Kirkandrews- on- Eden WI November 2019 meeting.

A warm welcome was given to members and guests by our new President Kathleen Bowron at our afternoon November meeting.

We remained silent to remember Kay Parnaby, a former member who has died after a long illness.

Special thanks and small gifts were given by Kathleen to our retiring committee members. Kathleen then announced the details of our new committee. Glynis gave details of the new annual subscription and the County News was read.

Kathleen then introduced Paula Stephenson our speaker and demonstrator for the evening. Porcelain flowers are made using a mixture of cornflour, baby oil and glue which is made in a similar way to making choux pastry. This cold porcelain is air dried and so does not need firing. Examples of the mixture, the cutters, paints and brushes were all passed round for us to examine. Then we were mesmerised as she made the delicate flowers and leaves which she assembled into a stunning arrangement.

Kathleen gave the vote of thanks to Paula. Her patience and time involved in this craft were inspirational and the end results lovely.

The competition for a Flower Ornament was won by Alice Graham and joint second were Judith Swinsco and Kathleen Bowron. The drawing prizes were won by Kathleen Bowron and Barbara Duckworth.

Friday 13th December is the date of our next meeting and will be our Christmas Celebration at Castlegate Coffee House.