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OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

Tuesday and Wednesday
9.30 – 2.30pm

The contributors to this newsletter are responsible for the accuracy of their information, and should be contacted direct with any queries.

Dear Members,

By the time most of you read this both the garden party and AGM will have taken place and we will be looking forward to our own Centenary County Picnic, please join us and consider taking part in the competitions, there are some super categories. Please find the details later in the newsletter.

Waddesdon Manor was the subject of an article in The Telegraph Magazine, it looked beautiful and Eileen Dilley is taking a trip there this summer, you may want to join her.

The final figure for the Clay Pigeon Shoot was an amazing £9012 and for the cakes and preserves £175.50. What an incredible figure and how wonderful that people from all over the county (and some outside) have supported the WI.

I expect many of you will have been watching 'Home Fires' on Sunday evenings, on the whole I think it paints a fair picture of the WI; knowing when fellow members need support and being there for them, persevering with our goals and aims sometimes in the face of adversity, achieving what we set out to do even when circumstances and people are against us and enjoying each other's company. I don't doubt that if members of HFWI were thrust into similar circumstances we would pull together in the same way as those members did in WW2 and succeed.

It has been a busy month for us at WI House. We have been making the final arrangements for Buckingham Palace. For those of you that don't know we had a very unpleasant surprise at the beginning of the month. NFWI contacted us to tell us that they had made a clerical error on the spread sheet for the Royal Garden Party and 500 invitations had been given that were not available and our share was 5. Therefore the last 5 members invited had to be told that their invitation was rescinded. It was a very unpleasant job for me and NFWI will be writing to those unfortunate members to apologise. It did confirm that the hours we have put in to get it right at WI House was worth it but we have to accept that mistakes do happen, however, although I am sure the day will be wonderful I am sure that everyone will think of those 5 members.

With best wishes, Kathryn Bandfield

Federation Chairman

HANDICRAFTS CLUB

The club meets at the Salvation Army Citadel, Edgar Street on first Wednesdays, 11 am—12.15 pm.

Subscription £6, visitors £1.00. June 3rd AGM & Craft show & tell.

Enquires please contact:- Mrs Mary Roberts, Chairman, Tel: 01432 278328

DIARY OF EVENTS - 2015

DATE	EVENT	VENUE	COST	TIME
2 JUNE	ROYAL GARDEN PARTY	BUCKINGHAM PALACE	£40	TBA
4 JUNE 2015	AGM	ROYAL ALBERT HALL, LONDON	N/A	8.00am
24 JUNE	PATCHWORK DAY	EARDISLEY VILLAGE HALL	£25.00	10-4
JUNE	KINNERSLEY CASTLE		TBC	
25-30 JUNE 2015	HOLIDAY	ISLE OF MAN	TBA	
8 JULY	EISTEDDFOD	LLANGOLLEN	£25.00	8.30am
10 JULY	SPETCHLEY PARK & COUGHTON COURT	WORCESTERSHIRE	£31.25	TBC
23 JULY	WADDESDON MANOR	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	£28.50	TBC
16 AUGUST	COUNTY PICNIC	LOWER HOPE GARDENS	£5/£7	2.30pm
3-6 SEPTEMBER	WI CENTENNIAL FAIR	HARROGATE	11.50	N/A
7 SEPTEMBER	BEADING WORKSHOP	WI HOUSE	TBC	TBC
21 SEPTEMBER	COGAN CUP	ST JOHNS HALL, HEREFORD	£10.00	7.00pm
28 SEPTEMBER	SPEAKERS AUDITION	ST JOHNS' ST OWENS STREET	TBC	
26 OCTOBER	INTERNATIONAL EVENING	HAMPTON BISHOP	TBC	7.30pm
15-16 NOVEMEBR	FEDERATION TASTER DAY	DENMAN COLLEGE	£165.00	TBA
21 NOVEMBER	RAIL MALE CHOIR	HOLY TRINITY CHURCH	£8.00	7.00pm

SUB COMMITTEE NEWS AND EVENTS

MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT COMMITTEE

The Speakers Audition Evening will be held on Monday 28th September at St Johns', St Owens Street, Hereford and will begin at 7pm. This is an opportunity for you to sample a number of talks and demonstrations before booking them for your WI.

