

theWI Powys-Montgomery



NEWSLETTER JUNE 2025

MESSAGE FROM THE FEDERATION CHAIRMAN

Geraldine Russell-Jones.

Hello Everyone!

Although I've vowed not to mention the weather in my Newsletter bit – what a wonderful spring we have had and so different from last year! I'm sure that, like me, many of you are busy rescuing your gardens from the effects of so much dry weather. Hopefully this did not prevent you coming to view the wonderfully inventive and talented work put in by our members which makes the Spring Show so interesting. Our very best wishes to Forden WI who have volunteered to represent the Federation in the Co-operative Display and Floral Art at The Royal Welsh Show.

Our Annual Council Meeting was held in Meifod Village Hall. I hope attendees found the speaker and entertainment interesting and enjoyable and the buffet was up to standard!

This year the National AM on 4th June can be viewed in the Hafren Meeting Room at Abermule Community Centre. Why not come along? Also, an open invitation to join us at St Myllin's Day fair in Llanfyllin on Sat 7th June and Welshpool Carnival on Sun 22nd June, where we have a stand promoting the WI.

There are lots of reasons to get out and about in June, as you will see, as you read on...

Best wishes/Cofion gorau, *Geraldine*

Congratulations to the Winners of the Co-Operative, Produce, Craft and Staging Displays

Forden

Abermule

Forden

Guilfield



PMFWI VIRTUAL WI 'Severn Sisters' Why not give us a try??

Meeting fourth Wednesday each month at 7pm.

Join from the comfort of your home or wherever you are, tell your friends / any ex-WI members moved out of the area. Maybe you or a friend can't get out and about like you used to or want more than once a month from WI, Whatever the reason ... Join us for more fun and friendship.

Normal membership applies, existing members will only pay WI share of fees.

To request log in details e-mail pmfwi@yahoo.co.uk

or via Face Book @ Powys Montgomery WIs

FEDERATION TREASURER: Lisa Hamer.

2025/2026 Membership Fee from 1st April 2025 £51.00. Breakdown:-, NFWI £13.85, PMFWI £12.05. WIs retain £25.10 / offer flexibility on the WI share of membership. If you wish to join more than one WI pay full fee to your primary WI and only the WI share to each additional WI.

TREASURER'S Please forward new members / renewal fees as and when received, using the monthly booking form.

Please ensure the MCS database is updated with any change in membership. Thank you

100 CLUB for 2025: Membership £5 per share, please support our Federation and give yourself the chance of winning in one of the six draws throughout the year:- 1st £40, 2nd £20 and 3rd £10. On sale to members, friends & family over 18 years. **N.B.** WIs are not allowed to purchase a share, due to the charitable status.

Huge thanks to all our supporters. Congratulations to the winners drawn at The Spring Show
1st No.46 Angela Powell-Jones, Llandinam. 2nd No 114 Geraldine Russell-Jones, Tregynon.
3rd No. 110 Janet Hughes, Tregynon.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE. Chair Janet Hughes.

WALKING TREASURE HUNT will be hosted this year by Tregynon WI on Wed 30th July, 6.00 for 6.30pm starting from Tregynon Community Centre SY16 3EH. Entry (to include refreshments) members £5, non members £6. Please book by **30th June.**

ST. MYLLIN'S FAIR Sat 7th June, 10.30 – 1.00. Come and visit the WI stand at St. Myllin's Fair, Llanfyllin! Bring your friends!

We'll also be having a stand at **WELSHPOOL CARNIVAL Sun. 22nd June** in Maes-y-Dre, Welshpool from 12.30 – 5pm.

TRAINING: Thank you to the WIs who completed the recent survey, we are working with Adult Learning Wales to put classes on also in house training for training specific to WI. Watch this space!!

COMMUNITIES & CAMPAIGNS NEWS: CAMPAIGN UPDATE: The Bill to include Microplastic filters in Washing Machines is due its 2nd reading in Parliament on June 20th. The NFWI has lobbied for this measure as part of its Plastic Soup Campaign.

NFWI Wales 2025 Not in my Name Competition 'Create a Banner' depicting the Not in my Name campaign to end violence against women. Established in 2012, aims to raise awareness and involves WIs recruiting male ambassadors from their communities to make the White Ribbon promise to never use, excuse or remain silent about men's violence against women. Please find enc. in May mailing the competition guidelines, also available on My WI/The Office
<https://mywi.thewi.org.uk/wales/nfwi-wales-news/2025-not-in-my-name-competition>

NFWI 2026 DIARY Printed floral design cover @ £7
Orders on the enclosed booking form by 31st July. Thank you.

LIFESTYLE COMMITTEE – Chair Margaret Jones.

SPRING SHOW Sat 10th May Castle Caereinion Comm. Centre. On behalf of the Lifestyle Committee a big thank you to all who participated in the Show.

Once again, the standard of entries was amazing. Congratulations to the prize winners, full list of winners enclosed. Please go to our Facebook page to view the photos.

