



Dear Members,

This monthly newsletter is bursting with activities and events at a time that the outdoors is bursting with buds and bulbs. Speaking of flowers, last month's speaker Christine Ramsay showed us how to create displays without oasis.

Thank you also to the members who baked or served teas during our second Chastleton date – again a successful day. Also 11 members attended the Fabric Sale at Bourton-on-the-Water – the coffee, cake and chat were enjoyed and some useful purchases were made.

Our forthcoming events include:

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May:** St David's Centre at 7.30pm. The talk will be the History of the Permanent Wave by Val Simmons. Fiona will also present this year's Resolution for discussion and voting.

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June:** The talk will be The Joy of False Memory

#### GROUPS

**Book Group** – will meet on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in a venue tba to discuss The Midnight Library by Matt Haig. June's book is The Silken Thread by Tracy Chevalier.

**Craft Group** – will meet in the Council Chamber on Thursday 19 May.

**Quiz Group** – will meet on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May on Zoom at 10am. Contact Jo for more details.

**Strolling Group** – will meet at 10am on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May at the War Memorial in Moreton.

**Walking Group** – will meet on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Dorothy will lead a walk from Chipping Campden. Contact Diana for more details.

**Croquet Group** – is meeting on Wednesdays at 2pm afternoons at the Cricket Club. A £10 per annum fee per person is due to the club.

**Singing Group** – Suzie has kindly offered to take over the admin role for the group. Is there anyone on the WI or do you know of anyone who would be interested in leading the group?

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

#### EVENTS

To raise funds for the craft and produce show, some of our members will be selling teas at Chastleton

House on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May. There are probably enough volunteers making cakes but help is needed on the day to serve teas. Please see Judith H if you can help – even for a short amount of time.

Coffee meet-up. One of our members, Sue S, is arranging a coffee meet up at Timothy's. Sue's contact details will be available on the sign-up Board at the meeting.

Unfortunately the "Get to know your Overlocker" workshop had to be postponed. A new date is currently being arranged.

There will be a Short Mat Bowls taster session at Moreton Bowls Club on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May from 10am to noon. Husbands, partners, family or friends are also invited to come along. Cost is £2, to cover refreshments. A board will be out at Monday's meeting.

For those who put your names down, the North Cotswold Group Rally will be held in Stow-on-the-Wold on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm for 7pm.

Jubilee celebration – we are planning a summer meal to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August. More details will follow. A board will be out at Monday's meeting.

**Craft and Produce Show:** This is on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2022 in the Redesdale Hall. The show schedule was circulated in March. Offers to steward at the event or to make produce to sell are welcome.

#### 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 May edition will be delivered electronically to most members. For those not on email, these will be posted. Please note helping at the Three Counties Show and Queen's Jubilee Picnic (previously mentioned) – a board will be out on Monday. You may be interested in the Croquet Taster Days, the Literary Tea and the Embroidered Pin Cushion workshop (all on page 3)

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

Many Happy Returns to those with birthdays in May and June:- Jean A, Kay G, Frances S, Wendy G, Jan W, Catherine G, Sue C, Jayne B, and Frances H.

Your WI Committee