

Potter Mardlers & more Annual Report 23/24

I am pleased to report we have an average attendance of 55 at our monthly meetings and 70 on the books. Our aim is to promote friendship over a cuppa and a varied programme of “entertainment” during the meeting.

One of the highlights our version of Call My Bluff, where we were able to recruit a team of excellent bluffers.

Extra Activities

Our year began with hiring the Mississippi River Boat at Horning for our “Coronation Special” outing to celebrate King Charles’ coronation.

In June we went to Springfield Shopping Centre at Spalding calling in en-route at Baytree Garden Centre.

As we do not meet in August we began September with a trip to Southwold followed by a Fish & Chip Lunch at Dunwich.

We had a busy November with 2 trips the first to Sandringham Christmas Gifts, Food & Craft Fair followed by a visit to Highways Garden Centre.

December saw us supporting some of our members who are involved with a trip to see the pantomime Aladdin at Hemsby Village Hall.

Our Christmas party was great fun ending with a Fish & Chip Christmas Lunch from our local Nippy Chippy which was excellent. To be recommended!

In January we had a discussion what our members would like in the 2024 programme.

In February by popular demand we welcomed back our team of Bluffers for another Call My Bluff. Will we ever be able to tell who is telling the truth?

In March we were able to welcome Zaira Palumbo and local lass Jodie Wiggins who provided us with “Music for a Sunday Afternoon”. A superb Concert taking the audience to the West End and the Royal Opera House.

In April a party went to Cromer Pier Theatre to see G4 whose repertoire ranged from Queen to Nessum Dorma.

Lastly we held our first New, Nearly New & Craft Sale which was extremely successful.

Our monthly Soup & Pudding Lunches from October to April had average attendance of 40 and booking was essential. My thanks to our team who provided the home made rolls, soup and puddings.

We donated £500 to the cost of the new internal doors at the village hall and £200 to the Hillside Farm Sanctuary to help provide hay for the rescue animals.

All in all a very successful year with new friendships made and I hope helping to bring our community together.

Hazel Eady