

Newsletter

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Happy New Year to all our members and friends.

I hope your Christmas was as good as it could be and that all your families are safe and well. Let's hope that going into 2022 we can look forward to another year of WI fun and friendship. The Board of Trustees are planning lots of activities for members across the Federation and we do hope you can support our Federation events. I do hope that many of you can join us for our Resolutions zoom meeting on the 27th of January 2022 when we can explore the range of issues raised by the proposed resolutions. This may help you and other members to decide which resolutions to vote for. The zoom details are to be found on the back page of the Newsletter.

You will see that we have programmed the Spring Council meeting for April 2nd 2022, and it's also election time for the Federation. Have you ever thought of joining the Federation committees and becoming part of Team Federation?

It is tremendously rewarding to be part of the Team either as a member of the Events and Opportunities Committee, or as a Trustee. We always welcome new members of the team and if you're interested you could always come along as an observer to a meeting to see if being a committee member appeals to you.

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month from 6pm in the Federation office or by zoom when the situation requires it. Please contact the office to talk to me about committee membership.

Margaret Carter

Rapunzel Panto - It was a wild night as Storm Arwen swept in but that didn't deter 106 members of our WI family attending Rapunzel at the Customs House. As representatives of the WI, we dropped off 8 dozen cakes for the staff and cast. The auditorium was packed and the noise tremendous! True to form The Customs House Panto never disappoints as we enjoyed all the traditional elements of Panto, the slapstick, the double entendre, the singing competition and the inevitable "He's behind you!" Oh yes we did!! We had a fantastic evening and laughed until our sides ached. Everyone enjoyed it and we will certainly be attending next years production of Aladdin so look out for the details as soon as we get them.



Events and Opportunities Committee – Evelyn Clark

Happy New Year ladies, as you can see, we have lots of events and trips already planned for you. Please book through your WI along with full payment.



SPRING COUNCIL MEETING - SATURDAY 2ND APRIL 2022 11AM – 4PM AT WREKENTON METHODIST CHURCH **ONLY £10.00**

At long last we can have our Spring Council in person. We will be joined by local speakers in the morning from Bright Lives & My Sisters Place. There will be another speaker in the afternoon which will be announced in the New Year.

There will also be craft competition and sales tables. If you would like to have a sales table your WI has the form.

CURRY NIGHT

Welcome To
SAJIS RESTAURANT

Thur 24th
March
£22.50
7pm

Saji has chosen for us a carefully prepared menu to suit all tastes, it will include some sensational Chicken, Lamb and fish dishes, which promise to be both delicious and beautifully presented. The restaurant also boasts a well-stocked bar so if you fancy an Indian beer or wine there will be a chance to buy it.



Why not try something different with us – a morning of foraging followed by an afternoon of wellbeing – **Saturday 14th May 10am – 4pm £27.50** includes lunch based on the ingredients you have foraged. **Members only, closing date 21st April.** Dalton Moor Farm is a pretty, 24-acre vegan fruit farm, in Dalton le Dale, Seaham, County Durham. Their School of Sustainable Living and Wellbeing will provide us with a fun experience and allow us to get closer to nature for one day. We will learn skills and knowledge to live more comfortably & confidently.



In the afternoon we will learn about wellbeing, encouraging us to look after our mental health, have a high satisfaction of life and help us manage the day to day stress we all encompass

In the morning Jenny will guide us around the farm where we will forage for seasonal food. These will make the basis for our lunch.



Sunday 24th April 2022

£33.00 includes coach travel & show entry

We will travel by luxury coach directly to the Show, pick up places and times:

Whickham Green 8.00am, Washington Galleries 8.30am and Sunderland Park Lane 9.00am. arriving at approx.

10.45am.

You will have free time to enjoy flowers, gardens, exhibitions, eat, and shop until we depart at 5.00pm.

