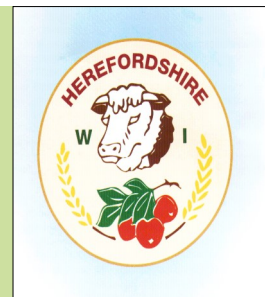


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OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

Tuesday and Wednesday
9.30 - 2.30pm

CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER

Dear Members

It is now June and by the time that you read this I hope that the weather has improved and you are enjoying some sunshine. Enjoy it and don't forget to take lots of pictures of your gardens for the 2018 WI calendar.

All of us in WI house have now recovered from our ACM. Thank you to all of you who have e-mailed or written to me saying how much you enjoyed it, we have had very positive feedback and plan to use that venue next year.

I have been invited to a lot of strawberry teas and anniversary celebrations from many WI's and I am looking forward to them all. I love meeting members but please forgive me if I forget names, there are so many to remember. I attended the Weobley group meeting at Dilwyn, was entertained by a magician and as usual ate the most gorgeous little sandwiches and cakes. I visited Preston Wynne WI together with Veronica Madgen and had a lovely evening being shown how chocolates are made and eating lots of chocolate cakes - as a confirmed chocoholic it was perfect. Next week weight watchers!!

We are starting the renovations in WI house shortly and when they are all completed we will be holding an open day (with cakes) so that those who are interested can come in and see what we have done with the donation that we were given.

We are "girding our loins" ready for the Three Counties show very soon which will be hard work but I hope will be good fun as well. Aprons at the ready and I hope to see many of you there together with all your cakes and preserves.

Thank you for all your hard work in anticipation

Val Lewis

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

VISIT LONDON 2016

6, 7 & 8th September 2016—we may be able to add more people at the last minute for this trip. Please contact Eileen Dilley, Bramley, Sutton St Nicholas, Hereford HR1 3AY. Tel: 01432 880527

VISIT TO SUDELEY CASTLE—30TH JUNE 2016

Train from Cheltenham to Winchcombe, then coach from Winchcombe Station to centre of Winchcombe. Then on to Sudeley Castle, which has an extremely interesting history and was once the home of Queen Katherine Parr and her resting place, which is in the church. The garden is very beautiful, especially the rose garden, which is perfect in June.



Application, cheque (made payable to HFWI) and SAE asap to Eileen Dilley, Bramley, Sutton St Nicholas, Hereford, HR1 3AY. Telephone 01432 880527

Celebrating HFWI Centenary 2020

The Herefordshire Federation of WI's will be celebrating our centenary in 2020. This is not as far away as we may think. We would like to celebrate and mark the occasion in as many ways as we can. As those of you who attended the ACM will have noted we have a lovely cover for the Federation top table but it is becoming out of date. The Trustees have decided that we would like a new cover that will involve all of the WI's in our Federation. There are many of you who are very skilled at crafts such as embroidery, patchwork or any other way that you can think of to make a lovely cover. I am asking for someone to design and organise the making of this. We would like it to represent the whole of our Federation in some way. We may be able to do some fundraising to cover the cost of this. Please can you send me some ideas and if a group are willing to take on this challenge please let me know. It would be lovely to think that you have taken part in such an important item that will be used for many years to come.

Our Federation were so good entering the NFWI Heirlooms competitions, please can you do the same for Herefordshire.

I would love to hear from anyone who has any ideas of how we can celebrate this special event.

Val Lewis E mail; valjlewis1@aol.com

DIARY OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	VENUE	COST	TIME
11 JUNE 2016	NFWI AGM	BRIGHTON (travel on Friday 10th June)	Refer Fed Sec	10am
17-19 JUNE 2016	THREE COUNTIES SHOW	MALVERN	Nil	
22-27 JUNE 2016	HOLIDAY	WATERWAYS OF SCOTLAND	TBA	
30 JUNE 2016	DAY OUT - STEAM TRAIN AND SUDELEY CASTLE	WINCHCOMBE	£31	8.30am
7 JULY 2016	MUSIC FESTIVAL	LLANGOLLEN	See Enclosure	8am
14 JULY 2016	DAY OUT	WESTON SUPER MARE & CLEVEDON	£15	9am
17-25 AUGUST 2016	ACWW TRIENNIAL WORLD CONFERENCE	WARWICK UNIVERSITY	TBA	TBA
6-7-8 SEPTEMBER 2016	HOLIDAY	VISIT TO LONDON	£300	
3 OCTOBER 2016	SPEAKERS' EVENING	ST JOHNS METHODIST HALL, HEREFORD	£5	7.00pm
21 OCTOBER 2016	COLOURS FASHION SHOW	SUTTON ST NICHOLAS	TBA	TBA
20/21 NOVEMBER 2016	DENMAN DESIGNER DAY	DENMAN COLLEGE (residential)	£175	

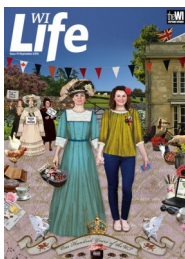
DAY OUT IN CLEVEDON AND WESTON SUPER MARE

14th July 2016 - Lovely day out to the seaside at Weston Super Mare followed by a game of rounders on the beach. In the afternoon, we go to Clevedon where we can walk along Clevedon Pier which has good views of the English Channel and was described by Sir John Betjeman as the "most beautiful pier in England".

