



WI News



MAY 2022

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LINCOLNSHIRE SHOW June 22 and 23, 2022

A new partnership for Lincolnshire North &
Lincolnshire South Federations of WIs



Into the Woods

A celebration of all aspects of WI talent

Now is the time to submit your entry form

Class 1: Co-operative - Into the Woods

Class 2: Words from the Woods - poetry and illustration

Class 3: Fun Guy - handcrafted mushroom toadstool or other type of fungi

Class 4: The Cake Outdoors - decorated, edible Swiss roll

Please return the form and fees to our
Federation Office in Horncastle

Payment can be made by bank transfer or cheque

The final date to receive items for the **JUNE 2022** issue is:

Monday 9th May 2022

Items for inclusion should be emailed direct to: Infwinewsletter@gmail.com

The June issue of WI News will be sent out on **THURSDAY 19th May 2022**

CHAIRMAN'S COLUMN

Hello everyone

I don't know about you, but I have had a fantastic month - although the year does seem to be flying by.

It started with the annual meeting in Skegness. We have received some very positive feedback - both about the morning session and, of course, our afternoon speaker Amanda Owen. Wasn't she fantastic.

It was lovely to also have Amanda present the many WI anniversary certificates and membership certificates.

Thanks go to everyone who helped make the event happen and who helped on the day.

We had some unclaimed raffle prizes at the end of the day. The numbers were sent out to WI secretaries, so please check.

One of the WIs collecting their 100th anniversary certificate was Skellingthorpe WI and I was delighted to be able to join them for their celebration party on April 6.

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend Binbrook & District WI's 75th birthday bash the following evening, but my fellow trustee Maria Scott went along and said what a good evening it was.

It was a pleasure to put on my WI adviser 'hat' and attend Revesby & Mareham WI's annual meeting - a very friendly group of women, who provide delicious cake too.

I was delighted to be invited to Tetney WI's daffodil show and present the awards to the very talented entrants. This was a dry run for the Federation Springtime Extravaganza two days later, which was another fantastic event, with thanks to all who helped organise the event and helped on the day too.

The hall was a blast of colour and the judges were very impressed with the quality of entries.

Such was the success of the day, it is already pencilled in for 2023 - so look out for more details later in the year.

Finally, things are now moving fast on the Lincolnshire Show front, so I hope you are all planning your entries. It is great to be working with our friends at Lincolnshire South this year and we hope the event will be a wonderful showcase for our fantastic organisation - but we can't do it without you.

As always, take care

Dianne



See our new website at: www.lincsnorthwi.com





APRIL 50/50 DRAW

1st £20—No. 40 Helen Keyworth, Heighington WI

2nd £10—No. 5 Pat Needham, Manby & Grimoldby WI

3rd £5—No. 38 Alan Burgess—non member

Resolution and Public Affairs news

As you all know, this year's resolution going forward to the Annual Meeting concerns Women with ASD and ADHD. Briefing notes are to be sent out for consideration at your WI May meetings.

Somewhat late in the day, 30 March – too late for the April WI News - we received a memo about an online event on Monday 25 April, when members can learn more about the subject from Dr Hannah Belcher, a researcher at King's College.

This is not to consider arguments for or against the resolution, merely to give information.

If you didn't see the memo in your WI in time, a recording of the meeting will be available to view afterwards.

Whether you can see this or not, please don't forget to tell your link delegate going to the Annual Meeting of your WI's decision as to whether you support the resolution or not.

Janet Harrison—Federation Public Affairs Officer



Me, Myself and WI - An NFWI Initiative for

National Mental Health Awareness Week from 9th May

The objective of this activity is to encourage members to take time to look at their own mental health, physical health and general wellbeing, making time to put themselves first and recognise ways in which they can make small adjustments to their daily life and to help improve their understanding of the importance of taking care of their mind and body. We feel strongly that the objectives of *Me, Myself and WI* fit beautifully in support and recognition of the National Mental Health Awareness week, starting on the 9 May 2022. As such, *Me, Myself and WI* will offer a week of activities to encourage members to take a step out of their normal routine and take some time to focus on themselves and their wellbeing.

Activities will include:

10 Minutes of Mindfulness daily recordings.

Information from the Met Police on online fraud, sexual consent and drink spiking.

