



# Herefordshire

## Federation of Women's Institutes



### JULY and AUGUST NEWSLETTER

#### MARGARET'S MEMO

Why is there a July/August edition of the Newsletter? It is not because WI House closes for the summer! It is because many WIs do not meet in August and others take advantage of the warmer days to have outdoor meetings. I do hope that you are doing this and that you all really enjoy the summer whatever your plans. I hope to try to restore order to the garden which is an on-going battle.



WI Day is on 16<sup>th</sup> September so do have your competition entries ready. There are several varied categories so do have a go in the one which appeals to you.

For those of you who enjoy crafts, I do hope that you are booking your place on the coach for the National Quilters at the NEC. This is a fantastic day out with demonstrations and displays to interest all so do not miss it. Full details of this and other events are in the Newsletter.

Do let me know of any ideas you have for day trips and events as we start to plan for the months ahead.

Enjoy the summer.

Best wishes,

Margaret, Chairman, Herefordshire Federation of WIs



#### Coffee & Chat For WI OFFICERS

Please feel free to attend any of the catch-up meetings below.  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July The Nest Ledbury  
Friday 11 August Newton Court Leominster  
All 10.30 am

#### FOR SALE

40 folding wooden chairs @ £1 or £30 for the lot.

Buyer to collect from HR7 4SH area (Pencombe).

Contact: [margaret.norbrook@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.norbrook@gmail.com)

#### MUNSLEY & DISTRICT WI

are running two workshops at Munsley WI Hall, HR8 2RA. Everyone is welcome. Cost: Munsley WI members £35, other WI and non-members £40. Only 12 places available on each workshop.



**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July**  
10am – 4pm

#### MAKE A FELTED 3D BOWL



**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July**  
10am-4pm

#### MAKE A NUNO FELTED SCARF

with layers of silk & wool (size approx. 180cms x 55cms)

**Tutor:** Cheryl Cracknell, member of Herefordshire Guild of Craftsmen

**Requirements:** Apron and scissors, a couple of old towels, clean small bottle with a large top and a waterproof container to take home your bowl/scarf.  
**Food & Drink:** Bring your own lunch, WI will provide cake and hot drinks.

**Contact:** Caroline Wright, Secretary,  
Tel: 07583 919358

#### KIMONO EVENING AT UPTON BISHOP WI

#### WITH NIGEL EVANS

Upton Bishop WI ladies and their guests were treated to a fascinating, interactive evening of kimono fashion and art. Nigel was so passionate and entertaining in expressing his love of the kimono. He demonstrated the art of wearing a Kimono, the fine work that goes into making each kimono and even allowed try-on sessions.





**DIGITAL NEWS—DID YOU KNOW...?**

Herefordshire has its own section on the NFWI website. You can access the Herefordshire pages at this address:

<https://herefordshire.thewi.org.uk>

In the 'Find a WI' section, you can have an extra page for your programme.

Herefordshire also has a Facebook page where your WI can advertise upcoming meetings, short reports of meetings which have taken place, and see upcoming Events plus NFWI news.

Have you investigated MyWI? It holds lots of documents about how to run your WI including the WI Handbook. WI Training is accessed by the same log in details as My WI and you will find a section for treasurers among other articles.

**MSC REPRESENTATIVES - DID YOU KNOW...?**

It's even more important now that your members' details are up to date as the Federation newsletter is being delivered to members' email addresses.

If you change your meeting time, day, venue or anything else up date this on the MCS as this is the only way that the website page 'Find a WI' will be updated.

Please get in touch if you need any assistance.

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**OFFICERS HINTS AND TIPS**

It was suggested at a recent Treasurers' Support morning that it would be a good idea to have a hints and tips section in the monthly newsletter.

So please send in your ideas to either the Assistant Federation Secretary (admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk) or Alison Lord at [rhyvelanrose@gmail.com](mailto:rhyvelanrose@gmail.com)

Here are a few to start off...

