

Board Games group Report September 2025. By Jean Bartle

If you enjoy games and are looking to combine a quiet afternoon spending two hours playing, this may not be right for you. However, if you want to spend one afternoon a month having a laugh in good company while learning new games and playing familiar ones, come along to the Old Well on the second Monday afternoon of the month.

This month (September) ten people turned up to have fun and work their brains just enough not to be stressed. Two groups were established, first to play Rummikub, in which intellect is not required, but a certain amount of cunning is useful; it is important in this game not to panic as your 14 starter tiles mount up to 30 as an opponent's are reduced to one.

Then after 3 games both groups switched to SkyJo, which is probably the noisiest game played by this group, with plenty of 'ooh's, 'ah's, 'oh no's and an extra loud 'yes'. In both games knowledge of the rules is helpful, but not essential, as they do tend to change from person to person! Nowhere is sorry said with such insincerity, as an opponent's blocks another players move!

If you don't mind being a "glorious loser" occasionally do come along.