apply early autumn for 1972

Next Years Programme. Were distributed to committee

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members.

Nominations. Members were reminded that nominations for the committee were to be arranged at the February monthly meeting.

Notice Board. This has again come before the committee but it was generally felt that all discussion should be deferred until an official request had been made by the Parish Council.

Transport. Mrs. Martin had written to Mr. Bell, representative for the Hungerford R.D.C. a copy of her letter was read, the public transport in this village and suggestions put forward by the W.I. for improving this service.

Christmas Party. A general discussion on the Christmas party given to the elder citizens of the village which was thought to be quite a success.

Cakes left over from the party had been taken to 'No Trees' the old peoples home at Knabury by Mrs. Jussett.

Apologies for Absences received from Miss Page + Mrs. Mills

G.A. Martin.

Feb. 9 1971.

Committee Meeting 9th February

The monthly committee meeting was held at Mistletoe Cottage. Mrs. Martin presided and 9 other committee members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Monthly Meeting Rural Home Economics to provide a speaker on 'Supper Dishes for Two.' Mrs. May to be asked to give vote of thanks.

Competition: 6. Biscuit and Kitchen Quiz. Tea hostess to be Miss Page + Mrs. Tuck. Mrs. Butler to provide flowers.

Forth Coming Events: Feb. 11th W.I. Tent Annual Meeting

March. 3rd Knabury Coffee Morning to be held at Old Rectory in aid of Blind.

March. 16th Spring Council meeting

March. 23 Parish Council Annual Meeting

26th April Agenda Conference for the A.G.M.

Produce Guild Meeting at Newbury 1st April

Correspondence. A letter was read from the B.F.W.I. asking for volunteers to help Berkshire's Old People's Welfare Association.

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A lecture to be held at Reading
on 8th March by the Council for the
Protection of Rural England called
'The Second Ark'.
Stewards requested for the A.G.M.
at the Albert Hall.

Last Years Speakers.

Comments were asked for on last years
Speakers.

Committee members were then asked
for nomination for next years committee
bearing in mind that if certain members were
asked to stand evening committee meetings
would be ^{inevitable} necessary. E.A. Martin.

March 9th. 1971.

Committee meeting 9th March 1971

The committee meeting was held at Mistletoe
Cottage on Tuesday 9th March at 2.0pm
Mrs. Martin presided and 8 other members
were present. The minutes of the ^{previous} meeting were
read and approved.

Correspondence. A letter from Mrs. Ashton, thanking
members for flowers received whilst she
was in hospital, was read.

A letter from the B.F.W.I thanking

members for their \$5 donation toward
a tree planting project was also read.
N.F.W.I Voting for the N.F.W.I Executive
Committee ballot was discussed.
Spring Journal. Members were reminded of the Spring
Council ^{meeting} to be held at Newbury on 16th March
from 11 - 4pm

Campaign. A Star campaign to help raise
money for the mentally sick sponsored
by Cookham Dean Village was also discussed.
Monthly meeting. The next monthly meeting on
March 16th will be the annual meeting
12 nominations had been received for
election to the committee. It was
decided to have all 12 members
on the committee, thus saving the need
for an election.

Hostesses: to be Mrs. Eveson and Mrs. Seaman
Competition: Colour slide or snapshot of Inkpen.
To be judged by popular vote. Flowers by Mrs. Wild

Secretary Report: Mrs. Cousins read the Secretary's
annual report to the committee.

A vote of thanks was given by Mrs. Wild
and seconded by Miss de Page to Mrs. Cousins

Treasurer Report. Mrs. Skotzen gave a resumé
of our financial receipts and payments

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throughout the year. Stating that we began the year with a balance of £33. 9s 2d and ended with a balance of £34. 12. 9 and needed an income of at least £100 a year to cover our expenses. Mrs Skotzen was thanked by Mrs. Martin.

Voluntary Work A questionnaire on voluntary community work done by members of the Institute was read and is to be completed by the Secretary. Tea and biscuits were served by Mrs. Jawssett to committee members, as this is to be the last meeting of the present committee.

Mrs. Martin thanked all retiring members for the work they have contributed toward the W.I.

Miss Le Page proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Jawssett for her hospitality throughout the year.

E.A. Martin
April 8th 1971.

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Committee Meeting - 8th April 1971.

The committee meeting was held at Knight's Aere by kind permission of Ks. Wild on Thursday, 8th April 1971 at 7.30pm.

Ks. Martin presided & 8 other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Ks. Cooke & Ks. Seaman & Ks. Gray.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & approved.

Guest Meeting: Speaker to be Ks. B. Smith of Wokingham. Subject - "Four Seasons in my Garden". To be illustrated with slides. Competition "Pot Plant, (Not bulbs) Vote of Thanks - Ks. Wild. Tea Hostess - Ks. Sinclair Jones & Ks. Grew.

Committee The new Committee as follows.

- President - Ks. Martin
- Vice Presidents - Ks. Butler & Ks. Wild
- Secretary - Ks. Withers
- Treasurer - Ks. Skotzen
- Competition - Ks. Tackman
- Press Report - Ks. Cooke
- Trading Stall - Ks. Grimsey & Ks. Gray
- Visitors - Ks. Seaman
- Group Reps. - Ks. Wild & Butler
- "Kvergreen" (Grapes) - Ks. Skotzen

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Produce Guild - Miss Le-Page.
Handicraft Guild - Ms. Kevson.
Village Hall Committee Ms. Fawcett & Ms. Cousins
Drama - Ms. Tuck.
Catering Committee -
Patrol - Ms. Tuck.

Mrs. Fawcett and Miss Le-Page are to be delegates at A.G. meeting in June.
Miss Le-Page will be delegate to Agenda Conference on April 26th at Reading & report later on Resolutions.

Ms. Martin reported on the large number of resolutions to be discussed at A.G. M.

Group meeting. This is to be held at Skintbury on Wednesday April 28th when Inkpen will be responsible for the competition, i.e. a name, "A Picnic". Also the vote of Thanks to speaker.

Arrangements were made for rehearsal of the name at Ms. Wild's home. Ms. Tuck to Produce

Raffle Prize It was decided this should be a gift token from Boots for approx 3 1/2 p. Ms. Wild very kindly agreed to purchase this.

Ms. Martin announced that after supreme combined efforts on the part of Miss Carter & her sister, the Feb. March editions of the County

Letter & Home & Country had been obtained from Reading, being considerably delayed owing to the prolonged postal strike. Miss Carter hoped to deliver these on Good Friday.

Washing Show. Considerable discussion took place regarding the competition i.e. a long title, consisting of 5 items for judging - Cookery, Drink, Art, Handicraft & Floral Arrangement. It was decided that more ideas should be obtained at the monthly meeting & the formation of an extra committee to discuss & arrange later.
E.A. Martin. May 6. 1971.

Committee meeting - May 16th 1971.

The meeting was held at Skights' Acre on Thursday May 16th 1971, when Ms. Martin presided.

11 members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Ms. Tackman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read & approved.

May Monthly Meeting. Subject - A.G. M. Resolutions. The competition to be arranged by Ms. Fawcett, a mystery flowers for President's Table - Ms. Crease.
Tea Hostesses - Ms. Bent & Mrs. Greeney
Ms. Martin suggested she gave a short talk

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on the origination of W.I. movement in view
of the fact that a considerable number of new
members may wish to be enlightened on
the movement. This to take place before
discussion of Resolutions. Unanimous approval
was given to this idea.

Group Committee. Mrs. Butler & Mrs. Wild will attend.

Meeting, on Monday May 14th & tactfully introduce
the subject of the large tea at Kinkbury &
the possible waste of food & cash involved.

A.G.M. Mrs. Fawcett or Miss Pease, the prospective
delegates will be asked to attend 2 days
if they possibly can. Mrs. Cousins has offered
to be a possible stand-in.

W.I. Tent Again considerable discussion took place
Competition & it was decided that "Sea for Two" or "Orange
& Lemons" might now be more suitable titles
in view of the complicated presentation required.
Thanks were extended to Mrs. Scotzen for her
diligent search into Song Titles at Reading Library.

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Handicraft Mrs. Eveson is to attempt at the May
Guild meeting to gain information as to
the ^{present} members & any new members interested in
joining & eventually to contact the Secretary
at Oxford.

E.A. Martin

June 3rd 1971.

Committee Meeting - June 2nd 1971.

The meeting was held at Strights Acre on
June 2nd. Mrs. Martin presiding. Six other members
being present.

Apologies for absence were received from
Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Cooke, Mrs. May, Mrs. Eveson, Mrs. Gackman
& Mrs. Greenway.

Group Committee Meeting. Mrs. Martin & Mrs. Cousins attended
in the absence of Mrs. Wild & Mrs. Butler. The item of
the generous tea was brought up. It was decided
to leave it to the discretion of the Institute
concerned to provide a suitable tea in future.

The Autumn Group Meeting to be held at
Stockcross on Oct 27th 2-30pm. The Competition to
be a fairly simple one - an arrangement of Autumn
leaves & suitable poem on Autumn. The Talk to
be on Travel. Inauguration of Speakers & Vote of
Thanks to Hostess Institute.

