



MEMO FROM MARGARET

September already! I am sure that there is plenty to look forward to both in your WI and your community. Here are a few suggestions and there will be more in the Newsletter.

Do come to **Credenhill Community Centre on Saturday, 14th September to celebrate WI Day** by meeting friends and enjoying displays, sales tables and refreshments. There is plenty of free parking and we shall look forward to seeing you there.

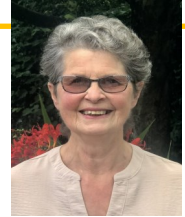
In a different part of the county, the **Annual Council Meeting is being held at Ledbury on Tuesday, 17th October**. Another most interesting day so do come either as a delegate for your WI or just to enjoy the speakers and the buffet lunch. Your secretary will soon have the details so book the day in your diary.

Diaries – have you ordered your WI Diary for 2025? Great value at just £7 as they do not fall to pieces! A diary and HFWI pen will also make a great present. Both are available at WI House or at events.

Presents – come to the **Yule Fayre which is on Saturday, 16th November at Withington Village Hall** when the WI stalls will have many gift ideas for you. A stall is a great way of raising funds for your WI so I hope that you have booked a table. Another date for your diary.

Enjoy the autumn, whether in the garden or out and about.

Best wishes, Margaret



Herefordshire Wildlife Trust Presents



Our River Wye—Wye Adapt to Climate Change?

Come along to find out how we can work to make our County more resilient to climate change on a landscape scale, using nature based solutions to improve river health and protect against future extreme weather events.

Hear from project officers Holly Thompson and Holly Williams

Herefordshire Wildlife Trust Community Organiser - Tracy Price - will also be giving a short update on the Wildlife Trust Coronation Gardens work and how you can get involved.

16 September 7 - 9pm at Hopelands Village Hall, Weobley HR4 8SN

24 October 2 - 4pm at Upton Bishop Millenium Hall, Upton Bishop, Ross-on-Wye HR9 7TX

Entry £5 (pay on door)

Refreshments available Raffle in collaboration with Herefordshire WI

Further info from: Sandra Walker
sjwalker253@gmail.com



Friday 11th October

MUNSLEY HALL (Nr The Trumpet, HR8 2RA)

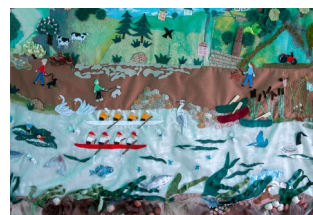
Doors open at 12 noon

£10 pp payable on the day (cash or cheque)

Book your tickets at jvwi2020@gmail.com

Please note that the Steak and Bowl evening is being rescheduled. News to follow in the October eNewsletter.

Bank Holiday Saturday and prior to the River Action week (Sept 16-22) Sparkling Wye WI crafters displayed in Ross Market place their collage of wishes for clean rivers and raised awareness of the plight the River Wye and other waterways in the England and Wales. The ladies were joined by Citizen Scientist—Dr Ian Hague and his lovely wife and Dany Sayers from the Save the Wye organisation. Passers-by were very interested to find out how they might help, whilst many children completed a Treasure Hunt—finding items on the collage or they coloured in pictures of life on the Wye or solved a rivers puzzle.





DIGITAL NEWS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

You can find lots of information on the new DIGITAL INFORMATION page on our Herefordshire website.

Go to: <https://herefordshire.thewi.org.uk/digital-information>

Find out about the WI Learning Hub, Facebook page, becoming a web editor for your WI and using the MCS. Don't hesitate to contact me if you need help in setting up your own WI website or using WhatsApp within your own WI.

Alison Lord

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FIRST AID TRAINING

We train near Hereford. Sign staff up for expert education from a fully qualified, compliance-oriented, local first aid trainer. Train or retrain staff at The Womens Institutes from just £33 per person.

