INSPIRING WOMEN

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COUNTY NEWS

The Great Tapestry of Scotland, Galashiels Thursday 11th July 2024.

Coach picking up points are expected to be Gosforth, Holmrook, Cockermouth, Wigton and Carlisle.

Times will be sent out at the beginning of July. The cost is £35.60 which includes entry fee to the exhibition Make cheques payable to CCFWI.

Please apply to Kris Longshaw, 82 Kirkgate,

Cockermouth, CA13 9PH with SAE for receipt and

updates. For more information telephone 07583 737636 or email kris.longshaw@gmail.com <u>Closing date is June 27th 2024</u> **THERE ARE STILL LOTS OF SEATS LEFT ON THE COACH**

> PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF OUR NEW EMAIL ADDRESS Email: ccfsecretary@ccfwi.co.uk

The office will be closed week commencing Monday June 24th 2024 and will reopen on Tuesday July 2nd 2024

A LETTER FROM YOUR COUNTY CHAIRMAN Dear Members,

May, what a wonderful month to have been a member of the W.I. in Cumbria Cumberland! We had a fantastic day at the Royal Horticultural Society Garden at Harlow Carr near Harrogate. The weather was very kind to us despite travelling through heavy rain at one point. It was lovely to spend time with so many members from different W.I.s either over lunch, a cup of tea, in the Alpine House, walking round the gardens and woodlands



admiring the rhododendrons or getting ideas from the kitchen gardens.

Modelling never occurred to me as a career choice but heigh ho I found myself doing just that in Brampton. What fun it was choosing what to wear from such a vast selection. We really were spoilt for choice. It was a very short-lived job but I did enjoy it whilst it lasted.

I am looking forward to the NFWI Annual Meeting in the Royal Albert Hall on June 5th and spending time there with members from all over the country as well as with our representatives on the journey to and fro.

There will be lots more opportunities for us to get together over the summer so I do hope you will take advantage of them.

The Great Scottish Tapestry visit in July and Cragside near Rothbury in September. Here's hoping the good weather is going to be around for a while as we all feel so much better when we can feel the warmth of the sun.

Whatever you are doing this month, enjoy Yourselves,

Kathleen

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

It has been brought to our attention that members attending events or visiting our office are having difficulty finding unmarked parking spaces for their cars. Although we do have three official parking spaces with our office number on them, these spaces are often occupied by none WI people. Could we suggest that you look in the top of the car park which often has a number of unmarked empty spaces. We would appreciate your co-operation while we try to sort something out.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Hello Members and Treasurers, Now is the time to pass your subscriptions to me at the address below. **To Treasurers,** please don't wait until you have all members paid as NFWI have given us deadlines for payments and until monies have been received your membership does not apply.

Many thanks to everyone in advance for your prompt attention to this matter. Ann Kirkpatrick, County Treasurer, 3 Claremont Drive, Longtown, Carlisle, CA6 5XE

ADVANCE NOTICE

<u>Chairman's Challenge</u> <u>I've Made It – I'll Show It'</u>

This year at your Annual Council Meeting we are inviting **ALL MEMBERS** to enter our chairman's challenge. Any item you have made either recently or in the past can be entered. The judges will be **YOU** the members and all we ask is you put some coins next to the item that you think should be the winner. The winner will be the one whose entry collected the most money.

At the end of the meeting all monies collected will be donated to ACWW.

LONG SERVICE CERTIFICATES

In order for us to prepare the certificates to be awarded at the Annual Council Meeting on 3rd October at the Greenhill Hotel, please can you let your secretary know, at your July meeting, how long you have been a member of the W.I.

We would appreciate Secretaries sending this information to the office by Monday 5th August which should give us time to have everything ready.

Thank you,

Kathleen Bowron

CUMBRIA WESTMORLAND FEDERATION are holding a Literary Lunch on Thursday 17th October in the Roundthorn Hotel, Penrith. They would like to open up the event to CCFWI members. The speaker is David Harper, Antiques Road Trip. Lunch will be served and the tickets are £38.00. The booking form with menu choices can be downloaded on the Cumbria Westmorland Federation website. Download cwfwi@btconnect.com for further details.

ACWW ASSOCIATED COUNTRY WOMEN OF THE WORLD What were you doing on Monday 29th April?

