



Chairman's Chat Thank you to those of you who booked our most recent event, our

FEDERATION ANNUAL MEETING

Wow what a great day we had, from the moment I turned up at Culford and realised Margaret Brackenbury had chosen the same dress I knew it was going to be a 'good 'un'. After all with the Chairman and Vice Chairman having such impeccable taste what could go wrong?

Old Hall looked welcoming with the stalls and the drinks laid out ready for you all to enjoy, then a quick walk through to the **Grand Staircase** where the raffle table looked most

tempting, proudly displaying a hamper kindly put together by the Board, as well as **Scarlett & Mustard's** stand of goodies.



Scarlett & Mustard

Then on to **Centenary Hall** and again, wow... Culford had done us proud, the tables all decked with crisp white linen, decorated bottles as centre pieces by Margaret and the stage lined with pots of flowers courtesy of Woolpit Nursery, and more bottles with flowers and tiny fairy lights, it just looked spectacular.

Soon the members started to arrive and it was **on with the show**. The reports of what we'd been doing and what we were going to do kicked the day off, along with Brenda Last's Treasurer report.

Sandy Ruddock of Scarlett and Mustard then took to the stage with the inspirational story of how she grew a business from her kitchen into the thriving success it is today, winning her awards and being stocked by the likes of Fortnum and Mason.

After a delicious lunch, the lovely **Paul Martin** was our afternoon



Paul Martin

speaker giving us the inside scoop on his career and what to look out for when buying antiques. It was all topped off by a surprise performance by vintage trio **The Knightingales**. It doesn't get much better than that.



The Knightingales

Thank you to all who helped put the meeting together, special mention to our staff, Rachel Hows and Rachel Sparks, our Board members and all our helpers too numerous to mention by name but you know who you were. We had a great day, our guests and members likewise.

Now it's on to planning our **2023 Annual Meeting** and oh yes, I'm still Chairman, never mind you can't have everything!

Julie Higgins Federation Chairman

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Hello from the WI Office and our first monthly copy of **The Hive!** It's bigger and packed with more exciting news and events than before.

don't miss out

Let's make sure all our members are reading it! If you know someone who isn't receiving **The Hive** or can't access it via email then contact the [WI Office](#) for a printed copy (which for a small cost) can be delivered directly to them. **REMEMBER** **The Hive** is designed to keep us all in touch and is where you can find out what's on at Suffolk West.

Now, we can't go without saying a **HUGE** thank you to all of you who attended our Federation Annual Meeting earlier this month. We plan the event with our members in mind and we've been overwhelmed by your kind and wonderful comments about how much you enjoyed it. Several of you have claimed it was "*the best yet!*" ...Watch this space as we plan to top it!

As always keep sending in your WI news to office.swfwi@gmail.com and **don't forget** to send in your photos too because we love to see you in action as well as hear about it! **The deadline for the next issue is Wednesday 18 May.**

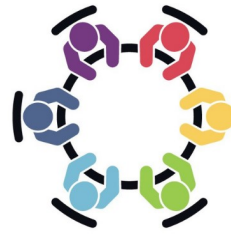
♡ *Rachel Hows and Rachel Sparks, Office Team*

my WISH
charity
Supporting West Suffolk Hospital
NEEDS YOU

Calling all our Suffolk West clever crafters!

My WiSH Charity need patient bags (like a drawstring shoe bag approx. 20cm x 30cm) for the mortuary and bereavement staff so they can give items back in a way they should be rather than a plastic bag.

Contact Sally via Sally.Daniels@wsh.nhs.uk to arrange dropping off your donations.



**SWFWI
Board of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees are WI members who volunteer to oversee the smooth running of Suffolk West Federation.

Trustees are elected every two years by members, but can also be appointed by existing Trustees at anytime. This month we welcomed three new members to the team:



Anne Ling



Tina Walker



Sally Waterson



We look forward to working with you and taking the next steps towards our future together.

We also say a fond farewell to our retiring Trustees:



Rae Stapleton



Glenn Abbassi

Public Affairs WI Campaign News

**SEE THE
SIGNS**
OVARIAN CANCER

Earlier this year NFWI launched the *See the Signs Craftivism* Competition to raise awareness of the key signs of ovarian cancer.

