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NEWS FROM AROUND THE ISLANDS

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JUNE 2021

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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Tues 8 National AGM

Wed 16 – to Arts, Crafts and Needlework

Fri 18 Entries for Eisteddfod

Wed 23 – to Eisteddfod Exhibtion

Sat 26



Closing date for entries for the July 2021 Newsletter is Friday 18 June 2021 Entries to Sharon Williams – sawilliams@cwgsy.net or Tel. 710007.

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Dear Fellow Members

By the time you read this at your meeting in June I will no longer be the Federation Chairman. Having spent three years in the role, I felt it was time to step aside and let someone with fresh ideas take over.

Fresh ideas are certainly needed. Those of you who attended the Annual Council Meeting at the end of May will have heard that our membership is dropping alarmingly. We all know what a great organisation the WI is, but we have to let other potential members know what they are missing.

The second half of my tenure as chairman has been quite different to anything I could have envisioned. Like many of you, I had never heard of Zoom 18 months ago. Last year's National AGM in the Royal Albert Hall was cancelled due to the pandemic and this year's is to be a virtual meeting. Our own local annual meeting had to be cancelled, too. The Board of Trustees had many plans for 2020 and hope to bring them to fruition in the coming months.

One way to let others know that the WI is more than just a group of women who make cakes, knit and chat is to publicise our activities on our own page in the Guernsey Press. I am sure that you are all doing interesting things in your WIs, but unless I am sent photos and a write up, I have nothing to put in the paper. There are some groups who have never sent me anything in the six years that I have been compiling the page. As I am continuing to do this, I really would appreciate more material without

having to check what is happening and attend to take photos of events.

If you are taking photos that can be used for publicity, please ensure that they are high quality. A picture that looks reasonable on your phone screen will often not be of sufficient resolution to be printed in a larger format. A camera is usually more successful than a mobile one, unless that phone is one of the very latest top of the range models.

It is always more interesting to the reader if it is an 'action' photo rather than a line-up, even if that action is crafting or knitting. I would also need an explanation of the event and the names of members in the photos. Please also ensure that anyone in the photo is happy to be in the Press.

I have been very privileged to be the GIFWI chairman and I thank you for the support that I have received from so many of you. Special thanks go to Jenny Cottell, secretary, and Pam Gerrard, treasurer, who have both given unstinting service to the WI and who have also retired from their positions. Without their knowledge and constant support, I would never have made it through my term.

Best wishes to each and every one of you.

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DARTS LEAGUE AND HIGHEST SCORE

The Darts League trophies and trophy for Highest Score will be presented at the Council Meeting at Les Cotils on the afternoon of 29 May.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMUNITY - GREEN HEARTS DISPLAY

Because of lockdown 2 the display planned as part of the Green Hearts event in February was postponed. We are pleased to announce this is now going to take place from Tuesday 1 June for two weeks in the window of Health Connections in Smith Street, St Peter. Port. If you are in town, please come by and take a look.

DO YOU NEED ANY CHINA FOR AN EVENT?



Health Connections has a lot of sets of china that can be borrowed for an event. It's free of charge to any charity or can be used by others for a small donation. Contact Health Connections in Market Square or Smith Street phone: 246154 - hello@healthconnections.gg

NEXT EDITION.... Meet your Board of Trustees.

Photos and Bios of your Trustees.

SOME THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER

Whilst travel restrictions have been eased, people are still cautious about travelling off island, so below are just some events taking place in Guernsey.

Golden Goats Trail 9 May to 31 August



Fifty two decorated Guernsey goats will be displayed around the island before being auctioned in September for Autism Guernsey. A map can be downloaded from TurfHunt from the App Store for free. Copies of the map are available at the bus terminus and the hotels listed below.

A written quiz can also be collected from Cobo Bay Hotel, The Farmhouse Hotel and the Imperial Hotel.

Guernsey Arts Sunday – 6 June

Held in the town seafront between the Liberation Monument and the Albert Pier, Arts Sunday is a free event for the whole community.

Pink Ladies Sunset Walk Saturday 26 June



Raising awareness for people. Affected by breast cancer locally. There are two routes, one starting at Grandes Rocques car park at 6.00pm covering 10.5 miles. The. Other starting at 7.30pm from Bordeaux car par and covering 3.5 miles. Entry fee is £10. There will also be an After Party in Market square with food, drink and music from Element 6.

Torteval Scarecrow Festival Sat 24 & Sun 25 July

The 18th Torteval Scarecrow Festival will be held over the weekend of 24 & 25 July in the lanes and fields of this corner of the island. Starting from Torteval Church,



the trail takes approximately 1.5 hours. Refreshments, including a licensed bar, entertainment and fete with various stalls will be available on both days.