**News AND INFORMATION SHEET – SEPTEMBER 2021**

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| 1. **What’s on in September – September Events**

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2. **50/50 Club**
3. **New Speakers Morning - October 4th**
4. **WFWI Accounts Year ending May 31st 2021**
5. **Agenda (including Standing Orders) for Not the Usual Annual Meeting 16th October**
6. **Whist League 2021/2022**

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**DELEGATE VOTING FOR CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation)**

Each delegate that attends the “Not the Usual Annual Meeting” will be required to vote regarding the proposed change of the Wiltshire Federation to become an Incorporated Organisation. NFWI recommends that Federations become Incorporated. Trustees of unincorporated charities are liable if the charity collapses and might have to cover any losses greater than the charity’s assets. As a CIO, trustees are protected, which is why NFWI are encouraging this.

**MICROSOFT 365.**
Are you using the generic wiltshirewi.org.uk Email? If so, do you know that by logging on to Microsoft 365 and entering your email and password you have access to sharepoint? You can access all the monthly mailing documents for the last 12 months, including News & Info sheets, Lock Down Life issues and all flyers for events without having to contact WI House for this information.

**INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL EXAMINERS (IFEs) NEEDED**Due tounforeseen circumstanceswe find ourselves very short of IFEs within the Federation this year. If you understand figures and would be willing to train to be an Independent Financial Examiner, please contact WI House. We would be very pleased to hear from you! You do not need to be a WI member to do this – husbands, family or friends can all join our IFE team.

**THEME FOR 2023 WILTSHIRE CALENDAR**

The theme for the calendar will be “View from an Open Window in Wiltshire”. When you send in your picture, can you also let us know where it was taken, plus, your name and your WI.
Pictures must be in a landscape format and taken in Wiltshire. Please Email your pictures to fedsec@wiltshirewi.org.uk or send original photographs to WI House by 31st December 2021. If sending pictures by email, please do not reduce the size as this makes it difficult to reproduce commercially for the calendar.

**50/50 Club**

The 50/50 Club starts again with the first draw in November 2021 the monthly prize is £25.00, and the draw for the main prizes will take place at the Annual Council meeting in 2022.

Application forms for joining are available to you from WI House. Only individual members may purchase tickets, but they can purchase as many as they want, the more tickets sold the bigger the prizes will be in the future.

**Calendars & Diaries 2022**

Calendar

The 2022 Calendar – Doors and Gateways of Wiltshire features some wonderful pictures that can be used as tear off postcards once the month is over. Calendars are £5.00 each.

Diaries

The WI Diary for 2022 features a dark emerald-green cover embossed with silver and is now almost totally recyclable. The only part that is not recyclable is the ribbon.
The diaries are £5.50 each.
Both are available from WI House now.

**MEMBERS OF YOUR WI**Please can MCS reps carefully check the details held on the MCS system once this year’s membership fees have been received. The MCS system is a database that holds details of your members. If your WI does not have an MCS representative, please can you contact WI House, and we can work with you to make sure your entries are correct.

**WFWI HOLIDAYS**
The Federation are pleased to announce that holidays are back! Booking forms available from WI House.

Holiday to Bedfordshire 9th – 13th May 2022 – Including Bletchley, Woburn, Duxford & much more.
As with all WFWI holidays there will be plenty to see and do, based from a really nice hotel

## EVENTS To check availability if the closing date has passed, or for more information Tel: 01380739340. For catered events please inform of any dietary requirements.

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| **Date** | **Event** | **Via or Venue** | **Close Date** | **Price per Device** |
| **Tuesday 31st August****7.30pm – 9.00pm** | **Tawny Owls, Coming to a wood near you.** | **Zoom** | **Contact WI House** | **£5.00** |
| **Monday 6th Sept****Starting at 7.00pm** | **WFWI - Becoming an Incorporated Federation** | **Zoom** | **Contact WI House**  | **Free** **but must register** |
| **Tuesday 7th SeptStarting at 7.00pm** | **Presidents & Secretaries Training** | **Zoom** | **Wednesday 1st Sept** | **Free** **but must register** |
| **Wednesday 8h SeptStarting at 10.00am** | **Presidents & Secretaries Training** | **Zoom** | **Wednesday 1st Sept** | **Free** **but must register** |
| **Tuesday 14th Sept9.30am – 11.00am****1.00pm – 2.30pm** | **Nordic Walking** | **Castle Combe** | **Monday 16th August** | **Fully Booked** |
| **Tuesday 28th September****2.30pm – 4.30pm** | **Zip Around the Zodiac** | **Zoom** | **Tuesday 14th September** | **£5.00** |
| **Monday 4th October****10.30am 0 12.30pm** | **New Speakers Morning** | **Zoom** | **Monday 27th September** | **£2.50** |
| **Thursday 7th October****7.00pm** | **The Body Through the Porthole** | **Zoom** | **Thursday 30th September** | **£5.00** |
| **Saturday 16th October****10.30am 0 1.30pm** | **Not the Usual Annual Meeting** | **Zoom** | **Monday 20th September** | **£5.00 per person** |
| **Tuesday 26th October****Starting at 7.00pm** | **Ditch the Plastic** | **Zoom** | **Tuesday 12th October** | **£5.00** |
| **Wednesday 10th November****2.00pm – 4.00pm** | **Black Teeth & Dirty Fingernails** | **Zoom** | **Wednesday 13th October** | **£5.00** |

**Competitions**

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| **Organised by** | **Type** | **Title** | **Closing Date** | **Entries to** |
| **WFWI** | **Card Making** | **Craft Competition**  | **13th September** | **WI House** |
| **NFWI - Wales** | **Design a T shirt Logo** | **“Not in My Name”** | **15th October 2021** | **NFWI- Wales** |

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