Members were invited to use any materials they wished and encouraged to recycle and upcycle what they already had. They could enter as an individual, on behalf of their WI or together with their local community.

NFWI received many thought provoking entries from across the UK, including **Suffolk West!**

You can see our entry alongside all the other brilliant entries at the online exhibition [here](#)

STAY UP TO DATE with our own Public Affairs committee and their [quarterly PA Memo](#)

Want to know more about WI resolutions past and present? Unsure about how to get involved with campaigns? [The PA Memo](#) is here to help give you and your WI inspiration on how to get started. Don't forget to share with us what you get up to so we can celebrate the wonderful work you do – share via the [WI Office](#) or our [Facebook group](#).

**WELL
DONE!**

Yvonne Newell (Glemsford WI) for knitting the climate scarf which represents how the average UK temperature rose over 100 years! Her masterpiece was featured on the Climate Ambassador stand at our Federation Annual Meeting earlier this month.



theWI **Recruitment Award 2022/23** INSPIRING WOMEN

This April NFWI have launched the WI Recruitment Award scheme. All WIs will have the **chance to win £200 each subscription year**. If you lucky enough to win then the funds are to be used in line with the WI charitable objects and to the benefit of all members, for example towards speakers or an educational trip.

The scheme is live from the start of the new subscription year in **April 2022 until March 2023** and will run every year thereafter.

There are three categories:

- WIs with 24 members or under
- WIs with 25 to 50 members
- WIs with 51 members and over

The WI from each category who has increased their membership by the highest percentage in comparison to the previous year will win.

What do WIs need to do?

Apart from focusing on **recruiting members** and **keeping their MCS up to date**, WIs do not need to do anything at this stage and will automatically be entered into the scheme by their federation.

When and how will the winners be announced?

The winners will be presented with their award at the NFWI 2023 Annual Meeting.

Questions? If you have any questions please get in touch with NFWI's Membership & Engagement Team via membership@nfwl.org.uk

REMINDER

To help promote your WI you can order copies of our Suffolk West promotional poster from the [WI Office](#) which can be personalised with your WI details.

Get recruiting ladies and good luck! 

EVENTS



soup n natter *at Park Farm*
£7 per WI Member | £7.50 non member

Join a ladies only lunch for homemade soups, a selection of breads, pates, cheese, fresh fruit and a natter over a cup of tea or coffee.

Friday 6 May | 12.30-2PM

Carrot & Coriander and Courgette, Pea & Mint

Friday 17 June | 12.30-2PM

Ham & Lentil and Spiced Parsnip

Yvonne will be extending her Soup & Natter schedule until the end of the year. The dates are:

- Friday 1 July
- Friday 7 October
- Friday 5 August
- Friday 4 November
- Friday 2 September
- Friday 9 December

Look out for more details about July & August's soups next issue.



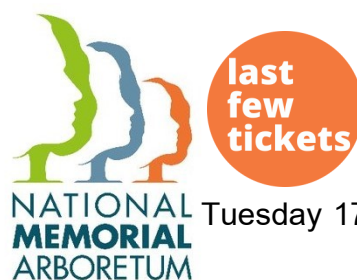
Nordic Walking | Tuesday 10 May | 10AM

Nowton Park | £3 member | £4 non member

Nordic Walking uses poles derived from cross country skiing to deliver a full body workout that can be adapted to any fitness level or age.

Walkers will meet on the football pitches near the main car park. Parking is £2 for two hours. You will need to sign a waiver to say you are fit to walk.

Wear comfortable lightweight layers and walking boots. Poles are provided. Toilets and café on site.



Tuesday 17 May

Discover almost 400 memorials amongst some 25,000 trees in remembrance of our heroes.

Coach pick up points include:

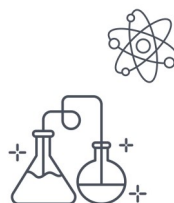
Sudbury 7.30am

Bury St Edmunds 8am

Newmarket 8.30am

Arrival at the Arboretum is approx. 11.30am.

You will have all day to explore and participate in activities including land train tours (incl. in your ticket) and memorial talks. Food and drink is available on site. Coach departs 4.30pm.



SCIENCE FOR ALL

Tuesday 31 May | 10am

Culford School

£20 per member | £23 non members

Includes tea/coffee & buffet lunch

with guest experts...



