



Cog in the Tree

West Midlands Federation of Women's Institutes

March 2021

International Women's Day

As you will no doubt all be aware Monday 8th March was International Women's Day #IWD2021. This day has been celebrated since 1908 when 15,000 women marched through New York City demanding better pay and the right to vote. Women have been fighting for their rights since the dawn of time, and still it continues, even in these times, we are not equal in all areas. Women are still paid less, promoted less, respected less, valued less and in some cases have come to expect less!

It's not all doom and gloom though, women through the generations have already achieved so much, maybe you or your mother are one of them. WI women in particular have been extremely vocal in the fight for women's rights and have many success stories to tell.

Suffragettes achieved the right to vote for all women, Lady Denman was part of this. In 1921 WI campaigned for women jurors and magistrates. 1924 an increase in female police officers was called for. 1943 saw the introduction of the 'Equal pay for equal work' campaign, a fight that was still going on when factory workers from Dagenham went to court for their rights and won in 1968, which led to the Equal pay act of 1970.

The fight to legalize abortion was begun in the late 19th century and only passed in law in 1967, no doubt with the help of some WI members. In 1964 the WI campaigned for routine smear tests to detect cervical cancer. In 1974 the battle for free contraceptives for all was won by the FPA. The fight for women's health issues is still not over, in 2012 the WI called on the government to increase spending for more midwives. There is still a shortage!

Our work to improve, and aid women in their daily lives is far from over, each year new resolutions are put forward highlighting the disparity between male and female issues on health, welfare, finances, education, employment, and safety. We will continue to act and campaign for fairness.



The death of Sarah Everard this month has shocked the nation. Sarah was walking home from a friends house when she went missing, just after 9pm. The most shocking thing about this case is that she was attacked by one of the very people who should have protected her. A serving MET police officer has been charged with her kidnap and murder. Sarah's death has caused a quake of emotion, with women taking to the streets to protest the handling of the officer and his previous behaviour. Sexual and violent crimes against women do not carry tough enough consequences and this needs to change. #shewasjustwalkinghome



200 Club Winner £10

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<https://www.facebook.com/WMFWI>



Chairman's Address



Hello Everyone, Spring is definitely on its way and with it comes good news that we have a roadmap out of lockdown. Hurray! In the lovely sunny weather we have enjoyed recently I have spent time in the garden tidying up and generally preparing the borders for summer bedding plants.

I know it is trivial, but I got quite a thrill at hanging washing out and getting it dry enough to iron without having to either use the tumble drier or drape things over the radiators. Such is life at the moment that the smallest of changes to the daily routine brings me a little frisson of pleasure.

Out on one of my daily walks I was accompanied for a while by this cheeky little robin who posed for a photograph whilst singing his heart out; another little pleasure. Very soon now we should be able to meet family members and friends for walks or in our gardens and that will seem almost like release from a prison sentence after these long months of enforced solitude.



WI life has continued in the background and many of you have found lots of ways of keeping in touch and continuing to get on with craft projects. I was delighted to see so many of you on our Zoom Business meeting on the 9th March and I think it might be a good way to keep in touch in the future, even when we are able to attend proper meetings. It might help to make Federation and WIs feel a little more connected.

I seem to have been on Zoom calls every day recently talking to Advisers from our nearest Federations, to Federation Chairmen from all round the country and to NFWI about the problems that this pandemic has caused. It does help to reinforce the feeling that we are all in this together.

When you receive this edition you will also have received the latest WI Life magazine and I hope you were cheered and encouraged by the upbeat letter from NFWI Chairman, Lynne Stubbins. Reading the contributions from WI members who are also front line workers made me even more proud to be a part of this wonderful organization that we belong to.

I am looking forward to a quieter time this week and hope to be able to finish the jigsaw that has been shamefully neglected on my work table for nearly a month now and I have been given more commissions for knitted aliens from my grandchildren,

So I won't be too idle.

