

January 2023 Update

Perth Green Community Centre, Inverness Road, Jarrow NE32 4AQ. Tel 0191 5845814.
Email secretary@twswi.com Office Hours Tues, Wed, Thurs. – 9am – 2pm
Company Number 4650948 Charity Number 1099003



Hello Everyone from the office,
Happy New Year to you, your family, and friends. I hope 2023 brings you the best of everything. The Trustees have lots of plans for 2023 and I look forward to a positive year of consolidations and growth. This newsletter is slightly different to normal as the office has been closed for holidays over Christmas and we know you would want up to date information to start your meeting at the beginning of January. The highlight of the Federation calendar and in the month of our 45th birthday, we are pleased to invite you to our Spring Council Meeting on Saturday 22nd April,

which is always a great day. There will be a variety of sales tables, excellent speakers, our competition and of course the raffle with fantastic prizes. Last year we had to turn members away so please book your place to avoid disappointment.

theWI Tyne & Wear South



We are pleased to announce our key speaker will be Kim McGuinness, the Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner. Kim, who grew up and still lives in the Northeast will talk to us about her experience as a woman in the position she holds and issues of policing with particular interest to women and girls. <https://www.kimmcguinness.org/about-me> gives you more information about Kim.

Lunch will be provided by the fantastic Sheila's Kitchen, please let your WI know your dietary requirements when booking your place.



We will also be pleased to welcome Glenda Young, the Sunderland Author who has written many local books based in Ryhope, will entertain us in the morning. She has also a three-book deal to write cosy crimes in Scarborough and has written many books based on the characters of Coronation Street.

[Novels Glenda Young. Author \(glendayoungbooks.com\).](#)

There will be a chance to buy signed copies of her books



Here is a selection of Glenda's books which all have a strong feminine heroin, the books are all standalone and don't need to be read in any particular order. A great present for someone or a little treat for yourself !!

Of course, there will be a raffle with some brilliant prizes again and a competition to design a coronation card for King Charles 111, the winner's card will be sent to the Palace from the Federation. See the attached criteria



The sales tables, this year, will be run by the Federation, in true WI style there will be a baked goods stall along with a craft stall, a handmade clothing stall and a book stall – something for everyone. If you have anything you would like to donate please get in touch with the office.

Come and join us for a great day – these events keep getting better and better.

SPRING COUNCIL MEETING

SATURDAY 22ND APRIL 2023

WREKENTON METHODIST CHURCH

11AM – 4PM (10.30 FOR REFRESHMENTS)

£11.00

ORDER YOUR TICKETS THROUGH YOUR WI.



theWI Tyne & Wear South

Spring Council Competition

We would like you to design and make a card to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III on May 6th, 2023. This card will be sent to the Palace from the Federation.

- 👑 The card must be no bigger than 25cm x 25cm (10 inches x 10 inches).
- 👑 The card may be in any medium – but must be fit for purpose e.g., suitable to post.
- 👑 The card must have a matching envelope.
- 👑 The card must contain an insert with a message of Congratulations to H.M. The King.
- 👑 Each entry is to be accompanied by an entrance fee of £1.00. The fee and a slip of paper outlining competitors name, WI and Contact number is to be placed inside the card's envelope.
- 👑 Entries to be in place on the competition table by 10.45 on the day of the Spring Council (22nd April).

Good luck!!!!



We want your recipes!!!!!!
Federation Cookbook
Fundraiser 2023

A great chance to get your name in print with your own recipes. Your WI has a leaflet with all the details on. Get them into the office ASAP

We would also love you to join us for a social evening at Sorella Sorella's, the restaurant has designed a fantastic menu especially for us - £19.00 for 2 courses or £26.00 for 3 courses. Your WI has the order form so please book before the end of Feb.

Resolution Shortlist 2022-23

The Women's Institute is democratic and member-led, and the resolutions process is unique in putting members at the heart of decisions about our campaign activity. At the NFWI Resolution Shortlist Selection meeting on 4 October 2022 member and federation delegates shortlisted four resolutions.

Save our water – every drop matters

Women to women – turning over a new leaf in the lives of women tea workers

Online gambling harm: time for action

Clean rivers for people and wildlife

Every member now has the opportunity to cast their individual selection on the resolution they support the most. Most of our WIs have a vote in their January meeting allowing you to make your selection.

Alternatively, the selection slip can be found in the November/December issue of WI Life. A copy of the selection slip can also be downloaded on this page. And sent directly to the office

The deadline for members' selections to reach their federations is **14 February 2023**.

[RESOLUTIONS V2 REVISE TL.indd \(thewi.org.uk\)](https://www.thewi.org.uk)

theWI Tyne & Wear South

sorella sorella
ITALIAN RISTORANTE & LOUNGE

Sorella Sorella is a family-owned Italian restaurant in Sunnyside, serving fresh Italian food made with authentic ingredients and produce of the best quality.

Their newly refurbished restaurant is elegant, stylish & unique with a vintage Italian inspired decor. They are proud of their independence & are passionate about the food they serve in a vibrant & stylish setting.

Catch up with a 2 or 3 course dinner and drinks with other members of the Federation.