To train or to retrain members at you WI, call: 0330 107 7639 or email@localfirstaidtraining-email.co.uk

August HFWI '100' Club Winners

1st Prize (£20) - Ticket number 17—Leominster Lasses

2nd Prize (£10) - Ticket number 24— Preston Wynne

3rd Prize (£5) - Ticket number 9— Stoke Prior & District

CONDUCTOR NEEDED ... AND MORE HANDBELL RINGERS

We are a small, friendly group of handbell ringers (mostly WI members) who meet in Breinton Village Hall once a week during term time. We are in need of someone to conduct our band - you don't need to be a handbell ringer, but some experience in conducting small groups of musicians is required. We use a numbering system, instead of standard musical notation, which is easy to adapt to. Although we are a committed and enthusiastic group, we all prefer to ring rather than conduct, hence the need for a leader.

Details - Tuesdays 11am-12.15pm ringing then coffee, bickies and a chat. There are 10 of us at the moment but we are also looking for new recruits - experience would be good but also learners are welcome - you just need to have a sense of rhythm and be able to count! We come from around Hereford and quite a few are from the Peterchurch/Dorstone area. We do little concerts when we have practised enough - usually in care homes and churches and we also busk in shops for charity at Christmas.

Contact Di Maslin, Dorstone & District WI - maslin38@hotmail.co.uk 07963284961

Hope to meet you at the next HFWI

Coffee Catch Up

Friday 20th September

10.30am

Open invite to all members.

The Hop Pocket Bishop's Frome WR6 5BT

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It is never too early to think about Christmas presents. In the October newsletter we will provide you with an order form for you to purchase WI gifts. On sale will be small pocket torches, HFWI pens, WI Diaries and the HFWI 2025 calendar. The items will be available at WI Day, the ACM and the Yule Fayre.

Are you missing out by not being a member of the

For £10 you will be entered for one of the three monthly prizes. Your have the application delay, join today.

Secretary will form so do not



<p>18th February Jewellery</p>	<p>27th September Lets do Sashiko</p>	<p>25th October Create a halloween wreath</p>
<p>Munsley Hall Coffee and Chat Every 4th Friday in the month</p>		
<p>Join us 10 till 12 for coffee, pastries and a morning of crafting £10.00 per Session (additional charges may apply depending on materials) Munsley Hall Munsley Nr Ledbury HR8 2RA</p>		
<p>22nd November Christmas swag with Origami Flowers</p>	<p>KUSUDAMA</p>	<p>24th January ITS HUCK work (Swedish Embroidery)</p>
<p>28th March We are recycling our old linen to make bunting</p>		



HFWI QUIZ ROUND UP

The annual HFWI Quiz is over for another year and what a fantastic year it has been!

Many thanks go to Longtown, Kimbolton, Munsley and Upton Bishop WIs for the use of their halls and to Ledbury for providing refreshments at Munsley. Thanks to all of you who helped in any way for the quiz could not take place without you.

Twelve teams qualified for the final including Sparling Wye (A) and Pontrilas from the Longtown venue. Dilwyn and Staunton on Arrow from Kimbolton and The Suttons and Preston Wynne from Munsley. The closely fought final took place at Upton Bishop Millennium Hall with Sparkling Wye (A) the winners, Preston Wynne runners up and Cradley in 3rd place. My thanks to all who have offered venues for 2025 – I will be in touch.

Please think about entering a team next year. Winning is wonderful but as important is the taking part which is great fun with picnic suppers, camaraderie, friendly rivalry, meeting friends and, of course, cake!

Thank you to all who support the quiz. I could not do it without you! See you again next year.

Joy Edwards joyedwardswi@yahoo.com



Joy Edwards-Quiz Master



Preston Wynne WI-Runners-up



Sparkling Wye WI (A)-Winners



Cradley WI-3rd place

HFWI COACH TRIP TO ROYAL WORCESTER MUSEUM & VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS MARKET 30TH NOVEMBER 2024

Cost: £30.00 per WI member £35.00 per non-WI member

STILL PLACES AVAILABLE—Contact admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk



Friday, 4th October
7-9.30pm

Jiggle Jigsaw Evening

Upton Bishop Hall

Entry £5.00pp Team of 4 persons Once you have your team, fill out the booking form (that is with your Officers) and send to admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk



HFWI Events Please apply for tickets through your Secretary/Treasurer/Booking Person. BACS or cheque payments shown on your bank statements will act as receipt of monies received by HFWI. Receipts will be issued for cash transactions. If the word 'non-members' is not printed on the application form, the event is for members only. If oversubscribed (too many applications for places received before the closing date), WI members have priority and a ballot may be held. Notification of cancellation or over-subscription will be sent to the Booking Person as soon as possible. If you can't attend, it is up to you to sell your ticket (as appropriate), no refunds are given unless the event cannot go ahead or is over-subscribed. Please note: All events except training are fund-raisers for HFWI.





heritage open days

Hereford Quaker Meeting House is open for Heritage Open Days

It used to be a cloth factory and then a school for teaching adults to read and write



Opening Times
Saturday 7th September 10.00 – 4.00
Saturday 14th September 10.00 - 4.00
 Free entry tea and cake in the garden or inside if wet
 (Find us off King Street near the Cathedral)

www.heritageopendays.org.uk
 @heritageopendays #HODs #AllOurStories /heritageopendays @heritageopendays





Bridge of Lies Casting Team

We are actively casting for the newest series of **BBC One's Bridge of Lies** with **Ross Kemp**.

We are looking for fun **teams of four** to apply, and if you think the attached is okay, it would be amazing to circulate internally for anyone wishing to take part within your organisation!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask and thank you again!

Bridge of Lies Casting Team

Kris Blair | Casting Assistant Producer Bridge of Lies
 Email: kris.blair@stv.tv



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RATES FOR ADVERTISING IN THE HFWI NEWSLETTER

The Board of Trustees have decided to issue the following rates for adverts placed in the eNewsletter. Once an advert payment is secure the advertisement can be placed in HFWI Facebook and website pages. Adverts will be produced in black and white.

One Pin Board page, for free, 20-word max, items from Federation WIs about their events. Other advertising:

Page	WI	Charity	Commercial
¼	£5	£7	£9
½	£8	£10	£18
Full	£10	£22	£36

Contact details: Rosi Taylor

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Please note that your contributions for the eNewsletter should be with admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk by the 1st Monday of the preceding month.



HFWI IN-HOUSE PRINTING SERVICES

If you have any printing or photocopying needs, do get in touch with us at WI House. We can now offer colour or mono-chrome printing.

No job is too small, reasonable turnaround speed and at competitive prices.

All proceeds go to HFWI

Contact: admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk



Don't forget to get your entries ready for 14th September 2024
See July/August's newsletter for competition details

WI Day 2024 Competitions

TAPESTRY CANVASES

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

Cheltenham 01242 233883



GUIDED WALKS IN HEREFORD THE GUILD OF MAYOR'S GUIDES

Accessible Walks and Special Themed Walks and Talks for Groups

Bookings all year - Adults £6

*Historic Hereford ~ Alfred Watkins ~ The Kembles
Women in Hereford ~ Agriculture & Industry and more*

**See Website for details - herefordguidedwalks.org.uk
E mail or call Bookings Officer - 07947 924494**

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WI NEWS

At **HOLMER WI'S** July meeting, the speaker was Clare Wychbold, who spoke about "The Suffragette movement" with emphasis to its connections with Herefordshire, of which there were actually quite a lot. She brought along slides and memorabilia, and was more than happy to take questions from the members. She also brought a "cooking box" (also known as a "hay box"), designed by Constance Radcliffe-Cooke, which allowed food to be kept warm while being transported to our troops, in WW1 – simple meals could also be cooked in it.

The competition was "A woman I admire"

1st – Diane Boone – Hannah Snell 2nd – Sue Notley – Emmeline Pankhurst 3rd – Jenny Hare – Marie Curie



At **TUPSLEY WI'S** June meeting we were taken to the Antarctic with Dr Frank Ryding who had spent several years collecting medical scientific data. He shared many stories, including trying to inject elephant seals & had beautiful photographs to share. An incredible part of the world!

In July some of our members visited Hampton Court Castle where we had lunch in the splendid cafe & enjoyed a tour of the building. This was our '12th' meeting of the year & therefore optional & entry fees etc paid by the individual members.



