

Perth and Kinross SWI Federation Meeting Minutes

West Carse Hall, Glencarse. 30th May 2018. 7pm

Welcome

Chairman Ursula Stewart welcomed all members present and introduced the Past Federation Chairmen Margaret Folan, Isobel Robertson, Kathleen Scott, Linda Retson, Kate Imlay and Betty Murchie. A special welcome was made to Sheila Bruce, our judge, from Angus and her accompanying friend.

The members joined together to sing the Rural Song

Apologies

Executive Committee- Muriel Brown, Sandra Batty and Janet Rougvie

Past Chairman- Jeanette McLennan

Institute – Amulree, Ardeonaig, Blairadam, Errol, Longforan

Roll Call

43 Institutes were present (37 present at November 2017 Federation meeting)

Minutes of Previous meeting

Held on 25th November 2017 having been circulated were taken as read. These were Approved by Margaret Folan, Bridge of Earn SWI and Seconded by Margot Moran, Glenfarg SWI. These were signed by the Chairman Ursula Stewart.

Matters arising not covered by agenda?

Lyn Willsher, Madderty SWI – The revised SWI constitution.

Ursula Stewart will cover this in her Executive Report.

Finance Report – Edith Christie, Honorary Treasurer. Annual Accounts to 31st March 2018

Madame chairman, Honoured Guests, members, this is my report on the examined accounts from the 1st April 2017 to the 31st March 2018. Each delegate should have a copy of the accounts.

2017 has been a very exciting year...each member has benefited....by waiving the federation levy and treating the members (who wished to attend) to an afternoon Tea Party to celebrate our centenary. Due to this, we have quite a substantial deficit, but gaining funds from the sale of the office, we thought it was a nice gesture to our members. I have enclosed a copy of the centenary celebration expenses with the accounts.

Balance in Treasurer's account as at 1st April 2017 = £23, 961. 00

Income P4 and 6

Fundraisers

Federation meeting Raffles £545-00

The Spring Show Profit £1. 020.00

The Fashion Show (our main fundraiser) realised a profit of £1, 499.00

The Bingo Tea raised £411.00

Raffles from ten Pin Bowling ad Ruralympics made £240.00

Sports Income plus Quiz, which raised £366.00 = £1, 213.00

Total £4, 928.00

A few more items of Income

Donations... Thanks to the Education Committee - £1000
Investment Interest £952
Junior Dippers £1, 238 Receiving £1000 grant from Perth Decides

Expenditure P7 A few Items

PST £1, 087 – this includes 5000 yellow labels purchased costing £484.00 and £356.00, being the total for social media training and registering P and K on the Website

Keepsafe storage unit £834.00
The Honorarium £1, 000.00
Sports Expenses £1, 845.00
Travelling Expenses £1, 741.00
HUB £2, 791.00

Balance in the Treasurers account as at 31 st March 2018	£5, 177.00
Plus Investments	<u>£60, 303. 00</u>
TOTAL	<u>£65, 480. 00</u>

That concludes my report, Edith Christie. Federation Treasurer

Comments

Linda Retson, National Chairman – Her name was missing from the list of Executive committee members

Report was approved by Julia Robertson, Burrelton and Woodside SWI. Seconded by Gaye Sissons, Murthly SWI.

Levies

The Chairman apologised if the information distributed regarding levies had not been clear. The raise in Head Quarters (HQ) levies and waiving the federation levy for one year had resulted in many institutes getting confused with the amount due. Further, HQ and Institute years often don't run together. She proposed that we start afresh.

Year 1 we charge a levy due in Year 2 which covers the period September to May and bank it. This is then paid at the start of Year 2 to the Federation Treasurer.

Joyce Carnegie, Comrie SWI commented that this was how it had always been done in Comrie.

Chairman suggested that if members felt they couldn't afford to pay the levy it could be split and half paid in September and half paid in February. Or have a fundraiser to subsidise the amount.

Gaye Sissons, Murthly SWI asked where HQ thought the discrepancies came from? The Chairman said it would be very difficult for them to know as they only receive numbers at the moment. Linda Retson, National Chairman commented that not every member had returned a membership form which also makes it difficult to link the member and the payment.

Margaret Folan, Bridge of Earn SWI highlighted that if a member joined in September and only paid half of the levy then didn't return the institute would have to pay the remaining amount.

