

OFFICER NOTES



For distribution to HFWI Presidents, Secretaries & Treasurers



WI SUSPENSION AND CLOSURE

It is with regret that we inform you of the suspension of Eardisley WI. A suspension remains for 3 years in case the hope that the WI is able to restart.

With Huntington (Hereford) WI their suspension has ended, and we announce the sad closure of their WI. Please remember that is your WI needs any advice your HFWI Advisor – Joy Edwards will be more than happy to talk to you.

MCS UPDATE

With new membership and officer movement now underway, might we request that your MCS records are kept up to date. This will help us direct correspondence to the correct person and allow NFWI direct WI Life to correct people and addresses. If you need help with updating your MCS do not hesitate to contact admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk

HFWI ADVISOR AVAILABILITY

WI Advisor, Joy Edwards will be back in WI House on Thursday May 30th between 10-30 and 12.30 for advice, support or just a general chat on all things WI. Appointments aren't necessary but if there is anything, in particular you would like to discuss then please get in touch with Joy beforehand so that she can come along prepared with the necessary information. Joy Edwards, WI Advisor joyedwardswi@yahoo.com

2024 LAUNCH OF THE HFWI '100 CLUB' – BE IN IT TO WIN IT!

We would be grateful if you could publicise the start of the new season of the 100 Club. Payment for tickets must be personal and not WI cheques/transfers. The draw is available to non-members. You will find the application form in last month's Officers Notes and on the back of the current Newsletter.

(May Enclosure: HFWI100Club2024)

GENERIC HFWI EMAILS

We now are in receipt of the generic emails and over the next month will be distributing them to those WIs that have requested one, along with the password for each. It is not too late to request one, so give it some thought as it will mean some efficiency savings for HFWI and provide benefits to the smooth running of your WI (see May's Officers Notes for more detail.

HFWI COFFEE AND CHAT

All members are invited to Coffee and Chat mornings with the next one being at 10.30am on Saturday 15th June at Newton Court, Newton Ln, Nr Leominster HR6 0PF.

HFWI CALENDARS & NFWI

We are in receipt of the new 2025 NFWI Diary and awaiting delivery of the HFWI Calendars. As soon as these are ready for sale, we will forward the order form.

THE ROYAL THREE COUNTIES SHOW Friday 14th June-Sunday 16th

Yes, it is almost upon us, and Jane Voogd has asked if you could please make cakes for us. Herefordshire has the Freisan Bar again and besides providing breakfasts for the farmers, judges and sheep shearers we cater for families wanting morning cake, a light lunch and afternoon tea. The Freisan Bar is very busy, and the WI has a great reputation to uphold so we need plenty of provisions, especially CAKE. So, besides the bara brith, Victoria sponge, lemon drizzle, tray bakes, etc. we need to cater for those who are Gluten and Lactose intolerant and vegetarian. If you can help at all, please email Jane on jvwi2020@gmail.com for more information. Cakes can be delivered to WI House, Hereford HR1 2QD or Munsley Hall, Trumpet, HR8 2RA on Wednesday 12th or Thursday 13th June. If you want your tins back, ensure your name and WI is on them.

BULB ORDER DEADLINE – FRIDAY 31ST MAY

Friday 31st May is the closing date for your members Bulb Orders to be at WI House by that date.

FRIDAY 7TH JUNE 12 NOON

Some of you may have known Karen Scoble, a member of Holmer WI, who died suddenly last month. There will be short service in her memory at St John's Methodist Church, St Owen Street, Hereford HR1 2PR all are welcome and to stay for lunch. Further details can be obtained from Rosi Taylor, tel: 01432 266826.

TUESDAY 11TH JUNE 7.30PM – 105TH WI BIRTHDAY PARTY

Upton Bishop WI is celebrating their 105th birthday at The Millennium Hall, Upton Bishop, HR9 7TU. Invitations have gone out to Herefordshire WIs inviting a member and a guest, if you have not yet replied, please RSVP **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** to Frances Lawford, President of UBWI, on 01989 569881 or 07484 101724 and let her know if any dietary requirements.

FRIDAY 28th JUNE 5-7PM

Museum of Gloucester have a preview of a 'Walk Through History in LEGO[®] Bricks' on Friday 28th June 5-7pm at the Museum of Gloucester. This is a chance to see the exhibition before official opening and a drinks reception. If you would like to attend, please contact prior to event, Amy Washington, Programme & Exhibitions Officer, Museum of Gloucester <u>amy.washington@gloucester.gov.uk</u>

TWIDDLEMUFF POSTER + PATTERN

You might have seen in the Newsletter that TwiddleMuff makers are needed to knit these hand muffs for dementia patients. For those keen knitters, please find the enclosed pattern. The twiddlemuffs can be dropped off at WI House, or see the details on the poster for alternative depots.

(Enclosure: Twiddlemuff makers)

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