



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

Newsletter for March 2022.

Our next meeting is March 31st at 7.30 p.m.

February Meeting. Brenda Lambert demonstrated how to make a rose using a small easter egg. She used chocolate-flavoured fondant, rose cutters and leaves and then sprayed them with gold spray. Brenda arranged them on a board as a cake topper and members came up with some different ideas as to how they could be used e.g. to decorate a plain easter egg to give a personal touch to shop bought or home made eggs.

March Meeting. Unfortunately Zoe Hughes who was booked for March is unable to come now due to a change in her personal circumstances, instead we have Samantha Brown who is going to demonstrate a 2-D figure. Remember to bring your cup and homemade biscuits will be available.

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 sugar-crafters 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.

Membership Fees. Membership fees are due again in April the cost remains at £40 for the year which is very good value as BSG membership is now £26 plus cost of meeting fees for whichever club you attend.

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. Sugar,Craft and Cake Show 3rd September www.bsgregion7.co.uk see attached poster.

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. The A.G.M. lasts a short while and then Anne Reynolds will be demonstrating afterwards so please make the effort to come along.

Sales Table. We will be having a sales table again this month and also see list attached for equipment and books available.If you would like any items put aside please contact Dawn Rose On 07720728988 or email sdr54jwr@hotmail.co.uk. We also have 2 26cm spring form cake tins and 2 mini muffin tins as new £3 each.

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.

March 31st Samantha Brown Two d figure
April 28th 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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