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<u>Lincs South News Sheet – Issue 46 – February 2018</u>

Forthcoming Event



'Harrogate Spring Flower Show'

Friday 27th April 2018

Rated Britain's top gardening event by Which?

Featuring beautiful show gardens; great shopping; live entertainment and the biggest exhibition by florists and flower arrangers in the country

Tickets for this trip – Members £40 and Non-Members £42 (spaces permitting – members take priority)

Closing date for applications – 9th March 2018

Application form with your secretary



News from your Chairman — I would like to wish all our members a very Happy New Year and hope you all had a good Christmas.

Do you like working as a team?

Can you think of new ideas?

Enjoy meeting others and making friends?

Then have you thought of applying to join one of our sub-committees?

We are now looking for members to join any of our sub-committees for the next term of two years starting in March. Any member can apply for one of these positions, you do not have to be an officer or committee member in your own WI, just a fully paid up member of the WI. Sub-committees meet four times a year at the WI Office, when they arrange outings and events in their subjects. We are all volunteers and being part of the Federation in this way is very enjoyable and rewarding, it is a chance to see the bigger picture and an insight as to how the Federation works. So, if you have an interest in Sports; Craft; Cookery; Current and Rural Affairs; Resolutions or interested in becoming an Adviser then contact Tracey at the WI Office for more information. Until next time, Debbie

CREATIVE CRAFT AND COOKERY

Happy New Year to you all from the Creative Craft and Cookery Committee and I hope we will see many of you during 2018 at one or more of the events we will be holding.

Unfortunately, I must start my report on a sad note as we have had to cancel the planned Evening of Indulgence in February owing to lack of support. I apologise to those of you who had applied for tickets and were looking forward to the event but would like to thank you very much for your support.

The first of our Office Workshops is to be held at the Federation Office on 24th April but don't worry about it being oversubscribed as if this happens further dates can be arranged so that hopefully no one will be disappointed.

There is still time for you to apply for a place on the visit to the Harrogate Flower Show, the first big event in the Gardening Calendar. The closing date for this is 9th March. Pat Masters



Take a Chance Draw - December/January Winners

December - 1st M.Scott Frampton WI/2nd J.Blake Barrowby WI/3rd S.Cox Colsterworth WI

January – 1^{st} H. Whitfield Dyke WI/ 2^{nd} A. Setchfield Gonerby Hill Ft/ 3^{rd} M.Hallam Barrowby WI

Congratulations Ladies

CONGRATULATIONS – to the joint winners of the 1977 – 2017 Paperquiz

Audrey Webb of Metheringham and Helen Cawdron of Dorrington WI - Well Done ladies.

Members Advisory Committee — A very Happy New Year to all our members and their families. Early January we held our Resolution Discussion Day at Cranwell. It is not too late to cast your vote for one of the five proposed resolutions. The voting form is in the December/January issue of WI Life and your vote need to be with the office by Friday 9th February. We are coming up to Annual Meeting time and if your WI would like their Adviser to come along then please do get in touch with her. Contact details are in the yearbook or available from the office. Whilst a visit is not compulsory it does give the members a chance to meet their adviser and ask any questions. It is a particularly good opportunity for new members to learn more about the organisation.

We have had a new WI Adviser join the Members Advisory Committee from Hampshire Federation, Sharon Hurrell. Sharon has moved to Lincolnshire with her work and once she has settled in will be overseeing the Kesteven Group.

Myth of the Month – A WI committee must meet every month.

Not true – The committee must meet at least six times in the year – WI Constitution Rule 27a. Don't put pressure on the committee members to meet every month, if there is nothing that needs discussing, organising, etc – then give yourselves the night off!

Jane Root - Chairman, Members Advisory Committee

WI Office – Intercom Door Entry

Any members visiting the WI Office will notice we have an intercom entry system on the middle door, this has been installed for security reasons, one can feel quite vulnerable if in the building alone, and this means we know when people are coming in. All you need do is press the top button on the panel for WI Office and Sue or I will release the door for you – getting out is even easier, you just press the large green button. Thank you – Tracey Copeland, Federation Secretary

Federation Quiz Nights

During 2017 we held 4 of our very popular, well supported and enjoyed quiz nights. With many different teams taking part and winning some very nice prizes.

