



Dear members,

There is an autumnal feel in the air with the cooler, wetter weather and the rich yellows and reds of the leaves. We have an exciting programme of events in the run-up to Christmas, including our own 25th anniversary celebration.

Chastleton Teas: Our last date for 2022 was on 7th October. Even though this was quieter than previous days, a healthy profit was still made. A huge thank you to Catherine and all of you who have supported these days by baking or serving. We are entering this winter of possible uncertainty and increasing costs in a healthy position.

Our forthcoming events include:

Monday 10th October: Our monthly meeting will be in St David's Centre at 7.30pm. Storyteller Helen Stewart will be the speaker.

Monday 14th November: This is our annual meeting and it promises to be a pleasurable diversified evening including celebration cake, a glass of something deliciously fizzing, memories of Royal Encounters and some business.

GROUPS

Book Group – will meet on Wednesday 26th October at 7.30pm in the White Hart to discuss Bruno – Chief of Police, Death in the Dordogne, by Martin Walker. November's book is The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes.

Craft Group – will meet in the Council Chamber on Thursday 20th October at 2pm.

Quiz Group – will meet on Wednesday 12th October at 2pm in the Council Chamber. Contact Jo for more details.

Strolling Group – is not currently able to meet. Please let me know if anyone would like to lead this group. Thank you to Marilyn for all her hard work and efforts in organising past strolls.

Walking Group – will meet on Tuesday 25th October for a walk around Cornwell, near Chipping Norton. Contact Diana for more details.

Textiles Group - meets on the evening of the third Wednesday but there is no meeting in October. Details of November's project to follow.

Croquet Group - has finished for the season but will meet again next Spring.

Singing Group - Suzie has kindly offered to take over the admin role for the group. Is there anyone who would be interested in leading the group?

New members would be most welcome at all the Groups. Details of the group leaders can be found on the programme.

EVENTS

Coffee meet-up: The next coffee meet-up on Wednesday 26th October at 10am at Timothy's.

Christmas Fabric Pine Cone

Workshop: This will be on Saturday 19th November in the Bowling Club and will cost £4. See Margaret for details.

25th Anniversary Tea: To celebrate our 25th anniversary there will be an afternoon tea on Saturday 12th November in the Bowling Club, from 3pm to 5pm, at a cost of £12.50. Please sign the board on Monday as this event is before our next meeting.

Remembrance Sunday: This is on Sunday 13th November. Deborah will be laying a wreath on behalf of the WI during the morning service at Moreton war memorial. Members are welcome to attend.

Committee Nominations: More members are needed to join us on the committee. Please consider this opportunity.

Mentoring Service: A request has been made from the Gloucestershire Mentoring Programme, which is a free service offering support to young girls and women, for volunteer mentors. If you are interested in helping, see Jo for more information.

GFWI County News:

If you have not yet signed up for **My WI**, which contains a lot of useful information, contact secretary@gfwi.org.uk

Items of interest: are a trip to Bath Christmas Market and the Winter Celebration (mentioned last month) – please see the events table for details of a local pick-up point. Also the Free Motion Embroidery workshop (page 3), Resolutions Discussion via Zoom (page 4) and our Quiz Team came fifth (page 5).

Denman Zoom lectures can be accessed via:-

<https://www.denman.org.uk/whats-on/>

Many Happy Returns to those with birthdays coming up: Diane E, Di G, Barbara M, Margaret B and Judith B.

Your WI Committee