



Chairperson - Sue Albins. Secretary - Brenda Lambert. Treasurer -Christine Clark

Newsletter for February 2022.
Our next meeting is February 24th at 7.30 p.m.

January meeting. Last month we had Estelle Mann demonstrating different ways to make a rose without using cutters. She also demonstrated how to make a basket to display the roses on a cake. I hope you have all received the instructions for making and adapting the basket, if not please let Christine Clark know and she will forward them on.

February meeting. We are back at Stanway Community Hall this month and our very own Brenda Lambert will be demonstrating roses using mini eggs. I am assured by Brenda that it will be different then last months demo.

Programme for 2022-2023. Our programme for the year 2022-2023 is currently being booked by Michala Carey. We have had to think carefully about the costs involved with demonstrators this year, as we have not been able to do any fundraising and our membership is much smaller. Currently our meetings are running at a loss and though we have money in the bank we have several overheads that we are committed to paying. We are very lucky to have many talented sugarcrafters in our group and this year we will be calling upon their skills to cover some of the months. We are pleased that people have rejoined after a difficult two years and hope that you will continue to support the club in the coming year.

May Meeting. In June the Queen will be celebrating her Platinum Jubilee and we thought it would be nice to theme our May meeting accordingly. We are going to make it a social evening with food with a royal connection. There is also a competition for a cake topper with the Jubilee Theme, an iced and decorated cake board/drum, min 6 inches max 10 inches. This can be a model, painting, bas relief, patchwork cutters or whatever takes your fancy. I will explain in more detail at our meeting.

Other news and events.

British Sugarcraft Association events.

Newberry Group Molly Robbins Saturday 26th March 0930 - 1700 hrs Newbury further information available Louise Embling on 07825544111 or email Secretary@newburybsg.co.uk

Region 8 Cake and Sugarcraft Show Saturday 21st May South of England Show ground.
Contact Gillian region8bsg@gmail.com or British Sugarcraft Guild website.

Region7 B.S.G. SugarCraft and Cake Show 3rd September www.bsregion7.co.uk see attached poster.

Gt Bentley Show. We are hoping to have our cake stall at Gt Bentley Show again this year, this raises a lot of money for the club but takes a lot of effort and we really need more people to contribute cakes and help on the day so put the date in your diary Sat 3rd September. We would also appreciate contributions of cake making ingredients nearer to the time if you are unable to help by baking.

Workshop. At our committee meeting we discussed having a workshop and a few ideas have been suggested, a cupcake bouquet or decorated cupcakes/biscuits. If you would be interested or have something else you would like to try please let me know. Workshops generate additional income for the club which is passed on to members by allowing us to book demonstrators who cost more or come from further afield.

A.G.M. April is when we hold our A.G.M. and re-elect committee members if you would like to join the committee please contact Brenda Lambert. It is always good to have new committee members bringing fresh ideas, we have a maximum of 6 meetings a year held by zoom and last about an hour.

Sales Table. Dawn Rose has equipment and books for sale that belonged to Malyn, she will have a table again in February. If you have anything you wish to sell please label and price the item and take it home if it does not sell. We take 10% for club funds.

Show and tell table. Please bring in things you have made or photos of cakes with a brief explanation if possible so we can see how talented our members are.

Programme for this year.

February 24 th	Brenda Lambert	Easter Egg Chocolate Rose.
March 31 st	Zoe Hughes	T.B.A.
April 28 th	Annual General Meeting.	Anne Reynolds

If you know of any other events that might interest our members please let me know and I can include them in the newsletter.

If you would like to contribute to the newsletter please contact me.

Regards Sue.

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