

The WI Autumn Showcase

Ready Steady Christmas 2024

Welcome to the 2024 WI Autumn Showcase to be held at

The South of England Showground, Ardingly.

Autumn Show & Horse Trials.

Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd September 2024 9am – 5pm

South of England Showground, Ardingly, West Sussex.

This competition was so successful last year that this will be the second opportunity as our 'SHOP WINDOW' to show off the skills and talents of our WI members to the general public.

It really is one of the most popular events in the WI calendar.

It brings our members together, showing the public what we can do and encouraging new members to join.

We would really encourage you to enter.

Mindful of rising costs when considering each class, you will notice that the classes where possible include recycled materials, with reusing allowed. Old for new is encouraged where practicable & we will have again a far less fussy schedule.

We have also kept the entry fee per class, the same as last year bar the cooperative class.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the South of England Agricultural Society at Ardingly for their continued support of the WI and our annual shows.

We thank also the Board of Trustees, the Show Committee, the Stewards, the Judges and everyone else who works so hard to make this show so worthwhile and enjoyable, and of course, all of you who come along to enter and support us and make the day so special. **GOOD LUCK** 🍀

The Show Committee, Ros, Fiona, Deb and Pauline.

Classes

Class 1

Cooperative Cookery

A minimum of 3 members to take part & only 1 entry per WI. To be displayed / staged in a hamper of your choice .

(Display & staging will be judged).

Roughly 18in (46cm)

4 Mince Pies

Any flour can be used.

1 Jar of Brandy Butter.

Any size / style jar of your choice.

(Must be a new lid & jar)

6 Pieces of Shortbread

Any Shape . Your choice of display.

6 Chocolate Truffles

Displayed as a gift.

A Handmade Christmas Card

Any medium and any size to fit in the hamper.

Envelope is not required.

Class 2

A Decorated Gingerbread House

Make an edible gingerbread house and decorate as you wish. Display on a board of your choice. (As gingerbread house kits are available, only the decoration will be judged).

Class 3

Christmas Stocking

Make a Christmas Stocking in any size/medium with a loop for hanging.

Class 4

Christmas Wreath

Make a wreath from dried plant materials . Accessories are allowed. Please add a loop for hanging.

Class 5

Patchwork

Make a Patchwork Throw 4ft x 4ft (120cm x 120cm)

Any patchwork design or fabric of your choice.

Recycled or used fabrics encouraged.

** Does not need to be a festive / Christmas theme **

Class 6

Knit a Novelty Christmas Jumper

Any size, shape, colour, design. Recycled yarn allowed.

Class 7

Embroidery

Create a hand embroidered book mark. Any shape, style or colour.

Class 8

Make a Child's Toy

Make a soft toy suitable for a child. Please ensure this is 'child safe' or indicate that it is for 'display purposes only'.

Class 9

Collage

Create a Collage of a Festive Scene, using any medium. A4 Please.