Dr Matthew Bothwell is Public Astronomer at the University of Cambridge and gives astronomy talks and lectures on almost any area of astronomy.

When he is not doing outreach, he is an observational astronomer, who uses a range of state-of-the-art observing facilities to study the evolution of galaxies across cosmic time. He is also the author of the 2021 popular astronomy book *'The Invisible Universe: Why There's More to Reality than Meets the Eye'*.



Morwenna Degnan has loved science since she was young. She is an Old Culfordian and is really pleased to be back speaking at Culford School.

Morwenna went on to read biomedical sciences at the University of Hull. Her talk is about the secret world of pathology. Even after the pandemic which has thrown a spotlight on pathology, it is still not understood by the general public. Morwenna will share experiences from her biomedical science career.



Alison Giles is an escaped primary school teacher who has worked in museum education since 2013.

After spending time talking about aeroplanes at IWM Duxford, very expensive windows at the Stained Glass Museum and horse intestines at the National Horseracing Museum, she now works at Burwell Museum and Windmill and at the **Whipple Museum of the History of Science**. She will be bringing a selection of objects from the Whipple Museum and talking about the things they tell us about the history of science.

Tickets include complimentary tea or coffee on arrival and a delicious buffet lunch. On sale only until 4th May.



NFWI 2022 Annual Meeting
Saturday 11 June | 10.30am
£5 per member

If you weren't lucky enough to snap up a ticket to attend the meeting in Liverpool in person, then you don't have to miss out. Virtual Observer tickets are available now via [this link](#)



the paddle company

Paddleboarding | Friday 17 June | 1.45PM

The Henny Swan CO10 7LS | £23 member



Ever wanted to try paddleboarding

but don't have the equipment, don't know where to go, don't want



to do it alone? This is your opportunity to join a one hour guided session in the company of friends. The session is fully equipped. You don't need to be able to swim as buoyancy aids are provided. You begin paddling on your knees and can stay like that or if you'd like to stand an instructor will be on hand to help. **Pro-paddleboarders also welcome!**

Wear thin shorts or leggings, t-shirt or swim wear. Bring spare clothes in case you get wet!

Meet at The Henny Swan CO10 7LS at 1.45PM for a briefing before your 2PM session begins and afterwards enjoy refreshments in the garden.

**** Don't forget to include your buoyancy aid size when booking from the chart below.**

Buoyancy Aid Size Chart

Size	Weight		Chest Width (CM)
	KG	Stones	
XXS	30 - 40	4.7 - 6.3	65 - 80
XS	40 - 50	6.3 - 7.9	70 - 85
S	50 - 60	7.9 - 9.5	80 - 95
M	60 - 70	9.5 - 11	85 - 105
L	70 - 90	11 - 14.2	95 - 115
XL	90+	14.2+	105 - 130

Tickets on sale until 25 May. Any questions please contact the [WI Office](#)



CRAFT & CHAT

Park Farm | 10AM-12PM

Fourth Monday of the Month

£2 per member | Pay on the day



Faith & Feminism

Monday 11 July

£38 per member

£40 non member



Discover the fascinating origins of the *Coptic Orthodox Church* followed by a trip to *Knebworth House for the Luton Ladies Tour* to learn about the five centuries of remarkable women associated with it.

Coach pick up points include:

Sudbury 8am

Bury St Edmunds 8.30am

Newmarket 9am

Arrival at the Coptic Church is approx. 10.30am.

After exploring the church you will hop back on the coach to Knebworth House, arriving in time for lunch before the tour. There will be some extra time for exploring after the tour before the coach departs for Suffolk at 4.30pm.

Tickets on sale until Thursday 30 June.



Friday 2 December 2022

£65 per member | £67 non member

Thursford Christmas Spectacular is the biggest Christmas show in Europe with it's extravaganza of singing, dancing, music, humour and variety.

Coach pick up points include:

Sudbury 10am & Bury 10.30am

You will arrive with time to enjoy lunch and to browse the on-site shops. Tickets are for the 2PM matinee performance and lasts approx. 3 hours.

Pay in full or take advantage of our payment plan and pay a £40 deposit and the balance by 8 September. Deposits are non refundable.



