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Writers' Workshop

Next Meeting: November 20, 2026

*******Time: 10.30 a.m.*******
at:
Frutties
Planète Charmilles, Charmilles
Assignment: Memories
Leader: Françoise

The meeting was chaired by **Rose** who also acted as secretary during **Marlene**'s absence due to her accident and subsequent major surgery. Also present were **Françoise, Carolyn** and **Sarah**. Apologies were received from **Marlene** and **Zinat**



Business:.

Our warmest wishes for a speedy and full recovery go to Marlene after her surgery.

The autumn Booksale at the Library will take place from November 6-8.

Readings:

This month's topic was members' **Book Reviews**.

Sarah's choice was Elizabeth Gilbert 2015 novel *Big Magic, Creative Living Beyond Fear*. It told of the author's experience, the lessons she learnt, and her view and advice about artistic creativity.

Rose's review was about Bernard Cornwell's series *The Last Kingdom*, and the second book entitled *The Pale Horseman*. The action takes place in 9th century England, and focuses on King Alfred's struggle against the Vikings and their leader Guthrum, as told through the eyes of Uhtred, a dispossessed Saxon thane.

Françoise's contribution was John Quigley's 1963 novel *To Remember with Tears*. It takes place on an imaginary Scottish

island, Torrismore, and the islanders' reaction to the authorities' decision to move them to a more hospitable one.

Carolyn's piece, *Loss*, was off-topic and told of her experiences following her flight from her country at the age of 13, and the difficulties she has experienced since in coming to terms with this loss.

A lively discussion followed each submission.



Future Dates & Assignments
Please note the optional assignments and dates, with leaders:

November 20: Memories – Françoise
December 11: Open - Marlene

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