June Meeting. A speaker - Mr. Kellum - ^{was} ~~was~~ of a Probation Office.
Competition - Floral Decoration of 10" max. overall.
Flowers for table - Miss Bunn. Tea Hostess Mrs. Cousins
& Miss Bunn. Vote of Thanks to Speaker - Mrs. May.

July Meeting. To be held at Totterdown by kind invitation
of Mrs. Scotzen. Competition - A Decorated Picnic Plate.
These to be kindly supplied by Mrs. Scotzen &

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distributed at June meeting at a nominal cost
towards W.I. Funds.

Handicraft Guild. Mrs. Kleson has now heard from
the Div. Secretary of the names of present
members & that subscriptions are due in October.

It has been decided that in view of the
impending Village Festival, the Village Fair
has been cancelled for this year.

W.I. Sent Oranges - Lemon to be the final choice
Competition for the Song Title. Mrs. Wild made several
good suggestions on various items

Nancy Wild July 7. 1971.

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Committee Meeting - July 7th 1971.

The meeting was held on Wednesday July 7th
at Skights Acre, Mrs. Wild presided in the
absence of Mr. Martin. 9 other members present.

Apologies for absence were received from
Mrs. Seaman.

Arising out of the minutes, Mrs. Skotzen
requested that we send a donation to the
Probation Officers' Charity following K. Kellaw's talk
at the June meeting. It was decided £3.15.0 should
be sent.

Village Festival. Miss Carter reported on arrangements for
refreshments & a preliminary roster was formed
to man Village Hall & Old Barn on Saturday
& Sunday. Mrs. Grenney agreed to be responsible for
helps at Old Barn.

July Meeting. Trophy for competition is a decorated Picnic
Plate, to be Mrs. Wild's daughter. Meeting to
be held at Totterdown by kind invitation of
Mrs. Skotzen. Mrs. Tuck has made necessary plans
for Play Reading or rehearsal to be held on Monday
afternoon July 12th. It was decided that in view
of the competition & Play Reading & a further competition
being arranged by Mrs. Martin, that no other
competition would be necessary.

September meeting - members Day Mr Cousins has a possible
Demonstration in hand.

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Buses. The Secretary then read a letter received from
Thames Valley Bus Co. received that bearing which
enclosed copy of time table in no way connected
with Inkpen i.e. Newbury-Swindon Time Table.

The Secretary was asked to write a strong letter
of complaint re. T. Table received & pointing out
that the proposed T. Table will be of no use
whatsoever.

Newbury Show. Offers for stewards at Show Tent were requested.
Mr. Bray & Mr. Withers agreed to do duty & further
requests would be made at July monthly meeting
for more offers of help.

Braes Sub. Mr. Bray agreed to order gifts
suitable to the value of 50p.

Requests were made for entries for decorated
Sponge Cake for individual competition.

Members were reminded of goods for sale in tent.
The names of Judges were intimated for reference
when preparing competition.

Village Pond. It was decided that in view of the limited
time left it would be impractical to attempt
to tidy pond but a request was made for the
Village Hall grounds to be tidied & the Sec
should contact Mr. Bell regarding this. Mr. Bell

had already organized this duty.
Travel Voucher. Mr. Skelton the Treasurer, will
make necessary arrangements for Mr. Lawsett
to be reimbursed following his attendance for 2 days.

Harry Wild 27. 8. 71.

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Committee meeting - Aug 27th 1971

Village Hall

The meeting was held at Totterdown by kind invitation of Mrs. Skolzen on Friday Aug 27th.

Mrs. Martin presided & 7 other members were present. The minutes of the July meeting were read and approved.

The main object of the meeting was to assess the entry for New Grey Show. This was approved unanimously as being suitable.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Cooke, Mrs. Butler, Mr. Tackman - Mrs. Eveson.

Members were told that Mr. Seaman would shortly be leaving the district to live in Norfolk. In view of this Mr. Wild agreed to take over the duty of welcoming the speaker.

Sept meeting. This would be a members meeting.

Mrs. Fawcett to preside, Mr. Cousins Secretary, who had made necessary arrangements for speaker.

An invitation has been received from Hungerford W.D. for 2 members to attend their Harvest Supper on Wed. Sept-1st. Mrs. Martin & Mrs. May accepted.

Bus Time Table. Thames Valley Traction Co. are reconsidering the new Time Table, Tues. & Friday mornings & Wednesday afternoon services especially being asked for consideration.

Village Hall. Mrs. Fawcett & Mrs. Cousins agreed to be nominated

Mrs. Fawcett hoped to attend management meeting on Wed. Sept 1st.

Washing Show. Final arrangements were made for collection of produce. Mr. Grimsey & Mrs. Withers agreed to be responsible. Mrs. Bent & Mrs. Fawcett agreed to duties of stewards in the morning & Mrs. May & Mrs. Withers duty in the afternoon.

E.A. Martin

7 Oct 1971.

Committee meeting - October 7th 1971

The meeting was held on Thursday Oct. 7th at Skights Ave.

Mrs. Martin presided, & 6 other members present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. May, Mr. Tackman, Mr. Tuck & Mrs. Eveson.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

The Secretary read a letter from the Bayliss Demonstrator thanking us for a successful demonstration & for orders received. The Secretary was asked to reply raising various queries & requesting advice.

October meeting. The speaker to be Mr. Fletcher of ACWU with slides. Mrs. Martin announced that this year we now have the honour of an English President for ACWU.

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There will be an exhibition of Foreign China, *
competition to be a vase on Autumn of 8 lines.

Vote of Thanks to speaker - Mrs. Fawcett, given by
Mrs. Cooke & Mrs. Rees. Flowers for President's Table
by Mrs. Eveson. * Mrs. Butler agreed to be responsible for China

November Competition We were reminded that this was to be a
6" knitted square & it was suggested there be
judged before the meeting & made into a blanket
with additional squares, to be presented to the
Red Cross Spokes for November.

Books Book. Mrs. Martin explained the idea of this & it
was suggested Mrs. Cruise be approached with a
view to compiling this.

Finance. Mrs. Skotzen reported the financial balance was
quite satisfactory.

Christmas
Party. It was suggested this should be held in
the evening for members & friends. A party
and/or outing to be arranged during the
Summer for the Senior Citizens.

Suggestions were then asked for next year's
Programme & whether a sub-committee
be formed to arrange this.

Mrs. Martin reminded members of Officers' meeting
to be held at Shaw House School Newbury on
Tuesday October 26th. A number of members being
interested in attending.

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Podium &
Handicraft Guild.

Members were reminded that Subscriptions
are now due.

In view of the fact that no members are able
to attend Autumn Council meeting in Reading these
have been ordered to be sent by post. However it was
hoped that Mr. Skotzen might be able to collect to
save expense of postage.

Mrs. Martin concluded by reminding members
of the Podium Guild Autumn Area meeting on November
in Newbury. When Mr. John Mallock would be
giving a talk "Care of Roses".

G. A. Martin
Nov. 4th 1971.

Committee meeting - November 4th 1971.

The meeting was held at Knights Acre on
Thursday November 4th 1971. Mrs. Martin presided
& 9 other members were present.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Eveson.
The minutes of the previous meeting were read
& approved.

Mrs. Martin read correspondence received from
Baynes in response to certain queries raised.

The forthcoming County Quiz to be held
in March 1972 onwards was announced.

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November meeting. Mr. Skotzen agreed to judge the competition for a 6" quilted square. The squares to be made into suitably sized blankets to be presented to the speakers from the Red Cross. Mrs. Wild & Miss Caddo to be responsible for refreshments. Mrs. Tuck to be responsible for flowers for President's table. The Secretary agreed to approach Miss Be Page to give vote of thanks to speakers.

Dec. meeting. As this would take the form of a Christmas Party it was decided members should be limited to 2 guests. The Secretary would produce a list at Nov. meeting of refreshments to be provided at Xmas Party. The Treasurer reminded us that expenses of refreshments could, if necessary, be met from W.I. funds. The competition to be a Christmas Table Decoration.

Group meeting. The President announced that Inkpen gained 5th place in competition for vase in Autumn & an Autumn Decoration of Benches & leaves.

It was announced that the Group Committee meeting would be held on Monday Nov. 25th 2.30pm at Stockcross. Next year Kentbury would be responsible for arranging Group meetings.

W.I. Tent - Newbury Show. The President also announced the A.G.M. Ideas have been requested for competition for next year. A profit had been made this year, the Bron Tub being most

successful to which all Institutes had made generous contribution.

Book. Mrs. Crane is willing to help with compiling of this & it was hoped that it would be possible to complete by Christmas.

Notice Board. Mrs. Fawcett had received this from Upper Green & made the necessary arrangements with Mr. Hunt for it to be erected at Lower Green.

1972 Programme. Considerable discussion took place & a substantial number of items were agreed upon for consideration.

Miss Kathan. Mrs. Martin announced that Miss Kathan, Books Sect. Secretary, has completed almost 21 years in office. The County would like to give her a present now rather than later when she retires. It was suggested we should give something from funds - if members wished to contribute also, they could do so. Mrs. Butler proposed that £5.00 be sent from funds, plus any extra members might wish to give.