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ACWW WORLD CONFERENCE

I do hope some of you are going to the Conference even if only for a day. It would be helpful if you could tell me when you are going so I can look out for you. Brenda Drake



New Talent Sought for WI Life Cover girl

We're looking for new faces for our cover girl/member profiles- if you're a member with a great story, perhaps an unusual job, hobby or journey through life, send a few words about yourself and a recent pic to wilife@nfwf.org.uk. We want people of all ages and from every corner of the country. You'll need to be available for an interview and photographic shoot. Thanks!

LADY DENMAN CUP COMPETITION

This year's competition invites WI members to write a letter to their younger selves. Using no more than 500 words, members must draw on their life experiences and imagine what they would say if they had the opportunity to guide (or warn!) their younger selves.

Entries must be accompanied by an entry form. Please submit entries to WI House by 29th June 2016

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Members of the Board of Trustees are:

Val Lewis—Chairman
 Cicely Symonds—Joint Vice Chairman
 June Stephens— Joint Vice Chairman
 Jenny Holmes—Federation Treasurer
 Veronica Madgen—Trustee
 Linda Peberdy—Trustee
 Pat Lemin—Trustee
 Jacqui Woodhouse— Vice Federation Treasurer

Three Counties Show 17th to 19th June 2016

Thank you for everyone who has helped so far. We still urgently need your commitments for cake donations as we have three long days to cover and are catering in three different venues. Please email Julia on whittallmoccas@gmail.com

Please continue to bring your donations of jams and preserves into WI House. Jars should have clean, undamaged lids and should be labelled with a white label stating name of jam/chutney and date it was made.

We are using the opportunity to attract new members, so if you have any old copies of WI Life and Newsletters for us to give to customers on the day, that would be appreciated.

REQUESTS FOR HELP

We still need more volunteer helpers to cover the three catering outlets at this year show.

Shifts available: Saturday 6.30 to 9.00am; 2.00 to 6.00pm

Sunday 6.30 to 9.00; 8.00 to 11.00am and 10.30 to 2.30pm

Please contact Julia Whittall, The Old Rectory, Moccas, Herefordshire, HR2 9LA
Email whittallmoccas@gmail.com Telephone 01981 500 250

BANNERS—We do have enough banners for the show. If anyone is worried about something happening to their banners at the Show, please let me know and I won't use them.

Please contact Julia if you have any questions about Three Counties Show matters



Crafty Bits and Pieces

Thank you all for your amazing response to our request for items for this stall - and a special thank you to those who sorted and measured what they sent in. Even with that valuable help, it has taken many woman-hours to go through everything and present it as attractively as possible - and a huge thank you is due to those who have helped with this.

All we need now is people to come and BUY the lovely things that will be on offer - so do please come and visit us and spread the word far and wide to anyone and everyone who likes to make things. As well as craft materials there will be lots of ideas, so come and be enthused by our Bags of Inspiration! Joanna Helme and the Crafty Crew

DENMAN

I would like to say a big thank you to all the ladies I met at the Annual Meeting in April. We had a successful Denman Dip, and the gift vouchers are ordered and will be on their way to Diana Robison, from Longtown WI. I hope that Diana has a wonderful time at Denman and reports back to us about what she has decided to do.

I was pleased to launch the Residential Designer Day, taking place 20/21 November. And I'm pleased to say that I'm having a lot of interest. I know we are past the deadline date, but if you think you may have missed the boat, please get in touch in case I have a few spaces left!

I was also pleased, at the Annual Meeting and after, to be given donations towards the Denman House Fund. Denman are looking to the generosity of members to help fund raise towards the fabric of Denman College. In order for the WI to continue having this wonderful resource, financial help is needed. Many thanks to those of you who have contributed, and if anyone is able and would like to make a donation, please get in touch with WI house or myself.

Linda Peberdy Denman Ambassador linda@wbsnet.co.uk



SPOTLIGHT

MARDEN W.I.

Meeting time: 2nd Thursday of the month at 7.30pm (except August)
Venue: Marden Community Centre

Marden village is rich in history from the Romans to the present day. The manor was a royal estate and there has always been a Christian church. The church, featured on the cover photograph, dates from the 13th century and is a focal point for the community, housing a library as well as providing a house of worship.

