

# About Malham Women's Institute and our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Our WI was formed in 1929 by a group of women from the farming community of Malham, Kirby Malham, Hanlith, Malham Moor, Bell Busk, Otterburn and Airton, originally meeting at The Cherries in the centre of Malham. Imagine, women from these outlying farms walking to a meeting on cold black wet nights? They did it because they had promised their neighbours and friends that they would walk together. Within a year of forming, there were 80 members who had joined an organisation that wished to improve the lot of women.

Throughout 2020 we will be celebrating those remarkable women and those who followed. In January we plan to re-enact the walks from the original locations members made to the meeting place, St George's Hall now known as River House; celebrate at Dale House, the site of the first Garden Party. Also from mid-April onwards we will be holding an exhibition of WI artefacts in the Village Hall. Today we continue to promote the WI principles; even though we are a relatively small Institute, we actively support the education of children and women, take part in activities and campaign on issues which mean the most to our community and the National Women's Institute.

## If you would like to join us for an evening:

You don't have to be a member to come along to one of speaker's events. All that we ask is that you make a donation of £3 towards the cost of the evening.

### Who to Contact:

President: Hazel Allen.

Secretary: Joyce Thacker.



Malham Women's  
Institute  
Programme 2022

# the WI

INSPIRING WOMEN



Malham Village Hall  
Malham

From 7.30pm

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in the Month

# Malham Women's Institute Programme 2022

## January 12th Annual Dinner

As usual our annual Christmas dinner event takes place in January and this year at the Listers. The diet will commence on the 13th!

## February 9th Wax Wraps

The Rev. Tracey Darling will be coaching us on how to be more sustainable and use less plastic in our homes by making wax food wraps.

## March 9th Mary Anning

We will be joined by our friends from Ayrton to listen to Gillian Wheatley who will give a talk on Mary Anning, the early 19th century English pioneering palaeontologist.

## April 13th 1000 Years of Shoes

We are looking forward to hearing Dan Nelson give a talk on 1000 year history of shoes.

## May 11th Malhamdale Environmental Group

We look forward to hearing from MEG volunteers on their work in the dale including the tree planting scheme.

## June 8th Penhill Ladies

We're back on! After a bit of break, we will be reviving our friendship and welcoming back the lovely group from Carperby.

*Speaker tbc.*

## June 13th Macrame Craft Evening

We shall be tangling fingers and making something useful – key rings.

## August 10th Annual WI Outing

We are anticipating a 'good day out' to Morecambe in a charabanc organised by our very own Trip Advisor Muriel.

## September 14th Visit to Ayrton

Once again this year, we shall look forward to joining our friends at Ayrton.

## October 12th General Meeting & Poppy Making

The President's and Financial Reports followed by having a go at making poppies in preparation for Remembrance Day.

## November 10th Ovarian Cancer – National WI Campaign

We look forward to helping to raise awareness of Ovarian cancer and support the Women's Institute as part of the national campaign. *Speaker tbc.*

## December 14th Games Night

To begin the season of fun and festivities, our agile Committee are cooking up a quiz!



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## Other Events and Activities for 2022

### Malham WI Book Club

We continue to meet virtually the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month 1.30-3pm. Open to members and non-members.



**April 6<sup>th</sup> Spring Council Meeting**  
Held at the Double Tree Hilton with guest speakers.

**June 11<sup>th</sup> NFWI Annual Meeting**  
Held at the M&S Bank Arena, Liverpool. Year Malham WI will be sending a delegate.

**July 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Great Yorkshire Show**  
Some of us may be volunteering in the WI and also entering the competition!

**August 27<sup>th</sup> Malham Show**  
Once again we will be supporting the show variety of roles. – and hopefully winning prizes in the Craft Tent!

**October Federation Quiz**  
With a bit of luck, and some 'exam style' prepping courtesy of Mike Harrop, we will see some way off the bottom of the table this year.....