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OFFICE OPENING HOURS: Tuesday and Wednesday 9.30 – 2.30pm

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CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER

Dear Ladies

I am finding it hard to believe that it is September and the summer is behind us. I hope that you all enjoyed yourselves with friends and families. I have not had a break from the WI but things are not quite so hectic. On June 29th I joined Alison Lord at the "Exploring and enjoying your WI" evening. This was very enjoyable and will be repeated.



The WI were asked to have a display table at the Herefordshire Country Fair to show what the WI do and have done in the past. We did this and had a lot of interest shown by many who attended the show, lots of prospective members? If you are one of these ladies who spoke to us at the show, welcome to the WI. The Trustees and Pauline our Fed Sec made tea and coffee and sold slices of cake and scones all afternoon at the show. This proved to be a very good fundraiser for the Federation and made us nearly £600 and I hope to be asked to do it again.

I have visited lots of WI's for meetings and afternoon teas and I have lots more dates in my diary. It is lovely meeting everyone and seeing what everyone does in their WI. Thank you to everyone.

Please think seriously about joining our Centenary committee and contact me. We Need You !!

Val Lewis, Telephone: 01544 327700 Email: chair.hfwie@gmail.com

SPORTS & LEISURE SUB-COMMITTEE

Ladies, I am looking to set up a Sport & Leisure Committee for the Federation again. Can you help me please? I would like your views and ideas on what you would like us to arrange for you. The previous Committee set up events such as day visits to the Racecourse, walks, pamper evenings, art courses - are these some of the things which would interest you today. We also are enquiring about Walking Netball and funding for this via NFWI.

Contact Pat Lemin, telephone 01989 730397
Email pat@churchendbarn.plus.com

POETRY COMPETITION 2017

THE DAY I REALISED I WAS GROWN UP 1942

My head leaning on her warm flank
My hands now strong to hold the teats,
Gentling the subtle squeeze,
Watching the thin stream of milk
Filling the pail with a noise like
Non other—steady squirt, squirt,
A tail flicked across my bent head,
The smell of warm milk flooding my senses,
As she munched peacefully in the stall.
Hey-presto, the pail was full, I had
Saved a labourer his time, I could
Achieve an adult job.
In the hayfield, the cut grass
Needed raking into rows, I could
Drive Smart, his neck arched eagerly
As he mouthed his bit, swiftly pulling
The hayrake through the gate.
Round the open field we pulled the grass
Into neat rows, tackling the lever with rhythm.
This was an adult job, on a working farm
Where manpower was short in those years.
This was the day I realised I was grown up,
Warm still in my memory.

WINNER—Ann Voysey, Brampton Bryan

CLIFF RICHARD TICKETS



A pair of tickets to see Cliff Richard at Eastnor Castle were kindly donated to us by a WI member from Barton Mills. We asked you to bid for the tickets and the winner was Sandra Gough from The Pyons WI. She says it was a great evening, weather was lovely and they enjoyed the show.



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2017 - 2018 season of lectures on
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Tuesday, 10 October 'Mary Cassatt:
An American in Paris' - Sarah Kelly

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TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2017

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

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

WIGHTWICK MANOR

MONDAY 2nd OCTOBER 2017 (see enclosure)
Cost £26 or £16 for National Trust members

Visiting Wolverhampton in the morning, we then go on to Wightwick Manor for the afternoon. It is a Black & White Arts house showing Evelyn & William de Morgan plates, bowls, chargers & tiles made mainly during WW1

Colours Fashion Show

WEDNESDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2017
Sutton St Nicholas Starts at 7.00pm
Cost is £7.50 including food and wine

Great opportunity to buy outlet clothes at bargain prices. I need at least 75 people to attend, please bring your friends and relatives. See enclosure

Please contact Eileen Dilley, Bramley, Sutton St Nicholas, Hereford, HR1 3AY. Tel : 01432 880527 for these events

Eileen Dilley is organising a **Christmas outing to Chester** in December, all details currently being finalised and full information will be in the enclosure to be issued with October's newsletter. Also watch the website for the date.