Members only. Closing date 22nd March 2022 Its always a brilliant day out



Let's see how you all celebrated Christmas with some great photos you have shared with us



Members of Whickham Fellside enjoyed an excellent Festive Lunch at The Bridle Path Inn in Whickham. The tables were beautifully decorated with greenery and berry swags, Santa hats, gold crackers and twinkling candles - it was so nice for them to socialise again in warm and welcoming surroundings.



Boldon Blossoms enjoyed their first Xmas party where they had a shared supper and made decorations.



Gilpin WI had their Christmas Party at the Old Rectory. Here is Win Warren, their President waiting to greet their members with Santa.



Bowes Belles WI held two Christmas wreath making sessions on 4th December. Forty members made beautiful, bespoke wreaths and the Committee realised that we didn't need eight dumpy bags of foliage!!! They had a fantastic day with Christmas songs and jumpers, mince pies and lots of laughs. The girls were also featured in the NFWI December newsletter.




Dilly Dollies also made Christmas Wreaths – what a fab picture of them all showing off their work. Good Luck to Irene Morgan who takes over as President from Linda MacDonald.

Membership & Public Affairs Committee – Elaine Wright

1st January to the end of March is the last quarter for joining the WI. Did you know anyone can join for the maximum of £11.00? Do you have any friends who are thinking of joining? this is a great chance to experience the WI before joining in the new subscription year. We are pleased to say there has been no increase in subscription for the year for 2022/2023

Date of joining	Total	WI share	Fed share	NFWI share
1 April – 30 June	£44.00	£21.60	£10.30	£12.10
1 July – 30 Sept	£33.00	£16.20	£7.73	£9.07
1 Oct – 31 Dec	£22.00	£10.80	£5.15	£6.05
1 Jan – 31 March	£11.00	£5.40	£2.58	£3.02

MYWI Website - Have you had a look at the NFWI News on MYWI yet? There are several pages of very interesting information and news about competitions, highlights that happened during the summer, some campaign info on becoming a walking netball ambassador. Why not look? If you are having trouble accessing the website, please call Joanne and she can help.

Date	Event/Meeting	Location, Time and Cost	Dates for your 
Second Wednesday every Month	Events and Opportunities Board of Trustees Meeting	Office – 6 – 7pm 7pm – 8pm	
Third Thursday every two months	Membership and Public Affairs meeting	Office 6-7pm	
<p>We are always looking out for members to join anyone of our committees, if you are interested you are welcome to attend as an observer, please contact the office to arrange.</p>			
Tuesday 11 th January 2021	IFE training Course	Free - Office 9.30 – 4.30	
Saturday 15 th January 2022	Board of Trustees Strategic Planning Day	Office 9.30 – 4.30	
Thursday 20 th Jan 2022	Programme Planning Training	Office 6 – 8pm	
Wednesday 26 th Jan 2022 7pm	Resolutions Shortlist meeting	By Zoom – Meeting ID: 827 7971 4903 Passcode: 576285	
NEW Saturday 12 th February 2022	Film Crime Writing Festival - Bay Tales	Whitley Bay Playhouse £30.00 plus booking fee	
NEW Thursday 24 th March 2022	Curry Night	Sajis restaurant, Sunderland Road, Gateshead 7pm £22.50 per head	
NEW Sat 2 nd April 2022	Spring Council Meeting	Wrekenton Methodist Church 11am – 4pm £10.00 inc lunch	
NEW Sun 24 th April 2022	Harrogate Flower Show	£33.00	
NEW Sat 14 th May 2022	Foraging and Well Being Day	Dalton Moor Farm 10am – 4pm £27.50 inc lunch	
Sat 11th June 2022	National Annual General Meeting	Further details will follow Liverpool	

New Office Hours

From January 2022 we are changing the office hours:

Tuesday and Wed will still be 9am – 2pm

Thursday will change to 11am – 4pm

At the minute Perth Green Community Centre does not open until 12 midday so please call the office number and Joanne will let you in the side door.

These hours may change depending on the Government regulations with reference to Covid