

Humberside Federation News

April/May 2013

Hidden or Forgotten Lincolnshire Day— 30th April, 2013 - a guided walk around the Brocklesby Estate in the morning. The Brocklesby Estate comprises in excess of 27,000 acres. It is a traditional agricultural estate with a substantial acreage of woodland. The Pelham family came to Lincolnshire in 1565 and the Estate is now owned by the Eighth Earl of Yarborough who resides with his family at Brocklesby Park. The 1000 acre Park and woodlands were laid out in the 1770's by Capability Brown and the planting of the woodland was initiated by the First Baron Yarborough. The 128ft high Pelham's Pillar, situated at the south end of the Estate, near Caistor, was built by E J Wilson between 1840 and 1849, commemorating the planting of 12.5 million trees. Annually approximately 30 acres of mature timber are felled and replanted. Meet at Great Limber car park 10am, walk with Jean Howard to start at 10.30am. Village Hall will be open from 11.30am.

The guided walk will be followed by lunch at **Great Limber village hall**. In the afternoon there is to be a talk on Lincolnshire Superstitions. There will be a quiz, a plum loaf competition, (to bring on the day, the catering committee to judge this), and a raffle. Price £12.00 - Members can come for lunch and the talk in the afternoon if they don't want to do the walk. The lunch will have a "Lincolnshire" theme. Contact WI House for further details or see flyer.



Golf Day at Grange Park - organised for Thursday 16th May. Come and have a go on the driving range! Coffee available at 10am - cost £20 to include Soup and Sandwiches.
Grange Park, Butterwick Road, Messingham, Scunthorpe,
North Lincolnshire DN17 3PP

Diaries—2014

Diaries for next year—
Orders to be in by **14th June 2013**. Contact
W.I. House.

Chairman's Blog

This is my last blog, in April I hand the baton to another member of the Board. The time has flown and I have enjoyed it but after three years I feel it is time to pass it to someone else. I don't know how my husband will cope with a fulltime wife again. He has been very understanding and supportive.

We have made a few changes both in the running of the Federation and at WI House in Brigg. I can't take the credit for it, it was very much a team effort and I have had an incredible team. The membership and number of WI's has grown due to the hard work of the Membership Committee. I want to thank you all for the support you have given me and the warm welcome I have received from all the WI's I have visited. Please continue supporting the Federation in all the events they organise, they do it for you and there is a lot of work involved in arranging these things.

I'd like to thank our Treasurer, Karin who works very hard to keep the federation funds in order and give us the best value for our money.

Lastly I want to thank the Board and our secretaries past and present, without them I could have not done my job. Thank you **Lesley Jacklin**.

Arts, Sports and Leisure

Outing to Wentworth Castle - 25th June, cost £18. Price to include coach, and a guided tour of the castle. You will be free to explore the gardens which contain the National Collection of Magnolias, the National Collection of Williamsii Hybrid Camellias, and the National Collection of Rhododendrons and Hardy Hybrid Rhododendrons. There is also a gift shop and the Terrace Tea Rooms. There are also several walks around the parkland to see the Deer.

Trip to York - September 2013 - Date and price to be arranged.

Valerie Lancaster

Federation Choir

The choir is small and sounds very good but we do need more members and if we do not get a pianist by May I fear we will have to finish. If you know of anyone who would be willing to play for us please let the office know. They do not have to be a member or indeed female. We meet at St John's Hall Brigg fortnightly on Wednesday afternoons. Please ring the office for further details. **Lesley Jacklin**

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Competitions

Centenary Fruit Cake Competition

Do you have a special fruit cake recipe worthy of being produced to celebrate the WI Centenary? Don't hold back - now's the time to share! You could have the chance to have your recipe commercially produced and served at the WI Centenary AGM in 2015. Recipes to W.I. House by 30.11.2013.

Photographic Competition to celebrate "Inspirational Women"

There are two categories - Colour and Black and White. The theme is "inspirational women".

Photos must be 10" by 7/8" and mounted on board using double sided tape, board to not exceed 12" x 10". Closing Date - 31.8.2013 - to be sent to WI House, Brigg. Federations will choose and send up to 3 entries per class.

Prize - vouchers for photographic equipment.

Lady Denman Cup Competition

"If I werefor a day, I would..... " Fill in the blanks and let your imagination run wild!!

So who would you be for the day, and what would you get up to? - No more than 500 words. Submit via email or hard copy - to the Federation Office at Brigg, where the 4 best entries will be forwarded to NFWI.

They must be accompanied by a completed entry form, obtained from Federation Office, (no fee to be paid unless selected), Prizes - book tokens - 1st prize worth £75 (Plus the Cup), 2nd prize £50, 3rd prize £30. Closing date—Friday 19th July, 2013.

