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| **1.** | 41 members attended the meeting. The President introduced new Committee member, Alison Blackman. |
| **2.** | **SPEAKER – STUNTMAN, SAM DURRANI**  Sam talked to us about his road to becoming a stuntman and how he enjoys his career and the doors of opportunity it opens for him. He has worked all over the world with many well-known celebrities as well as appearing in an abundance of films and TV programmes. The talk was very informative, interesting and entertaining. Some of Sam’s videos and photos looked pretty scary, but he knows what he is doing. The members had plenty of questions to ask Sam about his very unusual “day job”. |
| **3.** | **FINANCE** - End of Year accounts are almost completed.  Current Account - £401.75  Savings Account - £7,152.65  3 cheques have not been cleared after recent refunds (total £19) - DT to contact members involved. |
| **4.** | **MEMBERSHIP** - Nothing to report, all very stable.  Because of the COVID19 restrictions we will encourage members to pay their 2021 joining fee via bank transfer or by posting a cheque to the Treasurer. Her address can be requested from the Secretary. [Saddleworthwi.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:Saddleworthwi.secretary@gmail.com)  SH reminded the members that if they have any changes to their contact details that they should let us know ASAP. |
| **4.** | **GENERAL BUSINESS**  **Resolutions** – CW informed the members of the 5 Resolutions proposed for 2021. They are:   1. A call to increase awareness of the subtle signs of ovarian cancer. 2. Stop women dying prematurely from coronary heart disease (CHD). 3. Racism and discrimination 4. Now’s the time to act! Protect your nature space to create wildlife friendly communities. 5. Stop the destruction of peat bogs to tackle climate changes.   The members have all been sent, under separate cover, further information on each of the above so that they will have an informed vote. They have also been sent a link to vote on line and have also been made aware that the voting ends on 13th January 2021.  CW informed the group that we can also have a resolution of our own and do not have to go with the “National” choice.  **WETS** – Prison Governor, Chris Duffin has been confirmed for February’s speaker. Members have been encouraged to look on SWI’s website for information on future speakers etc. The programme of speakers is detailed on the website up to and including October 2021.  It looks like the Fashion Show, booked for May, will be postponed until later in the year. The Spring Fair has been cancelled and rescheduled for October 2021 as an Autumn Fair. It was reported that the WETS team will be concentrating, because of COVID19, on the second half of the year.  **Publicity** – The newsletter has been sent out this week. The website is up to date and continues to be updated as soon as information is received.  **Book Group** – January’s book is “Nigel my family and other dogs” by Monty Don. This book will be reviewed on 27/1/21 at 7pm.  **Walking Group** – The Walking Group managed to do the Christmas Lights walk before the new COVID19 restrictions came into force. “In search of the Christmas Hare” has been cancelled but members have been informed that the route for this and other walks are available on the website for anyone that wishes to walk alone or with a “Walking Buddy” (this can be arranged via the WhatsApp).  The money raised in November for the RBL has still not been confirmed. SH has been in contact with our local Royal British Legion and has been told that they are still waiting for the bank statement covering this period, this information will be available for the next meeting.  **AGM** - It looks like the Annual Meeting in March will be conducted via Zoom, the logistics of this will be worked out by the Committee before this date and members informed ASAP. A “Quiz Night” has been arranged for after the night’s business.  **Photo Group** – this is going from strength to strength. This month we are trialling having three themes running through the whole month. For January they are “Winter”, “Shadows” and “Gold”. Members have been encouraged to keep posting their photos on the SWI Photo Group What’s App or the Facebook Members Page. Anyone wishing to join these groups should contact the SWI Secretary on [saddleworthwi.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:saddleworthwi.secretary@gmail.com) .  **Dates for Your Diary**  **Tiffin Tuesday –** 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 4pm  **Book Group** - Wednesday 27th January at 7 PM  **Quiz Night** – 20th January at 7PM – theme TV Programmes |
| **4.** | **Close of Meeting** – 8.30pm |