Please remember that you can always get in touch with me by phone or email if you have any queries about WI matters or if you would just like a general chat. I am always pleased to hear from you.

Lynn

WMFWI News

WMFWI Federation Grant Scheme – 2020 – 2021

The Federation has launched a Grant scheme this year only, whereby WIs are invited to apply for a grant of up to £150.00 per WI (maximum)

This grant can be used to offset costs incurred by the WI during lockdown from 1st March 2020 and up to the end of this Financial Year to 31st December 2021 (22 month period)

The grant can be used towards the cost of expenses such as Zoom Licenses, other technologies such as PC, Printer and other consumables, postage, and stationery or for Speakers and cost of materials for Craft or other Educational Activities.

WIs may apply for re-imbursement of items already expended since 1st March 2020 up to 31 December 2021.

WIs must apply to the Federation for the Grant and provide details of what the grant has or will be used for. Iris would like to see copies of receipts where possible but we appreciate that the WI will need to retain the original for their files.

Application forms have been sent to all mailing secretaries.

Kim Slivinski, Federation Secretary

Please watch this space for news of federation events, beginning with zoom talks. Crafts, Public Affairs, Entertainment and Media committees are working on new bookings, activities, and training for all members.

Later in the year we will return to physical meetings. Committees are also booking and trips and outings to various places for when normality returns.

To all WI members,

Please be aware that contact details of WI members, officers, and trustees should not be given to anyone outside the WI. If anyone outside of the WI wishes to contact a member they should either go through the WMFWI office or the generic email of the appropriate WI. Please do not pass on personal contact details.

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Lynn Smith, Federation Chairman

Over to you

Virgen de la Arrixaca Hospital in Murcia (Spain) would like to thank the WMFWI, for their kind donation of Trauma Teddies to our Cystic Fibrosis Association.



Thanks especially to Cathryn Marsh, for making this possible. The children with this illness have to go through serious health problems, some of them spending long periods of time in hospital. These teddies will give strength and hope to our little fighters who are enjoying them now and feel so happy because they feel special. We really appreciate it.

Cathryn Marsh, Walmley Evening WI

Some photos of the tiny hats I have knitted for Age UK Solihull for the Innocent Smoothie charity appeal.



The target is 8000 by October, they have already sent 4000. Age UK Solihull get £2000 as Innocent pay 25p per hat. The little hats will go on sale on the bottles next February.



Carol Gerard, Yardley WI

To celebrate International Women's Day 2021 Black Country Wenches WI thought it would be lovely to invite other local WI's in the Area to all get together and join them for their monthly Zoom Meeting.

We were joined by members from Victory Belles, Hawne, HalesOwen, West Midlands Federation Trustees from Bournville, Yardley, Hobs Moat, Kings Norton Afternoon, and Walmley Evening WI. We also ventured across the border to include Members of Wombourne WI, Staffordshire Federation.

Our Speaker for the Evening was something a little different, up and coming Drag Queen, Miss Crystal P Enigma. She discussed who and what inspired her to become the drag queen she is today. History of drag, make up and fashion, how the world of Drag is inspired by powerful independent Women.

It was a great opportunity for WI's that wouldn't necessarily meet up with one another pre covid due to busy schedules, and distance.

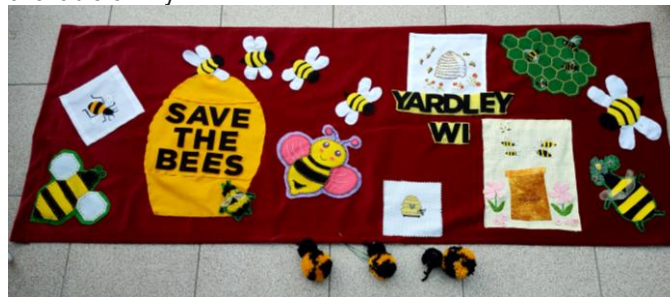
I am already really looking forward to the invitations I have had from a couple of WI's that joined us to visit them when we are all able to meet up again.

