Lincolnshire North Federation of WIs



WI News



FEBRUARY 2022

Discover Waddow!



Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th July 2022 Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancashire, BB7 3LD

Waddow Hall is a stunning 17th century Manor House, set in 178 acres of beautiful parkland, overlooking the River Ribble.

We have booked this historic house for an educational, residential weekend from Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th July 2022.

Choose from these 3 options:

- Enjoy the great outdoors while you have a go at fencing, abseiling, archery and kayaking
- Create stunning silver clay jewellery under the guidance of tutor Melanie Blaikie
- Take a trip around Pendle Witch country with a knowledgeable Blue Badge Guide

Prices start at £285 and include travel, full board accommodation and your choice of Saturday activity.

See pages 5 and 6 for more information!

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The final date to receive items for the MARCH 2022 issue is: **Monday 8TH FEBRUARY**

Items for inclusion should be emailed direct to: Infwinewsletter@gmail.com The MARCH issue of WI News will be sent out on 17TH FEBRUARY

CHAIRMAN'S COLUMN

Hello everyone - and a Happy New Year. Let's hope 2022 is more 'settled' than the previous two years.

It was lovely to be able to attend some seasonal celebrations with some of you in December and I am looking forward to meeting up with more of you in the coming months.

Looking ahead, our events committee is planning a varied year of activities and we also have our Federation Weekend at Waddow to look forward to.

There is also the Lincolnshire Show - and you could say it is third time lucky for us to go 'Into the Woods'. Schedules are in your WIs and we hope as many as possible will enter the show classes.



Ahead of that, there is a new venture for the Federation - the Springtime Extravaganza - which is something else to look forward to.

At this event, we will be holding a tombola and any donations of items for this will be gratefully received. They can be dropped off at WI House or brought to the Annual Meeting at Skegness, where there will be a box for donations to be placed into.

Also to assist federation funds, by avoiding bank charges, it would help greatly if when making any payments for events etc, this is done via bank transfer. Please make sure when doing so, that your surname and the reason for payment (ie: Smith: snowdrops) is put as the reference. This helps allocate your payment and ensure your place is booked.

However, don't worry if you are not able to do this; cheques and cash will still be accepted.

That is all for now. Hope to see lots of you at the Skegness meeting

Dianne



Does your WI have something planned for this year's #showthelove?

Rolling Scones WI will be taking over the window at Louth Library from February 5 to 19 as part of their #showthelove activities.

There will also be a display in Market Rasen Library.

There is more about this annual campaign on the MYWI website, including a link to a resource pack and some craft projects - including wild flower seed hearts to plant.

The MYWI site requires a members' log in. If you have not yet registered for this, now is the time. Your email address will need to be on your MCS record, so if you are having problems, speak to your WI's MCS rep or contact the federation office for assistance.

Last year, we received some great pictures of what you were all up to, so we look forward to seeing this year's Green Heart activities.

Send your pictures as j-peg attachments (not embedded into documents) to the WI News editor on the dedicated email: Infwinewsletter@gmail.com

Campaigns and Resolutions

In December, which seems ages ago now, I joined an NFWI Public Affairs "coffee morning" on Zoom to hear more about how resolutions and campaigns are worked on by the public affairs team.

Resolution campaigns have a two-year initial focus, after which a decision is made to either scale it down and just keep a watching brief or continue with an action plan.

For example, the microplastic pollution campaign which was the subject of an All Party Parliamentary Group has now been introduced as a Bill in Parliament by Alberto Costa MP. There is a template letter available to send to your own MP in support of this. The Bill has a long way to go but this is a positive step. A washing machine isn't the sort of household appliance you go out and buy on a regular basis, but should you be looking for one the BEKO make is one that has a built in filter. A gadget can also be bought to put in the drum of any machine. This is purely for information and not an endorsement of these products.

At the end of an active campaign a Legacy Pack is produced, but that's not to say a WI or Federation can't continue working on it if they want. You can also request that a resolution is picked up again and worked on by NFWI should it still be relevant.

In 1954, a resolution was put forward regarding ID cards. This was given as an example of one that would not be picked up now – being too contentious. Amazingly the member who seconded this resolution in 1954 was at the meeting on Zoom in 2021. How's that for dedication to the WI!

Updates were given on the most recent campaigns. NFWI now has a poster and leaflet on the ovarian cancer campaign "See the Signs" which can be downloaded from MYWI. The website has information on all campaigns and the resolution process, and any member can sign up for the Public Affairs Digest which will drop into your email inbox regularly and provide updates.

