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HINCKLEY CANALSIDE WI

NOVEMBER 2024

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President's Message



Hello Ladies

Once again, I am looking forward to seeing you all at our November members meeting. Justine is organising a quiz night, traditionally we always have a very full evening, including the presentation and adoption of the financial statement, the committee annual report, and its adoption, also the nomination and vote for the President, and of course introducing the hardworking committee. There will be a box to put your Presidents voting form into and Pat Wood from Burbage has offered to be our teller.

I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to our very own crafter's they did us proud. The craft evening was Justine's idea and I'm sure we will be having another one, it was a real success.

We are trialling an honesty box for payment for our refreshments instead of collecting at the desk. The honesty pot will be on the counter, and it is still £1.00 per person, it would be helpful if you could bring the correct money.

I am going to send a board around for anyone to offer help to get the room ready for our meetings. We now have 100 members and putting out chairs and moving tables is quite a task. It will mean that you need to be at the Mary Forryan Centre about 6.45pm.

Good luck with the quiz and see you on the 6th November at 7.30pm.

Ann xxx

Just a reminder - the email address to contact myself is: canalsidewipresident@gmail.com

Stop Press



As referenced in the President's message, we now have 100 members in our group which means a lot of chairs to be put away at the end of the meetings.

The committee would be extremely grateful if members, where able to, could help with the chairs at the end of our monthly meeting. We need to have six chairs placed around nine tables on the carpeted area and the rest of the chairs stacked at the back of the room.

Thank you in advance for your support and help.

October Cake Makers



A big Thank You to the following who have volunteered to bake or buy cakes for our October meeting. **Marie Cropp, Chrissie Field-Toon, Tina Moore, Angela Nollett, Jackie Sprigens and Heather White.**

We are very grateful to so many of you who volunteer readily and produce such delicious cakes. If you prefer you could bring some fruit instead. In the past this has been appreciated by some members.

If you can no longer provide these refreshments, please contact me.
Pat (07714 097947)

October Meeting Snapshot – Craft Evening



We had our very own craft evening at the October meeting. We had 8 tables set up with different crafts available for our members to try. We had Cupcake Decorating, Ginger Cat Glass Infusion, Magic Mix Jewellery, Cards and a Bit More, Mandala Painting, our two WI Craft Groups and Floral Buttonholes. Members enjoyed trying one or two different crafts and it gave everybody the opportunity to sit and socialise with each other. We also auctioned off a trumpet shaped marrow, donated by Fran Rathbone for our charity.

Fundraising Events

Book Sales Table



We are having a book sales table at this meeting. Please come and look. Books are only 50p. Please note, I DO NOT need any more books at the present time, thank you.

Also don't forget the Trades Directory, that will be on the sales table.

If you have any work done and want to recommend the tradesperson, please get a trades card, if they have one and write a little bit about the work done etc.

If you need a tradesperson between meetings, you are welcome to contact me :-
Email: cathgreenwell@hotmail.com or mobile, 07855158730.

Thanks, Cath Greenwell.

Raffle



We WILL NOT be having a raffle at our November meeting.

Save your £1 coins though as we will be having a bumper Christmas Raffle in December.

Thanks Gill x

Jigsaw Table



There will be a jigsaw table this time. Free to swap, £2 to buy.

ACWW / Pennies for friendship

We are not collecting for this cause. Will soon decide how and to whom we will continue to raise money for.

Clubs and Teams

Canalside Amateur Dramatic Society (CADS)



The drama group held their second meeting in October and meetings are now on hold until the New year.

Sue x

Third Tuesday Craft Club

As Julie and I were so busy preparing for the WI Crafting evening, we didn't have time to plan a new activity, so we decided to let the Ladies do some of the activities they may have missed out on. At November's 3rd Tuesday Crafting club, we will be making Xmas cards using Buttons.



Bits and Bobs Craft Group



The Bits & Bobs crafters met on 29th October. With 12 of us, it was very "cosy"! We made some really lovely, beaded Christmas decorations. They were easier to make than we expected and some of the group are going to make more.