Marden W.I. was formed in 1930 and we celebrated our 85th anniversary at The Hickory Stick restaurant (photo). We meet on the second Tuesday in the month with diverse speakers such as one of our own members on her quilting trip to America, a chiropractor on how to manage back pain, and wine tasting. The ages of our thirty members span six decades. New members are always welcome as we are a very friendly group and we enjoy socialising outside the meeting nights with fun trips as well as visiting other W.I.s. Fundraising has included a jumble sale and a Christmas market stall selling homemade crafts and produce. The proceeds from this enables us to provide a biennial Denman bursary.



Our W.I. tablecloth (see photo) was stitched in 1975 by eight members. Surrounding the central W.I. logo are embroidered representations of typical W.I. activities. Also depicted are famous features of Marden: the mermaid, the bell, St. Mary's Church, the historic River Lugg Bridge, a renowned

herd of Herefords and the blacksmith's shop, all bordered by Herefordshire hops.

Next Month's Spotlight article will be on Mathon WI

ACWW DONATIONS

The Herefordshire WI Members have kindly contributed a total of £1,258.00 in donations which have been forwarded on to the ACWW.



Congratulations to Carol Powell who completed the London Marathon in 6 hours and 26 minutes. Her charity is NSPCC.

HANDICRAFTS CLUB

The club meets at the Salvation Army Citadel, Edgar Street on first Wednesdays, 11 am—12.15 pm. Subscription £6, visitors £1.00.

1 June—AGM, Show & Tell

Enquires please contact:-

Mrs Mary Roberts, Chairman

Tel: 01432 278328

**COPY DEADLINE FOR JUNE NEWSLETTER
TUESDAY 14 JUNE 2016**

Please note late contributors may not be accepted for the current Newsletter

DIGITAL CHAMPION NEWS

I enjoyed meeting lots of you again at the Annual Council Meeting and many thanks to those who came to talk to me about computer help.

You can contact me about computer help, your own Facebook page or website, as well as advertising your WI events on the Facebook page. The Herefordshire website address and Facebook address are always on the front page of the newsletter.

Alison Lord

digitalchampion.hfwi@gmail.com 01544 340256

NFWI NEWS

Makers and Muses: Women in Art

In conjunction with the National Gallery, the Science and Leisure Committee are pleased to offer members a unique opportunity to come and visit the Gallery in London to learn more about the fascinating world of women in art. This event is open to WI Members only

Friday 25 November 2016

The National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, London

11am – 3.30pm

Cost to attend: £18 each

Please contact 01865 391788 ext 279 or h.neal@nfwi-unit.org.uk with any questions

Sustainable Gardening Day at Denman, Marcham, Abingdon, OX13 6NW

Wednesday 28 September 2016 10.30am to 3.30pm

Cost **£30** including lunch and light refreshments

A day of hints and tips on how to make your gardening more sustainable

With speakers including **BOB FLOWERDEW** from BBC Radio 4's Gardeners Question Time.

Book before Friday 9 September—Email A.dearlove@nfwi-unit.org.uk or download application form from Moodle

Autumn-Antics Update!

WI Sports Week

12 – 18 September 2016

On behalf of the Science & Leisure Committee, thank you for all the interest and enthusiasm shown towards this year's WI Sports Week; it sounds like some of you are going to have a busy and energetic week! Final word for now... to all the federations and WIs taking part in this year's WI Sports Week, keep up the fantastic work! Continue to work with fellow members, neighbouring WIs or federations and find ways in which to bring together members during this week and learn more, not only about the various forms of sports available out there, but also about the health benefits of leading a more physical lifestyle.

National Training Team

The NFWI Training Committee is looking for enthusiastic people who would be interested in training to join the National Training Team as Communication Skills (Public Speaking), Independent Financial Examiner, Trustee and WI Adviser trainers. The NFWI welcomes interest from the WI membership and the general public. Closing date: 24 June 2016.

Flyer available in WI House, Hereford or contact

email: v.andrews@nfwi-org.uk

tel: 01865 391788 ext 277

Could you be a Climate Ambassador?

For the past year the WI, along with hundreds of other organisations, has worked to raise awareness of climate change and show politicians that there is a strong mandate to make tackling climate change a priority. The next year is a vital period in this campaign, and the NFWI will be recruiting volunteers to be Climate Ambassadors. If you would like to become a Climate Ambassador please email Oliver Hicks-Pattison at publicaffairs@nfwi.org.uk

ADVERTISEMENTS - JUNE

To place your advertisements, please contact Mrs. Ann Wood, Langtoft, Eardisley, Herefordshire, HR3 6PP
Tel: 01544 327237 Email: annandrod.284@gmail.com Copy and Payment by the 1st of previous month.
SAE for receipt and cheque payable to HFWI.

