



Dear members,

January proved to be a busy month for our WI. Peter Berry took us around the World in 80 Images during our meeting. We also enjoyed our Christmas Celebration – good food, a comfortable venue and some light entertainment.

Our forthcoming events in February include:

**Monday 14th February:** St David's Centre at 7.45pm. The talk will be Experiences of a Town Crier by Ken Brightwell. Although covid restrictions are easing, please do still wear a mask if that makes you feel comfortable.

**Monday 14th March:** the talk will be What Lies Beneath the Surface by Ginny Davis. This will be an insight into the work of High Court judges and barristers.

### GROUPS

**Book Group** – will meet on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February in the Manor House Hotel at 7.30pm to discuss A Short Walk from Harrods by Dirk Bogarde. March's book is Klara and the Sun by Kazuo Ishiguro.

**Craft Group** – will meet in the Council Chamber on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm. There is also a new Zoom craft chat on the second Thursday of each month at 7pm. Contact Jo for more details.

**Quiz Group** – will meet on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February via Zoom at 10am and also on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm in the Council Chamber. Contact Jo for more details.

**Short Walking Group** – will meet at 10am on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March at the War Memorial in Moreton.

**Walking Group** – will meet on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February for a walk in the Chipping Norton area. Contact Diana for further information.

**Singing Group** - is looking for a new leader (or leaders/pianist) as Monica is unable to continue. Jo O has assisted with the admin but is also standing down. Please come forward if you can take on either role. Monica and Jo would be able to offer support while handing over.

**Members are most welcome at all the Groups. Details of the group leaders can be found on your programme.**

**Events:** The first round of the GFWI Quiz will be held in St David's Centre on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March. We have entered two teams. Contact Jo if you would like to be included.

A "Get to Know Your Overlocker" workshop has been arranged for Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm at Deborah's house in Willersey. Cost £10.

To raise additional funds, our WI will be selling teas at Chastleton House on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Help is needed to serve and to make cakes. A board will be out on Monday.

The North Cotswold Group Rally will be held in Stow-on-the-Wold on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. Author Jan Harvey will speak.

**ACWW:** A box will be available at our February meeting for old or unwanted jewellery, iPods, watches, cameras, stamps and foreign currency. Items will be taken to the GFWI to convert into funds to help this worthwhile charity.

**Craft and Produce Show:** This will be held on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2022 in the Redesdale Hall.

**GFWI:** If you have not yet signed up for **My WI**, please can you contact [secretary@gfwi.org.uk](mailto:secretary@gfwi.org.uk)

### GFWI County News:

The February edition will be delivered electronically. For those not on email, these will be posted. You may be interested in the GFWI Walk in Great Rissington (page 2), the Mixed Media Embroidery workshop and the 200 Club (page 3), the Cathedral Window Pincushion workshop and Scrabble Competition (page 4) and an afternoon with David Olusoga on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May (page 6).

**Denman** Zoom lectures can be accessed via:-  
<https://www.denman.org.uk/whats-on/>

Many Happy Returns to those with birthdays coming up in February and March:- Fiona L, Veronica C, Glynis S-L, Ann G, Glenys S, Lois C, Jean D, Dorothy D.

Your WI Committee