

## FRIENDS OF THE WAGGGS WORLD CENTRES, CHAIRS REPORT 2022

It was a year of learning for us as new Chairs of the Friends Group

With the changes brought along by covid it was how to work with moving forward. The AGM was on zoom again, there were more events happening in person and then how we could promote and develop the Friends Group.

At our AGM in March 2022, Dhamanythy gave us an entertaining talk on Girl Scouts and their 110th year Challenge and what had to be done to gain the Time Travelers Patch.

During 2022 we held two online quizzes, one in June and the other in October and would like to thank Kim for her time to put these together.

### Holiday to Hautbois - April 2022

Evening activities included:

- games,
- a talk on the Norfolk Dialect, crafts
- a visit to the Norfolk County Archives, which have their own purpose-built premises.

Days trips were made to:

- Bure Valley Railway,
- Blickling Hall,
- Sandringham
- Gressenhall workhouse museum and farm.

### Holiday to Switzerland - October 2022

14 FRIENDS went Our Chalet for the International Friendship Event and stayed on for the 90th Birthday Celebration

Activities included:

- Bread making
- Meeting International Friends

Days trips were made to

- Interlaken via boat
- Luzern to try glass blowing
- Postbus trip to Grieslap
- Adelboden for cheese & chocolate

## Our Cabana announcements

The first announcement was made in May 2022 that the World board were considering 3 options for the future of Our Cabana.

Phase 2 in the decision-making process was announced in September 2022

A review was being undertaken by Ernst & Young, based in the USA & Mexico

At that time a further update would be provided and in January 2023 we heard that the decision that WAGGGS would run the World Centre, opening from 2024 was announced

## Out and about with our merchandise

We had a number of bookings in 2022 where members of the Friends Group attended

Event	Date
Anglia Trefoil Guild AGM	23 <sup>rd</sup> April
Midlands Region Trefoil Guild AGM, Birmingham	21 <sup>st</sup> May
National Trefoil Guild AGM Llandudno	25 <sup>th</sup> June
Midlands Region International Day Warwickshire	15 <sup>th</sup> October

## Thank you to everyone

Our members for supporting the Friends of the WAGGGS World Centres charity

Your donations and support mean we can provide extra financial support to the 5 World Centres, enabling them to stay open and provide opportunities to our Girl Guides and Girl Scouts worldwide.

Thank you also to the Trustees who join together on zoom and carry out their role within the Charity.