

# Lichfield 1/12<sup>th</sup> Dolls House & Miniaturists Club

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*Dear Members,*

The clocks have gone forward so lighter evenings and warmer days will be with us soon. The dark days are a good time for craft work but now I need to spend some time gardening!

I've been busy working and researching WW1 and no doubt you have as well. I now have a little army of soldiers almost ready for our display, just need to put the finishing touches. The hardest challenge now is the tin hats if anyone has any ideas. I joined Tina and Thelma at Beryl's to help make more poppies.

I need to get some bits and pieces hopefully at Miniatura this weekend.

I visited the Beer Museum at Burton last week, it was most interesting and upstairs is a large model showing the whole of Burton town centre in tiny detail with all the breweries and railways. It gave me some great ideas for restoring my dolls house pub that I saved from a bonfire. Another project waiting in the wings!

*Beverley*

To Maureen and Lisa with  
birthdays in March  
And to Gaynor and Tina in April



## March Meeting

Apologies from Lisa and Jill.

Laurie thanked the club for the flowers and cards and good wishes that were sent to June which has cheered her up no end.

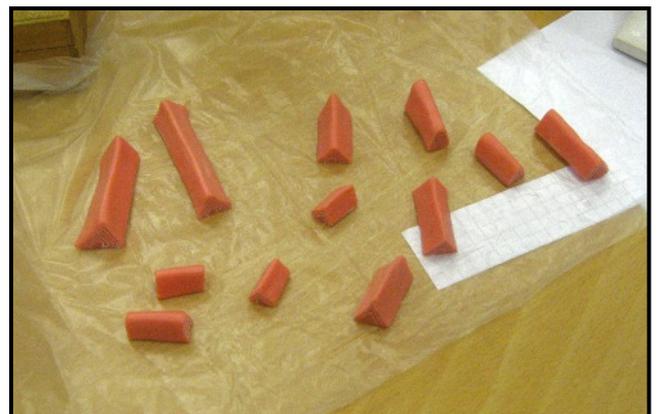
The raffle was won by Kim and June who chose a hat kit and two chairs respectively as their prizes.

Pat Goodall-McIntosh brought along kits of Fimo that she had prepared for us so she could teach us how to make a salmon fillet cane. This was my first attempt at making a 'cane' and I found it most interesting and very helpful in explaining the difficult art of making canes. A productive evening was had culminating in plates of 'salmon slices' some of which will be winging their way to our sister club in New Zealand for their convention later in the year. Our thanks go to Pat for leading the evening and for the hard work in preparing everything for us.



Above - Our starting point, the kit prepared in advance by Pat

Left - The end result, Salmon slices on a plate



## Next Meeting - April 16<sup>th</sup>

We will continue our WW1 project. Please bring with you all the things that you are working on so we can start to see how it will all come together. For more information on the competition see [www.dollshousemag.co.uk/WW1competition](http://www.dollshousemag.co.uk/WW1competition)



Time is of the essence as the completion date will soon be upon us. Those of you who took home poppy kits please bring them to club so Beryl can put them into the display. Lots of poppies are needed.

## Dates for your diary.



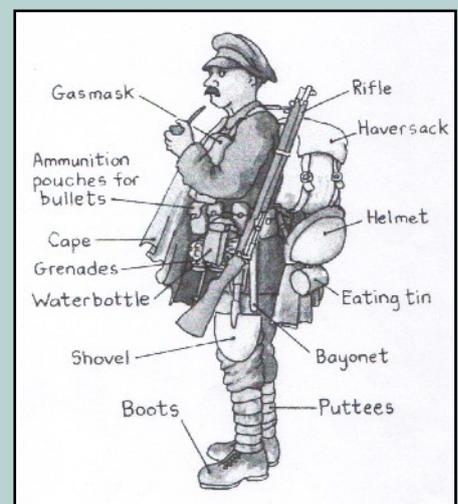
On May 10<sup>th</sup> Cheltenham Miniatures Club are having an exhibition of work at Spring Bank Resources Centre, GL51 OLG from 11am to 3pm. Entry 50p. There will be displays from model railway, boats and war gaming clubs to illustrate the diversity of miniatures. We met some of their members at Chateau Impney. <http://cheltenhamminiaturistclub.com/>

Stafford Dolls House Fair is September 7<sup>th</sup> at the County Showground.

April 26<sup>th</sup> - Leeds Dolls House Fair at Pudsey Civic Hall, Leeds LS28 5TA



Little Boy for the war memorial scene and some items for the hospital scene. The nurse was made by June Howe and the rucksack, crutches and medical kit were made by Kim Woodcock



Bev's three soldiers. Uniforms almost complete but a lot of equipment still needs to be made.

