

SPARSHOLT WI 2017-18

It has been an exciting year for Sparsholt WI as we celebrated our 100 years as a WI and have just had our 101st Birthday. Our numbers may be small but do try to participate in local events and won our class at the Littleton and Harestock Show in September.

As well as our usual two Jumble Sales we had a 4 Corner's Day in April, and Gardeners Question Time in October with local Gardeners/Horticulturists on the panel and to which Sparsholt residents were invited.

Our monthly meetings have included, Geoffrey Wheeler and Titanic's Passengers; Dr Becky Peacock from the Mid Hants Railway on Women on the Railway; how to make do and mend in 1942; the history of Southampton Docks; a Modern Military Mother; life in the media ; life under German Rule in Guernsey and the BBC Sewing Bee judge, May Martin in December, a real coup!

We have a full programme for 2018 as well as attending WI Federation Events as it is the Country's Centenary this year.

Unfortunately we have had to stop playing Short Tennis as members were either unwell or sustained injuries. Having been thwarted in our efforts to purchase a Table Tennis Table for our and other village organisations to use we hope to be seen regularly using the one that another organisation has donated.

However we have returned to the Hall for our Committee Meetings on the first Tuesday of the month.

So what could we usefully donate to the Hall/Village, in celebration of the oldest WI in Hampshire, do you have any ideas please?

Brenda Fletcher (President)
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