Tomorrow's Heirlooms

A national craft competition to celebrate the WI Centenary.

There are 5 classes:-

1 - President's Badge - design and make something that your president would be proud to wear - can be worn pinned or around the neck. Any medium/technique.

2 - Portable Identity for your WI to display at all your meetings - to be free standing and to fit onto a table top. Any medium/technique.

3 - Tablecloth/cover/runner suitable for the President's table. Any medium/technique.

4 - "Purse" for the Treasurer - decorated and embellished if desired. -a receptacle to help her manage cash flow at your monthly meetings. Any medium/technique.

5 - Folio for the Secretary to transport her papers for your monthly meetings. - embellished and decorated as desired.

Closing date to be announced.

For further details and entry forms—see the links on the Competition Page on the website.

Home Economics

Meet the Alpacas—Thursday 9th May and Thursday 23rd May (provisionally), £8 pp. Meet at Great Carlton, Nr. Louth, LN11 8JR, 11am to 3pm. Refreshments provided, packed lunch required.

Patchwork Workshop with Lynne Carter—Saturday 15th June. £18.50 pp. WI House, Brigg. 10am to 3.30 pm Featuring disappearing 9-Patch design. Please see list of requirements on reverse of the booking form. Suitable for beginners and those with some experience.

Re-cycled Rag Rugs with Mary Marson—Saturday 13th July. £25.pp 10am to 3.30 pm WI House, Brigg. Materials included in the price. Please bring sharp scissors and packed lunch.

Patchwork Workshop with Lynne Carter—Saturday 14th September—£18.50 pp—WI House, Brigg. 10am to 3.30 pm. Featuring Lone Star Design. A more advanced design—a bit of a challenge!

Button Brooches with Carol Hird. Saturday 5th October, WI House, Brigg. Details and price to be arranged.

Christmas Craft Workshop with Karin McCollin. Saturday 2nd November—10am to 3.30 am, WI House Brigg. Details and price to be arranged.

Maxine Moss-Allison

Public Affairs

Resolution 2013—Support your Local High Street

Speakers: Sara Scott, co-ordinator of the Mary Portas initiative at Market Rasen and Maxine Moss-Allison, former shop owner.

This should be a very interesting evening so come along and join in the discussion. Resolution meeting—Thursday 25th April, 7pm, at Bonby Village Hall. Please remember it is important all WI's send a delegate to this meeting.

Could all WI's complete and return the voting slip after their May meeting to WI House 10 Queen Street, Brigg. DN20 8HY. Many Thanks.

Gone.....not Forgotten—Visit to Forensic Labs at Lincoln University on Monday 15th July at 1.30pm. See flyer. I am sure this visit will be very popular so do book early. £15 per member, max no. 25.

Jennifer Nix

Club Draw—February 2013 winner—No. 62 Sue Williams, Broughton W.I.
March 2013 winner—No. 29 Secretary, Great Coates.

[Around the WI's—](#)

[New Holland WI](#)

New Holland WI had the pleasure of listening to the 'Ladies in Pigs' at their most recent meeting, held in their new venue of New Holland Primary School. Tasty pork recipes including Pork and Noodle Stir-Fry, Creamy Mustard Pork and Sausages with Honey and Tarragon, were freshly created before our eyes, then eagerly taste-tested! The Ladies in Pigs, represented by mother and daughter team Sue and Gemma Woodhall, spoke informatively on the importance of being able to trace meat from field to fork. They explained how the Red Tractor logo guarantees that produce has been grown or raised on farms that meet high standards of food safety, hygiene and animal welfare. This enables people to support our own farmers by purchasing food that has an independently verified guarantee of origin. Visitors were welcomed from East Halton WI, Barton Bells WI, Great Coates WI and Staff of New Holland School.

Kathleen Fraser
New Holland WI
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[Burton Upon Stather WI](#)

The members of Burton-upon-Stather WI celebrated their 95th Birthday on 19th February with a delicious carvery style lunch prepared by Sandra Bishop and her staff. The ladies enjoyed a glass of wine and made a toast to "absent friends". A birthday cake beautifully made by Tracey Mumby was cut by Federation Chairwoman Lesley Jacklin who was helped by past presidents June Drury, Pam Ashton, Heather Williams and current president Maureen Adkin. After lunch the ladies were entertained by a DVD of a 1992 WI Christmas Concert Party, which was very funny and brought back happy memories. There was a display of archive material available for the members to browse through. A raffle was provided by committee members. Everyone enjoyed a pleasant afternoon with friends hoping that Burton WI continues for another 95 years.