💡 Please make sure you can access MYWI. It's not perfect, but there is a lot of help on there re the running of your WI.

💡 Never turn away a volunteer for the committee!

💡 All officer roles can be shared, no need for just 1 person to do each job.



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Mon-Sat 11.30am; Sunday 2.30pm.

Starts: main entrance to Cathedral.

Tickets: Cathedral Shop/Guide on Sunday.

Also themed, booked walks all year.

Details: [herefordguidedwalks.org.uk](http://herefordguidedwalks.org.uk)



## CRADLEY WI

invites you to join us on a trip to

## Blenheim Palace

Woodstock, OX20 1PP

Tuesday, 5th September 2023

£45 per person

(Palace, Gardens and Park)

For HFWI members, friends and family  
To include entry fee and return coach trip.

Book by Friday 25th August. Payable in advance (non refundable)  
(£10 saving compared with an individual ticket)

Pick-up at Finchers Corner, Cradley at 8.30am

(limited parking - discuss beforehand with Secretary, Lesley)

Then pick-up at Market Place, Ledbury, HR8 1DS at 8.45am  
(nearby car parks)

You will be given a matching wrist band as an entrance ticket. Audio tour included for the Palace. Several food outlets. Lunch is purchased at your own discretion.  
PLEASE NOTE: Blenheim Palace operates a no-cash policy.  
All payment by **CARD ONLY**

We will depart Blenheim Palace at 4pm to return home around 6pm

Contact Secretary, Lesley Gregory to book your place - [lesleygreg58@gmail.com](mailto:lesleygreg58@gmail.com)  
Payment in advance to Sue Hyson, Treasurer - [sueh@cmail.co.uk](mailto:sueh@cmail.co.uk)  
Bank transfer (bank details available) Or cheque payable to Cradley Women's Institute



## COME & ENJOY THE NATIONAL ARBORETUM AT WESTONBIRT 28 OCT 2023

Westonbirt Arboretum is one of the most beautiful and important plant collections in the world. At 600 acres and with 15,000 specimens, and 2,500 species of tree from all over the world, the arboretum plays a vital part in research and conservation, as well as being a

stunningly beautiful place to visit and explore rare,



interesting and beautiful plants from the furthest corners of the globe. There is the option of a guided walk for up to 1.5hrs and at a cost of £2.50. Mobility scooters or wheelchairs are available if requested in advance (see booking form). There is a restaurant and take-away café on site, but equally you can bring your own. Coach and entrance fee = £36.00. The trip will be open to EVERYONE, so do bring a friend. Closing date: Fri 29/09/23. To book, contact::

[admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk](mailto:admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk)

## Brush up your Skills—by Janet Strevens

As a member of Tupsley WI, and having just qualified as an Advanced Motorist! I wanted to share my experience.

Last year I had a stroke, and although I was allowed to drive after one month, all my confidence had been shaken. I spotted in the WI notices a 'Driver Refresher Day' advertised at Hampton Bishop Village Hall, which I attended. It was very interesting and enjoyable, and as a result, I signed on to do the Advance Motorist course after Christmas.

I wondered what I was letting myself in for, but I was assigned a very helpful and encouraging instructor, who gradually built up my skills and confidence. It's more about increasing your awareness and observation skills, than trying to be some sort of 'elite' driver. The lessons were arranged week to week to suit our diaries, and we went out for as many lessons as I needed. This will be different for everyone, and today I had my assessment drive, which I passed.

I would recommend this to anyone. Both the refresher day, and the driving course, were very informative and enjoyable, and I can vouch that you are never too old to learn new skills, or brush up old ones. So, if you have lost your confidence a bit through a spell of not being behind the wheel, or if you feel your driving needs a bit of brushing up, or even if you are wondering about giving up because you are getting older, why not have a go. The Driver Refresher days are a good place to start if you aren't sure about committing to the whole course.

