




Hello from the WI Office Remember those small changes to the Hive that we mentioned last issue? Well, this is probably the biggest one you'll notice. Your second issue of the Hive each month has a *new look!*  It is now dedicated to our Federation events that we plot and plan for your enjoyment, as well as events you're invited to by WIs from across Suffolk West, so grab your diary and start planning for the new year!

Don't worry though you'll still get all the buzz from us, our hard working committees and WIs in our next issue devoted entirely to news. If your WI has

something to share then the deadline for our news issue is **Monday 6 December**.

Once again you'll find the order form on the back of this copy. Your feedback is important to us so if you're having trouble with the new format please let us know.



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS!

We'll be taking a break for the festive season when the office closes for Christmas at **2pm Thursday 16 December** until **10am Wednesday 5 January 2022**.

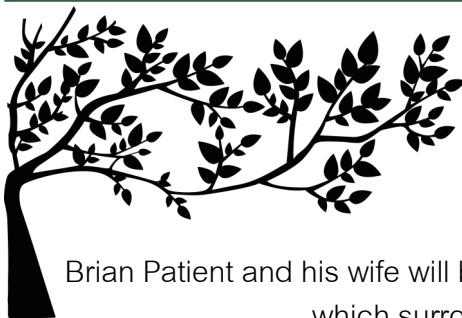
♡ *Rachel Hows and Rachel Sparks, WI Team*

Sounds of Wales in Suffolk | The Apex | Bury St Edmunds
Saturday 27 November | 7.30PM
£22 per person | Book via [The Apex](#)

there's still time to book!

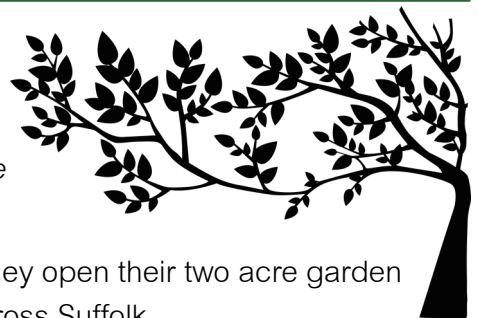
The world-famous London Welsh Rugby Club Choir were last in town for a sell out show in 2018, so if you missed them then then this is your chance to see their showstopping mix of popular tracks and Welsh melodies.

Book your tickets via The Apex website [here](#) or their box office on 01284 758000.



OPEN GARDENS

Would your WI enjoy a tour of a beautiful garden in the picturesque village of Finchingfield?



Brian Patient and his wife will be offering just that in 2022 when they open their two acre garden which surrounds their historic house to WIs across Suffolk.

Located in the centre of Finchingfield in North West Essex, their garden provides interest throughout the seasons, featuring a wide range of Spring bulbs and perennials, moving into numerous attractive shrubs and perennials during the Summer season, before mellowing into attractive colours from shrubs and a large number of specimen trees during Autumn months. All money raised from the tours will be donated to charity. If you are interested in arranging a tour contact Brian via brianpatient@uwclub.net

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01284 336645 | office.swfwi@gmail.com | Reg. Charity Number 1179294

Open Tuesday-Wednesday 10am-4pm & Thursday 10am-2pm

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NO MORE

violence against women

16 days of Activism to End Violence against Women
25 November - 10 December

You can take part in the campaign and show your solidarity with two national events.



Not in my Name Candlelight Vigil | Tuesday 23 November | 6pPM

Light a candle in your home and display it in your window, on your doorstep or social media at 6pm to show your support and solidarity with victims and survivors of violence.



White Ribbon Day | Thursday 25 November

Wear your white ribbon to raise the awareness of men acting on reducing the domestic abuse of women. For a man this could be as simple as crossing the road when walking behind a woman to make her feel safer, or men calling out other men when they say women are to blame for what happens to them.

SUPPORT LOCAL

You can support our local women's refuges' [Bury Women's Aid Centre](#) and [Lighthouse](#) by also wearing a purple ribbon on 25 November, or help us to collect donations of women's and children's socks and knickers or supermarket gift cards (£5 or more) for [Bury Women's Aid](#). Donated items can be left at the WI Office, or if you'd prefer to drop off your donations personally contact them [here](#) to arrange delivery.

[Lighthouse](#) are also asking for donations of supermarket gift cards and have a suggested food donation list too. Contact them [here](#) for more information.

You can find out more information about the No More Violence Against Women campaign [here](#) and don't forget to let us know how your WI will be showing their support at office.swfwi@gmail.com

soup n natter *at Park Farm*

£7 per WI Member | £7.50 non member

Friday 10 December | 12.30-2PM

Festive special with two tasty soups Tomato & Herb, and Broccoli & Stilton.

NEW Friday 7 January | 12.30-2PM

Start the new year with a natter over a bowl of Ham & Lentil or Spiced Parsnip soup.



Friday 4 February | 12.30-2PM

The two soups to tantalise your tastebuds will be Carrot and Coriander, & Courgette, Pea and Mint.