THANK YOU to the 107 walkers, from 20 of our WI's, who despite a poor weather forecast turned up at Christ Church Silloth and completed the ACWW walk. Thank you to our hosts, some ex Causewayhead members, lots from Dundraw WI, whom I might add are splendid bakers and worked very hard to feed and water the participants. Thank you to the Trustees for providing some of the raffle prizes and supporting me at my first solely organised ACWW walk. Thank you to Cranston's, Pioneer, Tesco and Lidl for the free of charge foodstuffs and raffle prizes. Thank you to everyone else for contributing to this event. What did you achieve - - - £866, to be sent off to ACWW. Thank you on behalf of the women overseas who will benefit from this donation.

You know the date it's always the 29th April, and in 2025 Thirlmere WI are going to be our hosts, see you there.

Trish Dunant

P.S. I can come and speak about the walk and ACWW if you have a gap in your programme.

Roll of Honour

Latest details entered on the Roll of Honour Dorothy Godfrey Gillian George Irís Aníta Johnston

Bootle WI Bootle WI Dundraw WI

Gone but not forgotten We will remember her bringing joy and friendship to our meetings

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

JUNE	JULY
1st Federation Coffee/Afternoon Tea,	11th Trip, The Great Tapestry of
Moresby	Scotland, Galashiels
5th NFWI Annual Meeting, London	
AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
10th Dalston Show	7th Federation Coffee Morning Kirkandrews on Eden
	19th Trip, Cragside, Northumberland
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OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
3rd CCFWI Annual Meeting, Greenhill	7th Federation Quiz, Bigrigg & Dalston
Hotel	
12th Target Shooting, Longtown	

NEWS FROM ANNE BAIRD OUR FEDERATION CLIMATE AMBASSADOR

Great Big Green Week is 8th -16th June - please host a plant, clothes, book, recipes, skills.. swap at your meeting and / or join in local community events, Great Big Green Week - to harness the power of sharing.

Please forward WI Green Hearts for CCFWI 'Show The Love' Banner via Anne.b@live.co.uk Sew together or nominate a crafter (15x15cm incl 1cm edge)

Great UK WaterBlitz - Earthwatch

River Watch - join in water testing 7th-10th June.

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE TO ALL WIS

Please remember to send in your 2025 Diary Order and cheque and the £60 delegate costs cheque, if not already paid.

ENCLOSURES

Year Book updates

TO ALL SECRETARIES Could you please check monthly, that the enclosures listed in the County News match what is in your envelope.

If you are missing anything, please contact the Secretary at WI Office. Tel. 01228521774.

NEWS FROM THE SUB COMMITTEES

ARTS &LEISURE

We had a fantastic time at the Fashion Show. The Trustees had a great time showing off their wares! Thank you all for your continued support.

Here are some dates for you to put in your WI diary.

Target shooting - Nr Longtown 12th October 2024. Start time 10.30 am. Cost £25.00 per person including light refreshments. Have a go - it is great fun. Please make cheques payable to CCFW for £25.00 to Ilene Forsyth, March House, 22 Netherby Road, Longtown, CA6 5XJ. Tel 01228 791539 for more details.

Quiz Night at Bigrigg & Dalston 7th November 2024 Cost £20.00 per team of 4.

Annual Carol Service (Venue to be confirmed) 7th December 2024.

If you or your WI have any ideas for events/trips, please let us know. HAVE A GREAT SUMMER !

EDUCATION & PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the RHS Harlow Carr trip. A lovely day with fine weather, tempting food at Betty's café and shop and the wonderful company of friendly WI members always make a perfect recipe for a great day out!

Dear members, as promised here are more details of our proposed **TRIP TO CRAGSIDE HOUSE IN ROTHBURY, NORTHUMBERLAND.** We have arranged the following pick up points and times:

Date of the trip: Thursday 19th September 2024

Pick up details are as follows:- Cockermouth outside Boots 7.30 a.m.

Penrith Sandgate bus station 8.15 a.m. Carlisle at the Sands Centre 8.45 a.m. We hope to arrive at Cragside House around 10.30 a.m. Giving plenty of time to look around the house and the extensive gardens. There is transport around the gardens. The cost of the trip will be £45 for non-National Trust members and £25 for National Trust members.

