



North Yorkshire West Federation News

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INSPIRING WOMEN

NOVEMBER 2021



Christmas Food and Flowers

Darley Memorial Hall

Thursday 9th December 2021

10.00am Coffee- Start 10.30 to 3.30pm

£30.00 per member £ 32.00 non member

**This includes refreshments and a 2-course lunch with
Sue Fairhurst, Ideas for Christmas, Cookery Demonstration**

&

Bob Forbes, Christmas Spectacular Flower Demonstration

Enjoy a pre- Christmas Day out- Ample parking

Start date 1st September -Closing Date 19th November

Confirmation will be issued via email by 26th November

If the closing date has passed, please contact the office for availability 01765 606339



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Tuesday and Thursday 9.30am –12.30pm
and 1.30-3.00pm
Friday 10.00-1-00pm
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Chairman's Update



It is hard to believe that we are approaching November, it has been another very challenging year but still the time seems to have passed very quickly.

How lovely it was to see so many of you at Autumn Lunch, the room was filled with chatter and laughter, friendships renewed and a few anxious moments for the Federation Chairman the previous evening, but we are resilient women in the WI, and it all worked well in the end.

I have been overwhelmed by the generosity of you all in the donations that you kindly donated for "The Curry Project" in Bradford, when I showed the photograph of all the goods displayed at Alma House to one of the many helpers at the project, they were amazed and advised me they would all be used. I will be taking them to Bradford the first week in November, when they restart having hot meals served on the premises for the first time in

months. Thank You Ladies.

Thank you to all the hosts for the three venues of the Quiz, it was a very good to have normality returning. I can only apologise that there was some discontent in the questions, I take full responsibility for this, they may well not have been as professional as previous years, but with no secretarial staff, it was another challenge to overcome - as it used to say on my school reports - if she tries harder, she will succeed!! I did do better for the final - which was as a competitive as always, but the room was alive with laughter.

There are still members who are apprehensive about mixing in large groups indoors and the Board fully appreciates this and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year, when hopefully life will be easier.

Regards to you all *Heather*

Food Safety in Catering Certificate

Tuesday 22nd February 2022, - 9.00am – 4.00pm

Alma House – Bookings close 26th January 2022

Cost held at the 2019 charge - £45.00.

An important qualification when providing catering for Community Lunches, fund raising cake stalls

Visiting Coach parties, at least one person must hold this certificate to comply with the law.

200 Club Results

Congratulations to the following,
who have won these prizes:

£100 - (212) Pat Todd Castle Belles

£50 - (113) Kate Croll Settle

£25 - (29) Jean Rodgers Long Preston

participated before please see the renewal form in the mailing.

Printing Support Grant

We still have a few unpresented cheques which were issued back in May and are therefore reaching their 6mths cut off for presentation – it will help if these can be banked in November before expiry – but any problems let me know.

Treasurers Q&A Zoom

This proved to be a useful forum for sharing of ideas and tips on how to make the role as easy as possible. I am happy to offer support and advice to any treasurer please do give me a call and I will do my best to help.

Treasurer's Update

200 Club Renewal

Thank you to all who have participated in the 200 club this year and congratulations to the lucky winners. We will be sending out renewal notices by email to all ticket holders in November, if your ticket was issued by post you will receive a letter but we are aiming to minimize postage costs.

The cost remains at £10 with prizes of £30, £20 & £10 per month and two special months with £100, £50, £25

If you wish purchase more tickets or have not

NOVEMBER Committee Report

Activities Committee update

by Julie Clarke j-a-clarke@hotmail.co.uk



Natasha's Law

New allergen labelling Law from 1st October 2021

All prepared food for direct sale has to have **ALL** ingredients listed with all allergens clearly emphasised.

Please check, Food Standards Agency (FSA) for more information,

www.Food.gov.uk/business-guidance/introduction-to-allergen-labelling-changes-ppds

This is completed with all ingredients listed and those allergen ingredients written in **BOLD** so they are clearly identified. Just check on some of your packets of prepared items you will see what to do.

