



January  
2025  
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### **Gair gan y Cadeirydd / Chairman's Message,**

Blwyddyn Newydd Dda – A Happy New Year to you all. There are lots of events to look forward to during 2025 and the monthly Newsletter has all the information you need to know.

Congratulations to Beryl Lewis Cross Inn WI on gaining 3<sup>rd</sup> prize at the Royal Welsh Winter Fair WI competition for her Christmas hamper for one. Rhydyppennau WI has now amalgamated with Genau'r Glyn WI and we wish this enlarged WI good luck for the future. On a sadder note, both Llanrhystud Belles WI and Wig & District WI have decided to close and have been officially suspended. Their members have been encouraged to join neighbouring branches and I'm sure you will give them a warm welcome.

**Gay Evans**

### **RESOLUTIONS VOTING PROCEDURE – ONE MEMBER, ONE VOTE, ONE RESOLUTION.**

In October, Federation representatives nationwide met to discuss this year's resolutions and select the shortlist of 4 which all members can now consider. Select the one you would most like to see go forward to the Annual Meeting in June 2024. If adopted at that meeting it will become a campaign. The 4 resolutions are detailed in the current issue of WI Life and further resources are available on MyWI.

Our Federation is holding a Resolutions Meeting on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January from 10.00am-1pm when debates will be held. These will be presented by members of 4 WIs - one on each Resolution, with an opportunity for questions. No voting will take place at this meeting. Following this, each WI is expected to arrange a meeting to present the Resolutions and allow members to vote individually for the ONE Resolution they prefer.

The number of votes received for EACH Resolution must then be forwarded to Ein Swyddfa to arrive no later than 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

If you are unable to be present at your WI when the voting takes place, you may submit your vote to your WI Secretary before the meeting, by email, phone or on the form in WI Life. Do not send individual votes to Ein Swyddfa or to NFWI. All votes received from each WI will be counted at Ein Swyddfa and forwarded to NFWI as the votes received for each Resolution from Ceredigion Federation. Please vote. Your vote really does count!

Margaret Peel, Resolutions Officer.

**Resolution Discussion Meeting** This popular event is back at Aberaeron Church Hall (Post code - SA46 0AY) on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 10.00am – 1pm. Free admission. NFWI Resolutions shortlist 2024/25.

1. Let's talk about incontinence
2. Bystanders can be lifesavers
3. Join the repair revolution
4. Eliminate landfill of medication packaging

Further information is available in your WI Life and on MyWI. One member - one vote. Please submit the number of votes for each resolution to Ein Swyddfa by phone, form or e-mail. **Closing date, Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at the latest.**

**CRAFT EVENT** – Following our successful craft events last year we have now arranged a similar event to be held at **Llwyncelyn Hall on Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. Two sessions are planned. Morning 10 - 12 and afternoon 1.30 - 3.30pm. Crafts to include -

Origami stars      Black-work      Resin jewellery      Beadwork      Crochet.

Please indicate morning or afternoon session and preferred craft along with names. Please bring packed lunch. £5 per session payable at the door. Please return form by **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January to Ein Swyddfa** or to Siân Lloyd John on [cfwi.creativeskills@gmail.com](mailto:cfwi.creativeskills@gmail.com)

**Wales 100th Conference 2025, Wednesday 16 April** at the Selwyn Samuel Centre, Llanelli. This is a special event and all attendees will receive a commemorative gift.

£27 to include ticket and coach. Usual pick-up points – Llety Park Lodge, Aberaeron, Synod Inn, Windy Corner. Speaker to date – Mari Thomas, jeweller, Llandeilo. Please return booking form and cheque or BACS made payable to CFWI to Ein Swyddfa. **Closing date – Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> 2025.** Please note the pick-up point on your form.

**NFWI Annual Meeting Online 4<sup>th</sup> June 2025** – Watch parties and Online Tickets. Invitations to WI Link delegates will be sent separately by CFWI. This is an online only event. Speaker to date – **Emma Bridgewater** - successful entrepreneur, founder of her well-known pottery company in 1984. Ceredigion Federation is keen to hold a Watch Party. Information to follow.

**Support Sessions for Treasurers** – Are you a new treasurer or an existing treasurer who would like some help or guidance? We will be running treasurer support sessions in January. Please contact Carol Evans by email on [cevanscfwi@btinternet.com](mailto:cevanscfwi@btinternet.com). See yellow form sent last month.

The **Health and Wellbeing Meeting** to be held in the Aberaeron Memorial Hall on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 at 10.00am for 10.30am will open with a session of Armchair Yoga. Speakers include a pharmacist and hopefully a dentist and others who will outline NHS services that can be accessed directly. The Hywel Dda Community Outreach Team are coming along as is a representative from Ceredigion Citizens Advice who will talk, amongst other things, about identifying scams and ways of dealing with them. All this for £8 including soup for lunch. Do come along and join us. Please return the blue form, sent last month, to Monica Rose, via Ein Swyddfa, by **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February**. Cheque payable to CFWI or by BACS.

The **International Women’s Day Walk** on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March will be held in Aberaeron with a long walk starting at Llanerchaeron and a short walk around the town. Details to follow.

The **Book Quiz** on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April will be held in Llwyncelyn Hall starting at 7.00pm and the questions will be based on the book '**Coronation Everest**' by the well known author Jan Morris. Teams of up to 4 members at a cost of £5 per team.

#### **CFWI Spring Rally Craft / Art Classes 2025**

A book cover decorated with blackwork – any size up to A4

A tote bag made of crochet granny squares

A patchwork table runner

5 mixed flowers, any **one** medium, displayed in a vase (only flowers will be judged)

Beadwork item of jewellery

First verse of 'Daffodils' - by William Wordsworth. (I wandered lonely..) Handwritten. Max size A5. Not calligraphy.

**WI Learning Hub** – Did you know, - courses on the WI Learning Hub are free for WI members. Here is a selection available this month – Drawing Club with Felicity on 8/1/25 at 7pm, Discover WhatsApp with Three Discovery 8/1/25 at 4pm, Tilo’s talk on Berlin 13/1/25 at 7.30pm, Chair Yoga & Pilates mix on 14/1/25 at 9.30am. A full list is updated weekly. Go to the NFWI website and click on WI Learning Hub. Sign up for the newsletter for the list of courses, both live and anytime access.

**ONNEN GROUP CONVENER** –Are you in a WI belonging to the Onnen Group? If you are interested in filling this vacancy, please contact Ein Swyddfa to seek further information.

**Programmes** – Please send a copy of your new programme to Lesley Jones by e-mail so that it can appear on your web page. (see contact book)

**For sale at Ein Swyddfa** - Floor-standing tapestry frame - £10.  
2 clip-on electric spotlights – PAT tested - £10 each.

**200 Club December** -1.Llinos Lloyd, Dihewyd WI £20; 2.Karen Deehan, Llanilar WI £15;3. Andrea Wilson, Seaside Sisters WI £10  
**Ein Swyddfa re-opens Monday, Jan 6<sup>th</sup> 2025. Blwyddyn Newydd Dda. Happy New Year.**

<b>Resolutions Meeting</b>	<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Trinity Church Hall, Aberaeron 10am – 1pm</b>
<b>Programme Planning</b> 10.30-1pm	<b>Sat Jan 25 (N) Feb 15 (S)</b>	<b>Ein Swyddfa (North) and Felinfach (South)</b>
<b>Craft Day</b>	<b>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Llwyncelyn Hall. 10am.</b>

Craft Event Form. Resolution Voting Slip.