



Dear members,

Erika Stevenson's talk entitled 'Undercover in Afghanistan' – filming in Afghanistan during the Russian War - was captivating and members could view lots of props and images. Unfortunately, Afghanistan has since made little progress in the treatment and education of women. It certainly did highlight how lucky we women are in this country.

Monday 9th October: Steve Bruce will give a talk entitled 'Tales from the Auction Room'. **Please note that you are invited to bring along an item for evaluation and discussion.**

Sunday 12th November: Deborah will be laying a wreath on behalf of our WI during the morning service at Moreton War Memorial.

Monday 13th November: Is our AGM and Members night. Cheese and wine will be served.

GROUPS

Book Group – will meet on Wednesday 25th October at 7:30pm in the White Hart Royal to discuss 'The Herd' by Emily Edwards.

Coffee meet-up: The next coffee meet up will be at 10am on Thursday 19th October at Timothy's. Contact Sue Stockley for more details.

Craft Group – will meet in the Council Chamber on Thursday 26th October at 2pm.

Croquet Group – will not now be meeting until next Spring.

Quiz Group – will start again on Wednesday 11th October at 2pm in the Council Chamber. Contact Jo Brooks for more details.

Strolling Group – A new leader is needed – would any member consider leading this Group please

Walking Group – will meet on Tuesday 24th October. Please contact Diana for more information and if you would like to come along and/or join the mailing list for future walks.

Textiles Group – Will meet on Wednesday 18th October 7-9:30pm at Kay's house. Contact Kay for more information on 07766707092.

Singing Group – Is meeting for 5 sessions to sing Christmas songs and Carols starting on Monday 16th October in the WI Hall at 2pm. Please contact Suzie Heyes or Marion Hensahw for more details.

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

Dates for your diary – Events

Saturday 2nd December - The Christmas Craft Workshop will not now be taking place.

Tuesday 5th December - Christmas Concert 2023. Board out tonight.

Saturday 20th July 2024 - Our next **Craft and Produce Show** will be held in the Redesdale Hall. We will aim to distribute the Show Schedules by our November meeting, to enable you to work on the craft classes during the long winter evenings. Our cookery classes will include a jar of chutney. At our last show we had a stall selling our own home-made produce. This proved very successful and was much appreciated. Please consider how you may be able to contribute to this. Marmalade, greetings cards, plants and biscuits sold particularly well.

NFWI:

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

GFWI County News:

For most members, this will be delivered electronically due to the current restrictions. For those who are not on email, these will be posted along with a copy of this newsletter.

Items of interest: GFWI County News

Page 3 – Crochet for beginners and Dove Embroidery – details on Events table.

Page 4 – **County Quiz** – We hope to enter two teams.

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

Many Happy Returns to those with birthdays coming up in October: Diane E. and Di G. And in November: Margaret B. and Judith B.

Your WI Committee