

## Notes from January Meeting

### **Sandra Hodgson welcomed everyone.**

There was one minute's silence for Phil Bryan, a regular member who acted as Treasurer for a long time. Our thoughts go to her family.

### **Business.**

- Update on the number of completed twiddle blankets and sensory muffs. It looks as though we are on target to make 70. Please bring all your completed items to the February meeting.
- This Year's Spring Council is on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> of March. As in previous years Caton have organized the coach to Southport. Can you let us know tonight if you are going and want a meal? Andrea Palmer will book the table at the Italian Restaurant.
- The full details of The Hats off for Denman initiative on the notice board.
- There are some meetings arranged in April to give guidance to those wishing to submit an item in to the County Show.
- Next month's meeting is "Dine with a Jacket" not a Jacobs Join as shown in the programme.
- Sandra explained the details from the current list of resolutions prior to members taking the vote on which they want to progress to the next stage.
- The Ladies in Harmony Choir event is in Hornby on Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of April. A few members went to the university to hear them last year and would recommend going this year.

### **Speaker**

Tonight's topic was Cooking with Roddy (not to mention his glamorous assistant - Andrea). He themed the cooking around the WI resolution Reducing Food Waste and gave tips on how to store excess food as well as how to use leftovers. Did you know you can freeze bananas, and rehydrate carrots? He gave a demonstration of how to make a type of Pilau Rice using leftovers. Roddy is a very good speaker and cook. Following a taste test his food was given the Halton WI Seal of Approval.



# Halton WI Grapevine



## February 2017

# Halton Women's Institute

Tonight is the last time to sign for:

Ladies Choir  
Intermediate Embroidery  
CEOP policing the Internet  
Annual Conference

**NB: All information for the above is on the clipboards next to the tea table.**

## Local Events/News

### **NETHER KELLETT WI ANNUAL FUN QUIZ**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March at £7.30pm  
Village Hall  
Tickets £8 includes hot pot supper.

**Closing Date: 6<sup>th</sup> March**

### **St Ladies in Harmony WI Choir**

Date: Sat 8th April 2017 Time: 7:30pm  
Venue: Hornby Village Institute LA2 8JR Cost: £7  
**Closing Date: 15th April**

## Lancashire Federation Events/News

The following events are all held at Croston House Leyland. Bookings made via Joyce Beasley, Secretary.

### **EXTREME KNITTING**

Venue: LFWI Offices, Croston House, Leyland, PR2 6TU  
Dates: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April or Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2017 Time: 10.00 – 15.30  
**Closing date: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

### **LFWI TOURS & EXCURSIONS**

Lion Salt Works and Arley Hall, Cheshire  
Date: 20th April 2017 Cost: £28.00  
**Closing Date: Monday 20th March 2017**

## **SHOW TIPS for the COUNTY SHOW**

**Dates:**

1. Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 - WI Office, Croston House, Leyland 10.00 to noon
2. Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017 – Claughton Memorial Hall, PR3 0QU – 13.00 – 15.00
3. Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2017 – WI Office, Croston House, Leyland 10.00 to noon
4. Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017 – The Barlow, Edgworth, BL7 0AP – 13.00 – 15.00

**Cost: £6.00 per person to include refreshments**

- Never entered the County Show? If not, why not?
- Have you entered before but would like to improve your marks?
- Do you have questions you would like answered?
- See examples of what to do and what not to do.
- Attend one of our 'Know How' sessions for lots of hints, tips and advice.

**[NB The County Show schedule will be in the January 2017 mailing and on the LFWI website]**

**Closing Date: Thursday 23rd March 2017**

### **FAT-BALL BIRD FEEDER AND HEARTS. (WILLOW WEAVING)**

Dates :Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>May, Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May,  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May or Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June  
Time: 10.00 to 15.30

Venue: LFWI Offices, Croston House, Leyland PR26 6TU  
**Cost: £20 plus other equipment you may need.**

**Closing date: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

### **CARD MAKING CLASS**

Dates: Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> or Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> of May  
Time: 10.00 to 15.30  
Venue: LFWI Offices, Croston House, Leyland PR26 6TU  
**Cost: £18**

**Closing date: Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

Competition Winners: 1st Kath Bryne, 2nd Jeanne Salisbury.

Congratulations to all our winners and entrants. Keep up the good work.

Birthday Greetings Our Best Wishes, this month, go to: Sandra Hodgson

Next Meeting: Mar 15th - Mr Steele - Open Evening From a Tiny Acorn  
Competition: Trees  
Teas: Pat Armstrong, June Moss  
Baking: Linda Lambson, Jeanne Salisbury  
Raffle: Val Fletcher, Sandra Hodgson

**If you are unable to carry out your Tea or Baking rota, PLEASE change with someone else and let Jane Mealor know. If you cannot change, please ring Jane in plenty of time before the meeting.**