



# WI News



**OCTOBER 2022**



Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

1926 - 2022

What a difference a few hours can make.

On Thursday September 8, we enjoyed the first of this year's 'Ladies of Lincolnshire' lunches, at The Dower House in Woodhall Spa. Great food and a fantastic speaker in Nikki Cook, CEO of LIVES.

However, just hours later we were in mourning for our Queen and fellow WI member.

The picture above (courtesy of NFWI) shows The Queen at the 2015 WI Centenary meeting in the Royal Albert Hall and those who were there will have fond memories of that occasion. Many will have personal memories too—a chance meeting, a garden party invitation or just a view from afar of our longest reigning monarch

Our national chairman Ann Jones has represented the WI well over the past days in her many interviews. In a statement issued by Ann, she describes the Queen as “the ultimate inspiring woman”.

She continued:

“Loyal, courageous, generous of spirit and a true leader of our times. She has been the monarch that has defined our living memories and shaped our experiences. Her life has touched each of us and people around the world.

“Outside of her Royal duties, she was a long-serving and passionate WI member, absolutely epitomizing our values and ethos as an organisation. Hers was a life of service and we remain incredibly proud to have called her one of our own.

“We have fond memories which we will treasure ..... we give thanks for the life of Her Majesty the Queen and our condolences to her family at this sad time.”



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## LINCOLN GHOST WALK Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022



**Join us for spooky tales, on a Ghost Walk in the oldest part of Lincoln**

We'll meet in the uphill area and then go on a guided walk (for about an hour) to learn about the haunted history of the area.

The event costs £8 for WI members and non-members.

To book your place contact the office on [lincsnorthwi@gmail.com](mailto:lincsnorthwi@gmail.com)

The closing date for booking is 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

Please remember that this is an outdoor event and takes place in the historic area of Lincoln, where pavements can be uneven.

**If you came on the 2021 Ghost Walk, please note that this year we have booked to go on the alternative route, so it will be different.**

### **Christmas Lunch & Entertainment at Wragby Town Hall**

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022 @ 12:00pm – 4:00pm

Arrive at Wragby Town Hall from 12pm for  
or a two course festive lunch served at 12:30pm.

After lunch, entertainment will be provided by Lincoln based group, Fusion.

This event has become an annual date on our WI calendar and you may want to book in for your WI Christmas celebration.

There will be a raffle and the LNFWI Shop 'Gifts To Go' will be there with some great Christmas gift ideas.

The event costs £20 for WI members and £25 for non-members.  
To book your place contact the office on

[lincsnorthwi@gmail.com](mailto:lincsnorthwi@gmail.com)

The closing date for booking is 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

Please highlight dietary requirements at time of booking.

The final date to receive items for the **NOVEMBER** issue is:  
**Monday 17TH OCTOBER**

Items for inclusion should be emailed direct to:  
[Infwinewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:Infwinewsletter@gmail.com)

The **NOVEMBER** issue of WI News will be sent out on **27TH OCTOBER**

## FASHION SHOW & CLOTHES SALE

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022

At Middle Rasen Village Hall,  
Wilkinson Drive LN8 3LD

From 2 pm to 4 pm



Tickets £5 (include hot and cold drinks and cupcakes)

**HIGH STREET CLOTHING AT AFFORDABLE PRICES**

*MONSOON \* MARKS SPENCER \* WALLIS \* NEXT \*  
ACCESSORIES and LOTS MORE!*

**Wanted! Models - adults and children (under 16s must be chaperoned, safeguarding in place).**

## Paper Beads Bracelet

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February  
2023

10.00am – 12.30pm

**WI House, Banks Street,  
Horncastle, LN9 5BW**



Cost £8 per member / £10 per non-member

Spend a morning with Helen Keyworth,  
making a paper bead bracelet.

Sounds strange?

The beads are made rolling paper shapes.  
Each rolled bead is glued to hold it together, and  
coated with clear nail varnish.

When dry, the beads are threaded on to an elastic  
cord, measured to fit the wrist.

A therapeutic and relaxing class with tea/coffee and  
cake!

Contact WI House to book your place.

## Daffodil Delights



Those who came to the daffodil morning at WI House were given some fantastic tips for next year's Spring Extravaganza. So we are expecting an even better display of delightful daffs.

Top tips were:

For showing, grow your daffs in pots - 4 litre size is ideal for 5 bulbs, which should be put around the edge - and use a standard compost mixed with some top soil and sharp sand for drainage.

Stake with a little cane when stems are a few inches tall to keep them straight.

As soon as you see a little bit of colour on the bud, feed with Tomorite. Feed once a week for two to three weeks.