If you are interested, contact the local organiser Stella 01432 840835 or email

[group-contact@advanced-drivers.org.uk](mailto:group-contact@advanced-drivers.org.uk)





### NEWS FROM THE ARCHIVES

Over the years I have had a number of enquiries from WIs who were planning to record their histories to mark a 'milestone' anniversary. I can see from the records that a number of such commemorations are due in the next few years so thought it might be helpful to note a number of sources from which such information can be gathered.

The most obvious is a WI's own archive – this could be held at HARC (County Record Office) and/or the WI. HARC has an online searchable database (<https://archive-catalogue.herefordshire.gov.uk/>) but items deposited in the last ten years or so will not show as there is a backlog on WI cataloguing. Also note that some records (particularly end of year reporting) could be held with the Federation's collections. If your WI is situated near the border it is also worth checking the nearby county's record office and/or Federation for information.

Don't despair if your WI does not seem to have much in its archive as there are other areas to search. NFWI holds copies of each WI's Signed Rules and Constitution which should show the exact formation date (although in at least one instance it is unforgivably undated). HFWI County Yearbooks and Newsletters, held by HFWI, provide lots of useful information. I have found local newspapers a really rich source of WI history. It seems that WIs were very conscientious about reporting their activities to the county and local press. Check the Hereford Journal/Mercury/Times as well as the Bromyard/ Kington/Ledbury/Leominster/Ross papers. Some of these are freely available online: (<https://herefordshirehistory.org.uk/archive/herefordshire-newspapers>). In addition parish magazines may also contain notices and reports of meetings. Some WIs have deposited items with history societies or museums in their area.

In the first instance please do contact me as I have compiled a detailed database covering the sources mentioned above and can provide listings of what is held for your WI. I am also keeping a Herefordshire WI 'timeline' where I have recorded each year of a WI's existence when I come across evidence of such in the records.

Once you have completed your record don't forget to put a copy in your WI's archives and if you can spare me a copy I do love reading these accounts.

For more information on HFWI archives and how to look after your WI's records please visit the Herefordshire page on the national WI website:

<https://herefordshire.thewi.org.uk/> <https://herefordshire.thewi.org.uk/> then go to About us > Federation Archives.

Please contact me if you have any archive questions or concerns.

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## GREEN CORNER From Herefordshire Resolution to National Campaign

### We did it!!

At the May Annual Meeting in Cardiff, the Herefordshire proposed resolution, Clean Rivers for People and Wildlife, became our latest national WI campaign. Inspired by the plight of our own River Wye, it seems that the resolution's theme resonated with many others across the country, with 84% of participating WIs voting for the resolution to become a campaign.

64% of Herefordshire members voted in favour, so we are busy making plans to help save the River Wye. At the time of writing, it has just been downgraded to unfavourable-declining. A sorry state of affairs indeed! But it's not the only river to be suffering in our county – we have a lot of work to do!

Resources are available on MyWI and NFWI are planning a whole week of River Action in September, so keep your eyes peeled for more information. As the proposing Federation, it would be great to be spearheading action here, along with other federations across England and Wales.

What to do now? Join a local river protest group – ask us for details; write to your MP – water quality may well end up as an election issue, so let's help to make it one. Help with a local bathing water application or let us know about any potentially suitable sites near you...and above all, make sure that all you ever put down the toilet is the 3Ps.....!

Christy Crouch, Climate Ambassador

Sandra Walker, Federation Resolution Coordinator

Email: hfwi.climate@gmail.com



### SAVE THE WYE

#### 1<sup>st</sup> JULY, CASTLE GREEN, HEREFORD

Save the Wye event on the 1st July at Castle Green in Hereford. One of the organisers is a fellow WI lady from Holmer, Fran Morgan. Saturday 1 July on Castle Green, Hereford from 12.30 until 4.30 is when the event will be held and is part of a series of Save the Wye events all down the river this summer to keep the pressure up in our campaign to bring the river back from the brink.

Your WI could have a FREE stall (donations gratefully received) at the event. Request a booking form from: [admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk](mailto:admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk) or [rj.tyler5555@gmail.com](mailto:rj.tyler5555@gmail.com). If necessary phone 07421-456251.