E. A. Martin.
2 Dec. 71.

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Committee Meeting - Dec. 2nd 1971.

The meeting was held on Dec. 2nd. at Knight's Acre,
Mrs. Martin presiding. 11 members were present.

The minutes of the November meeting were read
& approved.

Dec. Meeting This would be a Christmas Party. Mrs. Tuck
outlined the programme for the evening's entertainment.

It was estimated 75 guests would be present.

B.F.W.S. Mrs. Martin announced that Mr. Hill Fisher of
Radley W.9. would be the new Chairman for the
Executive Committee.

Jan. Meeting Miss Pearce of Chilton Foliat hoped to give an
illustrated travel talk with films of Canada - U.S.A.
Mrs. Skogen & Mr. Cooke to be responsible for refreshments
& Mrs. Wild for flowers for President's table.

Bazaar Mrs. Martin reminded members of the Christmas Bazaar
to be held Sat. December 4th when W.9 would be
responsible for Cake Stall, contributions would be
gratefully received by Mrs. Butler & Mrs. Cursons.

International Day Mrs. Martin reported on her attendance at
the International Representatives Coffee morning held
at Reading on November 18th & that Mr. Turnbull
had been elected Hon Sec. for A.C.W.W.

Newbury Show Mrs. Martin reminded members that the
theme for the competition for 1972 to be a Fairy Tale.

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Bus Time Table The Secretary reported that following a meeting
of the Hungerford R. District & Thames Valley Bus Co. a
revised time table was hoped to be forthcoming to
supplement the depleted service to Hungerford &
increase the service of the afternoon bus from
Newbury catering for the school children.

E.A. Martin. Jan. 6 1972.

Committee Meeting - Jan 6th 1972.

The meeting was held on Jan. 6th 1972 at Knight's Acre.
Mrs. Martin presided & 7 other members were present.
Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Butler,
Mrs. Tackman & Mrs. Rueson.

The minutes of the December meeting were
read & approved.

Mrs. Martin showed ^{Christmas} cards received from Australia,
N. Zealand, Hopetown & Mrs. Bave Sear.

Jan. Meeting Miss May Pearce of Chilton Foliat would be
giving a talk & films on her visits to Canada &
U.S.A. Mrs. May to give Vote of Thanks.
Mrs. Cooke & Mrs. Skogen - refreshments.
Mrs. Wild - flowers for President's Table. The Competition
to be a Word Game, the speaker would be asked
to suggest a suitable word.

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Bus Time Table. Mrs. Martin announced the revised Time Table, Thames Valley having agreed to our request for an extra service to Hungerford.

Berks. Book. The President announced that Mrs. Cune had been able to complete the Inkpen contributions before Christmas.

1972 Programme. Final arrangements were made ready for printing.

* Group Meeting. Members were reminded of the competition i.e. a dress to cost not more than £3.00. inclusive of accessories + including pattern. The dress to be modelled by winning member of April Competition.

* Tumble Sale. It was suggested we hold a Tumble Sale in the near future to defray expenses re printing of 1972 Programme. March 11th being a suggested date. The Secretary to make enquiries re hire of Hall.

It has been requested that we have an outing in the not too distant future suitable to include children + possibly to a theatre. The Secretary would endeavour to obtain further information.

Newbery Show Exhibits. Discussion took place on various themes for competition i.e. a "Fairy Tale". It was decided to raise the question of a Sub Committee at Monthly Meeting.

R.A. Martin. 9.2.72.

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Committee Meeting - February 9th 1972.

The meeting was held at Knight's Acme on Feb. 9th at 7.30 pm. Mrs. Martin presided + 8 other members were present. Mrs. Hay + Mr. Jackson were unable to attend. The minutes of the January meeting were read + approved.

In view of Mrs. Hay's accident it was suggested + agreed upon that we should send her a plant. The Secretary agreed to obtain this.

Bus Time Table The Secretary was asked to contact Thames Valley Bus Co. enquiring when the new Time Table would be in operation.

Tumble Sale This would be held at the Village Hall on Saturday March 4th 2.30 p.m.

Outing It was suggested that we might now have a Summer Outing to Chessington Zoo, Mrs. Martin would obtain further details.

Spring Group Meeting The Secretary announced details i.e. to be held at Hungerford Church House on April 26th at 7.0 pm. Inkpen to be responsible for Raffle.

Competition a dress costing not more than £3.00 incl. accessories. The Sec. was asked to confirm that pattern cost was not to be included in total.

Produce Guild The President announced that next meeting would be held on Thursday March 22nd at St. Nicholas' Parish Room, Newbery.

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Feb. meeting. The speaker to be Miss Botting of
Risley Refrigeration Co. on Deep Freezing.
Ms. Wild to give Vote of Thanks. Mrs. Butler-
Flowers for President's Table, Refreshments -
Ms. Guinsey - Ms. Tuck. Instead of a competition
there would be an exhibition of Pretty Tea Towels.
Members were reminded that nominations
would be accepted for 1972 Committee. Ideas
for new President & Secretary.

A collection would be made for "Pennies for
Friendship" for A.C.W.U.

Newbery Show. A possible theme for competition suggested,
was "Snow White - the Seven Dwarfs", considerable
discussion taking place.

Village Hall. The V. Hall Committee would like us to
dispense with W.I. China Cupboard in order to
give more space. & have offered the use of a locked
cupboard under the Refreshment Bar as alternative.

Ms. Tongue has intimated that owing to
conflicting dates she is unable to offer hospitality
in July but can manage June. This arrangement
was accepted.

The Secretary then read a letter received from
Miss Latham regarding the forthcoming visit
of Miss Velarde of the Philippines Islander,
who is anxious to attend a monthly meeting

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County Quiz. Members were reminded of the forthcoming
Quiz. The Secretary agreed to send in
necessary application form with appropriate fee.
Spring Council meeting This to be held at Town Hall,
Oxford on Wed. March 22nd. 7.45 pm.
E.A. Martin. 2 March 1972.

Committee meeting - 2nd. March 1972.

The meeting was held at Knight's Acre. Ms. Martin
presiding & 4 other members present. Ms. May & Ms. Liveson
were unable to be present. Minutes of Feb. meeting read & approved.

Time Table. The Secretary reported still no news on revised T. Table.
Mr. Bell still negotiating with Bus. Co.

Quiz. Ms. Tongue has suggested we might have a Canal Trip.
The Secretary agreed to contact Avon - Canal Trust.

April meeting. As some members cannot be present on April 18th
it was agreed that we should try to alter the date to Apr. 20th.

Miss Velarde. The Secretary read letter received from Miss Velarde re
Miss Velarde's forthcoming visit.

Miss Latham Fund. The President read letter received from Mrs. Maddock
re the Miss Latham Fund thanking us for our contribution.
& that the presentation will take place at the Spring Council
meeting at Oxford. Thanks to the generosity of W.I.
members, £600.00. had been contributed.

Pennies for Friendship. The collection taken at the Feb. meeting realized
£2.00. This being sent by post for Spring Council meeting.

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1972. Committee. The following members have been nominated.

Ms. Butler, Ms. Cooke, Ms. Kelson, Ms. Grenney, Ms. Skotzen,
Ms. Tuck, Ms. Wild & Ms. Withers. Mrs. Haslam.

The Secretary agreed to send reminders to members of AG meeting & subscriptions due. Also to notify members of change of date of April meeting.

The Secretary then read the Annual Report, followed by the Treasurer giving a brief outline of the Financial Report indicating a Balance in Hand at 1971 of £34.64 with receipts of £59.00. Total expenditure being £86.99. As the hire of the hall has been raised from £1.00 to £2.00 per meeting it was therefore essential that we do well at the forthcoming Tumble Sale. Also more support was requested for Trading Stall at monthly meetings.

The Secretary was then asked to write a letter of good wishes to Miss Page in view of her illness. Also to buy flowers for Mr. Homer who would be entering hospital Saturday. It was agreed that as a moral booster we should send flowers in time to welcome Mr. Homer into hospital.

A request has been made to send Home & Country direct from London to New Zealand & Italy.

Forthcoming Events. Produce Guild Outings - 16th May & 12th July.
International Day - 22nd June.

Denman College Representatives Day - April 28th

Handicraft Guild Outing - June 21st.

The Denman College Rep. Form to be in by April 7th.

An appeal has been made for an International Day Representative.

The President announced Greek Appeal of ACWU members, who urgently need left over embroideries, threads, wools & silks.

It was proposed that a Dick Visiter might be appointed for the forthcoming year.

Monthly Show Exhibit. Discussion took place on what would constitute a Fairy Sale.

Members were reminded of Christian Aid week to be held in May. The W.P. have been asked to help it was decided we should provide Produce Stall at Tumble Sale.

Monthly Meeting. The programme to commence with slides on Cornwall shown by Rev. & Ms. Frender, followed by business. Flowers for President's Table - Ms. Skotzen, Jean Hatters & Ms. Wild & Miss Caddoo. Vote of Thanks - Ms. Grenney.

Produce Guild. Owing to the illness of Miss Page, she regrets having to relinquish the position of Secretary.

