

WHITLEY W.I. News



FUTURE WI MEETINGS

Thursday 1st June -

7.30pm WVH

Melanie Farrow will be showing us how to make the most of our homegrown flowers and telling us about how she started her own flower farm during lockdown. We are asking all members to try and bring some flowers /foliage from their gardens for the evening, simply displayed in a jar or bottle . These will form the competition and also decorate the tables

Thursday 6th July -

7.30pm WVH

Our speaker Eddie Tarry is the Community Engagement Manager at Styal Prison and is talking about 'Living in Styal'

Thursday 3rd August -

Our outing is taking us to Meet the Llamas at a farm in Bradley followed by a meal at a local hostelry.

From your President

We started May off with our super day trip to Chester courtesy of Jean Waite and her meticulous planning! The sun shone and we all enjoyed a leisurely lunch as we sailed along the Dee, some retail therapy and a walk around the Chester walls.

Our speaker in May was Richard Ortyl from the Cheshire Wildlife Trust who told of us the current projects being undertaken by the

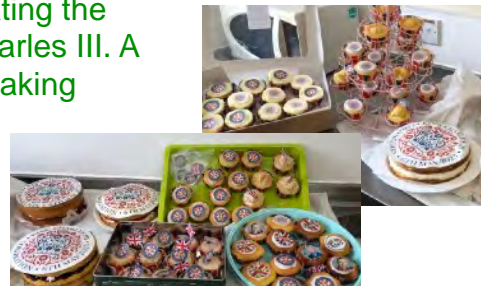
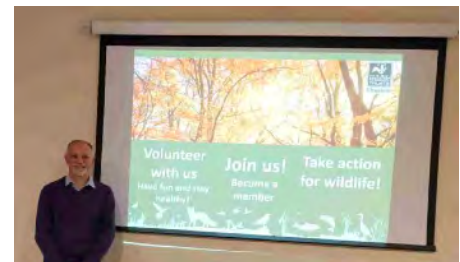
Trust and pointed out the numerous Nature Reserves on our doorstep available for us to visit.

The second Bank holiday of the month saw us celebrating the coronation of King Charles III. A big thank you to the Baking Beauties for providing such patriotic cakes - they were much appreciated at the tea party at the Village Hall.

Looking forward to June when we have the Cheshire Show with several of our members entering individual classes and the Craft group working together to enter the Combined *Pantomime* class. Good luck everyone!

Hope to see you at our 'Flower Festival' on Thursday. As an inspiration for your 'homegrown flowers in a jar or bottle' Pat brought an example to our committee meeting. Amazing!

Don't forget the Trading Table is a PLANT SPECIAL so bring along any spare plants you may have.



Melanie Barber

Diary Dates

June

Thursday 1st June - main meeting 7.30pm WVH
Melanie Farrow with a demonstration using flowers from her flower farm

Monday 5th June - Book Club
WVH 10am *You People* by Nikita Lalwani

Tuesday 6th June - Walking group - venue tbc

NO SCRABBLE IN JUNE
NO CRAFT IN JUNE

Saturday 10th June - Whitley Rose Queen starting at 1.30pm

Tues 20th/Wed 21st June
Cheshire Show - make sure you check out Whitley WI Craft group's entry in the WI tent!

Monday 26th June - Community Coffee morning 10.30am -12pm WVH

NO ART CLUB IN JUNE

Friday 30th June - Baking Beauties 1.30-3pm WVH - a recipe using summer fruits

July

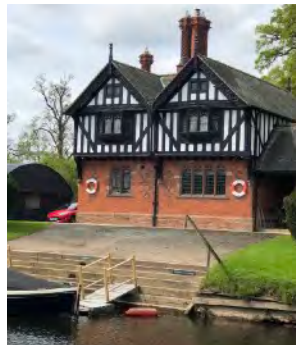
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Advance notice

Thursday 3rd August - Evening outing to 'Meet the Llamas' near Frodsham followed by a meal

Thursday 10th August - 2pm - 4pm a summer garden party at Queastybirch Farm courtesy of Ann Cookson. Take a chair and a plate of food.

A flavour of our boat trip on the Dee in Chester



The **Walking Group** ventured out of the County and had a walk around Glaze Brook through Windy Bank Woods. We parked at Bents Garden Centre which gave us a great excuse to enjoy a coffee and cake after our walk!



Garden Interest Group enjoyed a visit behind the scenes at Smiths Nursery in Lymm. We had demonstrations of the automated seed planter and were amazed at the speed the machine potting up plugs could lift and plant the seedlings. Many thanks to Annette for organising the visit with owners Sarah and Derek.



Remember to sign up for the August Outing on Tuesday 3rd to 'Meet the llamas' at Bradley near Frodsham followed by an evening meal