Please wait for your booking to be accepted before committing time, money and effort.




Also: family ceilidh at St Peter's 6-8.30 in the evening

**CASTLE GREEN**  
**SATURDAY JULY 1**  
An afternoon of free family events activities and entertainment.  
Find out more about our river  
**FOOD & MUSIC 12.30 – 4.30**  
**PROCESSION AT 4PM**  
SEE YOU THERE

for full details see <https://savethewye.org/events/>

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## NFWI MEMBERSHIP AND ENGAGEMENT UPDATES

### Pride update

Following on from the success of our presence at Birmingham Pride last year, we are delighted to announce that we will be attending [Brighton Pride](#) this year on Saturday 5 August. The purpose of us having a presence at Pride is to reinforce that the WI is a place for all women, our support for Pride and the LGBT+ community, and to inspire people to find out more about the WI and join. We would love it if any members who are attending come over to the stand to say 'hello' so please update your WIs. We would also be very excited to see any photos from WIs and federations that are attending their local Prides and/or celebrating Pride in another way such as holding a Pride picnic.



### WI Summer events

The NFWI Membership team are interested in finding out if any of your WIs over the summer are planning any interesting or exciting events? If so, we would love to know about them so please get in touch! We are always keen to know what WIs are getting up to and we know that a lot of WIs over the summer months get involved in a variety of different events and parties. It would be great as a team to visit a few of these events over the summer where possible and with the WIs permission, potentially arrange for a photographer to attend. We always love getting photographs at WI events as they are a brilliant way for us to showcase and highlight across our social media, publications and within WI Life etc. how wonderful the organisation is. Of course, any professional photographs taken will be shared with the WI in question.

Please let us (NFWI) know if you can think of any WIs holding any interesting events coming up over the summer that we should know about!

Please send Pride photos and details of upcoming WI events to – [membership@nfwf.org.uk](mailto:membership@nfwf.org.uk)

Thank you.

Best wishes,

NFWI Membership team



### SAYING 'THANK YOU'

### THROUGH MUSIC

2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2023

NFWI are calling out to all WIs to start practising and get ready to sing on 2 July (Thank You Day) by organising flash mobs in your local area; in the aisles of your local supermarket, local care homes, town centres, anywhere where you can pass on the message and brighten someone's day. Full pack of resources include backing track, sheet music (individual, piano and choir), advertisement etc can all be found at <https://mywi.thewi.org.uk/interests/celebrate-thank-you-day-2023> or <https://thankyouday.org.uk/>

### DENMAN UPDATE AND CHARITY COMMISSION

Please note that there are two enclosures sent from NFWI regarding the sale of Denman and for registration and accounting purposes with registered charity number 803793-1 ("Denman") gives notice that Denman has resolved, subject to Charity Commission consent, to release investment permanent endowment funds in the amount of £2.75 million representing part of the sale proceeds of the Denman Estate.

For further information on any of these articles please ask your Secretary who has been sent the full articles or contact [admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk](mailto:admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk)



## COME AND CELEBRATE

### AT THE HFWI 102ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 102<sup>nd</sup> HFWI ACM is to be held at Ledbury Rugby Club for the morning of 17<sup>th</sup> October. Each member may wish to join in this annual event. ACM entrance is £5 or ACM+Buffet Lunch is £15. ACM starts 10.00am

#### **ACM SPEAKERS:**

##### **Speakers will be:**

Ken Stone, Project Officer, Our Community Can, Herefordshire & Worcestershire (funding available to communities).

Richard Geary, the Peace & Hope Trust (where do the fish & chip jumpers, beanies and blankets go? Come and find out).

Tina Williams, who trades as Effie Williams, will be the main speaker at the ACM. Tina makes unique hats as well as being an outstanding photographer and has many other talents. Tina is a brilliant speaker so do not miss this opportunity to meet and talk to Tina over lunch at the ACM.