Thank you to all who joined us we had a fabulous evening!



Donna Haddock, Black Country Wenches WI

This is Yardley's banner for National's exhibition for International Women's Day. The exhibition of all banners is available on My WI.



It was a real challenge getting the ideas out to members, receiving their contributions and putting it all together as we only had 3 weeks notice.

I'm really pleased with the outcome and want to say a big thankyou and congratulations to all the members who contributed.

Julie Afridi-Martin, Yardley WI

As part of Show the love, Knowle WI, in the absence of not being able to distribute the hearts, posted on the Community board, the ways we could contribute to Climate Change and we had a rare Persian Ironwood tree planted in Knowle Park. It is hoped that we will be able to sit around this tree together on 5th July to have Afternoon tea to celebrate NHS/Social Care/Frontline Workers Day.



On 9th March at 3.00pm, we had tea together via Zoom on International Women's Day although some people opted for something a little stronger!



Stephanie Withers, Knowle WI



Green hearts I have made for Berkswell Show the Love campaign

Pamela Griffiths, Berkswell WI

Public Affairs

The Tale of Worzel Galloway – I returned from Cornwall early last year with a sack of straw – sheep bedding actually - from my sister-in-law who'd stocked up for the lambing season. The plan was to stuff a scarecrow to stand guard over my vegetable patch, but what with Covid and a few other dozen things, I didn't get beyond filling the trousers, which languished in slovenly fashion on a chair in my breakfast room. Every time I caught sight of 'him' I had to stop myself from addressing him ... Hi there... whatever happened to the torso? ... or Why don't you help tidy up all the mess your straw's made?



Of course, what I could do with is a peregrine falcon (I understand they're very fond of fresh pigeon!). However, just recently, with renewed enthusiasm, and sensing the influx of hungry birds in spring, I got out the remains of the straw and persuaded my husband to part with an old check shirt he'd been using to mop up oil from his classic car. I needed full protective gear to handle the shirt, but eventually it was stuffed! Is that where the expression "stuffed shirt" came from? Probably not!!

I inserted an eight foot bamboo cane from the neck to the waist and beyond and dragged him unceremoniously down our very long garden. My first attempt to plant the cane caused him to lurch forward, doubled up – rather as if he'd been out on a bender last night – and he was certainly nowhere near the vertical! This wouldn't do. At great personal sacrifice, I brought out the plastic chair I've been recycling in my greenhouse for many moons – my "I'll just sit down for a minute and work out what to do next" chair - and I reluctantly plonked him in it. He really looked rather comfortable, so, three cheers, job done! or was it? ...I didn't I hadn't yet made a head and he was also without boots, hair or hat. This is definitely a work in progress and so I'll have to break off here and hope to show you himself in all his finished splendour next month! ...to be cont'd.



Liz Galloway

Pamela Griffiths will be leading an ACWW walk around Barston Lakes in early September. It will be an interesting walk with plenty of wildlife to see but you can also have lunch or a coffee as long as we're on track with Boris' Roadmap to Lockdown.

Further details, flyers and the opportunity to sign up for these events will be sent out in the next few months.

The Resolution Selection Results are in:

thewi.org.uk/campaigns/resolutions/resolution-selection-results

A call to increase awareness of the subtle signs of ovarian cancer

There now 11 current campaigns that you can access easily on:

thewi.org.uk/campaigns/key-and-current-campaigns

5 Minutes that Matter, Climate Change, End Plastic Soup, Get on Board, Link Together to Alliegate Loneliness, Make a Match, Make Time for Mental Health, No More Violence Against Women, Stop Modern Slavery, Food Matters, SOS Honeybees

Some of these campaigns have been updated due to the Coronavirus and further information is given about each as well as what you can do to help.

Thank you to all WI members who took part in the UK's first ever **Food Waste Action Week, 1 – 7 March 2021.**

If we all stopped wasting the 710,000 tonnes of potatoes we throw away at home every year, it could do the same for greenhouse gas emissions as planting 5.4 million trees.