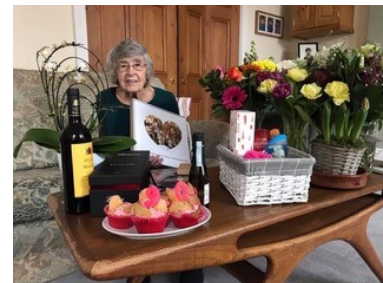
the daisy chain

LINKING TOGETHER WI MEMBERS ACROSS THE COUNTY

Obituary: Daphne Dyer | Bury Afternoon WI

Bury St Edmunds

Afternoon WI is sorry to report the sad loss of Mrs Daphne Dyer, aged 91 years, on 25th March 2022.



Daphne had been a member of our WI for over 11 years and a member of our committee for many of those years. She was an active, energetic lady who, before retirement, had been Head of Year and Head of PE at Hardwick Middle School.

She touched and enriched the lives of many young people, not only through teaching but also her involvement with Suffolk Young People's Theatre. When her late husband Ray set up the charity in 1979 Daphne was deeply involved for the rest of her life. She was also a Governor at Sextons Manor Primary School for many years.

Daphne was organised, entertaining and sociable and contributed greatly to our WI. She will be sorely missed.

Von Cash, WI Member

Haverhill Owls WI Last month Jan Larner introduced us to the delights of Circle Dancing.

Even for those of us with 'bad knees' or can't tell our 'left from our right', a fun time was had. One of the



highlights being a dance to a Ukrainian folk song, a fitting tribute to International Women's Day.

Corrine Griffey, WI Member

Obituary: Lindsay Miles | Honington & Sapiston

It is with great sadness we announce the sudden death of Lindsay Miles, who was a vibrant and supportive member and committee member of our WI. We shall miss her energy and friendship.

Val Norman, WI Member

Woolpit WI Our WI is definitely keeping us busy. Several members attended the Federation Annual Meeting, and we are providing tea and cake for our village celebrations for the Queens Diamond Jubilee and a cake stall for Woolpit's open gardens. Trips have been arranged for G4 at the Apex and West Tofts Military Training Area. Members also really enjoyed a **FREE** tour of the **Yum Yum Tree Fudge** factory at Woolpit Business Park. The tour was very informative and ended with plenty of delicious fudge to sample. To book your tour contact adrian@yumyumtreefudge.com

This month our speaker was a member of **My Wish**. This charity supports and enhances patient care. It supplies things that are not on the NHS remit like iPads during Covid for keeping in touch, quizzes and games for isolated patients when visiting was not allowed, also quiet rooms for distressed families and comfort blankets etc.



Members made blankets for My Wish in advance

The list was endless and the enthusiasm and dedication of the speaker amazing. Their aim is to make life so much more pleasant for patient and carers in what may be a very taxing time.

Liz Hitchcock, WI Member

Barton Mills WI Our April speaker was **Kevin Boardman** who spoke on the subject of **Women on the Oregon Trail**. Focused on the mid 1800's this talk was about how hard it was for women to make the 2000 mile journey across America to a (hopefully) better life. They had very little in the way of 'mod cons' but still had to cope with all the laundry & cooking whilst negotiating 20 plus river crossings, rough terrain, mountains & deserts together with illness & sometimes death. Not for the faint hearted. Kevin himself had done this route - by car and with his wife driving him!

A very entertaining talk which kept our ladies engrossed throughout.

Lynne Leber, WI Secretary

Horringer Court WI Our speaker this month was **Jeanette Moser** and her subject was **Everyone has a story to tell** and she was accompanied by her husband Alan (just to keep her on track!). Her life started in South Africa when she was expelled from school aged 5! She has since published her book *Letting Go* and she urged all of us to talk to our elders and to listen to their tales as everyone has a story to tell.

We had decided to have a monthly bring and buy table which was really well supported and there were great prizes on the raffle stall too.

Our walkers have been out and about again with walks in the daffodils at Nowton Park and a trip round Lackford Lakes.



Lucy Fromings, WI Member



Our **golden ticket** winner for April is **Jayne Knights (Elmswell Exchange WI)**

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Rickinghall WI We have had an interesting couple of months with fun and educational times at our meetings. At our March meeting speaker **Geoffrey Kay** tested our knowledge on art and fashion. At our April meeting our speaker pulled out at the last minute, so we held a bingo night. We also held a plant sale with members going home with cuttings to plant in their gardens and watch grow.