In July, **STOKE PRIOR & DISTRICT WI** welcomed 4 visitors who had come to hear the speaker Richard Stanton, talk and give a powerpoint presentation on being a Magistrate. He is currently one of 55 in Herefordshire and told us that they will sit in chambers every day if necessary. He gave the members a drink driving scenario to discuss and come up with a suitable punishment. Every group had a different verdict but we all stopped short of hanging!!!

SALTMARSHE & DISTRICT WI (The Salties) were thoroughly entertained by award winning Effie Williams with her captivating presentation of just what it is to be a milliner. Her delicate and wonderful creations were passed around to be tried on and her designs, seen up so close, were much admired and appreciated





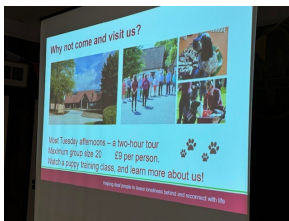
WI NEWS

At **ASTON INGHAM WI** July meeting Marleen Watson, being profoundly deaf herself came with her husband Paul, her technical support and her dog, Zyla to talk to us about the charity Hearing Dogs for the Deaf which was founded in 1984.

Zyla demonstrated the amazing assistance she gives Marleen, alerting her to alarms e.g. door bell, cooker timer, smoke alarm sounding. When Zyla hears the smoke alarm she runs to Marleen and lies at her feet, for all other alarms she runs to Marleen and nudges her knee, directing her to the problem. Marleen raises her arms in the air, signalling 'What is it?'

Marleen told us that public focus is on Guide Dogs for the Blind. Puppies spend a complete day with a trainer before training at home, after 2 weeks they go back to assess progress. The pups have to pass 4 tests. Children over 7 can have a hearing dog, in training a child, the child would hold one lead and a responsible adult another lead. Once a child has a dog he/she's life changes dramatically, the child gains in confidence too. £40,000 is needed to train support dogs for 10 years. Employers and colleagues of people with hearing dogs are told of the work of the charity and how to assist the people in the work-place. Special things which can be done to support the charity:- Collect 'pennies for puppies'.

Sponsorship: Give a puppy a home, Invite charity to events Bake, knit, sew/sing. Pass information about charity onto other groups. Trips to The Grange, High Wycombe to see puppy training classes - groups of 20, £9 per person can be arranged. Help is given to people with any kind of hearing loss through Hearing Link Services. So many of us suffer some kind of hearing loss at some time in our lives. Marleen voluntarily works for the charity.



EYE WI June meeting had an informative talk from one of our former members. She shared with us the wonderful work that Guide Dogs do and also explained about her role as a sighted assistant – helping blind and partially sighted people who are not necessarily suitable for a dog, lead a full and active life. We all learned a lot – the cost of training a dog (£60,000) over a lifetime, the amount of training they undergo, and the number of people involved in their training.

As with everything else, COVID had a big impact as no dogs were being bred so now there is a shortage of trainable dogs. Guide Dogs is a charity and relies on monies raised and we were happy to comply with the request for any speaker fee to be donated. Things are changing at the charity and for more information go to <https://www.guidedogs.org.uk/how-you-can-help>.



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LEDDBURY WI We began May with a visit to The Royal Worcester Porcelain Museum, using the Ledbury Community bus for transport. Great place to visit; we were so pleased that James Skerrett, formerly a Royal Worcester artist, and our speaker on several occasions, was there to welcome us and give us extra insights into the exhibition. Our Resolutions Meeting resulted in a unanimous vote in favour of Dental Health Matters. The delightful Ellie Butcher then returned to tell us all about her expedition to Nepal in support of the charity Coppafeel! when she raised over £8000. Coppafeel!'s mission is to educate young people about breast cancer to ensure early, and potentially life-saving, diagnoses. The founder of the charity, Kris Hallenga, and her twin sister Maren, founded the charity when Kris was diagnosed with breast cancer, age 23, after a year of being turned away by her doctor. She died a few weeks ago aged 38. We found Ellie's talk an inspiration to us all. In June some of our members were lucky enough to visit Peterstow WI for afternoon tea and a presentation by Kate Bliss of Bargain Hunt. We had a lovely afternoon. Our meeting's speaker was Dr Mary Stewart who gave an informative talk about the dangers 8 June was Community Day in Ledbury and our WI joined dozens of other exhibitors giving information about organisations and clubs in the town. Such a busy and friendly town to live! July brought a games evening, when we played a sometimes funny, sometimes serious, but always lively, game of Room 101. The items put forward to disappear for ever included: cyclists who don't obey the Highway Code - the member's Henry vacuum cleaner - Civil Enforcement Officers ((Traffic Wardens) and people who think they know.



