The theme for this year's Blaikley Salver poetry competition is 'River Voices' and we invite entries on this subject from WI members.

This is a wide subject, stemming from our concerns about the state of our rivers, both nationally and worldwide. Rivers are so important for us, so tell us what they mean to you – their beauty, ravages, histories, how they speak to us through the seasons, the natural world that they support and how they have inspired generations of artists, musicians, nature lovers and so many other river users through the ages. This is a very wide subject indeed and we hope it inspires you to put pen to paper.

The poem can be of any length up to 32 lines. handwritten or typed with double spacing.



The Blaikley Salver will be presented to the winner at the Annual Council Meeting in October.

Entries can be submitted by email. Send two copies, with your name and your WI on one copy only, to both secretary@cornwallwi.org.uk and accounts@cornwallwi.org.uk and send payment by BACS to account name: CWLL COUNTY FEDERATION OF WOMENS INST, account no: 00918970, sort code: 30-98-76, quoting reference BLAIKLEY.

The cost of entering is £5. The closing date for submissions is Wednesday 31 July 2024,

Enquiries: Felicity Penneycard 01637 880373 / Email: penneycard@gmail.com

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Tick one of the following:

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I have paid £5 by BACS on (date) _____ (Quote Ref: BLAIKLEY)

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Contact details (please print clearly) Name:

Telephone: _____ Email:

If paying by cheque, please send this application along with your cheque to Chy Noweth an Conteth, Truro Business Park, Threemilestone, Truro TR4 9NH. If paying by BACS, please email a copy of this application to accounts@cornwallwi.org.uk and reception@cornwallwi.org.uk

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