Our book club has started up again, giving members the chance to read books they might not normally choose, and to have a cup of tea and chat. We have also started a lending library at each meeting. We've finished our Soup and Natters until Autumn so later this month we will be going to the *Bell Inn* for a coffee morning. On 29th April members will walk around a bluebell wood and enjoy a welcome hot drink and cake afterwards in aid of *Macmillan Research* and also 'Women Walk the World'.



Rosemary Setterfield, WI President

Chevington WI Sixteen ladies attended our Soup & Natter lunch last month. With a choice of soups (Vegetable, Tomato or Chicken and Sweetcorn) there was something for everyone. It was so nice to be able to all sit together and chat. Soups had been prepared by Committee. Afterwards we were able to enjoy a delicious array of homemade cakes along with tea and coffee which always goes down well.

Arlene brought along examples of possible craft workshop ideas and we will be looking at a date in the near future to start these. There was also discussion on our proposed guided Bury Town walk which Jan is organising for the summer.

Shirley Rogers, WI Member

Bury St Edmunds Afternoon WI We welcomed **Michelle Russell** to our last meeting. She brought many beautiful examples of her glasswork ranging from jewellery to beautiful light catchers.



Michelle's Glasswork

Michelle explained that there is fused glass, stained glass leadwork and foils. Fused glass, which is the fusing together of pieces of glass at a high temperature in a kiln, is used to create glass tiles and jewellery. Foils are lighter and bendier and are often used in tiffany lights and light catchers. Leadwork is used for external windows.

Michelle demonstrated how to cut the glass and explained the process of making the items she had brought. The dustpan and brush is her most essential item to brush up all the chards of glass!! It was a very interesting and informative talk.

Gill Norman, WI Secretary

Risby WI Despite a wet and miserable forecast, a few members met at Ickworth intent on seeing the daffodils. We had a delightful stroll around 'Geraldine's Walk'. Not only did the daffodils make a lovely show but there were various other wildflowers to admire - the mini cyclamen, primroses, snowdrops with super long stalks, and the pretty hellebores in various shades. As the drizzle increased, we put our hoods up and set off to enjoy tea, cake and a natter in the café. We had a very nice afternoon but why did it have to be the only wet day of the week!



Members brave the elements

Elaine Pitt, WI Secretary

Wickhambrook WI The term “Blood Runners” conjures up all sorts of images but this is just the nickname of a group of dedicated people who make up **SERV**. We were expecting a young, long-haired youth on a flashy motor bike but Kerry arrived by car instead!



SERV was set up in Suffolk in 2010. Kerry was at pains to point out that the organisation depends 100% on charity, they receive no government funding and members have to buy their own bikes and equipment. They transport mainly blood products between hospitals or wherever they are needed. They have also been called upon to transport breast milk which can be vital for premature babies. There are 100 volunteers and they work on a relay system to move products across the country. Just this month they have completed 228 runs and 605 runs this year so far. Their spare time is spent fund raising at fairs and festivals as well as giving talks. Kerry did not dramatise this work in any way but we were left wondering how the NHS would cope without this dedicated group of volunteer “Blood Runners”.

Wendy Mansfield, WI President

Drinkstone WI Last month we were joined by **Christine**, a retired florist. She demonstrated how a modern buttonhole is made – we were all quite surprised by the work that goes into such a simple item. Gone are the days when you got any old carnation and the inner from a cigarette packet!

We then all had a go at making a buttonhole under Christine’s guidance and went home proudly wearing them.



Sharon Rose, WI Secretary

Newmarket Evening WI “First take your gaffer tape...” and so began our visit to **Nancy’s Vintage Teashop**. The need for the strange request, was so that we too could learn how to construct a decorative yet cheap cake stand. We watched while Simon, the owner, drilled a hole into each tea plate. “*They shouldn’t split*”, he confidently declared, and indeed each plate stayed intact due to the inclusion of the magic ingredient – water! Insertion of metal stays finished the demonstration – voila! a pretty cake stand.