We were pleased to welcome former Trustee and Committee Member Dorothy Schofield to present the trophies to our worthy winners.

Special thanks to our many Stewards, Wendy Wigley for writing the prize cards and Jane Rees for collating the scores, Pam Adcock and Beth McPhee for their tireless efforts in the kitchen supported by Castle Caereinion WI and Trustees.

Lastly thank you all for your support, without such enthusiastic and talented members there would be no show!

ROYAL WELSH SHOW 21st – 24th July Forden WI will represent the Federation in both the Rose Bowl Co-Operative Display and Brecon Cup Floral Art. As announced at the Spring Show, next year the competitions will be re-instated to our Show Schedule and winners will be given the opportunity to go forward to the NFWI Wales Competitions in The Royal Welsh Show but at their own expense.

Date for your Diaries.

WELCOME TO CHRISTMAS Sat 22nd Nov in Abermule.

ROYAL WELSH WINTER FAIR 24th & 25th Nov. NFWI Wales Competitions :-

Craft - A Fiddle Mat, Produce - An 8oz jar of Chilli Jam presented as a gift.

Entry details to follow.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT - Chair Ruth Hesketh.

LITERARY EISTEDDFOD – Well done to all who entered. Full results next month.

COACH TRIP TO LIVERPOOL Thurs 19th June, please see flyer enclosed in April.

Pick ups:- Llandinam 7.45am Newtown 8.05am Abermule 8.15am Welshpool 8.30am
£20 members; £21 non-members. Contact the Office for late availability.

Turkey and Tinsel 1st – 5th Dec. 2025 to Bognor Regis.

In conjunction with Owen's Travelmaster. This year we travel to the beautiful South Downs and some of the finest towns and cities in the area. We visit Regency Brighton, elegant Chichester, historic Winchester and maritime Portsmouth. Providing a Turkey & Tinsel package, our hotel **Beachcroft Hotel, Felpham** with delightful seafront position, offers a heated indoor pool, bar and restaurant. Bedrooms are en-suite and have TV and tea/coffee facilities. The hotel does not have a lift, ground floor rooms can be requested. See enclosed/attached for more details. Please call Owen's Travelmaster 01691 652126 to reserve your place. A deposit of **£50.00** will be required at the time of booking, the remaining balance no later than the **1st October**.

Join us on our Annual Turkey & Tinsel Trip, friends & husbands all welcome. Book early to avoid disappointment.

SPORTS AND LEISURE Chair Pam Adcock.

Darts Final was held on Mon 28th April, at the Red Lion, Castle Caereinion. Congratulations to the winners - Adfa & Cefn Coch A. Runners up were Tregynon, with Forden 3rd and Abermule B 4th. Thank you to everyone who took part, to Ann for organising the competition and the Red Lion for their hospitality.

The sports competitions for this year are now complete and the winners of the sports shield and runners up will be announced at the ACM, full details next month.

FEDERATION WALK Mon 16th June hosted by Belan WI, 6.00pm start from Belan Old School,



SY21 8SF. Members £5.00, Non-members welcome £6.00 to inc. refreshments.

Just 1 walk this year along the canal, you can turn back whenever you want.

Walkers take part at their own risk, please wear sensible shoes/ clothing.

Sorry no dogs. **Please book by 31st May/Contact the Office for late availability.**

OUTDOOR BOWLS Sat 19th July, 10am at Carno Bowling Club, entry £8.00 per pair, enter on enc. form **by 30th June**. Refreshments will be available.



Would you be interested in a **Table Tennis** evening or **Scrabble** competition?



We have not held these events for some time, but we would be happy to organise if enough interest?



Dates for your diary

Sat 13th Sept. Croquet at Carmel Caravan Park, Cefn Coch, croquet sets, with instructions, are available from the office so do have a go and then enter the competition.

Sat 11th Oct. Short Mat Bowls, Aberhafesp Community Centre

NFWI RAFFLE - Tickets only £1 available from your Secretary NOW!

Don't miss out on the chance to win:- First Prize £10,000, 2nd Prize Cruise for two. 3rd Prize Kitchen Aid Cordless Hand Mixer and Blender. 4th Prize Deluxe Heated Aired. Other Prizes :- Top Price Theatre Tickets for Two, M2605 Singer Sewing Machine, Martha Hill Beauty Hamper.

Please Note the Federation E-Mail will be changing to pmfwi@yahoo.co.uk
The existing E-Mail info@pmfwi.org.uk will be live until the end of 2025.

July Newsletter Printing / Mailing / Ready for collection Date: 20th June.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

16th June Federation Walk, Belan.

19th July Outdoor Bowls at Carno.

4th June NFWI Virtual Annual Meeting.

19th June Trip to Liverpool.

30th July Treasure Hunt, Tregynon.

Attachments / Enclosures :- Combined Booking Form, Spring Show Winners,

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