Mindfulness colouring pages

Updated Watchlist

Craft projects

Cookery projects

A copy of the poster with full information has been sent to your WI.

Celebrating the life of

Elizabeth (Liz) Isherwood Treasurer of Washingborough WI, who died suddenly. A great shock to her friends and fellow members.

Doreen Sutton, who was with Branston WI for 58 years and was well known for setting the quizzes for the Witham group, She will be missed by all her WI friends.

Susan Mitchell-Smith, a member of Faldingworth and District WI for almost 50 years. She will be much missed.



National Space Centre, Science Museum Leicester



Monday 10th October 2022

Hough's of Lincolnshire coach - pick-ups from Tetney, Louth, Horncastle, Wragby and Lincoln

Cost £30 per member / £35 per non-member

The cost includes: pick-ups through Lincolnshire North,
entry into the National Space Centre for a day visit,
briefing on arrival, Planetarium Show and 3D SIM Ride
Details of times and places will be sent closer to the date of the visit.

Contact WI House to book your place.



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

Please pay by bank transfer if possible: Sort code 40-30-26 Account number: 81186302.
Please quote YOUR NAME and the NAME OF THE EVENT as reference when making payments.
Cheques should be made out to LNFWI.

Murder – Below Stairs!

On the 20th March, 26 Crime Squads wandered through the back ways of Alford on a quest to discover 'who dun it' to poor Toby Dwyer, and 'wot they dun it with'!

6 Crime Squads correctly deduced the answers.
A draw for the winning Squad took place at the Annual Meeting in Skegness.
The overall winners were the T.W.I.T.S – Tetney WI Team!

Thank you to the catering team for all your hard work on the run-up to the date and then on the day of the Murder - Sara and Sue on butties, Paula and Hilary on cake toppings and Dianne for co-ordinating the orders and packing the picnic bags.

Just a few of the wonderful comments received after another successful Murder!

*Our thanks again from Tetford WI for a lovely day out in Alford trying to solve the Murder!
You put such a lot of work into it - our thanks to you and your team of helpers*

Thanks for today, we really enjoyed it Tetney WI

A big thank to everyone for organising a thoroughly enjoyable Murder Mystery today, especially as for the first time we were left with one murderer and one weapon! It was also interesting exploring the quaint, market town. The picnic, as always, was excellent, what a team. Manby & Grimoldby WI

Jean Burgess Federation Trustee

PS - **Murder: Most Novel!** is due to take place in **Tealby**
on Sunday 4th September 2022.

Get snapping

With the weather improving, we are all getting out and about more, so now is the ideal time to get those pictures taken for the next WI calendar.

It may seem a long way off, but we are looking for entries to the 2024 calendar, under the theme: 'Water, Wildlife and Woodland'.

The photographs must be taken within the historic county of Lincolnshire (ie Lincolnshire, North Lincolnshire or North East Lincolnshire) and must be landscape in shape - so wide rather than tall.

Please do not include any people in the photographs.

Submit entries to WI House by email, if possible, including your name, WI and where the photograph was taken.

The closing date is January 31, 2023

Federation Treasurer's Update

Just to let you know, I have taken up the position of treasurer of Lincs North once again, so I am back in familiar territory.

I appreciate that all WI Treasurers might not be familiar with online banking, great if you are, but if not I need to make you aware that if you are paying subscriptions you can pay other invoices on the same cheque, as long as you list on the reverse of the cheque what the payments are for.

The reason that I ask this is that the Federation's bank, HSBC, charges us for every cheque we pay into our account. This means we could be spending between £400 and £500 per year on banking cheques, which we would rather not do.

We also now have a method for you to pay using credit/debit cards when shopping at GIFTS TO GO which again helps you and us.

The Federation is planning to hold Treasurer and President/Secretary workshops in the next few months, so we can take as many of you as possible through the roles of these positions.

It was lovely to see so many of you at Skegness and I look forward to seeing some of you very soon.