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT—MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2017

Val Lewis would like to extend an invitation to all members to join the Trustees for an evening of carols and music at:

Holy Trinity Church, Whitecross Road, Hereford, HR4 0DU
commencing at 7.00pm (see enclosure)

Cost per person £5.00 which includes mince pies and mulled wine at the end of the concert

In order to help make the evening a great success and, as in the past, we would like to ask for volunteers from WIs to supply mince pies on the night and also to do poetry readings at the event. Val Lewis will supply the mulled wine as a thank you to members for their support during the year. Please contact Jane or Pauline at WI House on 01432 272268 or email fedsec.hfwie@gmail.com to let us know if you can help.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

INTERNATIONAL EVENING - A TASTE OF INDIA with Rayeesa Anghar-Sandys

Come and enjoy an evening of Indian food and gain valuable tips from Rayeesa on curry making on 16th October 2017 at Lady Emily Community Hall, Tarrington. HR1 4EX

Cost: £12.50 Time: 7.00 for 7:30pm.

See enclosure for full details. Contact Jacqui Woodhouse for bookings

There will be curries to suit all tastes; Hot, Medium, Mild and Vegetarian



www.rayeesasindiankitchen.com

Thank you to Barbara Glasspole from Tupsley WI who has presented a framed version of Jerusalem to Herefordshire Federation in memory of her mother, Dilys Waters from Huntington WI.

DIARY OF EVENTS - SEPTEMBER 2017

DATE	EVENT	VENUE	COST	TIME
4 SEPTEMBER	SPEAKERS' EVENING	ST JOHNS, HEREFORD	£5.00	7.00pm
12-14 SEPTEMBER	HOLIDAY IN LONDON	LONDON	see itinerary	see itinerary
18 SEPTEMBER	NATIONAL ARBORETUM	ALREWAS	£15.00	see enclosure
25 SEPTEMBER	COGAN CUP	ST JOHNS, HEREFORD	£10 per team	7pm
2 OCTOBER	WIGHTWICK MANOR	WOLVERHAMPTON	£26/£16	see enclosure
6 OCTOBER	DRIVER REFRESHER COURSE	SAXON HALL, HOARWITHY ROAD, HEREFORD	£30.00	tba
7 OCTOBER	HFWI CRAFT TASTER DAY	SIMPSON HALL, BURGHILL	£20.00	10am
16 OCTOBER	INTERNATIONAL EVENING - INDIA	TARRINGTON HALL	£12.50	7.30pm
25 OCTOBER	COLOURS FASHION SHOW	SUTTON ST NICHOLAS	£7.50	7.00pm
19-20 NOVEMBER	DENMAN TASTER DAY	DENMAN COLLEGE	see itinerary	see itinerary
4 DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT	HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, HEREFORD	£5.00	7.00pm
14 MAY 2018	ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING	THREE COUNTIES HOTEL, HEREFORD	tba	10am
6 JUNE 2018	NATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING	CARDIFF	tba	see itinerary

DENMAN REPORT

DENMAN TASTER DAY - The residential day on November 19th and 20th is nearly full—just a few places left. This will be a great weekend and I know you will all enjoy it. The Willow and Silver Clay Jewellery course are full but there are still some place left on the Cookery, Upcycling patchwork and fabric flower corsage courses. For more information please ring Jenny on telephone 07415 655126

NEW YEAR HOUSE PARTY 2017 AT DENMAN
DATES - 30th December 2017 to 2nd January 2018

If any members would like to attend this party, please ring Denman College for your form on telephone 01865 391966. I am delighted to say this event has started to fill up.



CRAFT TASTER DAY
Saturday 7th October in the Simpson Hall, Burghill - 10am to 4pm

Flower Arranging with Noella Plasman-Jones: 'East Meets West'

Noella will demonstrate different flower arranging traditions, including some Ikebana, and then there will be the chance for you to have a go.

Make a Paperback Hedgehog with Mary Roberts

You will have seen how old books can be made into attractive sculptural objects. Mary will show you how to turn an old paperback into a hedgehog as well as other paper-folding ideas

Christmas Home and Garden with Jenny Winchester

Jenny will show you how to make something to decorate your Christmas table and also a bird feeder for the winter garden.

