

NEWSLETTER

December 2015



Thursday 3 December



CHRISTMAS PARTY

Present Wrapping

A demonstration by Karen Weingaertner



Competition: Handmade Christmas Cracker
(No Flower of the Month, milk bottle tops or postage stamps)

Bonanza Raffle: Chris Train

Festive refreshments: The Committee

Festive drink

Denman Bursary - £200

If you wish to enter the draw please give your name to Secretary Sue

November Meeting

Raffle total: £46.50 and the winners were: Pat Hazelgrave, Jean Parsons, Lin Oxley
Competition: Wildlife Photograph: 1st Kay Madden Smith, 2nd Anne Birkett, 3rd Judith Tyler
Flower of the Month raised £4.81: 1st Janet Morris 2nd Rachel Price 3rd Ann Glading

DATES for your DIARY

Please sign up on the tick sheet

Spring Council Meeting 2016: Tuesday 8 March 10.30am – 3.30pm Springfields Exhibition Centre Spalding – Guest Speaker: John Kettley British Freelance Weatherman
Free parking – Members £13 Non-members £14 **Closing date: 4 February 2016**

Summer in the Cotswolds: Sunday 17 July– Wednesday 20 July 2016 £289
Closing date: 29 February 2016

Mosque visit Peterborough 2016: Tuesday 22 March 1 – 2.30 (approximately) – admission 12.55pm
Members: £6 Visitors £7: Parking available at the Mosque. **Closing date: 4 February**

Easter Cake Icing Workshop: Thursday 17 March 10am – 3pm Tickets: £5 Tea/Coffee and biscuits available – please bring packed lunch **Closing Date: 4 February**

SECRET SANTA



It has been a tradition in our institute to have a Secret Santa lucky dip for members to provide a wrapped Christmas gift to the value of £5. This year a member suggested the gifts should go to the Women's Refuge. As this has caused confusion the committee suggests that members either 1) provide a gift for members, 2) for the Women's Refuge 3) both.

If you wish to donate a present for the Refuge please add a label describing the gift to assist the staff in the distribution.

Your continued support is so heart warming and much appreciated by the Refuge

Bourne & District Home Economics Group
Spring Meeting - Monday 21 March 2016
Bourne Corn Exchange 7.30pm



Steve Brookes

The Greatest Gardening Tips in the World

Steve is a fun and charismatic gardening presenter, who promises to entertain us with his tips for banishing slugs and snails, aphids, cats and squirrels, plus many other ideas to make gardening enjoyable and rewarding.

It is the turn of our WI to man the Produce Stall. Please contact Karen if you are happy to be one of the 4 volunteers.

In addition, all WI's are asked to provide at least 5 items for the Produce Stall, which should be home-made or home produced, wrapped, labeled and priced.

Tickets: £3.50 available from Karen
Please sign up on the Ticket Sheet

Closing date: 4 February



ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION 2016

£38.50 (includes optional £1 for refreshments)

Renewable: 1 January 2016



Cash/cheque in a named envelope, please, to Treasurer Carol or Jeannie



Tollemache Arms
at Buckminster

Christmas Lunch
Friday 11 December

Please check time of departure from
Rippingale Village Hall with Ann Glading

If you would like to go and have not already
booked please contact Ann

Delegate required, please

Spring Council Meeting
Springfields Exhibition Centre

Tuesday 8 March 10.30am – 3.30pm
John Kettley- Freelance Weatherman
Ticket paid by Institute
Contact Secretary Sue if you would like to
represent us.

Tickets also available for members: £13
Please sign up on the clipboard



RESOLUTIONS 2016



Please read **page 33 WI Life November & December** issue which contains the shortlist of **8 resolutions**. Consider the list and select the one that you support and feel would promote discussion in the wider community. Pop the form (blank forms will be available should you forget) into the Resolutions Box at the Christmas Party. The forms will be taken to Federation Office to be counted and the results forwarded to National. The final resolution/s selected will be discussed at our May meeting. Our delegate will vote for your choice at the Annual Meeting in June 2016.

MOSQUE VISIT

Tuesday 22 March 2016 1.00 – 2.30pm (approximately)

Admission: 12.55pm



The Faizan-E-Madinah Mosque

167 Gladstone Street Peterborough PE1 2BN

Members: £6 Visitors: £7

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

This is another chance to visit and tour this beautiful building in the heart of the City. Meet and talk with an Imam and other members of the Mosque. You are also invited, if you wish, to witness one of the regular prayer sessions. Questions are welcomed.

Removal of outdoor shoes required on entry. Head scarf optional - parking available at the Mosque.

Closing date: 4 February

Please sign up on the clipboard

DENMAN COLLEGE

Denman is the WI's own Residential College near Oxford. A Georgian house set in 17 acres of beautiful grounds and named after the first National Chairman, Lady Denman. With such a diverse programme there really **is** a course to suit everyone.

Pat Read, is the Federation's Denman Ambassador, always available to answer your questions.



December is the month when we hold the draw for our **Denman Bursary Award** worth £200. If you would like to take part in the draw please give your name to Secretary Sue.

SUMMER in the COTSWOLDS

Sunday 17 July – Wednesday 20 July 2016



TORTWORTH COURT

Wotton-under-Edge

Member: £289 inclusive

Non member: £299

Single room: £20 per night

£75 deposit on booking

non-returnable unless place re-sold

Bed, Breakfast,&

3 course Evening Meal



All coach travel – pick up/return: Boston/Sleaford or Grantham

Hatton Country World & Stow on the Wold, Day in Bath

Time in Tetbury & Cheltenham, Chevenage House (entry included)

Steam train journey to Toddington from Cheltenham Race Course Station

Closing date: 29 February

Balance due 31 May

Please book direct to Federation Office - Booking form available from Secretary Sue

Federation Chairman's Challenge

**A Year to Remember
Memories of 2015**
Open to all institutes



Scrapbook/photographic record/Journal
Judging based on Presentation & Content

Please forward your photographs to
President Michèle by **14 January 2016**

CLEAN for the QUEEN



Please support Country Life magazine and
Keep Britain Tidy campaign to litter pick for
Her Majesty The Queen's 90th birthday
celebrations in 2016.

Join the Great Clear Up
Saturday 5 March 9am
The Big Breakfast (Village Hall)

followed by
The Big Litter Pick
Book the date. Full details next month



President Michèle kindly invites:

All Members
to
Mulled Wine and Mince Pies
Friday 18 December
7.30 – 10.30pm
Barn Farmhouse



CHEESE & WINE
Friday 22 January 2016
Barn Farmhouse
7.30 – 10.30pm
£7.50
Everyone welcome
Please sign up on the tick sheet



SOUP & ROLL
Thursday 11 February
Barn Farmhouse 12.30 – 2.30pm £4
Everyone welcome
Please sign up on the tick sheet
This event plus Cheese & Wine in aid of Institute funds



Many thanks for the support and friendship during the past year

Enjoy the sparkle of Christmas

Happy New Year

We look forward to seeing you in 2016

President Michèle and Committee

