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WHITLEY W.I. News



FUTURE WI MEETINGS

Thursday 7th August -

August outing to Hartford 'Mad Hatter' Mini Golf followed by a meal at Hartford Hall. Meet at Whitley Village Hall at 5pm to car share ready for a 5.10pm departure.

ADELAIDE HOUGH BOWLS SHIELD - Monday 1st September. Meet at

1st September. Meet at Comberbach Bowling club at 9.45am ready for a 10am start. Bring a packed lunch.

Thursday 4th September

Main meeting 7.30pm at WVH. Our speaker is Peter Turner taking us 'Through the eyes of a magician' so be prepared for some magic!

The competition is for 'An Optical Illusion'

From your President

I hope you are all well. The craft group have been busy and had a very interesting afternoon with Harry and Norah Mosedale introducing us to calligraphy and wood turning. There will be willow weaving in August, organised by Annette. Baking Beauties continues to inspire, encouraging us to try new recipes as well as sharing old favourites. Ann O'Brien ensures we exercise with her monthly walks and Helen's book club introduces us to reading about new topics leading to lively discussion. We have two bowling teams in the Cheshire tournament and fingers crossed they will do well.

Our August meeting shall be an evening out at Mad Hatters mini golf in Hartford. Hope the weather will be kind to us. There will not be a meeting at the Village Hall on Thursday 7th August.

There has been a request for more evening activities and the committee are looking at organising more evening events in the Autumn.

Hope to see you soon.

Regards Susan

Walking Group- Ann O'B was unable to lead the full walk as she had an ankle problem, but Ann Forster stepped in for her. From the Leigh Arms the group turned right out of the car park crossing the Willow Green Lane into the road opposite and before the first house followed the footpath alongside the

garden and then along the RHS of the field and through some trees to the canal, dropping down left onto the towpath and turning right following the water. They passed narrow boats and walkers with their dogs enjoying the good weather and after about half an hour came up to a bridge and turned left up the slope and then left again through fields



down to a metalled roadway where they turned left alongside the Weaver where Ann O'B met them at a clearing with two benches about 10 minutes from the Leigh Arms. The group had all enjoyed a lovely walk, sunny but not too hot and finished with a very enjoyable lunch at the Leigh Arms. Issue 8 August 2025

Diary Dates

AUGUST

Thursday 7th -

August outing to Hartford "Mad Hatter's" mini golf followed by a meal at Hartford Hall. Meet at WVH to car share at 5pm.

Monday 11th - Book club 10am -12pm WVH — bring along a book of your choice to discuss.

Wednesday 20th - Craft Group 1.30-3pm meeting at WVH. Willow weaving with Robyn. Make sure you have reserved your place with Annette before the meeting.

Friday 22nd - Baking Beauties 1.30-3.30pm WVH. Cooking with gelatine.

NO WALKING GROUP OR ART **GROUP IN AUGUST**

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 13th - Hatton Show. See Susan Lynch for a schedule if you are interested in entering.

Tuesday 16th September -Celebrate WI day on NFWI's 110th birthday at the Chang Noi (Birch and Bottle) Higher Whitley 6pm -8.30pm. Contact Pat Sharp for more details.

Monday 22nd September - Art Group looking at 'Monet and the Impressionists', led by Joan Blackshaw.

Wednesday 24th September - 7.30 pm Group meeting at WVH. An evening with Nana Funk - see Melanie to secure your ticket £8 each.

OCTOBER

Monday 20th October - CFWI Autumn Council Meeting at Storehouse, Chester. Tickets £15 sign up at the September meeting. Speakers include Aled Jones.

Craft group had a bumper meeting in July with Whitley WI member Norah Mosedale and her husband Harry talking about enjoying their individual



crafts of calligraphy and woodwork. Harry brought along his finished English Chair and all

the components that make up another using ash and elm. He showed us his joiner's tools which he has had for many years, including spoke shaves that were more than likely over 100 years old, but still in

everyday use. His hands lovingly touched his pieces of wood as

he showed us his turned chair legs that were ready to be put into place and how he manages to steam the wood to give it enough flexibility to bend. Any student taught by Harry has been truly blessed.





Norah, his soul mate realised many years ago

that she could make use of her ability to hold and control a pen. She was taught by a Comberbach tutor of calligraphy and over the years Norah has used her wonderful talent to pen many incredible letters, including the Congratulations Card sent to the

late Queen on her Jubilee on behalf of Whitley WI. Norah supplied us with pens and the right textured paper for us to have a go at writing out the letters of the alphabet. We all realised that the art of everyday writing is unfortunately becoming a dying practice.