In December I also sat in on an NFWI webinar on the "No More Violence" campaign. Commander Sue Williams from the Met Police, Anthea Sully chief executive of White Ribbon UK, that works with men and boys, and Dr Stephen Burrell, from Durham University, were the speakers. The webinar was recorded and was going to be put on MYWI. I hope it is still there by the time you read this as it is worth looking at. The message was that men's attitude to women is changing, but there's still a long way to go. However, it is up to all of us to call out "bad behaviour" when we see it.

A reminder too that your vote for the 2022 resolution should be with the Federation by 14 February – ONE MEMBER ONE VOTE - so do all take part in the process.

Janet Harrison, Federation Resolution and Public Affairs Officer

WI SEWING AND CRAFT DAYS

An opportunity for those of you who are keen to progress their sewing and craft projects with like-minded people: come and join a friendly group of WI Members on a monthly basis, either at WI House, Horncastle on the first Saturday of the month, or at Washingborough Community Centre on the fourth Thursday of the month. Limited spaces available, Covid guidelines followed. Cost dependent upon numbers attending £5 - £8 / day. Please contact WI House for further details.



IS YOUR WI CELEBRATING A MILESTONE THIS YEAR?

Certificates will be presented at the March annual meeting to WIs marking significant birthdays - eg

40 years, 50 years, 100 years etc - and also to individuals reaching 50 years or more membership in 2022 (or who did in 2021).

Contact Sue in the office for more details.

DECEMBER 2021

First draw of the year with special prizes 50/50 draw results

1st—£25—No. 32 Pauline Gill Stafford—Faldingworth & District WI

2nd—£15—No. 24—Elaine Eccles—Wragby WI

3rd—£10—No. 59—Bernard Carter—non member

LADY DENMAN CUP COMPETITION 2021

"Let me show you what a woman can do!"

Using no more than 500 words, The Lady Denman Cup Competition 2021 invited WI members to submit a piece of creative writing using Artemisia Gentileschi, Self Portrait as Saint Catherine of Alexandria. about 1615-17, at The National Gallery as inspiration with the title "Let me show you what a woman can do!"

The winning entry was from Janet Gray of the Devon Federation.

If you would like to read it yourself, the WI News Editor will gladly email you a copy.

Just email Infwinewsletter@gmail.com



MAKE YOUR OWN ...



Make a 3 tier cake stand using your own vintage china plates/bowls.

WI House, Horncastle. Tuition to drill your plates/bowls and the connector set provided. Tea / coffee and cake will be served. Time10am to 12pm

Cost £10

Saturday 5th February 2022



Last chance for Snowdrops and shopping!

Friday 25th February 2022

Only a few places remain on the coach for this trip.

We will visit Easton Walled Garden to see the snowdrops in the morning and move on to Downtown Superstore for the afternoon.

Pick-ups are in Tetney, Louth, Horncastle, Wragby and Lincoln.

Members £21.50 /non-members £26.50

Please contact Sue at WI House by Wednesday, February 16 to secure your place

Federation Annual Meeting

23rd March 2022

Embassy Theatre, Skegness

There are still some places available, book now as you won't want to miss it. The morning session is for WI members only and starts at 10.30 when we will conduct our WI Business as usual. We will then break for lunch and begin the afternoon session at 1.30pm prompt. Our speaker will be THE YORKSHIRE SHEPHERDESS Amanda Owen and this afternoon session will be open to members and non members.

£12 for members

£15 for non members



Discover Waddow!

Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th July 2022

£285 per WI member in a shared room
£305 per non-WI member in a shared room
£300 per WI member in a single room
£320 per non-WI member in a single room
Prices include travel and full-board accommodation

Please join us for a residential, educational weekend on this stunning estate.

Waddow Hall is a 17th-century, Grade II listed building, within a 178-acre estate near Clitheroe, Lancashire that serves as a conference and activity centre.

It has been managed by Girlguiding UK since 1927.

Our Dickinson's Coach will travel across Lincolnshire North on Friday 22nd July 2022, picking up from Skegness, Louth, Wragby, Lincoln (Nettleham Road) and Caenby Corner.

A lunch stop in Skipton is planned, before moving on to Waddow Hall, arriving at 4.00pm.

There will be ample time to settle into your room before the evening meal is served.

All bedrooms are ensuite, and have tea/coffee making facilities.

