

The Hornblower



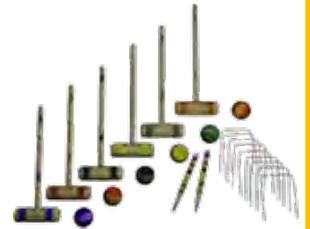
Archery

Fri 14 July 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Wed 19 July 1.pm - 3.pm

**The Rugby Ground
Kelham Road
Newark**

Croquet



Monday 3 July 6.00pm

Check for availability of tickets;

**Southwell Croquet Club
Arthur Radford Sports Ground
Morton**

SPORTS & LEISURE EVENTS

An Evening at the Dogs

Monday 7 August 6.20pm

Colwick Park, Nottingham



Axe throwing



Thurs 7 September

6.30pm - 8.30pm

**Lime Lane Woods, Lime Lane
Arnold, Nottingham**



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Chair's Letter

Hello Everyone. At our Annual Federation Meeting I gave you the challenge of the **BIG IF**, and I wondered how you were getting on.

The BIG IF is of course being: **BOLD, INSPIRING, GROWING, INCLUSIVE, and FLEXIBLE**. So being Bold and Inspiring, and thereby Growing. And also, being Inclusive and Flexible within your WI. I know some of you have been both bold and inspiring in ways that you have marked the Coronation. My own WI yarn bombed the gate to our WI. Earlier we had an open coffee morning with free cake and drinks which has brought us some new members.

We need to get ourselves noticed, and I was wondering whether it would be a good idea for all of us to have a banner made and put outside our meeting places for 2 months. The more striking the better.

As a WI Adviser I have a look through some of our WIs' Annual Returns. In one WI the President and the Secretary was the same person. However, this is not really allowed. And then I thought our WIs need to work as a team, and I had encouraged you to find ways to overcome problems, such as ALL be on the committee, so let's work together to get the jobs done.

It's no good having new members, if they do not feel welcome. The WI is open to ALL who live their life as a woman. Feeling welcome and wanted is so important. I hope you have not got a WI where people say 'That's my seat I've always sat there'. I also hope that you say hello to new people for at least three months while they find their feet. It makes such a difference.

We may not be 'Wonder Women', but being in the WI we very nearly are. You are the WI and you can do whatever you set your mind to do. So let us take the BIG IF and see what we can ALL achieve.

They say that if you want a job doing ask a busy woman. We know many of you have a lot on over and above your WI, but your Federation Teams are crying out for you. There's something for everyone – creative activities, campaigns, sport, digital help, WI support and everything else. Just ring the office and come and give us a go.



Kind regards Helen

FROM COUNTY OFFICE

Arborist pruned the trees at County House, amongst them was the yew tree that was getting quite large and taking up a lot of the terrace. It has now been pruned right back – it will regrow! **Federation contact details for the Office, Website, Facebook and Instagram are on the bottom of the front cover of the Hornblower every month.** Sue Sanderson. Federation Secretary

ENCLOSURES: 1. Axe Throwing; 2. Afternoon Tea; 3. Watercolour for beginners; 4. Willow workshop; 5. Whist evening; 6. Gift Aid Donations; 7. Macrame Pride Bracelet; 8. Group Funds; 9. Grow Your Roots; 10. Walking Netball.

FEDERATION TRUSTEES for the year April 2023 – March 2023.

Chair: **Dr. Helen Rose**, Watnall WI. Vice Chairmen: **Wendy Richardson**, Bleasby WI and **Helen Ainley**, Mansfield Woodhouse & Pleasley Vale WI. Treasurer: **Jenny Bailey**, Eakring WI. **June Freeman**, Ravenshead WI. **Beryl Northcote**, Morton, Rolleston & Fiskerton WI. **Pauline Redmile**, Dorewood WI & **Suzanne Plamping**, Home Birds WI.



Don't Forget...

Reminders: Forms to be in the office before:-

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| • Federation Holiday (24-28 Sept) | 12 June |
| • Glass Fusion workshop (10/7) | 12 June |
| • Archery (14/7 & 20/7) | 13 June |
| • Miles for May | 18 June |
| • County Lunch (6/7) | 19 June |
| • An Evening at the Dogs (7/8) | 27 June |
| • WI Diary order | 10 July |



WI SUPPORT TEAM

Chair: Helen Ainley

As we are now in June, I hope all WIs have forwarded the Federation and NFWI portion of this year's subscription to the Federation Office. I hope everyone's membership is looking healthy and that you have **updated the MCS** where necessary by removing anyone who has not renewed their membership and added any new members. Please remember if you are having problems doing this we are here to help and advise, my contact details are: helenainley@nottswi.org.uk

We're here to help!

