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South Yorkshire Federation of WIs

ADVANCE NOTICE NFWI Annual Meeting

Saturday 11 June 2022 at 10.30 am

**M&S Bank Arena, Kings Dock,
Liverpool L3 4FP**

A coach will be provided for members and Delegates to attend from our Federation. A Delegate receives free coach travel and admission ticket.

An Observer ticket is usually around £22 + coach fare. Further details will be sent to WIs later in the year.



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Hello Ladies,

It is really lovely to see and read on your Facebook pages how the majority of our WIs are starting to hold regular meetings once again. It has been so long since many of us were able to meet up with each other in person and catch up with each others news.

Please take care and follow the guidelines when meeting in your venues as we still need to be careful and think about the safety of ourselves and others.

The WI Advisers are looking forward to meeting many of you over the coming weeks as many of you will be holding your Annual Meetings during October and November and it gives us the opportunity to come meet with you.

Best wishes

Dorothy Meekins (Federation Chairman)

OFFICE & FINANCE

Ingrid House: philip.house2@btopenworld.com

50/50 CLUB DRAW - CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Winning £9 No 10 - Gill Denby, Norton WI

Winning £9 No 18 - Jennifer Hartley, Cantley with Branton WI

Winning £9 No 48 - Anne Rusling, Todwick WI

MEMBERSHIP

Dorothy Meekins: meekins.dorothy@gmail.com

An invitation to all WI Committee Members

WI Committees Members are invited to join the WI Adviser Team for one of our regular ZOOM Get Togethers on 6th October (7.30pm start).

Most WIs have already begun to meet again in person or are planning to do so. There is so much to think about at the moment with COVID still seeming to be impacting on what we do. So, if you have any burning questions, experiences you want to share, some moral support or just want to hear what others are doing, please come along.

We would like as many of your WI Committee Members as possible to join us – we want to hear what you have to say. You will be getting an email invitation from Dorothy Meekins (Federation Chairman) via your WI Secretary. If you have any questions or topics you would like to be covered email Dorothy directly on:

meekins.dorothy@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you and having a chat! Please drop an email to Kirsty at Hall Cross Cottage (southyorksfed@gmail.com) to let us know if you are able to make it. (If you can't make this one we will be holding another ZOOM meeting on 9th November.)

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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Did you do anything for The Great Big Green Week? At my own WI in Bawtry we made some bug hotels at our September meeting and one of our member's husband made us some bat and bird boxes and also an owl box. The bat and bird boxes and bug hotels we donated to our local primary school for the children to decorate. We also contacted the local council who agreed to put some of the bat boxes up in the local ancient woodland that they manage (Kings Wood). The owl box was made especially for one of our members who had always wanted one! See our photos later in this edition.

2021 is the UK's big climate year. The Great Big Green week was organised by the climate coalition and NFWI was one of its partners in this event. It was the largest event for climate and nature ever seen in the UK and was an event to prepare for the COP26 summit in Glasgow later this year. It hoped to encourage local communities to take action to tackle climate change, protect green spaces and connect with nature. The climate emergency and nature affect each other and wildlife is struggling to survive. One of the ideas behind The Great Big Green Week was to encourage local communities to get involved supporting wildlife. Climate change can be a scary topic for some children, but we hoped that by donating items to support wildlife habitats, that the children would feel like they were making a difference. NFWI's specific campaign focuses on the effect of climate change on women and girls who are disproportionately affected by climate change. The Whole Story campaign action pack can be found on My WI.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES WITH HOME ECONOMICS

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Your Committee are working hard on your behalf to bring you your favourite events, plus some new and exciting items. Don't forget, you can send your suggestions to the office and we will see what we can do!

THORPE HESLEY WI

Thorpe Hesley WI welcomed lots of new members to their first 'indoor' meeting since the pandemic started. The meeting started with a film show of Covid activities followed by excellent musical entertainment provided by 'Blu Crew' and wonderful refreshments. Everyone felt very 'safe'.



SPROTBROUGH WI

During early September Sprotbrough held its Scarecrow Festival. Sprotbrough WI created a Scarecrow for the event; their WI lady is called Winnie. She is surrounded by plastic waste and excessive packaging. The speech bubbles contain the titles of WI campaigns.



WENTWORTH WI

Wentworth WI members embracing the windy weather with a recent visit to Locke Park, Barnsley followed by lunch at the Rob Royd Restaurant.



Wentworth WI stall at Harley Summer Fair on Saturday 28 August 2021

WHISTON EVENING WI

18 members from Whiston Evening WI enjoyed a get together at Winthrop Gardens, Wickersley on 12 August. Anna and her hardworking staff provided delicious scones, cakes and refreshments, and members enjoyed a walk around the lovely gardens as well as a long awaited catch up.