Make a small woven tapestry with Joanna Helme

Using an old picture frame as a 'loom', Joanna will show you how you can use all kinds of yarn to give colour and texture in making a small weaving using a darning needle.

Cost £20 for the day (see last month's enclosure)

MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT COMMITTEE (MSC)

Shirley Eastwood:- In July, we said "goodbye, good luck and thank you" to Shirley Eastwood who moved from Herefordshire to Yorkshire with her husband to be nearer to their family. Shirley had been a WI Adviser for many years, also an Independent Financial Examiner, and previously had been a County Chairman. We will miss her and all her WI knowledge, but we wish her every happiness in her new home.

Payment to charities:- By now, WIs should be planning their programme of speakers and events for 2018. Please remember that as the WI is a charitable organisation, under Charity Commission rules we may not make cheques payable to other charities in lieu of a speaker's fee. Every speaker must be paid with a personal cheque which they themselves can give to the charity of their choice.

CALENDARS AND DIARIES

Note 2018 calendars and diaries are now in stock so we can make up your orders and put ready for your collection as soon as we receive them.



2019 CALENDAR COMPETITION

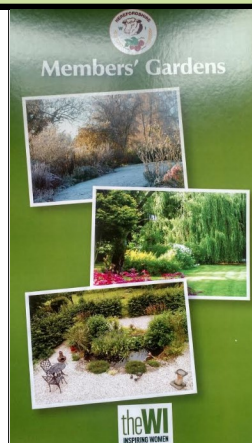
The theme for this year's entries is

"Agricultural County of Herefordshire"

Please start taking photos each month and send them in to Val Lewis by 1st February 2018 — telephone: 01544 327700 Email: chair.hfwie@gmail.com

SEASONAL RECIPES FOR THE CALENDAR

We also want our WI members' seasonal recipes to put on the back of the calendar—these should be recipes which contain fresh produce available during each month. Please submit to Val—details as above.



HEREFORD HOSPITAL

The Sister at the Children's Ward at Hereford Hospital would like to thank you for the teddies made by the members of Herefordshire WIs. Jane at WI House took another 60 teddies to the Hospital on 18 August. The pattern is available at WI House, both in printed and digital formats, so we can print or email a copy to you. Let us know if you need one.

Can you please send any teddies you have knitted to WI House so that we can take them there. Please don't send them direct to the Hospital.

SPOTLIGHT

PETERSTOW WI

Meeting time: 1st Wednesday of the month at 2.30pm
Venue: Bridstow Parish Hall

Formed in 1938, Peterstow W.I.'s meetings were held in the Peterstow Parish Room for 61 years, prior to moving to Bridstow Village Hall in 2000.

During WWII, Peterstow W.I. rallied to all calls for help, manning First Aid Posts and setting up working parties. Members were involved in making up parcels of clothing to send to the Public Assistance Office in Hereford to be distributed to families in need. War Savings were collected, Ration Books given out and members entertained wounded and convalescent soldiers from the nearby Red Cross Hospital.

Once peacetime returned, Peterstow W.I. settled down to a normal programme of events, always at the centre of village life, entering the Best Kept Village competitions and holding special celebrations for events like the Coronation, Silver Jubilee and Royal Weddings.



In recent years a Drama Group has been formed and members have very much enjoyed performing several pantomimes to entertain the other W.I.s in the Ross Group. A Murder Mystery

play was also performed, as well as always entering the Cogan Cup Competition – which they have won twice.

Peterstow W.I. has recently established a rapport with the Ross Court Retirement Home with W.I. members joining the residents for afternoon tea, giving talks about the W.I. and assisting them to produce a lovely Easter Tree. Peterstow is a thriving and very friendly W.I. with a steady membership of 36 and has built up a very good reputation for their delicious afternoon teas!!



