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News Letter July 2021

Hello All, Apologies for a late report on our July meeting, however I have eventually got my 'roundtoit.' Despite just coming out of a coronavirus lockdown, we had a good roll up of 13 regulars plus two new members, Kerry Hill and (forgive me if I have spelt you name incorrectly) Ing Retublic.

There were five apologies: Janet, Wayne, Robert, Malcolm, and Martin who was quite ill and in hospital, but is now at home.

When I rang The Hub reception desk on Monday the 5th about the COVID restrictions, I was informed the meeting could proceed but the restrictions applicable to the current outbreak applied. These were masks, of course and the Social Distancing rule of two square meters per person was increased to four square meters. That put a limit of twelve attendees plus one facilitator. As mentioned above, there were 15 attendees, but there was nobody counting, (except me.) However, there is a bit of an issue with the rooms. Because we did not have sufficient funds to hire the room for the whole year when we booked it in February, somebody has booked it ahead of us for September and October. We have booked one of the original rooms for those months and then we return to the current room for the rest of the year. So we are secure for the rest of the year. We were a bit short on funds to pay for the full six months however Russell was kind enough to meet the shortfall with a loan. Thank you Russell. As far as numbers are concerned, that will depend on State Government rules at the time.

Because of the lockdown, the FAWQ/MBRC Readers and Writers Festival which was to be held on Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th had to be cancelled. This meant that the planned Book Sale was also cancelled. This was rather disappointing with so much work in planning by FAWQ being wiped out in one stroke. There is a plan to hold the festival and book sale at a later date.

A big thank you to member Michael who gave a wonderful talk on the workings of the London Metropolitan Police. It answered a couple of questions that have always been in the back of my mind for years. One of them was hoe the name Scotland Yard came about. I never thought to research it but Michael provided the answer.

Michael touched on the history and his own personal experiences. From when he became a detective and a member of the Pick Pocket Squad, to murder investigation and trough his own family tragedy and work pressure, to his resignation from the force.

His good examples of case histories and how Political interference and cover-up dose really exist.

Thank you Michael.

Finally, members presented their 'Homework.' The cats eyes in the alley way proved the most popular subject and produced some original story lines. Audrey's poem where she was an escaped Puma (was it? Sorry, my memory!) was a fun story, well, as were they all.

So, now to August's homework choice of subjects:

1. Until the Lambs Have Become Lions.
2. Adult Content.
3. She/He paused, but never looked back.

If I have missed out anything, I am afraid you will have to fill in the blanks. I am not trying to take Janet's scribe job. Couldn't make the grade.



