

Hi Everyone

Congratulations to Joan, we loved her poem, thank you so much Joan. Thank you to everyone who entered our decorated bag competition, I thought they were all great. We really do have plenty of talented members.

Now that the darker evenings are upon us and Christmas is coming perhaps we could have a Christmas joke competition. During these difficult days laughter is becoming even more important, so come on ladies, let's have a laugh!

Stay safe and well.  
Sally

**Decorated bag competition**

The competition was won by Joan Fitchett, thank you for all who voted and all who submitted an entry. Joan was given a plant as a prize - see the picture of Joan with her plant, and her winning entry.



We made up a gift box to be sold for Hampshire WI funds. Thanks to Janice and Lynn for putting this lovely gardening selection together.

**Zoom speaker.**

We hope to have a zoom speaker in December. If the lockdown is lifted it might be possible for a few people to gather in someone's house to view this. Also there will be a facility to phone in to these meetings so those without internet could still take part even if they did not want to go to another house. So watch out for the email to get the details (we will ring those not on email).

There was a poetry competition for Hampshire WI members and Joan Fitchett entered this poem. Thanks to Joan for giving us permission to publish it and good luck in the competition. We think it deserves to win.

Who would expect at 93  
To be stuck in your house like an unshelled pea  
We're missing the chats at W.I.  
And coffee mornings with apple pie  
Excitement of the day is a knock at the door  
The man from the chemist with tablets galore  
Or a home cooked cake from my neighbour next door  
Hairdresser comes in once a week  
At least for a while I look quite sleek  
Charlotte, my cleaner comes on a Monday  
Likely to be in a mess by Sunday  
Do not like the nights now they are drawing in  
It's Friday tomorrow must put out the bin  
Covid has altered life for us all  
Hope it goes soon and we will all have a ball  
So take care of each other and most of all  
Try to hang on to your sense of humour and try not to fall.

**DENMAN AT HOME ONLINE COURSES**

These are online courses run by Denman College using the zoom system, usually they are about an hour long and cost £5. Courses are added each week. There is cookery, craft, travel, history and more. Go to <https://bit.ly/oakley125> to have a look what is on offer and book. The courses are open to all, so please share with all your family and friends.

**Resolution short list for 2020/21.**

Below are the resolutions for this year. More details of these will be in the next edition of WI life which should be with you later in November. If you want to discuss the resolutions there are 2 meetings on 1st December which you can join, see events on the next page. We will be voting on them in January.

- A call to increase awareness of the subtle signs of ovarian cancer
- Stop women dying prematurely from coronary heart disease (CHD)!
- Racism and discrimination
- Now's the time to act! Protect your nature space to create wildlife-friendly communities
- Stop the destruction of peat bogs to tackle climate change

Our WI has a facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/oakleyanddeaneWI/> do visit it and follow it, add your comments or even write a post on the page.



**Quiz questions**, just for fun, the answers will be in next month's newsletter.

### Royalty

1. Which is the most recent town to have the title 'Royal' added to its name?
2. Which building in London, the third on its site, served primarily as a playhouse for its first 100 years?
3. Prince of the Asturias is an official title of the Heir Apparent to which throne?
4. Which mistress of Charles II was immortalised on coins as Britannia?
5. Which of the armed forces has the motto 'Si vis pacem, para bellum' (If you wish for peace, prepare for war)?
6. Where are the headquarters of The Royal Doulton Company?
7. Who is fifth in line to the British throne?
8. John Flamsteed, Emond Halley and currently Sir Martin Rees are among the holders of which post?
9. What binding agent is used to make royal icing?
10. Which member of the Royal Family is President of the All England Lawn Tennis Club?

### Firsts

1. On what date did the First World War end?
2. Who is considered to have been the first Pope?
3. Which annual race first took place in 1829?
4. Who was the first Briton in space?
5. Who was Britain's first woman doctor?
6. Who was the first Doctor Who?
7. In June 1940 Polish political prisoners were taken on the first trains to where?
8. What was the first programme broadcast on Channel 4?
9. What was the first song to be played on Radio 1?
10. Who was the first black man to win the Best Actor Oscar?

