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| **1.** | Welcome, housekeeping and general chat – 34 members attended. |
| **2.** | **SPEAKER – LIZA JONES, ‘KNICKERS’ THE HISTORY OF UNDERWEAR**  Liza has a great passion for her subject, and it is very evident in her talk that she has researched her subject in great depth. She started her talk by informing our group that the underwear business in the UK is worth £1.5 billion per year. Liza went on to introduce us to the many fashions, colours, and designs of undergarments throughout the years bringing us right up to today with a pair of Spanx. A particularly good speaker and we would definitely recommend Liza to other WI’s. |
| **3.** | **GENERAL BUSINESS**  **LFWI Council Meeting** – The President, Pam Armstrong, represented SWI at this event last month.  **Finance**  Current Account - £ 2,051.97  Savings Account - £7,152.83  Fees have started to come into the bank account with 50 people re-joining. Confirmation of these payments will be sent to members via email or post as appropriate.  **Speakers** – In May Penny Simmonds, Reflexologist and in June, Stephen Wells – The story of Butlins Holiday Camps. Both still on Zoom.  **Events** – On Saturday 26th June we will be taking part in the Great Get Together at The White Hart, Lydgate. WETS asked if members would like to volunteer for manning the stall or baking cakes etc. Breadmaking at the Saddleworth Cookery School has been booked for Monday 20th September with limited places left. Anyone who has a voucher for SCS can use it at this Workshop.  **Autumn Fair** – Members informed of the date of the event (16th October 2021).  **Membership** – 50 members re-joined which is particularly good at this stage. Membership have also had a few enquires. We have also received a number of GDPR Consent Forms. SH also updated the meeting on the wellbeing of some of our poorly members.  **Website, Newsletter & Publicity** – All members should be in receipt of the April Newsletter sent out recently. The website is up to date and SWI should appear in this month’s Saddleworth Independent.  **Correspondence** – The Secretary reminded the members of the next 4 NFWI Zoom speakers and directed them towards the LFWI website. A list of all LFWI events will be sent to SWI members each month. |
| **4**. | **SUBGROUPS**  **Book Group** – The next meeting is on 28th April at 7pm reviewing the book “To Kill A Mockingbird” by Harper Lee. All are welcome so come and join us. PA informed the meeting that the books “The Trouble with Elephants” have arrived.  **Crafty Chat** – Because of illness the *Quirky Birds* session has been delayed as we await materials. We have a couple of projects on the go: A underarm pillow for women that have had breast cancer, it aids comfort and scarf making for the Mikron Theatre Group. An email will be sent out giving more details on the above.  **Photo Group** – Still doing very well. April’s theme: Easter & America/American.  **Quiz Group** – The next Quiz will be on 19th May at 7 pm – A General Knowledge/Traditions theme.  **Walking Group** – A walk has been arranged for this coming Sunday 11 April. 21 people have put their names down but there is still availability. The plan is to walk in small groups of 6 with a dedicated leader for each group. There is an evening walk planned for 20th April – members will be notified of details via the WhatsApp group. The ‘Emergency Contact’ information will be sought before the walk. |
| **5.** | **NEXT ZOOM MEETINGS**  **Tiffin** – 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 4 pm Zoom.  **Crafty Chat** – 7pm Weds April 14th & Tues 20th April at 3pm.  Speaker – May 5th Penny Simmonds Reflexology. |
| **6.** | **CLOSE OF MEETING** – 8.50 PM |