Sara Carter

Federation Treasurer

ANNUAL MEETING, SKEGNESS 2022

GUEST SPEAKER AMANDA OWEN – THE YORKSHIRE SHEPHERDESS



Alvingham - 70 years



Barbara Guthrie:: 75 year membership



Binbrook - 75 years



Blyton- 80 years



Chapel St Leonards - 50 years



East Barkwith



Elsie Hodgson: 60 year membership



Huttoft - 100 years



Hykeham Forum - 50 years



Iris Wallace - 50 year membership



Keddington & Louth Park - 100 years



Laughton - 50 years



Laura Davies - winner Chairman's Cup



Ludford - 75 years



Manby & Grimoldby - 100 years



Saltfleetby - 70 years



Shirley Kennedy: 60 year membership



Skellingthorpe - 100 years



Sylvia Burrows: 50 year membership



Tealby - 90 years



Tetford - 100 years



Tetney - 100 years



The Keals - 75 years



West Ashby - 75 years



Chris Morgan receiving her flowers



Book signing



Eunice Goodhand:
70 year membership



Doreen Holmes:
55 year membership



Enjoying a pre-meeting cuppa

Copies of the photographs can be emailed out. Contact: dianne.tuckett@btinternet.com with any requests



Lincs North Federation Spring Extravaganza 2022 Results

41 individuals entered, representing 15 WIs, with 230 entries.



Class 1

- 1st Carol Speakman (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Paula Burrett (Rolling Scones, Louth)
3rd Susan Russell (Revesby & Mareham)

Class 2

- 1st Jean Burgess (Tetney)
2nd Deb Youll (Rolling Scones, Louth)
3rd Brigitte Sanderson (Rolling Scones, Louth)

Class 3

- 1st Paula Burrett (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Janet Miller (Heighington)

Class 4

- 1st Paula Burrett (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Liz Marshall (Rolling Scones, Louth)
3rd Caroline Feit (Ludford)

Class 5

- 1st Janet Robinson (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Linda Forman (Rolling Scones, Louth)
3rd Liz Goldthorpe (West Ashby)

Class 6 – No awards made

Class 7

- 1st Susan Russell (Revesby & Mareham)
2nd Jean Burgess (Tetney)
3rd Sue Baker (Rolling Scones, Louth)

Class 8

- 1st Helen Keyworth (Heighington)

Class 9

- 1st Jane Riggall (Manby & Grimoldby)
2nd Angela Jacklin (Horncastle)
3rd Caroline Feit (Ludford)

Class 10

- 1st Janet Miller (Heighington)
2nd Sylvia Vickers (Tetford)
3rd Helen Keyworth (Heighington)

Class 11

- 1st Helen Keyworth (Heighington)
2nd Jean Burgess (Tetney)
3rd Sue Baker (Rolling Scones, Louth)

Class 12

- 1st Janet Robinson (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Paula Burrett (Rolling Scones, Louth)
3rd Helen Keyworth (Heighington)

Class 13

- 1st Paula Burrett (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Jane Riggall (Manby & Grimoldby)
3rd Jill Wilson (Rolling Scones, Louth)

Class 14

- 1st Sylvia Ravenhall (West Ashby)
2nd Angela Jacklin (Horncastle)
3rd Paula Burrett (Rolling Scones, Louth)

Class 15

- 1st Janet Miller (Heighington)
2nd Janet Lismore (Sutton-On-Sea)
3rd Linda Forman (Rolling Scones, Louth)

Class 16

- 1st Marcia Dalton (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Angela Borman (Saxilby)
3rd Linda Forman (Rolling Scones, Louth)

Class 17

- 1st Marcia Dalton (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Deb Youll (Rolling Scones, Louth)
3rd Susan Russell (Revesby & Mareham)

Class 18

- 1st Paula Burrett (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Dianne Tuckett (Ludford)
3rd Angela Jacklin (Horncastle)

Class 19

- 1st Jane Riggall (Manby & Grimoldby)
2nd Pauling Gill-Stafford (Faldingworth)
3rd Sylvia Ravenhall (West Ashby)

Class 20

- 1st Helen Keyworth (Heighington)
2nd Janet Lismore (Sutton-on-Sea)
3rd Angela Jacklin (Horncastle)

Class 21

- 1st Paula Burrett (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Linda Coatsworth (Saxilby)
3rd Denise Barnett (Revesby & Mareham)