Have you ever realized that you've bought too many spuds and that they're beginning to sprout? The gardeners amongst us would probably wonder whether they'd grow, given the right conditions... but then, we're told that they're usually treated to stop them growing and maybe our efforts would be wasted. Very recently, I was going away (not this year, clearly!) and realised I couldn't put several kilos of potatoes in my suitcase, so, to avoid waste, I boiled them, mashed them, divided them into portions and froze them. (Some experts say salt or garlic don't freeze well, so add that later) I'm told they should last for several months in the freezer, although mine didn't need to!

Some of the key points from Issue 59: March 2021

- [The resolution selection results are in!](#)
- [An unusual Show the Love 2021](#)
- [Fairtrade Fortnight, 22nd February- 7th March 2021](#)
- [Celebrating International Women's Day](#)
- [Women and Modern Slavery](#)
- [New Food Foundation report](#)
- [Last week was Food Waste Action Week](#)
- [Experiences of Domestic Abuse](#)
- [Campaigns Corner](#)



There's much more on all of these topics, including interesting articles, reports and statistics from all over the world on the MyWI area of our website www.thewi.org

#WIIWalkwithWomen

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INSPIRING WOMEN

NFWI called on WI members to show their support and solidarity with all women who have experienced abuse and harassment. Between 6pm and 7pm, on Friday 19th March to safely join in 'WI Walk with Women'. Photos of our walk were posted to social media using [#WIIWalkwithWomen](https://www.facebook.com/WIWalkwithWomen) to raise awareness online.

Victory Belles WI took part in the local park, in Wednesbury. Walking in pairs and handing out 'White Ribbons' to passing males.



Black Country Wenches WI also took part in Gornalwood



There are also actions you can take now, such as sharing your views and experiences in a Government survey, signing a Women's Aid petition and writing to your MP <https://bit.ly/2NtfiMo>

Climate Change

When we work together beautiful things are possible!

For our Show the Love Campaign this year we knew we weren't going to be able to all get together to show our support in the normal way due to the Covid Pandemic. Black Country Wenches decided to reach out to local community groups and get them involved in a collaboration. We were joined by Pom-Poms for Loneliness, Top Church Training, and Wombourne WI.

The Banner at Coseley was organised by Shona from Pom-Poms for Loneliness, it was outstanding and received tremendous support from local residents who stopped to look and read the messages.



The beautifully decorated WI Bench in Wombourne, led by Lynda and Pat from Wombourne WI was also much admired.

Black Country Wenches and Top Church Training made some lovely Green Hearts, that were hidden around Gornal and Sedgley for people to find with Climate Change messages on, and a link to our Facebook page to post a photo when you found it. You could either choose to keep it or hide it again to keep the message going.



We also had Felicity Crafts in Harrogate join us via Zoom for our January meeting, to show us how to make Green Paper Hearts to hang in your window at home to show your support. So there was a little something for everyone.

Below are some of the simple ways that we can challenge ourselves to reduce our carbon footprint.

- Cut down on waste - re-using, up-cycling, refusing single-use plastic, making sure no food is wasted at home.
- Think about how I travel - taking buses and trains, cycling and walking, switching to an electric car
- Think about what I eat - supporting local farmers and seasonal produce, eating a more plant-based diet: better for my health and my carbon footprint
- Make my home sustainable - from smart meters and switching to a renewable energy provider, to better insulating my home

Please help us to spread this message so we leave a healthier planet for future generations!

Donna Haddock, Climate Change Ambassador

Leisure & Wellbeing

I know you all understand why it has been impossible for the Federation to organize the type of events that we've put on in the past, like croquet, darts, petanque, ten pin bowling (with fish and chip supper), quiz nights and the like during the prolonged period of lockdown. It looks as if croquet and walking netball might be the first activities possible for us, but not yet. Rest assured, the Federation will be opening up opportunities as soon as we're allowed and are able to plan.