There is a number of good varieties to plant, including Pink Silk, Arcle, Baror, but avoid Golden King and King Alfred for showing, as these are garden varieties.

Most important is to have fun and enter anything you have.

## Can you help?

As part of our plans for the 2023 Spring Extravaganza, we would like to include a plant stall.

So, when you begin to tidy your gardens for the winter, would you please think about us.

When you split that plant that has grown too large for the bed, or take some cuttings to make new plants for the spring, could you put a pot or two to one side, nurture it and donate it in time for the Extravaganza.

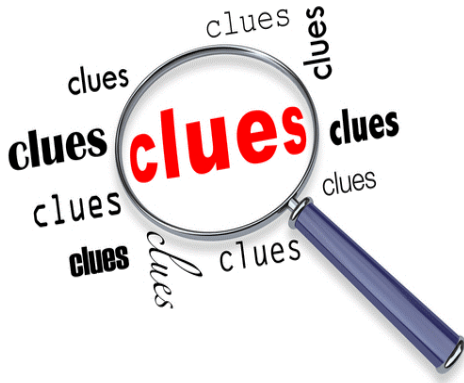
We'll let you know when and where we would like your contributions in the new year.

Thank you in anticipation!

**Jean Burgess Federation Vice Chairman**



## **Murder Most Novell!**



31 teams comprising of 112 members, friends and family sleuthed their way around Tealby on a warm and sunny September Sunday.

It was wonderful to see everyone taking advantage of the tea and coffee that was available, plus the tasty muffins that were extra to requirement! There was plenty of time to sit and chat and deliberate on 'Who Dun It and Wot Did They Do It With!'

Many also purchased from the WI Shop 'Gifts to Go' and had a go on the gigantic name card.

19 teams successfully worked out that it was **Ariadne Child with a stiletto (1422)**.

During our recent Events Committee meeting we put all the teams into an electronic number cruncher and the winners were The Spitfires (aka Juli and Jeff Crowe, Alvingham WI).

I would like to thank the 'A' team of helpers that turned out at 8am on a Sunday morning to help make the day so successful. They buttered loaves of bread at a rate of knots and then filled the sandwiches with loads of tasty fillings, before sliding them into wedges for packing into bags. Thank you Sara, Abbi, Shirley (Owmbly & Normanby WI) and Shirley (Tetney WI).

Thank you also to Hilary and Paula (Owmbly & Normanby and Rolling Scones WIs) for icing the muffins. The speed at which 120 cakes were piped and put into boxes was incredible.

Thank you to 'My Mate Shirley' (Tetney WI) who came to my rescue when I couldn't fit everything into the car to transport it to Tealby (I couldn't leave the bread behind!), then buttered and filled like a pro before serving tea and coffee to our Crime Squads for several hours.

And finally, a massive 'thank you' to Dianne Tuckett, my partner in crime in all the Murders that we have produced. None of them would have been possible without her help. She and I have had some adventures along the way; at various times being mistaken for council planning officers, enforcement officers and drainage inspectors!

Murder Most Novell is the last Murder Trail that will take place in Lincolnshire North for a while. But, like any good detective series, it may be back at some point in the future!

**Jean Burgess—Federation Vice Chairman (aka murder mastermind!)**

**Last chance to book!!**



**National Space Centre,  
Science Museum, Leicester**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 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.**

**There are only a few places left.  
Contact WI House to book your place.**

**Tealby WI & St Barnabus**

**FESTIVE FAYRE**

**SATURDAY 12TH NOVEMBER**

**TEALBY MEMORIAL HALL**

**10.00am - 3.30pm**

**LN8 3XS**

**Local Crafts—Gift Stalls—Raffle**

**Light refreshments—Free entry**

**Witham Group Carol Service**

All Saints Church Wragby

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2pm

Everyone welcome.

## **Resolution News**

October is ADHD Awareness Month. Following the 2022 Annual Meeting Resolution there will be two webinars run by NFWI – Friday 21 October and Friday 11 November. Times are yet to be announced but you can sign up to join on MYWI. There will be expert speakers at both and the November session will be on understanding the condition in women and girls. If you've not joined a webinar before it's very much like a Zoom event, but you only see the speakers, and usually there is an opportunity to post questions. Information about the follow up to the resolution was sent to all WI secretaries in September, so I would ask you to look it out and sign up for the campaign toolkit when it becomes available. NFWI would like to know of any members' personal experiences of ASD and ADHD, either your own or within your family. I've mentioned before the Public Affairs Digest which gives up to date information on all the current campaigns. This is sent to you by email when you register to receive it.