Class 22

- 1st Paula Burrett (Rolling Scones, Louth)
2nd Jane Riggall (Manby & Grimoldby)
3rd Val Elliott (Washingborough)

Class 23

- 1st Helen Keyworth (Heighington)
2nd Alison Walker (Ludford)
3rd Val Elliott (Washingborough)

Class 24

- 1st Lorna Curtis (Coningsby & Tattershall)
- 2nd Helen Keyworth (Heighington)
- 3rd Ann Jones (Sutton-on-Sea)

Class 25

- 1st Linda Haynes (Tetney)
- 2nd Pam Stratford (Horncastle)
- 3rd Jane Riggall (Manby & Grimoldby)

WI with the most points overall

- 1st The Rolling Scones, Louth
- 2nd Heighington
- 3rd Manby & Grimoldby

Best Bloom In Show

Jean Burgess (Tetney)

Best Exhibit In Show

Linda Haynes (Tetney)

Prizes for the **children's painting / drawing classes** were awarded to Oscar aged 5, Esme aged 8 and Jordy aged 9.

How the WIs Ranked

Rolling Scones	49pts
Heighington	24pts
Manby & Grimoldby	11pts
Tetney	10pts
Horncastle	8pts
Ludford	6pts
Revesby & Mareham	6pts
Saxilby	4pts
West Ashby	4pts
Sutton-on-Sea	4pts
Coningsby & Tattershall	3pts
Faldingworth	2pts
Tetford	2pts
Washingborough	2pts



Rolling Scones - Most Points



Linda Haynes, Tetney WI - Best in Show



Jean Burgess, Tetney WI - Best bloom



Esme with her box



Sue Russell for granddaughter Esme



Angela Jacklin for grandson Oscar



Right: Jane Riggall for grandson Jordy

Far right: Just some of the fantastic blooms



East Barkwith and District WI making stepper cards at a recent meeting



Holton le Moor WI Dr Peter Townend of Network Archaeology transfixed his audience with the scale of excavation and finds in the River Witham's floodplain during the building of the Lincoln Eastern Bypass. Members were taken through the layers of the dig, back as far as 400,000BC and most recently the medieval period. Fascinating pieces were found, ranging from early basic tools and domestic items to the biggest collection of flint arrowheads ever discovered in one place, plus several cemeteries with human remains. Did you know that Lincoln has its own Henge – an enormous flat stone circle? Research continues on the artefacts to learn more about human activity in the area.



North Kelsey WI had a most interesting and entertaining pottery demonstration by John Teanby. John lives in Louth and has taught pottery in a school for many years, before his recent retirement. Karen, one of the members, acted as his assistant in throwing one of the pots. Whilst this was happening everyone was serenaded to "Unchained Melody" in a re-enactment of a scene from the film Ghost, and a lovely evening was enjoyed by all.

Heighington WI recently held their annual meeting, after which they had tasting sessions of gin, chocolate and cheese.

They will be yarn bombing the bus shelter with flowers to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II.

Is anyone able to help them out by knitting, crocheting, sewing or any other form of craft flowers?

If you can help, please contact them via the Federation office

RASE WI – Leading up to the March meeting many members had been busy preparing their Easter Bonnets ready for judging. Finally, the day arrived and, after lots of secrets and giggles about the designs, the bonnets were set out on tables ready for the judges' verdict. 'Not quite as simple as that' declared the judges as they were unable to select a winner due to the number of very creative designs.

The judges swiftly decided to create five classes that worked beautifully, so five winning ladies received Easter chocolate gifts.

The evening ended with a very competitive but friendly Beetle Drive, with the treasurer taking the first place with 61 points and the president taking the last place with a score of 15, well it's taking part that counts!



Burgh le Marsh WI members have been busy knitting baby items. They were very gratefully received by both Boston and Lincoln hospitals. Premature baby hats and small blankets are still needed. Can you help?



AROUND THE FEDERATION NEWS

Sutton on Sea WI celebrated their 99th birthday with a musical evening with David Summers, followed by a fish and chip supper.

The group will be joining in the Vintage Weekend on 11th and 12th June in the Meridale Courtyard with a stall selling jewellery, scarves and handbags.



