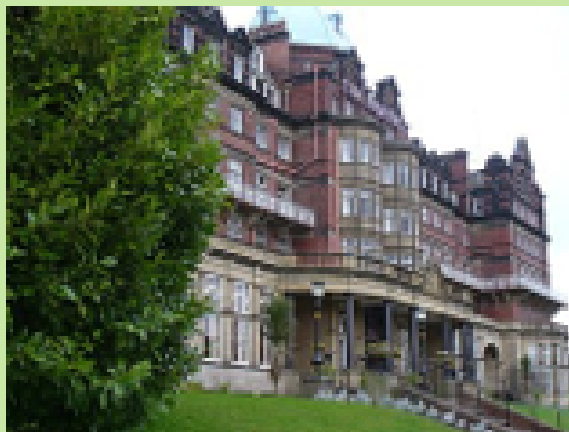




North Yorkshire West Federation News

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INSPIRING WOMEN

JANUARY 2022



Spring Council 2022

Wednesday April 6th 2022

Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Harrogate

Coffee at 10.00 for 10.30 start

Delegates £25 to include morning coffee and buffet lunch

Your WI normally pays for the delegate to attend

Visitors £30 to include morning coffee and buffet lunch

We are experiencing communication difficulties but we have
excellent speakers in the pipeline for you to enjoy
WIs will be informed of speaker details by email as soon as
possible

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Tuesday and Thursday 9.30am –12.30pm
and 1.00-3.00pm Friday 10.00-1-00pm

**The office will be closed until further
notice**

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Chairman's Update

Happy New Year to you all and hopefully the world will get back to a more normal way of life. We are still awaiting any new restrictions for the end of this year; we all need to be as cautious as we are able.

I have several reminders for you all, but first we must offer our congratulations to Hazel Allen a member of Malham WI who has been placed second in the Lady Denman Cup. What an achievement, well done Hazel. See page 4

Resolutions. Please remember all your votes from your WI must be at the office by 31st January. Even though the office may still be closed, Helen the new secretary will be working.

Delegates for AM. It is vital that we have the list of delegates at the office by the end of the month. This must go to National, please do pass onto to the WIs in the correct order on the list if you are unable to provide a delegate; it is important we have 22 voting delegates.

Chairman's Challenge At the Autumn Lunch I announced a challenge to all WIs - We require a new Federation Cloth for when we have Federation events. There are photos of the old one on the web page and also Facebook- it is the grey background with white embroidery on. Sadly, this cloth has gone missing but has provided the opportunity to replace it.



The colours, materials and textures are your individual WIs choices. A design plan with samples, sizes and colours will be judged and the winning design plan will be displayed at Spring Council in April. The winning WI will then replicate their design and produce the new cloth.

All entries will need to be at Alma House by Friday March 18th to enable them to be judged.

Lots for you all to think about in the coming months

Best wishes and stay safe *Heather*

Activities Committee update

This is simply to remind you what has already been circulated, plus additional planned items for the coming year.

Food Safety Catering Certificate, Tuesday 22nd February, at Alma House; closing date 26th January, £45.00

Nordic Walking, 5th April. At Crimble Valley, Harrogate, two sessions 2.00pm – 3.00pm or 6.00pm -7.00 pm; cost £7.50; closing date 23rd March.

More information can be found on www.thewi.org.uk/northyorkshirewest under the Events and Zoom Section

The Norah Worth Competition, Granny Chic exhibits to Alma House by the 20th February.

Enter the National competition to produce a Royal Greeting Card for her Majesty the Queen; deadline 25th February

More information for these can be also found on our website as above, this time under the Fed & Nat. competition section.

Other plans:

Back by popular request an outing to Shibden Hall and visit Piece Hall in Halifax, Thursday 12th May, booking form enclosed in next month's mailing.

Two workshops with the ever popular Rachel Hutton, Tuesday 8th March Shibori dyeing. Learn the many different techniques of dyeing to produce a tote bag, tea towel or pillow case; booking form and full detail in next months mailing.

A future date Thursday 23rd June: make a Leaded Stain Glass Landscape.

We have other interesting plans for the future in the hope 2022 allows us to return to offering events and work shops that have proven popular previously, so please look out in future mailings for what's in store for you to enjoy.

IMPORTANT MEETING Thursday March 24th Resolution Discussion Meeting to be held at Alma House at 2:30pm and 7:00pm. Price is £8:50 including Tea/Coffee and Biscuits

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

200 Club for 2022

If you have forgotten to renew your 200 Club ticket /buy a new ticket there is just time to renew - send an email to NYWFWI200club@outlook.com and let us know how you are paying or ring the office and leave a message.

You need to be in it to win it.

If you wish to renew/purchase additional ticket please either

- ♦ Make an On Line Payment of £10 per ticket clearing stating your Ticket no & Name to
Sort Code : 05-07- 17
Account No: 35739439
- ♦ Forward a cheque for £10 to Alma House with your Ticket no & Name on reverse
- ♦ Let us know via email/post your ticket no and name
to NYWFWI200Club@outlook.com

Renewals can be made by Email or Post or in person at Alma House.