We would like you to join us at
Sorella Sorella,
Streetgate,
Sunnyside,
Newcastle
NE16 5LE
for some authentic
Italian food on
Thursday 30th
March 2023
7pm
£19.00 pp for 2
courses
£26.00 for 3
courses
**The final date
for booking
places is the end
of Feb 2023 –
don't delay book
today**

Well Done **Gilpin WI**

After the death of Queen Elizabeth, Gilpin WI sent a sympathy card and message to the King. This week they received a thank you card from the Palace.

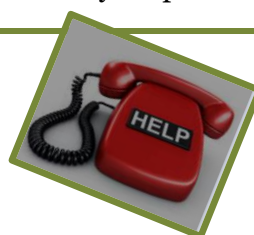
What a lovely surprise !!

It was so very kind of you to send me such a wonderfully generous message following the death of my beloved mother. Your most thoughtful words are enormously comforting, and I cannot tell you how deeply they are appreciated at this time of immense sorrow.

Harriet



Office News



Email addresses - You may be aware that we have some new email addresses. You can now contact the office (Joanne) at secretary@twswfi.com, Margaret Carter can be contacted at chairman@twswfi.com and Elaine Wright can be contacted at treasurer@twswfi.com. We took the decision to buy our own domain name, so we were more recognisable as a trusted and professional brand. We will also be able to bring new members into the WI through the search engines on the internet and we also now have a more secure IT system.

Treasurers Helpline Remember you can also contact Elaine on our Treasurers Helpline on Wednesday and Thursday 9am – midday. Elaine will be available for any help or advice you may need. 07519 993868 (please only ring during these hours)

Monthly Newsletter - We have a new way of sharing our newsletter with you. With printing costs spiralling we now have our monthly newsletter on 'My WI'. Log onto 'My WI' in the normal way and all the normal pages are still there. Now if you click on the Federation tab at the top of the page there is a now option to view the current newsletter and past issues. We will still email this every month at the minute, but we would ask you to encourage all ladies to use My WI and question whether they need a paper copy. If anyone needs any help, please contact the office.

Thank you to all the WI's who have sent pictures in over the last month or so, here is a selection of you all having a good time.

Gilpin WI



Bowes Belles WI



Fulwell WI



Food and Drinks Durham Federation Carol Service



Chopwell WI



Sister of Shields WI



Jarrow WI



Fells Angels WI



Washington Concord WI



Tunstall WI



Washington Station celebrated their 90th Birthday in Style with over 100 members for across the whole Federation, we all had a fantastic night!!!!



You MUST book your place for these events through your WI, the office cannot take bookings direct.

Date	Event/Meeting	Location, Time and Cost
Second Wednesday every Month	Events and Opportunities, Board of Trustees Meeting	Office – 6 – 6.30pm 6.30 - 8pm
Third Thursday every Month	Membership and Public Affairs meeting	Office 6-7pm
Regular Every 4 th Thursday in month	Coffee, Craft and Canny Chat. Bring your own craft or learn something new from other members.	Office 6-8pm Cost £3.00 includes refreshment and access to craft stash!!!! Simply Turn up no need to book
Thursday 30 th March 2023	Meet for a Meal and Catch up with other members of the Federation	Sorella Sorella Gateshead Road Whickham 7pm, £16.00 2 course meal, £26.00 for a 3-course meal. Closing date end of Feb 2023
Saturday 22 nd April 2023	Spring Council Meeting	Wrekenton Methodist Church Gateshead, 11am – 4pm. £11.00 includes lunch and speakers.
Wednesday 24 th May 2023	Car Treasure Hunt	Start place to be confirmed but there will be an option to buy food £2.00pp
Thursday 13 th July	Coronation Celebration Party	Springwell Community Venue with Jonny Sax. Cost £11.00 to members and £13.00 to female friends and family includes buffet supper
Monday 25 th Sept 23 – 28 th Sept 23	Federation Holiday	Further details will be announced for our Holiday in the New Year!!!!

Next year we are hosting some training courses, perhaps you might to attend them as an observer and see what being a President, Secretary, Treasurer or part of a committee is all about. If you would like to attend any of the courses below, please contact Joanne. We are pleased to offer these courses free of charge.

Date and Time	Course	Venue
Thursday 19 th January 10am – 4pm	IFE training	Perth Green
Saturday 21 st January 2023 10am – 12	Federation Forum	St Peters Church Jarrow
Tuesday 28 th February 2023, 1–3pm & 6–8pm	President & Treasurer Training	Perth Green.
Tuesday 7 th March 1 – 3pm & 6 – 8pm	Vice President & Secretaries Training	Perth Green.
Tuesday 28 th March 2023, 1-3pm & 6.30-8pm.	MCS Training	Perth Green.
Saturday 29 th April 2023, 10am – 2pm.	Treasurer Training & Completing your Financial Statement.	Perth Green
Thursday 25 th May 10-4pm	Annual Meeting.	Perth Green
Monday 24 th July 2023, 6.30 – 8pm	Federation Forum.	TBC.
Saturday 28 th October 2023, 10am – 12 noon.	Federation Forum.	TBC