Little Budworth WI May News

Beryl Worrall welcomed members and visitors, including our speaker Mrs Rosie Lee.

The correspondence was dealt with and the N.F.W.I. Resolution "mental health matters" was discussed and voted on. Glenys Jones together with Gwen Hassall will be going to Cardiff in June to cast our vote.

Members will be going to our Group meeting on the 14th May, when Jean Martyn, an International Concert Organist and Pianist will be the speaker.

Further discussions took place on our Cheese and Wine evening on June 8th and on our 70th anniversary in November.

Nicki Stott gave her report on a recent PAL meeting where Dr. Ruth Bromley spoke on "How are ethical dilemmas resolved in medicine"

The Village Fete Day is Saturday 7th July and the W.I. has been asked to help provide and serve refreshments.

Beryl then introduced our speaker Rosie Lee from Weaver Dairy House Farm, Winsford. Her talk was entitled Farming, the Environment and the Future

In 2010 Rosie quit her career in banking and took over the running of the farm and in order to increase her knowledge of farming she undertook a 2 year course on Countryside Management and a part time 4 year course on farming, at Reaseheath College, to learn about new farming techniques. She is very passionate about conservation and wildlife going hand in hand with farming and she works very closely with Cheshire Wildlife Trust, Natural England and Reaseheath College. With the help of the Trust Rosie has managed to set up educational facilities on the farm with visits from primary and secondary schools taking place. Ponds have been built and historic hedgerows and a large ancient woodland are maintained and managed. After her talk and presentation we watched a film taken by a drone that flew over the farm. We saw Hereford cattle graze traditional pasture where the birds can find worms in the open soil areas and views over the river Weaver and Winsford Flashes running side by side. All in all a splendid habitat for butterflies, birds and wildlife in general.

Ruby Speed gave the vote of thanks and refreshments were served by Anne Hall and Helen Chrimes.

There is no meeting in June as we have our outing to Weaver Dairy House Farm, Winsford where after a conducted tour of the farm and surrounding areas we will be having afternoon tea.

Date for your diary.

Our annual fund raising Cheese and Wine will take place on Friday 8th June. Tickets are £8.50. Everyone is welcome and your support would be appreciated.