Many of us are walking regularly and as of 8 March, we can meet one other person outdoors. There are plenty of parks and open spaces to visit across the West Midlands as soon as we're able to travel slightly further. If you go online, you can get information about parks and other facilities in your area. Passport to Leisure cards are available for Birmingham residents, and also Sandwell and Dudley, some concessions are available for over 60s.



Here are a few ideas for visits as long as they are local to you at the moment: Cannon Hill Park, Midlands Arts Centre, Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Sutton Park,

Arboretum, Castle Bromwich Hall Gardens, Jubilee Sensory Garden, Akamba Heritage Centre, Jasmine Rd Community Gardens Dudley, Elmdon Parks, Sandwell Valley Country Park, Ashwood Nurseries Kingswinford, Winterbourne House Edgbaston, Saltwell's Nature Reserve.

These are just a few places you could be planning to visit, after 29 March..... at the earliest, of course and subject to further announcements.



Many are free and most are accessible by public transport once we feel confident about using trains and buses again. We're still being asked to limit our travel and be generally cautious, but any of these venues if its reasonably close to you, would make a good day out.



Why not plan a few outings, even if you don't intend to take them until later ... planning is a commitment and the anticipation of a visit is bound to be a tonic until we can resume Federation outings and events.

Liz Galloway

Wildlife friendly craft project (from WI website)

Your feathered friends will be lining up to fly into your garden with this easy-to-make bird feed fat ball.

Key Ingredients:

- 250g of pure fat, eg lard/suet
- Sunflower seeds
- Unsalted peanuts
- Mixed
- Mixed bird seeds
- Nyjer seeds (tiny black seeds)
- Peanut butter
- Grated cheese



Competitions

If you enjoy writing, there are 2 chances to get your pens out and enter our annual competitions this spring.

Firstly, you might like to write a piece (no more than 500 words) on the theme 'Let me show you what a woman can do' For the **Lady Denman Cup** in partnership with the National Gallery and the self portrait of St Catherine Of Alexandria. Closing date Friday 30th April 2021

The second competition is the **Valerie Daggert Cup**. Presented annually for a piece of writing on the theme this year 'I've found a silver lining in the Covid cloud' Closing date Monday 28th June 2021

Entry forms available from Julie Afridi Martin, 28 Vicarage Road, Yardley B'ham B33 8PH or on WI website

In both cases, please send a stamped addressed envelope, completed entry form address slip (available from your secretary), For Valerie Daggert only a cheque for £5 entries for Lady Denman are free.

Crafts

Hello Crafters, How many of you knitted the daffodil from last month's issue?

I made one to wear at the Board meeting.



This month's craft project is from Sue Bubb, Newton WI, and it is a good way of recycling magazines.

Please do share any craft makes that you do including the ones we put on these pages.

Also this month there is a feature on 'make do and mend' using Sashiko Embroidery to decorate a patch pocket on a pair of jeans.

Winners of the **Trustees Trophy** have been announced. Information of the latest **Huxley Cup** competition has been issued. Also don't forget there is still plenty of time to enter **The Montgomerie Shield**.

Don't forget **The Trustees Challenges**.

The Shropshire Way Scarf Challenge to make scarves to stretch the length of the Shropshire Way. All scarves will go to a homeless charity.

Next month, I will continue with the knitted and crochet stitch blocks/patterns for **The Linus Project Blankets**

Debbie Arkinstall

The Huxley Cup

Usually this is for flower arrangers within Federations, but this coming year it is for gardeners!

WIs are invited to design a planted area that could be recreated within their local Community. The planted area can be designed for any season, themed to reflect the spirit of the WI, local community, or which tells a special story.

Members are encouraged to work together and submit a design (or mood board), no larger than A3, containing a sketched 2D design (birds eye view), a clear explanation behind the design theory, research undertaken during the creation, colour schemes, examples and reasoning behind plants and materials used plus a clear, drawn image of the finished planted area. It is up to the WI to interpret the theme as they wish and decide whether to base their design on a season or theme.