Please book in good time as this often proves to be a very popular evening, booking details can be found in this month's enclosures.

Avril Killick 01544 327844

Patchwork Day 24th June 2015

A patchwork day exploring the traditional log cabin design suitable for beginners and those with some experience. Covering fabric selection, preparation, cutting and piecing.

Workshop from 10-4pm including fabric required to complete a small project like a cushion, small throw, table runner or bag. You will need to provide some items but it is essential you have sewing machine set up with 1/4 inch foot.

Tea and coffee provided during the day but please bring your own lunch. (Enclosure included with May Newsletter) **Cost £25.00**

Contact Val Lewis 01544 327700 Chesterwood, Eardisley, HR3 6NS. By 7th June please

Fundraising Committee

Spetchley Park & Coughton Court—A historic Victorian Garden surrounded by ancient woodland and beautiful gardens day visit on Friday 10th July 2015.

Cost £31.25 including cream tea reduced rate for National Trust Members £22.25.

Waddesdon Manor— Enjoy a summer visit to see the spectacular house and garden at Waddesdon Day visit on Thursday 23rd July 2015.

Cost £28.50 reduced rate for National Trust Members £15.50.

Enclosures as soon as possible to **Eileen Dilley by 1st August 2015** *Bramley, Sutton St Nicholas, Hereford, HR1 3AY*

SPOTLIGHT

Kingsland W I

Meeting time: 2nd Wednesday 7.30 pm.

Venue: Coronation Hall

Kingsland village, some 6 miles to the West of Leominster, is fortunate in having the Millennium Green in front of the church with the Angel Inn opposite, a very picturesque setting in the centre of the village. Further down the road is the Corners Inn. We also have the Luctonians Rugby Club, the School and the Health Centre, and the Coronation Hall which is where the WI meet. We have 21 members at present and are celebrating our 95th anniversary this May. We shall have a birthday cake at our May meeting and will also celebrate at our annual birthday dinner.

We have a good and varied programme of speakers frequently drawn from the local area, such as the Leominster Antiques Centre and a local art gallery. Another favourite speaker lives locally and demonstrates flower arranging. We shall also have a speaker from Broadfield Court. Our outings are often to gardens or historic houses, chosen for fairly level terrain and not too many steps as some of the members have difficulty walking too far. We always enjoy our meetings and frequently welcome visitors who are interested in the evenings talk.

WI HOUSE

Screening of AGM In Eardisley Village Hall

Eardisley WI will be screening the WI AGM in our village hall, Members of any WI are very welcome to attend. Please bring something for the "bring and share" lunch. We will supply teas and coffees during the day. You can bring a bottle of wine if you would like to, glasses will be provided. Please be in the hall by 10am and seated ready for the singing of Jerusalem at 10:30am. You do not need to stay all day if you don't want to. There is variable internet strength in Herefordshire and there is no guarantee that it will all go without a hitch, we can just hope!!

To confirm that you will be attending please contact Val Lewis
E mail valjlewis1@aol.com or phone 01544 327700

Don't forget to enter **The Lady Denman Cup** Competition 2015 All WI members are invited to imagine what their WI would be like in 2115 and write a futuristic presidents annual report using no more than 500 words. The winning entry will be awarded a £75 book token and receive the Lady Denman Cup. If you are interested, please contact WI House for an application form. Closing Date for entries 7th July 2015.



