

# Lewtrenchard WI April Report

We met on April 3 at Lewdown Victory Hall. Margaret welcomed 16 members to our April meeting plus our speaker Anita Townsend. Business was short this time; we had a lovely thank you card from Roy Stacey & family and 4 birthdays to celebrate.



**Time to hand over to our speaker:** Anita Townsend for some inspired drawing. Anita is a local lady living in Chillaton. She started by showing us how to draw a straight line & a circle free hand, but quite accurately. We then had to draw a rectangle on our A4 paper and fill it in with charcoal, smudge it about a bit thus creating a negative space. Anita then drew the outline of a rabbit and some flowers with charcoal, rubbing away the inside of the line created a much lighter colour for the body of the rabbit. Not everyone drew a rabbit, some drew the beautiful fresh flowers that Anita had brought along, some were inspired by the way the charcoal was smudged on the paper, some draw caricatures. The results were some very good art works. Anita handed out some sheets with tips about shape & proportion and recommended reading material. Anita's final advice: Try to keep a sketchbook to practice & make memories, doodle, enjoy drawing, it helps one to notice & pay attention to the world. It was such a nice evening; Anita is very gentle and encouraging, clearly an excellent artist, the hall went quiet for quite some time as we all worked away, a wonderful atmosphere.

**Competition winners:** Interesting item beginning with 'I'

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Margaret D  | Ink Pad   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Julia Terry | Ink & Pen |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Teresa      | Iguana    |

**Date and venue for next meeting:** **Tuesday** May 9, 2023, 7.30pm Victory Hall Lewdown. Our Annual Meeting with adviser Sarah Shorthouse. Interesting item with 'V' plus fresh flower corsage for Tamar Group Meeting & Royal Quiz,

**May dates for your diary:**

- 11 - Walk - Bridestowe - Sourton
- 18 - Coffee morning at Roadford Lake

**Don't feel left out, Mary E is always on hand to organise a lift.**