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News from Federation House
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Come Along to the Vale of Glamorgan Agricultural Show

at the showground Penllyn, Cowbridge
CF71 7RQ

On Wednesday 12th of August
From 8.00am—7.00pm

Public Affairs have a stand in support of the
Not In my Name campaign.

For more information see:

<https://www.valeofglamorganshow.co.uk>

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How to Promote your WI

50 Ideas for Engaging New Members

<https://www.thewi.org.uk>

We all love the WI and all that membership brings, but there are many women in our communities who are missing out because they do not know what the WI is or what it can offer them. We also want to ensure that the WI has a sustainable future, and to do this, we need to continuously promote the WI locally and nationally, and encourage as many women to join up. There are many opportunities to do this and here are a few ideas and suggestions (see the link above) why not think about doing some of them in your WI this year.

News from Shows

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A HUGE Thank you to all our members who supported the Glamorgan WI. Show. All who entered, all who encouraged, we know how much time and effort this takes. Those who transported entries to the show, the Stewards who helped, we couldn't do it without you. All who came on Saturday we hope you enjoyed, even the feedback, good and bad, is welcome as every year is a learning curve.

Next year is already booked at the hotel, so after a bit of a rest we will have thinking caps on again to start organising. Ideas always welcome. It is 40 years, next year, since Angela Bending began the Show so perhaps we should reflect that .

The talent that comes through those doors is mind blowing never ceases to amaze, the judges do have an extremely hard job deciding the winners.

Enjoy the sunshine ladies and see you all again next year!!

Myra, Helen, Gaynor, Wendy and Diane

WINNERS

**Under 25 members = St
Nicholas with Bonvilston.**

* **25—40 members = Duvant.**

* **Over 40 members = Glam Girls.**

***The full results will be in September's
issue.***



News from Sport and Leisure

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Board Games: Miskin on the 27th of June was a great success with 53 members attending an afternoon of board games followed by afternoon tea!

Dabble Dance: September 20th at Cefn Cribwr Community Centre. This promises to be a fun event. Flyers are with your secretaries now! Whether it's classical dance or modern, the professionals will demonstrate, then it's our turn.

Whist Drive: 10th of October, Vivian Hall Blackpill. Information to follow. Always very popular.

Paint Along Lady: 7th of November. Information to follow.

We are working on future events and would love to have some more members on our committee.

We meet every few month's at Federation House. We are a small, friendly group and would welcome new input. If interested please contact the above.

Sandra Davidson

Coychurch WI



Coychurch WI had a tasty treat in store when Tim Pinder of the Welsh Cheese Company paid us a visit. Tim gave us a real insight into the provenance and flavours of several different Welsh cheeses and shared his passion for spreading the word about the unique qualities of Welsh cheeses and how they are made. Members really enjoyed learning about the textures and tastes of particular cheeses and were delighted that Tim brought several plates of cheeses for us to sample as we listened to his presentation.

Natalie Chyba

NFWI Wales Council Meeting 2027 in Porthmadog 17th –19th March

Staying at the Celtic Royal Hotel

Enjoy 2 nights , dinner, bed & breakfast

Including admission to the Council Meeting

Closing date 1st of September

STATIONERY

Stock up on your WI stationery !



We are fully stocked to take your orders.

We can mail your orders to you or you can arrange to collect from the office.

On With the Show booklet can be found on My WI site.



NO MORE
violence against women

Take part in the NFWI-Wales survey to share your knowledge and understanding of Violence Against Women and your confidence in being an active bystander

Survey for
WI members



Survey for
non-members /
allies



NFWI-Wales has created surveys to gather a picture of members' and non-members' knowledge and understanding of violence against women and their skills and confidence in being active bystanders.

The survey responses will help inform the ongoing work of NFWI-Wales in campaigning to end violence against women. The surveys can be accessed from the links below.

Survey for WI members
English version - <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/TssHCkpCF6>

Enclosures this month

1. Whist
2. Winter Hanging Baskets
3. Stationery Order Form 2026 (Updated version)

SPEAKERS CORNER.. Just a few more ideas for your next programme..

Let us have your recommendations for good speakers or trips..

- **Guest Speaker:** Paula Jane Howell
- **Email address:** howelpj74@gmail.com
- **Telephone number:** 07833450747

A colour and style coach. I'm keen to offer a workshop if it's something of interest to your group. Please contact Paula Jane on the above.

Dates for your Diary

Upcoming Events	Venue	<u>Date</u>	<u>Closing date</u>
London Trip	London	September 11th –13th 2026	30th April CLOSED
Dance Dabble Day	Cefn Cribwr Community Centre	Sunday 20th September	23rd August
Winter Hanging Basket or Trough.	Carmel Chapel, PortTalbot	Saturday 3rd October	18th September
Whist Drive	Vivian Hall, Swansea	Saturday 10th October	26th September
Federation Quiz	The Hi-Tide Inn , Porthcawl	Tuesday 20th October	18th September
Visit to the Houses of Parliament	London	Wednesday 21st October	26th July
Paint Along Lady	Carmel Chapel, PortTalbot	Saturday 7th November	Information to Follow
Birmingham NEC Simply Christmas & Cake Show	Birmingham	Sunday 8th November 2026	31st of July 2026
Christmas Tree Festival & Craft Spectacular	Margam Orangery	Saturday 21st November 2026	Information to follow
Welsh Council Meeting Two night stay in Porthmadog	Porthmadog	17th—19th March 2027	1st September

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Alltwen Heels WI



Some photos of our Ascot Day at Pontardawe Golf Club, where we dressed for the occasion and enjoyed a beautiful two course lunch.

Barry WI



Huge congratulations to the ladies of Barry WI who were asked if they would knit baby hats for newborns at UHW, well they came in by the bag loads, last night we handed over the 1000th hat, great achievement by all, some of the hats were taken to Uganda by a midwife going on sabbatical well done everyone who took part.

Margaret Wright

Please send all articles/contributions for

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**Deadline for all newsletter items to be in by the
2nd Monday of the month**



St. Hilary WI



Welsh Women Shine in Cardiff

St. Hilary WI were there to cheer them on!

Football fans were treated to a memorable evening at Cardiff City Stadium on Tuesday, 9 June, as Wales produced a superb second-half performance to defeat Czechia 3–1.

Our group of nine ladies, ranging in age from 20 to 92, enjoyed a truly unique experience as we watched the Wales Women's team continue their journey towards qualification for the 2027 World Cup in Brazil.

Adding to the occasion, we were hosted by Wales Women's head coach, Rhian Wilkinson, who has a special connection with St Hilary WI. Her great-aunt Molly, has been a member of our WI for more than 50 years, making the evening even more meaningful.

Dressed in bucket hats, scarves and Wales shirts, we proudly showed our support.

The crowd of 5,000 + included many school-aged children and families, creating a fantastic atmosphere and

highlighting the growing popularity of women's football in Wales.

With complete faith in the Welsh team, we are already jokingly planning our trip to Brazil for the 2027 World Cup!

Well done Wales for winning your group!