Deadline for entries is **FRIDAY 27 AUGUST 2021**.

For more details, please email me and I will forward you the email from NFWI. Good Luck!

Denman at Home

If you have access to the internet you can participate in dozens of courses, demos, craft-alongs, and talks via zoom.

Visit Denman website for details. www.denman.org.uk

Montgomerie Shield

The outgoing Chairman Iris Montgomery has kindly donated a shield to the federation trophy cabinet. An annual competition will be held for Best in Craft to be awarded at the Federation Annual Meeting each year.



2021 members are invited to design and make A Thistle

Using any media: knitted, quilted, embroidered, painted, beaded, sculpted etc (excluding photographic) A4 size

Trustees Trophy 2020 - Winners

The Trustees Trophy competition last year was for a table runner. 3 members took part, and each entry was stunning in their own way! But there has to be a winner and she is **Carol Morden of Four Oaks WI** with her sea scape theme.



Many thanks go also to our worthy runners up,

Mary Pegg, Knowle WI and **Shirley Ricketts, Great Barr WI**.



Recycled Paper Basket

This is an ideal way to spend "A lock down afternoon" and re-cycle some old magazines.

Materials needed:

A magazine or two, white PVA glue, a narrow-gauge knitting pin, laundry pegs.



Method:

Cut your magazine pages into 2 and half inch strips.

Roll strips around a knitting pin diagonally from the bottom corner and place a small dab of glue at the end to seal and prevent uncoiling.



Make a number of these straws, the quantity will depend on how large you want your final basket to be.

Join two straws together by gluing one inside the other, one end will be slightly larger than the other, this allows you to place some glue inside the larger end and push the smaller end into it.



Allow to dry for a few minutes. Then flatten the whole straw.

Start to coil the flattened straw around the knitting pin.



Once you have established a good coil, remove the knitting pin and coil by hand.



It's a good idea to have a couple of pegs handy to keep the coil from unwinding (do not use glue to stop the uncoiling, as you will not be able to shape your bowl later).

Keep adding flattened straws as described until you have a flat circle.



Finally glue the last strip down and allow to dry.

Now to shape your bowl. Its best to take your time with this. I would advise lots of small pushing movements, not one big one, you do not want your dish to come uncoiled



When you are happy with the shape of your bowl you need to glaze to give it strength and shine.

Dilute your PVA glue 50/50 with water and generously brush the inside of the bowl, let it dry completely and then do the same for the outside.

You now have a small decorative bowl to hold all your trinkets and other bits and pieces.

Sue Bubbs, Newton WI

Sashiko Embroidery – Make Do and Mend Project



This charming picture is of a piece of sashiko embroidery, used widely in Japan to patch and repair clothes. This is now elevated into an art form, but really is quite simple, as long as you can do running stitch anyone can do it.

I have a pair of much-loved jeans, which now need a patch placed on the front. So I have taken a pocket off an old pair of jeans given to me by my son for craft projects and I've decided to do a simple sashiko design for the top half of the pocket.

You will need: Embroidery thread, embroidery needle, fabric pen, scissors, ruler, fabric or clothing for repair.



freehand your own design.

Draw your design onto your fabric with the fabric pen.

The only stitch used is a straight stitch. Use small neat stitches all even in size.



As you can see, not only is it simple, but effective as well.



Here is the completed patch pocket with its embroidered top and stitched to my jeans.