Bedrooms offer 2, 3 or 4 bedded options.

There are some single rooms available, but these are very limited and mainly located on the second floor, where no disabled access is available.

There are two bedrooms on the ground floor with disabled access.

A chair stair-lift travels between the ground and first floor.



There is a licensed bar and Wi-Fi is available in some parts of the building.





Full itinerary on the next page

Following Friday's evening meal, Waddow Hall staff will formally welcome our group, then you can relax and begin to 'Discover Waddow!'

On Saturday there are three options to chose from:

Have a go at Fencing, Abseiling, Archery and Kayaking.

You will move as a group from activity to activity through the day. Each session will last approximately 90 minutes and be under the guidance of fully qualified staff members.

These activities will take place regardless of the weather, so please come prepared with the appropriate clothing!

These activities make up the package. If you decide to opt out of one, that is absolutely fine; sadly the cost can not be reduced. And maybe you'll decide to opt back in once you see what's involved!

Join tutor Melanie Blaikie for the day and learn all about Silver Clay.

The day will begin with answering the questions: What is silver clay, where does it come from and how does it work? Melanie will then demonstrate and explain the main techniques before it's your turn to get creative!

Each student will design and create two or three pieces of finished jewellery e.g. a pendant and earrings or charms for a bracelet or necklace, which will be ready to wear by the end of the day. There will be an <u>additional cost</u>, payable to Melanie on the day, of approximately £34, dependent on what you make. The day will take place in the ground floor Training Room.

Climb aboard our coach with Jane Humphries to discover Pendle Witch country.

Blue Badge Guide Jane will direct the coach through the tight country lanes around Clitheroe, visiting picturesque villages in the Ribble Valley, telling the tale of the Pendle Witches.

Waddow Hall will provide a packed lunch – food orders will be taken nearer to the date of the trip.

Saturday evening will be spent in and around Waddow Hall, socialising with fellow members.

Sunday morning will give you ample opportunity to further explore the 178 acre estate, or sit on the patio and watch the River Ribble flow over the weir below.

Perhaps you'll opt to join a guided tour of the Hall or visit the Garden Room on the first floor, to view the extensive collection of Girlquiding UK memorabilia.

If you fancy something a little more energetic, what about taking part in a Grass Sledging competition on the front lawn!

We will depart Waddow Hall after lunch on the Sunday, returning directly to Lincolnshire, dropping off at the points you joined.

Please come and join us for this weekend of fun and friendship!

Any Covid-19 guidelines in force at the time of our visit will be strictly observed at all times, in line with LNFWI and Waddow Hall policies.

To book your place, fill in the form on the next two pages.

<u>Please note: your place will not be confirmed until a £50 non-refundable deposit</u> and completed booking form have been received at WI House.

Discover Waddow!

Friday 22nd July to Sunday 24th July 2022

Booking form

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Personal Information (please use block letters)						
Name						
Address						
Postcode						
Landline Telep	hone No.					
Mobile Telepho	one No.					
Email address						
WI Member YES / NO						
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	Course Title Every effort will be made to ensure your first choice of course, however, due to course limitations, this is not always possible, so we ask that an alternative choice of course is listed below.					
1st Choice						
2nd Choice						
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N.B. Guests of all ages are welcome, however, in line with LNFWI's policy, children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times.

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Please be advised that Waddow Hall operates a cancellation policy which is detailed below, it is strongly recommended that you take out insurance cover.							
LNFWI is not able to arrange this on your behalf.							
Waddow Hall Cancellation Policy Deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable in the event of customer cancellation. In the event of cancellation, the following additional charges will be made: • More than 90 days before arrival – loss of deposit paid • 60-90 days prior to arrival – 50% of total charge, (less deposit paid) payable within 14 days of the cancellation date • Less than 60 days prior to arrival – 100% charge, (less deposit paid) payable within 14 days of the cancellation date							

Please Note:

All booking information will be kept on file at WI House, Banks Street, Horncastle, LN9 5BW, and at the home address of the organiser, LNFWI Vice Chairman, Jean Burgess.

All booking information will be destroyed once 'Discover Waddow' has taken place.

WI inspired products for sale.

Here is a "sneak preview" of the goods that will be on display and for sale at our Annual Meeting at the Embassy, Skegness on March 23rd. On the day, make sure you make your way to the stall and have a browse, sales from this help to fund the federation which in turn subsidises the courses and events that the Federation puts on throughout the year.

