

LIBRARY IN ENGLISH



Writers' Workshop

Next Meeting September 17, 2021
at 10:30

at:

Temporary lieu: Frutties Planet Charmilles
The L.I.E. premises
3, rue de Monthoux
Assignment: Fears
Leader: Marlene

We had great pleasure in meeting at Frutties to share our writing on the optional assignment 'Holiday'. We practiced the required sanitary requirements, and social distancing and settled down to our meeting. The Reading Room of the Library is not yet available as the Library is closed on Fridays. Until further notice the meetings will be held at Frutties.

Those in attendance were and **Rose**, (leader) **Marlene** (secretary) **Zinat**. We received apologies from **Elizabeth**.

Business:

Rose confirmed that for now the Library's opening hours will be from 12:30 to 16:00. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, Sundays, 11:30 to 13:00 for returns and lending. All visitors should use the main entrance, wear masks, and use hand sanitiser.

There are books for sale on a smaller scale inside the Library.

As there was no further business to attend to, we proceeded to reading our selected pieces.



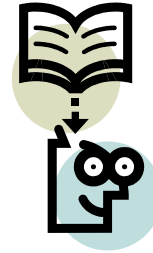
Reading:

Marlene wrote an essay entitled 'Those Lazy Days' which highlighted how our vacation days have changed in some cases into 'staycations'. Even though a specific number of days are required for us to destress and recharge before going back to our daily routine, the rule is not always followed. However, no matter what you did before or, now during the restrictions governing our daily lives, it boils down to 'a change is as good as a holiday'.

Rose's read her piece 'Armchair Traveller'. After forty years of marriage, Pam and Patrick landed in hospital; Pam with a broken arm, and Patrick an injured leg. Their injuries the cause of an accident with their newly acquired Harley Davidson motorcycle. In his younger days Patrick had a Kawasaki and the nostalgia of those days made him want to relive those days by touring the country on the Harley, despite their age.

Zinat recounted a day trip by train with five other women. The idea was to leave husbands and family behind. They passed Montreux and watching villages go by, decided to stop for lunch at one of the restaurants in Spiez. Later, they missed their connection to Interlaken which delayed their return to Geneva. The solution: take the train to Bern at ten pm. Except, they missed this train as well due a mud slide and were forced to return via Neuchatel. Midnight

came and went and at three am they arrived at Lausanne from where the CFF supplied taxis to bring them back to Geneva. Finally, in the early hours of the morning (four am) Zinat arrived home.



Future Dates & Assignments:

You will be advised of any date changes from those listed below before the end of the year. We list the leaders and proposed optional assignments for **2021**:

Sep 17: Fears - Marlene

Oct 15: Ebb & Flow of Life - Rose

Nov 20: Humour - Marlene

Dec: No meeting

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