Or **The Huxley Cup** The theme for the Huxley Cup this year is "Our Heritage, Our Future" Competitors are invited to enter a table top exhibit of plant material to interpret the theme, Our Heritage, Our Future. To be held at the WI Centennial Fair, Harrogate International Centre on 3- 6 September. If you are interested make a note of the date with full details to follow, for more information please see The Moodle.

Newsletter Survey

As you are aware I sent out a questionnaire with a return closing date of 6 May 2015. By the closing date I had received 39 replies. More than 50% replies are extremely good for a survey! Thank you to those who replied.

Only one WI wanted to receive the Newsletter by email

1 wanted black and white but same paper

2 wanted black and white on normal paper

With regard to enclosures only 11 wanted to receive them by email

The results were taken to BOT and the unanimous outcome was to continue to produce the Newsletter in its current format and to continue to send out enclosures by hard copy.

I apologise if anyone thought that a decision was made at the ACM, I referred to the Newsletter in my speech and there were cheers when I said that at that point all replies overwhelmingly supported the continuation of the Newsletter in its current format and at that time it would continue. No decision had been made at that point for future Newsletters as the closing date had not been reached.

Pop ups

The two pop up stands advertising the WI have disappeared from WI House. They are expensive to replace please contact Jane or Becky at WI House if you know where they are.

Centenary Celebration Cake

At the Centenary County Picnic we are going to celebrate with a glass of something bubbly (non-alcoholic if preferred) and a piece of celebration cake. The recipe is the one from 'The WI Cookbook - The first hundred years' and is the one being given out at the AGM at the Albert Hall.

As we are hoping that 300 + members and guests will attend we need help in baking enough cakes and wondered if members would like to help.

If you would like to make one for us the recipe will be provided by WI House and the costs reimbursed. Val has made a cake and it costs £12.92 mainly because it contains a large amount of rum!

Please contact Jane, Becky or myself. Thank you Kathryn Bandfield

COPY DEADLINE FOR JULY/AUGUST NEWSLETTER 11th JUNE 2015

CAMPAIGNS

Over the years our campaigns have helped to achieve real change in policy on issues that we all care about.

On going research into bee diseases and the effect of pesticides in order to help towards better understanding of the threats to the honeybee population.

Cross party commitment to a care not custody approach to end inappropriate detention of people with mental health problems.

Citing the More Midwives Campaign in 2015 NHS England announced a major review of maternity services and it is expected that its findings will be published by the end of the year.

And of course last years resolution Time to Talk. There certainly seems to be a much greater awareness of organ donation so hopefully our campaign did help to make a difference. *CICELY SYMONDS - Campaigns*



LOWER HOPE GARDENS

16 AUGUST 2015

2.30

£5 for members/£7 for non-members

We have been invited to celebrate our centenary and revive the County Picnic at Lower Hope Gardens by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Clive Richards.

There will be

Entertainment including Morris Dancers and music.

Competitions

A glass of bubbly (non-alcoholic if preferred) a slice of centenary celebration cake and cups of tea will be served (all included in your ticket price)

WI Groups, individual WI's or members will provide their own bring and share tea. Forms have been sent to your secretary to order tickets.

Please come along and join us at this beautiful garden.



County Picnic Centenary Competition

The County Picnic will be held at Lower Hope Gardens on Sunday 16th August 2015.

The categories for the centenary competition are:

Class 1: Evening Bag for the centenary no larger than 16cm x 20cm—6" x 8".

Class 2: Matinee Jacket for the Royal Baby.

Class 3: Celebration card in any paper craft.

Class 4: Patchwork cushion 41cm x 41cm—16" x 16".

Class 5: Landscape shape A5 Framed of Herefordshire Village scene (any part of).

Class 6: A **flower arrangement** in a tea cup and saucer

Class 7: A Jar of Jam made from single summer fruits.

Class 8: 3 Decorated cup cakes on 7" (18cm) plate.

