

BAKER CUP COMPETITION 2026

The Baker Cup Competition gives WIs the opportunity to study a particular subject in depth and to submit a presentation based on their work. The competition takes place every two years and is organised by the Environment and Public Affairs sub-committee. It is open to all WIs in Cornwall.

This year's theme is **'Slavery in Cornwall, Then and Now'**. The cruelty and exploitation, especially of African nations, and the luxury and wealth gained by slave masters has been continually exposed over the years.

Could this be true of Cornwall, then and even now? Researching this subject could be very enlightening and motivating in relation to a recent national WI resolution on modern slavery.

The study may be presented in essay or 'scrapbook' form. Presentations should include illustrations, tables, maps, etc., as appropriate to the topic, as well as acknowledgements, references and sources. The length of the submission should be 4,000-6,000 words, and the study must be the work of at least four WI members.



Judging will be anonymous, therefore the name of the WI and the names of the participants must be provided separately or on a removable page.

Winners will be announced at the Annual Council Meeting in 2026, where the winning entry will be displayed.

The cost of entering is £8. The closing date for applications is Thursday 26 February 2026, and the closing date for submissions is Thursday 28 May 2026.

Enquiries: eandpa@cornwall.org.uk



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From _____ WI

Tick one of the following:

I enclose a cheque payable to **'CFWI'** in the amount of £8.00

I have paid £8 by BACS on (date) _____ (Quote Ref) Baker

(Account name: CWLL COUNTY FEDERATION OF WOMENS INST, account no: 00918970, sort code: 30-98-76)

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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