

POWYS RADNOR FEDERATION

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July/Aug 2024

I can't believe how fast this year is progressing, is summer going to arrive, or is it just a continuation of winter. Although it has brought a variety of new visitors to the garden. My wildlife feeding stations are being well visited, sadly this year they seem to need all the help they can get. Our Poetry and Prose evening was well attended, so many poems, from the humorous, to the serious message. What amazing writers we have amongst our members. Congratulations to Carolyn Price of New Radnor WI for her winning story, one which brought back memories of doing exactly that on that same brook when I was just a little older! We have the RWAS taking place next week, good luck to New Radnor with their entry in the Rose Bowl, also to any of our local friends and families who may be entering any of the huge variety of classes, I know several who have entries in the livestock and horse events and are hoping to take home a red ribbon or two, as well as the craft classes. And if any of you are planning to spend a day (or more) at the show, remember to drop in and support Ceredigion Federation who are hosting the WI stand. Ann.

WILLOW GLOBE – SATURDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2024

'TWELFTH NIGHT'

Tickets - £10

**Matinee Performance - Families and friends
are welcome – Book your tickets today!**

Llangunllo WI River Walk

We have come up with the idea of walking the River Lugg from source to the River Wye for the WI River Watch week in September. The idea is for individual WI's along the River Lugg (roughly) to walk their portion of the river. We, at Llangunllo, are at the source of the River Lugg which is a lovely spot. We thought we would take a sample of the source and have it carried the length of the Lugg. The three WI's in Wales, ourselves, Whitton and Chatterbrook are all keen and we will be contacting the Herefordshire WIs on the Lugg to take part too.

More information will be circulated as things develop..

Digital Confidence Powys are offering free in person courses to help members to gain confidence with their computers – they are willing to attend WI groups or if there is enough interest – we could hold several group sessions around the County as we have before. They are willing to cover various items at different ability levels - please contact the Federation Secretary for more information or to register your interest.

Chinese Auction and Beetle Drive – Thursday 12th September in Llanyre Hall 6:30pm start.

The Chinese Auction is always a popular event, and this year we are combining the night with a Beetle Drive, so come along and have some fun.

All WIs should have received their Chinese Auction tickets to sell. Prizes can be given to any Board member or brought on the night.

CC Subcommittee

Eira Edwards eiramedwards248@gmail.com

Murder Mystery Event – Friday 16th August in Presteigne Barn 2:30pm

There is a poster available for you to advertise the event in your local area.

Tickets are now available, please email/phone the Federation office for more information. £3.50 preorder or £4 on the gate.

Craft Club

16th July 2024—2pm to 4pm

Patchwork—Susie Corke

Tea Hostess— Sue Copland

NO CRAFT CLUB IN AUGUST.

3rd September 2024—2pm to 4pm

Heart Needle case—Meg Lewis

17th September 2024—2pm to 4pm

Watercolour fun—Jenny Keal

Tea Hostess— Andy Hughes/Sylvia Bigglestone

Public Affairs - Fashion Show update

We hope you have been busy looking out those gorgeous items hidden in the back of your wardrobe ready for the fashion show in September. So that we can ensure items are catalogued appropriately and plan the running order for the show we are organising a 'Drop off' session at Dolau hall on the morning of 24th August from 10.30 am to 12pm. Please complete one of the attached entry forms for each item you hope to show/sell and bring it with you on the 24th. We will then be able to catalogue your entries, make sure we have all the necessary information on the entry form and establish any assistance needed for modelling the chosen items. If there are any queries at all please contact Jacquie Hatfield by e mail on jacquiehatfield@aol.com and she will do her best to help.

Sports – Chair - Dawn Richards

Games night- Thursday 18th July 6pm at the Severn Arms in Penybont

Sign yourself up for our games night to play darts, dominos and tippet.

£4 per member to include buffet.

Rhosgoch Golf Day – Saturday 20th July

Rhosgoch Golf and Leisure Club, Rhosgoch, LD2 3JY

The competition will be a 9-hole Stapleford.

Please complete and return the entry form with your name, WI and handicap so that score cards can be completed for you.

You will need to supply your own clubs and trolleys.

There is no ladies changing room.

Entry Fee is £10. Arrival time is 10 o'clock. Coffee will be available on arrival. Tee off time 10.30.

Lunch is available and is ham, quiche, salad and coleslaw for an additional £10, with optional desserts at an extra fee.

Please indicate if you would like lunch on the attached Entry Form, so that these can be ordered in advance.

Bowls Touraument

Heat nights - Friday 4th & 11th October 2024

Final: Friday 18th October 2024 @ 7.00pm

All at Whitton Village Hall

WIs are invited to enter pairs for the annual bowls tournament being held at Whitton Village Hall. Everyone is welcome. This will be a fun, light-hearted evening of gentle sport for all members. £4 a pair. Tea and cakes will be available.

Tennis Taster Session

We would like to offer a taster tennis day in Aberedw on Jacquie's Tennis Courts – date will be confirmed when numbers are known – please register your interest with the Federation Secretary.

