

MINUTES OF AGM HARTSHILL MOTHERS' UNION	
Wednesday 20th March 2019	
Gill Wilkes, Lynda Kelly, Sally Young, Debbie Kulik (guest), Heather Greaves, Sue Parr, Rita Bennett, Beryl Todd, Sheila Hinds, Dorothy Beebe, Sue Foster, Jan Blamire-Brown, Wendy Albrighton	
Opening Prayer – Sue Parr	
Apologies for absence Apologies had been received from Yvonne Mackenzie	
Minutes from AGM held on 21st February 2018 The minutes were proposed as approved (noted correct spelling Lynda Kelly) by Wendy and seconded by Jan. 6 in favour, 6 abstentions	
Matters Arising Possibility of a Pudding Club on the Agenda.	
Finance Report Heather presented Finance Report for 2018. HMU are £194.30 in credit pending donation to Church for use of room and flowers for Mothering Sunday. The Finance Report was proposed as approved by Lynda and seconded by Wendy. All in favour.	
Membership Subscriptions 2019 Mothers' Union membership £24 Branch Meeting £1 Sunshine Tin donations for unplanned gifts and speakers. Suggested 40p	
Review of last year's activities Village Life in Malawi - Glynis Gayton - very good. Would like to have them back. Heather to send Sue contact details. Sue to send Mother's Union T Shirt. Pam Gould – Diocesan Chaplain - Everyone enjoyed talk Poppy creation for Warwick poppies- was a success. Some members had been to see the poppies at Warwick. Summer Party at sally's - enjoyed by all Making Hedgehogs from books – Carol Collins in aid of Macmillan cancer support - Makers enjoyed process and pleased with results. Some members have passed on technique to others. Mission Aviation Fellowship (AVF) – Alistair Crooks - Talk was received well. There is a box in Church to collect postcards to raise money for AVF Christmas Wreath creation – worthwhile and enjoyable.	HG / SF

<p>Christmas Party – held in library for the first time – worked out well.</p> <p>Ruth Taylor – visit to the Holy Land – well received</p>	
<p>Mothers' Union Focus Sue F reminded everyone of the Focus of MU and of the need to look for ways to support these aims. Supporting, promoting and strengthening marriage Supporting families in Faith Building a Christian Community Supporting family life Helping those who face adversity</p>	
<p>Sally's visits to Bob Jakin Ward GE Hospital Sally thanked everyone from Hartshill MU for their help with toiletries for Bob Jakin Ward at GE hospital and asked that they could continue. They are in particular need of toothpaste.</p> <p>Debbie suggested that MU members could make 'Snuggle Bears' (a knitted Teddy to hold) to take into hospital.</p> <p>Sally suggested making 'A Cross in my Pocket' to take into Bob Jakin ward.</p> <p>Sue F also mentioned that it is possible to buy small olive wood crosses.</p>	
<p>Knitted Teddies Sue F reminded everyone that MU can no longer accept knitted Teddies as the criteria for accepting them has become too complicated. MU members can still knit the Teddies which will be accepted by other charities.</p>	
<p>Knitted Blankets Lynda is collecting knitted / crochet blankets to send to Chinthowa. Malawi.</p>	
<p>Prayer Shawls Sue F said that more Prayer Shawls are needed for Indoor Members of MU</p>	
<p>'Make a Mother's Day' - Mothering Sunday 31st March Hartshill MU are to support 'Make a Mother's Day'. Making and selling cakes after the Church Service. Each contributor to price their own cakes. Making daffodil posies to give out during Church Service. Wendy said that she thought the Church would be quite willing to pay for the daffodils but the general feeling was that HMU would like to continue to buy the flowers It was decided to make 70 posies on Sat 30th March Helpers - to bring greenery, gloves, secateurs Sue F – flowers, plastic bags, elastic bands Sue P – kitchen roll Wendy – foil Sheila – prayers in Church Jan – to put event in Church Notice Sheet</p>	<p>All SF SP WA SH JBB</p>

