



## VALLEY ARTS AND CRAFTS



### **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018**

Methodist Church Hall, Welshpool

#### **Present:**

Hilda Fix, Jayne Griffiths, Sue Lavender, Diana Roberts, Edward Rogers, Abi Crutcher, Parveen Nazar, Cynthia Evans, Patricia Trigg, Deborah Shaw, Tracey Linthwaite, Nina Jones, Ivor Hawkins, Angela Hawkins, Topny Caplin, Penny Vingoe, Hazel Smith, David Youden, Marge Youden, Becca Tansley, Beth McPhee

#### **Apologies:**

Sarah Hall, Sue Holt, Lena Jones, Mike Browning, Richard Baddily, Jan Baddily, Nicky Walters, Sonya Smith, Bronwyn Strugnell, Stella Gratriz, Will Deene

#### **Minutes of the last AGM**

Approved

#### **Chairman's Report**

May I start by thanking all the volunteers who worked in the shop this year, Richard for doing all commissions and refunds and Heather for sorting out all the problems and keeping an eye on the shop during the winter.

To recap the year, we have had demos after meetings from Nina who showed us her crochet work and also how she made her Christmas ornaments; and also from Jayne who demonstrated how to use Angelina fibre and also showed us how to make little gift boxes, which we all took home.

This year was the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the shop and to celebrate we had a series of demonstrations outside the shop; Cynthia Evans with glass painting, Henry Moorhouse – how to build a birdhouse, polymer clay with Hazel Smith, preserve and jam sampling with Beth McPhee, metal working with Becca Tansley,

2 demos of working with willow by Nicky Walters, pyrography with Stella Gratix, paper crafting with Jayne Griffiths, loom weaving with Deb Shaw and a camera workshop with ~Tony Caplin. Some of these were more successful than others but they all raised awareness of the shop.

We did not arrange any of our own craft fairs this year but I did have a shop table at the Meifod May Fair which did quite well, and this is something that we may think about at craft fairs.

Becca had an article about her shop Ewe and Ply, situated in the Market Hall in Shrewsbury, in a knitting magazine.

We now have a refurbished shop and a new brochure. The brochure cost for 5000 was £381.60, which works out at 0.07p a copy. We now have to get these out to all and sundry.

The shop refurbishment, including all paints, brushes, rollers, decals for the signs, extra chains for pictures, a new card stand and shelving unit came in at under £500, (£477.68 to be exact) which I think you will agree is excellent value for money. Thanks for Jayne and her husband Mervyn who did the majority of the work.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The bank balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 were Money Management Account £4916.18 and the Community Account £144.09. A breakdown of the income/expenditure will be emailed to members when ready.

Everyone was reminded that the membership fee of £20.00 is now due but that the insurance is not due until July.

### **Election of Officers**

The following elections took place

<b>Position</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Nominated</b>	<b>Seconded</b>
Chair	Jayne Griffiths	Cynthia Evans	Beth McPhee
Vice Chair	Will Deene	Paveen Nazar	Marge Youden
Treasurer	Hilda Fix	Ivor Hawkins	Hazel Smith
Secretary	Sue Lavender	Deb Shaw	Paveen Nazar
Webmaster	Penny Vingoe	Becca Tansley	Tony Caplin

### **Any Other Business**

Hilda went through the revised Terms & Conditions for the shop. The only amendment to the new Terms & Conditions was on point 4 – codes for the shop will be given out by the Treasurer. These changes were passed unanimously.

Penny explained that the old addresses for Valley Arts & Crafts have been hacked so everything to go on the website needs to be sent through to Penny on the following address: [valley@clayaround.com](mailto:valley@clayaround.com)

A presentation of a card, garden token and a lifetime membership was made to Angela in appreciation of all her hard work for Valley Arts & Crafts. Angela returned her key.