

The build-up to the festive season was a busy and mixed one for Blockley WI. The countdown began in November with a very successful shopping trip to Bath enjoyed by 22 members and friends, organised by Fay Jeffrey.

Plans for a Christmas Miscellany of readings and folk music with Anne Tweedale on December 2 were dashed when icy weather intervened and the meeting had to be cancelled.

However, the Christmas meal on December 9 at the Horse and Groom in Bourton-on-the-Hill proved a great success. A total of 34 members and friends sat down to some sumptuous fare in a very convivial setting. The evening was splendidly organised by Viola Stubbs.

The institute's next meeting is on January 13 with a Scrabble and fish and chip evening (not all at once). From January onwards all evening meetings will start at a new time – 7.30pm unless indicated.

Blockley WI is considering reprinting its best seller, *Blockley, The Past Recalled*, which was published in 2001 and sold out almost immediately. To help the decision-making – get in touch with Anne Hayes on 01386 701044 if you would be interested in buying a copy of this fascinating book which is filled with old photos and newspaper reports from times past.

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