

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

There's a distinctly Autumnal feel in the air at the moment despite brilliant blue skies and sunshine as I write. So our Summer activities and entertainments may be over but there is a lot to look forward to in the coming months before the C... word (you note I'm still not mentioning it yet!) starting with our International quiz on the 26 September, always a fun event despite Sarah's fiendishly difficult questions. I look forward to a really fun evening even if it is interspersed with groans at the impossibility of the questions. Maybe she will be a little more lenient this year (or not as the case may be!)

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FEDERATION DIARY DATES - OCTOBER

Thu	03	1030	Strictly Easy Dancing (weekly) L'Hermitage Gardens Village Hall
Thu	03	1530	Preserves Competition Judging WI Office
Sat/ Sun	05/ 06	1100	Preserves Competition Display Royal Jersey Showground
Mon	07	1400	Badminton (weekly) New Gilson Hall, La Pouquelaye
Sat	12	0930	Dabble Day St Martin's Public Hall
Wed	16	am/eve	Groovi Parchment Groups WI Office
Fri	18	1930	Scrabble L'Hermitage Gardens Village Hall
Sat	19	1000	Crochet Club WI Office
Sat	19	1400	Women's Health Forum Trinity Parish Hall
Thu	24	1030	Walk Les Creux, St Brelade
Thu	24	1930	Category Reps Meeting Trinity Parish Hall
Fri	25	1400	Canasta L'Hermitage Gardens Village Hall

Sun	27	1245	Sunday Lunch Club Maison des Landes, St Ouen
Tue	29	1800	St Lawrence WI Bingo St Lawrence Parish Hall
Thu	31	1400	S&L Bingo Trinity Parish Hall

NOVEMBER

Sat	02	1430	Crafts, Art & Photography Exhibition Trinity Parish Hall
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If you are unable to register at your WI meeting but would like to attend a Federation event, please contact the organising Chairman or the WI Office. Please do not just turn up as venues often have limits to the number of guests allowed on the premises and admitting over this number invalidates our insurance. We also need to have numbers in advance for catering purposes.

'TEMPS PASSE'

Inter-Island Darts Winners 2008
Jersey Team (in red) Brenda Vautier, Eve Flambard, June Bertram, Lois Onesti, Dot Birch and Wendy Banks

Dot recently celebrated her 100th birthday, Congratulations!!



COMBINED ARTS

Strictly Easy Dancing takes its half term break on the 31 October, otherwise everyone welcome at 1030 at L'Hermitage Gardens Village Hall on Thursday mornings. £6.50 if you pay on the day.

Thank you to everyone who has entered the **Photographic Competition**. You will be able to see all the entries and the winners at the Exhibition Afternoon on Saturday 2 November at Trinity Parish Hall.

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COMMUNICATIONS

Please keep sending in your account of your meetings and your other activities, with photos if possible, so that we can include them in the News and Reviews.

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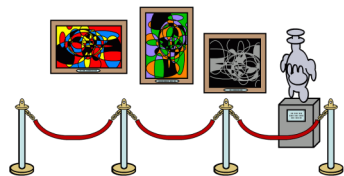
CRAFTS & ART

Dabble Day is on **Saturday 12 October** at St Martin's Public Hall, doors open at 0930 for a 0945 start. The cost is £20 including all materials and you can choose 3 from the 6 choices. If you would like to bring a friend along, they will pay £25. If you haven't signed up but would like to come, please phone me ASAP. Don't forget your packed lunch and a mug.



The **Groovi Parchment Groups** are on Wednesday 16 October at 1000 or 1900 for 2 hours each. All equipment is provided. If you would like to try this craft, please call Maureen (741464) for more information.

Crochet Club this month is on **Saturday 19 October** at the WI office from 1000 till 1200. Bring your knitting, crochet or any other small craft, or just come along for the company. Everyone is welcome, come along for a friendly chat, tuition if you need it and most importantly, tea and cake. The charge is £3. Please bring your own mug.