<p>Tea and Coffee – Heather (Vince already on duty Rota) Selling Cakes – Sue F, Dorothy, Sheila, Jan</p>	<p>HG SF/DB/SH / JBB</p>
<p>Tea Towels / T Spoons Kitchen is very short of tea towels. All contributions welcome. Sue F said she could bring some in. Gill has noticed that there is also a shortage of tea spoons. Beryl said she would check 'Over 60's' box</p>	<p>SF BT</p>
<p>Yearly donation to church for use of room It was agreed to donate £50 to the church for the use of the 'library' for meetings.</p>	
<p>Deanery Events 2019 March 25th Lady Day Service 2.00pm All Saints Bedworth. April 11th Deanery Festival Service at HT Attleborough 7.00pm led by Revd. Denise Burgess. (New members to be enrolled) Monday June 3rd Deanery Prayers at St. Paul's Stockingford at 10.00am August 8th Mary Sumner 'Celebration Day' Bring and Share Supper at Atherstone Thursday September 26th Deanery Festival service at Hartshill 2.00pm October 7th Deanery Prayers & Committee meeting Atherstone 10.00am</p>	
<p>Diocesan Events 2019 May 16th Members' Evening, 6.30 (coffee) for 7pm – 9pm, Holy Trinity Church, Fifield Close, Attleborough, Nuneaton, CV11 4TS May 31st "Thy Kingdom Come" family friendly Service, Coventry Cathedral 2pm. Everyone welcome – bring your children and grand children. Sep 17th-18th General Meeting – Portsmouth Oct 12th Members' Day 10am (coffee) for 10.30 – 3pm, St Andrew's Shottery CV37 9HQ Dec 2nd Advent Service 11am, All Saints Church Emscote, Warwick CV34 5NJ</p>	
<p>Trip to MU General Meeting 2019 Portsmouth 17th Sept. Harry Shaw. 3 days. £195 per person. See Coventry Diocese MU web site.</p>	
<p>Money Raising Event for Charity Idea of Pudding Club was discussed as was the idea of a Strawberry Tea. It was felt that neither of these events were likely to be well attended. Wendy suggested a 'Pop Up Café'. Sheila pointed out that the Hartshill Community Centre was fully booked except for Thursdays. It was decided to hold the event one Thursday in June.</p>	<p>TBA</p>

Proposed Programme of Activities for 2019

All events are at 7.30pm in the library unless otherwise stated.

Date	Activity
January 16	Ruth Taylor will be visiting us again, following her most enjoyable visit last year, to tell us more about her visit to the Holy Land
February 20th	Sue will be showing a short film about the Tissington Well Dressings
Monday February 25th	Deanery Prayers and coffee, 10am, Hartshill Vestry
March 20	AGM
March 31st	Mothering Sunday
April 17	Karen Morris and Felicity Hawke will be leading us in a MULOA session.
May 15	Our curate, Sharon, will be visiting us to talk about her work for University Hospital in supporting groups and volunteers delivering community care to those with illness and other problems.
June 19	Heather to be invited to talk about her recent visit to Holy Land
July 10	Summer Party in Conservatory
September 18	Prepare for Deanery Service and make teddies and crosses etc. for hospital
September 26	Deanery Service at Hartshill at 2pm
October 16	Talk on Quilts for Injured Soldiers. Heather has updated the MU Speakers List and is waiting for approval
November 20	Make Christmas Wreath
December 18	Christmas Party in library and conservatory
January 15	Wendy suggested Ruth James 'Aim For Change'
February 19th	

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Gifts for speakers

HMU are to continue to buy small gifts for visiting speakers. Volunteer to buy gift to be decided at previous MU Meeting.

April – Sue P for Sharon

May – Sally for Felicity

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Thanks

Sally gave a vote of thanks on behalf of everyone in HMU to:

Sue – for running HMU so well.

Heather – for her work as Treasurer.

Yvonne – for her work as Secretary.

Closing Prayer

Mothers Union prayer led by Sue F

The meeting closed at 9.10pm followed by refreshments.	
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