Levy amounts and when it is due

Year	When is levy Due	Amount	Members Number
2017/18	30 th Sept 2018	£25 (£20 National, £5 Federation)	All those who joined in session 2017/18 (Sept-May)
2018/19	30 th Sept 2019	£27 (£22 National, £5 Federation)	All those who joined in session 2018/19 (Sept-May)

Joyce Robinson, Scone SWI explained what the synopsis distributed by P and K stated – The federation Treasurer explained the reasons for this.

Joyce Carnegie, Comrie SWI asked if the proposal to increase HQ levy by £2 made in November was ratified at the recent May meeting. She then asked if it would this be a rise to expect every year? The Chairman confirmed that yes it was ratified and that it may or not rise again.

Linda Stuart, Glenfarg SWI. Why were we not informed of the raise in levies? The Federation treasurer explained that they were informed two years in advance but due to a gap in federation levy this has caused confusion. It was discussed at the Federation meetings.

Evelyn Scobie, Abernethy SWI/Vice Federation Chairman explained that each year the subscription charges for her institute is discussed at the AGM for the following September based on the proposed charges from HQ.

Margaret Gordon, Burrelton and Woodside SWI felt the rises were not clear in the minutes as it stated levy will rise to £22 by 2019/20. The chairman agreed that the word 'National' should have been included as this did not include the federation levy amount.

Lyn Willsher, Madderty SWI. Stated that their members were not happy with the increase in HQ levy from £14 to now £22. She quoted the federation minutes from November 2017 stating it said that it would rise to £20 in 2020. The chairman apologised and agreed this information was not correct.

Moira Hanslip, Blackford SWI asked where the HQ levy was going? The chairman explained that as an organisation we are very cheap to join. It costs £110 to be a girl guide per year and other organisations are of a similar fee. The SWI offers a core programme which includes Sports, Residential courses, Drama and a lot more. There is also admin, bills and other costs to run the organisation. In order to remain as a charity, the core programme must be kept going – it is up to you as a member to take advantage of what is on offer!

Alison Harrison, Glenfarg SWI stated it was £110 to be a member of the soroptimists

Jessica Munro, Milnathort SWI stated she pays £300 to be part of a rock choir per year

There was more discussion on the breakdown of the levy- HQ and Federation parts

Honorariums

Currently the secretary receives £1000 plus expenses and the treasurer receives her traveling expenses. An increase of the honorarium to £2,000 plus expenses was voted for the secretary and after much discussion £200 for treasurer. This has to be discussed with your members and agreed at the November Federation meeting.

Reports

National Central Council SWI Reports

Handcrafts and Home skills, Mrs Frances Drysdale

The meeting took place on the 23rd May 1030am. The name of the committee has now changed to Handcrafts and Home skills and will still be known as H and H. The Home skills part includes Garden produce and Floral Art. The emblems handcrafted by many institutes are now displayed in the lobby of HQ for all to see, a true credit to all involved. This took 820 Hours to sew and there is 560 metres of stitching. Images of these are on the website and Facebook.

The members area of the website also has information on weekend schools, summer schools and copies of the new schedule which is now in operation.

There are 17 applicants for tests so far. Basic Embroidery is the topic for next years classes and one of the tutors will be Ann Rodgie from Bridge of Earn SWI for which she will be trained up for next year. Jay Hutchison, Carnbo SWI has just started her season and done 2 of the schools for needle felting.

Summer school 2018- there are still spaces in mindfulness, silk painting, singing for fun, sketching and drawing.

2019 weekend school will be silk ribbon, embroidery, and Braids and tassels - Venue and date TBC.

2019 Summer school is to be in Shetland in the brand-new school in Lerwick and newly just confirmed is the new school Hostel will also be available for our use. Ladies start saving now as it is a wonderful place to go.

H and H conference will be held on 10th and 11th September (for the exhibition) and 11th and 12th September for the conference at the Beach Ballroom, Aberdeen. Suggestions for competitions were also made.

Education and International Mrs Dorothy Morris

I attended the E and I meeting last week at HQ with Anne Howat in the Chair. There will be calligraphy certificates in 2019, closing date for entries is the 6th of July. Open to all federations. Photography Proficiency certificates will be in our area, autumn 2019. Also, Art certificates autumn 2019 Entries to be in by 1st April

Country dance weekend will be at Fishers Hotel Pitlochry 8th to 10th of March. This is open to non-residents. There will again be a class for beginners. Thanks to the Pitlochry SWI for help with refreshments over the weekend.

Variations on a theme- a host is required for the North 2020.

Choirs competition congratulations to p and k who were placed 3rd at Aboyne. Next year the competition will be at Hawick on 27th April. They hope to have a warm up room for choirs, where they can warm up just before going on to stage. Massed choirs will be at the end looking for a host for 2021.