Entry form enclosed to be completed and sent to **Eileen Dilley by 1st August 2015 Bramley, Sutton St Nicholas, Hereford, HR1 3AY Tel: 01432 880527**

Messages from Eileen Dilley

Calling all Group Secretaries - May I have £10 from each Group in order to buy Raffle Prizes. I will let you know how your money was spent. Thank you.

I would just like to say I am very sorry if we arrange events on your WI Night, I do try hard to avoid clashing but some times it cannot be helped, often it is the only time we can get into a Hall.

DENMAN

Denman Report

On 7/8/9/10th of May Herefordshire amalgamated with Gloucestershire and Worcestershire Federations and produced nine tables of craft items made by WI members. The very high standard and the variety of different crafts made me very proud to be a member of the WI. Thanks to Alison Baldwin of Putley WI we were able to have mostly crafts made at Denman college on the Herefordshire section. Members "manned" the tables and promoted the WI and Denman college for the four days that we were there. It was lovely meeting Ladies from other WI'S around the country and to speak to others to encourage them to join us. We all had a chance to look around the show it was enormous and most of us went home clutching new plants for the garden. Thank You All.



I am waiting to hear from members wanting to go on our **Federation taster day in November**. Full details are with your WI or in last months newsletter or by contacting me or on our website Please support this visit, I would really hate to cancel another visit. **The closing date is 15th June** so get busy!!

Contact me by e mail, phone or a letter. Val Lewis e mail valjlewis1@aol.com or 01544 327700

DIGITAL CHAMPION

Digital Champion News

Herefordshire webpages

I have put a new link to 'Latest News' on the Herefordshire webpages, which is regularly updated. Don't forget that you can read material from the monthly newsletters online at the beginning of each month, together with the updated Calendar of events.

Tuition

Tuition/help available anywhere on request; please contact me with your requirements. Individuals or small groups welcome.

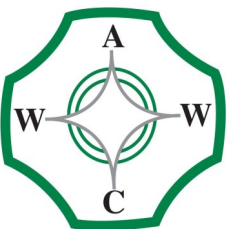
Website for your WI

Please contact me if you are interested in learning about creating a simple website or Facebook page for your own WI.

Alison Lord digitalchampion.hfwi@gmail.com 01544 340256

Information Technology and Photographs on Facebook and the Website

Some of you are aware that we have been using the website and Facebook to publicise events including photographs. This is super for us because it encourages people to join and enables us to see what other WI's are doing. However these photographs are publicly available to anyone accessing these sites. **You should be aware that if you do not want photographs of you (or your home) on these sites you need to tell the person taking them at your events** and they can ensure that any sent to Alison for posting on these sites do not include any photographs of you. **If you have any concerns in this regard you should contact the Federation Chairman.**



ACWW

Those who came to the ACM last month may I have heard me tell that the next ACWW World Conference will be held at Warwick University, Coventry in August 2016. Part of our plans include a Country Store selling hand made gifts. Not too big or heavy and no wood, food or glass as we are hoping to have at least 500 overseas delegates and carrying overweight items by air is a problem. (I have had to pass on gifts before now that I couldn't include in my luggage which has been very disappointing). I am quite happy to be the depository and pass on the items to Chris Trewick who is in charge. It would help if we could have the articles by February and if they are priced we would be really happy. I know there is much talent in Herefordshire so hope you generous folk will help.

Brenda Drake ACWW Rep, 11 Grampian Close, Hereford, HR4 OTA.

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ADVERTISEMENTS — MAY 2015
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To place your advertisements, please contact Mrs. Ann Wood, Langtoft, Eardisley, Herefordshire, HR3 6PP
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Sat. 13th and Sun. 14th June, 11am - 5pm
ADMISSION £5

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Exhibitions in Church and Dovecote,
which also houses our unique Community Shop.
For Church and Village Hall Funds.

Infoline: 01544 388226
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Hereford Guild of Guides:

Daily guided walks (no need to book)
May 9th - Oct 31st.
Mon.-Sat: 11.30am; Sunday 2.30pm;
From main entrance to Cathedral.
Tickets from Cathedral Shop/Guide.
New, themed, booked walks all year.