ADVERTISE your church fete/sale, Charity event, delicious W.I. Teas, coffee mornings and entertainment, etc. 20p per word. PUBLICISE your business across the county from only £20 per monthly issue.
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Non Members welcome

Marking H.M. the Queen's 90th Birthday

Sat 11th & Sun 12th June 10am - 4pm
St. Mary Magdalene Church
EARDISLEY
A Floral Celebration of 9 decades
Local art, Refreshments,
ALL WELCOME - Contact: 01544 328400

TAPESTRY CANVASES

Beautifully stretched and made into cushions, bell-pulls, rugs,
etc. Cheltenham 01242 233883

EARDISLAND SUMMER FETE IN THE PERFECT RIVERSIDE SETTING:

Saturday 16th July 2-6pm

Admission free

Glan-Arrow show place gardens will once more provide
the classic summer setting for enjoying all the
traditional delights of a village fete with numerous
stalls, including the popular "Dress for Less Boutique":
live music: BBQ: licensed bar: teas: ices: competitions:
grand draw: Entrance beside Eardisland Bridge.

SAT NAV HR6 9BW

For all enquiries 01544 388226.

We look forward to welcoming you !

Hereford Guild of Guides:

Daily guided walks (no need to book)
May 7th - Oct 31st.
Mon- Sat: 11.30am; Sunday 2.30pm;

From main entrance to Cathedral.
Tickets from Cathedral Shop/Guide.
New, themed, booked walks all year:

01981 590603 or 07583 777141 or
herefordguidedwalks.org.uk

WI FORUM



BRAMPTON BRYAN's speaker in April was Julia Llewellyn Roberts, who spoke about the work of KINDA – Knighton Initiative for Dementia Action and the ways in which Dementia Friends support the families and carers.

ALMELEY and **THE SUTTONS** had a fascinating and very witty talk by Canon Sandy Elliott with some lovely insights into Saints and Sinners of the Marches using the illustrations she has done for the book of the same title. Almeley had a Royal Birthday cake.

KINGTON learnt all about the history and activities of SSAFA from Tim Howson and Tony French.

BOSBURY enjoyed a cookery demonstration by Geoff Tookey and tasted his delicious salmon

starter and upside down crumble pudding during tea.

UPTON BISHOP hosted a fantastic concert featuring the Blaenavon Male Choir and left the audience with the ultimate feel-good factor. They hope to return next year.



HOLMER celebrated their 75th Anniversary with a meal at Burghill Golf club. They have had to move to larger premises because membership has risen so much over the last year.

EARDISLAND and **STOKE PRIOR & DISTRICT** both had visits to Owen Mabbott's blacksmiths shop in Kingsland.

He magically made a beautiful ornamental fire poker while answering questions and

explaining techniques of his trade. Previously members were entertained by Ann Cummings with graphology.



31 members from neighbouring WIs joined **BRIMFIELD** in April for a Middle Eastern cookery demonstration given by Marina Ibrahim from Ludlow.

BARTESTREE & LUGWARDINE have made shopping bags with recycled material with the ladies from Morsbags in January, discussed the World of IT with Cheryl Shearer, who works for IBM, in February and heard about the virtues of decluttering with Rosalind Hayes in March. In April Rebecca Edmunds, a hypnotherapist based in Hereford, spoke on



Hypnotherapy - The Power of the Mind, and then concluded with a relaxation session.

EARDISLEY welcomed guests from the local community to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday. They also presented Lynhales Nursing home with three Twiddlemuffs. These are knitted sensory hand muffs for dementia sufferers.

Caroline Bellhouse spoke to **LEDBURY** about the Wildlife Centre she and her partner set up in West Borneo.

BALLINGHAM spent a fascinating evening delving into the murky world of organised

crime with former undercover officer, Cameron Addicott.

PETERSTOW invited Collette Gray who spoke about Victorian Dolls.

BURGHILL & TILLINGTON had an illustrated talk by Brenda Crump, a local florist who helped decorate the Royal Barge which transported the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh during the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations in 2012.



LITTLE HEREFORD ladies had a brilliant visit to The Red Cross open garden day at Newport House, Almeley.

DINEDOR AND HOLME LACY produced a party fit for a Queen to celebrate the Queen's birthday in style.

WEOBLEY GROUP were entranced by a magnificent magician, Steve Slayman, who mesmerised them with his tricks.

Carole Dowding entertained **LEOMINSTER LASSES** with her fascinating talk about her Life in Perfume. The evening was rounded off with a celebratory birthday cake to mark the Queen's 90th birthday.

SALTMARSHE & DISTRICT explored the uses of various unfamiliar objects after their Resolution evening.

EARDISLAND had an "An Uplifting Experience" when they learnt about the brassiere from Harts of Monmouth.



Go to WI News at www.thewi.org.uk/herefordshire where you will find the **full versions** of all reports above. Alison Lord, Forum Coordinator wiforum.hfwi@gmail.com

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