#### **BUFFET LUNCH SELECTION:**

##### **Buffet Lunch:**

If you would like to stay and join us for lunch after the meeting the buffet will be:

Sandwiches: a selection of fresh sandwiches on white, brown and granary bread. Fillings: ham, ham and chutney, cheese, cheese & tomato, tuna mayonnaise, egg mayonnaise.

Quiche, chicken bites, cocktail sausages, sausage rolls, crisps and snacks.

Tea and coffee will be available other drinks payable at the bar.

*(Please note food options may differ on the day due to unforeseen circumstances).* Gluten free and vegetarian options are available, but this must be indicated under 'dietary needs' on the booking form.

Please ask your WI Secretary for a booking form, or contact: [admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk](mailto:admin@herefordshirewi.org.uk)

### HFWI—THREE COUNTIES SHOW—JUNE 2023



to all those volunteer cake makers, tea pourers and butty makers—without you we would not have had such a successful time at the Three Counties Show.



### WI FORUM

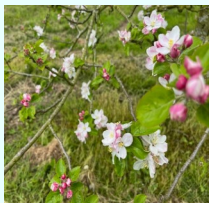


On the day before the Coronation, **WEOBLEY WI** held a cake and plant stall in the village centre. With rain forecast, we were uncertain whether we should go ahead, but the weather held and we sold all of the cakes and most of the plants within 45 minutes - a record! We suspect that the folk who bought several cakes from us were holding street parties over the weekend and wanted to save themselves some baking!

At **Ledbury's** first meeting of spring Brian Miller-Hall introduced us to the fascinating world of the hive with his talk entitled 'The honey bee and beekeeping.' It is a female dominated society where the Queen bee rules supreme and the female worker bees carry out all the tasks including collecting pollen and nectar to produce honey. Male drones exist only to mate, dying as they succeed in their quest. This was an excellent talk and it was intriguing to learn that many aspects of bee behaviour remain a mystery to their keepers. The competition for a bee related item was won by Tina Jackson with a beeswax food wrap.



In addition to our monthly meetings, we at **Eardisley WI** hold a number of what we call "Events" during the year. Often they are not on our regular day and are usually during daytime hours and open to anyone. We have just had a lovely blossom walk through the orchards at Orgasmic Cider in Eardisley followed by a tour showing the cider process and, of course, tastings in the shop! It was good to see that there is still a place for traditional cider and perry orchards with old varieties like Brown Snout apple alongside the more regimented commercial orchards.

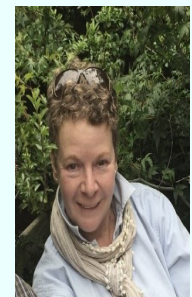


Earlier in the year we held our ever-popular soup lunch in the village hall followed by an illustrated talk by a local historian. We are now busy collecting bric-a-brac, potting up plants and searching out cake recipes for the June Yard Sale in our secretary's garden which is sure to be well attended. Well, everyone loves a bargain! July sees us organising a ploughman's lunch on Eardisley Millennium Green and even the weather won't put us off because we are able to decamp to the church which has a very good kitchen.

On Wednesday 10th May **Staunton on Arrow WI** had their monthly meeting and invited Lucinda Lewis, who works for The Wye & Usk Foundation as a Catchment Adviser. Lucinda



has lived and worked in Herefordshire for most of her life. She studied ecology at Birmingham University then trained and worked for 18 years as an agronomist. She described how as an advisor her job was to identify opportunities to improve farm infrastructure and land management that are beneficial to both the business as well as the environment. In line with an ethos that has guided WUF since its inception, they work through the projects tackling the causes, not just the symptoms of diffuse pollution. They try to work with every farm in a catchment and their advice therefore covers a broad range of topics, tailored to the requirements of each individual farm and all their endeavours are to the benefit of the rivers and towards achieving the Foundation's charitable objects.