And then here we go again! The shortlisting meeting for resolutions to go forward in 2023 is on Tuesday 4 October. All the submissions are reviewed during a day – long process, with publication in WI Life for all members to vote on in due course.

**Janet Harrison—Federation Public Affairs and Resolutions Officer**

## **Anyone for Croquet?**

On a very sunny Saturday in August, 21 members enjoyed a federation-organised day at Woodhall Spa Croquet Club. We were made very welcome indeed with each batch of 4-6 having an excellent coach for the first couple of hours.

Then it was on to playing the game for real, with teams of two playing all of the other couples in turn so that there was a real contest going on. It certainly got competitive at times but great fun - and there were some surprisingly complex tactics employed to gain the upper hand.

At the end of the day, there were winners and "almost winners" who received their certificates. We all felt that we had such great value for money on the day out and are looking forward to going again.

Woodhall Spa Croquet Club welcomes non members wanting to try out the sport on Sunday afternoons from 1pm onwards, give it go. You may surprise yourself!

Angela Borman, Editor



The winners – Moira and Duncan Watt



Almost winners – Tanya Spratt & Pat Needham



The Lawns



Talking Tactics



In Play



In Play

## AROUND THE FEDERATION NEWS

**Skellingthorpe WI** hosted Japanese Kimono talk by Jennifer Ichiwaka. Jennifer gave a very interesting and humorous talk about how she was born in Cleethorpes, worked in Australia and married a Japanese gentleman who was working in New Zealand. After they were married, they lived in Japan for a while. Jennifer is now living in Louth. She explained the history and etiquette of the Japanese Kimono, showing us the many examples she had brought to the meeting, all of which belong to the family. None of us had appreciated the complexities of wearing the traditional kimono for the correct seasons and occasion.

**Lea WI** had an open evening to welcome fashionistas to learn about The Art of Kimonos. Japan is a fascinating country of rich culture and one of its most widely recognised symbols is the clothing item which in translation means "thing to wear". Presented by Jennifer Ichikawa on her tour "All Things Japanese", she described the delicate patterns and sumptuous colours which convey secret meanings in every stitch.

**North Somercotes WI** hosted Sarah Turner, Technical Fire Protection Manager, Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue who gave a fascinating insight into the challenges facing the service. Road quality, areas possible flooding and fire with so many farms and caravan sites are the major concerns. She focussed on the difficulties faced by women in what is considered to be a 'man's job' with the issues which we hear about daily being sexual harassment, bullying, banter plus the obstacles of climbing the career ladder. This was a remarkable insight into a job which is so important to us all. On call fire fighters are really needed so if you want to do something different why not apply.

**Skegness WI** celebrated their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary at their September meeting. The Skegness Musical Theatre Company were invited, who are celebrating their centenary year. They entertained us by performing a selection of songs from the last 100 years, ranging from 'Anything goes' to 'Hookey Street' from Only Fools and Horses. We were joined by members of other local WI clubs and our Treasurer baked a special cake, which President Heather cut for everyone to enjoy. The evening was a great success and we look forward to many more years as a thriving WI club.

**Owmbly, Normanby and District WI** members welcomed two volunteers from LIVES for their recent meeting. They told us the story of LIVES, which exists to provide emergency care in critical situations. They also showed us how to do CPR and how to use a defibrillator. Members learned a lot, including that you can use a defibrillator even on a person with a pacemaker. The evening ended with homemade cakes and Tea & coffee.

**Tetney WI** got creative this month making potato characters as part of their Harvest themed meeting. A harvest auction was also held and the donations and bids raised money for funds.

**Wragby WI.** In August, nine of us visited The Lincolnshire cookery School for a demo and lesson on making macarons with owner Fiona Lucas, who is a member of Wragby WI, and a very enjoyable evening was had by us all. September's speaker was Angela Riley (corn dollies) she started with an amusing story of the first corn dolly she made and went on to say this is a worldwide craft that goes back to pagan times Angela brought a selection of dollies and told us about each one and then we all had a go at making a small sample to take home.

A sleuthing day was enjoyed by ladies from **South Reston and District WI** at Tealby. It was a very popular event and it was good to meet up with some familiar faces and some new ones. The clues were very clever, some more obvious than others, with sleuths peering down and congregating round drains and looking up at chimneys!

**Washingborough WI:** At our September Meeting Ann Lendrum guided us through the process of creating a greetings card using the Iris Folding Technique. This type of activity was unfamiliar to some of the ladies, but with Ann's guidance they were able to produce a unique and attractive card. Although the design was the same for each member, they chose their own colour plan and the result was strikingly individual.