Membership Support Team

Sue Earl- Armstrong

sueearlarmwiadviser@gmail.com

As you will have received the Subscription notice for 2022-2023, these are due in April 2022, with the agent's fee being paid to Federation by the end of May. We have had to ask a lot of WIs this year to please pay your Agent's fee and perhaps it wasn't clear enough, hence my making this plea for the Federation. As you know, we had to cancel our Face to Face meeting for MCS, due to lack of numbers. In the New Year we intend to have workshops for Presidents and Secretaries and also Speakers Snippets. We would really appreciate your input into having these workshops. I know in the past they have been well attended - do we need to look at having this at the weekend, during the day, a certain night? We look forward to hearing your thoughts.

Meanwhile enjoy getting back with your WI friends, whilst putting your programmes together. Think how this would look like to someone not from WI, as we need to let the general public know what we are



up to. You never know, you could get some new members! Thank you for taking the time to read this notice and if you need any help with anything, please get in touch. We are here to help - a problem shared is a problem halved!

Thanks Sue

The 2022 Membership Booklets will be delivered to WIs between November 29th November and 10th December. Please will WIs let Federation Office know as soon as possible before the 14th December if they have not received them. The booklets will be dispatched to the Secretary's name that is on the MCS at the time the data was drawn up. If this contact is no longer the secretary for their WI, they will be required to pass the booklets on to the new secretary, as it is not possible for a second batch to be sent.

Members Joining After 1 Oct 2021 Please note there was an error on the subscription form sent out in March which has now come to light.

Date of joining 2021/22	Total subscription**	WI share **	Federation share	NFWI share	Payable By
1 Oct to 31 Dec	£22.00	£10.80	£5.15	£6.05	31 Dec 2021
1 Jan to 31 Mar 2022	£11.00	£5.40	£2.58	£3.02	31 Mar 2022

RESOLUTION MEETING ON TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER

Liz Whapples (liz.whapples@gmail.com)



It's me again talking about the Resolution Meeting on Tuesday 13th October. Joanne Hayes from Darley Debs, who is a recent member of the Public Affairs Committee, and myself attended the above meeting by zoom. Prior to lockdown this meeting always took place in London, which I have attended on many occasions. However, by changing to zoom it meant that many more people could attend as observers. In fact, 111 people attended and less than 10 Federations had sent their apologies.

The meeting was opened by Ann Jones and then Nicki Amos, the new Chair of Public Affairs, took over and with the help of the Public Affairs Team ran a very efficient and impressive meeting. She opened the meeting by saying that we are a unique organisation, where our Resolutions help to change government policies, unlike other women's organisations and are very influential in many areas of Parliamentary decision making. In fact, it is a known fact that many MPs are terrified of the WI. We only have to look back at some of the Resolutions which WI have passed over the last 100 years to see the beneficial changes which have resulted in these Resolutions being passed by our members. This is something we should be immensely proud of. The new strategy which National has adopted in making WI move forward is BGIF which stands for:

BOLD to have a voice to represent all women and the communities in which they live

GROWING & RELEVANT to promote achievement of our organisation and reach more women

INCLUSIVE to reflect our communities, to be welcoming and inclusive

FLEXIBLE to remove barriers to explore different ways in which our members can get involved.

There were 38 Resolutions to discuss which

the Public Affairs team had split into three sections. Green, which represented the ones they felt were the strongest, amber which were highly recommended and were the largest section to discuss and then the red section which the team did not think were strong enough to go forward, although we did have plenty of opportunity to discuss any issues we wanted to. We were all actively encouraged to join in discussions except if our own Federation had submitted a Resolution, which of course, was in fact in our case. On the Melsonby Resolution, as the voting delegate, I was not allowed to comment or vote. In the morning after each Resolution had been discussed and voted on, a short list was made. After lunch those short listed were discussed again and then another short list of was made, which would then be looked again by the Public Affairs Team and the lawyers, to see if they could go forward to our members, so we can vote on the one we thought we would like to see WI take forward as the 2022/23 Resolution and then, of course, a final vote would be taken at the AGM in Liverpool. We were all asked not to mention to anyone which Resolutions were taken forward and as yet we are still waiting to hear what they are.

