

# A.G.M. 2023-2024

## Secretary's Report

This is my Report covering events over the past year.

Firstly we welcome all new members. After Covid we had quite a drop in membership but thankfully since then we have had a steady increase and also had many visitors who were made welcome.

Wednesday 28th June was our annual day trip. This year we travelled to Newry. Our meal was in the Canal Court Hotel. We also visited Buttercrane before our departure for home.

We opened on 4th September after our Summer break and this continued every two weeks until Halloween when we had our usual party.

Our Christmas Dinner Dance took place in the Dunsilly Hotel. For this event we had to hire two

minibuses to bring members to the venue. As always we had our usual Christmas raffle, and every item for this was donated by our own members. Antrim & Newtownabbey gave us funding of £500 towards this event.

Three of our members passed away during the past year: - Seamus Erwin, Andy McGuckian and Philomena McLaughlin. We extend to their families our deepest sympathy for their loss.

In conclusion I'd like to thank Seamus Kerr and Phelim McElhone who use their cars to bring in members. Those who open & close the hall and put on heat for us. To everyone who helped us in any way we thank you.

Our Secretary Patricia Haregan resigned this year and Mary Toal took on that role as well as doing Chair in a temporary capacity.

Mary Toal.