

March 2026

Dear WI Secretary

Following on from our request for applications to become an LFWI trustee, we are very pleased to announce the appointment of three new trustees who will serve on the LFWI Board until the end of the current tenure which ends in April 2027. A very warm welcome to: -

Shirley Bedford – Hoole WI

Jane Jackson – Cherestanc WI

Donna Shaw – Great Harwood & District WI.

ACM – Saturday 11th April 2026 1pm – We are very much looking forward to seeing members at our forthcoming ACM. Doors will open at 11.30am and there will once again be a Makers Market for you to browse. In addition, we will be selling our new logo LFWI mugs at a cost of £7. Also, our main speaker Andy Airey will bring his much-travelled donation bucket, collecting funds for the charity Papyrus, so please remember to bring along some cash.

This year, instead of a raffle, we will be holding a free prize draw based on seat numbers, so please keep hold of your numbered ticket until the end of the meeting.

Thank you to everyone who sent in entries for the LFWI writing competition and nominations for the Standfast Trophy. The winners will be announced at the meeting, along with the winners of the Fun Quiz which took place on Monday 23rd March.

WI Cluster meetings – The next cluster group sessions will take place in the summer and will centre around looking after your archives. A flyer giving more information is included with this mailing.

Resolutions Meeting LFWI Offices April - The Board have decided to cancel the resolutions discussion meeting at Leyland, as it coincides exactly with the timing of the recently advertised NFWI Webinar. We feel members will find the webinar beneficial and will enable more people to join and learn about the winning resolutions. Please see below details on the webinar and how to join. Members who had booked onto our meeting at Leyland will be notified of this cancellation individually.

NFWI Resolution Webinar

*To support members in learning more about the resolutions that will be voted upon at the Annual Meeting, the NFWI will be hosting a webinar on **Friday 24 April 2026 at 12noon.***

The webinar will be an opportunity to learn more about the topics and will be open to all members to attend.

Members who wish to join can register their interest [via MyWI](#).

Please note that arguments for and against the resolutions will not be presented at this supplementary meeting, and no voting will take place.

Details on how to join the event will be shared with registered attendees closer to the time, and a recording of the event will be available on My WI shortly after the event for members to access.

200+ Club Draw

March Draw

Winners have been notified

Best Wishes

Diane Jenkins

Federation Secretary

Enclosures

- What's in the Box? Summer cluster sessions
- Flyer – Orienteering
- Flyer – Glass Fusing Workshop
- Flyer – International Day – Denmark
- LFWI Guidance – Preparation for and running the Annual Meeting