In conclusion the Secretary was asked to contact Reliance Bus Co. re quote for outing to Whitpoade Zoo.

Nancy Wild.
13.4.72.

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Committee Meeting - 13th April 1972

The meeting was held at Knight's Arms at 7.30 p.m., Mrs. Wild presiding. All 9 members were present.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

The duties of the new committee were arranged as follows:-

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| President | - Mrs. Wild |
| Secretary | - Mrs. Cooke |
| Vice-Presidents | - Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Tuck |
| Treasurer | - Mrs. Skotzen |
| Competition | - Mrs. Haslam |
| Press Secretary | - Mrs. Cooke |
| Trading Stall | - Mrs. Grimsey
Mrs. Withers |
| Visitors | - Mrs. Eveson |
| Group Representatives | - Mrs. Butler,
Mrs. Wild |
| Evergreen Club | - Mrs. Skotzen |
| Produce Guild | - Mrs. Butler |
| Handicraft | - Mrs. Eveson |
| Village Hall
Committee | - Mrs. Fawcett
Mrs. Cousins |

Entertainment - Mrs. Tuck

Posters - Mrs. Tuck

National Savings - Mrs. Butler

Mrs. Haslam kindly offered to help out, on occasions, with transport for the Evergreen Club and Mrs. Grimsey said she would willingly help with Entertainment.

Mrs. Tuck asked members to pass on any new ideas they may have on Entertainment.

Mrs. Skotzen, whilst agreeing to carry on as Treasurer, requested that members be on the look-out for a replacement for next year. Mrs. Wild congratulated her on the excellent way in which she organised the car for the 10 Inkpen members of the Evergreen Club.

The importance of obtaining good speakers was raised by Mrs. Skotzen and methods of swelling W.I. funds to pay for them were discussed. It was agreed that more

emphasis should be placed on the Trading Stall though it was appreciated that this could only produce comparatively small profit. Some other fund-raising events will have to be arranged later.

It was reported that Mrs. Home was

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out of hospital and very well and
Miss Le Page a little better.

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Spring Group Arrangements were made for the Raffle
Meeting for which Ingham is responsible.
April 26th was decided to give a Gift Voucher as a prize.
Revised Bus J. Table. No views of any further developments
on this.

April The Rev. Rabbette is to speak on "clocks"
Meeting Mrs. Withers giving the vote of thanks.
Mrs. Jack Refreshments are to be served
by Mrs. Butler and Miss Bevan and
the competition is for a home-made
dress costing under £3.

Mrs. Withers informed the committee
that she and Mrs. Martin had had a
visit from Miss Velarde and
Mrs. Martin hoped to give an account
of this at the April meeting.

An appeal for a new representative
for the Red Cross will be made and
help enlisted for the cake stall at the
Christian Aid Jumble Sale on 6th May.

Members have to be informed of
International Day at Newbury on 22nd June,
10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Five tickets have been received for the

"Fresh Cream in the Kitchen" competition.

Mrs. Martin is attending Derran College
Representatives Day on 28th April.

Methods were discussed of saving the
visiting speaker a lengthy wait whilst
business is completed. It was thought
that, on some occasions, the talk could
precede the business and should be of
no more than $\frac{3}{4}$ hour's duration.

Country The number wishing to attend this has
Quiz to be ascertained at the April meeting.
on 24 May Our representatives are Mr. Martin, Mrs. Cousins
and Mrs. Haslam.

Newbury Show. None of the committee wished to
Fairy Tale organize this. Member's views will be
Exhibit sought at the April meeting.

Canal The most suitable dates appeared to be
Trips 5th or 19th June. Mrs. Wild decided to ask
the office to reserve these two dates until
after our meeting on 20th April.

Zoo Outing Committee members favoured a visit to a
Wild Life Park over a zoo. Windsor was
suggested and 26th or 27th July possible
dates. This to be discussed at next meeting.

May A member of West Woodhay W.I. is to be
Meeting invited to this, when the V.C.O. takes the

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resolutions for the A.G.M.
Since there is no speaker booked for July, Mrs. Wild wondered if the members would be interested in a talk by her son-in-law on his work in television - backstaging and producing. This had an enthusiastic response, so Mrs. Wild will try to arrange this.
Another popular suggestion was for Clarence House gardeners to talk on "Flowers & Gardens". Mrs. Tuck, a friend of hers, was sure she would be quite willing to pay us a visit some time.

Nancy Wild -
May 4th 1972

Committee Meeting - 4th May, 1972.

The meeting was held at Knight's Aer on 4th May at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and 7 other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Butler. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Ersson was congratulated on gaining 2nd prize in the Group competition.

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Mrs. Wild said that her son-in-law, as far as he knew, was available and willing to speak at our July meeting but he would send a letter of confirmation near the time.

Resolutions for the A.G.M. were read and notes on resolutions circulated amongst members.
Canal Trip. Mrs. Wild rejoined that the long-boat was booked for the 5th June and it was agreed that a final list of passengers and transport requirements would have to be made at the May meeting.

May Meeting. Mrs. Tabernaeh, and not Mrs. Parker, will be attending this meeting, to discuss the resolutions for the A.G.M. A West Woodhay member has been invited. Mrs. Shogren will give the vote of thanks and Mrs. Tabernaeh will be asked to judge the competition - a bridemaid's party of not more than 6". Tea hostesses are to be Mrs. Grimsey and Mrs. Tuck.

Anti-Litter Campaign. A letter from Hungerford R.D.C. regarding this was brought to the committee's notice. A lively discussion ensued and the following comments were made. Bins should be fixed at strategic points

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in the village. Schools should play a more active part in making the children litter-conscious. Farmers, through the local N.F.U., should be asked not to leave coloured polythene bags lying around littering the countryside. Anti-litter laws should be more strictly enforced. The secretary was requested to reply to this letter after hearing members' views at the monthly meeting.

Fund Raising. Mrs. Haslam suggested a monthly raffle with a prize to be given at the end of the year for the person with most points. This seemed a good idea until it was pointed out that some members object to raffles on principle. Then a social evening was suggested, not only for fund raising, but also to give members a chance to meet each other, as there was little time for this at a normal meeting. 19th September seemed a suitable date. It was decided to put this suggestion to the next meeting.

It was observed that attendances at monthly meetings were dropping. Mrs. Wild reminded members that next year's programme would soon have to be drawn up and would have to be attractive if we were to

keep up our membership. A list of available speakers was circulated for committee members' consideration before the next meeting.

Harry Wild
June 8th 1922.

Committee Meeting - 8th June.

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and 5 other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Evson, Mrs. Gurnsey and Mrs. Haslam.

A letter was read from Faccombe Institute inviting 4 or 5 of our members to their garden meeting on 13th July.

Fund Raising. The committee considered the idea of having a Whist Drive in September instead of a Social Evening. 27th or 28th September was thought to be a more suitable time than the 19th, which is too close to our monthly meeting. This will be suggested at the next meeting. The member's meeting could take the form of a social evening, thus dispensing with the need for a speaker. Members are to be consulted on this.

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Outings. It was decided to drop the idea of an outing to a Wild Life Park or Zoo, as there had been little support for this but the canal trip of 5th June had been so successful that there had been several requests for another one in the Autumn, next time going all the way to Kirtling. This will be discussed at the monthly meeting.

Mrs. Wild wondered if members would be interested in an evening at the Watermill Theatre. After some discussion, it was agreed that, as bookings are usually heavy, she should go ahead and book 20 tickets, with the option of returning the unwanted ones. An Old Time Evening on 26th or 27th July seemed the most suitable choice. Transport will be by own cars.

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June Meeting. This has to be a garden meeting at Highview, the home of Mrs. Tonge, on 20th June. Mrs. Broker Freeman will speak on "Painting for Pleasure" and the competition is to be Member's Own Painting. Tea hostesses are to be Mrs. Tonge, Mrs. Withers and Mrs. Butcher and the vote of thanks to be given by Mrs. Cooke.

County News Letter. Members were reminded of various

forthcoming events, the following being of the most interest:-

1972 Autumn Council Meeting at Reaching on 18th October. Speaker - Lady Barnett.

*International Representatives Coffee Meeting at Newbury on 22nd June.

Royal Windsor Rose Show on 7th/8th July.
Newbury Show on 16th September.

July

Committee members were informed that Inkpen would compete against Burnham Copse and Burnham in the second round of the Quiz and it would appear that Inkpen would have to be the host institute. It was decided that the proposed date of 22nd June was not convenient to us, since the monthly meeting and village fete were already scheduled for that week. It was agreed to arrange a date sometime in the middle of July.

Next Year's Programme. Possible speakers for this were discussed and the following have to be approached - Miss Pearce (Jan./Feb.), Mrs. Collins (Mar./April) and Mrs. White (Sep.)

Village Fete - 24th June. Volunteers for cake stall to be sought at next meeting.

Nancy Wild July 6th 1972

Committee Meeting - 6th July, 1972

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and Mrs. Skotjen, Haslam and Cooke were present. Apologies for absence were received from the other members.

A letter from Miss Le Page was read thanking members for their good wishes and gift of fruit.