The **Rolling Scones WI** 10<sup>th</sup> birthday meeting saw over 60 members get together for a fabulous celebration, to mark the occasion. We entered the Town Hall to a glass of fizz and the fabulous sound of the organ being played and the tables decorated with lovely summer flowers.

President Paula Burrett introduced the evening and handed over to Philippa Fairburn, who founded the group 10 years ago and was the first President, carrying out that role for 5 years. Philippa explained that the idea to form a group came from sitting in the pub one evening during the 2012 summer Olympics and from there, it snowballed. The idea was to set up a WI that was more modern and the purpose of choosing a Friday evening for the meeting was to give it a 'Friday night out' feel, to kick start the weekend.

Kaye Findlay read out a 'ditty' that she had composed, which beautifully captured the essence of the Rolling Scones. We then had a lovely buffet, followed by the chance to socialise and catch up with old friends and new. As the evening ended, everyone said they looked forward to the next 10 years.

**Caistor WI:** At their September meeting members enjoyed a Harvest Supper, after which Jenny Rudd provided a quiz based around vegetables and culinary knowledge. This kept everyone busy and was a lot of fun. There were many donations from members for Harbour Place in Grimsby, a centre for rough sleepers and homeless people in North East Lincolnshire.

### CONINGSBY & TATTERSHALL WI

#### CRAFT FAIR

Coningsby Community Hall

Saturday 12th November 10am—3pm

Good variety of stalls

Refreshments available

### SEPTEMBER 50/50 DRAW

**1st £20**— 31—Jean Preston—Revesby & Mareham WI

**2nd £10**—32—Pauline Gill Stafford—Faldingworth & District WI

**3rd £5**— 56—Barbara Hulme—Manby & Grimoldby WI

We are nearly at the end of the current year of 50/50 subscription, a new round starts soon.

It costs £12 a year and helps the Federation subsidise trips and courses for the coming year.

A few numbers will become available, with December being the first draw of the new season.

**Give it a go, you may win.**

**Phone Sue in the office to subscribe**



Lea and Skellingthorpe Wis both enjoyed a Japanese theme with Jennifer Ichikawa



East Barkwith and District WI team of detectives (Kate, Jean, and Jane) having their lunch break during the fantastic Murder Mystery at Tealby.



Skegness's 10th birthday



Tetney's potato figures



South Reston detectives



"Iris Folding" greetings cards at Washingborough

Wragby cooking up a storm



<b>DATE</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>COST</b>
10th October	<b>National Space Centre</b> visit—Leicester Various Pick up points	All day	£30m £35nm
21st October	<b>Ladies of Lincolnshire Lunch.</b> The Windmill, Burgh le Marsh. Speaker Janet Inman Non Executive Director Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group (also former CEO English Volleyball)	12 noon	£30m £35nm
27th October	<b>Gardening on the Menu</b> with Martin & Jill Fish at New Life Church Market Rasen—will include lunch	12 noon to 4pm	£20m £25nm
1st November	<b>Ghost Walk in Lincoln</b>	TBA	£8 m £8 nm
18th November	<b>Into the Woods—A Fairytale Christmas.</b> Visit to Castle Howard, Yorkshire.	All Day	£38m £43nm
19th November	<b>Dry Felting—Gnome Workshop</b> at WI House	10am—3pm	£20m £25nm
30th November	<b>Christmas Lunch and Entertainment.</b> Wragby Town Hall	12—4pm	£20 m £25 nm
TBA January 2023	<b>Willow Weaving—Bird Feeder</b>	TBA	TBA
11th February	<b>Beginners Card Making</b> —Tea and Biscuits provided—WI House, Horncastle	10am	£10m £14 nm
18th February	<b>Snowdrops at Gunby</b>	TBA	TBA
25th February	<b>Paper Bead making—WI House, Horncastle</b>	10 am to 12.30pm	£8m £10 nm
TBA February	<b>Material Flowers—WI House, Horncastle</b>	TBA	TBA
10th March	<b>National Arboretum Talk</b> —Saxilby Village Hall	TBA	TBA
22nd March	<b>LNFWI Annual Meeting</b> — The Embassy Centre, Skegness	TBA	TBA
25th March	<b>Springtime Extravaganza</b> —New Life Church Hall Market Rasen	TBA	TBA
26th April	<b>Science Day</b> —New Life Church, Market Rasen with 2 course lunch	TBA	TBA

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

**Applications can also be made by post to: WI House, Banks Street, Horncastle Lincs. LN9 5BW.**

**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.**

**Terms and conditions of booking:**

Payment **must** be received to confirm booking.

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.