Don't forget you can arrange for the full range to be brought to your WI, which is especially good for those not able to attend the annual meeting.

Book through the office at Horncastle.







Springtime Extravaganza Saturday 9th April 2022 Horncastle Community Centre, Manor House Street, Horncastle, LN9 5HJ

How are your Daffodils, snowdrops, aconites, tulips growing?

I love February, when the green tips of new life begin to appear from under the soil in borders and pots.

I hope that many of you will be entering our Springtime Extravaganza Daffodil Show.

A copy of the schedule is in your WI now or you can contact Sue at WI House for your own copy.

Please let us know how your bulbs are doing – we'd love to hear from you!

Jean Burgess Vice Chairman LNFWI

'Denman at Home' is now 'On Demand'!

I hope that WI Secretaries have been forwarding on to everyone the weekly updates they have been receiving from 'Denman at Home'. These updates give information about the live 'Denman at Home' courses that can be screened to your laptop, PC or mobile device in the week to come.

Question - Have you been deleting the email without looking closer at what is on offer?

Yes? You will see details for the next 7 to 10 days, but, through that email you can also access the 'Denman at Home' calendar to see what courses are planned for the future.

And now there is the new 'On Demand' feature. 'Denman at Home' is aware that many of you are leading increasingly busier lifestyles and may struggle to make it to the live sessions, so they want to evolve with you. 'On Demand' allows flexible viewing of a selection of courses for a limited period of time after purchase. Some are brand new and others are repeats of popular courses.

'Denman at Home' will continue to add to this selection over the next few months if they prove popular, so do keep an eye out and let me know if you're enjoying them.

Jean Burgess

Subs reminder

Last year, the membership renewal was changed to April and this is now always the case.

AROUND THE FEDERATION 2022

West Ashby WI hosted Station Manager Norma Stewart and two of her fellow volunteers from Coastwatch Skegness, who spoke about the charity's vital and sometimes lifesaving work.



Their Skegness base, a

purpose-built lookout station equipped with sophisticated technology, overlooks the beach at Winthorpe and a wide section of sea. They work closely with other agencies including Coastguard and Lifeboats. There are 25 volunteers at the station, keeping watch in shifts during daylight hours 365 days a year, and more volunteers are needed. The next nearest stations are at Chapel Point to the north and Brancaster to the south.



Skellingthorpe WI held their Centenary Dinner at The Bentley Hotel on 5th January 2022 Their Centenary year has begun, with 31 members enjoying a great meal. The service was first class as was the food and the company.

Thanks to all at The Bentley and let us all hope that 2022 will be a great 100th year for Skellingthorpe WI.

<u>Somercotes Group:</u> Four WIs enjoyed an educational and tasty evening watching lain Learmonth, of Holmes Farm



Butchers at North Somercotes, demonstrate his butchery and cooking skills.

Having watched the mushroom pate, the chicken Kiev and so much more being prepared, there was the enormous pleasure of tasting all those cooked before. Delicious! Both Dianne Tuckett and Paula Burrett will agree.

The competition, a quiche, was won by Midge Jackson of North Thoresby

January 2022 50/50 draw results

1st—£20 46 Vicky Moore The Keals WI

2nd—£10 16 Monica Barker Coningsby and Tattershall WI

3rd—£5 30 Dorothy Warr Wragby WI



Do you have a bright idea?

As you are aware we run an "Enterprise Box" which contains a selection of gifts and other items which are sold in aid of Federation funds.

We are holding a competition to find a

new name, to make it sound more modern and exciting.

The prize will be a Federation Gift Voucher.

Entries should be sent to the Enterprise Officer, Barbara Young, either by email to barbara@badyoung.com

by phone 01522 731900 or by mail to West View, Aisthorpe, Lincoln LN1 2SG

Entries must be received by FRIDAY 4th MARCH 2022 and will be judged at the Board Meeting on 9th March 2022.

The winner will be announced at the Annual Meeting on 23rd March.

The decision of the Trustees will be final.

Wragby WI President Margaret Kane welcomed members and speaker Jennifer Ichikawa. Margaret thanked everyone for the support they had given to less fortunate people over Christmas.

Jennifer Ichikawa took along Japanese Kimonos and gave a very detailed demonstration on wearing them.

Different Kimonos indicate the status of a female. Members thoroughly enjoyed her talk.

Nettleham WI enjoyed an evening of "Fun and Games", plus cake. Heads were scratched as they tried to fill in various quiz and puzzle sheets, and tabletop games were a source of much laughter.