This year the **Crafts, Art and Photography Exhibition** will be at Trinity Parish Hall on **Saturday 2 November** from 1430. You will have plenty of time to look at the entries and we will be serving tea and cake. Please come along for this social afternoon, the sign-up sheet is with your secretary. All entries must be collected on this afternoon, so if you are not coming yourself, please arrange for someone else to take away your entry. The committee will not be responsible for anything that goes missing.



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HOME ECONOMICS

Items for judging in the **Preserves Competition** must be received at the WI Office before 1530 on Thursday 03 October and will be on display at the RJS Show over the weekend of 05/06 October.



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INTERNATIONAL

As I write this the **International Quiz** has not yet taken place, so, in expectation I would like to thank everyone for participating and the committee for cakes and helping out. Details of winners will be in the November newsletter.

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MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT

I look forward to catching up with **Category Representatives** at a meeting taking place on **Thursday 24 October** at Trinity Parish Hall, commencing at 1930. Please come along with ideas for events, or just join us to hear what is planned.

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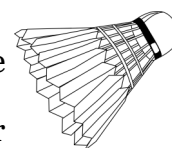
Still time to register for the **Woman's Health Forum on 19 October** at Trinity Parish Hall commencing at 1400. Facilitated by Deputy Andy Howell the Minister for Woman's Health with a number of interesting speakers. Admission is free, so contact me (details below) or the WI Office if you would like to attend.



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SPORTS & LEISURE

Badminton continues on Monday afternoons. No booking form to fill in, just come along to the New Gilson Hall at 1400 where you can bash shuttles to your heart's content until 1500. New players are always welcome. £31 for 15 weeks or £3.00 per session. All enquiries to Joan please (Tel: 726911).



Our next **Scrabble** session is on **Friday 18 October** at L'Hermitage Gardens Village Hall at 1930. Everyone (including friends) welcome, particularly beginners – just put your name on the form to ensure we have enough refreshments and pay on the night. We play with 'open' dictionaries where players can look up any words they wish to, before playing them, without penalty, so come along to stretch those 'little grey cells'. Cost £5.50.

Betty Galvin will be leading the **Walk on Thursday 24 October** from Les Creux, St Brelade. Please meet at 1030 in the carpark at the old Bowls Club for some good exercise. Don't forget to wear sensible footwear and clothing. Call Betty (Tel: 726920) if you have any questions about the route.

Canasta players are invited to meet at 1400 on **Friday 25 October** at L'Hermitage Gardens Village Hall, Beaumont. Please reserve your place on the registration form and pay £6 on the day. These sessions are for Improvers and those who enjoy the game, friends are welcome. We will not be teaching how to play. If you would like to learn to play, please contact me. Parking behind the Goose on the Green (two hours for the price of one).



A **Bingo Afternoon** is taking place at Trinity Parish Hall on **Thursday 31 October** commencing at 1400. Cost £10.00 (includes a book of cards). Cash prizes, and light refreshments. Friends and Family welcome.



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JIFWI
Women's Health
Forum

19th October 2024
Trinity Parish Hall
2.00pm—5.00pm

Speakers & Topics

This is a Free event. Sign up at your WI

Ovarian cancer & cervical screening - Dr Jessica Langtree-Marsh Woman's Health Expert

Mammography - Sarah Evans Head of Breast Screening

Menopause - (to be announced)

VAWG - Dr Helen Myles Deputy of St Brelade

Facilitator

Deputy Andy Howell

Minister for Women's Health

Move More Instructor

Shannon O'Callaghan

Stalls/ Tables Literature for each topic

- Woman's Health Survey results
- Ovarian Cancer
- Cervical Screening
- Breast Screening
- Menopause
- VAWG
- ABC Breast Cancer
- Move More
- WI Stall with Campaign packs:
- See the Signs
- 5 Minutes that Matter
- No to Violence Against Women
- Autism in Woman & Girls Sign up for Seminar
- Make time for Mental Health
- Link together to alleviate loneliness

Tea & Cake

Series of Seminars planned for 2025

- 01 Autism in Women & Girl
- 02 ABC Breast Cancer Coppafeel
- 03 Long Term Care
- 04 Make Time for Mental Health
- 05 Melanoma & Women
- 06 Link Together to Alleviate Loneliness

Sign up for Seminars?