Thought of the Month...

Happiness is not something ready made.

It comes from your own actions.

TELL US YOUR VIEWS

The Campaigns & Communications Team want your views and ideas for events. In the spirit of being bold and inspiring we would like to hear the things you like doing and the topics that you are passionate about.

We would like our programme to reflect your interests, so if it's the environment to women's health, bees to bus routes, fast fashion to coffee mornings we want to hear about it.

Please email me your ideas and views

heidiplatts@nottswi.org.uk

Views

Thoughts

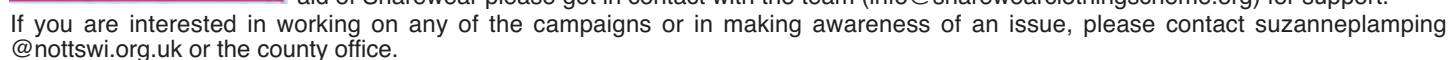
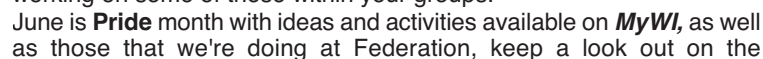
Ideas

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

a Glass Fusion Workshop on Monday 10 July. This is a new venture when a choice of a light catcher or coaster may be made. If you would like to attend either event, even if the closing date may have passed, please give the office a ring as there may be places available.

Our **Coffee Morning** is on **Saturday 15 July from 10.00am – 12 noon at County House**. We have received many lovely donations of craft items for sale so, come along enjoy a coffee, a piece of cake and look at the crafts we have for you to buy. The Committee is busy planning many different activities in the coming months, look in your Hornblower or ask your WI secretary for details of how to apply for these events.

I know we have mentioned this before, but we would really like more people to join our team. We organise craft workshops, arts and visits and normally meet every two months, so why not come and observe at one of our meetings. Ring the office for information about when we meet. You will be under no obligation and you never know, you may want to join us!



CHRISTMAS APPEAL ON BEHALF OF TEAMS4U



Creative Activities
*Coffee Morning
and
Craft Stall*
County House
Sat 15 July
10.00am-12 noon

Highlights

Five WIs: **Clarborough, Grove, Ranskill & Torworth, Retford Mayflowers & Shireoaks WIs** of the **River Idle Group** came together for a meeting in April, wonderfully hosted by Clarborough WI. Neil Hanson gave an amusing talk about his career as an author, but also as the Tenant and former owner of the Tan Hill Inn located in the Yorkshire Dales. Made famous by the Everest Double Glazing advert in the 1980's, Everest of course put them in the double glazing for free! A beautiful coronation buffet was greatly enjoyed by members and guests, Jane Jefferson, WI Adviser and Jenny Bailey, Federation Treasurer.

Members from **Hawton and District WI** walked a circular route in Southwell in aid of **ACWW**, raising £39. Starting from The Hearty Good Fellow, the walk took them via the allotments and Brackenhurst College gardens (Pit stop for coffee!), returning by a different route to the Hearty Good Fellow where they enjoyed an excellent lunch.



Watnall WI's Free Drinks and Cake Event to promote their WI was a great success. The hall was packed with craft demonstrations, photographs showing what they do and of course lots of lovely cakes baked by members. They have also been collecting in support of the **Broxtowe Women's Project** (which supports women who have been abused) and again members were very generous with their donations. Local company Fernwood donated £100 and allowed them to use their car park on the day. A further £45 was donated at the event. Christine, representing the BWP gave an interesting overview of their work which resulted in requests for a more detailed talk in the future.



SPORTS & LEISURE

Chair: Wendy Richardson



The front cover of the Hornblower is promoting our coming events – come and join in the fun!

So, the **Darts final** was a good game with some very good darts played between **Hucknall (Leenside)** and **Bottesford & District**. Congratulations to Bottesford the winning team taking this year's trophy. **Sharon Yates, Helen Baker, Pam Lloyd, Glenys Claricoats, Val Carey (cat), Pat Rollings, Diane Cumberland and Janet Kyle.**



Well done to Hucknall (Leenside) for reaching the final. Now, how about some of you other WIs getting together a darts team? You don't have to all be from the same WI, you just need to be a WI member.

