

**Renhold WI**  
**Report of Renhold WI meeting**  
**7.30pm Thursday 1st Feb 2018**  
**Renhold Village Hall**

Warm Welcome to all - and new members/visitors

A rousing chorus of Jerusalem. (sung unaccompanied as technology let us down).

**Next WI Walk** is 10am on the 12th Feb at Moggerhanger Park - Snowdrops and Café.  
Meet at the car park at 10am - visitors welcome.

WI Summer Boat Trip (19th July 2018) - from Bedford to Great Barford please let Julie Roberts have numbers and deposit ASAP

**February Craft Show and Tell**

Claudette Slater then presented an array of knitted garments which she had been making for many years. A fabulous display of her work and skill.

Julie Gillett presented a series of beautiful quilts that she has made by hand and machine in various techniques, then a knitted Cuckoo clock for a grandchild, and some beautiful stained glass work that she learned and developed after going to Denman College.

Sonia Warby showed us her range of wooden bowls that had been carefully decorated by a burning technique (Pyrography), she was inspired by Julie and took up an opportunity to learn a new skill, and she has now got some new equipment for Christmas.

Jeanette Roberts demonstrated her skills in Crochet work with some baby shawls and baby blankets that she has created, in a variation of stitch techniques a particularly difficult one was a Christmas throw in deep red, which we all admired. Jeanette then was happy to demonstrate a basic crochet stitch to the meeting.

Mavis Heaume is the master of many craft skills and showed us her beautiful decorated padded boxes, modelled her intricate knitting and showed us her artwork, her sewing and Christmas decorations. A fabulous show.

Rita Haylock bought us some tiny paper shirts made from the inside of old envelopes which fascinated the meeting. These are used to decorate cards. Tiny and intricate.

Sue Brunsdon then showed us her knitted mice, a bride and groom and several other figures that she knits for fun.

Pat Lindsay then thanked all the participants and said what a fabulous display of local talent and skill in our members. A huge round of applause was given.

Refreshments and Social we then cut our 95th Birthday Cake

With Pat Lindsay and Claudette then we all enjoyed some birthday cake and tea.

A Raffle was held and the stall was opened for business

**Date of next meeting**

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For a talk on Marston Vale