

Lichfield 1/12th Dolls House & Miniaturists Club

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Dear Members,

It was nice to see a nearly 'full house' of members at this month's meeting. It was lovely to chat to June after her absence of a few months.

Ideas or requests for projects are needed for future meetings for next year. Please let us know of any ideas that you have so the committee can try and organise them for the coming twelve months.

See also the item page 2 which you may be able to help with.

May meeting

Apologies were received from Jill.

Some of the group used the evening to arrange the WW1 project on the stage and Paul set up the lights and sound recordings he has made to go with the display, which gave an extra special atmosphere to the display. Lisa thanked Paul for his lovely work. Just a few more finishing touches and we will be ready for the competition.

Kim showed the rest of the group how to make a lovely coffee pot and she also brought along some really good dog kennel kits that the group can make on another evening. Everyone who made the coffee pots were well pleased with their efforts. Thank you Kim for another enjoyable evening of miniature making.

Raffle - The raffle winners were June and Jackie and £11.50 was raised for the group.

Pat Goodall-McIntosh brought along a selection of the new range of Fimo Professional clay to show us the new colours and the difference it might make to our projects.

Ann Griffin brought some small scale papers from Sid Cooke to sell and the 'Streets Ahead' catalogue is available at the club for the next two months for members to order from if they wish.

Beverley 



After much concentration - the end result



Next meeting June 18th

Please bring with you any UFO to work on as the WW1 project will be set up and photographed and filmed and this will take all evening.

Please make sure all construction notes and photos of the WWI project are given to Thelma.

The Streets Ahead catalogue will be available if you wish to place an order.

We have been given some wood, videos and magazines which will be available to buy for a small donation.



Dates for your diary.



York Dolls House Fair is on June 8th and 23rd November at York Race Course

Stafford Dolls House Fair is September 7th at the County Showground.

Miniatura 20-21st September at the NEC

Exciting new project combining Miniatures and Wildlife.

We received this email from 'Wildlife Kate' McRae. If anyone is interested let us know as soon as possible so we can reply as a club.

Hi,

I came across your website after searching for local groups involved with Doll's Houses!

I'm Kate MacRae and live in Lichfield. I am also known as WildlifeKate (my website is <http://www.wildlifekate.co.uk/>)

I am a very keen naturalist and have featured on Springwatch and Autumnwatch for the last three years .. in fact my latest piece with Michaela Strachan is due out on the show next week. The reason I am contacting you is that I have lots of live cameras in my garden, filming the wildlife and sharing it with people all over the world.

Recently, I came across a Norwegian company who have created some amazing scenes for wildlife and they have been really popular! I flagged it up to Springwatch and they did a piece about it on the show. Springwatch and I are very keen to set up a version here in the UK, at my feeders! You can take a look at the kind of thing the Norwegian couple do at: <http://www.nrk.no/piipshow/about-the-piip-show-1.11575642>

I have lots of ideas, but simply would not know where to start in creating such scenes.... but it looks like you are just the people to help me possibly! Do you think any of your members might be able to advise / help me create some scenes? Potentially, the BBC will pick up on it for Autumnwatch and it could be much bigger if it takes off.... and of course I would give credit to anyone who was willing to take part. I think it might be a really fun and 'different' type project and I would love to talk to you about it.

What do you think? I could possibly come along to one of your local meetings to have a chat?

Would love to hear your thoughts on this,

Best Regards,

Kate

