

MILFORD ON SEA WI MEETING
WEDNESDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2025 7pm @ THE BRIDGE
MILFORD ON SEA

Cheryl Farnell (President) opened the meeting, welcoming members and visitors. Everyone was invited to stand, if they so wished, to sing Jerusalem.

Cheryl introduced the evening's speaker, Michael Lomas from 'Hearing Dogs For Deaf People'. Michael has a degree of hearing loss himself and he had his own gorgeous hearing dog Ron with him. Michael delivered a very informative talk about the work that the charity do, from training the dogs through to placing them with a recipient.

Notices

Beverley Smith spoke to members about the Samaritan's Purse annual Christmas Shoe Box Appeal. Items needed to fill the boxes, leaflets available this evening listing suitable items, also monetary donations needed, which helps towards transport and story books in the child's own language. Di Cobbett will be collecting items at October's meeting.

Judy Spooner appealed for volunteers to join the drama/dance group. Rehearsals to start in the near future for the Christmas entertainment, these will take place once or twice a week, possibly on a Wednesday. Sign up board this evening.

Cheryl

Boots The Chemist not running a MacMillan cake sale this year. WI to hold their own cake sale at October's meeting, members will be charged £2 for tea/coffee and cake.

Salterns Group Autumn meeting, Wednesday 22nd October 2025 at Boldre War Memorial Hall. Jo Richards, florist, will be doing a demonstration, using the theme 'the warm tones of autumn'. 20 places available for Milford members at £5 each. Sign up board this evening, payment by cash or BACS.

Skittles evening provisionally booked for Friday 14th November 2025 at The Huntsman Brockenhurst.

Christmas lunch will be Monday 15th December 2025 at Barton Golf Club. Cost £32 per person for two courses and gratuities. Further details at next meeting.

Quarterly draw this evening, members eligible to enter, if they have been a member for at least three years and have not won in the last twelve months.

New Forest Show entries on display this evening.

Cheryl has been given a wall hanging made by a member celebrating 100 year of Milford WI in 2018. Would like to return it to the maker, if anyone knows who it was made by.

Cheryl has some photo albums this evening, that will be archived at Winchester in the near future. Available if any members would like to have a look through them.

Tea/coffee break.

Notices continued

Quarterly draw won by Jackie Parker.

Save the date. Christmas Carol Service, St Thomas Church, Lymington, Thursday 27th November 2025, 5pm.

Brockenhurst Group Show will take place Saturday 21st March 2026. St Mary Madalene Church Hall, New Milton. See Cheryl for hard copy of the schedule.

Next coffee morning Thursday 25th September 2025 at The Bridge.

Hard copy of new programme available this evening

Meeting closed at 9pm.