Please make cheques payable to CCFWI and send to Ann Kirkpatrick, 3 Claremont Drive, Longtown, Carlisle, CA6 5XE, marking the back of the cheque with your preference of pick up point. If a receipt is required please enclose a stamped self addressed envelope. <u>Closing date will be September 3rd 2024</u>.

MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT

A reminder to Treasurers, Assistant Treasurers and aspiring Treasurers that if you missed the last Treasurers Work Shop, we are running another. Bring your lap top or whatever you use to record your WI acounts, to **Kirkstile Community Centre**, **Dean, on Saturday 29th June 10.30am to 12.30pm.** The cost is £5.00 per person, paid from your WI funds. Tea/coffee and biscuits will be provided on arrival. Make cheques payable to CCFWI and contact Dawn Eyre to book your place. Her email address is deyre67@gmail.com <u>Booking is essential by June 20th 2024 please.</u>



AROUND THE WIS



GOSFORTH WI plan to hold a coffee morning on 8th June 2024, 10am to12noon, in Gosforth Public Hall in celebration of D-DAY80.

The Royal British Legion will also attend and there will be a WWII local history display The WI will provide refreshments and organise a raffle.

Admission is £5 for adults and £2 for children with proceeds divided between Gosforth WI and the Royal British Legion.

BLACKFORD WI are holding a Quiz Night on Monday 10th June at 7pm in Scaleby Village Hall. Teams of 4 at £5 per person including refreshments. To book a table please contact Linda on 01228674320 or Barbara on 01228674382 before 3rd June.

PATTERDALE WI are hosting Midsummer Music which is taking place on Thursday 20th June at 7.00pm in Glenridding Village Hall. The event features Morland Ukulele Group (MUGs), which is led by Mark Stephenson and joined by ukulele players and singers. Please bring your own refreshments. Tickets are only £2 and children can come along free of charge. Payment will be taken at the door or seats can be confirmed by sending a message to Judith's email address judith_cartwright@hotmail.co.uk

The event is in aid of Sunbeams, which is a local charity delivering Community Music Therapy to disabled children and adults across Cumbria and the North-West

WARWICK BRIDGE WI are holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday 29th June at Downagate, Warwick Bridge, from 10am – 12 noon. Entrance £4.00 to include coffee/tea & scones/cakes. Tombola, Sales Table and other sideshows. All welcome.

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The theme for the 2026 Federation Calendar will be:

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS IN CUMBRIA

We hope you will be looking out for suitable subjects during the year. As usual, the size of submitted photos is 7" x 5" in **Landscape Format.**

We would prefer to receive them in digital format, but hard copy can also be submitted along with a stamped addressed envelope for returns.

If you are showing close-ups of people, please make sure you have their permission, so that we comply with Data Protection Rules.

Our calendars are posted all over the world. Please be aware of this.

SPEAKERS UPDATE

BOB PRICE is Chairman and Senior Miller of Acorn Bank Watermill Trust.

He has a couple of talks that may interest WI members:

Flour Power - the challenges of restoring a derelict watermill

Daily Bread - the history of grain, milling, flour and bread.

All his lecture fees go to the Trust. He normally asks for £50 up to 15 miles from Penrith, a few pounds extra for mileage if more distant. Please send him an email <u>bob@theprices.me.uk</u> or telephone 01768 840640 for more information.

DISCLAIMER: Re. Speakers Update. Some Speakers contact us requesting that their details be sent out to WIs.

We would point out that we issue them as suggestions and not necessarily recommendations.



THE ACWW WALK AT SILLOTH

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On Thursday, Stapleton WI celebrated its 100th birthday, with a special Afternoon Tea at Warwick Hall. 19 members enjoyed a wonderful selection of dainty sandwiches, scones and cakes, along with never ending cups of tea. All this served on pretty china with crisp linen napkins, and a cake made by our own member Mrs Margaret Story to mark the occasion.

Embleton WI celebrating 100 years with a 1920's themed party.

Myrtle, in centre holding the balloon, has been a WI member for 80 years!





In January 2024 we celebrated our 100 years. To do this we went to The Greenhill Hotel and enjoyed a lovely lunch together. To continue our celebrations, at our AGM in February we invited past members to join us for cake and a toast (non alcoholic) to Raughton Head WI. Sadly many past members are no longer with us but nine ladies joined us for the celebrations. We obtained our scrap books from the archives and really had a wonderful afternoon. A time for catch ups and memories.