[Membership Committee](#)

A reminder that April is the month to update your MCS register. Do also remember to save anything you put on! We opened a new WI in Scartho just outside Grimsby this month. Until a few years ago, there was a successful WI there, which unfortunately we had to close. However, one of our recent membership enquiries was from a young lady wanting to set up a WI again in the area. Lots of enthusiastic ladies, of all ages, turned up for the initial meeting, so our 41st WI is now under way.

Sue Hawney

[Denman News](#)

I have just been to Denman as Host and the place was buzzing with four great courses on offer and lots of day visitors. There were even three men in the Italian Cookery class. There have been no updates on the future of Denman but bookings are up. There are lots of great new courses and tutors, and everyone there is working very hard to succeed. In April and May there is a Bulb Festival at the college. A host of daffodils, tulips and crocuses were planted last Autumn and will be on show in the grounds and to celebrate a range of flower themed courses have been organised, so you can try a new skill and enjoy the glories of the garden at the same time. I was very disappointed that our Federation visit had to be cancelled due to low numbers so if anyone has any suggestions or ideas to encourage members to go then please contact me by email. The new brochures are out and you can request one from the College or from Federation House, Brigg and full details are the website.

Maureen Moody. email: maureen.moody@rocketmail.com

[Speaker's Corner—](#)**if you have any interesting speakers you want to share—please contact the editor.**

Sue Allen—Curator Gainsborough Old Hall—talks and dresses in period costume—contact 01522 782040

Kathleen Barnett, - "Meeting out Tiger" - a gentle tale accompanied by slides of the experience of being an adoptive "mum" to a Siberian tiger rescued from a squalid zoo in Belgium. Contact email katy@barnett.karoo.co.uk or phone 01482 90050

Harbour Lights Harmony—correction to last Newsletter—this chorus group are available within a 10 mile radius of Grimsby. Contact Ronnie.sheppard@uwclub.net.

Ladies In Pigs—a mother and daughter team—Sue and Gemma Woodhall—stress the importance of being able to trace meat from field to fork. Website—www.ladiesinpigs.co.uk or phone 01430 423775

Cath Fordham—Talks about Epworth Old Rectory and Gardens. 01427 874422 c.fordham@virgin.net

Editor's Blog

I received a very warm welcome when I went to **Kirton in Lindsey WI** in February to give a short presentation about my role as a digital champion. I have also been helping individual WI's in setting up their own websites.

Four ladies from **Roxby W.I.** braved the cold weather and attended an internet training session at W.I. House. It was a fun morning and we are to meet again in April. Please contact me if you would like to book a training session, or need help with your website!

Sue Bolton email - sue_bolton@ymail.com



Diary Dates at a Glance

Date	Price	Details
27.3.13		Quiz Final—WI House, 7.30 pm
10.4.13	£15.00	Annual Federation Day. Guest speakers, Lesley Smith, Ruth Bond. Own lunch required. 10.30am to 3.30pm
25.4.13	-	Resolution Meeting—7pm Bonby Village Hall—”Support your local High Street”
30.4.13	£12.00	Lincolnshire Day, Brocklesby Park and Great Limber. 10am at car park. Walk starts at 10.30 .
9.5.13	£8.00	Meet the Alpacas at Great Carlton near Louth. 11am—3pm
15.5.13		Visit to Scunthorpe Magistrates Court 9.45 (fully booked)
16.5.13	£20	Golf Day at Grange Park Golf Course, Scunthorpe 10am Coffee.
22.5.13		Visit to Scunthorpe Magistrates Court 9.45
23.5.13	£8.00	Meet the Alpacas at Great Carlton near Louth 11am—3pm
31.5.13 1.6.13		Annual General Meeting—Cardiff
15.6.13	£18.50	Patchwork workshop with Lynne Carter—disappearing 9-patch 10am-3.30—WI House
19/20.6.13	-	Lincolnshire show
25.6.13	£18	Trip to Wentworth Castle (See ASL above)
13.7.13	£25	Recycled Rag Rugs with Mary Marson—10-3.30 WI House
15.7.13	£15	Gone...not forgotten—visit to forensic laboratories at Lincoln University. 1.30pm
9.13	tba	Trip to York (time, date to be arranged)
14.9.13	£18.50	Patchwork workshop with Lynne Carter—Lone Star Block 10am-3.30—WI House
5.10.13	tba	Button Brooches with Carol Hird—WI House time tba
10.13		Conference—The Great Food Debate—speakers, date and venue to be announced.
2.11.13	tba	Christmas Crafts with Karin McCollin—10am-3.30
16.11.13		Christmas Fayre, Kirton in Lindsey Town Hall

The next newsletter will be published in June 2013 Date for copy to be received by —15.5.2013