

Thornborough & Thornton W.I. May 2014 report



Admittedly, strolling round the village at 7.00pm on a summer (rather breezy and cool) evening might seem an odd choice of activity for our members, considering next month we're wine tasting in Gawcott and previously (as reported in these pages) we acted out who does what in a Magistrate's court or (more

recently) had the well-being of our spines scrutinised by a local chiropractor. So, why walk? Well, this was to support an organisation called the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) which, as the name implies is a worldwide body lobbying for rights for women at the highest levels ((UN, UNICEF) and with a membership of 9 million in 70 countries. Our humble trot round Thornborough was to link into this vast club – spiritually if not in the flesh – and to give a little cash towards their work.

It's not just once a month that the W.I girds its loins, however, and April was no exception. On a lovely Monday afternoon 39 Yardley Gobion rambblers tucked into masses of our home-made sandwiches, scones, meringues and cakes (and, as Madge Carey could hardly believe) three cups of tea each. We later realised that 'rambling' meant coming to Thornborough by coach. Enough to rival any Cricket Club tea, barely a crumb survived as our guests staggered home to rest. Job done – witness the photographic evidence.



Also in April, our crack team of quizzers (Suzanne Osborn, Tracy Neenan, Chrissie Vernon) took part in a countywide competition in Buckingham and came a very respectable 8th place in a field of over 20. If only they'd played their Joker on the music round, they'd have come 5th. Needless to say, the team is determined to beat their score next year but the rest of us we were truly impressed by their brain-power.

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