

WHITLEY W.I. News



CFWI 'Zoom' meetings

The Federation has hosted three virtual meetings with exceptionally inspirational speakers, plus two Resolution meetings this year. There will be two speakers every month until the end of the year following the theme of inspirational women the dates are as follows

Monday 12th October 7pm for 7.30pm is **Wendy Mitchell** author of 'Somebody I used to know' an account of her new life following her diagnosis of early-onset Alzheimer's aged 58

Wednesday 28th October 7pm for 7.30pm **Dr Ann Featherstone** talking about 'A Storm in a Teacup' about the waitresses' strike of 1908 at the Cabin Restaurant at Piccadilly Circus.

Monday 9th November 7pm for 7.30pm **Jen Gale** Jen dragged and cajoled her family into a year buying nothing new. That year changed not only what she buys, but also how she sees her place in the world.

To join any of these meetings please use the links on the CFWI zoom document sent out with this Newsletter.

Welcome to our October Newsletter

From our President

Just as we started to make plans for small meetings and activities new advice and regulations were brought in. As soon as the Government introduced the 'Rule of 6', NFWI issued directions that no WI meetings with more than 6 members were to go ahead, with immediate effect. With more local restrictions put in place more recently even meeting up in groups of 6 has become unlikely. Whilst this is disappointing, the welfare of our members and our communities is more important. WI committee members will continue to contact members on a regular basis and any new developments will be shared as soon as possible.

Chris Jones

As Autumn approaches nature always throws up a riot of colour and unexpected surprises.

Jean had a prickly encounter on her recent holiday. The first hedgehog she had seen in years.

Send in your photos of autumn as you are busy in the garden or strolling around your neighbourhood.



Click on the link below to see a short presentation celebrating 105 years of the WI in the UK

<https://youtu.be/pCJ-vw68zCc>

A simple knitted poppy for Remembrance



Materials required.
 A small amount of red,
 black and green wool.
 Pair of size 9 (3¾) needles.
 A needle for stitching up
 and a safety pin

Make 5 petals all the same.

Using red cast on 5 stitches.

Row1: (RS) Knit

Row2: KFB (knit forward and back into next stitch). K to last 2 stitches KFB, K1

Row3: As second row (9 stitches)

Row4: As second row (11 stitches)

Row 5—8 Knit

Row9: Slip1, K2tog, pssso, K to last 4 stitches, K2tog, twice (7 stitches)

Row 10 to 12: Knit

Row13: As 9th row (3 stitches)

Row14; Cast off

Centre

Using black, cast on 16 stitches. Cast off

Make one leaf

Using green cast on 4 stitches.

Row1: Knit

Row2: KFB, K to last st, KFB (6stitches)

Row3: Knit

Row4: As second row (8stitches)

Row5—8 Knit

Row9: K2tog, K to last 2 stitches, K2tog. (6 stitches)

Row10: Knit

Row11: as 9th row (4 stitches)

Row12: Knit

Row13: As 9th row (2 stitches)

Row 14 Cast off.

Weave in the ends of the petals, assemble the petals into a circle and use the ends to sew them together.
 Coil the black into and circle and sew into the centre of the petals.
 Weave in the ends of the leaf and sew onto the back of the petals
 Sew on the pin.

Sue Burtonwood made the most of her time during lockdown by decorating her living room. It was a challenge but she is already looking at doing the kitchen next !



Joan Blackshaw sent in this lovely photo of a dahlia in full flower, grown from seed this year and obviously enjoying the sunshine!



Pat's been to Denman! Well not really, but she has been to Denman on-line a few times. She has learnt how to make a small calico mouse, and also how to make quilted patchwork bags using a 'stitch and flip' technique... all good fun!

Denman on-line has about 16 a week on many different topics, all at £5 a time. Definitely worth a look at www.denman.org.uk



