## NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018. 7.30PM

**MAY MEETING;** we have Frances mcNaughton demonstrating a fairy bride. I think most of you will know that Frances is a well named Sugarcrafter and we should be in for a very good evening.

**APRIL MEETING;** we held our A.G.M, and we would like to thank all who attended. The numbers were well up from last year. If anyone would like a copy of the AGM Minutes then please let Lorraine know and she will send you a copy. We would like to thank Anne Reynolds for the very interesting demonstration on Stocks and Climbing Roses. You all seemed to enjoy the evening. The Committee were voted in and these are your officers; Chairperson; Sue Albins Treasurer; Christine Clark Secretary/Newsletter; Lorraine Dunn Programme; Michala Carey/Ann Carey New Committee member; Brenda Lambert Kimberley Dunn had to step down but we would like to thank her for all her hard work whilst serving on the Committee. We asked if anyone else would like to join but no one came forward. Please do think about joining as we do need more to help with the club. 2 members have offered to help out on club nights; Anne Reynolds; sales table and Leanne Campbell; refreshments.

**DATA PROTECTION LAWS;** on 25<sup>th</sup> may new EU laws on Data Protection come into effect. This concerns media/websites/ social media (facebook, instagram)This means that as a club we have to ask for your permission/consent to use photos of you on any social media/our website. Also because we hold personal details address/phone emai, we have to get your consent or not to be able to use them. We have set up forms for you to read and sign. We can assure you that all your details will be held secure and not given to any third party outside our club, but because of the new laws we have to do this. We hope you understand. This is something you have to opt into. If you have any questions please contact Lorraine and she will try to help you. You will find the form on a separate attachment with this Newsletter. For postal it will be with your newsletter. If you can print it off and bring with you to the next club meeting this will be appreciated .if not Lorraine will have some on the night.

**QUILLING WORKSHOP;** we had such a fantastic day. There were 17 clients who attended and Estelle started with a flower so they could get used to working with the tools. Every single one was different and they were brilliant. After lunch Estelle demonstrated something a bit harder. Some did a lady others did butterflies and again all very different. Thank you, to Estelle for coming along, and doing the workshop, and also, thank you, to all who had attended the workshop. It was really great to see some off our members too. Thank you for supporting us and the club. **SUBSCRIPTIONS;** if you have not paid in your subs yet then please remember you have until June to pay to be able to still receive newsletters. If you are unable to get to a club meeting but wish to re-join then please contact Lorraine or Christine and they will be able to help you. It is still only £20 for the year plus your £2 meeting fee. Cash or cheque in a named envelope please, cheques payable to 'Colchester Sugarcraft Association'

**BRITISH SUGAR GUILD;** are holding a show on 8th September. Non members can enter the competitions they are holding. Details of this and a schedule of the competition rules will be available at the club meeting. If any member is interested in entering then please ask Lorraine for a copy of the schedule and she will be happy to send you a copy.

**NATIONAL SUGARART ASSOCIATION;** are holding a show on 22nd September, details of which will be at the club meeting.

**GREAT BENTLEY SHOW;** this is on the 1<sup>st</sup> September and we have a table booked. We are asking members if they could donate any ingredients like flour/sugar/butter/ eggs/fruit or anything they wish towards any cakes, pies, biscuits please by JULY MEETING. Also any donated home baked items on the day, cakes /biscuits even jam that sell really well. Any help will be really appreciated on the day too. This is a good fundraiser for us and every year has been fantastic. So thank you for the support you all give.

**HINTS AND TIPS/RECIPIES** is there any member who has a useful hint or tips that they think our members would be interested in? If so please let Lorraine know so she can add in to the newsletter. Also any recipies that you could send. It does not have to be Sugarcraft related

**SHOW AND TELL;** this is where members can bring photos of their work. You can even bring in the actual item itself (if possible). Just write a few words about it( where it was used/who it was for or what kind of cake it is) This was really popular at one time. So we should get it started again. If you are new to the club and want to share your work then please do. Even if is your first cake, show it off.

*Our next committee meeting is on* 4<sup>th</sup> *June if you wish to have anything mentioned then please let a committee member know.*