

February 2025

Dear WI Secretary

Firstly, a warm welcome to Louise Aplin from White Coppice WI. Louise has been co-opted to the LFWI Board of Trustees, and we look forward to working with her.

ACM – Lowther Pavilion Theatre – Saturday 29th March - Delegate and observer tickets have now been posted. Any delegates who find they're unable to attend, please try and find a replacement delegate from your WI, as it's important your WI is represented. I have a waiting list for observer tickets, so again, if your WI has anyone unable to attend, please let me know and I'll put you in touch with someone on the list.

NFWI Virtual AGM – 4th June – If you wish to book your observer tickets for the NFWI AGM, the ticket registrations are being handled by Eventbrite. For 2025, observer tickets are available on a donation basis, with the recommended donation for individual tickets set at £5, and the recommended donation for group tickets set at £20. Please use the link below to order your observer tickets. You will need to copy and paste this link into your browser. NFWI asks that this link isn't publicised on social media etc., as it's a private member-only event.

WI Cluster Groups – We will be holding best practice/idea-sharing sessions within all clusters from late April. These informal and very beneficial sessions will be open to all WI Officers. The sessions won't be administered from the office, so your cluster leaders will be in touch with your WI directly within the next few weeks.

Resolutions – Thank you to everyone who sent in their votes for the 2025 resolutions. These have now been submitted to NFWI to be added to the national vote. The winning resolution for LFWI was Bystanders can be Lifesavers, followed by Let's Talk about Incontinence, Eliminate the Landfill of Medical Packaging, and Join the Repair Revolution. NFWI will notify us of the national result shortly.

Make and Create team questionnaire – The LFWI teams started their two-year term in January. The Make and Create team are asking for your input on the type of activities they organise. They would be grateful if you could send your feedback on the attached questionnaire by Thursday 10th April.

Finally, a reminder that the monthly mailing documents will be uploaded to the website this week, under the mailing documents tab. I hope this helps with cascading information to members and locating documents.

200+ Club February Draw

Not publicly disclosed.

Best Wishes

Diane Jenkins

Federation Secretary

Enclosures:

- Membership Fees Payment Form
- Flyer – Garstang Walking Treasure Hunt
- Flyer – The Queen’s Pearls Lunch with speaker Frances Carlow
- Flyer – ACWW Coffee Morning
- Make and Create Team Questionnaire
- VE Day 80th Anniversary