

The speaker for the evening of 14 June was meant to be Peter Vaughan, on "Healthy Eating", but at the last moment he had to cancel as Mrs Vaughan was in the process of giving birth! We agreed he had an excellent excuse, wished the family well, and welcomed his mother who fortunately (and naturally!) had the knowledge and experience to take over the talk and demonstration. Members of the Committee turned to and passed round the tasty examples that were prepared before our eyes and in only a few minutes. For those unfortunates who missed it - Peter has a Bistro and Cookery School in Devizes ...

This meeting was the last call for ordering next year's calendars and diaries. It'll be Christmas before we know it-and the Committee has already got that organised!

The competition, for the oldest cookbook, was extremely well supported and we all enjoyed browsing through many old but much-loved volumes.

This has been an excellent period for our WI, with photographs in the local press of the energetic Sylvie, so successful in skittles matches, and of our Bollywood dancing efforts, as well as of Maureen and her trophy. Keep up your winning ways!

We are delighted to report that as a result of catering for teas for the highly successful Maskelyne event (organised by Purton Historical Society) a welcome £48 was raised towards our funds. Thanks to all who helped in producing the lovely refreshments. and especially to those who sacrificed a Saturday afternoon to serve tea.

The meeting of 17 August is entitled "Summer Fun", and the competition is "A Decorated Sunhat". This meeting is intended to be exactly what it says, a joyful occasion appropriate to the season, and we hope you will come along in the jolliest of spirits. In saying that. we will be aware of at least one member who has recently been bereaved. and we offer our commiserations and the warmth of friendship to her.

Following that, and showing the variety of our gatherings, the meeting of 21 September has as its subject "Breast Awareness". This will be an Open Meeting, with an informed speaker. Members from nearby WIs are invited, and we hope that local resident non-members will also be interested to come as visitors, particularly the younger, vulnerable ladies. You will appreciate that we take this subject extremely seriously. However, we intend to relieve the atmosphere of the evening by all wearing something pink, and entering the competition which is "a decorated bra" - no. you don't need to strip for the occasion!  
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