

Wincle WI Report

Our July meeting was the annual 'Garden meeting', postponed for a week due to the incessant rain on that particular day. Fortunately, it was the right decision as on Tuesday, July 13th, the sun shone a little and it was dry.

This year it took place at the home of Jenny Marsh, and 12 members, plus 3 guests, sat outside to enjoy a lovely evening. As always, a 'bring and share' event resulted in an abundance of delicious food – savoury quiches, sandwiches, and many cakes and desserts.



We could have shared with another WI looking at the spread! A few business notes were dealt with beforehand, including the date of our 1st Cloud Group meeting in 2 years, which will be on September 1st at the New Life Church, Congleton.

The NHS celebrated its 73rd birthday the previous week, with various national fund raising events, and we had decided to try and raise some money for the NHS Frontline Charities. A raffle and a donation box raised £150 for this charity, which goes towards supporting NHS staff and Care Workers. The evening ended with a stroll through Jenny's garden, with many of us full of admiration for her very green fingers!

In place of our August outing, a few of us will be joining with Bosley WI to visit

Adlington Hall on July 29th, visiting the hall and gardens during the afternoon – everything will be crossed for fine weather. Then September is upon us for our 1st indoor meeting for a year, when Janet Parkinson will give a talk on Mindfulness.

We will be supporting the Climate Action Group event on August Bank Holiday Sunday, by supplying some cakes for the Swythamley & Heaton Centre, a Staging Post and where information displays etc will be organised.

Gradually, the WI is cautiously emerging from the pandemic with a few Cheshire Federation events planned in the autumn, and hopefully the Zoom meetings will be reduced to a minimum. You cannot replace sitting with a neighbour and chatting over a cup of tea and piece of cake!

We meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month, at 7.30pm, and welcome new members and guests at all of our meetings. Please contact myself (01260 227209) or Judith Bayley (01260 253129) for more information.

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