Ashbocking, Swilland and Witnesham Women's Institute

Committee's Annual Review 2023

We've had another year celebrating with our WI's 75th birthday, King Charles III's Coronation and WI National Celebration Day.

Rosemary Nicol took on the role of President and has guided us through another busy year of meetings and events.

Our floral Workshop, has become an annual event - this time following a "how to" demonstration everyone created a table arrangement to take home.

Our Swilland and Witnesham litter pick, followed by lunch, went ahead in March when we were joined by fellow villagers and supported by Suffolk Norse who provided the equipment and arranged pick up of the many bags of litter we collected.

We marked our WI's 75th birthday with a glass of bubbles and a celebration cake. We were joined by an amazing lady, Sheila Innis, and her two lambs, telling us about her many years as a hard working shepherd.

It was bubbles again in June marking King Charles's coronation. Everyone brought a plate of food for the buffet. The speaker was not able to be with us, so it was an opportunity to enjoy a sociable get together.

The rain held off for our July evening visit to the Brambles, a lovely garden in Clopton. Twenty four ladies came along to meet Linda Weeks who guided us around her garden and fed us cake.

September 16th was **Celebrating WI Day** with which our ladies were keen to be involved. There was a grand craft display. Children enjoyed activities and there were demonstrations of card making and beadwork. There was coffee, cake and socialising. We gained two new members from this successful morning.

Ladies have attended the WI's Resolution Meeting in January, SEFWI Annual Meeting at Trinity Park in March, Group Meeting, Annual Parish Meeting and catering at the villages show.

Our records show another successful WI year for Ashbocking, Swilland and Witnesham, so we say thank you to Committee ladies who organise us and all our faithful members for their contributions and support.