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Contact Jenny Richmond on 01481 263470 for details and to book.

VALE WI "WHY NOT" LUNCH

On Saturday 13 April Vale WI is holding one of their popular 'Why Not' lunches at the Vale Douzaine Room. The three-course menu of homemade soup, ploughmans lunch (platters of several cheeses and paté garnished with salad and served with French bread) and a selection of desserts is followed by free tea or coffee at a cost of only £9.50. Starts at 12.30 pm. Plenty of parking is available, and doors are open at mid-day.

'Why Not' join us at this popular friendly event? But please pre-book before April 6th, either by phone to Ann Dovey on 249071 or by email to Hilda Carpentier

hildacarpentier@cwgsy.net



21ST COFFEE MORNING- NEXT ONE AT VISTAS

Another lovely coffee morning, this time at the 1857 Sports lounge and



Bistro at Kings. An amazing 13 members arrived from the Bailiwick Belles, St Johns and GYWI chatting and swapping ideas with some even staying on for a spot of lunch.

2024 COFFEE MORNINGS

February Wednesday Vistas

March Thursday Le Friquet

April Sunday Earlswood

May Tuesday Café at La

Vallette Bathing Pools

June Friday Les Cotils

(flower meadow)

July Sunday Tea Garden at Pleinmont, with optional round the coast bus trip

August Wednesday Christies

September Saturday Valley tea Rooms

– Fermain Hotel

October Monday Terrace café November Thursday Le Friquet December Saturday The Kiln

EVERYONE WELCOME

ST JOHNS LIHOU FUNDRAISER -SUNDAY 24TH MARCH AT LES COTILS



St Johns is having a fundraiser for Lihou. The house suffered considerable damage during the recent storms and St Johns WI regularly have 'mini breaks' at the house during the year.

There will be a slide show presented by Rose Ferguson entitled 'Guernsey Past including Lihou'.

The cost is £8 pp which includes a cream tea at Les Cotils . 2pm for 2.30pm start.

Booking essential. Call Rose Ferguson on 01481 723059 to book

ARTS & HOMECRAFTS – WREATH MAKING

Torteval Hall was packed to the rafters with wreath makers before Christmas, with nearly 30 ladies participating. Here is a selection of what was made.









ENGLISH PATCHWORK COURSE

Anne Hayward tutored her first course for WI members with her English Patchwork class. It was great fun, although a bit of strain on the eyesight with the fine hand stitching!

Everyone made a patchwork flower which was then backed with felt to make a coaster. Expect some beautiful patchwork quilts at the next craft exhibition!







NEWS FROM WI'S

ST JOHNS



Reverend Solveig Sonet spoke at St Johns meeting this month and what a fascinating talk! Who would know she was actually French and trained in performing arts and circus skills!



If anyone goes to the Bailiwick Wildlife Exhibition look out for Fran Torode's Mole Cricket.

GYWI - CHRISTMAS FUN



At their December meeting, GYWI dressed up, exchanged secret Santa gifts and with help from Wendy Wilson decorated Yule Logs.

ST SAVIOURS WI – JENNY GILES

In January members enjoyed a fascinated talk by Jenny Giles, a chartered engineer who is working for the States of Guernsey on the



Guernsey Harbours project. She also worked on highly challenging offshore project at the Hanois Lighthouse for Geomarine. If you get a chance to hear her, it's well worth it.



BAILIWICK BELLES

After a guided meditation session with Adam Chivers members then tried their hands at the art of pebble painting.





NEWS FROM THE TRUSTEES

WE ARE LOOKING FOR MEMBERS TO JOIN US?

Have you got ideas on how to shape Guernsey WI but don't know who to talk to? Join our great federation team and help make those ideas a reality!

Call Corrina on 07911 733092 to find out more

DARTS LEAGUE



The current standings after 25 January are as follows

	Name	Pts	W	L
1	GY C	20	8	4
2	GY A	20	8	4
3	Bailiwick Belles	19	7	5
4	Mare de Carteret A	19	7	5
5	St Saviours A	18	7	4
6	Mare de Carteret C	18	7	4
7	St Saviours B	17	6	5
8	Mare de Carteret B	16	5	6
9	Catel	15	4	7
10	GY B	15	3	9
11	St Johns	12	1	10



Thanks to St Saviours A team for the lovely raffle this month.



ARTS AND HOMECRAFTS

SATURDAY CRAFT CLUB

Why not take some time out for yourself and spend one whole day a month crafting?

You may not be aware the WI Federation has a booking for the Catel



Douzaine room every 2nd Saturday of the month. There is a well-established Scan n Cut group already and have plenty of room for other crafters to



bring along their own projects. Share your knowledge and learn from us too. Corrina tried dotting and Mel continued to work on her cross stitch.

