Thornborough and Thornton WI report 2022-23

Another exciting year for our WI, the highlight being the Platinum Jubilee cream tea in June. Over 100 girls from the local area were invited to enjoy refreshments, fun and friendship in celebrating the late Queen's 70 years as our monarch. A raffle, supported by many generous local businesses, raised over £800 for the DEC Ukraine appeal fund.



We continue to use Zoom for livestreaming, so all our meetings are hybrid, allowing WI members to join in from home. There has also been a 50% increase in our membership in the past year.

The talks in our meetings have ranged from learning about Silk for Sundays, MK as a city in the trees, Animal Computer Interaction, Ladies of the Grand tour, Giving your garden the designer touch, to Writing your novel, what would your handbag say?

We also had some entertaining Christmas festivities and in January members enjoyed afternoon tea in Stony Stratford. On Sunday 7th May we ran The Coronation Game, as part of the festivities, raising £102 for the village hall refurbishment fund. Three of our Members have also created an amazing post box topper in downtown Thornborough.

We continue to support the monthly community café in the village hall who, for a donation, provide us with cake for our WI meeting on the same evening. We also continue to assist the Women's refuge in Milton Keynes. Some members also help Milton Keynes Baby Basics, a charity dedicated to supporting families living in MK and surrounding areas who are in financial hardship. All are most grateful for our support.