First Draw is Jan 2022 so please renew before 31 Dec 2021

200 Club Results

Congratulations to the following,
who have won these prizes:

£30 - (22) Pat Hill Aspin Park

£20 - (167) Low Bentham WI

£10 - (156) Lesley Manser

MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT TEAM

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Wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year from the team.

As you will know we have a few changes on the membership front. We have rearranged some of our Advisers to cover for members of the team who have left us due to health reasons or life balances, which leaves us with a small number of advisers for our 86 WI's, the new list will be on our Federation website in January and you can ask any question of your adviser or adviser helper and we will endeavour to answer as soon as we can.

I am asking if anyone out there feels that perhaps they now have time to be more active with the WI. Personally I feel that being a WI

adviser is a rewarding role you get to meet all types of WI's and there is nothing better than seeing them thrive with the way that they wish to grow, be it through climate change local community. You're all different and unique - please have a think about it your Federation needs you; my email address is at the top of this page.

This year you will be given your Membership booklets at your January meeting, so that you don't lose out on the offers enclosed in the booklet. Our subscriptions will be due in April, the same as last year - this is going to be a permanent time for the future. WI teams need to make sure that your Agent's portion of the subscription is sent to Alma House by the end of May.

Looking forward to seeing you in the New year and let's stay safe!

Sue Earl - Armstrong

Lady Denman Cup Competition 2021

Members were invited to submit a piece of writing fact or fiction based on the painting by Artemisia Gentileschi.

Let me show you what a woman can do!

As Heather has said, congratulations to Hazel Allen, from Malham WI for gaining 2nd place in the National Competition. Over 68 entries, but we must not forget our other members who submitted an entry for which we thank you, and of those 2 others went forward as we are only allowed to submit 3 entries.

Here's Hazel winning entry:

I watch you, see you stare and scrutinise,
You know about my life, or think you do,
Singing my praise, but then you patronise.
"She has some talent for a woman who
Was married. With five children! She's no saint!"
But scrape a little deeper, hear Catherine speak.
See the layers of pain beneath the paint.
I too have heard how men would call me weak.
I faced the challengers and I was strong,
Forced open doors, stood side by side with men.
Here, free and independent, I belong.
I will not let your rules be mine again.
I will not be held back, put in my place.
I can do this; you see it in my face.



Great Yorkshire Show 2022

12th – 15th July

Included in this mailing you should find the schedule for this year's show. I hope this will inspire you to enter as the classes offer a wide variety of opportunities for members to participate in. I know some members are disappointed there are no cookery classes, the reasons being to avoid the criticism received in previous years relating to food waste, not only from the public, but also our own members. Some of the other considerations were a 4-day show in warm conditions - how would the exhibits stand? Not knowing what Covid restrictions might be in place, our seating café area may need to be extended into part of the exhibition area, therefore the number of classes would need to be reduced. It is easier to do this now, than to have to cancel classes nearer the show date. So please look at what can be entered and "Have a Go", to show the public just how skilled you are.

Joyce Freemantle

Joyce Freemantle celebrated her 90th birthday on 22 December. She has been a member of Ripon Centre for about 12 years. During that time she has served on the committee, been treasurer and latterly MCS.

Unfortunately, since the pandemic began, she has been housebound, but she rejoined, still does our MCS and committee meetings are held at her house.

We had planned to have a December meeting to coincide with Joyce's big birthday, but owing to the current situation with Covid and given Joyce's vulnerability, we had to cancel this. Our secretary took her flowers and a card signed by all the members.

Food and Flowers Event



Sue Fairhurst and Bob Forbes provided an excellent day's entertainment with plenty of ideas for Christmas. Sue revealed the way to produce cheese souffles that do not flop, as well as a pear and ginger cake, a salmon coulibac and a



chocolate truffle torte.

Bob casually combined flowers, twigs and berries to produce dramatic floral displays. Both speakers chatted while they worked, relating anecdotes from their interesting lives.



Julie Clarke's team completed the perfection of the day with Christmas Eve Pie, Yorkshire salad and vegetables and meringue and berries.



It was very heartening to see so many members relaxed and enjoying each other's company.





Shibden Hall

Thursday 12th May 2022

£25.00

(Luxury Travel, Usual Pick Up Points)



Members to pay own admission at the door

We are heading to Shibden Hall which is the birthday of Anne Lister and also a house that was used in the TV production of Gentleman Jack. We then travel to Piece Hall in Halifax where you will have free time to wander round the magnificent buildings.



Start Date: 1st Feb 2022 – Closing Date: 18th April 2022

Confirmation will be issued after the closing date.

Alma House

Tuesday 22nd February 2022

9.00am to 4.00pm

Cost held at the 2019 charge - £45.00

The course is provided by the GEM Compliance Training Company, who are returning to present the course again.

It is an important qualification when providing catering for Community Lunches, fund-raising, cake stalls, Visiting Coach parties, etc.

At least one person must hold this certificate to comply with the law.

Participants will be tested and provided with a certificate valid for 3 years. Please bring your own packed lunch.

Bookings close 26th January

Confirmation will be issued via email by 15th February

If the closing date has passed, please contact the office for availability 01785 606339

