

# WHITLEY W.I. News



## FUTURE WI MEETINGS

### Thursday 3rd October

Main meeting 7.30pm  
This is Member's night when your regular committee take a back seat and enjoy the evening courtesy of the members' night committee.

The competition is for '*A childhood toy*'

### Wednesday 9th October

- 7.30pm WVH Group meeting with Louise Minchin. Tickets £10

### Thursday 7th November

Our Annual meeting 7.30pm . Our new President and Committee going forward will be elected. Following our annual business , Lostock Ukes will entertain us . The competition is for '*A musical item*'

### Wednesday 13th November - CFWI

Autumn meeting at the Storyhouse Chester .

## From your President

I was sorry to miss the September meeting but my thanks go to Vice President Jean for stepping in and leading the meeting. Thanks also to Pat who had been sorting out the speaker but then at the last minute there was yet another change and Dave McClure, a volunteer at the Walton Lea Partnership arrived. Dave told the meeting about the work they do with Adults with Learning Disabilities at the walled gardens next to Walton Gardens. Dave specialises in teaching about resuscitation and using defibrillators and had brought several 'dummies' for



members to '*have a go*'. As he said, doing something has to be better than doing nothing.



Our next meeting is Members night and committee members are all looking forward to a night off!

Melanie Barber

Well done to our budding artists who sent their work in to CFWI house in Chester for their Art Exhibition. Whitley had 6 pieces in the exhibition and Chris Spittle won the Cheshire Chair's award for her painting of St Luke's Church. We are hoping to show all the paintings at our Annual meeting in



## Diary Dates

### October

**Thursday 3rd - Main Meeting**  
7.30pm WVH - Members' night,  
Competition is for 'A childhood toy'

**Tuesday 8th - Walking group**  
walking around Walton Gardens.  
Meet at WVH 10am or Walton  
Gardens at 10.20am

**Wednesday 9th - Group meeting**  
WVH 7.30pm "How to be Fearless"  
- Louise Minchin

**Monday 14th - Book Club** WVH  
10-12pm discussing the classic  
'Jane Eyre' by Charlotte Bronte

**Wednesday 16th - Craft group**  
WVH 1.30pm - 3pm. Making  
Christmas cards with Vanessa. All  
materials provided

**Friday 25th - Baking Beauties.**  
WVH 1.30-3pm. Theme tbc

**Monday 28th - 10.30-12** WVH  
Community coffee morning

**Monday 28th - Art Group** WVH  
1.30pm painting Autumn Leaves

**November 7th - Annual meeting**  
WVH 7.30pm. Entertainment from  
Lostock Ukes. Competition is for  
'A Musical item'

**3rd and 11th December -**  
Wreath Making at Smith's  
Nursery, see sign up sheet

**Thursday December 5th - WI**  
Christmas Party. WVH 7.30pm.  
tickets £7 includes welcome drink  
and buffet supper

**Monday December 9th - Group**  
Carol Service at Daresbury Church  
7.30pm

Darts practice to start on Mondays  
10.30-12.30 at Comberbach  
Bowling Club - see Ann Tolson for  
more details

Congratulations to the **Bowls Team** who faced rain and hailstones in the final of the County bowls competition in September. They battled through and came worthy runners-up to Moulton. Well done everyone!



The **Walking Group** finally found some sunshine on their walk around Little Budworth Park. They enjoyed lunch and a little shopping at Tarporley garden centre afterwards!



**NFWI** are delighted to pass on an exciting opportunity for members. Dick and Angel Strawbridge of TV series 'Escape to the Chateau' are giving away a limited number of tickets for each date of their next tour which **runs from 6th – 25th October 2024.**

The Strawbridges have strong family connections to the WI, and share our ethos of passing on intergenerational skills and knowledge, and finding joy in fun and friendships.

As well as carrying two pages of WI promotion in the programme for their new tour, 'Forever Home', they also have a limited number of free tickets to offer WI members for each of the 33 UK tour dates! There are 20 tickets to each performance allocated to us, and snapping them up is simple – but it's first come first served. All you need to do is pick the venue and date from this special web page, and they'll sort your tickets for you: <https://thechateau.tv/pages/tour-giveaway>.

### CFWI Dates for your diary -

Autumn Meeting at Chester Storyhouse theatre Wed 13th Nov £15. See sign up sheet for the list of speakers. You need to pay Pat at the October meeting.

Christmas at Whitefriars -Sat 30th Nov and Tues 3rd Dec. £5 for bacon bap and drink

Jigsaw race at Eastham on Mon 18th November

More details available at the meeting on the sign-up table