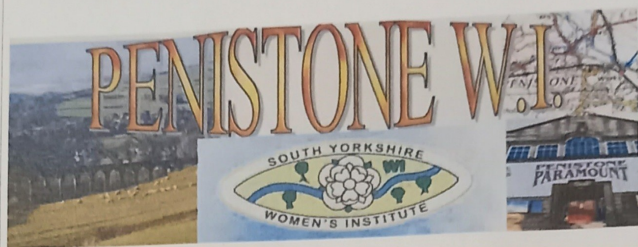


QUIZ HIGH STREET SHOPS AND STORES – PAST AND PRESENT



1. Summer, Classic or Continental – take your pick here (9)
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2. Very young scouts surround the stream looking for jewellery (12)
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3. Does the heir to the throne visit kind Carl for his new boots?(7,8)
.....
4. Do you need a car re-spray or ethically made cosmetics – call in here (4,4).....
5. Basil and Quentin are very good at DIY (1,3,1).....
6. Not a very complimentary way to describe your friend's looks (3,4)
7. Ladies, gents, boys and girls casual clothes all available at Chiswick Eyot (5,6)
8. But if you want very smart gent's clothes, visit A I Dentures (6,4)
9. Which store started as a Penny Bazaar in Leeds Market in 1884? (5,3,7).....
10. Mix oxygen with waiters and find the Duchy Originals (8)
11. Found in Brompton Road is the "world's most famous department store" – just a bit expensive (7)
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12. H₂O + 14 lbs = places to exchange your tokens (11)
13. There are some Russians by the supermarket where you can "Taste the Difference" (10)
14. Well known for pick 'n' mix - this store went into administration in 2008 (10)
15. Damn bees and hydrogen prevent you from going into this store, and now it's disappeared from the High Street (9)
16. And so has James Green (7,4)
17. Reykjavik is the capital of this store (7)
18. Whose reputedly best seller is the humble sausage roll? (6)
19. Greetings from Bill and Hillary (7,5)
20. You won't find an emerald in this German discount store (4)
21. Translate cheap into French (3, 6)
22. Sounds like the best place for an aspirin, but one can also find fragrances, toiletries and lots more (9)
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23. This shop can be found nationwide, not just in Cumbria (8)
24. This usually occurs in India, but can now be found on the High Street (7)
25. It looks like a tasty Scandinavian meat ball on the new kitchen table (4)
26. With a name like this, you would expect to find some footwear in the store (5)
27. Sounds like the ideal place for Tikka Masala, Korma or Jalfrezi (6)
28. Where can you buy an "Extra Special" all butter brioche loaf? (4)
29. Towels to dresses, all available here, but definitely no heroin (5,5)
30. Without a hyphen it's only a chicken hutch. (2-2)

Phew – now it's time to call into Costa Coffee, Cafe Nero or Starbucks !



CHARITY FASHION SHOW

ORGANISED BY PENISTONE. W.I.

PROCEEDS TO WOODHEAD MOUNTAIN RESCUE
AND PENISTONE W.I.

SATURDAY 16th OCTOBER 2021

AT PENISTONE COMMUNITY CENTRE

2.30pm

ADMISSION : £5 EACH
(IN ADVANCE OR ON THE DAY)

(INC. REFRESHMENTS)

Contact Janet on 01226 765093, Or Jenny on 01226 791884,
or any committee member for tickets

ALL WELCOME



Associated Country
Women of the World

26th October
7pm

Calling all WI quizzers countrywide!

**QUIZ
NIGHT**

Free Entry

ACWW's CEO - Tish Collins will be hosting an ACWW based quiz on Tuesday 26th October from 7pm. This will be done online and the link emailed out to you shortly before the event.

Why not find out how much you know about the organisation and have fun at the same time?

ACWW's fund raising has been hit in the last eighteen months and this is one way to boost its coffers.

The event is being run through Eventbrite. To register please google <https://tinyurl.com/46bd6dy9> which will take you straight to the web page. The event closes on Tuesday 19th October.

Please make any donations by cheque made payable to ACWW or electronic payments via BACS to their bank account Nat West, sort code 56-00-33, account no 01244108.

No prizes at the end of the evening just a chance to meet up with fellow WI members the length and breadth of the UK.



See you there.....

August 2021

SPEAKER RECOMMENDATION

I would like to highly recommend a speaker we recently had at WIER, Michael Davidson-Paine, Butler. He gave us a fascinating talk into his life as a butler to the rich and famous including time spent at Buckingham Palace as butler to The Queen, Queen Mother and Princess Margaret. You certainly get an insight into how the other half live! Michael lives in Chesterfield and his fee is £65 + mileage. He admits to being very old school when it comes to technology in the fact that he does not do emails/mobile phones. He can be contacted on 01246 551790.

Angela
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WI Ecclesall Road



WATH UPON DEARNE WI

A few members of Wath WI having a picnic, we all had a great time and was lovely to see our members again.



