

## **Buckinghamshire Guild of Weavers Spinners and Dyers Treasurer's report Year ended 31 December 2021**

As we are all aware any activity in 2021 continued to be severely curtailed by the coronavirus however we were able to have meetings at the hall for 3 months from September.

Two events in the year of note.

First the Bucks Art Weeks. The entry cost for this was paid in 2019 by Freya Barcock-Jones and she generously donated this and also made a large room available to us for the two week period for a cost of £100. The decision was taken not to take a cut on member sales so the net cost was around £120 being the room cost and some other sundry costs.

The other event was that, as reported in the Secretaries report, we had to clear the Amersham cupboard in late summer and since then have had to pay storage costs for the contents. This expense is mitigated by the sale of various items of equipment but this has caused a drain on our resources. Our aim was to ensure that anything of use was sold or moved on to a new home, and that we find a home for the books. At time of writing this is not fully finalised so I will report more fully next year.

As we have now started meeting face to face we are beginning to pay Hall fees again so this with low subscriptions contributes largely to our deficit for the year. We are however grateful to Haddenham Hall who have been very flexible when we have cancelled in-person meetings at relatively short notice with no charge.

The loss of £788, can be roughly attributed as follows

Normal member events - Subscription less meeting costs	- £ 573
Bucks Art Weeks	- £ 112
Amersham Cupboard clearance (ongoing) .	- £ 153
Equipment sale for Charity	£ 50

At the end of the year we have £3595 in the bank. Of this £75 is due to be distributed to charity as it relates to members equipment sales which were on a 50/50 basis with the Guild.

Since we were still unable to hold meetings for much of the year and 2022 remains uncertain, the decision was taken by the committee that subscriptions for 2020 would be extended through to the end of 2022. However we are offering new and re-joining members a reduced fee of £20 during 2022 to encourage new members.

As we rebuild activities we are aware that we have ongoing meeting expenses and low subscriptions so will be looking for opportunities to boost income.

On 31st December we had 36 paying members, and since the year end a further 3 have (re)joined.



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