Viking Way Scarf Challenge



After all of your hard work knitting so many scarves, and lots of pairs of gloves too, I thought you would like to know where they ended up and the needy people they have helped.

Many Wis noted that they had sent donations to "local charities" without naming them, but those that were named are as follows:



Hope House, Mablethorpe;
Grantham Passage;
Salvation Army (Market Rasen);
Salvation Army (Spalding);
Afghan refugee charity;
Spalding Lighthouse Church;
Humberston Lions;
Boston Centre Point;
Seafarers, Grimsby;
New Direction (Lewisham);
Nomad Trust;
East Coast Homeless Org.(ECHO).



Thank you for your efforts, it is much appreciated by those who have so little.

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ACWW Save the date!!

The 29th April is 'Walk the World' day.

We will be asking members to take part in a sponsored walk for the Pennies for Friendship fund which goes to the ACWW.

We are suggesting walking around Hubbards Hills at Louth, Willingham Woods at Market Rasen, Snipe Dales near Horncastle and Whisby Nature Park near Lincoln, obviously not all venues but the one nearest to you! I am looking for members to be responsible for organising the group at the various venues.

There will be more information in the March newsletter and of course at the Federation Annual meeting at Skegness in March.

Maria Scott ACWW Coordinator scotz14@outlook.com



What will your WI be doing to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee? Let us know.

There will be year-long <u>Platinum Jubilee</u> celebrations throughout the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth and around the world as communities and people come together to celebrate The Queen's historic reign. Throughout the year, Her Majesty and members of the Royal Family will travel around the country to undertake a variety of

engagements to mark this historic occasion, culminating with the focal point of the Platinum Jubilee Weekend from Thursday 2nd June to Sunday 5th June.



DATE	TOPIC	TIME	COST
Saturday 5th	Cake Stand making with Linda Coatsworth at	10am—12	£10
February	WI House, Horncastle		
12th February	Sewing and Craft Saturday at WI House	TBA	£5—£8 per
			day
25th February	Easton Walled Garden—Snowdrops and visit	TBA	£21.50 m
	To Downtown Store, Grantham		£26.50 nm
12th March	Sewing and Craft Saturday at WI House	TBA	£5—£8 per
			day
15th March	Introduction to British Sign Language	TBA	TBA
20th March	Murder Mystery Event—Alford	Individual	£7.50 m
		start times	£11.50 nm
23rd March	Annual Meeting, Skegness: Morning Session	10.30am	£12 m
	Afternoon Session with Amanda Owen	1.30pm	£15 nm
28th April	Churches Tour (cost includes lunch at WI House)	TBA	£15
18th May	Gliding—Kirton Lindsey	Evening TBA	TBA
13th June	Garden visit—Gunby Hall	10.30 am	TBA
22nd-24th July	Residential Weekend at Waddow Hall, Lancashire	Friday to	See advert
ĺ		Sunday	inside
13th August	Tolethorpe Theatre and Stamford—various pick-ups	All day	TBA
4th September	Murder Mystery Event	Individual	TBA
·		times	
8th September	Ladies of Lincolnshire Lunch—Woodhall Spa	12 noon	TBA
30th September	Ladies of Lincolnshire Lunch—Stow	12 noon	TBA
10th October	National Space Centre visit—Leicester. Various pick-	All day	TBA
	up points		
21st October	Ladies of Lincolnshire Lunch—Burgh le Marsh	12 noon	TBA
27th October	Gardening on the Menu with Martin & Jill Fish -	TBA	TBA
	New Life Church, Market Rasen—will include lunch		

ANY COVID RESTRICTIONS IN PLACE AT THE TIME OF AN EVENT WILL BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO

To book a place on any event, please complete the form below and post it or email the office with full information as listed here.

Name(s):	WI:	Event:	Email Address:	Tel. No:	

Send completed forms to: WI House, Banks Street, Horncastle Lincs. LN9 5BW.

Please note: confirmation will be sent by email unless otherwise requested.

Cheques should be made out to LNFWI. If you wish to use online banking our details are:

Sort code 40-30-26 Account number: 81186302.

Please quote YOUR NAME and the NAME OF THE EVENT as reference when making payments.

Terms and conditions of booking:

Fees and/or deposits will not be returned unless cancelled by the Board of Trustees or relevant sub-committee. All applications will be taken on a first come, first served basis.