

# POWYS RADNOR FEDERATION NEWSLETTER

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NFWI AGM 7/8 JUNE 2011 – LIVERPOOL

SELECTION EVENING FOR VICTORIAN FESTIVAL - WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE @ 6.30PM @ CROSSGATES CC

HEALTH INFORMATION EVENING - MONDAY 20 JUNE @ 7.30PM @ CROSSGATES CC

FEDERATION WALK - SUNDAY 26 JUNE @ 1.45PM CLYRO

## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

I feel honoured and privileged to be elected as your County Chairman for the coming year and I would also like to welcome the three new Trustees to the Board, namely Chris McDougal of Aberedw WI, Kath Graham of Llanfair Waterdine WI and Meg Lewis of Howey WI. I hope that they will enjoy their term of office and I am sure that the Powys Radnor Federation will benefit from their input.

What a wonderful Annual Council Meeting and what a joy Susan Marshfield was, how often have we all done a similar thing but not quite with the same consequences! April was a busy month, what is new there. Several of us went to the eve of conference Concert at Llanelli, what talent, there was a cast of 150. The following day a coach load travelled down to the Conference, once again an excellent day with good speakers and good company. Fresh in our minds is the County Show, you really did produce the 'wow' factor, the Centre looked magnificent. I regret that I have to mention this, but only the work of fully paid up members of Powys Radnor WI's can be entered in the County Show, something to be remembered for next year. Congratulations to everyone who competed and our best wishes go to Aberedw who will represent Powys Radnor in the Brecon Cup and to Felindre in the Rose Bowl competition at the Royal Welsh Show.

By my next message our Quiz will have come and gone, so to, the play off for the whist, dominoes and scrabble. We look forward to the visit to the Jen Jones Quilt Exhibition in Lampeter and the AGM in Liverpool.

Best wishes to you all and have fun.  
Rebe.

### ARTS & LEISURE SUB COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN – LIZ WATKINS

Poetry & prose 7 July 2011 – Llangunllo Village hall @ 7.30pm. The theme is 'Easter Bonnet' but please just come along with any of your favourite poems or readings, this is always an entertaining evening. Form with your secretary.

### PUBLIC AFFAIRS SUB COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN – ANN DAVIES

Federation walk – Sunday 26 June 2011 @ 1.45pm, ready to walk at 2pm – around the Clyro area – 3-4 mile walk. Think about having a look around the Church in Clyro while you are there – very interesting. There will be a 'bring and share' tea in the hall. Form with your secretary.

### ORGANISATION SUB COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN – YVONNE MILLS

Wales committee report – please find enclosed a report from Marilyn on the Wales Committee.

### Victorian Festival Exhibition 20-27 August 2011



#### Requests for:

- Stewarding
- Craft demonstrators
- Cakes & produce
- Craft sales

Forms enclosed with your secretary and a plea to help us where you are able. The Exhibition will once again be at the Hotel Metropole and the theme will be 'Crafts Past and Present'.

Don't forget the Selection Evening  
– Wednesday 15 June @  
Crossgates CC @ 6.30pm.

Thank you.

**HOME ECONOMICS SUB COMMITTEE  
CHAIRMAN – KATH NIXON**

**County Show 7 May** - Please find enclosed results from the Show. We all look forward now to next years. **Lost property** – did anyone lose a cameo button at the show, just to let you know we have it in the office.

**Big Picnic Lunch Sunday 5 June 2011** – unfortunately this has been cancelled, but many thanks to the WI's who kindly offered bottles.

**SKILLS CO-ORDINATOR  
MEG LEWIS**

**Craft Clubs @ Crossgates Community Centre** please come and join – it really is a lovely get together.



**Dates for your diary for craft club**

Tuesday 7 June	2pm-4pm
Tuesday 21 June	7pm -9pm
Tuesday 5 July	2pm-4pm
Tuesday 26 July	7pm-9pm
Tuesday 2 August	2pm-4pm
Tuesday 16 August	7pm-9pm
Tuesday 6 September	2pm-4pm
Tuesday 20 September	7pm-9pm

**Powys Co-ordinating Event - Treasure Hunt Sunday 3 July 2011** - Starting point Groe Car Park Builth Wells from 1.30 pm, Entry £1.00. Please come along and support this event, refreshments will be served at the Greyhound Inn - £3 per head. Booking form with your secretary.

**Consultation on the Future of cheques** - The Payments Council is currently consulting on the future of cheques and has set a target date of 31st October 2018 to close central cheque clearings in Great Britain and Northern Ireland. If you are concerned about this proposal then please write to your MP with your concerns. The NFWI is concerned that a workable alternative to cheques is available for WIs before cheques can be abolished. The Federation will be writing but the more letters that are sent the more intense the campaign. We will send out a pro forma letter next month for WI's to use.

**DENMAN**

**COLLEGE**

**Literary Lunch x 2 - at Denman College** - Kate Morton(course No. 101.831), Friday 17 June 2011, £50 per person - Kate will talk about her latest book 'The Distant Hours' the paperback of her top ten bestselling hardback which will be published on 12<sup>th</sup> May. She will also discuss her experiences of writing best selling novels and answer questions about her work and her life. This will be followed by lunch, a book signing and afternoon tea. **Susan Lewis** (course No. 101.1105), Friday 9 September 2011, £50 per person - Come and meet Sunday Times bestselling author Susan Lewis. Susan is renowned for her talent for exposing the complexities of human relationships, writing from the heart and emotionally engaging with the reader from the very first page. Both events will start at 10.30am and finish at 3pm. Those who would like to attend are asked to contact Denman College on 01865 391991.

**Powys Carers Service** - has been supporting carers of all ages in Powys since 2003. By Carers they mean those who have responsibility and care for their parents, children, siblings, other family members, friends and neighbours who rely on them due to physical or mental illness or disability or addiction. Three out of five people will become carers at some point in their lives. Their mission is to empower both young and adult carers to enable them to improve their quality of life and their well-being. They are unique in that they work with all carers, whatever the nature of the illness or disability of the person they care for or whatever age they are. Powys Carers are currently supporting over 1360 carers from every community in Powys. Over 1000 are adult carers, over 330 are young carers between the ages of six and twenty five and 70 of these are under 11. If you would like someone to come out and speak to your WI please contact - Coniston House, Temple Street, Llandrindod Wells, LD1 5HG, Tel: 01597 823800 or email: [info@powyscarers.org.uk](mailto:info@powyscarers.org.uk)

**Press reports** – get your WI report into the local paper, Emma Mackintosh is happy to help you, contact Emma on - 01938 553354 or email [emma.mackintosh@countytimes.co.uk](mailto:emma.mackintosh@countytimes.co.uk)

**ENCLOSURES FOR SECRETARIES  
FORM**

	<b>RETURN</b>
Poetry & prose	17 June
Federation walk	17 June
Demonstrators	} Victorian exhibition 17 June
Craft sales	
Stewarding	
Cake stall	
Co-ordinating event	



Take care,  
Cheryl.