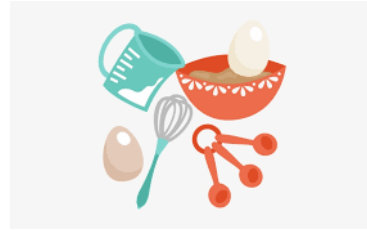
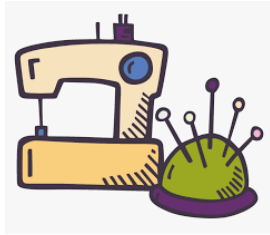




Handcrafts & Homeskills Newsletter



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Proficiency & Judges Certificates

Handcrafts & Homeskills Proficiency Certificates– The SWI offers members the opportunity to sit proficiency certificates in various handcraft and cooking subjects. For example:- Applique, Knitting, Afternoon Tea & Baking. In addition, new proficiency certificates have been introduced such as Bag Making, Basic Plain Sewing, Core Skills, Needle Felting, Special Dietary requirement and Vegan Meal.

Members who gain Honours & First-class passes are awarded a certificate and can purchase a proficiency badge. Federations are eligible to apply every three years through application forms which are sent out to Federation Handcraft and Homeskills secretaries. Deadlines for applications is 1st of March 2022 for Autumn and 1st of October 2022.

Handcraft Judges Certificates

Members who have achieved passes in proficiency certificates can apply for a certificate to become a judge in the same subject(s). For example if they have passed the knitting proficiency certificate, then they can apply to be a judge for this subject. These are held annually and different subjects are offered each year in rotation. Once qualified the candidate can then go on to Judge proficiency certificates and also at local shows.

Homeskills Judges Certificates – These are held with the Federation sitting proficiency certificates.

Floral Art proficiency and Judges Certificates are offered in alternate years. North Federations can apply one year and South Federations the following year.

Details of these are in the Homeskills proficiency schedule.

Proficiency Schedules

For more details about the certificates on offer, please see the Handcraft & Homeskills schedules to download from the members area of the website. For an email copy and for more information on the certificates on offer, contact the Events co-ordinator, Pamela.Black@theswi.org.uk

Handcrafts Certificates

Spring 2022 – South West area federations Ayrshire Federation -30th March
Ayrshire – 14 certificates -Renfrewshire – 1 Certificate, Wigtownshire – 2 Certificates
Renfrewshire & Wigtownshire will join Ayrshire Federation

Homeskills certificates

Fife - 11 certificates and Perth & Kinross Federation's 9 certificates– postponed from 2020 to September 2021. These were postponed again to Spring 2022. **Dumfriesshire** – Dates to be arranged.

Handcraft Judges Certificates

26th April at Headquarters - 4 applicants

Schools

Postponed from 2020 & 2021

Handcrafts Weekend School – 25th – 27th March 2022, Fisher’s Hotel Pitlochry.

Buttons, Braids & Tassels – Jane Currie is the tutor.

Silk Ribbon Embroidery – Ann McGuchan is the tutor.

2022 Evelyn Baxter Federation Classes

January to December - 13 federations applied.

Evelyn Baxter Scholarship School – Tamari Balls – for Federation classes to be offered in 2023

Dates to be arranged August/September.

Handcrafts & Homeskills Conference

This will now take place in 2023 – details to follow

Homeskills Demonstrations

Stirling, Clackmannan & West Perth – Linda McTurk – 27th October – Cake Decoration