

## 2017 Federation Events\*

### JANUARY

- 6 **WI Office reopens to members, from 9am**  
We will be open to welcome visits from members on the 1st Friday after New Year.
- 12 **"Sew 'n' Sews", WI Office, Kendal, 10am-3pm**  
Friendly get-together of our keen needlewomen. Newcomers/beginners welcome.
- 19 **Lace Workshop, WI Office, Kendal, 10am-4pm**  
Expert instruction by Christine Kingsley-Chase in this delicate traditional craft.
- 27 **The Sound of Music, The Brewery, Kendal, 12noon**  
Blow away the New Year cobwebs as we sing along with Maria & Co. Dressing up positively encouraged!

### FEBRUARY

- 2 **Writers Inc, WI Office, Kendal, 12noon-2pm**  
Federation Creative Writing Group. Newcomers welcome.
- 9 **"Sew 'n' Sews", WI Office, Kendal, 10am-3pm**  
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- 16 **Lace Workshop, WI Office, Kendal, 10am-4pm**  
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- 17 **Patti Dawson Floral Workshop, Preston Patrick Memorial Hall, 1pm**  
Rescheduled session with 2016 Huxley Cup winner Patti Dawson.
- 23 **Presidents' & Secretaries' Q&A Session, WI Office, Kendal**  
Helpful advice and useful tips on these roles within your WI.

### MARCH

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- 2 **Presidents' & Secretaries' Q&A Session, WI Office, Kendal**  
Helpful advice and useful tips on these roles within your WI.
- 8 **International Women's Day event, 10am-4pm, Coronation Hall, Ulverston**  
Fantastic celebration of International Women's Day with cookery demonstration, keynote talks, crafts & music, Plus members' international exhibits.
- 9 **"Sew 'n' Sews", WI Office, Kendal, 10am-3pm**  
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- 11 **Table Top Sale, Appleby Market Hall, 9am-12noon**  
Coffee morning plus chance for WIs in the North to sell crafts and bric-a-brac.
- 16 **Lace Workshop, WI Office, Kendal, 10am-4pm**  
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- 22 **Treasurers' Training, WI Office, Kendal, 2pm-4pm & 7pm-9pm**  
Help and tips for new and experienced WI Treasurers alike.
- 27 **Reading Aloud, People's Hall, Sedbergh, from 11am**  
WI teams of two speak poetry & prose beautifully for the audience to enjoy.

### APRIL

- 3 **Half Yearly Council Meeting, Kendal Town Hall, 7pm**  
Chance to catch up with all the Federation news and be entertained by a top speaker.
- 6 **Paul Laidlaw guests at Members' Spring Lunch, The Villa, Levens**  
The cheery TV antiques expert will entertain us after a delicious three-course lunch.
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- 25 **AGM Briefing Conference, WI Office, Kendal, 10am**  
Join delegates to the 2017 AGM to discuss this year's Resolutions.

### MAY

- 4 **Writers Inc, WI Office, Kendal, 12noon-2pm**  
Federation Creative Writing Group. Newcomers welcome.
- 6-12 **Federation Holiday to Cologne & the Magical Moselle Valley**  
Fabulous continental holiday based in the German mountain town of Moselle.
- 18 **Lace Workshop, WI Office, Kendal, 10am-4pm**  
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- 18 **Plant evening, Preston Patrick Memorial Hall, 7pm**  
Plant sale and expert discussion.

## JUNE

- 3-4 **Country Fest, Crooklands Showfield**  
CWFWI is invited to take part with craft & produce classes for the first time.
- 1 **Writers Inc, WI Office, Kendal, 12noon-2pm**  
Federation Creative Writing Group. Newcomers welcome.
- 7 **102nd NFWI Annual Meeting, Echo Arena, Liverpool**  
Our party of delegates travels on Tuesday 6 June & returns Wednesday 7 June 2017
- 15 **Lace Workshop, WI Office, Kendal, 10am-4pm**  
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- 29 **Ivan Day Afternoon Tea, The Villa, 1pm-4pm**  
Enthralling talk by food historian accompanied by afternoon tea.

## JULY

- 6 **Writers Inc, WI Office, Kendal, 12noon-2pm**  
Federation Creative Writing Group. Newcomers welcome.
- 14-17 **Gardens & Houses of Aberdeenshire**  
Food, Farms & Gardens' Committee weekend with visits to fabulous historic venues.
- 25 **Group Representatives Strawberry Tea, WI Office, Kendal, 2pm-4pm**  
Ideas and discussion for our Group organisers.

## AUGUST

- 3 **Writers Inc, WI Office, Kendal, 12noon-2pm TBC**  
Federation Creative Writing Group. Newcomers welcome.

## SEPTEMBER

- 7 **Writers Inc, WI Office, Kendal, 12noon-2pm**  
Federation Creative Writing Group. Newcomers welcome.
- 11-13 **Judging for Westmorland County Show entries, Preston Patrick Memorial Hall**  
Check your Show schedule for days and times for you to submit your entries.
- 14 **Westmorland County Show, Crooklands**  
CWFWI are honoured to have our own marquee at this major event in the Cumbrian calendar, where members compete in craft and produce classes.
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## OCTOBER

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- 21 **Annual Council Meeting, The Villa, Levens, 10am-4pm**  
Federation annual meeting with news, views and top-notch guest speakers.
- 26 **Lace Workshop, WI Office, Kendal, 10am-4pm**  
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## NOVEMBER

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## DECEMBER

- 1 **Festival of Readings & Carols, Kendal Parish Church, 2pm**  
A seasonal end to our WI Federation year.
- 7 **Writers Inc, WI Office, Kendal, 12noon-2pm**  
Federation Creative Writing Group. Newcomers welcome.
- 8 **Christmas in the Office, WI Office, Kendal, 2pm-4pm**  
Seasonal good cheer with mulled wine, mince pies & carols.
- 14 **Lace Workshop, WI Office, Kendal, 10am-4pm**  
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- 15 **WI Office closes to members for Christmas break, from 4pm**  
We will be open to welcome visits from members on Friday 5 January 2018.

**\*Please note: Information accurate at time of printing – WIs will be informed if there are any changes and additions in future newsletters – and on the Federation website**