There were many questions for Lucinda from our members and our guest Sandra Walker who joined our meeting as HFWI Climate Ambassador and Lead Federation Resolution Coordinator. We all felt we had gained invaluable knowledge from Lucinda's presentation and hopefully we can all do our bit in the future for this valuable cause.





**Cradley WI's** June Meeting June 1st was an Open Meeting and was well attended by some 29 members and 4 male visitors. Our speaker for the evening was Mike Jackson who gave a very interesting and informative presentation about life behind the scenes as a producer of the Antiques Roadshow. His presentation was interactive from the beginning with much audience participation as we discovered how hours of filming are condensed to a one hour show. Mike made particular reference to shows produced locally at both Eastnor Castle and at Hampton Court Gardens, shows that some in the audience had attended. Members had been asked to bring in a small antique as a competition entry, and this was won by Liz Lamb with a Royal Worcester cup and saucer. All in all a very enjoyable evening.



**Bosbury WI** held a meeting of contrasts in May; the initial part was a serious, informed discussion about this year's resolution and potential action that Bosbury WI could take to support it, whilst the second half was a light-hearted blind tasting event of 3 types of cheese, crisps, biscuits and chocolate from 3 different supermarkets. The results showed that whilst there was no strong consensus for some

items, others indicated a clear majority and not always for the high-end brand! It was an excellent evening enjoyed by all.

**Holmer WI** welcomed Tintinnabulus to our meeting on Wednesday 7 June and what a treat it



was! They are a group of 5 people who ring hand bells - they are different in that they hold 2 bells in each hand, rather than one. The music, arranged by Jason, included a range of pieces some of which we already knew, some not.



All in all, a wonderful musical evening. Thank you to Liz for arranging it for us. Our competition at our meeting was for a bell. Margaret J came first, Karen was second and Margaret P (photo) was in 3rd place. The judges' decision was based on the tone of the bell.



**Cradley WI** celebrated 85 years in style on June 8th with a rather splendid afternoon tea at the Colwall Park Hotel in the company of the Federation Chair, Margaret Simcock.



Long serving members were then presented with certificates to mark their years of membership. Elizabeth, Heather, Meg, Judi, Di, Sylvia and Ruth had racked up some 267 years membership between them, Ruth having been a member for 53 years! Judi recalled joining the WI to play in the rounders team and there are tales still to come about a WI holiday to France.... It was a lovely way to celebrate and it wonderful to see so many of us in attendance, Here's to many more years for Cradley WI!



Robin Burton came to talk to **Aston Ingham WI**, at short notice, on The Heritage of Songs. He talked about how in the past people sang so much, at work, perhaps in the pub after work but the introduction of radio brought about its decline. Singing was much more popular with poorer people than with the gentry. However, there were some people like Cecil Sharp who were determined to revive the old English folk

songs and went around Somerset and Gloucestershire looking for songs. He even went to America, to the Appalachian Mountains to find some of the old English folk songs. Percy Grainger, a pianist and composer, was taken to a party given by the infamous Lady Elchno who took him to the Workhouse where songs people sang were recorded on his new dictaphone. Robin told us that he and a team were given a grant from the lottery fund to start 'Songs and Tunes' to collect songs to take to schools to teach them to the children. Wassailing was a custom which is being revived where, as in Gloucester at Christmas, people dress up and go to a Centre where they have food and drink, all donations are given to Food Bank. At the end, Robin sang some of the old folk songs, he was very interesting and entertaining.



**Helpful Hettie & the Scarecrow Trail:** **Pontrilas & District WI** accepted an invitation to join in the 'Scarecrow Trail' taking place around the village of Ewyas Harold in late May. Thinking caps were put on and 'having fun' was definitely a key aim, as was recent discussions about attracting new members. This led, of course, to the 'Calendar Girls – and the Buns'. Members helped with the props needed to build the scarecrow – a mannequin torso, a round plastic bowl for the face, a wig, hat, clothes, tights, shoes and straw to make the arms and legs. Our members were provided with small pieces of hessian and asked to embroider, sew or create something WI related to add to the scarecrow's skirt. With help from a close friend (with great imagination & sewing skills) and a lot of laughter later ... the scarecrow affectionately named 'Helpful Hettie' was created and put in place with the hope that it would raise a few smiles while people followed the Scarecrow Trail. We had great fun; did receive numerous compliments and we hope that it may attract some new members to our WI – fingers crossed!



