

EAST KENT FEDERATION

EAST KENT NEWS

JULY/AUGUST 2022



A WORD FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

The days seem to be flying by and it hardly seems possible that three weeks have passed since we boarded the coach to Liverpool. It was a long journey but so worthwhile. Gathering at the M&S Arena the buzz was amazing with members meeting old friends and having the opportunity to chat to so many others.



The meeting was really good and the speakers excellent. Whilst we enjoyed meeting members from other federations it was especially good to be able to spend time and get to know our own delegates. I think we are all looking forward to next year and hope that our enthusiasm will encourage more of you to join us.

There are a number of events advertised in your East Kent News and we hope that you will find something that appeals to you. I should like to draw your attention to the First Aid course on 15th September, the first one was successful and much enjoyed by those who took part and we have been asked to hold another one. A WI may decide to pay for a member to take the course whilst others may choose to do it for their own satisfaction or their job.

I have enjoyed meeting members at various events this year and am looking forward to seeing more of you at your summer gatherings.

Carol Evans, Federation Chairman

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

14 th July 2022	Quiz Walk
27 th July 2022	Paddle Boarding Taster Session
29 th July 2022	Closing date for Summer Competition
12th September 2022	Walk and Talk at Samphire Hoe
16 th September 2022	Closing date for Diary orders
21st September 2022	Top Team Quiz
7 th November 2022	Craft Day at Chartham (further details to follow)
29 th July 2022 12 th September 2022 16 th September 2022 21 st September 2022	Closing date for Summer Competition Walk and Talk at Samphire Hoe Closing date for Diary orders Top Team Quiz

Applications for tickets can either be made individually or via your WI secretary. Please ensure that all booking forms include the names of all attending members.

THOUGHTS FROM THE TREASURER





A couple of weeks ago was the NFWI annual meeting and as usual it was a great event. I enjoy meeting members from WIs and other Federations plus catching up with old friends.

I know a lot of people only go because they are a delegate or because they want to hear the keynote speakers. The speakers didn't disappoint and I hope your delegate has given you a full account of the day.

One thing that made me 'sit up and listen' was when our national treasurer was giving her report. Our national trustees are, like all of us, aware that money is tight for many members and the situation isn't going to get better in the near future.

Jeryl Stone expressed her thanks to those members who have remembered the WI in their wills and asked us to consider leaving a legacy to the WI, either Federation or to the National organisation.

Jeryl went on to encourage us to consider claiming Gift Aid. This can now be claimed on all three layers of subscription. I know in the past committees, and treasurers in particular, have been reluctant to start the process as it was considered to be a lot of work. Of course Gift Aid can only be claimed on subs paid by members who pay sufficient income or capital gains tax so it is not for everyone. However as Jeryl explained if we claim Gift Aid this will help reduce the need to increase subscriptions. Not only will WIs benefit but the Federation will too.

I have looked on MyWI and there is a section on Gift Aid, with links to more information <u>https://mywi.thewi.org.uk/running-your-wi/wi-finances/gift-aid/WI-Gift-Aid-Guidance-2022.pdf</u>.

Remember you can log in to <u>https://mywi.thewi.org.uk</u> using your email address recorded on the MCS and by setting up a password on your first visit.

There are forms which can be downloaded, including an editable one for those WIs that don't ask their members for the full subscription. <u>https://mywi.thewi.org.uk/running-your-wi/wi-finances/gift-aid</u>

However, if you charge non members to attend meetings a WI cannot claim GA, however you can ask for a donation (but cannot indicate how much!) and the benefit of GA may well be greater than the money received on the door from non members. Something to discuss in your WI.

I'm sure I've already lost some of you because you are not on committee, you aren't interested or don't want to even think about it but **please** can all members who pay tax consider completing a Gift Aid form and support your treasurer with the process. In the long run we will all benefit.

Elizabeth Lansman, Federation Treasurer

Delegate expenses NFWI Annual Meeting

Reminder to all WIs: delegates attending the NFWI AM can claim expenses they have incurred over the weekend. These usually are for a preordered lunch, or equivalent, at the meeting plus lunches and drinks enroute to and from the meeting. If you haven't had a bill from your delegate please contact her to ensure that she is reimbursed as soon as possible. Members should not be out of pocket for being a delegate.