At their August meeting, **STOKE PRIOR & DISTRICT WI** were joined by some visitors to be entertained by Bromyard Ukulele Band. The songs they played and sang along to were well known by the members of the institute, who also joined in with the singing. There were 14 players who came to us for the evening. They do not charge anything but like to collect money for charity.



SALTMARSHE & DISTRICT WI (the Salties) are enjoying memories of this year's August Outing when 26 of us set off - by steam engine - from Cheltenham Racecourse to Broadway; a taste of nostalgia for days gone by. The railway staff, all dedicated volunteers, made us very welcome as we progressed along the route and we had a running commentary as we went along of what we could see from the windows. Our coach met us at Broadway Station to take us into the place itself where we had a couple of hours to explore before travelling home via Evesham Shopping Village. We all agreed it was a great day.





WI NEWS

ASTON INGHAM WI members were taken on a step back in time by the talk and display given by Virginia Adnett, ably assisted by her husband David. Virginia told us in her talk titled 'A Woman's work is never done' how housework has changed so that with the help of technology, not as much elbow grease is now required. In grand houses housemaids would wear different garments for different jobs, gingham was very popular. The housemaids would have boxes containing different brushes etc. for different jobs. The housemaids would have rug beaters, sock darning aids, there would be coal filled bed warming pans, and stone bottles which were filled with hot water (some of us can remember using them). There were dolly agitators used for the washing, washing boards and blue bags for the blue bags. There were sugar nippers for breaking off small pieces from a block of sugar, pie raisers, lemon squeezers, mincers etc. We saw different models of irons which had to be heated in the fire for the ironing. Lace which would adorn rich ladies' garments, tablecloths etc. had to be removed for washing and sewn back on afterwards. Some beautiful garments were displayed, some made of silk, a wax Wedding headdress, a top hat which could be completely folded flat to fit in its box and some beautiful little shoes - an amazing array. Princess Mary's boxes for soldiers, some contained cigarettes and some spices for the Indian soldiers. Our members thoroughly enjoyed the talk and demonstration. Virginia and David were thanked for making the talk so interesting and for bringing the past back to life.



Picnic in August for **UPTON BISHOP WI** as they met outside for their last meeting at Upton Bishop Millennium before their venue changes in September to St Mary's Garden Village Hub, Ross-on-Wye.

As the drizzle started the picnic finished and we headed inside with our guest, Upton Bishop's vicar, who gave a fascinating insight into his visit to Windsor Castle and pictures 'behind the scenes' in St George's Chapel. King Henry VIII created this oriel window in the chantry chapel of Edward IV so that services held in the Quire could be viewed by his first wife Katherine of Aragon



Another August picnic in Ross, but this time the ladies of **SPARKLING WYE WI** meet for an evening by the bandstand in Ross-on-Wye.

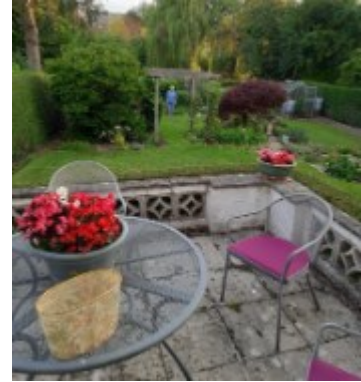
The sun shone and it was a good chance for people to make new friends and catch up on the latest gossip. Two ladies even after knowing each other for many years, suddenly discovered that they had even gone to the same school approximately a year or two apart! Wonderful memories shared and new ones made.





WI NEWS

HOLMER WI held their annual Summer Evening on 26 th June, at Frances'. The weather was extremely kind to us, so allowed everyone to take the opportunity to explore Frances' interesting garden. Indoors was a buffet supper – all sorts of interesting bits to eat, and crowned by a fresh fruit pavlova, made by Sue Notley. There was also a Tombola you could "try your hand at". On arrival everyone was given a quiz sheet, based on flowers- prepared by Jane Jenkins – so they could complete through the evening at their own pace. At the end of the evening the scores were totted up, and the winner was Mary Burgess, with 17 out of 20. As usual the evening was a most enjoyable time spent in the company of friends.