The overall winner of the year was - SIBSEY SIZZLERS from Sibsey WI. Well Done Sibsey Ladies

Here is the full list of winning teams -

1st – Sibsey Sizzlers – Sibsey WI

2nd - Does Grey Matter - Thurlby WI

3rd – Wyberton Wonders – Wyberton Church End WI

4th – Gonerby Hill Footers – Gonerby Hill Foot WI

5th – Meg Marvels – Metheringham WI

Remember it's not always the winning, but the taking part and enjoying the company of your fellow members that makes a great evening – hope to see some new teams during 2018.

Dates for 2018 Federation quiz nights - 20th April at Great Hale/6th July at Great Hale/21st September at Quadring and 23rd November at Great Hale.

Chairman's Challenge 2017



The challenge was to help grow leaves on the Chairman's Tree, which will be on show at the Spring Council Meeting, a leaf for each WI, showing how much money was raised by each WI.

If your WI decided not to take part in this challenge, the £15 should have by now been returned to the WI Office.

If your WI decided to take up the challenge any money raised along with the initial £15 should be sent to the WI Office by 31st January 2018.

Please remember to let us know how you raised the money – the most unusual will be awarded a prize, as well as $1^{st}/2^{nd}$ prizes for WIs in each group – 29 member's and under and 30 plus members.

Thank you to all WIs who have taken part in this challenge

Public Affairs & Education

Get Involved

Over the last 6-7 weeks plastic pollution has become headline news. Although the NFWI mandate relates to microplastic fibres the continuous publicity of plastic pollution in our oceans has increased concerns and debate about the problem.

Plastic does not biodegrade. It only breaks down into smaller and smaller pieces.

What can we do?

Refuse disposable plastic whenever and wherever possible.

Choose items that are not packaged in plastic.

Follow Weatherspoons example and say "no straw, please". Lobby pubs and restaurants.

Choose glass, paper, stainless steel, wood, bamboo over plastic.

Encourage others to say NO to single use plastic

Please visit our Awareness display at the Public Affairs and Education stand at Spring Council (Tuesday 13 March 2018). Clare Pillinger from Anglian Water will be available to give advice and information about plastic pollution as well as answering your questions.

Working together we can make an impact.

Lincs South members please Get Active!

Beryl Chinneck, Chairman Public Affairs & Education.

MAKE BAKE AND SHOW

Saturday 27 October 2018

ADVANCE NOTICE

The Trustees received such a good response from members about the facilities at The Venue, Navenby that it was decided to go there again this year for the Show.

We have been planning the content of the Schedule for a number of months and this will be sent to you shortly.

Please put Saturday 27 October in your diaries. The closing date for entries is Friday 7 September 2018.

All details will be available on the Make Bake and Show display stand at Spring Council.

Christine Jordan, Make Bake and Show Committee.



Forthcoming Diary Dates

Listed below are forthcoming events planned and organised by your Federation Board of Trustees and Sub-Committees. Why not book a place and pop the date in your diary (**Speak to your secretary, she will have the application forms and can apply for you)** Each event has a stated closing date, by which all applications and payments need to be at the WI Office, and **no chq is banked** until this **closing date is reached** and/or places secured.

For the **Quiz nights**, you can enter teams of up to 4 members

Date	Event	Venue	Closing
7 th & 16 February 2018	Bharat Hindu Samaj – Visit to this Hindu Temple Tickets £7	Peterborough	Closed
23 rd February	An Evening of Indulgence – with wine/cheese and chocolate – plus much more. Tickets - £10 CANCELLED	Hale Magna Village Hall at Great Hale	Closed
13 th March	Spring Council Meeting – Annual meeting	Springfields Spalding	1 st Feb 2018
20 th April	Quiz Night – Tickets £6	Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale	23 rd March
24 TH April	Jute Bag Decorating Workshop	WI Office	16 th March
27 th April	Harrogate Spring Flower Show – Tickets £40 (coach/entry)	Harrogate	9 th March
6 th June	Annual Meeting – Cardiff (NFWI)	Cardiff	-
6 th July	Quiz Night – Tickets - £6	Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale	ТВА
21 st Sept	Quiz Night at Quadring – Tickets £6	Quadring	TBA
26 th /27 th Oct	Make Bake and Show	The Venue, Navenby	ТВА
23 rd Nov	Quiz Night – Tickets £6	Hale Magna Village Hall, Great Hale	ТВА

NB. If an event or trip is oversubscribed a ballot takes place (members take priority) as is carried out by the organizing committee. Cheques are returned asap to any unsuccessful members. We do not bank any payments until places are secured. (normally a few days after closing date, once ballot done and details given to office).

