There will be tea and cakes available on the day from 2.00pm. We thank the WI for all their help with the teas.

MEN ONLY and LADIES ONLY - GINGERBREAD LOAF

Frosting

½ lemon

100gm icing sugar

50 gm softened butter

100gm butter

100gm light muscovado sugar

1/4 pint whole milk

1 tablespoon ground ginger

1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda

75 gm sultanas

50 gm black treacle

50 gm golden syrup

200 gm plain flour

1 teaspoon cinnamon

2 beaten eggs

Preheat oven to 180C/350F/gas 4

Grease and line a 2lb loaf tin

Put the butter, sugar, treacle and syrup in a saucepan and heat gently until all the ingredients are melted and blended

Cool slightly, then whisk the milk into the warm ingredients

Sift the flour, spices and bicarbonate into a bowl and make a well in the centre Pour in the syrup mixture, then add the beaten eggs and whisk until smooth Add sultanas and pour mixture into the prepared tin. The mixture will have the consistency of batter

Bake for approx. 40 minutes or until an inserted skewer comes out clean Cool in the tin for 10 minutes then turn out and cool on a wire rack For the frosting

Finely grate zest of lemon and squeeze one tablespoon of juice Beat butter with the icing sugar until light and fluffy, then add zest and juice Spread over the top of the cake

Staging of entries

Please stage your entries between 9.00am and 11.00am on Saturday July 8th. The hall must be clear for judging from 11.00am. The hall will be open again from 2.00pm for viewing and teas.

We look forward to seeing you all on the 8th July