

Chairperson; Sue Albins; Secretary; Lorraine Dunn; Treasurer; Christine Clark

## Our next meeting is Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017. 7.30pm

**OCTOBER MEETING;** we have Georgie Godbold who will be demonstrating a Mince Pie Wobbly. Beryl will also be attending. Beryl has just celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday!!!

**SEPTEMBER MEETING;** we saw Glenda Price do an autumn theme. She made a spray which consisted of; Acorns, Pine Cones, Rose Hips, Blackberries, Holly Leaves and some lovely flowers. It was a very entertaining evening and we hope you all enjoyed the demonstration.

**INFORMAL MEETINGS;** sue is holding informal meetings at her house one a Monday once a month for any member who would like to learn more. Just ask Sue and let her know what you would like to do and for more information.

**SALES TABLE;** reminder; if you wish to sell any items on the sales table please make sure you have a named list of these items and how much you wish to sell them for. If you can put tag with the price on then, that's even better. 10% off all sales go to the club.

**CHRISTMAS CUPCAKE WORKSHOP;** on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November at ST. ANDREWS HALL STANWAY 10am - 1pm Cost £25 for 6 different decorated cupcakes. We have places already booked but still have places left for this, so if you know someone who would be interested please let them know. If anyone can help on the day or help advertise the event then please let a committee member know. Thank you

## NOVEMBER MEETING;

**CHRISTMAS CAKE COMPETITION**; Minimum 6in square/round cake. There are 3 groups; **NOVICE**; this group is if you are entering the competition for the first time. INTERMEDIATE; you move into this group if win the **NOVICE** group. **ADVANCE**; you move into this group if you win the **INTERMEDIATE** group. The winners will receive a plaque but this will be given in the January 18 meeting. We shall be having a blind Christmas raffle again as this does seem to be popular with members. If any members would like to donate prizes for this could they please be UNWRAPPED and handed in by the October Meeting? We do really appreciate all the donations we receive from you but could you check the sell by date on any perishables please? Thank you in advance.

On the night you will be given 3 different coloured counters, 1 colour for each group. You will be asked to put 1 of the coloured counters to the corresponding group colour on ONE of the Christmas cakes you like in each group.

There will be a list of food so if you are attending Novembers Meeting, then please put your name to any food item you would like to bring in. The committee will provide the soft drinks.

Christmas Cake donations will also be appreciated for charity. Thank you

**COMMITTEE;** we are looking for members who are willing to join the committee. We meet about 5 times a year. If you feel you could help and add any ideas to help the club then please do consider joining. We are a friendly group and we could do with more input.

We have lost a few members this year and we are not sure why. We run the club which we think is right but we don't know if it's right unless you tell us. Please let the committee know if there is anything you would like to see as a demonstration or changed within the club. Thank you. Our next committee meeting is on THURSDAY  $9^{TH}$  NOVEMBER.

If there is anything you would like to see in the newsletter please let Lorraine know. It can be anything. Hints and tips on Sugarcraft, recipes you have tried or even gardening, Christmas related, Jumble Sales, Car boot sales anything at all that you think our members would be interested in. Email Lorraine;colchestersugarcraftass@gmail.com with details.