Next time - 26th November, we will be making fabric covered baubles.



Best wishes

Colleen

Skittles



Great News ! We played our first skittles match against Narborough and Littlethorpe WI and won ! Well done ladies !

The score was 3 games to 2.

It was a great evening and lovely to catch up with everyone.

Our next match is on Thursday 21 November against Kirby Muxloe. Gill x

Book Club



There were only 10 ladies who turned up to discuss "**Green Darkness**" by **Anya Seton** in October. Toni led the group and the book, not surprisingly, got mixed reviews. Scores ranged from 0 to 5 and a few had not read it. It was thought-provoking but had lots of things to keep up with and hard to understand at times.

We meet on the second Monday of the month at **11.45 in the back room of The Greyhound.**

Our future meetings are:

11th November "The Butterfly Room" by Lucinda Riley

9th December "The List of Suspicious Things" by Jennie Godfrey

13th January "Someone Else's Shoes" by Jojo Moyes.

Pat xx

Other Information

Walking Netball



This is organised by Hollycroft WI and open to all WI members. We meet every Tuesday from 2pm to 3pm at Green Towers, Richmond Road.

Cost is £3.50 to cover the hire of the gym.

Please feel free to come along to see what it's like 😊

Pat xx

Children in Need Dance



This is a fund-raising event that is organised every year by Jerusalem Jammers to raise money. It is a fun afternoon, open to all where you can dance and eat cake and make money for a great cause at the same time 😊😊😊

Date: Saturday 16th November

Location: Countesthorpe Village Hall

Cost: £5 including a raffle ticket

Includes: Tea, Games, Cake Stalls, Cake, Funny Things, Cake 😊

Bottle Tops to Benches



A huge thank you to all our members that collect bottle tops.

Gretel the recipient from East Leake WI is so pleased with the result, she cant thank us enough.

Regards

Thank you, Ann x

Beetle Drive



Once again our Beetle drive was a great success we had 35 members and friends in attendance.

Karen Morgan was the lucky winner of the Margaret Copson Cup which she will keep for a year.

The proceeds will be divided and paid to the Local Food Bank and the Cancer Research Charity.

Ann

Events and Trips

If you have put your name down for a trip and then find that you can't go, you must inform the committee member responsible.

Please email Mandy and Margaret at canalsidewitrips@gmail.com or phone 01455 251809.

Or the person named in the Events and Trips section above.

Our priority is to find a replacement(s), so you need to give us **a minimum of 48 hours' notice**. If we cannot find an individual/people who want to go then, unfortunately, we are not able to refund you. We do try to have a reserve list for the trips we run.

Staunton Harrold Artisan Christmas, Thursday 7th November



Journey time from Hinckley 50 minutes.

LEAVE MARY FORRYAN AT 9.00am

ARRIVE BACK AT MARY FORRYAN AT 3.00pm

You will be given your entry ticket on the day of the trip

An opportunity to come and experience this opening of the stunning Grade II Georgian Mansion usually closed to the public. Many of the rooms will be beautifully decorated and filled with carefully selected artisans and makers from across the country. Plenty of food and drink stalls outside the house.

In addition to the artisan fayre, don't miss out on the Ferrers Centre and Garden Centre

A five-minute walk away is the estate's former stable block and now the **Ferrers Centre** for Arts and Crafts - another must-visit. A few lovely shops and a gallery, selling ceramics, glass, paintings, prints, textiles etc. There is also a café.

Adjacent to the courtyard, and set within historic walled gardens, **Staunton Harold Nurseries & Garden Centre** sells plants and gifts. It also serves up refreshments in the Peach House Restaurant, a Victorian building originally used to grow peaches and other fruit for the Earl Ferrers resident in the hall.



CHRISTMAS LUNCH



Taste Experience at Leicester College - **Friday 22nd November 2024 at 12 noon.** (Note the slightly earlier time.)

The cost of the lunch is **£22 per person.**

FULL PAYMENT now needed at the NOVEMBER MEETING PLEASE

Thank you, Mandy.

