



Chair Sue Albins. Secretary Brenda Lambert. Treasurer Christine Clark

**Newsletter for March 2025**  
**Our Next Meeting is Thursday March 27<sup>th</sup> 7.30 PM**

**February Meeting.** In February we had Alison Henderson demonstrating how to make a cup and saucer. She used a mould from Zeechick which unfortunately is no longer in production and not available. Alison also explained that a real cup and saucer could be used or a small pudding basin. She brought along some examples which she had decorated in different ways, all of them looked amazing. The set she put into the raffle was won by Maureen Squirrell.

**March Meeting.** This month we have a demonstration of Lambeth piping by Rachel Farnham. We also have a competition this month for Lemon Drizzle Cake made to your own recipe and judged by the demonstrator.

**Other News.**

**A.G.M.** April is our AGM when we hold elections for the committee and have a brief discussion about the club and the way forward. It is also the time for renewing our membership which remains at £40. I will send out all the relevant paper work with next months newsletter.

**Programme for 25- 26.** If you look at the new programme which I have attached you will see that we have some very well known names booked - Natalie Porter, Jacqui Kelly, Christina Georgiou, - they are all very experienced demonstrators who do workshops and demos at Cake International. It would cost a lot more than £4 to see them at other events. We are in the fortunate position that we are in a good position financially after lots of hard work fundraising and the committee feel that we should spend out on some of the demonstrators that charge more this year. Please spread the word and also perhaps you have friends and family who might like to benefit from our special offer to come along for one meeting for **free**. If you are able to print the poster and know of anywhere to display it please do, as we really need to attract more members and visitors. Thank you to Michala for organising the programme.

**NSA AGM via zoom May 17<sup>th</sup> at 1.30 pm.** Usually a short official part followed by a demonstration. The demonstrator this year is Sue Reid from South Africa she will be demonstrating Teabag Folding. This is a paper craft which she has adapted for sugarcraft. The zoom link will be sent out to members, if you need any help with zoom please let us know. Please let me know by 1<sup>st</sup> April if you are attending so I can let the secretary know names and numbers. There were several enquiries at Cake International about starting new clubs and also about individual membership. This is mainly for access to the zoom demonstrations that some clubs are doing. It will be proposed and adopted at the AGM. If you know of anyone who may be interested in either of these things please contact me so I can pass on the information to the NSA. The insurance for the club comes from our membership fee to the NSA, it shot up in price this year and it has been proposed that the membership fee be increased for 2026 to cover the cost as there are not enough clubs to support the rise.

## **Workshops.**

**Bunny workshop.** Three people attended a mini workshop organised by Sue to make bunnies. There is a list for other workshops please add your name if interested.

We are in the process of trying to arrange for a day workshop this year and we will update you when we know more.

We are also offering visitors 1 month free to any meeting so please spread the word to friends and relatives.

Don't forget to send pictures and sugarcraft news to news Christine and Ann for our website and facebook page. Ann is experiencing some problems with her emails so pictures can be sent by WhatsApp, you can also post a comment on the facebook page.

Hope to see everyone next week

Regards Sue