Debbie Arkinstall



Live shows from 27th March - 4th April
Weekdays 10.00 and 1pm
Weekends 10.00, 1.00 and 7.00 pm

pantolive.com/cinderella-easter

All-Access Tickets - £14.97 per household



Take a virtual tour of the Fashion Museum and Assembly Rooms

Get up close to the beautiful objects in our displays by exploring a [3D model of the Fashion Museum and Assembly Rooms](#). You can also wander around the Assembly Rooms on a [360 degree tour](#) at fashionmuseum.co.uk/

Delve into our Dress of the Year gallery

Every year since 1963, the Fashion Museum has invited an expert from the fashion industry to select a Dress of the Year. See how fashion has changed through the years in our [Dress of the Year gallery](#)



Join a talk at Denman at Home

Peter's Talk - It's All in the Name - London's Unusual Street Names

Daytime - Thursday, 15th April 2021 at 1:30 - 2.30pm

Evening - Wednesday, 31st March 2021 at 7:30 - 8.30pm

denman.org.uk/whats-on/ COST £5

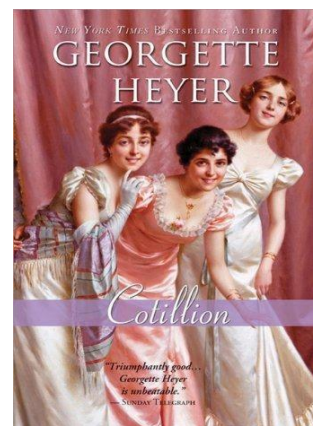
Dates for your Diary 2021

09.09.2021	ACWW Walk – Barston Lake
04.12.2021	Carol Service – St Martin's in the Bullring
12.10.2021	WMFWI Annual Meeting – Carr's Lane

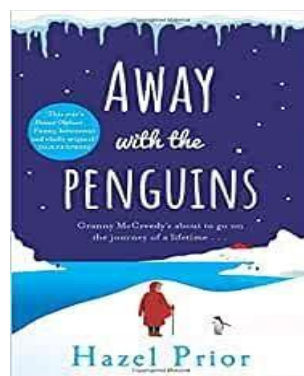
Locked into Reading

Cotillion – Georgette Hayer

No doubt many of you will be familiar with Georgette Hayer books but for those who are not I would really recommend getting to know them. I have chosen one of my personal favourites – Cotillion. It is a witty romp with pitch perfect period detail. The essence of the story is the decision of Kitty's guardian to bestow his fortune on her on the understanding that she marries one of his nephews. Kitty is an inventive girl who hatches her own plot to get a chance of experiencing a taste of life in London society through a sham engagement with the charming, kind Freddy. The resulting adventures and scrapes are laugh out loud hilarious. Wonderful characters beautifully brought to life.



Recommended by Patti Pearson, Walmley Evening WI



Away with the Penguins – Hazel Prior
Veronica McCreedy, an abrasive 86 year old, lives alone in her stately mansion in Ballahays, with only her devoted daily help, Eileen, for company. She spends her days mostly alone, but Veronica wouldn't have it any other way. She has no

idea who she is going to leave her vast wealth to but then, out of the blue, two unrelated events happen to her and she goes on a journey of discovery she could have never envisaged.

My review: I found this a quirky, funny, and life-affirming story.

Recommended by Yasmin Samaraweera, Yardley WI





We would love you to give us your own reviews. (no more than 10 lines please – 200 words) We hope to publish 2 reviews each month.

Do you have a recommendation for a good read?

If you do please send them to us together with the title, genre, writer and a short summary of what the books about.

Puzzle Page

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Answers in April Newsletter!

Riddle me this

1. If there are four sheep, two dogs and one herdsman, how many feet are there?
2. How is a person in jail like a sinking ship?
3. What is full all night and empty all day?
4. On which side of a church is a graveyard always situated?
5. There are 3 birds on a branch, a man shoots 1, how many are left?
6. A man has 9 children, half of them are boys, how is this possible?

February Puzzle Page Answers

Say what you see

Hand in hand, All pull together, What goes up must come down, Middle of the road, Forget it, Slice of cake, Photo finish, Musical chairs, Middle aged, Lemonade, Wide open, Rising costs, Raise the bar, Blue moon, Downhill skiing, Fighting talk.

Riddle me this

1. Cold, 2. Footsteps, 3. A penny, 4. Your name, 5. Darkness, 6. A plant, 7. A mirror, 8. Telephone, 9. A joke, 10. A needle

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