Mother Goose – Concordia Theatre, Wednesday 15 January 2025



We have 20 tickets booked for this performance, bringing the cost down to £16.20 pp.

I am not at the November meeting, so will need your remaining £6.20, after deposit, to be paid at our December meeting.

Thanks Gill x

Canalside WI Quiz on Saturday 8th February 2025 at Stoke Golding Club

7.00pm for 7.30pm start.



Are you up for a challenge? This is always a fun event! David and Pauline Bendell have kindly agreed to be our quiz masters.

Tickets are £10 to include a Fish and Chip Supper! (Vegetarian option available.) Bar and raffle.

If you don't want food the fee is £5.

Bring family and friends. Maximum of 6 per team. This event is open to non-members, male and female.

Normally we open events to members only at the first meeting, but teams of 6 are needed for the quiz.

So, this event is open to members, their family and friends from the December meeting onwards.

Margaret and Mandy.

Summary Of Events and Trips

For WI trip bookings and enquiries, please email Mandy and Margaret at canalsidewitrips@gmail.com or phone 01455 251809. Or the person named in the Events and Trips section above.

Trip Details		WI Members		Non-WI Members		Payment Details		
Name	Date	Cost	Open for booking	Cost	Open for booking	Deposit Amount	Balance	Full Amount Due
Staunton Harold Artisan Christmas	Thursday 7 th November	£20	September meeting	£20	October meeting	£10	£10	October meeting
Taste Restaurant at Leicester College – Christmas Lunch.	Friday 22 nd November at 12 noon.	£22	-	£22	-	£10 Due at the October meeting	£12	November Meeting
Mother Goose at Concordia Theatre	Wednesday 15 th January 2025	£16.20	October meeting	£16.		£10	£6.20	December Meeting

Trip Notice If your emergency contact phone number has changed, please notify Pat McShane so that we can update our records. The organiser needs contact numbers in the event of an accident, illness, admission to hospital or a serious event. This is a safeguarding measure for the benefit of all members.

County Events

If you are interested in any of these events, Booking can be made directly to Federation House, paid by BACS or book with me at the next meeting.

Please read the flyers (County Events) I have sent out for full details of all events.

You can book with me at a meeting or contact federation yourself by email at: wihouse@lrfwi.org

You will need a booking form first at: leicestershire-and-rutland.thewi.org.uk/federationdownloads.

Payment to the Federation is by BACS. Please send BACs payments to: L&RFWI, NatWest Bank, Sort code: 60-02-17, Account number: 24626546 Reference: Event Name.

Kind Regards, **Judith Smith**

Christmas Wreath Demonstration & afternoon tea, Kirby Muxloe Village Hall LE9 2EQ, 21st November. £12 per person, refreshments included. Come along to learn how to make your own Christmas Wreath. Kits are available to buy on the day

Autumn Dabble Day, Saturday 23rd November. South Croxton Village Hall. £20 to include all materials. 10.00am - 3.00pm. Chance to try a variety of crafts. A basic sewing kit and glasses for close/fine work may be needed. Tea/coffee will be provided.

Celebration of Carols, Thursday 5th December 10.30am - 12.30. £8 to include refreshments. A celebration of carols at St Luke's Church Main Street Thurnby, LE7 9PN

Stratford Christmas Market, Saturday 7th December 10.30am from Three Pots Rd bus stop, leaving Stratford at 4.00pm. Christmas events fill up quickly.

Harrogate Holiday, Monday 13th January to Friday 17th January, 2025. Travel by coach. Cost £339 (£20 single supplement) Chance to visit many of the town's historic buildings. Includes four nights' accommodation, four evening meals, four buffet breakfasts and one afternoon cream tea and nightly entertainment.

Annual Council Meeting, 29th March 2025. 10.30am - 3-30pm at the Leicester Grammar School. Tickets are £16 or £8 for stewards.

Speakers are Dr Annie Gray - Food Historian, author & broadcaster.

Vicky Macqueen former England International and the Head of Women's Rugby at Leicester Tigers. Also, the founder and CEO of Didi Rugby.

Always an excellent day and a great opportunity to meet other 's from Leicestershire WI's.