Bardney WI members were entertained and educated by speaker Dr Mike Morgan who told how he became a doctor in Spilsby after spending two years in New Zealand. In the 1970s there were still weekend surgeries and home visits! They were nostalgic for the night time GP call outs which Mike said could last till dawn when he would return home through the early morning countryside mist. Maybe his glasses were rose tinted! Not like that now!

The members of **Sturton by Stow** had a very interesting talk on Lyme Disease. The speaker herself had had the disease and explained the signs and symptoms she had experienced, the length of time she had been ill and the difficulty in obtaining a diagnosis. As hopefully the warmer weather approaches and we will possibly be going for some country walks, she advised wearing sensible foot attire, using insect repellent and being vigilant to these small but vicious ticks.

Washingborough WI was pleased to welcome two new members and four visitors to their April Meeting to hear Janet James, Harmony Glass, give her presentation entitled 'It is all about The Glass'.

Janet displayed many samples of her fused glass and stained glass art creations and described the different techniques used. Everyone was given the opportunity to cut a piece of glass which could be used at some stage by Janet. Nothing goes to waste; any 'off cuts' however small, she is able to use in her many and varied designs.

The Federation Paper Quiz Is Back!

The Quiz was launched at the Annual Meeting at the Embassy in March.

There are 50 fiendish cryptic clues to test your grey cells and you could win £50 if yours is the winning entry.

The closing date is the end of July, so if you'd like to buy one for yourself or some for your WI, please contact WI House.



Skellingthorpe WI held their Centenary meeting, when an extensive buffet, served by caterers, prosecco for a toast and two cakes were enjoyed. Entertainment was provided by Brian Hellyer who went around the tables during the meeting and amazed members with his magic tricks.

An ongoing projector show ran throughout the meeting showing past pictures of events that members had enjoyed and taken part in and the scrapbook, put together by Ann Ellmes, was on display for members to enjoy looking through. Skellingthorpe WI held its very first meeting on Wednesday 12th April, 1922.

The then President was the Countess of Liverpool, who lived at Hartsholme Hall.

She went on to be President for the next 22 years. In 1927, the then Princess Royal (Princess Mary) visited Skellingthorpe WI.

To recognise the links of Skellingthorpe to the RAF, the WI has purchased a commemorative stone at Bomber Command which will also mark their centenary.



DATE	TOPIC	TIME	COST
11th May	Speakers Showcase WI House Horncastle	7pm	£3 per WI
18th May	Gliding—Kirton Lindsey Bookings close 30th April (or when places filled)	Evening	£35m £40 nm
20th May	Bee Day at Thornes, Wragby with 2 course lunch and activities with beeswax.	10am	£22m £27 nm
13th June	Garden visit - Gunby Hall Bookings close 30th May (or when places filled)	11 am	£8.50 (with NT membership)
16th July	Pottery Painting with Helen Keyworth	TBA	TBA
13th August	Tolethorpe Theatre and Stamford	Fully	booked
20th August	Croquet at Woodhall Spa Bookings close 4th August (or once places filled)	10.30-3.30	£10 m £12 nm
4th September	Murder Mystery Event - Tealby.	Individual start times	£7.50 m £11.50 nm
8th September	Ladies of Lincolnshire Lunch - Woodhall Spa	12 for 12.30pm	TBA
24th September	Combined Climate Event at Dunholme Village Hall - SAVE THE DATE	10am - 3pm	TBA
30th September	Ladies of Lincolnshire Lunch - Stow	12 for 12.30pm	TBA
10th October	National Space Centre visit - Leicester. Various pick-up points	All day	£30 m £35 nm
21st October	Ladies of Lincolnshire Lunch - Burgh le Marsh	12 noon	TBA
27th October	Gardening on the Menu with Martin & Jill Fish New Life Church, Market Rasen - will include lunch	TBA	TBA
19th November	Dry felting Gnome Workshop at WI House	TBA	TBA
30th November	Christmas Lunch and entertainment at Wragby Town Hall	TBA	TBA
3rd & 4th December	Mystery event weekend	TBA	TBA

To book a place on any event email the office including the names and WI (where applicable) of those attending.

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Terms and conditions of booking:

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All applications will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

Fees and/or deposits will not be returned unless cancelled by the Board of Trustees or relevant sub-committee.