Mendlesham W.I report

The last year has been a challenge for our members of WI due to the government covid restrictions. We have 45 members, 3 new members have joined us recently.

During lock down we had our meetings via zoom with the help of Giles Godart-Brown. By June restrictions had been lifted and we could meet outside. It was great to see members face to face.

In August we began our meetings in the usual monthly format, and began to plan for 2022. We continue to meet monthly in the U.R.C.Chapel.

In the autumn members planted daffodil bulbs around the village and by the gravestones in the churchyard. The display looks very pretty and has been admired.

Our annual dinner was held at the White Horse at Stoke Ash and members attended with their partners.

Our Knit and Stitch morning continues to be very popular. We are knitting baby garments for the Moses project, a charity that supports young mothers who are on a low income and struggling to provide items for the baby they are expecting.

We are looking forward to, once again, holding our annual flower and produce show in August which raises funds for our W.I.

We have contributed information about our lives and the "changing roles of woman" which will be displayed at the Suffolk Show this year.

A member made and sent cards to the Royal Family on the death of Prince Philip and to the Queen to celebrate her platinum jubilee.

There is a full programme planned for the forthcoming year. This will be the 96th year for the W.I of Mendlesham. We welcome new members and continue to be a busy thriving club.

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W.I secretary. 18.4.2022.

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