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WHITLEY W.I. News

FUTURE WI MEETINGS

Thursday 2nd October

- Main meeting 7.30pm WVH - Member's Night so we will have to wait and see!

Competition is to bring something on the theme of "What Cheshire means to me"

Thursday 16th
October at Delamere
between 11am and
2pm there will be a
fundraising walk for
'Restart a Heart Day'
of either 2, 2.6 or 3.9
miles. CPR and
defibrillator advice and
training will also be
available.

Monday 20th October
- CFWI Autumn
meeting at The
Storyhouse Chester
11-3pm

From your President

Dear Members

We are well into Autumn and I hope you are all well. The Committee have been looking to arrange more evening events. Following on from the WI Day meet up at the Birch and Bottle, we shall be holding an evening Art Meeting on Tuesday 28th October with an artist, Cas Holmes, via zoom to give us inspiration. Baking Beauties are holding an evening meeting on Friday 22nd October. The topic is Halloween. We all take along something we have baked for discussion and tastings.

There are two Theatre trips, including 'Come From Away' at the Northwich Brio on the afternoon of Saturday 25th October, and 'The Nutcracker' Ballet on the evening of Wed 12th November.

I look forward to seeing you at the Member's Night meeting on Thur 2nd October. It will be a surprise event. Not even the committee know what to expect. Regards

Susan

The Adelaide Hough Shield was a great success this year. We had 16 ladies and the weather was relatively kind to us.



Semi finalists were Christine Spittle and Ann Tolson.

The final was played between Jenny Roberts and Ann O'Brien and Jenny won the shield.



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Diary Dates

OCTOBER

Thursday 2nd October - Members night so a surprise in store for us all!

Monday 6th - Book Club 10-12 WVH. *The Moonlight Gardening Club by Rosie Hannigan*.

Wednesday 15th - Craft Group 1.30-3pm at WVH. Cross -stitch Christmas Cards, all materials provided.

Thursday 16th - Walking Group are joining the CFWI walk at Delamere for National Restart a Heart Day. 11am - 2pm. More details at the meeting.

Thursday 16th - ELO Encounter at Brio Northwich 7.30pm.

Monday 20th - CFWI Autumn meeting at The Storyhouse in Chester. 11-3.30pm. Ticket only.

Wednesday 22nd - Baking Beauties EVENING meeting 7.30-9pm. Theme is Halloween.

Saturday 25th - Theatre Trip- Come From Away Brio Northwich at 2.30pm.

Monday 27th - Art Group 1.30-3pm WVH. A practical session 'Monet & the Impressionists'.

Tuesday 28th - CFWI Zoom event Cas Holmes Artist, Author & Tutor. Contact Jean for more details.

NOVEMBER

Thursday 6th November - Annual meeting 7.30pm WVH. Following on from our business our speaker will be Ben Gage talking about "Collecting careers'.

National WI Day - 16th September

To celebrate the occasion Pat Sharp arranged for members to meet at our local pub, The Birch & Bottle, otherwise known as the Chang Noi, for a social get together and a bite to eat. The room was decked out with our bunting made to celebrate the WI movement's 100th birthday and ladies enjoyed an evening of chatter and lovely Thai food. Pat had also baked the delicious Coconut & Lime cake featured in the WI Life magazine.



Village Group

Whitley WI members who joined the Village Group last week were entertained by the wonderful 'Nana Funk' who had everyone chuckling and singing along to her unique take on getting older as a woman. The evening began with Nana in cleaning garb who answered questions from the audience accompanied by the ukulele.



After a brief sortie into a burlesque number, the night ended with Nana in a sequinned dress reflecting on her 'alternative' signs of ageing.





Walking Group enjoyed an autumnal walk through the lanes of Whitley starting at the village hall and walking down Back Lane squashing lots of acorns underfoot! Cow parsley was in abundance along the way and is called a different name depending on the area you live according to Annette, who as a child thought it made a great pea shooter.

After a brief rest on a stone bench on Scotch Hall Lane, where we had our photo taken, we continued up the lane noticing all the bird boxes in the trees. We carried on along Old Mill Lane, Lake Lane and left into Bentley Farm Lane making our way back to the Village Hall and then on to The Antrobus Arms for lunch.



Art Group

Joan Blackshaw has recently become fascinated by Monet and the Impressionists and had prepared a talk to share her research. We might



just collect pictures/information – but Joan has compiled a book where she reproduced Impressionist pictures, with information about their work – she's an inspiration! In October we will have a practical session for our members to follow her example and produce an impressionist painting.