A letter, enclosing invitations to Sandwip Wine and Cheese Party, was read. Autumn Canal Trip. A tentative date of 16th October was fixed for this. It was agreed to draw up a final list of passengers at the July meeting.

October Meeting. At the June meeting, it was decided, by majority vote, that the member's meeting should take the form of a social evening. Members are to be asked to form a committee to organize this.

Whist Drive. The committee thought that a Whist Drive towards the end of October would be well supported. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

July Meeting. It is hoped that Mr. Peter Tomlinson

of Granada Television will speak on "Behind the Scenes in Television". The hostesses are to be Mrs. Ersson, Martin and Cousins but contributions of biscuits and extra glasses of milk would no doubt be welcome, as guests from Kintbury, West Woodhay, Hungerford and Fawcote have been invited to this meeting.

It has to be rejoined that Miss Burnham of West Woodhay will be present to give a short résumé of her visit to the A.G.M. Competitions. Mrs. Haslam felt that the wording of these could be clearer, for instance, "Even Salad" and "Something I dug up" were rather vague. The Committee will try to avoid such ambiguities in next year's programme.

Nancy Wild
Aug 17, 1972.

Committee Meeting - 17th August, 1972.

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and 56 members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Cooke and Mrs. Ersson. The minutes of the July meeting were

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read and approved

Whist Drive. It was decided to hold this on
26th or 24th October, depending on the
availability of the village hall.

Enquiries would be made regarding an
M.C. Promises of prizes were made by
most committee members and other
members would be approached at the
monthly meeting. Cards and tables were
also promised.

September Meeting. Speakers to be Mr. Cornah on
"Archaeology of Kintbury and District"
Competitions - "Something I dug up"
Tea Hostesses - Mrs. Sheppard & Mrs. Tyrrell
Flowers - Mrs. Tuck

Vote of Thanks - Mrs. Cousins

Mrs. Wild will arrange transport for
Mr. Cornah.

Canal Trip. Monday, October 16th - Newbury to
Kintbury. It was suggested that some of
the older members might wish to return
by train from Kintbury to Newbury.

It was found that there was a suitable
train at approx. 2.40 pm.

Members Meeting on 18th October. This is to be
a social evening and members are to draw

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up their own committee to make the
necessary arrangements.

Change of Time of Meetings. 7.30 pm seems to be
a popular time for commencement of
meetings in the future.

Next Year's Programme. The following speakers
have confirmed their willingness to attend:

January - Miss Price - Travel Talk
with Films

April - Mrs. Mayne - Fabric Pictures

July - Mrs. Freeman - Clarence House

Sept. - Ladies from Clarence House

Mrs. Haslam suggested a visit of a Cadbury's
representative and a vegetarian cooking
demonstration was also suggested.

Miss Burnham's report of the A.G.M.
at the Albert Hall was read.

Fund Raising. Considerable discussion took place
on this subject but no concrete ideas were
forthcoming.

Newbury Show. The following members have
volunteered to help at the W.I. Tent -
Mrs. May, Wild, Grimsey, Martin & Miss Carter.

Watermill Theatre. Mrs. Wild announced that the
outing to the theatre was successful
and that we might have another next
year.

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Mrs. Skotjen kindly offered to have a coffee morning at Totterdown on 27th Sept. at 10.30 a.m. for the sale of garden bulbs. Admission 10p. This is in aid of W.D. funds. Competition for Autumn Group Meeting. Items were requested, such as chutney, jam or preserved fruit. Mrs. Buttle offered to make various quack preserves. Inkyen is to be responsible for literature stall and vote of thanks for entertainment.

Spring Group Meeting. Inkyen are to be hostesses of this.

Members were reminded of Autumn Council Meeting at Reading on 18th October.

Mrs. Wild concluded by reminding members of items of interest from County News letter and New Member's Meeting in Newbury on 5th October. A letter from the County Federation regarding Finance was discussed.

Laney Wild
Oct. 5. 1972

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Committee Meeting - 5th October, 1972.

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and 5 other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Withers, Mrs. Evron and Mrs. Tuck. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Canal Trip. Mrs. Wild informed members that she had cancelled the booking for this but that the £5 deposit was not refundable. She was awaiting written confirmation from the long-boat company that this would be held over for another booking sometime next year.

Change of Time of Commencement of Meetings. It was decided to put this to the vote at the October meeting. Mrs. Skotjen wondered if we could change the time of meeting with the change of clock - 7 p.m. in Winter and 7.30 p.m. in Summer.

Whist Drive on 24th October at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Tuck and Mrs. Tyrrell have agreed to take charge of the arrangements for this. Mr. Coburn was suggested as a possible M.C. If there are not enough small tables available, Mrs. Gimsy pointed out that the trestle tables in the village hall

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could be used. Several members offered to lend packs of cards and some offered prizes. It was decided to purchase the remaining prizes from W.I. funds.

Funds had been given a recent boost by about £27 from the garden bulb sale. Mrs. Wild thanked Mrs. Skotzen for ^{holding} ~~arranging~~ this. Not only had it been a financial success but also a very enjoyable occasion.

Speakers for next year. Four speakers have already accepted invitations for 1973. Other subjects suggested were:-

Vegetarian Cookery; Antiquaries; Guide Dogs for the Blind; Discussion of A.S.M. Resolutions by V.C.O.; Talk by local burg's Representative.

The Secretary will try to arrange these.

A letter to the Secretary, W.I. Tent-Newbury Show was read. This nominated Mrs. Skotzen to serve on the 1973 committee.

The following items of interest were read from the County News Letter:-

Autumn Council Meeting on 18th October. Application fees and subscriptions for Guilds now due.

Produce Guild Area Meetings including

one at Newbury on 2nd November.

"County of your Choice" Competition for 1973. Annual Day for Handicraft Guild Members on 25th October at Reading.

Grand Holiday Draw.

Christmas Bazaar at Village Hall on 2nd December.

A volunteer for the Cake Stall is to be sought at the October meeting. Mrs. Haslam is willing to help.

Autumn Group Meeting. Inkpen has to give the vote of thanks. A volunteer for this is required. Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Bent have bottled red-currants, jelly and wine for the competition.

Spring Group Meeting. Inkpen are to be hostesses for this, so enquiries are to be made to find out when the Village Hall is free towards the end of April.

Suggested Competitions for next year.

Potato Mosa; Caricature Drawing; Limerick; Flower Arrangement in unusual container, not exceeding, say, 8" square; Meringues (2 pcs. unfilled); Embroidered White Handkerchief; Crocheted Table Mat.

Rang Wild
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Committee Meeting - 21st Nov. 1972

The meeting was held at The Driftway at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and seven other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Everson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Wild reported that several members had attended the Autumn Group Meeting, and expressed thanks to Mrs. Butts and Mrs. Bent for producing such a fine entry for the competition. It was regrettable that this had to be withdrawn due to a last minute confusion over the rules.

The Whist Drive, though poorly supported, proved to be an enjoyable occasion and did not run at a loss.

A letter from the longboat company acknowledged receipt of our £5 deposit and recommended that a firm booking for next year be made fairly soon.

An invitation to four members of our institute to Shalbourne and Ham Christmas Party was read. It was noted that three four members would have to be selected

at the next meeting.

The competition list for 1973 was completed and efforts were to be made to finalize arrangements for next year and have the programme printed in time for the Dec. meeting. Members were disappointed to hear that the Rural Home Economics Dept. of Bekhiv College of Agriculture could not supply a speaker for 1973 but suggested that a booking be made now for 1974. It was agreed that priority should be given to finding a ^{speaker} speaker for next year from some other source.

A suggestion was made that some other institute (perhaps Shalbourne) be invited to the Feb. meeting to hear Mr. Bator speak on "Collecting Antiques".

Nov. Meeting W.P.C. Holbon will talk on his work in the Police Force Mrs. Skotjes giving the vote of thanks. The competition is to be a "A Law I would like to pass". Mrs. Everson will be responsible for the flowers and Mrs. Haslam and Mrs. Cooke for refreshments.

An appeal was made for cakes, bottles, white elephants and gifts for the Christmas Bazaar in the Village Hall.

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Mrs. Wild has asked for ten books of tickets for the Grand Holiday Draw advertised in the County News Letter.

Orders for the Beholva Book are to be taken at the monthly meeting and members are to be asked to vote on their choice of subject for the W.I. Tent Competition at next year's Newbury Show Dec. Meeting. Mrs. Tuck circulated a draft programme, from which it was clear that the entertainment for the evening was well in hand. A tea committee is to be formed at the next meeting and members are to be asked to contribute items of food. Each member will be invited to bring one or two guests and children over 8 will be welcome.

Nancy Wild

Dec 7. 1972

Committee Meeting - 7th December, 1972

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 pm, Mrs Wild presiding and six other members being present. Apologies

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for absence were received from Mrs. Butler. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Tuck pointed out that the notice board had not yet been erected in Lower Dinkym. Meanwhile, she pinned our W.I. notices on the wall of Mr. Hunt's barn, but these always disappeared within a day or two. Mrs. Cooke promised to ask Mr. Hunt if we could possibly have the board up soon.

