

# Bont Faen WI

## Minutes for the Monthly Meeting:

Held: 18 December 2025

### 1 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

**Apologies:** Jacky Jones, Karen Jacobs, Rosemary Farmer, Lucy Higgins, Annie Williams, Glen Brookfield, Christine Burgin, Octavia Sheppard, Krys Hunt.

**Number of members present:** 38

**Number of visitors present:** 0

### 2 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes approved

### 3 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

#### 3.1 St Hilary Carol Service:

Five members attended. Lucy wrote to Caroline Neudegg, their President thanking St. Hilary for the invitation and the lovely spread provided.

#### 3.2 Dental Bags:

Twenty eight bags were donated to Atal Y Fro in Barry.

#### 3.3 Christmas Parade

Six members took part dressed as angels.

#### 3.4 Margam Abbey Carol Concert

Y Bont Faen WI were successful in the draw and five members attended this excellent event.

### 4 REPORTS

#### 4.1 TREASURER'S REPORT

£2466.53. Remembrance wreath cheque remains uncashed.

#### 4.2 CORRESPONDENCE

- **Fashion Show and Lunch**

- Heronston Hotel Bridgend (Samantha B):, 10, 11, 12 March 2026, £25, (Closes 30 January 2026)
  - Norton House, Swansea 21 – 23 April 2026, £25, (Closes 13 March 2026)
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- **Murder Mystery Evening**

Hi Tide, Porthcawl, 18 March 2026. Cost £25 (Closes 27 February 2026)

#### 4.3 SOCIAL

- **Llantrisant Guild Hall:**

15 members enjoyed the historical walking tour of Llantrisant and refreshments afterwards.

- **Christmas Meal: Forage Thursday 8 January**

40 members have signed up. Members reminded to bring along a Secret Santa gift to the value of £5.

- **Beetle Drive: Thursday 26 February:** Lesser Hall at 7.30pm

- **Llanelli Plas trip: Wednesday 23 April:**

Leaving Cowbridge at 9am for tour of house at 11am. Lifts to be organised.

## 5 SUB GROUPS

### 5.1 Crafty Sew 'n' Sews

Christmas stars were delivered to the church for the Christmas festival. They have been displayed in a window towards the back of the church with a sign: "Y Bont Faen WI Craft Group".

Next meeting: 19 January 2026 at Sue Dibben's.

### 5.2 Culture Vultures

To Kill a Mocking Bird, 26 November: Six members attended.

### 5.3 Walkie Talkies

No walks planned at present, will resume in New Year.

## 6 NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING

**15 January 2026 (Lesser Hall) at 7.30pm.:**

**The Pre-Raphaelite Sisterhood:** Ruth Poultney

**Teas:** Beverley Taylor, Alison Tinkler, Lynn Addison

## 7 AOB

### 7.1 Resolutions:

Information and voting slip in November/December WI Life

Five options to select from:

1. Accessible public toilets facilities to promote dignity, health and social inclusion
2. Action on women's homelessness

3. Nearer to nature
4. Love your vulva: -self checking is your best defence against vulval cancer
5. Every child needs a friend

As the Federation needs our vote by 6 February 2026, members reminded to look at the information in the magazine and to use the voting slip provided to make their selection at the **January** meeting. Non attendees will be able to email in their choice and additional slips will be provided for members without them.

#### **7.2 WI Life:**

Magazines in February and March as normal before a new arrangement starts with current eight magazines being replaced with four seasonal magazines starting in the Summer.

#### **7.3 WI Learning Hub:**

Reimagined to VIA. More information is available in WI Life.

**Minutes taken by:** Anne Hordley

**Chaired by:** Diane Bluck