Briefly pausing to let us all top up on hot drinks and delicious traybakes (the carrot cake was heavenly), then came the second demonstration of the night, fool-proof Hollandaise Sauce. Into beaten egg yolks, melted butter was gently and steadily poured, until an emulsion was created. The rich, smooth, yellow sauce was then liberally drizzled onto steamed asparagus spears, which were all readily sampled. At this stage Simon explained that his business, staffed by an all female (yeah!) workforce bar himself, was too small to have to comply with the recently introduced ‘*Calorie labelling in the out of home sector*’ government directive. So, we continued munching happily in the knowledge that we would not discover the calorific horror of using a whole pack of butter.

We had a delightful evening, and left each holding a recipe for *The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Beacon Tart*. We were pleased to be able to support a local Newmarket business, that had worked hard to adapt (think takeaway Cream Teas, and early morning bacon baps for horseracing personnel) to the last two years of change and uncertainty.

Now let me just check my diary, and see when I can fit in a cream tea...

Joanne Garner, WI Committee

Pakenham WI A full coach of girls headed to the **Newmarket Stud** on a rather windy and dismal April morning, not really outdoor visitor weather. Our lovely driver Stephen got us to our venue on time where we were warmly greeted by our highly knowledgeable guide Nigel. The coach drove us round all the incredible estate stopping at various points for us to get a close up view of the most beautiful horses and foals. It was a truly amazing and wonderful place to visit. Many thanks to Karen and Tracy for organising the trip, not forgetting the very welcome lunch and hot drink at the café

We had another fab evening at our April meeting. **Maria Broadbent** was not only a great speaker but a fabulous cook. This delightful lady filled the village hall with the most delicious smells of the Mediterranean as she expertly demonstrated the cuisine of her Bury based restaurant **Casa**.



Maria Broadbent, Casa

Next month we are absolutely delighted to welcome horse racing hero and legend **Bob Champion** to recall his amazing racing life.

Mary Kirby, WI President

Leavenheath WI At the beginning of May, the **Three Valleys Group** finally held their meeting postponed from 2020. Boxford hosted the event which was attended by members from Bures, Hadleigh, Leavenheath and Nayland W I. The speaker was **Amanda Sutherland** who showed us examples of dresses through the decades of 1920 – 1940.

This year's competition was to produce a Theatre Interval Tray from one of the decades. Nayland won the rose bowl with their exhibit from the 1920's

Anne Boyd, WI President

Moreton Hall WI Our April meeting was an open evening, and all visitors and members had a fabulous time in the company of **Lucy Bunce**, a **composer, harpist and singer** based in Cambridge.

Lucy is delightful and such a talented musician. She accompanied herself on the harp and treated us to a selection of songs interspersed with anecdotes about her background and how the songs came to be written. Lucy has a beautiful voice, and we enjoyed such a calming and uplifting evening. She is particularly known for writing Blessings such as her recently released Blessing for Mother's Day, 'Come Like An Eagle'. Perhaps her most well-known composition is the NHS Blessing which Lucy wrote during the first lockdown in March 2020, at the request of Dr Susie Hunt, who runs a clinician support service called 'Doctors for Doctors' at Addenbrookes Hospital. Lucy performed this inspirational piece on **BBC 1 Songs Of Praise** on Palm Sunday 2021 and, due to the media interest, 'Bless the hands that bless' continues to reach the people who need it. Thank you, Lucy, we had a very special evening.

Alison Shawcross, WI President

Sudbury QH WI Back in February, as part of the *Show the Love campaign*, Sudbury QH pitched up at **Sudbury Library** and raised awareness of climate change. Carrying on from their hard work the library has continued to support the WI campaign. Green hearts are still available to pick up for a small donation as well as information on how book lovers can help.



Pauline Hatch, WI Secretary

Hartest WI It might have been a drizzly and cold day, but little deters the ladies of Hartest WI and they packed a good deal into just one afternoon in

March. First of all they gathered on Hartest Green to plant a hornbeam sapling to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. In a hole dug by Hartest's



Hartest WI Members

Tree Warden, the President, Lynne Webb planted a young tree. A sturdy stake was driven into the soil to support it and a tree guard will protect the trunk from browsing animals. In due course spring flowering bulbs will be planted around the tree and a plaque will commemorate it.