Small singing group to have 2 groups competing nationally it is necessary to have 4 groups competing at federation heats. A host is required for 2020

Matter of opinion 2019 will be hosted by Moray and Nairn and is open to federations in the North. The National quiz will be held that day as well and tickets for each event are £5 or £7 if you go all day.

The Anstruther-Gray competition will be a radio play. Hosts are Arran on Saturday the 10th November. Theme is conflict entries to be in by 6th July 2018.

2019- This will be a traditional play. There was a lot of discussion about them being held on the same day but the adjudicator was not in agreement for this to happen as one is drama and the other is purely reading lines.

Communications – added from central council minutes

Warnock Trophy- Montage entitled 'centenary Celebrations' Entry forms to be submitted by 15th June 2018, Entries received by 29th June 2018. 2019 competition is a A4 sized poster in any medium including hand drawn and computer generated. Entitled 'a vision of the SWI in 2019'

Membership enquiries will be handled by Alexandra (finance admin) who is also responsible for updating reviewing the membership database.

Magazine- Please send information of events in and any suggestions you would like included. Magazine is worked on 3 months in advance so consider this when submitting things

Calendars – only 9 photos have been received for the calendar, recipes may also be included. There will be no envelopes given with the calendars – if required they can be obtained from HQ.

Junior dipper groups have been a success and plans to attract younger members aged 35-60 were made. Focus on the new year will be forming 4 new groups in Dundee, Perth, Inverness and Elgin. Tricker will be guiding this.

Membership forms- thousands have been received and they are being input into a database.

Roadshows were well received throughout federations

Website- could be improved with more info on events and guidelines for secretaries and Treasurers.

Executive, Mrs Ursula Stewart

It was wonderful to go into HQ and be greeted by the banners, a wonderful legacy. We have gained 561 members which is excellent 169 online through the website. However, I am sad to report that new members are not always being welcomed – cherish them they are our future! Wonders have been done at HQ to reduce spending and I am pleased to report we made a profit of £10, 000 last year. The new levy rise gives HQ a cushion to withstand bad years and the general secretary has been through minutes and unrestricted some funds. When going to sports competitions- fill your car. You will have to notify HQ in advance and seek permission to take more than one car to the event and receive expenses.

The chairman's chain is very heavy and valuable- a new brooch will be purchased to the chairman with the option of wearing it as a chain.

Data Protection and GDPR- Records should be kept up to date with details of anyone who leaves or dies removed. Do not hand out information without consulting. Computers should be password protected with up to date internet security/antivirus software.

Revised constitution- it has now been distributed and was explained at HQ. The large Central council will be cut down to 10 and their will be more area interaction. People will be elected on skills and interest

and hopefully a more cost-effective governance will result. This will be discussed in September in Perth- please attend and have your say. Comments on the constitution must be back by 10th September 2018 to Federation Secretary!

National SVQs- The SWI proficiency tests will become a nationally recognised qualification.

2019 29th ACWW Triennial conference is in Melbourne, Australia. Our national chairman is going to propose the next event is held in Edinburgh.

2019 study tour will be to Wales and the Walking weekend will be in Lanarkshire

Warnock Competition is a A3 photo montage of centenary celebrations – entries by the 29th of June.

The Women Together Magazine needs your recipes- financially it is struggling. Please support the magazine and encourage members to take the subscription.

Membership lists- some will be returned as the form was not completed. There will be a new form for 2018/19 for NEW MEMBERS ONLY!

Perth and Kinross Federation Committee Convenor Reports

Education and International Mrs Frances Drysdale

We held our meeting in Oakbank community centre the week before meetings week. So, it has been a busy fortnight. Hopefully we will have a better year than it was last year and the committee has been unanimously re-elected for 2018-2019 now with a delegate from each group. The spring activity day was a great success at Cluny clays and thoroughly enjoyed. The spring outing which followed the national choir's competition in Aboyne where we came 3rd, was also hailed a great success attended by 34 members. We went to Leith Hall and Gardens near Huntly but it was an extremely long day and not enough time to see the gardens properly as we had such informative guides in our group. The Autumn outing is already fully booked but there is a waiting list just in case- we are going to the V and A Museum in Dundee. It was agreed that there will be no raffle on this outing but please will you pay Margaret Arbuckle the £8.50 ASAP.

I understand that the Prestonpans tapestry which we tried to locate this year is currently housed at Stanley mills (approximately 300 panels) where it is expected to remain until the 26th/28th June 2018 for those of you who would like to visit.