FEDERATION

DIAMOND DRAW

August winners were £50 (2) Sheila Sykes (SL); £30 (22) Carol Mollet (FT&M). At the time of writing the September draw has not taken place. Results next month.

Tickets for the 2024 draw are no longer available. Tickets for 2025 will be available soon.

FINANCE

Subscriptions for new members joining 01 October to 31 December are £24. WI share £11.80. You will be sent an invoice by the WI Office for the Federation and NFWI shares. Dual members subscription remains at £23.60.



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POPPY PINS



Federation poppy pins for sale to WI members are available from the WI Office. £15 each. All proceeds to the Royal British Legion (Jersey) Branch. Please send a cheque for the relevant amount together with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the WI Office. If you prefer to pay by BACS, please let us know.

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SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB



Di Gladwell and Julie Shaw (St.O) have organised a lunch at the Maison des Landes Hotel, St Ouen for Sunday 27 October at 12.45. Cost £24.50 2 courses £28.50 3 courses. Tip and drinks extra. Your secretary has the booking form. If unable to attend, please call Di or Julie at least 24 hours before. Contact Di or Julie if you have any questions.

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Julie Shaw 01534 482466.

MISCELLANEOUS

NOTICEBOARD

St Lawrence WI invites you to their **Bingo Evening** on **Tuesday 29 October** at St Lawrence Parish Hall. Your secretary has the details.

BINGO

14	24	44	53	68
7	28	31	54	73
2	26	★	51	67
3	22	39	57	75
9	20	37	50	71

RIDDLE What breaks yet never falls, and what falls yet never breaks?

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OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

St. Aubin & St. Peter

In September our speaker was Lorraine Stewart-Smith who delighted us all with her descriptions of the dogs that she shows both in Jersey and in England including at Crufts.

Lorraine brought along one of her treasured dogs to explain the grooming and training processes for showing pedigree canines.

After this fascinating glimpse into the world of competitive dog-showing, Lorraine and her lovely dog made friends with our dog-loving members.



St. John



Our July guest speaker was Kathy Gillen who gave us a very interesting talk about Genealogy. Kathy has worked for many years helping families to discover their family roots, going back as far as their ancestors.

Kathy kindly presented one of our members with a file about her family genealogy, this was delightful as our member will continue to fill the gaps of her own family tree.

Donna Marrec from the National Trust was our September guest speaker, we enjoyed the slide show as Donna told us how the National Trust has grown over the years. Generous islanders have left houses and land to the trust as part of their legacy, thus enabling the trust to restore and protect much of the islands heritage and beauty.

It proved a very interesting evening and some of our members have now decided to become National Trust members. We then enjoyed tea and cake for supper.



Greve d'Azette



In September we welcomed Vinnie Jones from the Grace Trust. He began by explaining how he became involved with the Charity and the need to help people. He told us that the Charity's work is extremely varied from their monthly grocery delivery service and Food Bank to Art in the Park, Parklife Choir and Saturday Lunches.

The aim of the Charity is to help and support people whether it is with loneliness, addiction or struggling to make ends meet. He also said that like all charities they could not continue without the support of the public and corporations who help them. They are extremely grateful to everyone who donates to the many food collection boxes placed in supermarkets and to churches and corporations who organise collection days. He ended his talk by thanking everyone for the donations which we presented to him today.

OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

Trinity

As our speaker was unable to attend our September meeting, the Committee arranged for us to have an afternoon of fun and entertainment. Several jokes were told but some best not put in print! The highlight was a sketch given by Jenny, Betty Claire, Daphne and Maz on looking for a man with the rest of us joining in the chorus.

