

# Andover Women in Business Club

## Newsletter

## October 2011

### President's Prologue

#### AWIBC NETWORKS

Our late summer is disappearing and our winter activities starting.

Somehow we gain a burst of energy to think about and act upon ways of expanding and improving our businesses, sometimes in very small ways which eventually lead to big rewards. Networking is an excellent way of doing this, so book your display table when you receive the November meeting invitation, come with your questions for our Legal Eagles, postponed from last time, and prepare two minutes about your own business for some speed networking.

We have tried hard to find a different venue for our networking meeting, but venues are not all suitable and the Red Lion is completely closed at the moment. So I look forward to seeing you all at Keystone Hall to NETWORK!

Vera Hughes

### The Library Window

#### THE LIBRARY WINDOW

We may have an opportunity next spring to make **(free)** use of the library window to publicise AWIBC.

Is there anyone who would like to design and organise this, please?

If so, please get in touch with me.

Vera



### Way Upstream

On September 29th, a blistering hot day, thirteen members and friends of AWIBC attended the 'Theatre Day' at Salisbury Playhouse. In the morning we were treated to some insights into the difficulties of staging 'Way Upstream' a play by Alan Ayckbourn set on a floating twin cabined cruiser. What structural issues need to be considered when building a 'pond' containing tonnes of water within the theatre? Would the building sink? How does a theatre source a suitable boat within budget? When they have found one what did they need to do to it to prepare it for its new job? How do they simulate movement in the water? Given that there would need to be costume changes inside the boat, what extra considerations are there when selecting actors? How does the actors' 'job' differ when working on this 'stage' compared to a conventional set? How does it all 'come together' to move the boat at the correct time? Appear on stage at the correct time? Have the sound affects when required? How does the set have to be laid out before each performance to ensure the props are ready to hand when needed?

We were also given a try at the job of the director. How do they tell the actors how to act out the script? Do the actors get any say in how they are positioned on the stage? How does the way the play is staged 'evolve'?

After a convivial lunch in the theatre bar we all enjoyed the matinee performance of the play. It was lovely to see how the things which had been spoken about in the morning come together smoothly for an excellent performance of this amusing and thought provoking play.

Many thanks to Brenda for organising this thoroughly enjoyable trip for us.

Gill Warne



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## 'Legal Eagles' Flight delayed

The Andover Women in Business Club members and guests met once again at the Bourne Valley Inn on 4<sup>th</sup> October for their monthly meeting. This meeting was scheduled to be a Legal Eagles talk by those members who are involved in the law or HR, unfortunately, personal/family problems prevented this from taking place and our member Vera Hughes and her husband David Weller of Chester House Productions performed various acts from their hugely successful show 'Canberra Tales' which takes stories from Chaucer's 'Canterbury Tales' and puts them in a modern setting. There was much merriment during this entertainment and the show was enjoyed by all.

As we are a Women in Business Club, we fully understand the problems that women have in running a business or being involved in the professional world, where family matters often have to come first. It is useful to have a club where the various members can talk to other women in a similar situation and get advice / help on a variety of topics. The Legal Eagles will be coming to the networking meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> November, where they will answer many questions on various sticky subjects that the members will put to them.

Brenda Locke

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## Diary Dates

1st November	Keystone Hall	Legal Eagles Networking Meeting
6th December	Clos du Marquis	Christmas Party
10th January	Red Lion Country Inn	Social Networking in Business
7th February	Red Lion	Keeping Fit with Jackie G
6 March	Bourne Valley Inn	Wine Education/Tasting
3 April	Red Lion Country Inn	Networking Meeting
1 May	Hawk Conservancy	Gemmology
12 June	Clos du Marquis	Healthy Eating for Busy Women

Please note, due to uncertainties with the venues, we may have to change some of the above.

Here's another Chinese proverb,

"He who asks is a fool for five minutes, but he who does not ask is a fool forever."



The **DEADLINE** for the November issue of the club newsletter is:

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