

WHITLEY W.I. News



FUTURE WI MEETINGS

Thursday 6th March -

7.30pm WVH. The speaker will be Kim Smith from Radio Northwich talking about 'Music is my first love'. The competition is a favourite line from a song.

Thursday 3rd April -

7.30pm WVH. The speaker is Mary Lancaster, one of our members, with her talk entitled 'Numbers, needles and jam butties'. The competition is for a jar of jam.

*Reminder about the Photo competition - all details on the website! You can send digital entries to Jean Waite or Annette Minor
Closing date is 23rd April*

From your President

Our committee made a lovely afternoon tea for us in February and it was on a bright Spring day. Don't forget to find opportunities to take photos for our photographic competition.

Your committee are now planning a day out in May and an evening day out with a meal in August.

Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Regards

Susan Lynch

Our **Birthday Afternoon Tea** was a great success with committee members working hard to provide a delicious spread of homemade sandwiches, quiche, cakes and even trifle! Ann O'Brien made and decorated the delicious Birthday cake, which was cut by Helen Carey.



Guests were entertained with a quiz, bingo and a gardening inspired rendition of All Things Bright and Beautiful.

Whitley WI - 87 years old and going strong!

Reminder that **WI Subscription** for 2025/26 is due on the 1st April - £51 for full membership and £25.10 for a dual member. You can bring cash or cheque along to the meeting or contact Pat Sharp for BACS details. Many thanks for your prompt payment.

Diary Dates

March 2025

Thursday 6th - Main meeting 7.30pm at WVH. Kim Smith from Radio Northwich talking about *'Music is my first love'*

Monday 10th - Book Club 10am -12pm WVH. *Notes from a Small Island* by Bill Bryson

Tuesday 11th - Walking Group meet at WVH 10am for a walk around Great Budworth. Lunch at The Cock O' Budworth

Wednesday 19th - Craft Group 1.30-3pm WVH making Easter Bonnets

Monday 24th - Community Coffee Morning 10.30-12pm WVH.

Monday 24th - Art Group 1.30-3pm WVH Painting on a Spring theme

Friday 28th - Baking Beauties 1.30-3pm WVH. Bake your own 'Melting Moments'

Saturday 29th March CFWI Annual Council Meeting at Winsford academy 10.30am-2.30pm

April 2025

Thursday 3rd April - Main meeting 7.30pm at WVH. Mary Lancaster talking about "Number, needles and jam butties"

Thursday 10th April - Village Group WI Spring Lunch at Antrobus Village Hall 12-2pm. Tickets £10 available from Melanie Barber

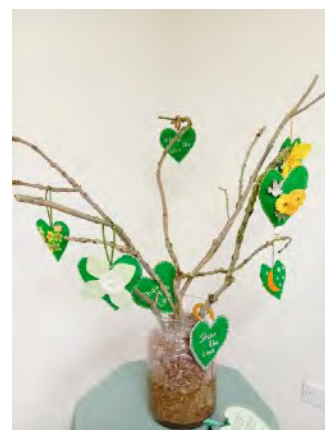
May Outing

The committee have been discussing possible venues for a May outing and were unanimous on their preferred venue. We'll be telling you about our plans at the March meeting.

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

Whitley certainly showed the love at last month's **Craft**

Group. 10 ladies made a green heart to decorate our tree. It never ceases to amaze me the different ideas that we all come up with. Have a look at the photograph - and that is not all of them. We shall be taking the tree to the main meeting in March so if you have kept your green heart from previous years bring it along as we have lots of spare branches to adorn. In fact the NFWI would like a photograph of any WI's attempt to 'show the love'. Who knows we may get our photograph in the National news.



With St David's Day approaching **Baking Beauties** had a Welsh theme in February. There were savoury and sweet Welsh cakes, Bara brith and Welsh cheese inspired quiche and biscuits. A Teisen lap cake - known as 'cake on a plate' finished off the selection - *Dydd Gwyl Dewi Hapus (Happy St David's Day)*



Art Group's theme was 'mixing colours' in February and Joan Blackshaw led the afternoon showing members

how to use different colours for each season. Some lovely landscapes were produced in the session. Thanks to Joan for her inspiration.



Feedback on this year's proposed resolutions - Mixed material medication packaging can be dropped off for recycling at Boots in Warrington or Northwich.