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Dear Members

As many of you know, our group has now transitioned from a full branch of the NFOP to a Social Group, also under the auspices of the NFOP. As a group we are very pleased that things are continuing very much as before. At our most recent (July at time of writing) meeting, we enjoyed good conversation along with our tea, coffee and biscuits, a raffle, two rounds of bingo and one of my fiendish quizzes. My grateful thanks to everyone who so generously volunteer to be in charge of refreshments. Our rota of glamorous assistants are doing a splendid job. Many thanks to all of you.

As a group we were all delighted to have Ann Flexen with us again after a three month absence owing to her duties at her church. Ann, we were very pleased to welcome you back, you were very much missed.

Sadly, I must give notice to you all that we cannot organise a Christmas lunch this year. As a Social Group we have no funds of our own as our branch bank account had to be closed as part of the transition arrangements. Therefore a Christmas lunch cannot be subsidised as has been the case in previous years. Also the dwindling number of attendees over recent years has made this event unviable for our caterer. Therefore there will not be a Christmas lunch in December 2025.

Our Social Group meets at our usual venue, Hamilton House, Bilton Road, Rugby, CV22 7AB for our coffee mornings on the third Friday of each month. Our new meeting time is at 10:30am until approximately 12:30pm. Forthcoming dates are 15th August, 19th September and 17th October. Please join us if you can. Everyone will be most warmly welcomed.

With best wishes to you all.

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