RITA GILBY - OUR CENTENARIAN!

BOSHAM WI helped Rita, a long-standing member of the institute, to celebrate her **100th birthday** in style. The Village Hall was the venue for a very special afternoon tea, together with a slide show showing the many many things that lovely Rita had been involved with over the years. What incredible things she has been witness to over this time – two world wars for a start! She still has a lust for learning and she's a dab-hand on her iPad – which is so useful for keeping in touch with her large family in Australia. She's been a gifted watercolourist and crafter and she so enjoys playing scrabble, puzzling and quizzes – she's the Queen of Quizzes! She was an avid walker, swimmer and cyclist and always has some interesting information to impart regarding flowers, gardens, current affairs or wildlife and is never short of conversation.



Rita about to cut her special cake when we all sang 'Happy Birthday'



Rita holding a photo of her daughter Jo who lives in Australia and with her other daughter Jackie who lives locally

RITA – you lift our spirits, we are so full of admiration for you; you are the mainstay of our WI life. We wish you good health and happiness and lift a glass to you on this very auspicious occasion.

"CHEERS! TO RITA - HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY"

The next meeting will be Wednesday 3rd April when Lisa Tupper will be giving a PowerPoint presentation on the History of Bignor Roman Villa exploring the Roman, Georgian and present-day history. The meeting begins at 2.30pm at Bosham Village Hall and for further information look at the website *boshamwi.co.uk*