We also had our annual **Kurling competition** at Rolleston. Sadly, there was only 9 teams, but they all had a fun night. The winners were **East Markham WI**, congratulations to **Muriel Baker, Joan McGlenn, Daphne Hardy and Mal Sharp.**



WI SHOP

2024 DIARY



There is an order form in your **WI NOW**. We will only be obtaining enough diaries to cover your orders so please respond by the closing date of **10 July 2023**.

HORNBLOWER CONTACT & PRINT DETAILS:

Copy deadline for August 2023 edition 4 July. July Hornblower can be collected Monday 26 June

Please send to County House or The Editor: Mrs. Jenny Bailey, Boggs Farm, Old Rufford Road, Bilsthorpe, Newark, Notts, NG22 8TE.

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ADVERTISING RATES:

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APRIL 2023

The winning numbers were randomly chosen by computer on the morning of the Trustees Committee Meeting.

1. Helen Tickle – Ravenshead WI	2
2. Gill Shepherd – Southwell WI	21
3. Vicky Etherington – East Markham WI	87



Memorial Book

Members are listed by their name and WI. They will be forever remembered and will all be truly missed.

Claire Purshouse, Shireoaks & District WI

Pam Lake, Carlton-in-Lindrick WI

Joan Darby, Bramcote WI

Pat Redshaw, Lambley WI

Elizabeth (Betty) Seal. Kneesall & District WI. Betty was a former Trustee, WI Adviser and Chairman of the Agricultural Show Committee. The Trustees and staff send her family our deepest sympathy.

Jean Bancroft, originally Abbey Gates WI then Morton, Fiskerton & Rolleston WI before moving to Norton Disney. Jean was a Trustee and a Federation Treasurer who, after retiring as a Trustee, went on to being the Bookkeeper for over 25 years and guardian angel to subsequent treasurers. She also worked hard at the County Show every year looking after the Judges as Head Steward. She knew the Federation inside out, giving many years' of service to Nottinghamshire Federation. The Trustees and staff send her family our deepest sympathy.

GROW YOUR ROOTS



Plant a lasting legacy on your land

Do you want to leave a positive lasting impact on your land by planting trees? If so, **Trees for Climate** will give you the tools to put down roots in your

local area that will last for generations.

Your trees will stand as a positive legacy for a brighter future, a gift to the environment on behalf of you family. It will become a place for future generations to enjoy and a home for wildlife. And by planting trees, you will be making a clear sign that you're playing your part in addressing our changing climate.

As well as grants that cover up to 100% of costs and 15 years of maintenance payments, the **Greenwood Community Forest Team** is here to provide expert advice and as much support as you need throughout the planning, funding, and planting process. You can use the funds to plant a new wooded area with just a handful of trees to dense forests. Get in touch today and transform your land with trees. **WIs can apply for their community!**

The Trees for Climate programme led by England's Community Forests is helping landowners to plant more trees. Greenwood Community Forest, hosted by Nottinghamshire County Council and supported by the Sherwood Forest Trust is delivering Trees for Climate in Nottinghamshire.

Find out more about Trees for Climate in Nottinghamshire via the Greenwood Community Forest website <https://www.greenwoodforest.org.uk/helping-greenwood-to-grow/grow-your-roots>



NOTTS NATTER

Jenny Bailey



Thank you for sending in your reports and photographs it's great for me to share your news with other WIs. It also helps with spacing having some words accompanying the photographs.

CLIMATE NEWS

Clean Air Campaign: 15th June

2023 Clean Air Day. As you may know, air pollution is recognised as the biggest environmental threat to our health resulting in up to 36,000 deaths annually and additionally a much larger impact on ill health exacerbation or causation. If you wish our government to tackle air pollution and increase exercise levels which is also better for health, please write to your local MP asking government to support increased walking, cycling, bus and train travel and also to reduce diesel and petrol car use.



Below is a weblink about actions you can take. A simple action is to draw a cloud outline on a postcard or piece of letter paper and write inside the cloud outline what you pledge to do for example to start or continue to walk rather than drive, or to plant a tree. Then state your desire for action about air pollution on your mail and send it to your MP and if you wish to your local and county council.

Sharing the environmental talks at the last Climate Ambassador talk: I attended the last online NFWI Climate Ambassador talk and would like to share some talks about Seagrass, Woodland and Peat that are available on the you tube weblink below.

Green events in 2023: World Oceans Day 8th June NFWI are campaigning for our oceans. There is further information and an online petition about protecting ocean and land environments.

The weblinks are:-

Clean Air Day | Resources for individuals (actionforcleanair.org.uk)

Conservation Action Focus - World Ocean Day - World Ocean Day.

NFWI are organizing a Climate Conference on 17th October 2023 in person. If you or other WI members you know might be interested, please save the date and further information will be provided nearer the date.