Forward planning for 2019 is as follows;

18th May 2019- Abbotsford House, Melrose with the Ochil tree Restaurant next door and coach journey approximately 2 hours. Pending times and costs TBC

5th October 2019 Brechin Castle and Gardens again times and costs TBC

Spring Activity Day 2019 provisionally arranged for Gatehouse Nursery near Aberfeldy with Bridget Black Date and costs TBC Numbers will be restricted to a maximum of 12

Handcrafts and Homeskills, Mrs Irene Smith

Evelyn Baxter Needle Felting Class with Jay Hutchison was thoroughly enjoyed by the members who were lucky enough to get a place and the feedback from that was excellent. Another class can be

arranged for Jan/Feb so if any members are interested please get in touch with Alison Morris and Alison is here tonight. It is hoped to have a card making class in the Autumn as this was a request from members so anyone interested please put your name on the list and Alison will get back to you with the date as soon as it is confirmed from the lady taking the class.

Our Christmas Demo Day on 8th December at Bankfoot we are still waiting on a reply from the demonstrator for the morning session and are 1 corner short for the afternoon so if anyone can suggest someone who could demonstrate something in the housewifery side in the morning please come and let myself or Alison know.

Congratulations to Alison Morris, Heather McDougall and Haley Cassels who passed their Baking Tests.

Perth Show, Mrs Isobel Robertson

Julia Robertson and I had a meeting with Neil Forbes Perth Agricultural Society Secretary recently.

The marquee will be situated in the same place as last year beside the other craft marquees with running water, electricity, toilets nearby and the south inch car park.

I got two promises, 1- there will be no entry charge after 3pm and 2- there will be cadets available to help with transporting goods back to members cars after the prize giving.

Neil is keen to have another bake off between the rural and Perth College; I hope to be able to persuade two members to take part, once I find out more about what it entails.

I must emphasise the importance of the car parking, your car must be out of the show ground by 9.30am on Friday morning and you cannot bring it back until 6pm on Saturday.

Gaye Sissons our Treasurer gave a financial report stating that the show continues to make a loss in all areas especially the raffle, hopefully with repricing the tickets this year we will rectify this situation, I do hope they are selling? And please remember any unsold tickets must be returned to your group delegate or Gaye.

The weather did not help the past two years, it was so wet.

The judges are coming from Dunbartonshire, Floral art judge is Eriti Mitchell and Susan Gillies will judge the Art section.

Mrs Libby Malloy (Provosts Wife) has accepted the invitation to present the prizes.

We have two new delegates to our committee Joyce Barr Carse Group and Corrine Craig Strathearn.

Schedule- there has been a bit of confusion about the Victoria sponge in the community section, what is meant is 2 sponges sandwiched together with jam and on the top sprinkle with castor or icing sugar. In the schedule it is filled and decorated, it has been pointed out to me a Victoria sponge is not decorated. If we get sponges decorated they will not be disqualified because I will have a word with the judges, they will not get a better mark because of decoration as the judge will judge sponge only.

In future I will pay more attention to the wording (sandwich instead of sponge) would have been better.

The other problem is some members are not happy that we are to add another section at the last minute, non-members section. I asked permission to do this at the May executive meeting and the answer was to go ahead, if it means new members that is what we need. If members are not happy that

is fine and we forget it but I would like to tell your group delegate what you think should be added to Perth show schedule for 2019, our next committee meeting is September that is when we make up the schedule.

On a sad note Julia has sent me a letter to let me know she is giving up as Perth Show secretary in November 2018 (I am not happy she is resigning but she has done 6 years and been an excellent secretary). I think I have another secretary but I am just waiting for her to confirm.

I do hope we have a good show with lots of entries and everything going to plan and great weather.

** There was discussion around letting non-members enter the show and it was agreed this would not be allowed **

Junior Dippers, Mrs Ursula Stewart

We have had the first knitting and crochet class. Three girls were missing but it was very hot and the big weekend was on that was not a surprise. The girls all learned to knit and most learned to crochet although their interest was flagging in the afternoon in the heat! However, it was a happy and successful day.

As many of you will already know we applied for and were successful in receiving money from Perth decides scheme. This will enable us to hold more classes, pay expenses and perhaps rent accommodation if we hold bigger meetings. The girls are enjoying learning the new crafts. We will need to consider how to move forward with this in the future. Watch this space.

