

WHITLEY W.I. News



FUTURE WI MEETINGS

Thursday 4th April

Main meeting 7.30pm
WVH - An Evening in Northumberland taking in the sights, sounds and taste of this beautiful region.

The competition is for a **"British Holiday Souvenir"**

Thursday 18th April

Group Spring Lunch at Antrobus Village Hall
12-2pm - tickets still available

Thursday 2nd May

Main meeting 7.30pm
WVH - William Woods - *"Growing Herbs for Health and Wellbeing"*
The competition will be a *posy of herbs*.

Wednesday May 15th

A day trip to the British Ironworks near Oswestry. Leaving Whitley Village Hall at 10am, returning for 4.30-5pm. See Jean for more details.

From your President

Our March meeting was the day before International Women's Day and two ladies joined us to tell us about the work of the Halton Women's Centre. Elaine and Vicky explained how the centre has developed over the years and provides a safe place for women to come along and join in a wide variety of activities as well as receiving counselling and advice for dealing with mental health and domestic abuse issues. Members were very generous with donations of toiletries etc which were all gratefully received.



Melanie Barber

BRITISH MAY OUTING to the
BRITISH IRONWORKS CENTRE
OSWESTRY... WED MAY 15th

IRONWORK CENTRE
& SCULPTURE PARK

- Coffee Stop on the way
- At a Garden Centre
- Lunch Included
- Ice Cream on Departure
- Sculpture Park to Explore
- Gift Shop
- Great Company
- Leave WVH by 10.00am
- BACK by 5.00pm



ANNUAL WI SUBS

The new subs year starts in April and subs have been set at £48 for the year.
Thank you to all those who have paid already.
Details of how to pay on the attached sheet.

Diary Dates

April 2024

Thursday 4th April -Main meeting
7.30pm WVH - An evening in
Northumberland

Monday 8th April - Book Club
10am-12pm WVH discussing
Outbreak by Frank Gardner

Tuesday 9th April - Walking group
- walk to be confirmed depending
on the weather

Monday 15th April - WI Committee
meeting 7.30pm WVH

Wednesday 17th April - Craft
Group 1.30pm WVH - making floral
buttonholes, all materials provided.
See Annette to sign up.

Thursday 18th April - Group lunch
at Antrobus Village Hall 12-2pm
Tickets £10

Monday 22nd April - Community
Coffee morning 10.30am - 12pm
WVH

Monday 22nd or 29th - Art Group
1.30pm WVH - CFWI Artistic
Celebration of Cheshire exhibition.
More details to follow.

Friday 26th April - Baking
Beauties 1.30pm WVH - Bara Brith
for Cheshire Show entry

May

Thursday 2nd May -Main meeting
7.30pm WVH - William Woods -
*Growing Herbs for Health and
Wellbeing*

Wednesday 15th May - Outing to
British Ironworks near Oswestry

June

18th/19th June - Cheshire Show

Saturday 29th June - Group outing
to Saltaire and Ilkley. Tickets £20,
leaving Whitley 9am returning 6pm.

CFWI Green Dot Day

As a fledgling member I was pleased to represent Whitley WI on Saturday 16th March at WI House in Chester. There were interesting workshops and demonstrations provided, all focusing on the wide ranging and 'hot topic' (please excuse the terrible pun) of climate change. Lots of good ideas were exchanged on how we can take action to reduce the carbon footprint of our WI. A delegate pack of all the materials and advice is to be made available which I am happy to share with any interested members.

Anne Toll

What an amazing workshop we had at **Craft Group** in March. Andy Bennett - our speaker in January from Moulton Glass, brought his daughter Clare along to help 9 of our members to construct their very own Danish inspired glass houses.

Starting with a selection of different coloured glass it was very satisfying constructing our very own 'street'.



It was lovely to take home a finished piece and we all had a great laugh, learning a

range of new skills including copper foiling and soldering.

Thank you Annette for organising the event!



CFWI are busy organising a wide variety of events at the moment ranging from Archery taster sessions to Cheese tasting. Make sure you check out the sign up sheets at the next meeting to see what is on offer.

We are hoping to run a session in the near future on accessing the **WI Learning Hub** - a massive resource available to all WI members and funded by the sale of Denman.