MARDEN WI ladies enjoying a super lunch in The Old Salutation Inn, Weobley following our annual walking treasure hunt. This year we did questions in Eardisland, Pembridge & Weobley. The weather was glorious & great fun was had by all.





WI BRANCH NOTICES



Eye WI

COMMUNITY QUIZ

October 10th

Cawley Hall, HR6 ODS.

£10 for Team of 4

7.30 until 9.30pm

Contact: Rose King 01584 711538



Wye Women WI

Frances Carlaw

'The Pearl Lady'

September 3rd

7.30pm

£5

Jewellery & Light supper available

St. Martin's Church Hall, HR2 7RJ

wyewomenwi@gmail.com



Upton Bishop WI

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September 10th 7.30pm

£5

St Mary's Garden Village Hub, HR9 7QJ

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Sparkling Wye WI

Christmas Eats with Lindy Wildsmith

Open Event

November 13th 7.30pm

£5

Ross Bowling Club, HR9 5AR

Sparkling_Wye_WI@herefordshire.org.uk

POST YOUR EVENTS HERE!



Up to 20 words FREE of charge for WI events



HEREFORDSHIRE FEDERATION WI DIARY OF EVENTS SEPT-DEC 2024

DATE	EVENT	INFORMATION & VENUE	TIME	COST & DETAILS
Weds 4th Sept	Steak & Bowl Evening	To be rescheduled		See Oct issue for more details
14 th September	WI Day Competition entries by 9.45am	HFWI WI Day at Credenhill Community Hall	10.00am-3.00pm	Booking tables essential. Refreshments available
16th September	Talk by Herefordshire Wildlife Trust	The WI & Wildlife Trust – Our River Wye- Wye Adapt to Climate Change? HR4 8SH, Weobley Village Hall	7-9pm	£5.00 on the door
Fri 20 th Sept	Coffee & Catch-up	The Hop Pocket, Bishop's Frome, WR6 5BT	From 10.30am	Open to all members
Fri 4 th Oct	Competition Team race to complete a 500 piece jigsaw	Jiggle Jigsaw evening Upton Bishop Hall, HR97TX Played in teams of 4 – you can join a 4	7-9.30pm Refreshments available	Entry fee £5 per person. Booking form with your Secretary. WI and non-WI welcome.
Fri 11 Oct	HFWI Event	Harvest Buffet Lunch Munsley Hall, HR8 2RA	Doors open midday	£10 pp on the door Check ad for contact
Tues 15 Oct 2024	HFWI ACM	Annual Conference, Ledbury Rugby Club	10.00-1.00pm	Booking form to be available shortly
Sat 19 th October	Coffee & Catch-up	Wellington Home & Gdns, Wellington, HR4 8BB	From 10.30am	Open to all members
24th October	Talk by Herefordshire Wildlife Trust	The WI & Wildlife Trust – Our River Wye- Wye Adapt to Climate Change? Upton Bishop Hall, HR97TX	2-4pm	£5.00 on the door
Mon 4 th Nov	Competition	NFWI 'Not in My Name'		Design a Mug – any medium
Fri 15 th Nov	Coffee & Catch-up	Newton Court, Newton Lane, Nr Leominster HR6 0PF	From 10.30am	Open to all members
Sat 23rd Nov	Yule Fayre Stalls available	HFWI Yule Fayre at Withington Village Hall	10.00am-3.00pm	Booking of a table is essential. Refreshments available
Sat 30 th Nov	Coach Trip	Royal Worcester Museum and Victorian Christmas Market	Various pickup times Day trip	Coach, entry and light refreshments. £30 WI, £35 non-WI
Sat 14 th Dec	Coffee & Catch-up	THE NEST, Little Verzons Farm, Hereford Road, Nr Ledbury, HR8 2PZ	From 10.30am	Open to all members

**Non-WI members will pay a surcharge on all trips. For more details email: admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk*