

Events Guide



Wednesday 28 October, 7.30pm

The Great War; from research to reward with Paddy Stevens

Educated at Cheltenham College before being commissioned into the Royal Air Force in 1973, Paddy retired from active service in 2008 and gained a first class honours degree in history and World War Studies at the University of Birmingham.

Thursday 5 November, 2.30pm

Deafness and How to Manage It with Janet Nanor

During her 30 year teaching career working with deaf children, Jan also worked closely with Dr Watkin, who pioneered the Newborn Hearing Screening Test. Her talk will include facts about famous deaf people (you'll be surprised!) and outline how our ears work and age, and she'll myth bust hearing aids and how to make friends with them, as well as all the latest technology that is available. There will be activities to take part in so have a pencil and paper ready!

Wednesday 11 November, 7.30pm

Christmas Kusudama Paper Flowers with Felicity Jennings

Felicity is President of Spa Sweethearts WI in Harrogate and runs a small independent craft school (Felicity Crafts) which has grown out of her WI craft group during lockdown. To take part in you will need:

- 5x10cm squares of paper (any paper is fine. Wrapping paper will make it Christmassy but it looks good using an old magazine)
- a glue stick and scissors
- a kebab stick or similar



Tuesday 17 November, 7.30pm

It Shouldn't Happen to a Home Economist but it Generally Has... with Sian Fox

Sian canters through her varied and sometimes plain daft career as a home economist. She has worked with Jamie Oliver, the Calendar Girls and cooked in front of Royalty (well nearly!).

Tuesday 24 November, 7.30pm

He's Behind You! With Peter Sowerbutts

A history of pantomime and hilarious tales from Peter's professional thirty five years as a pantomime dame. It's a story of dames, villains and everything in between.

Wednesday 25 November, 7.30pm

Let's Craft: A Christmas Wreath with Margaret Brackenbury

You'll be able to showcase this beautiful creation year after year. To take part you'll need:

- Christmas material (fat squares or whatever material you have, preferably two different patterns). This needs to be cut into appropriately 4" in length x 1" width strips you will need approximately 30 strips in total.
- gold or silver ribbon or to match your material, about half an inch wide you will need 36"
- a piece of narrow ribbon to wrap around the hanging hook. Approximately 12"
- 48" of flexible wire, garden wire is ideal or anything you can bend to make the base
- scissors, pliers or tweezers to manipulate the wire
- a ruler
- mini decorations (Poundland sell packets of baubles, 12 in a pack, cords included. They come in red, silver and gold).



Tickets are **£5 per person**, so invite your friends from other Federations, from your village, from your knitting club, from U3A, EVERYONE is welcome!

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