## DOLWYDDELAN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE 75 YEARS OLD!

The Women's Institute was established here in Dolwyddelan following the end of WWII. Ladies in the Land Army and WRVS wanted to continue helping their community, and so formed a local W.I. branch.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE. — At a meeting of the recently formed Dolwyddelen branch of the Women's Institute, Mrs. Chesters entertained members with her experiences while serving abroad with the W.V.S. Her talk was illustrated by lantern slides. Refreshments were served and Mrs. Howells presided.

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October 2021 was the 75th year of the W.I. here, but celebrations had to be postponed due to COVID. On Friday 1st April this year, we met at the Princes Arms, Trefriw, where the Minutes of the first ever meeting were read out. Back then there was 45 members and the joining fee was 2/6d! Some of today's members talked of names, places and past

significant events and reminiscences came to the fore.

Vanda, Vice President gave thanks on behalf of the new committee and members, to Lona Roberts and Anna Wyn Hughes who were stepping down as President and Secretary. Lona had been Vice President before taking on the role as President 17 years ago. Lona feels it's time for new blood so she can sit back and enjoy being a member instead.

Anna, first joined the W.I. 52 years ago, shortly after the birth of her daughter Carys. In her words "There wasn't much to do here in Dolwyddelan and the W.I. was the only place for ladies to meet." Anna



The Dolwyddelan Women's Institute 75th birthday celebrations.