WINNERS OF THE JUNE 200+ CLUB DRAW

1 st	No 48	£26.50	Angela Craig of St Stephens WI
2^{nd}	No 109	£15.90	Margaret Barker of Saint Martins WI
$3^{\rm rd}$	No 145	£10.60	Barbara Palmer of Bybrook WI

If you are interested in joining the 200+ club please contact Alison Baker at the Federation Office on <u>assistant.secretary@eastkentfedwi.org.uk</u>

GUILD & GROUP MEETINGS

ASHFORD CRAFT & HOME ECONOMICS GUILD – meetings are held at 2.00pm on the third Monday of the month at the Kennington WI Hall, 228 Faversham Road, Kennington TN24 9AN. The July meeting will be craft demonstrations by members. Contact their secretary, Pat Owen-Smith on 01223 630134 for further details.

DEAL AND SANDWICH CRAFT & HOME ECONOMICS GUILD – meetings are held at 2.00pm on the third Monday at The Guildhall, Sandwich, Kent CT13 9AH. Their July meeting will be an outing. Contact their secretary, Mavis Johns 01304 360541 for further details.

DOVER CRAFT & HOME ECONOMICS GUILD – meetings are held at 2.00pm on the fourth Wednesday of the month at the Whitfield Village Hall, Sandwich Road, Whitfield, Dover CT16 3LY. The speaker at their July meeting is George Taylor, Of Course I Remember the 60s and it's Music. Contact their secretary, Mary Gardner on 01304 820886 for further details.

SHEPPEY CRAFT & HOME ECONOMICS GUILD – meetings are held at 2.15pm on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Bethel Church Hall, Chapel Street, Minster on Sea ME12 3QF. Their July meeting will consist of a 64th Anniversary Tea and the Joan Andrews Shield Competition . Contact their secretary, Val Chatten on 01795 874634 for further details.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL HISTORY GROUP - We are looking forward to a return visit to the White Mill Heritage Centre at Sandwich on 13th July, where there is much to see, as well as a guided tour of the Mill. In August we travel further afield to The Friars at Aylesford Priory with interesting guides , a lovely garden , interesting craft centre, gift shop and tea rooms. For further details, please contact Janet Adamson 01303 893413 or email: janet.a.adamson@btinternet.com as numbers need to be booked.

REPORT FROM THE NFWI ANNUAL MEETING

On Saturday 11th June 23 delegates from East Kent gathered with members from all over England, Wales and the Islands for the NFWI Annual Meeting this year held in Liverpool. For the first time, it was a hybrid event with 2 East Kent delegates and an observer attending from home and as Ann Jones chairing the meeting for the first time told us, some WIs had arranged to watch the proceedings together. However, nothing could beat actually meeting face to face at last and joining with so many fellow members to sing *Jerusalem*, not once but twice, at the beginning and at the close, together with the national anthems, *Land of my fathers* and *God save the Queen*.

The presentation of the Resolution took the usual form with both the proposer and especially the seconder, struggling to compose herself with support from us all, explaining how ASD and ADHD had affected their lives and experts giving their opinions. Contributors from the floor included our Federation Treasurer reading a statement from her WI. As had probably been expected the resolution was carried with a 96.5% majority.

Each WI had a delegate who represented them at this most important event in the organisation's calendar and should by now have received her report. In addition to the business aspects of any such meeting you will have heard of the challenges and similarities experienced by the Northern Island and Scottish WIs and from our two main speakers. Who will forget the dedicated work being done by Kate Garbers, an ambassador for the antislavery organisation *Unseen* or the relaxed and amusing account of her career in Sports administration by Sarah Clarke, culminating in becoming the first woman to hold the office of Black Rod?

The 2023 NFWI Annual Meeting is due to be held in Cardiff, no date yet, but probably in June. Any member can apply to be a delegate and represent 3 or 4 WIs although this may not necessarily include her own. It is a great way to meet, not just others from East Kent but fellow members from the different federations and WIs. There is no expense incurred by the delegate, except perhaps a drink at the bar when an overnight stay is required! So, when the invitation to be a delegate is sent out, do consider joining us and we look forward to seeing you next year.

Dorothy Douse - Membership & Advisory sub-committee

Annual Meeting, Liverpool – A virtual view

As most members are aware the 2022 Annual Meeting was held at the M&S Bank Arena, Liverpool on Saturday 11th June. The coach set off early Friday morning and after several stops on the way arrived in Liverpool early evening.

The arena doors opened at 9.30am on the meeting day and after some confusion about which door to go through members were able to go in and find their seats. It is at this point I confess to not being there. I am unable to travel by coach and decided that as I wanted to follow the meeting I would do so from the comfort of my own home. I booked an observer ticket (\pounds 5.00), and was able to watch from my comfy seat together with my cup of tea!

I won't go into the speakers and resolution as that is detailed elsewhere, but I will say the meeting was very interesting and the speakers superb and I really was sorry that I couldn't have been there in person. The advantage of watching from home was not having to go on the long journey to Liverpool, not having to get up before dawn(!) to set off and being able to make a cup of tea when I wanted it! However, it would have been so nice to have been with other members and meeting up with friends and making new ones and being part of and enjoying the atmosphere.

