

# Northampton LAMs NEWSLETTER

#### **Spring Edition**

#### Newsletter - Number 8

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#### **Future Events**

- June 17<sup>th</sup>
  Out for Lunch at Greens
- July 15<sup>th</sup>

Summer visit Waddesdon Manor

- August 5th
  Chairman's Coffee Morning
- September 16<sup>th</sup> Lunch Speaker Honeypotts

Welcome to the eighth edition of our newsletter

Here is another issue of our newsletter to keep members informed and up to date. It is important that it reaches those members who are now unable to attend so please take a copy to anyone in this position. During the Autumn and Winter we have continued to enjoy and share many activities whilst raising funds for Charity and facilitating improvements at Sheaf Close. This is recognised by the Gentlemen of the Lodges and is displayed on the recently erected noticeboard in the bar area on the wall outside the Griggs Room. (See the photo below)



**CHAIRMAN'S COFFEEE MORNING – AUGUST 2019** 

This was another successful event when members generously supported the stalls enabling us to raise £315

# **Profile of**

#### Slyvia Lowe

#### When did you become a LAM?

I joined in 1976 encouraged by Cherie Hitchcock. We were among a group of young Mums at the time.

#### What is your earliest memory?

Walking to school along a trench like road with snow piled high on either side. I can also still picture the milkman's horse and cart delivering the morning milk.

#### What is your guiltiest pleasure?

I love going out for meals and enjoy going on holiday.

#### When were you happiest?

When I met Jeff and setting up home together. We eventually had 2 sons. Creating family life for us all was a truly happy time.

#### How do you relax?

I am a SOAP addict. I look forward to settling down to watch Coronation Street or East Enders with a "cuppa" in the evening after a busy day.

#### What makes you angry?

INCONSIDERATE PARKING making it difficult for other road users. Those who park in BLUE BADGE SPACES really make me mad.

# What is the most important lesson life has taught you?

My parent's instilled KINDNESS in me. I always try to remember this & consider others.



#### Jane Isaac

# SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON

The speaker was **Jane Isaac** who is a local crime writer who has successfully published a number of best sellers. For "bookworms" this was a treat as she explained the process of researching, character and plot development, writing and eventually producing final copies. She lives in the county and is married to a police officer which gives her insight into the detection of crime. Her talk was engaging even for those not so interested in thrillers but for others the queue at the end, to purchase copies she had brought to sell, is a testament to her popularity.

I took my signed copy of "Presumed Guilty" home and within days I was completely absorbed. I like a thriller and this was a "page turner" set around Northampton so it added to the story as it unfolded around Rothwell, Market Harborough, Delapre and even Kingsthorpe!

IF ANYONE ELSE WOULD LIKE TO WRITE A REVIEW OF THE BOOK THEY READ PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

# **October Visit to Milton Keynes Theatre October 2019**

A small group of us enjoyed a trip down memory lane as we tapped our feet to the songs of "Saturday Night Fever".

# Christmas Bazaar – November 2019

Another successful event raising  $\pounds 462$ . Betty Howell's jams, marmalades and preserves were particularly popular along with the soft toys and bags donated by Eileen Harley (a friend of Chris L-T) The generosity of members particularly for the raffle continues to enable us to support charity

#### **Christmas Lunch- December 2019**

Always an enjoyable occasion at the beginning of the Christmas season. This year we were entertained by the Watling Singers.

# Friends & Family Lunch January 2020

Yet another successful and happy occasion with over 60 members with family and friends sharing a convivial time together We were pleased to welcome **Max Bayes and his wife Barbara** and also **Will Diggins and his wife Kay.** Will is a real friend to LAMs. As the Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary he is always on hand to help us at monthly meetings

March coffee morning W Bro Bob Farey gave an excellent talk on Alfred Cockerill the forgotten local philanthropist.