Communications and Marketing, Mrs Ursula Stewart

The bad weather delayed our meetings but we did meet last week and addressed the possibilities and difficulties of Facebook, the website and advertising our activities on those and in the newspapers. Thelma has taken on the responsibility for the latter and will be gathering information from you all, Evelyn Scobie, Heather and to a lesser extent myself will deal with Facebook and Heather the website. The purpose is very clear to let as many people as possible know about our aims and our activities in order to inform present members and attract new ones. Correctly used Facebook is a very successful medium for sharing information and a very valuable tool. I love seeing what all the different institutes are up to and it always gives you lots of good ideas.

I have also applied for lottery funding to provide every institute with a tablet- the electronic kind and appropriate training so that every institute can be contacted electronically. This saves a lot of time postage and ensures that information is sent out quickly and easily. Whether or not we get funding remains to be seen but if not, there are other places I can look for it. The time is coming where we will have to ask that every secretary or a committee member has email and we would like to ensure that institutes are provided with the means to do this. We will let you know in due course what is happening and how it is going to be delivered.

Fundraising, Mrs Margaret Folan

We have held a whisk drive and the next event is a FUN Night with Joyce Ramsey and Friends, £5 BYOB and nibbles. 7 for 730pm on Friday the 15th of June. Group chairmen all have tickets for those who would like them. The main fundraising event will be a ceilidh on 9th November in Aytoun Hall- details TBC

Press Report, Mrs Thelma Milne

I am now promoting on Facebook future events. If you would like me to promote your event could you please let me know my Email and this can make the web site more varied and inspiring. We are looking for photos and events that have already taken place- an example would be the march on 10th June in Edinburgh to celebrate 100 years of women voting. You will find details under www.processions.co.uk

Thank you to all the press secretaries who write in the press. This is a wonderful showcase for the SWI and the people reading about all the activities.

Reports were proposed by Helen Quartermain, Glenfarg SWI and seconded by Evelyn Kincaid, Kinloch SWI.

Sports

Curling Pitlochry and Co SWI were the winners of the federation heats and went on to win the National competition. Well done!

Indoor Bowling federation heats were won by Auchterarder SWI and Comrie SWI were the runners up. Both teams went to the national finals held in Arbroath in April.

Golf Best scratch score was won by June McGrath and Maureen Beaumont (Fowlis Wester SWI) the Mitchell Quaich Handicap winners were Helen Payne and Jan King (Carnbo SWI and Blairingone SWI). Runners up were Sheila Aitken and Jean Faichnety (Killin SWI). The finals are on 28th August at Duff House Royal Golf Club

Ruralympics federation competition was won by Cleish SWI, 2nd was Amulree SWI and 3rd Midatholl and Strathtay SWI. Next years competition is at Bankfoot on the 23rd February

10 pin Bowling was held last Monday at AMF bowling and was won by Ardeonaig SWI- runners up were a mixed team from Auchterarder SWI.

Ruralwalkers, Evelyn Scobie.

Well ladies, I am happy to report that Rural Walkers appear to be going from strength to strength, and this year which is our 25th Anniversary year, we have 57 members so far. We had 42 at this point last year which was slightly down on the previous year. The walks are going well and we have had good attendances. On our first walk, Perth Lade and North Inch we had 22 with 6 new members. The next one at Luncarty we had 27 with 10 new members. Then we had 10 on the Scone walk to Macduff and Lynedoch Monuments. That one is a bit more strenuous so only the hardy ones turned up for that one! Four people came to the afternoon walk at Aberuthven. Unfortunately, myself and two friends got held up in traffic and missed the start but we had a nice walk down to the River Earn.

Next walk is tomorrow evening at Ballathie Bluebell Wood at 6.30. I am expecting big numbers as that is always a popular one. (If you have been following me on Facebook you would see I have done it twice already!)

This being our 25th Anniversary Year, we are celebrating by doing the very first walk we did in 1993, on the actual anniversary, Sunday 24th June with a lunch afterwards at Royal George Hotel.

Our Summer Outing on 28th July is to the Isle of Cumbrae, over on the ferry from Largs and spend the day round Millport, then return on ferry to Largs for Fish and Chip tea at Nardinis. Names and £5 deposit to me by 30th June. Deposit slip is in the programme. Rural Walkers members will have priority for this but if we don't fill the bus by 30th June it will be thrown open to everyone.

As always, new members and Visitors are always welcome. It is still only £1 to join for members and 50p per walk for visitors.

The AGM will be on Friday 9th November at McDiarmid Park, 7.15 for 7.30pm (This may be changed to 2nd November).

