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APRIL 2020

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Apr 2020

Wed 15 Darts – Individual knockout
Wed 22 Annual Council

May 2020

Wed 6 Darts – Team knockout
Sat 16 Vale WI Sale
Wed 20 Darts – Inter-Island
Thurs 21 Fun Quiz **Cancelled**

June 2020

Sat 20 Soroptimists Womens Parade
Fri 26 Closing Date Lady Denman Cup



FROM BOARD OF TRUSTEES CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

The Board of Trustees have been following the local website <https://gov.gg/coronavirus> closely and have come to the decision that this the time to advise all WI groups to cancel their meetings, social occasions and fundraising events immediately until the end of April. The Sports and Leisure committee have already cancelled the darts league and will monitor the situation for the individual and team knockout competitions.

This of course means that the Annual Council Meeting on 22 April has been postponed, probably until the autumn. The Fun Quiz on 21 May (see below) is now cancelled.

NFWI has been updating its information regularly and most WIs in the UK seem to be cancelling their meetings. NFWI have announced they have taken the difficult decision that the Annual Meeting at the Royal Albert Hall on 4 June should be cancelled.

The wellbeing of our members is paramount, both physically and mentally. We have a wonderful network of members here in Guernsey and would ask each one of us to keep in touch with other members by social media, telephone or a good old fashion letter. The isolation can be almost as stressful as the worry that the uncertainty of this situation can bring.

If anyone needs any help at any time, please call Linda Falla (264999) or Corrina Walker (07911 73302) as they would be happy to arrange whatever they can to ensure our members are not suffering in any way.

These are extraordinary times, and looking out for one another, resisting the urge to panic-buy and remaining calm will help us all get through this, together. Keep safe everyone

"Even the darkest night will end, and the sun will rise again"- Victor Hugo

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LADY DENMAN CUP COMPETITION

2020:

"WHAT I HEARD ON THE BUS.....".

Using no more than 500 words, WI members are invited to submit a piece of writing, either comical, serious, fact or fiction, based on a conversation they have overheard, or imagined they have heard, on the bus.



Entrants must submit four copies of their entry, typed if possible, on A4 paper to the Federation Secretary. More details can be obtained on myWI or from Jenny Cottell. Closing date for Guernsey entries is Friday 26 June 2020, so these can be judged locally before the National closing date of Friday 7 August 2020. Jenny Cottell, Tel: 256693

ARTS AND HOMECRAFTS

2020 EISTEDDFOD

Eisteddfod Mark Sheets will be sent to WI Secretaries by the end of March. Scores will be recorded so the WI Shield can be presented at the Council meeting when this is re-arranged.

MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT

Challenge Cup Fun Quiz – Thursday 21 May

WIs are invited to make up teams of players for this Fun Quiz with a chip shop supper, at Capelles Community Hall from 7.30pm. Space is limited so please book your team and food

CANCELLED

choices (fish, jumbo sausage or veggie burger) by 8 May. Cheques for £34 per team should be made payable to GIFWI. Members will be representing their WIs, costs can be paid from funds if agreed by WI members. Bookings should be made to Kay Rowlands, Maison de Bonheur, Palm Grove, Rue Sauvage, St Sampsons, GY2 4WJ (tel. 07781 415954) k.rowlands47@icloud.com

SPORTS AND LEISURE

DARTS

From September 2020 the darts will be held on a Tuesday evening and not a Wednesday.

INSTITUTE AND OTHER NEWS

Vale WI Sale – Saturday 16 May 2020

Vale WI popular Spring Sale will take place on Saturday 16 May at the Vale Douzaine Room. The doors will open at 11.30am and delicious lunches will be served from 12.00 noon. All welcome.



WI bulbs and diary

The 2020 WI Bulb Catalogue is now available. Please contact your Secretary for a copy. There are many new bulbs this year, including a fragrant garden collection.

Please return your order with a cheque made payable to GIFWI. All orders need to be returned to Maureen McDonald, Cede Nullis, Rocquettes Lane, St Peter Port, GY1 1XT (tel. 726233) by the end of May.

Orders are also now being taken for the 2021 WI Diary. This year the diary will be £4.50 each and will have a royal blue cover which is entirely recyclable. Orders to be returned to Maureen McDonald with cheques payable to GIFWI by the end of May

Soroptimists Women's Parade – Saturday 20 June 2020

The WI have been invited to join the Soroptimists Parade to celebrate 100 years since women over 30 were able to vote in Guernsey. The parade will start in the market Square and walk through St Peter Port ending in Cambridge Park with a tree planting ceremony.

They are asking organisations to be represented and the WI has been asked to nominate 10 women to represent us, dress up in period costume and take part in this historic event. They are also asking people to enter a banner competition to illustrate the last 100 years. It could be with a theme of your choosing.

If you would like to be considered for the parade, please contact Jenny Cottell, Tel: 256693.

Closing date for entries for the **May 2020 Newsletter** is **Friday 17 April 2020**
Entries to Sharon Williams –
sawilliams@cwgsy.net or Tel. 710007.

