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## President's Cup Competition

As announced at the Christmas meal, this month you are to fill a matchbox with as many different things as possible. Only one of each item may be included and the box must close. Please include a list of items on a sheet accompanying your entry. Please contact Brenda if you do not have a box.

January's meeting - The wonderful Pattie Medlin returns to help us find the artist within. Also, please be reminded membership fees are due, please bring your subscription of £42.00 and give to Jill.

## Your WI

Whether it is Cool to Be Crafty, Subsidised Denman courses, or contributions to Christmas meals the committee are keen that our well earned funds from our successful pudding clubs, are reinvested into our WI. What do you want to see? This will be a point of discussion at the AGM, but please give it some thought and please speak to a member of the committee if you wish to.

## Important information

As is usual, a wealth of information sent through from the Federation about, National conferences, Trustees and events. I will share this with you at the meeting but if you have any questions or concerns at anytime, please don't hesitate to call me.

## Looking ahead

February will be our AGM and it is time for the current committee to stand down and for a new committee to be appointed. We are a thriving happy WI and if you think you could contribute and would like to know more about being on the committee please feel free to speak to any one of us.

The AGM is normally followed by an event which is being kept a closely guarded secret. However, to take part and to contribute to the President's Cup in February, all you will need to do is bring your handbag.



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## Presidents Cup Competition

There will be no competition at this months meeting as will be announcing our winner. We will also advise of the theme for January at this meeting and going forward the theme will be confirmed a month ahead to allow more time to prepare.

Reminder - Carols in St Marys church Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at 7.30pm Donations to Brighter Futures at Great Western Hospital.

We will require assistance preparing the church and clearing up afterwards, please speak to a member of the committee if you can assist or be at the church at 2pm on Monday

## Christmas meal - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> arrival from 7pm to sitdown at 7.30pm

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our Christmas meal on Thursday.

There is a £5.00 subsidy on the food menu for all members. Drinks to be purchased at the bar.

Reminder: We will do our secret santa as in previous years. Please bring a gift of £5 to contribute.

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WI House will be closed from 3pm on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December until 9am Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

## Upcoming Events

Cool to be Crafty - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January - more information to follow

Centenary Lunch - Will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 in Calne. Members cost £42.50 Tickets go on sale 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018, Speaker will be Anita Harris.

Resolutions - The proposed resolutions for 2019 are featured in WI life. There is a voting form included and the selection meeting takes place on the 21<sup>st</sup> January. Please take the time to read this if you can.



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### Presidents Cup Competition

Following the theme of this months meeting, our competition this month will follow the theme of Family history. Please bring along photos reflecting different generations.

This months meeting will include a presentation from Eileen Schofield entitled "Getting started with your Family Tree"

Could any volunteers to assist with teas and coffees, please speak to a member of the committee

### Pudding Club - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2pm - 4.30pm (Set up starts at 10am)

If you can volunteer in any capacity for the day or providing puddings please speak to a member of the committee.

Tabards - If you will not be present on the day please bring your tabard to this Thursdays meeting - Or let Emma know so she can collect it.

If you can donate an item for the Tombola table please speak to Penny

Teas, coffees, milk sugar and squash will be provided. If you require cream to accompany your desert please bring this with you,

### Upcoming Events

A reminder about the upcoming events

WI Christmas Carols - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December in the church

Christmas Dinner - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December - The Wheatsheaf - Cost and menu options to follow

We would love to see these events as well supported as previously, so all offers of baking, tea making and help on the day are as always very very welcome. Don't forget to invite your family and friends.

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## Presidents Cup Competition

What did you do this summer?

Share with us your garden pictures, tales of day trips and your summer memories. As always - a brief explanation helps us share your experience.

This weeks meeting will be a change to the scheduled meeting. We will instead, have an Autumn Craft party. We will provide all the crafts, please can you bring a plate of party food for the table. Sausage rolls, cupcakes, vol au vents everything is welcome. If you have any questions, please do let me know. We have two opportunities to show off our crafts:

Centenary wall hanging and the Pin cushion competition so these will be available at our meeting for those who wish to be involved.

## Speakers and Summer outing

If you have any ideas to put forward for the above please speak to Penny or Emma

## Upcoming Events

A reminder about the upcoming events

Macmillan Coffee morning in the Village Hall - 29<sup>th</sup> September

WI Autumn Pudding Club - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October

WI Christmas Carols - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December in the church

We would love to see these events as well supported as previously, so all offers of baking, tea making and help on the day are as always very very welcome. Please speak to Vicky Nelligan regarding the Macmillan coffee morning and to Emma Jack about the Pudding Club. Posters and leaflets will be available at our meeting for those who are able to publicise these events. Don't forget to invite your family and friends.