“ Four girls from Trinity W.I.
Are looking for a man.
We are most particular
So help us if you can.”



A humorous poem was read out on the subject of toilet rolls and there was more singing before we were challenged to guess which member was in the baby photo and with at least one photo over 90 years old it wasn't an easy task. Slightly easier but still quite difficult was recognising different obscure Jersey viewpoints.

It was a relaxing and enjoyable afternoon which was needed to cheer us up after a minutes silence to reflect on the sad passing away of our hard working and much loved President Barbara Cabot in July.

St. Martin

The business part of the meeting included the very positive feedback on the afternoon tea which took place in August at The St Brelade's Bay Hotel.



Our speaker, Carl Walker, Chair of the Jersey Consumer Council, gave an entertaining and informative talk about the purpose of the council. Its primary aims are to raise consumer issues, educate, inform and lobby. He highlighted some of the recent campaigns which the council has been involved in such as: obtaining credit cards for Jersey residents; The Jersey Gas compensation scheme; the high mortgage rates on the island; the people who are left behind with the increasing use of technology in everyday lives.

He finished his talk by describing some of the tricks which supermarkets use to encourage customers to buy more and highlighted the Consumer Council app, Price.je which highlights the cheapest prices on petrol, fuel and 150 supermarket items.

OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WIS

La Moye

Our speaker, Susie Richardson, gave us a very inspirational talk about her work as Prison Governor at La Moye. She has now left her post after three years but plans to stay in Jersey with her family.

Susie has studied the psychology and the roots of crime and found strong links between offenders who had undiagnosed dyslexia leading to a path of failure at school, truancy, crime and ultimately re-offending. She has been very keen to create a 'rehabilitative culture' in prison which means normalising life in prison and making it less institutionalised to ease that transition back into everyday life on release giving prisoners a purpose when they leave prison.

Susie has worked extensively in the UK in Bristol and Stafford prison where she did a lot of research for her degree giving her experience of a diverse range of crimes including a review of women's prisons. She then became Deputy Governor in Winchester prison before coming to Jersey and took it out of special measures after it was broken and failing. Having met many hardened criminals and murderers during her career Susie still believes in a system that follows the example of a prison in Norway which is said to be one of the best in the world.

La Moye prison is very different and fully staffed, can accommodate up to 200 inmates and is able to transfer those with mental health issues to the UK for special help. Staff are trained in Jersey and have better pay than prison officers in the UK. Offenders can learn hairdressing skills taught by Highland tutors, help in the kitchen, learn barista skills and carpentry. The recent art exhibition displayed by the prisoners showed some incredible talent in various mediums. Plans are still in place for a café attached to the prison with money donated by Rotary for a mobile coffee shop.



Members were very generous in donating many goods for the Tinathon next month.

Sirens

Sirens September meeting was a talk by Matthew Price which was very interesting. The talk was on how the BBC can keep the radio and television programmes interesting to today's changing world with technology. Keeping the younger generation interested, when they watch YouTube, Netflix rather than watch normal television.

Our social was crazy golf, but had to be cancelled due to bad weather.



OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

St. Lawrence

September feels like a new year after our long summer break, but the beginning of a 'new term' saw us having a fascinating demonstration from Darlene Hewlett, Vice President of St. Martin's Flower Club, who showed us the options of arranging "Flowers without Foam". Having demonstrated the use of various 'flower frogs' with spikes or holes, and how to make natural materials into supportive structures which can be used inside vases or bowls to hold the flower stems securely, she made four beautiful arrangements using a variety of containers and flowers which then went on to be our raffle prizes. The fortunate winners were Karen, Pauline, Elvina and Rosemarie



The Henwood Trophy was for craft this year - "An Autumn Picture" which had to contain some pulses. Only two entries, but still a difficult choice for Darlene to make; a beautiful autumn tree by Jackie Fromage or a delicate collage of dried material from Sharon Knight. Sharon was the winner.

We are looking forward to a full programme of autumn events that will include our fundraising Bingo on 29th October to which all WI members are invited, and a very special celebration in November of St Lawrence WI's 75th anniversary at St. Brelade's Bay Hotel!

St. Ouen

St. Ouen's WI enjoyed a most informative talk at their September meeting by Judith Hopkins who runs the Community Support Team in St. Ouen. The team was set up shortly after income support was centralized by the government. Many of the parishes realised that they were losing contact with vulnerable people in their parishes and decided to set up a group that would provide support and assistance to their parishioners, helping them live independently in the community.

St. Ouen was amongst one of the first parishes to set up a team offering help from shopping, visiting the bank, attending medical appointments, collecting a prescription, to visits to the hairdressers. Even those finding forms difficult to complete can call on a member of the team to assist them; transport can also be provided to community activities or if someone simply would like a friendly person to chat to.

Although Judith did point out that the team did not provide a carer service, as one parishioner requested that a someone come along and bath her husband, a gentle refusal was given.



OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

Le Hocq

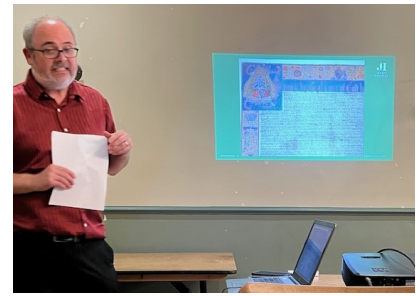
Stuart Nicolle from Jersey Archives was the guest speaker for the September meeting, originally records were kept in several places, and at one time some records were stolen though 90% were recovered.

Two rooms were acquired at the Museum in 1993.

There are thirty one thousand registration cards of everyone over the age of fourteen. Of Churches there were originally thirty Methodist Churches, also records of Channel Island Family History. Records of Merchant ships from 1768 when the Chamber of Commerce was formed in the days of privateering.

Linda Romeril is the curator of the museum. The JEP has one and a half million photographs. Talks are given to some schools which is important as there is a need for Jersey's history as an Island to be remembered as many people are tracing their own. The TV programme "Who Do You Think You Are" reveals some fascinating details of the person's family going back centuries.

Mr Nicolle touched on many other details which made for a very interesting meeting.



First Tower & Millbrook

Maria & Mandy took the meeting as Heidi and Rosemary were away. We had a new room to hold our meeting in, which was much bigger & cosier. We had Jenny Langlois about exercise classes but who also deals with pain support. Jenny showed the ladies how to do general exercise in a chair and how important it is to keep moving even if it gentle exercises in a chair. There are various places you can go and do these exercises. All the ladies enjoyed.

Afterwards we dealt with the general business over tea & cake.



The ladies also went to The Tea & Cake Cabaret at St Martin Parish Hall which they thoroughly enjoyed seeing the various singers and dancers and of course the afternoon tea.

Answer to the Riddle – Day and Night

GREETINGS FROM STAFFORDSHIRE

Since arriving back in the Staffordshire Moorlands I have been able to attend two Waterfall WI Meetings as we meet on the third Tuesday. In August it was a talk from a new local Gym about how important exercise is especially as we get older.

In September we had the Blind Woodturner. He had lost his sight quite suddenly in his 40's and as he was an engineer and always been busy he had taught himself how to turn wood by listening to lots of videos and demonstrations. He now travels around the country and Europe giving demonstrations.

In September the monthly competition was Homemade Fudge and Mum came 3rd and I was 1st with a mixture of different fudges. We made six between us and will be eating this for the next month at least!

Waterfall had a competition for the Mrs Simms Cup of a Celebration Afternoon Tea. Four members worked together to provide a savoury item, a sweet item, a craft item and a flower arrangement. There were four entries and I was asked to steward the event. They were all different and it was hard for the judge to choose.



I have also had a go at playing Whist. This is a monthly event which has been a fundraiser for many years. In the past I only ever made the sandwiches and served the tea. I enjoyed having a go and playing and luckily no one complained if I was a little slow.

Take care
Brenda

