

North Yorkshire West Federation WI - Speakers List - updated 25th February 2025																		
	CONTACT	Animals	Arts & Crafts	Charities	Cooking	Entertainment	Fashion	Fitness Dancing	Gardens,	History &	IT & Cyber	Life	Wills, Trusts,	FACE TO FACE	ZOOM	EMAIL	COST	NOTES
A VARIETY OF WORKSHOPS	Rachel Hutton		y											y		rayepoole@yahoo.co.uk	£200+	
DAYTONES BARBERSHOP HARMONY CLUB	Joe Dod				y									Y		jl.dod@btinternet.com	£160	4 part male close harmony in the Barbershop style. Harrogate, Wetherby, York, Knaresborough area. 15 to 25 members will come to sing. They would prefer audience of 40 or more and encourage you to join in. Includes demonstrations and lasts 60 mins.
HAWLEY'S AUCTIONEERS	Caroline Hawley		Y											Y		info@hawley's.info	£250	Several talks covering a wide range of subjects and takes of TV.A screen is helpful but can bring one if needed. No area limit so 45p per mile for fuel on top of cost.
ALL STEPS FIRST DANCE LTD	Kiri Cullen						Y							Y		info@allstepsfirstdance.co.uk	1hr - £190, 1.5 hrs £260	Yorkshire covered. Has provided dance classes to a few of the WI groups across the country as a team building/get together/celebration, regular or one off. Classes are run by qualified, insured and DBS checked teachers and we can offer a range of styles and levels of abilities. Chosen styles include Bollywood, Salsa and ABBA themed. Discount if more than one class is booked/scheduled.
BEHIND THE MORTUARY DOOR	Will Adams											Y		Y		shelaghgarside516@gmail.com	£120 including transport and expenses	Covers North Yorkshire & North East but will travel further. No equipment or min/max numbers. Will is a Trade Embalmer and travels to a number of different Funeral Homes in the Yorkshire area. He has been in the Funeral Business for over 30 years caring for over 25000 of peoples loved ones who have passed away and is an expert in his field.Will gives is a short history of embalming, how and why he became an Embalmer. An insight into what happens to loved ones when they pass away is explained with respect and caring and why they may be embalmed. Will takes questions during his talk and answers the difficult questions people would like to know and are sometimes unsure of asking at the time a funeral is arranged. The talk can last for around 2 hours dependant on how many questions are asked and is given with professional and expert knowledge but with touches of humour.
WOMEN AND EMPOWERMENT PRE MID LIFE AND POST MIDLIFE	Lisa Moore											Y		Y		moorelife10@yahoo.com	£150 to speak, offers books to sell - % back to the organiser	Covers North West mainly but will travel. Fee includes expenses and costs - if over 15 miles there is a charge of mileage. Lisa can speak to an audience of 35-40. Lisa has written a book of spoken word poetry covering many areas of women's lives - it is about embracing changes eg menopause/ageing/caring/grieving/love & loss.

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SURVIVOR OF A TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY	Rob Duckworth											Y	Y	robduckworthuk@aol.com	£200	Rob covers North and West Yorkshire, no min/max people.
TALK #1 @THE LIFE AND TIMES OF A MUMPRENEUR. TALK #2 'MUMPRENEUR, PARENTING, AUTISM AND ME'	Nichola Jones											Y		nj@nicholajones.com	£50 plus fuel allowance (£10 - £20)	Talk #1 - 'The Life and Times of a Mumpreneur'. A Journey of my life and times from birth. Growing up on a garden nursery, being a florist, working in the inland revenue, getting married and having children then going to New Zealand for 4 months and finally coming home and setting up my business 10 yrs ago with £250 and getting to a £50k turnover. How did I do it? Talk #2 - 'Mumpreneur, Parenting Autism and Me' A talk about trying to juggle my business and dealing with having 2 teenage children with autism, school refusal and meltdowns. Explaining elements to look for and to provide and explanation about this new 'thing' / 'buzz word' to groups. It is a very insightful, honest and truthful talk. No minimum/maximum numbers. From Northumberland down to Halifax across to York / Leeds
FAMILY ENTERTAINER	Joey Howard				Y									joeyhoward84@gmail.com	£120/£150 depending on distance	No equipment required. Minimum number 20. This fee is for my talk, not my comedy show. My talk is about my varied career in showbiz and music as a comedy entertainer, performing on Cruise Ships.Cabaret/Clubs/Variety Shows/Summer Seasons/Panto & Television. Yorkshire/lancashire/North East/Humberside/Lincolnshire
EYEWITNESS STORIES FROM PALESTINE	Neil Irving											Y		neilirving2024@outlook.com	£50 including travel - (to be donated for human rights work in Palestine	Eyewitness stories from Palestine - hear first-hand from Neil Irving, recently returned from the West Bank. Neil Irving recently returned from three months in Palestine and Israel as a human rights monitor with the World Council of Churches. He was based in the Jordan Valley and witnessed many violations of human rights designed to intimidate and force innocent farmers to flee their homes. He will talk about and show pictures of the ordinary lives of Palestian families living under military occupation, for about 30 minutes and then answer questions. Covers North Yorkshire.
SPECIALIST MUSCULOSKELETAL PHYSIOTHERAPIST	Esther Dawson											Y		physio4youwithesther@gmail.com	Free of charge	The talk would be interactive, informative, and include tips your members can incorporate into their daily lives. It would also provide an opportunity for your members to ask questions and learn about techniques for staying healthy and pain-free. It would include facts and fiction about osteoarthritis, simple exercise to improve posture and mobility and healthy aging – keeping active and independent. Minimum of 20 people.