01981 590603 or 07583 777141 or
herefordguidedwalks.org.uk

NSPCC / childline

Do you have a few hours to spare each month to
help raise funds to support vulnerable children?

NSPCC Herefordshire Branch is seeking volunteers
to help with events in the county.

If you would like to get involved please
phone for a chat.
Every child deserves a childhood.

Carol Powell 01873 860550

Flower & Scarecrow Festival 12 - 14 June 2015

St Michael & All Angels
Bodenham

Church open 10.00 - 5.00 daily
Good Parking and refreshments
Scarecrows throughout the village
Exhibition of crafts
Friday evening - Concert by the PAX Choir
of Malvern

Saturday afternoon - Summer Fete
Saturday evening - BBQ and Jazz
Sunday evening - Festival Evensong

For more details phone :
Pat Crane 01568797095
Lyn Pollard 01568797228
Margaret Minchin 01568797129

WI FORUM

LEDBURY's speakers for the evening were 3 ladies & a man from GRWE (Greyhound Rescue for the West of England). They were accompanied by two beautiful greyhounds called Bumble & Maddi which they had rescued, among 455 others last year, after being abandoned. The greyhound dates from Egyptian times pictured on the Pyramids and are also mentioned in the Bible.

PARKWAY had a wonderful presentation and video from Caroline Bellhouse who fascinated them with details of the two years she had spent volunteering in Borneo. The project was to save Orang-utangs and other animals that were losing their homes due to deforestation.



PUTLEY were thrilled to enjoy a visit to Eastnor Castle. Their own private tour with the ropes down meant that they were able to sit on the sofas and were really made to feel at home!

LEOMINSTER were entertained by Mark Townsend and his conjuring and greatly enjoyed his new tricks.

THE SUTTONS had an interesting talk in April by Fred Clark about 'The History of the Falklands'.

He showed them photos of Falkland Island wildlife and landscapes, and told them many anecdotes about the difficulties in living in such a remote area.

WYE WOMEN spent an hour learning the Merengue from Donna Sockett - a dance originating in the Dominican Republic which has become one of the most popular genres throughout Latin America and major cities in the United States.

HOLMER celebrated their 74th Birthday at the May meeting, with a lovely supper and Cake. The WI Resolution was discussed followed by a talk from one of their members Lyn Burwood on the joys and otherwise of being a Care home Manager, then later an Inspector.



ALMELEY held a fundraising 'Jazz in the afternoon and tea' event. The Springfield Jazz Band entertained guests with a wonderful medley of jazz tunes and songs whilst everyone enjoyed a delicious 'eat as much as you like' afternoon tea.

TUPSLEY's bull 'Magna' is pictured in four places in Herefordshire; he aims to visit 100 places to celebrate our centenary year 2015.



BISHOPSWOOD's annual quiz night was held in May; the winners were 'The Runners Up'!



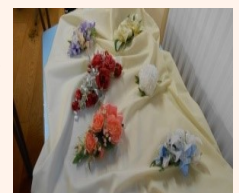
CITY GROUP meeting appreciated hearing from Dr Katie White from Mercia Accident Rescue Service (MARS), a charity operation based on providing a fast-response, highly experienced medical team to back up the emergency services of the English counties of Herefordshire and Worcestershire. **WYE WOMEN** hosted the evening.

PETERSTOW entertained Amanda Raines from Milking Parlour Crafts of Howle Hill. Although Amanda's



business runs courses on various crafts, this demonstration concentrated on flower decorations, with the main display being a floral wreath.

SALTMARSHE & DISTRICT had a demonstration of corsage making from Norma and then made beautiful examples themselves.



Go to WI News at www.thewi.org.uk/herefordshire where you will find the **full versions** of all reports above.

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