The Sports subcommittee are in need of new members – we usually meet bi-monthly on zoom – if you could spare some time to help then please contact Dawn.

PRFWI Prize Draw

We will be selling tickets for the Prize Draw again this year. £5 a ticket – There will be a draw at the 'WI'nted' Fashion Show and the ACM. Closing date – Friday 2nd August 2024. Please contact your Secretary.

I have recently been appointed as the volunteer coordinator for the Elan Valley Trust. I wondered if any of the WI groups in Powys may be looking for volunteer opportunities? We have lots of conservation management volunteer opportunities which include; bracken bruising in species rich SSSI meadows, invasive species removal, scrub removal in glow-worm sites and peatland restoration projects. We could also tailor volunteer days if you had a group with a particular interest. Please let me know if this is something any of your groups or individuals may be interested in. For more information contact Olivia on volunteering@elanvalley.org.uk

Chatterbrook WI

invites members and friends to their OPEN MEETING

on **Thursday September 12th**

We will have Sheridan Swinson from Aardvark Books telling

TALES FROM A VILLAGE BOOKSHOP

We meet at Norton Community Hub
(the former church in Norton village)

Please join us at 7.30 : entry is just £4
to include light refreshments.

For any further information contact Claire : 07712 649458
or Margaret : mail@galliers.org.uk

WI Treasurers:

Please remember to send in your Financial reports after your ACMs please. These can be sent directly to the Federation Treasurer by email or by post.

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Powys Inter-Federations Competitions. (Brecknock, Montgomery & Radnor.) LITERARY EISTEDDFOD 2024

1 -Recruitment Poster A4 - Any medium including digital.

2- An Article - 'Why I joined the WI' 500 words maximum.

3-Make a sentence from the word 'FEDERATION'.

*Members may only submit one entry in each category English and/or Welsh.

* Each WI may only submit maximum of three entries in each category in the English and three in each of the Welsh Competitions.

* A sealed envelope containing name of member and WI to be stapled to each entry.

*Entries to your Federation Office No Later than 31st August, 2024.

*Points will be allocated: - 1st = 5 points 2nd = 3 points 3rd = 2 points. Non-winning entries = 1 point

*The Powys Federations shield will be presented to the winning Federation at the October meeting of Powys Co-Ordinating Committee.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Games night – 18th July at the Severn, Penybont 6pm

Murder Mystery – 16th August in Presteigne Barn 2:30pm

Membership meeting – 4th September in Penybont 10:30am

Chinese Auction and Beetle Drive – 12th Sept at 6:30pm in Llanyre

'WI'nted' Fashion Show -27th Sept in Knighton 6:30pm

4th & 11th October – Bowls Heats

18th October – Bowls Final

Hubs – October TBC

ACM 2024 – Saturday 2nd Nov in Knighton 10:30am

OFFICE CLOSED

Please note that the Federation Office will be closed Monday 22nd July – Friday 2nd August.

Ann (Chair) will have the office phone, please contact her directly if you have any problems during this time.

With this Newsletter

This month's Pets wordsearch

Answers Old Occupations

With your Secretary

Board Nomination form

Chinese Auction form

Powys Radnor Prize Draw

Bowls form

Willow Globe form

Murder Mystery poster

Golf Form

Fashion Show Form

New Speaker list – Thanks to Cynthia.

Please remember there will be no Newsletter in August.

Whitton WI have started their 100th year celebrations with a coffee morning, pictured here with their Celebration cake. As part of our 100th year celebrations, we organised a Quiz evening in June which filled the hall with many of our community and teams from other Wis. There was some serious whispering but also laughter, which was really good to hear. The full evening included Hot Dogs, a Raffle and Chinese Bingo (which was a new experience for many).

At our July WI meeting we have been asked to take along an example of our handwriting – to receive analysis by a Graphologist. That should be very interesting and could be revealingfollowed by a trip out in our August Meeting.



LLANGUNLLO WI Supporting Clean Rivers

On Saturday 4th May, the day that Spring finally arrived, Llangunllo Community Wildlife Garden which the WI developed came alive with the Big River Watch. Kick sampling revealed fascinating invertebrate life lurking in the Lugg, new water monitor volunteers came forward and tales of local otter and curlew sightings were swapped. If you missed the day there was an opportunity to catch the “Look after the Lugg” pop up exhibition in the telephone box: and enjoy a quiet moment by the Lugg in the Wildlife Garden. And keep an eye out for more river-based activity during the WI’s week of river action from 16-22 September.

(Kick sampling led by the invertebrate Recorder for Radnorshire, Phil the bug man, supported by the Wilder Lugg Project, Curlew Connections Wales, Radnorshire Wildlife Trust, local Friends of the River Wye volunteer citizen scientists and Llangunllo WI).

For more information about our WI please contact Isabel Morris secretary on 01547 550689 Anne Newton with contributions from Sue Thornton and Isabel Morris.



Congratulations to Gladestry WI on their 100th birthday. Picture - Joan Hughes, a member since 1959, with Marlene Evans, President of Gladestry WI, cutting the cake.

Your WI News