Nicki closed the meeting and asked us to encourage as many of you as possible to join in next year with this fascinating meeting. It is certainly inspiring and although all day, it gives you a real insight into how talented our WI members are. Please do think about next year, even if you go as an observer like Joanne, it gives you a real insight into how WI is moving forward, particularly in affairs which affect all women. If anyone would like to know more about this process or any other issue to do with Public Affairs, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Liz Whapples Chair of Public Affairs
Tel: 07779737953

Events

NOVEMBER

Thanksgiving Service

Saturday 20th 2.00pm

Ripon Cathedral £5.00 Booking Sept.1st-November 7th.

Come and enjoy our special service of thanksgiving **CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORT**



Cosmetic gifts for Christmas Workshop with Rachel Poole

Wednesday 24th 10.00-3.30pm Alma House £35.00+ materials Book by 29th October

Coffee 9.30am Materials £15-£20 paid to Rachel. Learn how to make a range of cosmetics ranging from soaps and hand creams, sleep sprays, bath salts, plus much more for Christmas gifts.

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DECEMBER

Chocolate Xmas tree demo with Jane Napper

Monday 6th 7.00-8.00pm

Zoom <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/177014313577>

£5.00 Book by 2nd December Watch how to make these tasty table decorations



Food and Flowers

Thursday 9th 10.30-3.30

Darley Village Hall £ 30.00 members £32.00 non-members



Two course seasonal lunch Book by 19th November

Sue Fairhurst - Cooking for Christmas and Bob Forbes - Christmas Spectacular Floral display, come relax and enjoy the day and meet up with friends from other Institutes.

FEBRUARY

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Thank you to everyone who contributed at the Autumn Lunch to the Curry Project in Bradford. It will be gratefully received.

Keep us in touch!

It is fun reading what other WIs are up to and how they are getting back to 'normal'. Please do send us your news to nywwnewsletter@gmail.com and we'll report here

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 2021 RESULTS

What I did in CoVid



1st Victoria Fattorini
I climbed Everest
Rylstone & Kettlewell



2nd Susan Michael I climbed Helvellyn
Goldsborough



3rd Sally Wooton A walk in my
N Yorkshire village Killinghall

A walk in my North Yorkshire village



1st Adrienne Brown
Graffiti in Skipton
Skipton Dalesway



2nd Marjorie Baker
Popular walk to Spruisty Bridge
Knox



3rd Joyce Thevarokiam
Building socially distanced snowmen
Harrogate Library

My CoVid companion



1st Susan Michael
Winter in Goldsborough
Goldsborough



2nd Adrienne Brown
Ron and Pablo
Skipton Dalesway



3rd Marjorie Baker
Through the farm to Knox Lane
Knox

Thank you to everyone who took part!
Other entries can be seen on the website:

www.thewi.org.uk/northyorkshirewest

Climate Change: How to cool the earth in crochet A Burton Leonard WI recipe for COP26



Ingredients

11 women (WI members & non-members)
Kilos of DK yarn in a rainbow of colours
Crochet hooks
A 100 x 60cm template (use five 20 x 60cm if preferred)
A large table
Scissors, pins, yarn needles, tape measure, stencils
A slightly wobbly handpainted design with an important message
Lots of bright ideas and creativity
Some (mostly) sunny weather
A 7 week deadline!