BARNSLEY OPALS WI

Battle Axes

At the beginning of September six members from the Barnsley Opals went along for an afternoon of axe throwing at the amazing local venue in Sheffield, Battle Axe Urban Axe Throwing, totally recommended for a fantastic social meeting. Many laughs were had as they tried to hit the target – with varying degrees of success, it's harder than it might seem. There were no injuries, apart from to the actual axe's with quite a few broken. Lisa was finally crowned BOWI Axe Queen after some tough competition and a rematch was instantly called for.



BOWI's New Home

Last month saw the first indoor meeting in BOWI's new home, Staincross Club. The Committee had spent some considerable time viewing new venues before settling on the Club.

It ticked every box with great parking, fully

accessible and a fantastic range of gin! Not that that was a consideration for the team, honest! It was fantastic to see all our new members. The getting to know you event was made all the more fun with an awesome and hilarious quiz, lots of banter and laughter. The prize of carrots for the losing team was hard fought over!



FEDERATION VISIT TO BELVOIR CASTLE

71 of our members took part in the visit on 13 September. It was great to meet up with friends again and the weather even stayed fine for us!





QUIZ ANSWERS **OCCUPATIONS AND** **PROFESSIONS PART 2**

1. Electrician
2. Secretary
3. Plumber
4. Florist
5. Croupier
6. Radiographer
7. Postman
8. Librarian
9. Vicar
10. Newsreader
11. Mechanic
12. Carpenter
13. Optician
14. Ballerina
15. Hairdresser
16. Lawyer
17. Butcher
18. Reporter
19. Builder
20. Dentist
21. Nurse
22. Banker
23. Stonemason
24. Author
25. Editor
26. Newsagent
27. Farmer
28. Fireman
29. Pharmacist
30. Detective

TREASURER'S CORNER

A quick reminder that SYFWI/NFWI fees for members joining up to 30 September 2021 are due by 8 October.



But, please note that the NFWI share for members joining between 1 July – 30 September should be £9.07 and not £9.08. An email has gone via the Treasurer's Network.

Treasurer's Helpline!

If you have any questions - no matter how small? Ingrid and Anita will be happy to help. If there are any New Treasurers out there – don't struggle - we are always happy to work one to one – just get in touch.

Ingrid House – email:

philip.house2@btopenworld.com Tel: 01709

879328 / 07759 237017

Anita Reynolds – email: anita.reynolds47@gmail.com

Tel: 01142 301932 (leave message if no immediate answer – she will call you back)

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

We have received enquiries from some WIs to ask if paper copies of newsletters are going to be posted to WIs again soon.

As there are only 4 months left of the current 'newsletter year' which runs from February–

January, paper copies will resume from February next year should WIs wish to receive them in this way. Forms to order newsletters for next year will be sent to WIs in November.



ZOOM TALKS

As WIs start to meet face to face, we have seen the amount of members wanting to join our Zoom speakers decrease. Therefore, there will not be any talks on Zoom arranged by the Federation in October but we will be hosting **Pearls of Wisdom by Frances Carlaw in November**. Frances' talk in July A Passion for Pearls was very well received by our members and this is the second, which deepens the knowledge about pearls. However, should the number of members wishing to join remain low, we may not be able to continue with the talks if they are not viable.

BAWTRY WI

made some bug hotels at our September meeting and one of our member's husband made us some bat, bird and also an owl box. The bat and bird boxes and bug hotels we donated to our local primary school for the children to decorate.



RECIPE CORNER

This recipe was sent in by Janine Lishman-Peat of Thurlstone & Millhouse Green WI

Chicken and Spinach Terrine with Lemon

Serves 4

2 chicken portions, cubed
150g baby spinach
Grated rind and juice of 1 lemon
2 eggs
120g fromage frais, quark or cottage cheese
Salt and pepper

Method

Line a 2lb loaf tin with baking paper. Put everything in a food processor and process until fairly smooth. A few lumps is fine. Put the mix in the tin and bake at 180 c for 40 minutes. Drain off the liquid and leave the loaf until cold. Serve in slices with salad.



IF YOU HAVE A FAVOURITE RECIPE AND WOULD LIKE TO SHARE IT WITH OTHER MEMBERS, PLEASE EMAIL IT TO KIRSTY at southyorksfed@gmail.com and include a photograph of your food if possible.

COURSE/EVENT FEES AND/OR DEPOSITS WILL NOT BE RETURNED UNLESS CANCELLED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OR RELEVANT SUB-COMMITTEE.

EVENT	DATE & TIME	VENUE	CLOSING DATE	PRICE
Pearls of Wisdom by Frances Carlaw	Tues 23 Nov @ 7 pm	Online Zoom		£3
PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO 'SYFWI'. Send completed Application for tickets to Hall Cross Cottage.				