We are there from around 9.45am – 4pm, tea, coffee and biscuits provided, but bring along your own lunch. Cost is £15.



If you want to join us or want more information, please email Rose Polli on rosemob@lobster.nu

SEWING COURSE – MAKE A
ZIPPERED CUSHION COVER 24TH
FEBRUARY 2024 AT LE CAMPS
CHURCH



Due to the great success of the recent sewing machine course, Eileen Jones will be running another and will be showing you how to make a cushion cover with a zip sewn in.

You will need to bring 1m of cotton material and a zip of at least 12inches in length.

The course will again be based at Le Camps Church from 10am-4pm

Coffee, tea and biscuits will be provided (please bring your own packed lunch)

Cost £20

Contact Eileen Jones on 07911 720341 or email emj@newtelsurf.com to book

BEGINNERS & IMPROVERS

CROCHET COURSE – 4TH & 18TH

APRIL

Join Rose Polli for this beginners and improvers crochet course.

You will learn basic stitches to make granny squares. The class may be

grouped depending on experience with improvers having the opportunity to learn new stitches.

The course will be over 2 evenings on 4th & 18th April 2024 at Le Camps Church from 7pm-9pm.

To book please email Rose Polli on rosemob@lobster.nu



DIARY OF EVENTS 2024

Date / Dat	e	Event
Thursday	22	Darts
February		
Saturday	24	Learn to make a
February		cushion cover with a
		zip.
Sunday	25	Sunday Lunch Club at
February		Les Cotils
Thursday	21	21st Coffee morning at
March		Le Friquet
Saturday	23	Catel WI Glad Rags and
March		Handbags
Sunday	24 th	St Johns Lihou
March		Fundraiser
Thursday	28	Darts – with fish &
March		chips
Thursday 4	and	Crochet course
18 April		
Thursday	25	Darts
April		

Saturday	13	Vale WI "Why Not"
April		Lunch
Saturday	11	Federation AGM
May		
Thursday	23	Darts – Team &
May		Individual Knockout
		with pot luck supper

NEWS FROM NFWI

RESOLUTIONS FOR 2024

REMINDER

The deadline for members' resolution slips to arrive with federations is **11 February 2024.**

The slip can be found in the **November/December 2023** issue of WI Life. Alternatively, a digital copy can be downloaded from MyWI.

THE WI LEARNING HUB HAS BEEN LAUNCHED

theWI **LEARNING HUB**

Opening on Wednesday 24 January 2024, the WI Learning Hub is the exciting next step on our educational journey and will deliver a rich variety of learning experiences for members, bringing together a joined-up feel to education across the WI. By recognising the continual changes

that we all face; the Hub will take users on a learning journey that is accessible, flexible and inclusive, and empower all women and girls to reach their goals, regardless of their learning adventure.

Courses will be delivered in a range of formats; there will be live courses and pre-recorded courses, meaning members will be able to access and watch at their leisure. Members will be able to access downloadable and



printable resources and there's bound to be a few quizzes or competitions for members to flex their competitive streak! Members will be able to access a variety of free courses, however there will be a small number of courses delivered that will incur a charge – where this happens, we will ensure costs are kept to an absolute minimum for members.

Why not take a peak at what's coming up?

Home - WI Learning Hub (thewi.org.uk)

OTHER NEWS

KEEP AN OLDER PERSON SAFER IN 2024

Cold calling is not illegal. However, any trader that ignores a sticker or notice on a door stating that the occupier does not wish to receive cold calls may be committing a criminal offence.

As a nationwide home care provider since 1980, Able Community Care have decided to try and help prevent, an older or disabled person becoming a victim.



The door sticker may be of interest to someone you know. These are free of charge and if you reply by email to info@ablecommunitycare.com, they will be happy to send some to you (since 2019 they have given out over 170,000).

HEREFORDSHIRE FEDERATION **CRAFT AND CHAT SERIES – OPEN** TO ALL

Craft and Chat Series Spring 2024



10 Craft and Chat Sessions

You can choose individual sessions (at £5.00 per session) or book all 10 sessions (for £25.00).

Session details:

29/01/2024 - Jane - 3D Star & Tag

05/02/2024 - Andrea - Log Cabin Lavender Pouch

12/02/2024 - Alice - Drawing and Painting Feathers for Wellbeing

19/02/2024 - Liz with Zentangle Hearts

26/02/2024 - Easter Tree decoration

04/03/2024 - Paula - Easter themed craft

11/03/2024 - Spring Flowers Dotting

18/03/2024 - Jane - Easter Fun Flourishes

25/03/2024 - Liz - Easter Zen

10:00am - 12:30pm

The link below will take you to the programme and booking:

https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DAOC

QUOTE FOR THE MONTH

motivation is what gets you started. habit is what keeps you going.