Gill Bull, Eastry WI

JUBILEE PHOTOS

Below are just some of the photos that have been sent in or posted on Facebook showing how the Jubilee was celebrated by East Kent WIs.



Lynsted with Teyham WI hosted a Coffee morning for the village



St Peters Village WI celebrating in style



A happy member at Middlemarsh WI's Jubilee Party



Sandwich WI enjoyed a delicious afternoon tea



Chestfield WI welcomed a special guest!



Herne WI held a crown making competition.

For more photos check out our Facebook Group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/194088150989832

CHERRYHILL WI & TUNSTALL EVENING WI

At Tunstall Village Fete Cherryhill WI and Tunstall Evening WI worked together to set up the generic WI stand which featured information on campaigns over the years and details of membership. Also advertised were the event programmes from all the local WI's.

The event was well supported and generated a fair bit of interest with lots of leaflets being given away.

Hopefully this will generate potential new members to one of our local meetings soon!!

OFFICER & COMMITTEE MEMBER TRAINING

TRAINING Training sessions will be arranged in the Autumn by the Membership and Advisory Committee for any WI Officer or Committee Members who feel they would benefit, whether they have been

for any WI Officer or Committee Members who feel they would benefit, whether they have been in the post for a few months, a few years or a considerable number of years!

These will take place around the Federation and the cost of attending a session is to be paid by the WI. (£10 per WI)

If you are interested please complete the form below and return to the Federation Office, either by post or email by Friday 15th July 2022.

Officer & Committee Member Training

WI:

Name:

Tel: Email:



FAVERSHAM GUNPOWDER WI

Faversham Gunpowder WI once again went to great efforts with their Jubilee post box toppers.





Performing Arts, Leisure and Sport Committee Clare Boggia (Secretary) <u>boughtongreys@gmail.com</u> 07912038891

TOP TEAM QUIZ



WIs are invited to enter teams of up to six members per table to an afternoon quiz at the Westgate Hall, Westgate Hall Road, Canterbury CT1 2BT

Wednesday 21st September 2022, 1.15 for a 1.45 pm start - 4.45pm

Tea/Coffee and biscuits at half time £8 PER PERSON

Please fill in the entry form below and send to the East Kent Federation Office with payment by 19th August 2022

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Top Team Quiz Entry Form

Name	WI
Address	
Email	
Contact Tel No:	No. of tickets for Team
Please send an SAE for return of tic	kets and a cheque (written in black ink)
for £	(£8 per person)

COOKERY CORNER

Honey Cake

Get inspired with this tried and tested recipe courtesy of the NFWI's Cookery committee.



Ingredients

- 200 g self-raising flour
- 2 large eggs
- 125 g butter
- 150 g clear honey
- 100 g soft brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon of water
- Optional 1 teaspoon mixed spice or a few flaked almonds.

Method

- 1. Set oven at Gas Mark 5 or 175 C $\,$
- 2. Grease and line a tin 28cm x 18cm
- 3. Put the sugar, butter and honey in a large pan and melt together
- 4. Allow to cool
- 5. Beat in the eggs, water and flour (and spice if used)
- 6. Mix well
- 7. Place in the cake tin and sprinkle with flaked almonds if used and bake for about 35 mins until firm.

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

I hope you are all enjoying the new version of The East Kent News. However as this is your magazine your input is needed.

- Do have an interesting hobby?
- Have you had a varied or unusual career?
- Do you have any quizzes, recipes or craft project other members might like to try?
- Read any good books recently that other members might enjoy?

If you would like to submit any copy for The East Kent News please send it in either by post or email to <u>federation.secretary@eastkentfedwi.org.uk</u>

THE COMPETITION CUP 2022/2023



SUMMER COMPETITION



The Summer Competition is being run by the Food, Gardening & Creative Arts Committee

Produce a painting of a wild flower meadow in any medium and no bigger than A4 in size.

Closing date for entries to arrive in the Federation Office is Friday 29th July 2022

Send your entry marked Summer Competition to: East Kent Federation, Crown House, John Roberts Business Park, Pean Hill, Whitstable, Kent CT5 3BJ

Only one entry per person.

Name WI	
Address	
I agree to allow the East Kent Federation to publish	my entry in East Kent News
Signature	Date



Get involved with WI campaigns

Have your voice heard and make a real impact on local, national and global issues by campaigning with the WI. Our campaigns bring WI members together to take action and achieve change in policy and practice on issues we all care about.