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## Centenary Wall Hanging

We have been invited to stitch a square that represents our WI for the Centenary wall hanging. If you would like to be involved or know more, please speak to Emma

Presidents Cup Competition: This month the theme is "A Greetings card of your choice"

Remember: The more you explain your entry, the more others can share your enjoyment. So please do include a brief explanation with your photograph, or what that moment means to you.

"Cool to be Crafty" - Jean Bailey has kindly offered to get this group up and running. If you would like to join please do let myself or Jean know.

Summer Garden Party - This years event will take place in the Garden of Vicky Nelligan at 7pm at 2 Walnut Cottages.

Please bring a dish of your choice for the table and a serving utensil. Refreshments will be provided, but if you would like to drink something specific please bring that with you

If it is a Cool evening, please bring a blanket. If the weather turns and we have wet weather - we will de camp to the village hall.

Bursaries - Don't forget we will draw these on the night, so if you wont be there and wish to be considered for a bursary, please ensure you send your name to Gill or Penny by Wednesday at the latest.

Calendars and Diaries - Jill will be taking orders on the night. Please pay when ordering. Calendars £4 Diaries £4.70

Chilton Foliat Garden Trail - What an amazing day for Chilton Foliat and for our WI.

We were a busy bunch in the Village Hall serving refreshments throughout the day and we made £241 for our coffers. Thank you so much to all who contributed both on the day, and by baking such delicious treats. The Gardens were outstanding and visitors to our village remarked what a lovely welcoming village we are. Ellie is supremely proud of our WI and our ongoing support for the village.

Wiltshire News - be sure to pick up your copy at the meeting. It is full of interesting events and news from the Federation. Of interest this month is the upcoming Sports week which has a number of events that you may be interested in. If you have pictures of our events that you would like to share please let the committee know



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## Health and Wellbeing week. 11<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> June - WI

recognise that one's mental and physical health are vitally important! Cooking, gardening and craft all contribute to our wellbeing. For more information about this event and ways you can get involved - please visit [www.mywi.thewi.org.uk](http://www.mywi.thewi.org.uk)

Presidents Cup Competition: This month the theme is "A Younger you" Please share with us a picture of you from your past. Can anyone guess that it is you? Remember: The more you explain your entry, the more others can share your enjoyment. So please do include a brief explanation with your photograph, or what that moment means to you.

"Cool to be Crafty" - A number of you have expressed an interest in creating a craft group. So that we can get this up and running, please can you let Emma know if you would be willing to offer to lead the group. There is a craft competition in this months Wiltshire news and it would be great to have some entries from our corner of the county.

June Meeting - We will be visiting Avebury to enjoy an evening in the sun. Jenny Booth will be on hand to offer photography tips, particularly, how to make the most of your snaps of your family and friends. We will meet at the Village Hall at 6.30pm to travel to Avebury and will meet back at The Wheatsheaf at 8.30pm for a drink and lite bites for those that wish to partake. So that we can organise logistics, please can you let Emma know by email or phone, before Monday evening, if you will be attending, and also if you would be happy to drive. Petrol will be reimbursed. In the event that Thursday brings rain, we will have an alternative evening at the Village Hall.

Chilton Foliat Garden Trail takes place on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June from 10am - 4pm. The WI will be supporting the event by providing tea, coffee and cake throughout the day. If you can assist in any way by baking a cake, and giving an hour or two of your time, your help will be very gratefully received as we are short of assistance throughout the day. Please call or email Emma asap if you can help. Details at the top of the page.

**SAVE THE DATE Garden Party! 12<sup>th</sup> July.** Our meeting in July will be our annual Garden Party which is being hosted this year by Vicky Nelligan in her garden of wonder. More details to follow in Julys newsletter. Don't forget that our Bursaries will be drawn on this day so if you won't be attending please make sure you have put your name forward before the night if you want a chance to win.

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## Chilton Foliat WI newsletter

*Whats happening in Chilton Foliat?*



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Mays meeting will focus on the WI resolution. Remember our vote will count at the AGM in Cardiff. The debate will be followed by an exciting dramatic event to be revealed.....