Dates for the rest of the soup season are: 4 March | 1 April | 5 May

Look out for the release of tickets and soups in future issues!



Wednesday 15 December | 11AM

Via Zoom | FOC | Book via [WI Office](#)

Don't forget to register your WIs interest to hear more from the Suffolk Community Foundation and Lord Lieutenant Lady Clare Euston about their plans for the 2022 Festival of Suffolk and how your WI can be involved in the events celebrating and showcasing Suffolk!


CANCELLED! Carol Celebration 2021 | St Marys Church BSE

The Board of Trustees were very sorry to cancel this years Carol Celebration. We realise the disappointment it caused many of you and therefore thought of an alternative to bring some festive cheer...

Mistletoe, Holly, Reindeer and Snow: A romp through Christmas with Graham & Co.
Via Zoom | Friday 17 December | 7.30PM
FOC (a Festive gift from us to you) | Book via [WI Office](#) by 15 December



Join us as Graham and friends take us through the legends, myths and truth behind Christmas and the Festive Season. So grab a coffee, or a glass of wine or tipples of choice and a mince pie, sit back, relax and enjoy an evening of light-hearted stories, music and fun.


Cheltenham College Christmas Carols | [Via YouTube](#)
Christmas Eve | 4PM

This year Cheltenham College will be streaming their carol service on YouTube. David McKee, their Director of Music has kindly allowed us to share the live stream of this event, which will take place in the breath taking College Chapel, with our WI Members. Watch it for free on Christmas Eve at 4pm [here](#)

**NFWI Annual Meeting 2022 Coach Trip****Liverpool | Friday 10 - Sunday 12 June****£192pp*** | Book via [WI Office](#) * includes hotel, travel & event ticket.

NFWI's 2022 Annual Meeting is to be held in Liverpool at the M&S Bank arena on Saturday 11 June.

With Liverpool being more than a stone throw away we've booked a two night stay at the Premier Inn Widnes (approx. 30 minutes outside of Liverpool). Rooms are all single occupancy and include breakfast and a two course evening meal.

Coach pick up points include Sudbury, Bury St Edmunds and Newmarket on Friday 10 June and we return on Sunday 12 June (timings to be confirmed).

If you've never been on one of our Annual Meeting expeditions before then expect plenty of fun!

On our way we stop for lunch and once we arrive at Widnes you are free to do what you choose. Transport is provided to and from Liverpool on Saturday, but if you wish to stay in the city after the Annual Meeting for shopping or dinner you will need to book your own transport back to Widnes. For those who want to head back to the hotel we hope to take a scenic tour out of the city.

The next day, on our journey home, we usually stop at a tourist attraction.

Tickets are limited and therefore it may be necessary to hold a ballot if we are inundated with requests. Register by **31 January 2022**. After this date you will receive confirmation if you have been successful, along with a deposit request and payment options.

This year NFWI will also be offering a virtual option. Look out for more information in 2022!

**SAVE THE DATE!****Thursford Christmas Spectacular | December**

Make a note and look out for more information in 2022!

Name:	WI:	Email:
Tel:	Address: (for posted items)	

Event	Ticket price	No. required	Names of attendees	Other information
Soup & Natter Friday 10 December 12.30-2PM Park Farm	£7 per member £7.50 non member			Dietary requirements:
Festival of Suffolk Wednesday 15 December 11AM Via Zoom	FREE			
Carol Celebration Monday 13 December				CANCELLED
Mistletoe, Holly, Reindeer... Friday 17 December 7.30PM Via Zoom	FREE			Book by 15 December
Soup & Natter Friday 7 January 12.30-2PM Park Farm	£7 per member £7.50 non member			Dietary requirements:
Soup & Natter Friday 4 February 12.30-2PM Park Farm	£7 per member £7.50 non member			Dietary requirements:
NFWI Annual Meeting 2022 10-12 June 2022 Liverpool	£192 per member			Please include email address(es)

Item	Price & PP	No. required
SWFWI Mug	£10 (+£3.20 p&p)*	
SWFWI Tea Towel	£5 (+90p p&p)	
SWFWI Keyring	£1.50 (+90p p&p)	
SWFWI Badge	£2.50 (+90p p&p)	
SWFWI Pen	£1.50 each (+90p p&p) or two for £2.50 (+90p p&p)	

All our merchandise is available to collect from the WI Office.

*Combined postage for multiple items (excluding mugs) is £1.50

*Combined postage for multiple items (including mugs) is £3.50

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

Total paid:	By:	BACS (See front of Hive for bank details)
		Cheque (payable to SWFWI)
		Online payment (contact the WI Office for your link)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Postage prices are for individual orders only and **not** bulk orders by WIs. Contact the WI Office for larger orders.
- Tickets will be issued via email ten days before the event. Please include an address if you would like them posted.
- Ticket cancellations: If you can no longer attend an event contact the [WI Office](#) within seven days of the event. A refund is only possible if the ticket can be resold. A £2 administration fee will be charged.