BONT FAEN WI MONTHLY MEETING Thursday 18th May 2023

Sue welcomed everyone to a new year for the Institute after the Annual Meeting last month when she was voted in as President for another year.

Apologies were received from members.

The Record was agreed and there were no Matters Arising.

Correspondence:- Christmas Miscellany at the HiTide Porthcawl on 23th November.

Summer Stopover in Oxford 19-20th August, £159

Margam Garden Party 12th July £5

Malvern Show

Finance:- £2525 in the Bank after money sent to NFWI and GFWI. WE have 44 members to date.

Social:- Annie has booked the Plough and Harrow at Monknash on Thursday 22nd June at 7.30 after a 6 oc walk down the Cym.

Jean D and Margaret P will organise the Mystery Trip in August.

Sub Committees:- Walkie Talkies – 14th June 10oc on the Ogmore Road.

Craft Group:- Painting a terracotta Plant pot 22nd May at Sue Dibbens.

Culture Vultures:- Everyman Theatre- Calendar Girls or Midsummer Nights dream.

Margaret then gave a report on the GFWI 100th Annual Conference.

Next meeting:- Music in Mind.

Lynn introduced Lana Gould from the Vale Domestic Abuse Services.

This has been going for 17 years. 2 die each week from Domestic Abuse. The abuser will name many excuses for their behavour but ultimately it is control.

In the Unit there are 5 spaces and 6 flats. After a while they are dispersed to other secret properties. The service also provides help with legal and financial problems. No one is turned away as space will be found somewhere. Unfortunately, there are women who return more than once. But help is always available with counselling and other services.

Questions were then put to Lana.