Yearbook Update

Change of Meeting Day – South Kyme WI will meet on the 1st Thursday of the month.

News from Lincolnshire South WIs

Remember this is your section ladies (please submit reports first week of the month)

If you have any news or adverts you would like to tell other members about, maybe something you are doing or have enjoyed, then please send in your brief report to the WI Office and we will include it when possible. You can either post to the WI Office or email to fedoffice@lsfwi.org.uk



Wednesday 15th November 2017 – Harlaxton WI celebrated their sixty years anniversary and were joined by guests Debbie Venn, Chairman of Federation and Jean Cox, Vice Chairman for a fish and chip supper, celebration cake and glass of Prosecco. Jean was a past President for our WI 1985. Debbie was presented with £100 for her Chairman's Challenge. A members' daughter and her husband, a duo called 'Music Matters' lead us in a resounding rendition of Jerusalem. They also provided background music during the evening. Committee members designed a collage of each decade since the 1950's to the '00's depicting both local and national events. A most delightful evening shared with friends. Carole Harris

Deepings Lunchtime WI



With monies raised from taking part in the 40th Anniversary Exercise Event, we organised a craft spectacular. Naming it Dabble Day the aim was to learn many crafts, dabbling here and dabbling there. Calligraphy, Christmas Arrangements, Layering Cards, Candle Boxes, Stamping and Embossing and the icing on the cake – a delicious lunch, cooked as always by our Margaret broke up the day thus giving us time to recharge our batteries.

Lots of chatter and laughter learning new skills made it a day to remember, the very essence of being a member in our WI. Barbara Derbyshire - President



Whaplode (Village) WI – Past President Margaret Williams (seated) and current President Julie Hicks, about to cut the 55th Birthday cake made by one of the members daughters.



Our WI Christmas Memory Tree, which was in Whaplode St Mary's Church for the Christmas Tree festival. Members wrote on the back of golden stars in memory of anyone or anything.

Julie Hicks - President of Whaplode (Village) WI



Inclusions for News Sheet – Please send copy to WI Office or email first week of the month for inclusion that month (remember we work a month in advance) Editor: Mrs. Deborah Venn – Federation Chairman

If photographs are submitted, please make members aware that they could be featured in news sheet/website/Social media or Lincolnshire Life. Ensure members involved will allow this please.

Office Contact Details – WI Office, Suites 7, 7a and 8 Pattinson House, Oak Park, East Road Trading Estate, Sleaford, Lincs NG34 7EQ. 01529 302398 fedoffice@lsfwi.org.uk Charity No – 506268. If you wish to advertise in this news sheet – free to WI's, non-WI 40p a word, plus £5 for insertion. To have a flyer included please supply 100 copies and payment of £36 – Cheque made payable to LSF of WI. Office Hours – Monday to Thursday 9am to 3pm. Closed 12 noon to 1pm lunchtime and all-day Friday. During winter months – Mon and Thursday will close at 2.30pm. LSFWI is affiliated to the National Federation of Women's Institutes, 104 New Kings Road, London SW6 4LY Telephone – 020 7371 9300. Charity No 803793

To reach WI Office - Turn off East Gate Road by Kwik Fit – we are at the bottom on the right-hand side, a large square building just after Go Dance Studio.

Borrowing the Federation Gazebo/Flags – You may borrow this for your events. Call the office or email for further info or to see if available for dates required. It is quite heavy and awkward so best if two people call to collect and return.



WI Office Parking – To remind members coming to the office that we only have 4 parking slots in front of the office; the remaining spaces belong to the other offices within Pattinson House. However, there are usually places to park just across from the Go Dance Studio on a strip of grass. Thank you