

WHITLEY W.I. News



FUTURE WI MEETINGS

Thursday 2nd November

7.30pm WVH - Our Annual meeting when we confirm our committee and President going forward into 2024. Annette, our craft group leader, will endeavour to instruct us all in making our own Christmas bauble. Please bring along a blunt vegetable knife. The competition is for a *Handmade Craft item*

Thursday 7th December

7.30pm WVH - Christmas party. Tickets £6 - please sign up with Pat Sharp. A buffet tea will be served so please let Pat know of any special dietary requirements. The committee are working hard on your entertainment for the evening!

Monday 11th December

Village Group Carol Service
7.30pm at Daresbury Church. A festive service with seasonal refreshments. Open to all, no ticket required.

From your President

What a fabulous evening we had last month on Members' Night! The committee enjoyed a well earned rest as the Members' Night committee took over proceedings and had us dancing around the room waving hankies and bashing sticks together, ably directed by The Stamford Morris Dancers. A big thank you to everyone involved in putting the evening together.



Whilst preparing for our Annual meeting on November 2nd I am amazed at just how much we have achieved. If you are unable to come to the meeting then please catch up on the Annual Report and slides on the Whitley WI website to see what our WI has been up to!

Melanie Barber

Autumn Village Group meeting

Alison Neil entertained and enlightened members with her one woman drama depicting the most interesting life of E Nesbitt. Not only did Alison perform the role, she had also written the one act play, made and set up all the props and costumes, and was her own roadie putting up lighting and packing up her van at the end of the evening!



Diary Dates

November

Thursday 2nd - Main Meeting
7.30pm WVH -
Annual meeting and Christmas
bauble making

Monday 6th - Book Club
10am WVH. Member's
discussing any **Classic** novel
they have read.

Tuesday 7th - Walking group
meeting at WVH 10am. Walk
around Moore Nature Reserve
with lunch venue tbc

Wednesday 8th - Scrabble
7.30pm WVH no previous
experience required!

Wednesday 15th - Craft group
1.30pm at WVH. Opportunity
to finish off Christmas baubles
and discuss programme for
next year

Monday 27th - Community
Coffee and Chat 10.30am -
12pm WVH

Monday 27th - Art Club
1.30pm WVH. Seasonal Art

Friday 24th - 1.30pm WVH
exploring mini Christmas
bakes

Darts - 10am - 12pm team
practice every Monday
morning at Comberbach
Bowling Club

December

Thursday 7th -
Christmas Party -7.30pm
WVH. Tickets £6 - sign up with
Pat Sharp
Competition is a Christmas
Tree decoration

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7.30pm at Daresbury Church

Walking Group

On a lovely autumn morning with weather more like a summers' day we set off to walk in the woodlands in Marbury Park alongside the Budworth Mere. Although we were walking on some fallen leaves in places most of the trees still had their full complement, some starting to change colour. We made our way to the Trent and Mersey Canal going over the bridge and turning left on our way to Neumann's Flash going along paths with Dairy House Meadows on the right. On reaching our destination we came across ducks, swans and their cygnets on the water. After going to the nearby hide we started our way back walking between an avenue of silver birches. We had a lovely walk of approx 7 km then a well earned lunch at the Stanley Arms.



Craft Group

If you take a stroll around the nature reserve on Raddell Lane in the next couple of weeks your walk will be brightened up by the brilliant poppy display created by the craft group. Annette's request for plastic bottles earlier in the year had members spraying the bottle bottoms red then attaching them to the poppy shaped board with wire and a black button. A stunning result!



Well done to Pat Sharp for entering the Lady Denman Cup this year - one of only 77 entries over the whole country! Members had been asked to write a letter explaining how the WI had influenced them and how it could inspire other women to join the WI. Sadly Pat was not a winner this time but enjoyed the review.