



Mawrth
2026
March



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Open to members on Mondays
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Message from the Chair / Gair gan y Cadeirydd,
Dydd Gŵyl Dewi hapus as we acknowledge St David's day. This is an opportunity to celebrate the Patron Saint of Wales, the Welsh language and culture. 'Cenedl heb iaith, cenedl heb galon'.
The NFWI Wales conference is upon us and I look forward to seeing many of you there as we celebrate the WI. The recent Meet the Board event proved very useful. The Board has reviewed your feedback and are busy putting these suggestions into action. Diolch

Gay Evans

Ceredigion Federation is hosting the
NFWI-Wales Conference 2026 at The Great Hall, Aberystwyth Art Centre, University Campus,
Thursday 26 March 2026. Entry £15. An all-day event 10.45am - 4pm with a break for lunch.

Speakers: Pam Beedan, NFWI Vice-Chair

Julie Starling, Clinical Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest Manager for Wales

Ann Jones, High Sheriff of Dyfed

Dame Elan Clos Stephens, Non-Executive Director of the BBC Board since 2017. Past interim Chair of the BBC, Electoral Commissioner for Wales and Pro-Chancellor of Aberystwyth University
National Library of Wales (name to be confirmed).

Please contact Ein Swyddfa before Thursday, March 12th if any of your members attending this event need special seating consideration on account of access and mobility. The Café at the Art Centre is payment by card only.

Stewards' briefing by Zoom – Monday, March 16 at 2pm. Tuesday, March 17th at 7pm.

Resolution Vote – Thank you for returning your resolution votes. The result for the Ceredigion Federation of WIs is as follows

Title of resolution	Number of selections
Accessible Public Toilet facilities to promote dignity, health and social inclusion.	342
Action on women's homelessness	55
Nearer to Nature	13
Love your Vulva – Self checking is your best defence against vulval cancer	29
Every child needs a friend	30
Total	469

These votes have been sent to NFWI and the overall result will be published in due course.

International Women's Day Walk, on **Friday, March 6th**, along Cors Caron / Tregaron Bog at **10.30am**. Donations will be received for HAHAV, Hospice at Home. Members will meet at Y Banc, Tregaron, for lunch after the walk. Meet at the Car Park on the B4343 SY25 6JF. (This post code covers a wide area.) Grid reference SN692 625. 1½ hr walk.

CFWI Creative Skills Committee

1. What is the Creative Skills Committee? Creative Skills is a sub-committee of the Board of Trustees of the Ceredigion Federation, responsible for arranging craft activities, events and workshops. The two biggest events are the Spring and Autumn CFWI Rallies.

2. When does the Committee meet? The Creative Skills committee meets 5 times a year, usually January, March/April, July, September and November (AGM), arranged according to events being planned. All meetings are "hybrid" meaning that members can meet face to face at Ein Swyddfa or join via Zoom and times can be flexible.

3. Who is on the Creative Skills Committee?

Members of the Creative Skills committee can be from any Ceredigion WI. The current (2026) officers can be found in the Contact leaflet sent to your President/Secretary.

We would very much welcome members to join us to bring new ideas and expertise.

Please either contact Ein Swyddfa (01970 612831) ceredigion.wi@gmail.com or Creative Skills at

cfwi.creativeskills@gmail.com

Spring Rally – May 30th at the Aberaeron Memorial Hall.

The theme for the Rose Bowl and Brecon Cup competitions at this event is 'Circles, Rings and All Things Round'.

For further information contact cfwi.creativeskills@gmail.com

- Craft classes** –
1. NFWI Wales 'Not in my Name' competition – Coaster, any medium
 2. An item incorporating feathers
 3. 7" x 5" photograph of Spring. Mounted not framed
 4. Wind chimes using recycled materials
 5. Child's cuddle blanket/comforter, no more than 15"x15" to incorporate a stuffed toy animal (any medium and shape)
 6. A Gardening apron

CFWI subscription fees 2026/27

Total subscription	WI Share	Federation share	NFWI share
£54	£27.10	£12.55	£14.35

Flexibility - WIs can apply the flexibility policy to their 2026/27 subscription. This means they can charge the full amount of the WI portion, reduce their portion, or waive the WI portion of the subscription entirely.

Multi members will pay their multi-WIs the WI portion only. If the WI is not utilising the flexibility policy, this will be £27.10. There is no pro-rata rate for dual membership, and the set fee will remain payable at any time during the year.

No Pooling of fares - Please note that as the Annual Meeting in 2026 will be conducted entirely online, Federations and WIs will not be required to pay Pooling of Fares fees.

Your Membership booklets will have been posted to you in the WI Life. Please let Ein Swyddfa know if you haven't received these. **Please return the subs to CFWI Treasurer, Ein Swyddfa by cheque or BACS by**

Tuesday, March 31.

CFWI 200 Club is now at **£8** and the monthly prizes have increased to £30, £20 and £10.

You, members of your family and friends have the opportunity to take part in the monthly draw of the CFWI 200 Club. Proceeds go towards the upkeep of Ein Swyddfa. You can buy more than one entry per person. Your WI is not allowed to buy a number. Please return the form to Ein Swyddfa. Cheque made payable to CFWI. Closing date - Thursday 30th April. See form

SOCIAL MEDIA WORKSHOP – March 16th (South - venue to be confirmed) at 7pm, then repeated March 18th at 2pm in Ein Swyddfa. Please book by contacting Ein Swyddfa or e-mail Lesley Jones on lesleybankesjones@hotmail.com

NFWI Annual Meeting - CFWI Watch Party - Thursday 4th June at Theatr Mwldan 1, Cardigan.
10am for 10.30 – 4.30 (Lunch 12.30)

Speakers - Professor Michele Dougherty and Anne Boden MBE.

8 delegates from Ceredigion Federation of WIs are invited to participate in the Resolution voting process and carry votes for their Link WIs. Delegates will be provided with a free entry ticket and support for travel. WIs invited to send delegates are as follows – Aberporth WI; Ciliau Aeron WI; Cross Inn WI; Cellan WI; Llwynceilyn WI; Llangwryfon WI; Llanilar WI; Penparcau WI. **Please return your Delegate Return Form to Ein Swyddfa by Monday 9th March along with digital details of your delegate, (unless already done.) The observer ticket form return date is Monday 25th May. £5 per person.**

CFWI subsidised **Food Hygiene qualification** – If you are interested in online food hygiene training please e-mail Lesley Jones. lesleybankesjones@hotmail.com £10 per member made payable to CFWI. Closing date Thursday, April 30th.

200 Club February- 1. Eluned Davies, Dihewyd WI £20; 2. Lyn Searby, Seaside Sisters WI £15; 3. Wynne Davies, Llanarth WI £10.

International Women's Day Walk	Friday, March 6 th	Cors Caron – Tregaron Bog
Social Media Workshop	March 16 th + 18 th	South (16 th) repeated in the North (18 th)
Treasurer's Training	23/24 th March 2pm & 7pm	Ein Swyddfa.
Wales Conference 2026	Thurs, March 26 th	Great Hall, Aberystwyth Art Centre
Spring Rally	Saturday, May 30 th	Aberaeron Memorial Hall
NFWI Annual Meeting 2026 Watch Party	Thurs June 4 th	Theatr y Mwldan, Cardigan
CFWI General Knowledge Quiz	Friday June 19 th	Llanfarian Village Hall.
Annual Council Meeting	Saturday 14 th November	St Paul's Centre, Aberystwyth

Enclosed with the mailing - 200 Club form / CFWI Watch-Party form /