Meanwhile, our NFWI green campaigns continue including microplastics, limiting emissions and promoting onshore wind turbines.

If you have ideas or comments, please contact Climate Ambassador Coral Simpson by email: seacoleous18@gmail.com

WI SUPPORTER

WI SUPPORTER OPTIONS – NFWI have introduced a new initiative in **April** for women who want to be a part of what the WI offer but cannot commit to membership at the current time. It will give the WI a wider audience and louder voice and their support will add weight and more impact to the campaigns NFWI work on. This will also bring more women into the WI sphere, which may lead to them becoming members. WI Supporters will not be members and will not be associated with a Federation or a WI. They will not have the same rights or benefits as members and will not attend monthly meetings or be able to vote on resolutions. **A one-off donation will be administered by NFWI via their website with a credit/debit card or a regular donation via direct debit.** There are two options:

Option 1 – Supporter

This will be an introduction to the WI with a minimum donation of £5. NFWI will give them the NFWI Newsletter and Public Affairs email newsletters, promotional material and information about the campaigns. Women or men can be a supporter simply by giving a donation.

Option 2 – Supporter Plus

This will be only for women and a 'taster' membership for those who are interested in being involved in the WI but don't know where to start or cannot find a WI suitable to them. The minimum donation is £18 and will include limited access to MyWI, a subscription to WI Life magazine, and access to two Denman courses, one live and one on-demand.

Although these offers will not impact your WI the NFWI want to reach out to women who want to be in the WI but can't make it work for them right now. **Federations and WIs do not administer this NFWI scheme.**

Forthcoming Events 2023

June

DATE	EVENT	COST	VENUE	TIME	POSTCODE
13 Tues	MIKRON THEATRE	£13.00 £15.00 nm	Oxton Village Hall	Doors 7.00pm Play 7.30pm	NG25 0SA
19 Mon	CROQUET	£12.00	Southwell Croquet Club Cooks Lane, Morton	6.00pm	NG25 0UT
24 Sat	WATERCOLOUR WORKSHOP	£22.00	County House	9.30am for 10.00am start	

July

3 Mon	CROQUET	£12.00	Southwell Croquet Club Cooks Lane, Morton	6.00pm	NG25 0UT
6 Thurs	COUNTY LUNCH	£22.00	West Retford Hotel	12.30 for 1.00pm	DN22 7XG
10 Mon	GLASS FUSION	£22.00	County House	10.00am – 1.00pm	
14 Fri	ARCHERY	£12.50	Newark Rugby Club Kelham Road	6.30pm	NG24 1WN
15 Sat	CREATIVE ACTIVITIES COFFEE MORNING		County House	10.00am – 12 noon	
19 Wed	ARCHERY	£12.50	Newark Rugby Club Kelham Road	1.00pm – 3.00pm	NG24 1WN

August

7 Mon	AN EVENING AT THE DOGS	£26.00	Nottm Greyhound Stadium, Colwick Park	6.20pm	NG2 4BE
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TICKET APPLICATIONS AND PAYMENTS

Events are organised for **WI MEMBERS ONLY**, unless otherwise specified on the event form. For some events to take place a minimum number of members attending may be required, or the event will have to be cancelled.

Would members please apply for events before the **closing date**.

Payment at the office by cash, card, or cheque and by post.

BACS payments please include REF code. NOTTS FED WI REGD CHARITY. Sort code: 05-06-22 Account No: 50342581.

Please email admin@nottswi.org.uk stating name, WI and event.

If any event or activity organised by the Federation is oversubscribed, a system of balloting will take place after the closing date (it may not say so on the enclosure). Tickets in some cases will still be available for events after the closing date, but please telephone County House or email admin@nottswi.org.uk Please include 75p for postage and packaging with your application if a paper copy is required. **If your WI does not receive tickets or refunds within one week of the event, please contact the office.**

APPLICATION FORM

This form may be used to obtain tickets for any of the above events. **BE SURE TO ENCLOSE CHEQUE (ADD 75p FOR PAPER TICKET)** (for each separate event)

N.B. PLEASE ENSURE THAT THERE ARE TWO SIGNATURES ON ALL WI CHEQUES SENT TO COUNTY HOUSE

WI

VENUE

NAME

DATE

ADDRESS

SESSION TIME

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DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

TEL

NO REQD

EMAIL

CHEQUE VALUE

EVENT

MEMBERS ARE ADVISED THAT THEY TAKE PART IN ALL FEDERATION ACTIVITIES AT THEIR OWN RISK