



Our next Club meeting is Thursday 30th June 2011

June Meeting

Glenda Price will be demonstrating a flower spray of Briar Roses and Honeysuckle for us this month. Glenda is a very good demonstrator, I am sure everyone will be able to pick up a tip or two to put in to practice.

May Meeting

Last month's demonstration by Carol Haycox was very good. It was a good opportunity to see how some FMM products should be used. It was great to see so many people having a go with the equipment afterwards. The club will be looking to book Carol again to demonstrate in the future.

At the last meeting we used sound system kindly lent to us from another club. The feedback seemed to be that everyone could both see and hear the demonstration. The club is looking to buy a new sound system of it's on very soon.

Subscriptions

Can we ask any remaining outstanding subscriptions to be paid at or by the next meeting please. The newsletter from next month onwards will only be sent to members who have paid their subscription for the year. The money can be paid by cheque or cash on the meeting night.

NEC Birmingham

In order for this trip to run we need a minimum of 34 people. Currently we have 28 people who have signed up. The coach is now open to non-members and so if anyone knows of someone who may like to come along for the trip please put their names forward to Anne. The coach will cost no more than £19 (it depends on the number of people and thus the size of coach we can hire). Tickets for the exhibition itself are £7.50 for concessions and £8.50 for others.

Belated Congratulations

Congratulations to Stella and Frank on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary. We wish you many more years of wedded happiness.

Sugar Craft Books

As most of you will know the club does have a library of books to do with sugar craft and baking. The library has proved to be a useful service provided by the club but we feel perhaps some of the books need updating. If anyone has any suggestions as to any books they may like to see or books that they would recommend the club to buy, please put suggestions forward. Similarly if anyone has any suggestions as to demonstrations they would like to see in the future please put the suggestion forward to Anne.

Lemon Cheesecake Recipe by Mary Berry

Here is a yummy treat to make for some summer alfresco dining!

For the base you will need: 10 digestive biscuits, crushed/2oz. Melted butter/1oz. Demerara sugar Mix together the biscuits, butter and sugar. Press evenly over the base of an 8/9" tin. Leave to set.

For the cheesecake filling you will need: 5 fl. oz single cream, 1 x 14 oz (375g) can condensed milk. 6oz/175g of cream cheese, softened. The juice of 3 lemons and their rind grated. Mix together the cream, condensed milk, soft cheese and lemon rind, then add the lemon juice a little at a time, whisking, until the mixture thickens. Pour the mixture over the biscuit base and leave to chill in the fridge for 3-4 hours or overnight. Decorate with fresh fruit or any other goodies that take your fancy.

Constitution Update

Discussion at the last meeting showed that the new constitution still had ambiguous wording in the third paragraph of item 6. It has been decided that the wording should be as follows:

"Any cheques drawn against club funds should hold the signatures of any two of three named members appointed by the committee."

We would be grateful if you could amend your copy of the constitution