Please visit the website: www.thewi.org.uk/campaigns or contact the Public Affairs team: 020 7371 9300 ext. 2002- pa@nfwi.org.uk





EAST KENT FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTES Crown House, John Roberts Business Park, Pean Hill, Whitstable, Kent CT5 3BJ Tel: 01227 464106 Charity No: 219375

PADDLE BOARDING TASTER SESSION

Have you ever wanted to try paddleboarding? Now's your chance!

Wednesday 27th July at 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm at Seapoint Canoe Centre, Princes Parade, Hythe CT21 5ZY £22.50 per person

Join us for a two hour paddleboarding session with full instructions. All equipment will be supplied but you will need comfortable clothes, old trainers or swim shoes together with a towel and sun protection.



Spaces are limited so send your ticket application in as soon as possible!

Please fill in the form below and send it together with your cheque for £22.50 (written in black ink) to the East Kent Federation Office, Crown House, John Roberts Business Park, Pean Hill, Whitstable, Kent CT5 3BJ

Name WI.

Tickets, further information and a consent form will be sent out by email. If booking for more than one person please list everyone's email address overleaf.

2023 NFWI Diary Order Form



The **2023 NFWI Diary** has a **red** cover that is completely recyclable and contains all the usual features such as notable events and information on the WI. The price will be **£7.00** each.

Orders for the diaries need to be at the Federation Office by **Friday 16th September 2022.** Additional copies of the diary will not be available in the office this year.

This year there will be an A5 diary (larger version of the pocket diary) that will be sold exclusively via the WI website at a cost of £10.00.

Please complete the form below and return it with your remittance to: Alison Baker, Assistant Federation Secretary, EKFWI, Crown House, John Roberts Business Park, Pean Hill, Whitstable, Kent CT5 3BJ by Friday 16th September 2022. Please email Alison at <u>assistant.secretary@eastkentfedwi.org.uk</u> with any queries.

2023 NFWI Diary Order Form

WI:

Name: Contact Number:

Please make cheques payable to EKFWI and write diaries on the back. Closing date for orders is Friday 16th September 2022.

CONTACT INFORMATION Federation Office Crown House, John Roberts Business Park, Pean Hill, Whitstable CT5 3BJ Tel: 01227 464106 Email: federation.secretary@eastkentfedwi.org.uk Opening Hours: Tuesday to Friday, 9.30am – 3.00pm (closed for lunch from 1.00pm to 1.30pm)



Public Affairs Committee

PLASTIC FREE PICNIC

FRIDAY 29th JULY



WILLESBOROUGH WI HALL 100 CHURCH ROAD, ASHFORD, KENT, TN24 0JG

12.30 pm - 3.30 pm

As a finale to Plastic Free July

Here's the challenge - Can we have a picnic without single use plastic, or maybe no plastic at all?

Bring your picnic and a chair and join us for an informal quiz, a sharing of ideas, a competition and a raffle.

Tickets £5.00

Please fill in the form below and send it together with your cheque (written in black ink) to the East Kent Federation Office, Crown House, John Roberts Business Park, Pean Hill, Whitstable, Kent CT5 3BJ. Please include the names of all those attending and a stamped addressed envelope.

PLASTIC FREE PICNIC

WI
Names
No of tickets required Enclosed £
Email address





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With the winter approaching we invite you to attend a **Zoom Talk**



WITHOUT RESERVE

Speaker: Janie Ramsay

The Antiques trade is quite unique with its own rules. This talk takes you behind the scenes of both retail and auction houses. The good, the bad and the really bad are brought into the light. Our speaker has worked in the trade for over 40 years, including as Director at Sothebys. There is some audience participation in this talk and promises to be lots of fun!

Tuesday 15TH November 2022 at 7.00 PM

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME – NOW 7.00 PM

£5 PER PERSON

Please fill in the form below and send to the East Kent Federation Office with your payments by 25th October 2022 For further information please contact: Performing Arts, Leisure and Sport Sub-Committee Contact: Clare Boggia Telephone: 07912038891 Email: boughtongreys@gmail.com

Name......W.I.

Please **PRINT** Email address:

Contact Tel No:

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE AN EMAIL CONTACT PLEASE ENSURE YOU ENCLOSE A SAE

JUST FOR FUN!

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Answers from June 2022's The East Kent News

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- 2. Flowers
- 3. Bermuda
- 4. John Kay
- 5. Flourine
- 6. Oxford
- 7. Quilting
- 8. Pterodactyl
- 9. Aire
- 10. John Simm

- 11. Jean-Paul
- 12. 1818
- 13. Beef stew
- 14. Arrow
- 15. California
- 16. Clay pigeon shooting
- 17. Mickey Murphy
- 18. An oenophile
- Woodward
 Alum Bay