### Answers to Quiz questions in the last newsletter

#### Hors D'oeuvres

1. University Challenge
2. The ball is hit by the team that won the toss and chose ball over end
3. DYSTY
4. Knitting
5. £1500 (5x£1, 1x£5, 2x£10, 1x£20, 1x£50, 4x£100, 2x£500)
6. Do Re Mi
7. Facebook
8. The Sky at Night
9. Cole Porter

#### PUZZLE

- 1) Toffee, Sauce, Crab - Apple
  - 2) Pin, Stairs, Hold - Up
  - 3) Whip, About, Robin - Round
  - 4) Cycle, Boat, Wild - Life
  - 5) Mind, School, Piece - Master
  - 6) More, For, Green - Ever
  - 7) Witness, Black, Shadow - Eye
  - 8) Gaze, Struck, Film - Star
  - 9) Ride, Stick, Kill - Joy
- Rearranged to make JERUSALEM

**Oakley Knowledge** The picture in the last newsletter was of the new Co-op under construction.

### Hampshire WI events

= **Christmas Craft Along: Lined Stocking and Stocking Bunting**, Thursday 5th November 10.30am – 12.00noon, Tickets £5.00

= **Violette Szabo talk** Friday 13th November 7:30pm - 9pm

= **Always Look on the Bright Side of Life**, zoom talk. Monday 23rd November 2020 7.30pm – 9.00pm Tickets £5.00

= **Resolution Meetings** Tuesday 1st December 10am-12noon or 7pm – 9pm

= **Alison Stuart (Author)** Wednesday 2nd December 10am – 11am

= **Festive Treats Cook along** 10th December 7:30pm – 9pm =

**Hampshire WI Spring Council Meeting**, The Guildhall, Portsmouth. Tuesday 23rd March 2021 – Guest Speaker is The Yorkshire Shepherdess. More information to follow.

= **Cream tea and Audience with Nick Bailey**, BBC Gardeners' World Presenter, Garden Maker & Best-Selling Author will give a talk followed by Afternoon Tea, **Now planned to be in Spring 2021** date to be announced – will probably be in Eastleigh, cost £35.

### Competitions you can enter

\* **Story Competition**, subject 'A story of Hope' £2.50 entrance fee, closing date 13th November.

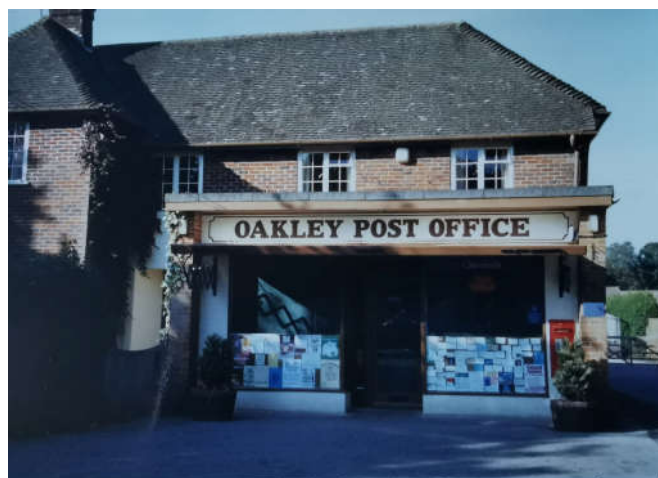
\* Are you occupying your time by crafting? Enter your pictures for the **Hampshire WI 2022 Calendar competition**. Theme 'creative Hampshire' photos of craft items. Closing date 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Ask for more information if you would like to enter.

If you want to put your name down or enter for any of these please phone Barbara or email [oakleydeanewi@gmail.com](mailto:oakleydeanewi@gmail.com) More details of these events and competitions can be found on <https://hampshirewi.org.uk/events/>

My WI is the web site for all members, there is a section with craft, cookery and activities which you might like to try. Do have a look at it. <https://mywi.thewi.org.uk/interests>

### Oakley knowledge

Do you recognise this place in Oakley of the past?



For any feedback please contact us, we would love to hear from you:

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