Members were informed that next year's programme was in the hands of the printers, who would do their best to have copies of it ready for the Dec. meeting.

A letter was read from Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Village Hall Committee, thanking W.I. members for their unstinted help with the Christmas Bazaar. The Cake and Pound Stall made a profit of £24.80.

Mrs. Wild read a letter, received with a Christmas card, from our new link member in Kaitai. Christmas cards and letters had been sent to our overseas links by Mrs Wild some time ago.

Members' attention was drawn to a circular from County HQ inviting them to

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give hospitality to visitors from overseas.
It was agreed that Mrs. Wild, on behalf of the Committee, should send some small tokens to Mrs. Martin at Christmas and contact should be made with the local W.I.

Final arrangements were made for the Christmas meeting on 12th Dec. Mrs. Tuck would be in charge of the entertainment and Mrs. Haslam was assisting her. It was decided that members should judge the competition for a Christmas collage. The tea was being organized by Mrs. Tonge with a team of helpers.

Jan. Meeting. Mrs. Everson promised to supply the flowers and Mrs. Cooke to give the vote of thanks. Volunteers for tea duty are to be sought at the Dec. meeting.

Laney Wild
Jan. 11. 1. 73.

Committee Meeting - 11th January 1973

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and 7 other members were present. Apologies for

absence were received from Mrs. Withers.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Wild informed members that she had sent a little and Christmas card to Mrs. Martin and had made contact with the local W.I. through the Cornwall County Secretary.

An invitation has been received from Kintbury W.I. to their meeting on 17th Jan.

An assurance has been received from Mr. Hunt that the notice board will be erected in his garden soon.

Mrs. Wild thanked members for their help in making the Christmas party such a success. A particularly good job had been done by Mrs. Tuck, with the assistance of Mrs. Haslam, in organizing the entertainment.

The Ham and Shalbourne Christmas party, attended by Mrs. Wild and 3 other members, had been much enjoyed.

Programmes for 1973 were distributed.

Mrs. Skotzen is attending a meeting of Treasurers on Feb. 5th. If anyone wished to accompany her, they were welcome to do so.

There was a discussion over the transporting to meetings of members without cars.

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Some re-organization would have to take place, particularly around Inghen Common, as too heavy a load was being put on one side.

Mrs. Tuck passed on a suggestion from Mrs. May that those speakers who do not accept a fee should be given some small present. It was decided that £1 taken from W. H. Smith would be suitable. It was also decided to act on a suggestion from Mrs. Shogren that a donation be sent to the Police Benevolent Fund, as the police-women who gave such an interesting talk in Nov. had declined payment. A sum of £3 was agreed.

The question of a monthly raffle was again raised. Members will be consulted on this at the monthly meeting.

The committee was reminded of the Group Meeting on 1st May, when Inghen would be the host institute.

Comprehensive instructions for the Newbury Show Lane have been received.

It suitable ^{date} for the canal trip was discussed. The committee favoured one Monday in late April or May but members will be consulted on this before a firm booking is made. It was suggested that Shelbourn be invited

to join us in this outing.
Monthly Meeting - 16th January. Miss May Peace is to show some coloured slides on S.E. Europe, tea hostesses to be Mrs. Best and Mrs. Cousins, flowers by Mrs. Ersson and vote of thanks by Mrs. Cooke.

Haney Wild
Feb 8. 1973.

Committee Meeting - 8th February, 1973.

The meeting was held at Knight's Acre at 7.30 p.m., Mrs. Wild presiding and 5 other members being present. Illness prevented Mrs. Butler from attending and Mrs. Tuck was away on holiday.

A letter was read from Mrs. May thanking members for their expressions of sympathy on the death of her husband. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The longboat has been booked for 21st May. It was decided to invite Shelbourn Institute to join our members and friends in this trip.

The committee was reminded of the

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Group Meeting at Ingham Village Hall on 1st May. The most efficient method of serving the food was discussed and it was decided to ask members' opinion on this at the monthly meeting. The committee thought that the sandwiches and cakes should be sent round in trays prior to tea being served.

Mrs. Skotjen reported on a W.D. Treasurer's meeting she had attended on 5th Feb. Plant a Tree Year. Members are to be consulted on the proposal that our institute participate in this project and plant a tree somewhere in the village - the pond might be a suitable site.

A Jumble Sale is to be held on Sat. 3rd March, provided the village hall is available on that date. The Rector is to be asked if he would kindly mention this event in his bulletin. A notice has also to be inserted in the Newbury Weekly News.

For the benefit of newcomers to the village, it might be helpful if the Rector could also mention in his bulletin that the W.D. would welcome new members.

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February Meeting. It is hoped to have a talk by Mr. Colin Barton on "Collecting Antiques", tea hostesses to be Mrs. Tuck and Mrs. Tyrrell. Mrs. Tuck has also offered to supply the flowers and Mrs. Bent to give the vote of thanks.

Nominations for the new committee have to be made. Mrs. Tuck has indicated that she does not wish to stand again, as she is going to be away from home a great deal this year. She will, however, be very willing to help when she can. Mrs. Wild hoped that the rest of the committee would serve for another year.

Nancy Hill
8th Feb. 1973

Committee Meeting - 8th March, 1973.

The meeting was held at Knight's Acre at 7.30 p.m., Mrs. Wild presiding and 7 other members being present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Withers.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Canal Trip on 21st May. It was agreed that

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Inkpen and Shallowne members should make their bookings before the end of April, so that the remaining places can be offered to West Woodhay and other institutes at the Group Meeting on 1st May.

Groups Meeting Mrs. Wild reported on the Group Committee meeting which she had attended. Hungerford would like two long trestle tables to stage the exhibition and another table will be required for the raffle. Inkpen is to supply one raffle prize. Our members are to be asked to bring along their proposed entries to the exhibition on "Something from Childhood Days" to the April meeting, as some of them may have to be filtered out. The moments must be named and have an account of the memory it invokes attached.

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Plant a Tree year. After some discussion, it was agreed that the recreation ground might be the best site for a tree but the committee decided that a decision on this should be deferred until the plans for the proposed new community centre were settled.

Raffle Sale The W.D./Play Group Raffle Sale on 3rd March had been very successful, and

realized a profit of about £50, half of which would go to W.D. funds. Mrs. Wild said that the Play Group Committee had suggested that we hold a similar combined event at the same time next year and that they tentatively book the hall now.

Arrangements for the March meeting were revised. Mrs. Croson agreed to give the vote of thanks. It is to be announced that the present committee is willing to stand again but would welcome a few more nominations.

Raffle

Mrs. Tuck wished to know if she should continue obtaining the prizes. Since she can buy them at favourable prices, it was requested that she order half a dozen to have in reserve. Mrs. Haslam suggested that the tickets be sold at the door as people arrive.

Mrs. Skotzen hopes to attend the Spring Council Meeting on Tuesday, 20th March, when she will hand in our Pinnies for Friendship contributions.

West Woodhay have invited her, as this year's delegate to the Allot Hall, to their meeting on 9th May, to note their voting on the resolutions. An invitation has also been extended to 5 of our members to their

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meeting on April 3rd at 2.30 p.m., when there will be an illustrated talk on "Birds".

Mrs. Skotzen reported on the Newbury Show Representatives Meeting on 8th March and gave details of a croquet competition to be judged by the general public.

Produce
Guild

The attention of Produce Guild members was drawn to an outing to the Lincolnshire Billfields at Spalding on 7th May, details of which appear in the County News Letter.

Craft
Guild

Mrs. Eason reported that she and Mrs. Skotzen had attended an informal afternoon at Watlington House, Reading, on 19th January, when they heard an interesting talk on "Soft Leatherwork" by Mrs. Mills.

It was decided to send £2 to Mr. Barton towards his favorite charity, since he had refused to accept payment for his talk at the February meeting.

The next committee meeting will be held on 12th April at 7.30 p.m.

Laney Wild.
April 12, 1973.

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Committee Meeting - 12th April, 1973.

The meeting was held at Knight's Acre at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and eight other members were present. The two new members ^{Mrs. Tyrrell & Mrs. Eason} were welcomed to the Committee by Mrs. Wild. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Eason.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Two letters of thanks for our recent donation were read from the Thames Valley Police and Police Superintendents' Trust.

The duties of the new committee were arranged as follows:-

- President - Mrs. Wild
- Treasurer - Mrs. Skotzen
- Secretary - Mrs. Cooke
- Organizer of Next Year's Speakers - Mrs. Skotzen
- Vice-Presidents - Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Trick
- Competitions - Mrs. Haslam
- Trading Stall - Mrs. Grimsey, Mrs. Withers
- Press - Mrs. Tyrrell
- Visitors - Mrs. Eason
- Group Representatives - Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Wild
- Village Hall Letter - Mrs. Haslam, Mrs. Tyrrell

- Entertainment - Mrs. Tuck
- National Savings - Mrs. Butler
- Posters - Mrs. Cooke
- Raffle - Mrs. Grimsey
- Produce Guild Rep. - Mrs. Butler
- Handicraft " " - Mrs. Ersson

It was proposed by Mrs. Skotzen and seconded by Mrs. Butler that the organization of transport to the Evergreen Club be passed back to the Mother's Union. Mrs. Cooke agreed to contact the Mother's Union on this matter.