Method

1. Sign up NYWFWI to Stitches for Survival project to create a 1.5 mile long scarf to take to COP26 to urge world leaders to place limits on global warming.
2. Get one enthusiastic Trustee to encourage WIs to join in.
3. Say 'yes please' when one member offers her yarn stash, a rainbow design with a message and some appliqué ideas.
4. Recruit members and friends to have a go at a 'chat and crochet' in the garden.



5. Choose your theme -Cool Our Earth, Save Our World - red and orange for the earth on fire, gold and yellow for the greening desert, lush greens for a fertile meadow, aquas and blues for the ocean, indigo for night sky & violet for a new cooler dawn.
6. Give crash course in crochet, then



crochet five colour-themed panels and motifs.

7. Crochet panels together and adjust. Measure, block, adjust, measure again.
8. Cut out stencilled letter patterns. Embroider our message and appliqué motifs. Finish with a border - the day before deadline!

1 To serve

1. Present to WI and primary children safely outdoors
2. Take to Skipton for display and joining to other panels at Yarndale fair on 25/26 September.

Create a permanent printed banner to promote the climate change message.

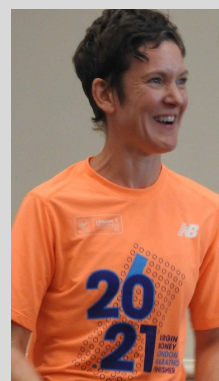
Thanks to: Liz Whapples, Climate Change Ambassador, and Pat Stansfield, Burton Leonard WI Secretary, for encouragement and support throughout; Jenny Birtwhistle, Marcia Crossley, Hilde Kendall, Liz Robinson, Lesley Slater, Pat Stansfield for crochet panels and motifs; Avril Clarke, Pat Scott, Anne Townsend for support; Andy Barmer for photography; Skipton Quakers; Stitches for Survival; and Philip Baldwin for tea, biscuits, picking up pins and putting up tables.

Vivienne Ravis, Designer & crochet panel coordinator, Burton Leonard WI





AUTUMN LUNCH 2021



Jasmine Harrison

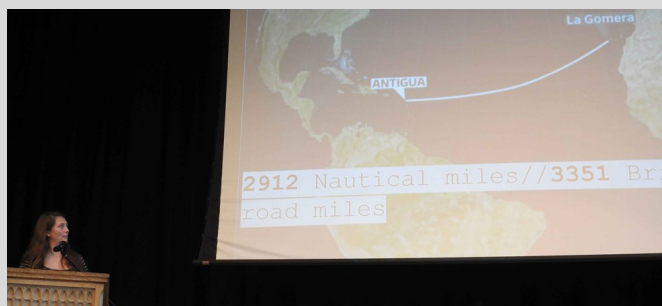
Emma Stoney



Meeting up again after so long for a good chat before the start



Emma congratulates Sylvia Bentley from Killinghall WI, who recommended her for the Anne Martin Award 2020



Jasmine's route



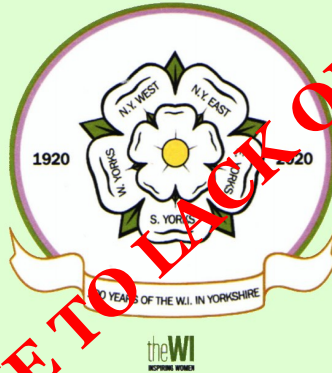
Someone would wish!

North Yorkshire West Federation of WI

Service of Thanksgiving

To celebrate 100
WI in Yorkshire

years of the



At Ripon
2021

Cathedral on Saturday November 20th

At

2:00pm

Tickets £5:00

The collection will be shared between the Cathedral and

Chocolate Christmas Trees



**Monday 6th December at
7.00pm on Zoom**

Sign up to join **Jane Napper** who will demonstrate how she constructs a chocolate Christmas tree table-centre with tempered chocolate and also show how to make something nice for Christmas gifts.

Book £5.00 on Zoom:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/177014313577>

Closing date: November 29th