Quiz Night is to be held on Wednesday 6th June 7pm at West Carse Hall, Glencarse. £12 for a team of four- names to federation secretary.

Fun Night with Joyce Ramsey and friends Friday 15th June 2018 at Blairgowrie Town Hall. Tickets are £5 and available from group chairmen.

National Conference – a future for all Saturday 8th September 2018 at Perth concert Hall. Please encourage members to go it is an enjoyable day with speakers from ACCW amongst others. The revised constitution will be discussed.

Procession March Edinburgh, Sunday 10th June. Members will meet at 115 at Brunstfield links before walking across to the march. The walk is 2.5 km and will start at middle meadow walk, Edinburgh EH3 8GE. Please sign up if interested.

Area Lunch is held every year with our neighbouring federations fife and Stirling Clackmannanshire and west Perth. Perth and Kinross are hosting this year at the Hunting tower hotel Perth. £20 for a two course meal, tea and coffee. It is an enjoyable afternoon and allows members to meet within our area. The menu and sign up sheet is available tonight for those interested.

Syllabus Competition please send three copies of your syllabus to the federation secretary as soon as it is completed. These are for the annual competition, one for HQ and one for federation reference.

Chairman's Remarks

Like everyone on the committee we thought that after the rather hectic Centenary year we would be much quieter this year but it seems to have been as busy as ever. The winter was a bit of a facer with not only the beast from the east but his little brother who caused any amount of problems with cancelled meetings and blocked roads. However, we survived and caught up with our activities while sympathising with those of our members struggling with a horrible lambing in really nasty weather conditions. We have lost some cherished members too and this spring three institutes have closed. Balbeggie, Dalguise and Crook of Devon. We are sorry to lose them and hope that they can find new homes in nearby institutes. We wish them the very best. On an up note I have been to several institutes, group meeting and a memorable 90th birthday party at Coupar angus for Burreltons 90th which was hugely enjoyable.

The ruralympics was its usual happy occasion and this year we had the addition of a mind game which if it didn't blow minds at least gave pause for thought. I think it was a successful addition to the games. The 10 pin bowling too was a pleasant evening but I must apologise to Muckhart for being such a duff bowler. Our fundraising committee got off to a good start and the communications committee while providing hard work should produce some interesting results. The young Dippers is definitely a success and possible could expand into larger Junior SWI with a bigger age range. These things all require working at but should be rewarding. I do hope you all enjoy the summer break and the good weather continues for at least a while. Good luck at all the shows and when you return refreshed for the next season.

Correspondence

Geoff Bird Royal voluntary service Geoff.bird@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk 07777698272 / 01738 633975. Would be happy to speak to members about the Royal Voluntary Service

Theresa Fyffe- RCN Public Lecture- Compassion and end of life care – evening discussion looking at what care you would or could expect at the end of life. Wednesday 20th June 6-9pm in the Norrie-Millar Studio at Perth Concert Hall

AOCB

Linda Retson, national chairman- HQ are in need of volunteers at Gardening Scotland, please get in touch if you can help.

Competition results- Item in papercraft

1st – Julia Robertson, Burrelton SWI

2nd – Maz Thorn – Powmill SWI

3rd – Dorothy Morris, Cleish SWI

The Raffle was then drawn

Vote of thanks, Evelyn Scobie. Thank you to Hall Committee for setting out the hall. Our Hostesses Earn Valley – Thanks to Margaret and her team for their hospitality this evening and for the lovely flowers. Ursula for Chairing the meeting, Edith for looking after the pennies, and preparing Accounts. Heather for all the work she does as Secretary, and paperwork and preparation for this evening. All Central Councillors for attending meetings in Edinburgh and passing on the information from HQ, all the Convenors for their reports and Press Secretary for her report. Judges Sheila Bruce and friend from Angus. Past Chairmen for their support. Lovely to see you all. Your support is always appreciated, and of course we are always delighted to have our National Chairman at our meetings. All those who manned the sales and sold raffle tickets. All those who gave raffle prizes and bought raffle tickets. Last but not least all of you, the delegates for taking info back to Institutes and members for supporting us. It is very much appreciated. I hope you all have a lovely Summer, hope to see you all at the Agric Shows, and don't forget the Fun Night at Blairgowrie on the 15th June. Safe journey home.

Isobel Robertson then thanked the committee on behalf of the Past Chairman and wished all the members a safe journey home.

The date of next meeting is

Saturday 24th November 2018 at West Carse Hall, Glencarse. 11am