Regarding the Village Hall Committee Mrs. Ersson felt that the representatives from each of the village organizations should have the opportunity of reporting back to their respective committees, so that proposals could be further discussed before they were implemented.

It was decided that the charge for raffle tickets should continue to be three for 5p. and that there should be two prizes for each raffle. Mrs. Tuck should the committee some attractive prizes she had bought for this and

agreed to purchase a further set.
Group Meeting on 1st May. Members were informed that Mrs. Fawcett has the catering arrangements in hand. A wooden bowl, one of the gifts bought by Mrs. Tuck, was chosen as Inkpin's donation to the raffle.

Next Year's Programme. Mrs. Wild felt it was desirable that four or five good speakers should be booked as soon as possible. The following were suggested - Mrs. Saint, representative from Marks + Spencers, Librarian from Newbury Library to speak on the history of Newbury, Mayor of Newbury. It was decided to have a meeting of the committee on 23rd May to discuss next year's programme, and it was hoped that members would come along with some ideas. Mrs. Butler proposed that in future we have an August instead of a January meeting, since members and speakers alike were often both to turn out on a cold January evening. This was seconded by Mrs. Grimsey. It could be an afternoon meeting - perhaps an outing to one of the "local gardens".
County News Letter. Pictures for the 1975 calendar are requested. The theme is "Berkshire Flowers and Gardens".

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Plant a Tree year. Mrs. Cruise had learned that the site of the old beech tree on the road to Combe was on Mr. Astor's land and it was thought that he would be quite happy to have another tree there. The Parish Council intend to order some trees and Mrs. Cruise promised to enquire if they would kindly order one for the W.I. at the same time.

April Meeting. Mrs. Mayne is to give a talk on Fabric Pictures and the competition is to be a Home-made Apron. Mrs. Betts and Mrs. Ford will be responsible for the refreshments, Mrs. May the flowers for the President's table and Mrs. Wild will give the vote of thanks.

Members are to be reminded of the Newbury Show Exhibition and also of the need to elect a President and Secretary for the Members Meeting in October.

The next committee meeting was fixed for 10th May.

Nancy Wild -
May 10th 1973

Committee Meeting - 10th May, 1973.

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and six other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Eveson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Weygan Club - Transport Organiser. Mrs. Cook said that, in the Rector's opinion, there was no one in the Mothers' Union in a position to assume this responsibility. The committee requested that, in any case, she send a letter to the Mothers' Union explaining the position. It was also decided to consult the Meals on Wheels drivers in this matter, at a meeting to be held at Mrs. Channing-Williams's home on 30th May.

Special meeting to select speakers for 1974. The date for this was altered from 23rd to 17th May - 7 p.m. at Knight's Ave.

Craft Guild Spring Area Meeting on 15th May. Mrs. Stojan and Mrs. Eveson hope to attend this.

Plant a Tree year. Mrs. Wild agreed to write to Mr. Astor for his approval of the W.I.'s plan

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to plant a tree on the site of the old
beeh on the road to Combe

Members were incidentally reminded of
the meeting to be held in the Village Hall
on 14th May at 7.30 p.m. when there would
be a final public discussion of the plans
for the new Community Centre.

Longboat trip. The full complement of 50 passengers
has been reached.

Nawbury Show. There have been no volunteers to stage
the "Country Life" exhibit. A committee
meeting will be held on 28th and a
representatives' meeting on 5th July.

Members' Meeting. The President and Secretary for this
should be elected at the next monthly meeting.

May Meeting. It is hoped that V.C.O. Mrs. Sizer
will be present to speak on the A.S.M.
Resolutions. Duties are as follows:-

Tra - Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Ashton, Flowers -
Mrs. Sheppard, Vote of Thanks - Mrs. Tywell.

Orders are to be taken for 1974 Diaries
and County News Letters.

June Meeting. Mrs. Wild ~~will~~ volunteered to
fetch the speakers, Miss Silk, and
Mrs. Skotzen to take her home, since
Mr. Cooke was now unable to do so.

When the competition for a baby's garment
was arranged, there was a suggestion that
members may like to donate their entries to
a children's home - one for blind babies
perhaps. This will be mentioned at the
May meeting.

The next committee meeting will be
held on Thursday, 7th June.

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June 7th 1973

Committee Meeting - 7th June 1973.

The meeting was held at Knight's
Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and
six other members were present.

Evergreen Club. The minutes of the previous
meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Skotzen agreed to carry on
organizing transport for this for a while,
since efforts to find a replacement for her
had not yet been successful.

Members were reminded of the trip
to Windsor on 29th June when the petition
to keep the Uffington White Horse in
Berkshire would be handed over.

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It was agreed that the longboat outing had been most successful and there appeared to be popular support for another one next year.

Mrs. Skotzen had attended the A.G.M. on 6th June. The committee looked forward to hearing her report on this at the monthly meeting.

A letter had been received from Mr. Astor stating that he had no objection to a tree being planted on the site of the old bush on Tomb Road.

Some discussion took place on next year's programme and the committee was pleased to hear that several speakers had already been engaged. It was suggested that the Berkshire String Players might be willing to give a recital.

Mrs. Skotzen and Mrs. Erson had attended the Craft Guild Spring Area Meeting on 15th May. Mrs. Erson ~~will~~ gave details of the A.C.W.W. Annual Art Competition.

June Meeting. There will be a talk on Guide Dogs for the Blind by Miss B. Selk. The competition is to be a home-made

bag's garment. Mrs. Garkman and Mrs. Skeats are to be responsible for refreshments, Miss Cate for the flowers and Mrs. Grimsey for the vote of thanks.

Instead of a caricature, the competition for the July meeting is to be a calendar, Christmas card and tag, the best of these to be chosen for the Group Meeting in October.

The next committee meeting will be held on 5th July at Knight's Ave.

Raney Wild
July 5. 1973

Committee Meeting - 5th July, 1973.

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and six other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Skotzen and Mrs. Erson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

It was confirmed that the competition for the July meeting was for a calendar - 6" x 9", gift card - 3" x 2" and a Christmas card, the best of these to be chosen for

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the Autumn Group Meeting. The talk at the July meeting will be "Painting for Pleasure" by Mrs. Freeman, tea hostesses are to be Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Gardiner and flowers will be supplied by Mrs. Everson.

As the entertainment at the Autumn Group Meeting, the responsibility of Inkpen, several members had suggested that Mrs. Martin's play, "The Bequest," be performed and Mrs. Tuck was consulted on the feasibility of this. She pointed out that two of the replacements would have to be found for two of the original cast and rehearsals would have to be in full again. However, she agreed to give the matter some thought to this matter and any other ideas which might occur to her.

A suggestion had been made by the Play Group Committee that another combined jungle sale be held in October. The few objections to this were over-ruled, since the last one had been such a success and some Play Group mothers were also W.I. members. Such combined events might attract new members to the W.I.

There will be a live B.B.C. broadcast of "Any Questions" at the Autumn Council Meeting on 19th October, application for tickets to be in by 15th September.

W.I.s. have been invited to help "Woman" magazine compile a "Woman Book of Britain" by sending them articles of interest on their particular village or district. The committee instructed Mrs. Cooke to write to County HQ and enquire what financial benefits, if any, the W.I. movement would derive from this exercise.

July Meeting. Mrs. Freeman is to talk on "Painting for Pleasure" and the competition is for a Calendar, Gift Tag and Christmas Card. Duties are as follows:- Tea - Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Gardiner; Flowers - Mrs. Everson; Vote of Thanks - Mrs. Butler.

Mrs. Tuck agreed to preside over the committee meeting on 6th Sept., since Mrs. Wild will be away on holiday then.

Velma A. Tuck.

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Committee Meeting - 5th September, 1973.

The meeting was held at The Dytway at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Tuck presided and eight other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Wild and Mrs. Gimsy.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Newbury Show - 15th September. Those members who wished to send cakes and produce to the W.I. tent were asked to inform Mrs. Skotzen, who had kindly offered to collect them, where necessary, and deliver them.

It was decided to spend approx. £1 on gifts for the bran tub and Mrs. Everson agreed to purchase these. The committee authorized her to exceed the stipulated 5p per parcel, if necessary, as so little can be bought for this amount.

Mrs. Skotzen hoped to attend a meeting of the W.I. tent committee on 6th Sept.

Group Meeting - 10th October at 2.30 p.m. Inge's duties are to be entertainment and vote of thanks to judge. Mrs. Tuck has the arrangements for the entertainment in hand having obtained permission, at a

cost of 5/-, to produce a short sketch with three players. The committee agreed that Mrs. Everson's competition entry should go forward and Mrs. Tyrrell volunteered to give the vote of thanks to the judge. The raffle prize is to be decided at the next meeting. Mrs. Cooke said she would try to arrange for someone to attend the group committee meeting at Kentbury on 10th Sept.

It was decided not to apply for a V.C.O. visit next year. Almost a full complement of speakers had already been engaged by Mrs. Skotzen. As instructed, she had left August free for an outing.

