## August 2023

# WHITLEY W.I. News



## **FUTURE WI MEETING**

## Thursday 3rd August -

Our outing is taking us to Meet the Llamas at Hillview farm in Bradley. Please meet at the Village Hall at 5.15pm then we will car share and drive up to Frodsham and have our tour around the llamas. We will leave there at 7-7.10pm to arrive at the Hanging Gate in Weaverham for 7.30pm

## Thursday 10th August -

2-4pm Garden Party at Queastybirch Farm. Bring a chair and a plate of food either savoury or sweet to share. There will be a raffle.

#### Thursday 7th September

- Main meeting 7.30pm WVH *Chester Uncovered* -Stephen Shakeshaft .Competition: A souvenir from Chester

# **From your President**

Summer seems to have been put on hold for the moment with day after day of showers and little sunshine. Still, at least the grass is green!

Our speaker at our July meeting Ed Tarry gave us a fascinating insight into life on the other side of the fence in Styal Prison. Ed explained the significant problems many of the women have when they come into the prison with including drug issues, poor mental health, low self esteem and a history of abuse in many cases. He has been involved in the Clink restaurant initiative, the Recycling



lives project and also helped the gardening team enter the Tatton Flower Show. He was passionate about his work and has won several awards for his contribution in changing people's lives.

I will see some of you on Thursday for our date with the Llamas - fingers crossed for some sunshine !

## **Melanie Barber**

**Baking Beauties** explored a 'Taste of Europe' this month and enjoyed tasting brioche, focaccia, tiramisu, macarons, mille feuilles, Sicilian



lemon flan, Portuguese lemon biscuits and a Portuguese raspberry and almond cake. Interesting to see how ground almonds keep cropping up in different recipes! All very tasty but unfortunately not good for the waistline!

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## **Diary Dates**

#### August

### No sub-groups in August

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. There will be raffle for charity so please bring some change.

#### September

September 7th - Main Meeting 7.30pm WVH - Chester Uncovered - Stephen Shakeshaft

## The Annual CFWI Literary Lunch took place at Hartford

Golf Club last week. Pat Sharp did a marvellous job coordinating the speaker and the lunch for over 160 ladies as well as presiding over the whole affair.





The speaker, local author Sally-Anne Martyn, spoke about her journey into the world of publishing. Her first novel 'The Clinic' is a dark psychological thriller.

# **CFWI AUTUMN** MEETING

If you interested in attending please contact Pat Sharp before 24th August to put your name down and arrange payment of £15 for your ticket. Closing date is at the end of August so Pat needs to send off for tickets the week before.

## CHESHIRE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTES AUTUMN MEETING TUESDAY, 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2023 at 11.00 am - 3.30 pm (approx) Join us for a Spectacular Day at the Storyhouse, Chester. CH1 2AR



#### DEBRA DRAKE

Great British Sewing Bee Finalist 2022 WILL BE TALKING TO US ABOUT HOW SHE STARTED SEWING, BEING A CONTESTANT AND HER ONWARD JOURNEY, SINCE THE SHOW





KARIN SNAPE (WI MEMBER)

SHE WILL BE SHARING HER STORY, AND HOW SHE RAISED

Embarked on an incredible 1,000 mile walk

from John O'Groats to Land's End

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# PHILIPPA FORRESTER

British television and radio presenter, producer, and author - former presenter of Tomorrow's World, The Heaven & Earth Show and My Halcyon River among others - current conservationist and storyteller

THE LIFE AND TIMES OF PHILLIPA FORRESTER - TALKING ABOUT HER AMAZING LIFE ACHIEVEMENTS ON TV AND RADIO, AS WELL AS BEING AN AUTHOR, AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONIST