

JERSEY ISLAND FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTES

JUNE 2024 NEWS





CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

What an enjoyable Annual Meeting we had last month. I was worried that numbers would be low, and you completely confounded me! Thank you so much. Ann was really happy to meet members, it was so good to have her here - not an easy journey from North Wales. Congratulations to Jane Campbell of La Moye WI on being awarded the Nicholson Trophy. An amazing array and number of cakes too, thank you St Clement. I think your freezers must be stocked up for the rest of the year!

Now we look forward to our 'new' year, events being planned which I do hope you'll support, and for the Board of Trustees a new member. Thank you so much, Martina, for volunteering. Unfortunately for you all not a new Chairman. Until I can persuade someone to take over, I'm afraid you're stuck with me for another year. I do hope you enjoy all your meetings whether organised by the Board or your own WIs. I look forward very much to seeing you all at the different events.

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FEDERATION DIARY DATES - JUNE

Mon	03	1400	Tennis (weekly)		
			Greve d'Azette Tennis Courts		
Wed	05	1000	NF NAM Screening		
			Royal Jersey Showground		
Thu	06	1030	Strictly Easy Dancing (weekly)		
			L'Hermitage Gardens Village Hall		
Sat/	08	1100	Millennium Cup Competition		
Sun	/		Display		
	09		Royal Jersey Showground		
Wed	19	am/eve	Groovi Parchment Groups		
			WI Office		
Thu	20	1400	First Tower & Millbrook Bingo		
			St Saviour's Parish Hall		
Thu	20	1930	WI Officers Get-Together		
			Trinity Parish Hall		
Fri	21	1930	Scrabble		
			L'Hermitage Gardens Village Hall		
Sat	22	1000	Crochet Club		
			WI Office		
Sun	23	1245	Sunday Lunch Club		
			Isabella's at the Union Inn		

Thu	27	1030		Walk Car park at Duck Pond in St Peter's Valley				
Fri	28	1400		Canasta L'Hermitage Gardens Village				
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Thu	18	1815		alking Scavenger Hunt rpark opposite Les Fontaines vern				

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.

'TEMPS PASSE'

Annual Meeting in Leeds 2014



COMBINED ARTS

We start Strictly Easy
Dancing at L'Hermitage
Gardens Village Hall again on
3 June after half term and
finish on 18 July. Every Thursday
morning 1030 - 1130. Cost £35 for 7
weeks. £6.50 if you pay on the day. I
look forward to seeing you for some
easy and fun exercise.



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COMMUNICATIONS

Congratulations to Christine Woodward and Sheila Ponomarenko (SM) on winning the 2023 Communications Award.

Don't forget to send in your accounts of your monthly meetings, with photographs, if possible, for inclusion in the News and Reviews.

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CRAFTS & ART

Thank you to all who entered the **Millennium Cup Competition**. Don't forget, they will all be displayed at the RJA show on **8/9 June**.

There are still places available for the morning session of our **Groovi Parchment Groups**. The next sessions are on **Wednesday 15 June** at 1000 or 1900 for 2 hours each. All equipment is provided. Please call Maureen (741464) for more information.

Crochet Club this month is on **Saturday 22 June** at the WI office from 10.00 till 12.00. Everyone is welcome to come along for a friendly chat, tuition if you need it and most importantly, tea and cake. Bring your knitting or crochet or just come along for the company. The charge is £3. Please bring your own mug.



The entry forms for this year's craft competitions, "Up, up and away" need to be in the office by Thursday 27 June and the entries can be delivered to the office between 5 and 26 September.



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HOME ECONOMICS

I do hope that your Piccalilli is now maturing in the jar ready for the competition, and that the jam is being thought about if not made!!



Please let us know if you have any ideas for the baking competition classes next year, new ideas always welcome.



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INTERNATIONAL

Just a quick 'keep the date' reminder. This year the International Quiz will be on the evening of 26 September at Trinity Parish Hall. We look forward to seeing you there!.



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MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT

We look forward to seeing WI Officers at our get-together on the evening of Thursday 20 June.

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS

A big thank you to Judy and Sue who organised an amazing visit to St George's Church. Also to Jean Le Maistre who gave up his time to give a guided tour.



The JIFWI car share survey is well under way, the PAJ committee is looking forward to sharing the contribution that the WI, as a community organisation, make to reducing Jersey's Carbon Footprint.

Our next outing is to the Recycling Centre on the 23 July. Your secretary has a registration form. There is no charge for this visit but, as numbers are limited to 20, we may need to hold a ballot. Members allocated a place will be informed by telephone or email.

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SPORTS & LEISURE

Tennis continues on Monday afternoons. Meet Rosemary Hill at 14:00 in the car park at the Greve d'Azette Courts. I suggest you call her (Tel. 07797 798869) if you plan to attend for the first time. The cost is £3.00 pp per session. Enthusiasm is required more than skill and provided you can keep the ball going you will be very welcome, but Rosemary is prepared to teach complete beginners if required.

Our next **Scrabble** session is on **Friday 21 June** 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.

Christine Coen will be leading the **Walk** on **Thursday 27 June** from the carpark at the duckpond in St Peter's Valley. Please meet at 1030 for some good exercise. Please wear sensible clothing and footwear. Call Christine (07797 767952) if you have any questions about the route.

Canasta players are invited to meet at 1400 on Friday 28 June 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). Please be aware that this event is being held subject to numbers covering the cost of the Hall. Those registered will be informed in good time if we have to cancel.



Our annual **Walking Scavenger Hunt** is taking place on **Thursday 18 July** followed by a catered supper. Arrive at the car park opposite Les Fontaines Tavern between 18.15 and 18:45 for a 'staggered start'. St John's WI is catering for the event in the Parish Hall with a two-course buffet supper on offer. Scavenger Hunt with supper is £12.50. If you just want to come for supper the cost is £10.00. Forms are with your secretary and the closing date for registering is Thursday 20 June. Friends and Family welcome. Hopefully, the

weather will be fine but if it is bad – the show goes on. The event will take place come rain, shine, hail or snow!

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FEDERATION

DIAMOND DRAW

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Winners for April were £50: (No.29) Anita Ward (StO); £30 (No.86) Daphne Romeril (T). At the time of writing the May draw has not taken place. Results next month.

Tickets for the rest of the year are available. £8 for 8 months (May-December). Please send a cheque for the relevant amount to the WI Office or contact your WI Treasurer to make alternative arrangements. A number will be allocated to you and tickets sent via the next possible WI mailing or include a stamped addressed envelope for it to be sent to you direct. Payments can be accepted via BACS – please contact the WI Office for details.

2025 NFWI DLARY

We are now taking orders, price £5.80 (UK price £7.00). The diaries this year have a mauve cover that is completely recyclable, which makes the whole diary recyclable except for the ribbon. An order form is with your WI Treasurer or contact the WI Office. Our first order will have free delivery, otherwise we will have to pay postage.

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FINANCE

Treasurers: Thank you to those who have forwarded membership fees received as agent which will enable me to comply with the deadline set by National for receipt of their share. If you have not yet sent yours in – please do it now!



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NATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING

Please note that the **National Annual Meeting** is on **Wednesday** 5 June and not Saturday as stated on the registration form. If you have not yet registered and would like to come, please contact the WI Office to ensure we have enough chairs. You are welcome to come just for the morning or afternoon if more convenient for you.

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 lunch at Isabella's at the Union Inn for Sunday 23 June, 12.30. Price £22 for two courses,



£25.50 for three not including tip. Drinks to be paid separately. Card or correct cash please. Your secretary has the booking form. If unable to attend, please call Di or Julie at least 24 hours before.

Di Gladwell 01534 741907 Julie Shaw 01534 482466.

TORTOISE AUCTION

The auction for Wilma, our tortoise in the Durrell Tortoise Trail, was



launched at the Annual Meeting. We have received a number of offers, and the highest bid to date is £195. All bids to be received at the WI Office in writing or by email. Bidding closes on 30 June.

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RIDDLE The more you take, the more you leave behind. What am I?

Answer on Page 14





Joy's Journal May 2024

Having just enjoyed a Bank Holiday weekend with some fairly good weather despite the wind, it was a disappointment to wake up this morning to grey skies and showers. However, it does mean that I will actually get on with some housework, strip the beds and do the washing willingly rather than begrudging every minute I can't be outdoors!

I do hope those of you who went enjoyed the Annual Meeting with our National Chairman Ann Jones. I certainly did, it was so good to see her again, we had some great times on the Board as well as being hard work. We have had a number of messages expressing thanks and saying how much they had enjoyed it so it does sound as if members found it a worth-while afternoon. I certainly did, until I realised that I'd put my car keys in my daughter's coat pocket - and she'd gone home with another member whilst we cleared up!! I think I'm very lucky that my husband is so even tempered, he actually smiled as he arrived to pick me up, although that may have been a smirk at the stupid woman who's always doing things like that!

I also really enjoyed the Murder Mystery evening, thank you Brenda and the Combined Arts Committee. It's the second one I've been involved in and I think they're such fun, a great excuse to dress up and relax. Now I'm looking forward to the visit to St George's Church which I know will be very interesting, our church visits are getting very popular which is great as the church gets all the proceeds.

I'm very excited as next week I'm going to London with Sarah, our International Committee Chairman, for the National Annual Meeting at the Royal Albert Hall. It will be my first one in person since I left the Board in 2017 so it will be great to see some old friends again. I'm also feeling a bit nervous as, because of Covid, I haven't travelled much since then but we'll be fine. I'll also meet up and stay with our past federation treasurer, Anita West, which will be great. I hope you enjoy the day via Zoom at the RJS if you're going.

Enjoy your meetings and do support our federation events, we love to see you there.

Very best wishes

Joyxx

FEDERATION REVIEWS

Membership

Annual Meeting





Although Saturday 27th April was a grey afternoon this did not keep members away from attending the Annual Meeting at St. Clement. Our Guest Speaker was Ann Jones, our National Chairman who encouraged us to ask someone to come along to WI with them and to find out the reason for them not doing so. Certificates were presented to St. Ouen and St. Lawrence celebrating 75 years and for increased membership to St. Martin, St. Clement and La Moye.













Jane Campbell was presented with the Nicolson Trophy.









FEDERATION REVIEWS

Genuine Jersey Royals Potato Competition

Federation Trustees and WI representatives took part in our competition and the potatoes were weighed by Peter Tabb and John Garton of Genuine Jersey



The greatest weight of 614.4 grams was achieved by Diane Shield of La Moye WI. Diane also had the highest number of potatoes with 30.

Results

Name	WI	Weight (g)	Number
Diane Shield	La Moye	614.4	30
Thelma Le Fevre	St Clement	483.9	22
Elvina Davey	La Moye	380.1	19
Christine Coen	St Aubin & St Peter	302.8	20
June Pollard	Greve d'Azette	298.9	9
Anne Pasturel	St Martin	277.8	19
Jackie Fromage	St Lawrence	256	14
Sarah Le Luan	St Aubin & St Peter	251.1	21
Brenda Smith	ВоТ	240.6	16
Norma Thomas	St Martin	198.8	14
Joan Cadoret	First Tower & Millbrook	122.5	5
Gladys Dunell	First Tower & Millbrook	99.5	9
Angela Lister	ВоТ	64.5	4

Sports & Leisure

Badminton

On Thursday 2nd April, eleven members from badminton had an end of season lunch at The Smugglers Inn which was very enjoyable. Badminton has now finished and will start again on Monday 9th September at The New Gilson Hall at 14.00 if anybody wants to have a game.

Tennis is now being played on Mondays at Greve D'Azette, St Clement at 14.00. Anyone wishing to play contact Rosemary Hill on 07797798869.



FEDERATION REVIEWS

Combined Arts

Murder Mystery

On a warm Thursday night about fifty members came together to try and unravel who shot the Captain on the SS Titania. Set in the 1920's a very enjoyable evening was had with some delicious desserts. The role players looked the part and the waitresses were kept very busy. Four teams correctly guessed the murderer and well done to Hel's Belles, St. Lawrence and both tables from St. Ouen.



Many thanks to the committee who threw themselves into the fun of the evening.









OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

St. Lawrence



Resolutions always feels like a hard-working meeting. Joy, as our WIA, ably guided us through the resolution that "Dental Health Matters." There was some debate and many questions. Obviously, the resolution was framed for the UK's situation. We voted for the resolution, with many of us voting for our delegate to use her discretion.

Later in the meeting Pat Billington gave a report on the JIFWI Annual meeting. This had been very good and inspiring. Apparently, we each have to recruit half a person with enthusiasm and positivity.

There were many announcements and activities to sign up for, both in St. Lawrence and at Federation level. For St. Lawrence this will be our 75th year as an institute so we will be planning suitable celebrations. At the council meeting we received a certificate from the National Chair, Ann Jones, to mark it.

Liz showed us the contents of our entry for the Millennium Cup, a hamper for a teenage girl. This included beautifully knitted socks, a handmade card and a beautiful, crocheted bag.



After tea we all took on some very demanding quizzes which got the brains working, but not always with the correct answers, but we enjoyed trying.

St. Martin

We began our meeting with a hearty rendition of Jerusalem!

This was our Resolutions Meeting and Joy Thomson was with us to talk about the WI Resolution in support of improved dental provision by the NHS. We all agreed that this did not directly affect us on the Island, but nonetheless we were invited to vote on the proposition. We voted to support it "with discretion".

We celebrated the fact that Rosemary Brown (Senior) had reached the amazing milestone of 62 years as a member of WI. There was a delightful supper and then we all headed out into the rain and made our way home

St. Aubin & St. Peter

For our May meeting we were warmly welcomed to a joint meeting together with La Moye for a quiz and discussion about the resolution. St. Aubin & St Peter members voted for the resolution with discretion. After refreshments we all enjoyed a few games of bingo.

OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

St. John

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Brenda Smith kindly attended St John as our adviser to give us an informative overview on this year's Annual Meeting Resolution Dental Health Matters. We did a short quiz this giving us a good understanding of the problems they are facing in England.

We then had a fun Bingo, members enjoyed winning chocolatey treats.

Brenda was presented with a Jersey tea towel, mug and teabag saucer. St John's WI wish Brenda good health and happiness as she moves forward in the next phase in her life.

We then enjoyed tea and cake.

A small group of our ladies recently did a litter pick around St John as part of our Community clean up. We were surprised at the amount of litter we picked up, especially around the village. Afterwards we had coffee and biscuits on our camping chairs enjoying the beautiful views at Sorel.

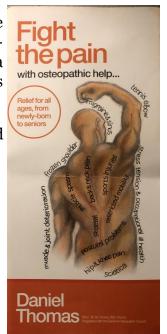




Sirens

Sirens WI had a talk by Daniel Thomas who is an Osteopath. He explained what he does, and what the difference is between a Chiropractor, physiotherapist and an Osteopath. We were also encouraged to do a couple of exercises that evening for our balance and to keep our necks supple. It was an enjoyable evening followed by tea and cakes.

Sirens social for May is the JIFWI afternoon at St Ouen's church followed by cream tea.



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OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

La Moye

In May we joined up with St. Aubin and St.Peter WI at Communicare which turned out to be a very busy evening. We had a display of trophies and certificates awarded at the recent Federation Annual Meeting as well as the donations for the forthcoming Millenium Cup competition shoe box.

Sarah Johnson (SASP) congratulated Jane Campbell on being awarded the Nicholson Trophy and La Moye the Recruitment Award.

Maureen Bougeard was our Adviser for the evening and gave us a short quiz relating to the Resolution on DENTAL HEALTH MATTERS in the NHS which led to some discussion on the issue. Both WIs voted in favour of the Resolution with discretion if the wording was changed at the NAM in June.

Members enjoyed a lovely supper with a choice of delicious sandwiches and cakes with tea and coffee.

Maureen Bougeard then acted as caller with two rounds of Bingo using a new machine which lit up the numbers on a screen to be seen by everyone. There were cash prizes for the winners.







Sarah and Jane then thanked members for a lovely evening and the raffle was drawn.

St. Ouen

This month was resolutions month therefore, it was decided to hold the meeting at Maison des Landes. Following the discussions regarding the resolution proposed and the usual business the members enjoyed a delicious lunch in the café, it was a glorious day, however not warm enough to sit outside.

Following lunch a quiz, set by Fiona and David Picot, was held. It was a good turn out with almost 40 members attending. It was a fun quiz with some very tricky questions.

A good time was had by all.

OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

St. Clement

Because of the May Bank Holiday a joint Meeting was held with Greve d'Azette WI. The speaker for the afternoon was Colin Isherwood whose topic was 'Daily Life during the Occupation 1940-1945 – Limpet Stew to Liberation'. Colin gave us a most interesting talk with a number of slides/photographs taken during those five years of Occupation. Also Colin had a number of artefacts on display which had been used during those five years, including a crystal set, children's shoes with wooden soles, Red Cross Food Parcels Boxes and a Gas Mask for a baby.







The Resolution was passed – with discretion – to support our WI Ladies in the UK. Certificates were distributed for the Potato competition and the Eisteddfod.

To conclude the Meeting Pat Smith of Greve d'Azette WI read a funny poem...

St Clement WI were responsible for the refreshments at the Annual Meeting held yesterday in St Clement Parish Hall. We were delighted to meet our National President Ann Jones who came around to speak to us. St Clement WI were presented with a Membership Challenge Certificate.





OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

Trinity

Why did Helen Hamilton become a Lay Minister? After listening to the dullest sermon ever, she knew she could do better. She likened her vocation to having to be like a good stand up comedian, naming Frank Skinner as her favourite, who can make you laugh, cry and care, inviting others into his own world by identifying with the audience and holding them with not one pair of eyes glazed over. She is fascinated by the human condition and nature as much as she is for her pet therapy dog Olive. Her three years of training qualified her to assist the Rector, and to preach and lead in the Church of England following in the footsteps of her father. She can officiate at funerals but not at weddings. She spoke clearly with much humour admitting that she sometimes laughs too loud. She certainly captivated the attention of Trinity W.I. members



Greve d'Azette

We joined St. Clement's WI for their Monthly Meeting: we really enjoy our shared meetings at least once a year. Our speaker was Colin Isherwood, who told us of life on a daily basis during the Occupation.

It was very interesting to all of us – those of us who were here and those of us who have come to Jersey since. Islanders living in the country had a different experience from those living in the town, with food being rationed, and not until the Red Cross parcels arrived did the situation ease. Rationing finally ended in 1954.

On display were the crafts members had entered in the Eisteddfod, including the Cristina Perestrelo Trophy which Georgette Bougeard had won

Thank you St. Clement's for letting us share your full and busy afternoon.

 $Answer\ to\ the\ Riddle-Footsteps$

OUT AND ABOUT AROUND THE WI'S

First Tower & Millbrook

Our speaker let us down last minute and we were unable to get another one at such short Notice. Despite this we had a very enjoyable meeting discussing our outings we had during the year & outings planned for May as well as going through the normal business. We also spoke about our Bingo event which is on Thursday 20th June at St Saviours Parish Hall at 1.30.

We also went through the Resolution about Dental Health Matters in the UK and Joan Cadoret gave a good speech about this. We all voted after this.

Rosemary Hill was awarded The Colin Walsh Award for Sport Council for

2023 for all sports in Jersey and she brought her trophy and certificate to show us and gave a talk on what she did to receive this award. She

commits a lot of hours to the sports. Well done to her.





Two of our ladies entered the Jersey Potato competition.

Le Hocq

We had a very interesting evening once the WI Business was dealt with, the quiz team were congratulated on winning the quiz shield, Angela Lillicrap was wished a happy birthday also Jenny Totty (President) welcomed several new members.

The vote for Resolution was in favour of highlighting the lack of dentists in the UK by the members.

The speaker for the evening was Christine Marrett to talk about Pets In Therapy founded in 1983 by Lesley Scott-Ordish in the UK as a charity which has over four thousand volunteers either volunteering with a dog or cat.

They visit Care homes and prisons, bringing comfort and companionship in the community. It cannot be underestimated the pleasure people of all ages benefit from animal therapy. Christine and Flint visit two schools on Tuesday and Wednesdays for one hour thereby helping children to learn.

Flint is a Cesky Terrier and does not moult he was the only one in the litter though he does have relations! The breed which is quite rare was introduced as a small game hunter though he is a real softy, Christine has quite a few dogs and competes at shows and does Agility competitions. Delicious tea and cakes rounded off the evening.



COOKERY CORNER

From MyWI Recipes

The Mariners' Cornish Rarebit

Recipe supplied by Paul Ainsworth



Ingredients

Serves 2

- 675g grated cheddar (preferably a Cornish cheddar)
- 140ml milk
- 30g plain flour
- 55g Panko breadcrumbs
- 1 tbsp English Mustard Powder
- 1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 2 whole eggs plus 2 egg yolks
- 25ml Doom Bar Amber Ale or equivalent alcoholic free amber ale
- Salt and black pepper to taste
- 4 slices of bread

Method

- 1. Place a large saucepan over low heat, then add the grated cheese, Doom Bar Amber Ale and milk together and stir slowly until the cheese had melted. Add the Worcestershire sauce and season to taste.
- 2. Once the cheese has melted and fully combined with the Doom Bar Amber Ale and milk, turn the heat up slightly and add the plain flour, Panko breadcrumbs and English Mustard Powder and combine.
- 3. Cook this mixture for four minutes, stirring continuously.
- 4. Once the flour has combined and the mixture has thickened, take the pan off the heat and cool to room temperature.
- 5. When cool, add the mixture to a kitchen blender and, while mixing, slowly add the eggs until you have a smooth consistency.
- 6. Heat the grill to medium/high and toast your slices of bread on one side only, then remove.
- 7. Put the Cornish Rarebit mixture into piping bags and pipe over the untoasted sides of the bread.
- 8. Return to the grill and brown until golden.