A discussion then took place on how to make the monthly meetings more interesting and it was suggested that this be discussed further at the next committee meeting. It should also be possible to increase competition entries. The points system could again be explained to members and a prize should be awarded to the winner at the end of the year. The prize for the raffle could be announced by the President at each meeting. Mrs. Tuck displayed a fine new collection of these.

Jumble Sale - 29th Sept. Jumble, cakes and produce and offers of help were requested for this Christmas Bazaar in Village Hall. Contributions for this would be welcome. Mrs. Everson agreed to buy gifts for the ban tub to the value of £1 at the same time as she shopped for the Newbury Show.

At the request of Mrs. Cooke, the committee agreed to bringing the S.E.B. cockery demonstration forward to the October meeting. Members were willing to have their meeting in November.

Programme for September meeting. A gardening talk by Mrs. White. Competition - A decorative arrangement in a small terrapot.

Tea Hostesses - Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Withers.

Flowers by Mrs. Withers. Vote of thanks -

Mrs. Haslam.

Members are to be reminded that meetings will commence at 7pm from Oct.

The next committee meeting will be on 14th October at 7.30pm.

Randy Wheeler
Oct. 4th 1973

Committee Meeting - 14th October, 1973.

The meeting was held at Knights Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and seven other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Everson, Mrs. Couse and Mrs. Withers.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Next Year's Programme. As Mrs. Skotzen has had no firm acceptance from the Berkshire String Quartet alternative speakers were considered for the May meeting.

Transport was arranged for the fifteen members attending the Autumn Group Meeting.

It was decided to contact Hungerford with a view to sharing their mini-bus to the Autumn Council Meeting at Reading.

Village Hall Christmas Bazaar. Mrs. Turk agreed to help with the Cake Stall but a volunteer to take charge of this has yet to be found. Gifts for this as well as for any of the other stalls would be welcome.

The A.G.M. of the W.I. tent - Newbury Show is to be held on 15th Nov. at 2 p.m. Mrs. Skotzen asked if anyone would like to accompany her to this and if anyone

was willing to serve on the committee. Ideas for competitions, demonstrations and exhibitions were requested. Mrs. Skotzen pointed out that, unless there is more support for the W.D. tent, it is in danger of folding up. This would be a pity, since it is the only publicity there is for the W.D. in Berkshire.

The combined W.D./Play Group Jumble Sale had raised about £20 profit for the W.D. The unsold jumble had been passed on to other organizations.

At the October meeting there will be a cooking demonstration of "Supper Savories" by Miss Evans of S.E.B. The hostesses are to be Mrs. Gimsey and Mrs. Cooke, and Mrs. Gardner will give the vote of thanks.

Christmas Meeting. It was agreed that an entertaining speaker or group should be engaged for this, if possible. A catering committee is to be formed at the Oct. meeting. Mrs. Wild suggested that a neighbouring institute (perhaps Shalbourne) be invited.

Produce Guild Cooking Demonstration at Newbury on 26th Oct. Those members wishing to attend were asked to inform Mrs. Butler.

The next committee meeting will be on 1st Nov. at 7.30 p.m.

Hazel Wild
Nov 1973

Committee Meeting - 1st November, 1973

The meeting was held at Knight's Acre at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and seven other members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

The committee was informed of an invitation for three members to attend the Embourne and Hamstead Marshall Jan. meeting.

A letter was read from Mrs. Fawcett thanking members for their kindness in sending her a cyclamene during her recent anxious time.

A letter of thanks had also been received from Miss Coleman for the use of the W.D. china at the Harvest Supper. While on the subject of W.D. china, Mrs. Wild suggested that replacements be ordered, since many of the cups were chipped. Mrs. Cooke promised to obtain a catalogue of this china.

Christmas Meeting on 11th Dec. Arrangements were

made for this, the highlight of the evening to be a performance of character sketches by a Miss Allen. It was decided to extend an invitation to West Woodhay and ten members of Shalbourne Institute. Injper members should each bring a guest. A catering committee to assist Mrs. Gardner is to be formed. Several members of the committee agreed to donate prizes for the raffle.

Spring Group Meeting at Kintbury on 8th May, 1974.

Injper has to be in charge of the competition - three soft toys made of any material by three different members.

Nominations for new Committee. Mrs. Cooke pointed out that it was not too soon to consider this. She herself was unable to stand for re-election.

Duties for next year. It was decided to draw up a roster at a later meeting.

Hazel Wild
Dec 6th 1973

Committee Meeting - 6th December, 1973.

The meeting was held at Knight's Ale at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and eight other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Bruce and Mrs. Haslam.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Christmas Party - 11th December. This would not only be attended by Injper members and friends but also guests from West Woodhay and Shalbourne Institute. Members were informed that the catering committee, headed by Mrs. Gardner, had the catering arrangements well under control. Six committee members volunteered to donate prizes for the raffle. The entertainment would be by Miss Allen, who had accepted Mrs. Wild's offer of overnight hospitality. A vote of thanks to Miss Allen would be given by Mrs. Withers.

A letter was read from Mrs. May thanking the W.F. for its donation to the bean tub at the Christmas Cazaar. There was also a letter from Mrs. Home thanking members for their condolences.

The committee unanimously voted that future programmes, including 1974-75 be drawn up from April to March.

Mrs. Cooke was instructed to order the ten cups/saucers offered by Highfield Tableware at a clearance price of £2.95 plus carriage and packing.*

At a W.D. Tent - Newbury Show meeting attended by Mrs. Skotzen it had been suggested that next year's competition should consist of five individual exhibits from each institute, the exhibits to cover at least three of five stipulated categories. The committee thought that this was a good idea but the suggestion that there should be some kind of demonstration (perhaps cooking) in the tent met with little enthusiasm. These had not been very successful in the past.

The next committee meeting is to be on Thursday, 14th February, at 7.30 p.m.

* It was agreed that a charge should be made to other organisations for the use of W.D. china.

Nancy Wild
14 Feb 1974

Committee Meeting - 14th February, 1974

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and 8 other members were present. Mrs. Withers sent her apologies for absence. A letter had been received from Mrs. Couse regretting that she could no longer serve on the committee and asking that her resignation be accepted.

These minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Mrs. Wild has arranged for a padlock to be fitted to the W.D. cupboard in the village hall to prevent the unauthorised use of W.D. china by other organisations. The new china would be retained by Mrs. Cooke until this was done.

An invitation had been received from Faecombe W.D. inviting 4 or 5 of our members to a fashion show at Faecombe Manor on 15th May at 7.30 p.m.

A request had been made by the London Appreciation Society that the W.D. supply tea for them after their visit to Kirby House on 18th May. They were willing to pay 50p. per head for tea plus the hire of the hall, so this could be a

profitable occasion for the W.D. Mrs. Wild had tentatively accepted.

Mrs. Wild is arranging to buy a bush tree to replace the old one on the Combe road and a tree-planting ceremony will be held in March on a date to be fixed at the monthly meeting.

Next year's programme is to be sent to the printers after the appointment of the officers for 1973-4 at the Annual Meeting on 19th March. A letter is to be sent to all members notifying them of this meeting and inviting them to serve on the new committee. Names of the retiring committee will be listed and those members not standing for re-election will be indicated.

Mrs. Spruell wondered what the feelings of the W.D. were on the planning application to extend the runway of the Gliding Club at Shallown to accommodate small powered aircraft. The committee agreed that this matter required serious consideration and should be put to members at the monthly meeting.

Members were reminded of the Spring Area Meeting at Newbury on 28th Feb, when there would be an illustrated talk on "Rock

Gardens and Water Gardens."

The next committee meeting will be on 7th March.

Nancy Wild

March 6th 1974.

Committee Meeting - 6th March 1974

The meeting was held at Knight's Ave at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Wild presided and eight other members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Tuck.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

A letter was read from Mrs. Goodhart thanking members for the eulamen plant and message of sympathy on the death of her husband. A letter from this institute to the County Planning Department, Loubridge, was read. This protested against the proposed extension of the gliding field at Moor-down Farm, Shallown, to accommodate more small-powered aircraft.

Annual Meeting - 19th March. The business meeting will be followed by a talk on "Skin Care and Make-up" by Mrs. Woodbridge. The vote

of thanks is to be given by Mrs. Evson
and the competition is to be a home-
decorated Easter egg. Members are to be
reminded of the "Soft Toy" competition for
April. The best of these will be
entered in the Group competition, which is for
three soft toys, made of any material,
by three different members.

It was decided to give a first and
second prize (vouchers for 50p and 25p) to
the overall winners of the competitions
for the year.

Since the institute was well in funds at
the moment, it was agreed that a donation
of £5 could be sent to County HQ.

The W.D. in Postlewith, Monmouthshire,
had invited Independent W.D. to visit them,
under the Town and Country Project.

Mrs. Skotzen pointed out that this trip could
be financed, wholly or partly, from W.D. funds
if a short business meeting were held some-
time during the outing.

Mrs. Wild reminded members of the
planting of the tree on 18th March at 2.30pm.
Mr. ^{did not} ~~know~~ this to be planted too near the
road, where it could block the view and asked
for this comment to be put on record.