

## WI Committee Report 2022 to 2023

This year has been a normal year with no covid restrictions. The programme committee organised a varied and interesting programme for 2022 to 2023. Throughout the past year seven speakers have entertained and given much and varied information. From Prostitutes to Prime Minister, Chelsea Flower Show, Time To travel, Coastal Watch, Herbal Medicines, Life in the Army and The Lone Kayaker. Also, during the year, we have had our Resolution meeting, this was followed by entertainment from the programme committee, Games afternoon and BBQ, Soup and Sweet followed by the Harvest Auction and Christmas Party. These were all meetings led by members.

Further events enjoyed by members was an afternoon creating a posy, this being the floral group competition, Christine Axford demonstrated on how to do this, then members made their own posy with guidance from Christine. Bude WI organised the Group Meeting, our WI retaining the cup. Jo Piedot had 1<sup>st</sup> for her "Jubilee Card" for the Queen which Jo then sent to the Queen on behalf of our WI, a card of thanks was received back. Valerie Wonnacott received 1<sup>st</sup> for her posy and Penny Hazeldene 2<sup>nd</sup> for cookery and 3<sup>rd</sup> for floral. Walk and Cream Tea. A number of members walked to Hawker's Hut on the coastal path, we then joined the non-walkers for a cream tea at the Rectory Tearoom. Marhamchurch Revel returned again this year after covid and some of our members organised the cake stall. Our Triangle Fund raiser was held in aid of Blood Bikes.

Holsworthy Show took on a new look for 2022, there were no competitions. Our WI offered information related to Denman around education and access to courses related to IT, also taking part were WIs from Bude, Jacobstow and Week St Mary. In September several members enjoyed a train trip from Okehampton to Exeter. Our President Penny Hazeldene laid a wreath on behalf of our WI at the Remembrance service in Marhamchurch. A craft afternoon organised by Dawn MacDonald and Rachel Roberts was held in November. The Group Carol service was held at Shop Methodist Chapel organised by Morwenstow WI. In January we held our New Year Lunch at Rydon Inn, followed by the Holsworthy Pantomime.

Members attended the Chairman's Coffee Morning, a shopping trip to Clarks Village and the Annual Council Meeting.

County competitions entered by our WI were the “Baker Cup” which was “Rediscovering Footpaths” and the county quiz at Ladock.

Thank to Dawn MacDonald for our monthly newsletter and all the photos on Facebook, which keeps everyone up to date.

I would like to thank Penny Hazeldene for all she has done as President through the past year and the previous three years which included the very difficult time with covid restrictions. Thank you from us all. And from the committee to you all we thank you for your continued support.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023