#### December 2023

# WHITLEY W.I. News



# **FUTURE WI MEETINGS**

#### Thursday 7th December

7.30pm WVH - Christmas party. Tickets £6 - please see Pat on Thursday if you have not paid for your ticket yet. A buffet tea will be served so please let Pat know of any special dietary requirements. The committee have a funfilled evening planned for you! Competition is for **A Christmas Tree ornament** to hang on our Christmas

Tree.

#### Monday 11th December

Village Group Carol Service 7.30pm at Daresbury Church. A festive service with seasonal refreshments. Open to all, no ticket required. Please try and car share to help with parking at the church.

### Thursday 4th January

7.30pm WVH main meeting. A demonstration by Moulton Glass

# **From your President**

Following our Annual meeting last month your committee and I

would like to thank you for your support this past year and we look forward to providing a varied and interesting programme of activities and speakers for you in 2024.







Annette kept all our fingers busy making Christmas baubles after all the business was completed. You can always bring your work of art to enter the competition at

our December party meeting and hang it on the tree!



Following Jean Waite's demonstration on our Whitley WI website, don't forget to visit it and see what sub-groups have been up to and catch up on other WI news. The website address is at the bottom of this page.

After our successful collection last year we are asking members to bring donations for Northwich food bank instead of a present. Popular items they are short of include jam, coffee, long life milk and orange juice, tinned potatoes and noodle meals. Seasonal food would also be gratefully received.

Hope to see you at our Christmas party on Thursday 7th but for those of you unable to make it, here is wishing you a happy festive season and all the best for 2024!

**Melanie Barber** 

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# **Diary Dates**

#### December

#### No Craft, Art, Scrabble or Baking Beauties meetings in December

**Thursday 7th** -Christmas Party -7.30pm WVH. Tickets £6 Competition is a Christmas Tree decoration

**Monday 11th -** Book Club 10am WVH. Members will be discussing *Swallowtail Summer by Erica James* 

Monday 11th -Village Group Carol Service 7.30pm at Daresbury Church

**Tuesday 12th** - Wreath making at Smith's nursery 2pm. Fully booked.

**Wednesday 13th** - Walking group Christmas lunch at Ann O'Brien's. 11 am onwards

**Monday 18th** - Christmas Community Coffee and Chat 10.30am - 12pm WVH

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

#### January

**Thursday 4th** - main meeting WVH 7.30pm. Demonstration of glass crafting by Andy from Moulton Glass.

# **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**



#### **CFWI Jigsaw race**

Four Whitley WI members joined in the latest jigsaw race at CFWI headquarters in Chester. Unfortunately they couldn't replicate their winning result in the first competition coming a respectable third, but enjoyed the challenge all the same!



**Baking beauties** explored mini festive bakes and what an array of goodies there were. Reindeer, Christmas trees and mince pies all featured with plenty of Christmas spices thrown in for good measure.



Baking will resume in the New Year with a Burns inspired Scottish bake on 26th January!

The **Art group** have been practicing painting seasonal pictures to be used as Christmas cards. Taking inspiration from existing cards and tips from Chris Spittle they have produced some wonderful work!



In 2024 the NFWI AGM is being held at the Royal Albert Hall in London on June 5th. Your President is going as a delegate, representing Whitley and two other Cheshire WIs but there are Observer tickets available. If you are interested then please contact Susan Lynch for more details. There is also the opportunity to follow proceedings on Zoom - this option is free of charge!

The shortlist of resolutions is in December's WI Life. More details next month of a meeting at Whitley to discuss these further before voting in February.