Next Month's Spotlight article will be on PUTLEY WI

HANDICRAFTS CLUB

The club meets at the Salvation Army Citadel, Edgar Street on first Wednesdays, 11am–12.15pm.
Subscription £6, visitors £1.00.
Enquiries please to: Mrs Gaile Harris, Chairman
Tel: 01432 649598.
We next meet on 6 September when Mrs Garrett will speak about "Basically Wooden"

HFWI Centenary Celebrations

As I hope that most of you are aware we are celebrating 100 years of Herefordshire Federation of the Women's Institute in 2020. We will start the celebrations in 2019 and, as it is WI, we need a committee to start arranging the celebrations. The first meeting will be in January. The time of the meeting will be decided when I know who would like to join in as I would like to involve all members, even those who are working. Please let me know if you would like to be involved.

We need a suitable Logo for our celebrations. Are there any artistic ladies who can design something that we can use? It would need to include our name and make it eye catching, but simple enough to be used to print on memorabilia that we may get such as mugs or a badge. This is a competition, the prize is the knowledge that you have been involved in our 100 year celebrations, and your name will be noted in the records of this event. The closing date for this is 1st January 2018. Deciding on the winning logo will be one of the first jobs of the Centenary committee. Get designing!!!

THANK YOU for the following donations towards Federation Funds
SATELLITE GROUP donated £121.50 and GOLDEN VALLEY GROUP donated £76.10

ADVERTISEMENTS - SEPTEMBER

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The Wye Valley Miniaturists

19th Dolls House Fair

Wyevale Garden Centre, Hereford, HR4 0SE

Sunday 8th October 2017 - 10.30am - 4.30pm

Free Entry

Meet the Makers of Handcrafted Miniatures

Club Display "The Doorstep Challenge"

Grand Prize Draw - Tombola

Raising Funds for Acorns Children's Hospice Trust

Restaurant and Toilet Facilities

For Further Information contact:

Claire James 01432 379095 or 07715314882

h.Art St.Mary Magdalene Church Eardisley

9th-17th September 11am to 5pm daily

Once again our church is a venue for h.Art

Artists, Jewellers, Craftsmen, Book Art

Refreshments

Contact: Jenny: 01544327614

Out of Nature Sculpture Show

Newport House, Almeley HR3 6LL

1-22 October 2017 10.30-17.30

Preview 30 Sept: Entrance £5.00

Around 200 sculptures by over 40 artists:

Stunning gardens and setting;

Delicious refreshments on sale.

Full details www.outofnature.org.uk

Proceeds to The Cart Shed Charity no.1167802

A Remarkable Christmas Experience

The Hall at Abbey Cwm Hir near Llandrindod Wells in Mid Wales is a celebrated tours venue with its combination of gothic architecture, stunning interiors, fascinating collections and beautiful gardens. The house will again be decorated in all 52 rooms for Christmas from 1st Nov 2017 to 6th Jan 2018. Each room will have its own Christmas tree and individual decorative theme. Entrance is £16.00pp for the house tour, or £14.00p for groups or return visitors. Booking for individuals, small and large groups are now being taken on 01597 851727 or by Emailing: info@abbeycwmhir.com Gift vouchers are also available.

TAPESTRY CANVASES

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

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WI FORUM



LEDBURY'S speakers were Carrie and George – both delightful young ladies - from Harts in Monmouth. They gave an instructive and at times very amusing talk - 'An Uplifting Experience' - about the history of women's shaping wear and the need to have a correctly fitting bra. In July they enjoyed a fun afternoon beginning with David Wornham of "Tuneful Tunes?" David brought along his amazing collection of blowing musical instruments and could play them all, with varying results – hence his title has a question mark after it!

BISHOPSWOOD welcomed Jim Christie, the husband of one of our members to talk about the Falkland Islands and in August introduced Sally James, who was to tell them about The Three Viscounts of Lydney Park, where she had worked for over thirty years, which has been owned by the Bathurst family since 1719.

At the June meeting **BOSBURY** welcomed John and Annette Christophers who gave an entertaining talk and demonstration on the history of pottery. We were all given a piece of clay to mould with our initial on it, which Annette made into a large bowl which she is going to fire and bring back to Bosbury for us. For our July meeting we visited The Newent Garden Centre which recently moved to a site just outside Ledbury. The Centre specialises in Heuchera.

At **THE SUTTONS** June meeting, Julian Reeves gave a very interesting talk about Herefordshire Growing Point. Growing Point runs Social and Horticultural therapy sessions at its Demonstration Garden at the Holme Lacy Campus, providing a range of gardening activities to adults and children from a variety of different groups.

Justin Bowen spoke to **PARKWAY** in April, about Wychbold Fudge. During his talk, Justin touched on some of the reasons why he changed careers at a crucial time in life and took up fudge making. In June, John Barron of Beaconhill Farm spoke about the farm's production of unpasteurised milk, cream, cheese and ice-cream.

Mair Granthier co-founder of the Hereford charity "Night Shift" was the speaker at **BROMYARD'S** July meeting. The charity was formed fifteen years ago to create a safe haven for Saturday night revellers and party goers in the city.



The photo shows two lovely guys - Jon on the left, Vince on the right - who gave **SALTMARSHE & DISTRICT** a wonderfully illustrated presentation on the WI at War. At the next meeting Linda introduced the speaker, Mr. Stuart Strickland, who, together with his wife, Joanne, are well qualified financial advisers only too pleased to help clients with money matters.

<http://www.stricklandwealthmanagement.co.uk>



SPARKLING WYE'S July's speaker was Kim, a beauty therapist from Simply Stunning salon in Ross, who talked about skin care and making the best of oneself.

LINTON welcomed Jonquil, a breeder of guide dogs and a member of Linton WI, who gave an interesting and enthusiastic talk about the charity "Guide Dogs".

President Pat Lemin of **UPTON BISHOP** welcomed members and visitors to our July Meeting which was entitled Aspects of Brockhampton Manor, given by Mr. Malcolm Penny from the National Trust.

On the longest day of the year 21st June, **KIMBOLTON GROUP** arranged a Bowls and Steak night. It was well supported and everyone really enjoyed the bowling and of course the meal afterwards.

Members of **STOKE PRIOR** were enthralled recently at their August meeting by a talk, together with a PowerPoint presentation by Penny Platt on the subject of Tracks of Africa.

WI FORUM

PETERSTOW visited the Abergavenny Tapestry and Church Cottage in Hentland, the delightful garden, open for charity. The guest for the July regular meeting was Wendy Reynolds reliving her life as a teacher in the Falkland Islands. Peterstow hosted the group quiz, in July, for another year which Bishopswood WI won. The speaker for August was Celia Hargrave, a magistrate for 20 years in Gloucestershire. She gave an interesting and informative talk and insight into the work of a JP.



The **MARCHES GROUP** meeting at Pembridge was hosted by Pembridge WI. Pimms and Puddings to start, followed by a wonderful session of 'Songs from the Shows' by Kington and District Operatic Society.



BRAMPTON BRYAN's speakers, Hilary and Ian Templeton on 'Pictures in Harmony', were introduced by Gill Harnett. They made various presentations, taking it in turns, slideshows accompanied by music, poetry or words from serious, with a witty twist to laugh out loud funny.



During June **WYE WOMEN** had a very informative talk from Rebecca Edmonds, a local hypnotherapist and psychotherapist. The walking group explored Madley, Woolhope and Hereford. The July meeting was spent at an informative and enjoyable evening at the Hereford Cider Museum. Our Sewing Club met to continue with our latest project - to make Scottie dog pillows out of squares which will go to the Children's Ward at the County.



BROMYARD GROUP MEETING had a go at Belly Dancing and a Limerick Competition, won by Saltmarsh & District.



Pam Davenport gave **STAUNTON ON ARROW** an excellent talk about her 'Chilli Zoo'. She grows many different varieties of chillies and is particularly interested in their taste. This was followed in August by the celebration of the 70th anniversary in fine style with a wonderful evening with old friends and live music to entertain. Nancy Owens who has been a member of the institute for nearly sixty years cut the cake with the President Claire Burton.



The rain didn't dampen the enthusiasm of members and guests at **WEOBLEY's** Pimms & Puddings social evening in August. They set up their garden party in the village hall, with pot plants, umbrellas, deck chairs, bunting and even a bright shining sun (painted of course). A wonderful fun evening was had by all.



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