

Natland and Oxenholme W I Meeting
20 September 2017

President Kirsten Cannon welcomed 26 members and 20 visitors to the open meeting.

President Kirsten congratulated members on the group and individual successes at the recent Westmorland County Show – 1 Gold, 3 Silver and a Red awarded for the group entry of biscuits. She also congratulated members Joan Airey and Kate Toms on over 20 entries which had received many awards.

President Kirsten then welcomed Maurice Steele who gave an audio/visual presentation entitled 'It should have been stopped'. Maurice accompanied by his 'team members' Sally Harpon and Old Grump, took members on a journey through Lakeland from the Ice Age, to the present day posing the question what sort of Lakeland would we have if various decisions had been stopped.

Through stunning photography showcasing the beauty of nature and accompanied by poignant music, Maurice asked members to consider how our landscape would look if land clearance, mining, railways, roads, mass tourism and other factors had been stopped.

Elaine Close gave the vote of thanks.

The competition for a sheep was won by Lynne Procter with Joan Ratcliffe in second place.

Raffle prizes were won by Nancy Toft, Pauline Causey and Betty Prickett.

Date of next meeting is October 18th at 7.15pm in Natland Village Hall when the guest speaker Pam Hetherington will speak on *Foot care and Podiatry*.