Meeting is Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May 7.15pm Village Hall

Mental Health Matters

"Cool to be crafty" Are you interested in Crafts? Knitting, cross stitch, painting, drawing, sewing..... If you are interested in establishing a WI craft group that meet at the village hall for a coffee and a chat whilst you do your preferred craft, please speak to any of the committee.

### Reminder: Aldbourne WI 100 year celebration

Aldbourn WI is celebrating their centenary year. They have extended an invite to all our members to join the exhibition at Aldbourne Memorial Hall on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2018 from 10am - 5pm

Please contact Emma, for more information

### Presidents Cup Competition:

This month the theme is: "Weddings.... Royal?"

Please share with us something that encapsulates everything wedding and royal to you.

Remember: The more you explain your entry, the more others can share your enjoyment. So please do include a brief explanation with your submission.

Brenda will no longer be partaking in the competition so she is on hand to offer guidance and advice if you need her

Summer trip: Don't forget that Junes meeting is our trip to Avebury finishing with drinks and bite to eat at a local pub. If the weather is bad, we will have an alternative evening planned!

Healthy Living and Wellbeing Week - 11<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> June - WI recognise that ones mental and physical health are vitally important! Cooking, gardening and craft all contribute to our wellbeing.

For more information about this week and ways you can get involved - please visit [www.mywi.thewi.org.uk](http://www.mywi.thewi.org.uk) or see the poster at the meeting.

Events Competitions and Holidays: There are a wide number of events offered across the federation. Your Wiltshire News contains lots of detail about these. There are details sent in the email with the newsletter, and the committee hold details of all events at our meetings.

Your village needs you! Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June will see the first Chilton Foliat Garden Trail from 10am - 4pm. The Chilton Foliat WI will be on hand to serve teas and coffees ( and possibly some slices of cake) If you can help with your time, a cake, set up, anything at all - please let Emma know.



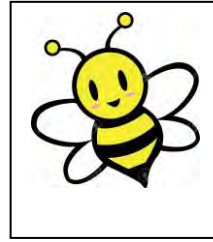
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Our speaker for April is Jan Doyle – Her subject To bee or not to bee. Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April 7.15pm Village Hall



Pudding Club This tried and tested concept from our lovely Liz has proved yet again to be extremely successful raising a record amount for Chilton Foliat WI. The list of people who contributed is endless, and your support of this event is what makes it such a great day. Thank you so very much. If you do not own a tabard, please let Emma know so one can be ordered.



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This month the theme is: "Spring has sprung"

Please showcase this month something that shows what Spring means to you. Perhaps the first bloom in the garden? Picture of a lamb, sunny mornings and evenings in the garden. Remember: The more you explain your entry, the more others can share your enjoyment. So please do include a brief explanation with your submission. Brenda will no longer be partaking in the competition so she is on hand to offer guidance and advice if you need her

This is your WI – if you have suggestions for speakers, trips, events please do speak to any of the committee. Alternatively if you wish to use the suggestion box, this is at every meeting.

There is a huge number of events that go on in the federation. Please see Emma for details.

Resolution – This months WI life explains the chosen Resolution. We will be discussing this in Mays meeting so please give some thought to it in advance. If you would like more information or do not receive WI life please speak to Emma or Ellie





Just when we thought spring might be round the corner its turned bitterly cold! Never fear we have a great month in store. As always, please do let me know if there is something you would like to see, know or discuss.

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## Presidents Cup

Our theme this month was a suggestion from one of our Members. We would love more suggestions so please keep them coming.

### "Decorate an Egg"

Let your creativity run wild and paint/decorate a boiled egg ready for judging.



## Pudding Club

Our 7<sup>th</sup> Pudding Club takes place on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March from 2.00pm to 4.30pm

We will set up the hall from 10.30am - All volunteers welcome. Leaflets and posters will be available at the meeting for you to distribute should you wish, but please round up friends and family for what will be a lovely afternoon with mouth-watering treats.

Tabards - Please remember to bring these with you. If you can't be at the Pudding club can you please bring your tabard to the next meeting, or call Emma and I will arrange to collect it so that we have plenty for the day.

Tombola - As always we would welcome prizes for the Tombola.

Cream - As we had a huge amount of cream and custard left over on previous events, this year please bring any accompaniment you wish for your desert

Reminder - There will be a box at the next meeting for any donations for the Dignity bag appeal

Teas and Coffees - Please can we have volunteers to help with teas and coffees at our meetings. If you are happy to help, please let Emma know