

ACTIVITIES OF ASHTON UNDER HILL WI IN DECEMBER 2014

Our meeting this month was a festive supper held at The Star Inn. Thirty-six members attended and Marjy first presented the business, which included reminders for future WFWI events in 2015.

In April we shall have to reserve tickets quickly for a special meeting in Worcester where the guest speaker will be Michael Portillo – a really special centenary event not to be missed! The Worcestershire Denman weekend will be 7th-9th August – another exciting programme has been arranged. Once again Ashton WI has been invited to arrange the flowers for Worcester Cathedral on 8th May, thanks to Doreen Parsons winning the flower arrangement at the Malvern Annual Meeting. Marjy then made the announcement that Ashton had won the Vale Group skittles tournament and Maggie, our skittles leader, proudly accepted the trophy to much applause.

We then enjoyed a most delicious and well presented supper. Everyone agreed the food was excellent and the serving waitresses most helpful and charming.

Our entertainment for the evening was a well known figure in Ashton who has attended several of our meetings in the past – Mr. David Ward. He had brought along several musical instruments, including the ukulele, guitar and `auto-harp`, and sang a variety of well-known songs and verses – including some, which we were able to contribute with much laughter. David and his wife Vicky are involved in their charity work with the Samaritans and he will be donating his expenses towards this worthwhile cause. Maggie Dunsby gave David a warm vote of thanks, and also to the chef and staff at the Star Inn.



On 4th December several members took our special member Margaret Whatcott to Hillers Farm Shop and Café where they enjoyed a pre-Christmas lunch. The Vale Group carol service was this year held at Pebworth church and five members attended this on 6th December.