Planting the tree

Members then made their way to Lynne's house carrying bulging bags of items for the Ukrainian folk, so cruelly driven from their homes by the Russian invasion. Blankets, nappies, toiletries, sanitary products, warm clothes as well as medical supplies piled up. Very soon Lynne's dining room was full of donations. Meanwhile, cups and saucers came out, kettles were boiled and two very delicious homemade cakes sliced up. Members gathered in Lynne's conservatory for tea and cake and to reflect on the afternoon's activities. The President expressed her thanks to everyone and added how proud she felt of the good turnout on the Green and the generosity of members.

The following Monday the donations were loaded (just!) into two 4x4s and taken to a collection point in Bury St Edmunds.

Liz Depper, W Secretary

St Edmunds Morning WI We welcomed back **Brian Carline**, a retired headmaster with a wicked sense of humour. In fact he was once an entrant on Opportunity Knocks! He previously spoke to us about his life working in schools with many numerous amusing anecdotes of his former pupils and parents.

This time his talk was entitled **Tripe and Trotters** about memories of growing up in the 40's and 50's. He grew up in Salford a Northern industrial city. He has memories of the great smog's that would engulf it due to the smoke belching from the factory chimneys. However as he said, children in those days still had fun but made their own amusements and their street and old bomb sites were their playground. He had many amusing stories; the weekly bath night with the old tin bath and braving the freezing outdoor toilet, sharing a bed top to tail with his two brothers, the Saturday morning picture show and the Salford Hippodrome. We reminisced on old TV jingles and all had a giggle as it jogged our memories.

Judith Elsey-Warren, WI Member

2023 Diaries on sale!

REMINDER

WI Diaries are £7.50 each (+£1.25 postage). Collection also available.

Order via the [WI Office](#) or your **WI Secretary** by 31 August. Delivery approx. the end of September.

WI Bulb Scheme

If you would like a copy of the **WI Autumn 2022 bulb catalogue** then you can either:

- Request a **copy via post** from the [WI Office](#)
- Or this year you can request a **digital copy and digital order form** from [WI Office](#)

Orders must be sent to the WI Office by 1 June.

Name:	WI:	Email:
Tel:	Address: <i>Tickets are emailed. Include an address if you would like them posted.</i>	

Event/Item	Price	No. req	Names & Emails	Required information
Soup & Natter Friday 6 May 12.30-2PM Park Farm	£7 per member £7.50 non member			Dietary requirements:
Nordic Walking Tuesday 10 May 10AM Nowton Park	£3 per member £4 non member			
Craft & Chat May June July 10AM-12PM Park Farm	£2 per member Paid on the day			Please tick session(s): <input type="checkbox"/> 23 May <input type="checkbox"/> 27 June <input type="checkbox"/> 25 July
National Arboretum Tuesday 17 May Staffordshire	£40 per member £42 non member			Coach pick up point: <input type="checkbox"/> Sudbury <input type="checkbox"/> Bury <input type="checkbox"/> Newmarket
Science for All Tues 31 May 10AM Culford School	£20 per member £23 non member			Dietary requirements:
Soup & Natter Friday 17 June 12.30-2PM Park Farm	£7 per member £7.50 non member			Dietary requirements:
Paddleboarding Friday 17 June 1.45PM The Henny Swan	£23 per member			Buoyancy size:
Faith & Feminism Monday 11 July Knebworth	£38 per member £40 non member			Coach pick up point: <input type="checkbox"/> Sudbury <input type="checkbox"/> Bury <input type="checkbox"/> Newmarket
Thursford Christmas Friday 2 December Norfolk	£65 per member £67 non member			Coach pick up point: <input type="checkbox"/> Sudbury <input type="checkbox"/> Bury
2023 WI Diary	£7.50 + £1.25 P&P			<input type="checkbox"/> Post <input type="checkbox"/> Collect
SWFWI Mug	£7 (+£3.20 p&p)*			<input type="checkbox"/> Post <input type="checkbox"/> Collect
SWFWI Tea Towel	£5 (+90p p&p)			<input type="checkbox"/> Post <input type="checkbox"/> Collect

P&P: *Combined postage for multiple items (incl. mugs) is £3.50. This does not include bulk orders by WIs.

PAYMENT: *Please include a reference (i.e. name of event/item) with payment*

Total: £	By:	BACS (See front of Hive for bank details)	Cheque (SWFWI)
		Secure online payment link (contact the WI Office)	