



North Yorkshire West Federation News

JUNE 2021

Chairman's Update

by Heather Stoney (hjstoney48@gmail.com)



Here we are halfway through 2021 and looking forward to brighter times. I do hope that you are all able to meet up in groups outside, that is of course weather permitting. We do need some warmer weather to enjoy sitting outside and catching up with friends. For several members, who have not been able to take advantage of the wonderful zoom programme that has been provided, this is possibly the first time they will have seen each other. Enjoy your catching up over tea and cake without having to have numerous extra layers on!!

If any WI's require advice on starting to meet up safely again, there is information on My WI to help you. We do want you all to stay safe whilst enjoying your new freedoms.

There are 12 members who deserve our thanks- the ladies who are giving up a full day to be our Federation link delegates at the Annual Meeting. It will be a very different type of meeting – all digital but I am sure that it will be an enjoyable day. National have planned wonderful speakers and the opportunity for chatting within smaller groups. Not the same experience as being in the Albert Hall, but a first in a long list of different experiences this last year.

Your trustees are starting to look forward to planning events for the end of the year as well as preparing Alma House for opening after a very long closure. It will be “The Great Summer Clean” - there are strict guidelines to follow, but we will have it ready for later this year.

Please enjoy meeting up with family and friends, hopefully in the sunshine. We all need “Fun and Friendship” in person.

Take care and stay safe.

Heather

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Chair: Julie Clarke j-a-clarke@hotmail.co.uk



I now find myself in the position of chairman of the Activities Committee, which if you can recall from the May newsletter you will have noticed this is a very board committee covering many activities including, food, gardening, crafts ,arts and sport to name but a few. As we begin to look forward to greater freedom and plan for the future, especially 2022, I'd like to know what events you would like to see planned for you to support, don't hesitate to send me an email with your suggestions, using the email

j-a-clarke@hotmail.co.uk

Finally a little reminder about National's Lady Denman Cup

annual writing competition this year titled " Let me show you what a women can do" based on the painting Artemisia Gentileschi, to find the full details and entry requirements, go to My WI under the" Make, create and do" section scroll down to the competition section to find all the details. Your entry needs to be sent to the federation office by 30th July when arrangements will be completed to select our winning 3 entries to send forward to National. Keep North Yorkshire flag flying, have a go and good luck with your entry.

Thank you, Julie

If you require help from the Federation you can either telephone between 9:30am – 3:30pm on:

Or visit our website for more information:

www.thewi.org.uk/northyorkshirewest

Monday, Heather - 07973 381320

Tuesday, Liz - 07779 737953

Wednesday, Office closed

Thursday, Anne - 07792 348223

Friday, Liz- 07779 737953

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Or contact us via email:

Heather: hjstoney48@gmail.com

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National Annual Meeting News

For the first time any member can attend the meeting virtually, as it is being streamed from the Albert Hall. The meeting will be held on 8 June 2021 and will start at 10.30am.

Individual members or a group (COVID Rules Permitting) can join the meeting by registering and paying the observer fee of £9.00 per login at this link which closes on 31 May - link <https://nfwiam21.com/>

The business of the Annual Meeting will be:
To appoint the returning Officers and Tellers
To adopt Standing Orders
To receive the Chair's address and the Hon. Treasurer's statement
Constitutional Ordinary Resolution:

Federations who wish to become an incorporated company
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Federations who wish to become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation
To consider the Public Affairs Resolutions 'A call to increase awareness of the subtle signs of ovarian cancer' as proposed to the meeting

Presentation by guest speakers:
HRH Sophie, Countess of Wessex,
Dame Cressida Dick,
Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis
Baroness Brenda Hale, former President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom
Chair's closing remarks



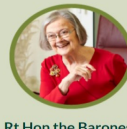
Lynne Stubbings
NFWI Chair



HRH The Countess of
Wessex GCVO



Dame Cressida Dick
DBE QPM Commissioner
of Police of the
Metropolis



Rt Hon the Baroness
Hale of Richmond DBE

June Zoom Along



15th at 2pm - *Coffee and Chat* : Come along and have a chat with other members

23rd at 7pm - Lynn Barrow, famous for her *Quirky Birds workshops*, will be providing one for us. You can join in, or just watch how a talented artist can help even you produce lively works of art like the cover on the May/June *WiLife!*

You can find more details on our website:

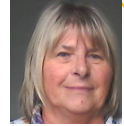
<https://yorkshire-north-west.thewi.org.uk/nyw-zoom-along>



We are organizing fewer Zoom Along sessions over the summer, as we think there will be more opportunities for members to get out and about. However, when the nights draw in later in the year, we shall return with a fuller programme.

Membership Support Committee Report

Chairman Sue Earl – Armstrong email sueearlarmwiadviser@gmail.com



As we are looking forward to getting back to meeting our WI friends, be it outdoors or socially distanced in our halls, we may also be looking to hold our Annual meetings that have been postponed because of the pandemic. Please get in touch with your WI adviser - they can guide you through this meeting. Once this has taken place, you are required after the meeting to fill in your Annual report form, available from Alma House and send with your full financial

statement. Any questions or queries? - please don't hesitate to get in touch my email is : sueearlarmwiadviser@gmail.com or you can contact the Federation officers on the list that has been issued, or you can see on our website. My WI also has all the information you need for running your meetings. It's easy to log into mywi.org.uk. Enjoy meeting up with your friends and keep us up to date with all you are getting up to.
Thanks Sue

Could you be a Federation Committee Member?

With the new Committee format, it is a great opportunity to get new blood into the system, so if any member fancies join any committee, or has any questions please contact Heather at hjstone48@gmail.com or phone 07973 381320

200 Club Results

Congratulations to the following, who have won these prizes:
1st for £30 (128) R.Greaves
Skipton with Stirton
2nd for £20 (230) J.McDermott
Farnley Estate
3rd for £10 (204) R.Wilkinson
Askwith with Weston

Your Image for the Facebook Page!



Has anyone got an image which they think best reflects the Federation or our ideas? Our Facebook image of a Denman visit attendees has served us well but as we move forward out of Lockdown towards the future an updated image seems appropriate.

What image would raise your interest to scroll down? Please send all images and ideas to: NYWFWI@btconnect.com