**Upton Bishop** red, white and themed flower was filled with members entered deserved cuppa.



**WI's** Coronation evening was a splendid affair. Dressed in blue, members enthusiastically entered the coronation arrangement competition and the Royal quiz. The room the beautiful scent of all the wonderful flowers whilst the raffle to win a Coronation teddy and have a well-

A very hot and humid night in early June **Sparkling Wye WI** played host to a captivating speaker—Georgia Jacobs. Georgia brought with her a fantastic and never-ogly inspired textiles. These delights were explained with Georgia's use of these self-designed items are used to adults) about the earth and how it was formed and the millions of years ago. We just had time for tea which al-Georgia and marvel some more at her creative designs.



ending examples of geol- passion and humour. teach children (and creatures that lived here lowed us time to talk to

*Send in your WI Forum reports for the September issue by Tuesday 15 August by email to Pauline Shannon: [hfwinews@gmail.com](mailto:hfwinews@gmail.com)*



**HEREFORDSHIRE FEDERATION DIARY OF EVENTS JUNE-NOV 2023**

DATE	EVENT	INFORMATION & VENUE	TIME	COST
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Federation Quiz	Rounds to be held at Aston Ingham VH, Dilwyn Cedar Hall, Munsley WI Hall	7.00pm	Entry £10 per team of four people. Raffle on the door
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Save The Wye	Part of a series of events aimed at raising awareness of the plight of the River Wye. Castle Green, Hereford.	12.30-4.30pm	Wis can book a FREE stall at the event. Speak to your WI Secretary who has details for booking
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Craft Workshop 1	Make a Felted 3D bowl with Munsley & District WI at Munsley Hall	10-4.00pm	£35 for Munsley WI members; £40 for other WI or non-members
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Final of Federation Quiz	Bodenham Parish Hall, HR1 3LJ	7.00pm	
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Coffee & Catchup	For HFWI Officers The Nest, Ledbury	10.30am	
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Museum and gardens	American Museum and gardens, Bath. Optional tours available	Day trip returning 4.00pm	£32.00 (inc coach & entrance). Tours optional @ £5.00
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Craft Workshop 2	Make a Nuno Felted scarf with Munsley & District WI at Munsley Hall	10-4.00pm	£35 for Munsley WI members; £40 for other WI or non-members
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> July	Coach Trip	Coach to Oxford	Day trip returning 4.30pm	£20 per person (Town Tour optional)
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	Coach Trip	Coach to NEC National Quilt Show	Day trip	£20.00 + own purchase of entrance fee
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> August		NFWI presence at Brighton Pride event		
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> August	Coffee & Catchup	For HFWI Officers at Newton Court, Leominster	10.30am	
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Blenheim Palace Trip	Organised by Cradley WI	All day	£45 pp see poster for booking details
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> September	WI Day	Bodenham Village Hall WI Stalls available	10am-3.00pm	£5.00 per table (max 2 tables)
1-3 October	WI Holiday	A Right Royal Visit to London	With Rural Concierge	£340.00pp £50 deposit by Aug
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	HFWI 102 <sup>nd</sup> ACM	Ledbury Rugby Club	10.00-1.00pm	MEETING £5pp ACM & BUFFET LUNCH £15pp (to be pre-booked)
28 <sup>th</sup> October	Coach Trip	Westonbirt Arboretum	Day trip	£36 (coach & entry)
Sat, 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Yule Fayre	Bodenham Village Hall WI Stalls available	10am-3.00pm	£5.00 per table
1 <sup>st</sup> December	Coach Trip	Shugborough Estate	Day Trip	£35 per person