## Report from Bentley Bluebells WI

One of the main things this year is that we have changed our name. We are now Bentley Bluebells WI. We thought that as the trend among WI's was to add something to names, we would follow suit. Our members put forward suggestions and we all voted for Bluebells, after the wonderful display of bluebells in nearby woods and fields

When we are able, we meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

We currently have a membership of 17 ladies but, would gladly welcome any ladies over the age of 18 to come and join us. We have a varied list of speakers, and we enjoy a garden party and cream teas as well as a Christmas meal. We also offer a fundraising lunch to everyone in the village and man the tea and cake stall at the Bentley fete.

Obviously due to the Corona Virus we have had to curtail our meetings for this past year, but before that, we did enjoy hearing all about Christmas in Turkey, history of the panto and travelling in India, plus we had a visit from Active Lives where we took part in various games to keep us fit.

In August the committee gave each member an afternoon tea in a bag which was delivered to their homes. Christmas saw us present everyone with a christmas box, filled with goodies to eat and a hand decorated bauble for their christmas tree. It will be a reminder to us all of what an eventful and unforgettable year we have all had.

The committee has decided to reduce the fees payable for this coming year, by £10 each member, to encourage everyone to come back to us. We sent the renewal letters out and gave everyone a plant, as a gift. The reduced fees will also apply to any new members, so please come along and give us a try. You will meet new people and have a fun evening. We also have a raffle each month with some lovely prizes. Please contact either me or our secretary for further information, or take a look at our facebook page.

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