

## Our next meeting is Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 7.30pm

**November Meeting;** It is our Christmas Get Together. We shall see 3 mini demonstrations; Christine Clark will be doing a Penguin or snowman; Sue Albins will be doing a fresh flower Christmas table arrangement; Jenny Millin will be decorating mini Christmas cake with patchwork cutters.

It is our Christmas cake competition too. We will be having coloured counters for voting. This year it will be one colour for each category GREEN for Novice; BLUE for intermediate; and RED for advance. Please collect these at the signing in table. As it's the decorated cake that is judged you can enter either a decorated cake or cake dummy. You can donate your cake to charity or take home with you. The cake must be a minimum of 6ins round or square. If you would like to donate a cake but not wish to enter the competition then please put your cake on the 'show and tell' table so other members can see your work. If you would like to donate an undecorated fruit cake then this would also be appreciated.

Afterwards we will be having our get together with drinks and nibbles. Could members please bring either a plate of sweet or savoury food and Sue Albins will provide the drinks.

**October Meeting;** we saw Fay Barrett demonstrate Poppies and hope you enjoyed the evening We would like to welcome our new member Fay Forbes to the club and thank you to all the guests who attended.

**Library;** we are at Colchester Library on 22<sup>nd</sup> November between 9.00am – 4.30pm. There will be a mini demo by Christine, Biscuit Icing with Michala. We will be handing out leaflets promoting the

club. Members work will also be exhibited. Please come along and see us and if you can help for an hour it will be very much appreciated.

**Anne;** will not be bringing full shop to the meeting, but is happy to take orders for drums and boxes to bring – prices compare favourably with supermarket prices, e.g. 12" drum from Anne is  $\pounds 1.80$ , elsewhere  $\pounds 5 - \pounds 6$  (there is a few 12" red ones as well), 12" box 1.38; 10" drum 1.32, box 1.10; 8" drum 1.06, box 72p; 6" drum 93p, box 70p; boxes 6"x6"x2.5" 10p each. A 14" dummy ( $\pounds 5.89$ )

**Christmas Meal;** This is being held at The Harvester Stanway for Thursday January 8<sup>th</sup> 7.00 for 7.30. Members have also asked for a lunch time meal so this could be held on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 1.00pm for 1.30pm. There will be two lists so if you would like to attend any of these days (or both) please add your name to the appropriate day. Thank you.

There is no meeting in December. Our next club meeting will be Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015 With Brenda Eyers; Valentine-Fresh Flowers.



The Committee would like wish all our members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.