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# WEST KENT WI NEWS

July/August 2025

## **ART & CRAFT ANNUAL DAY**

**WEDNESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER**  
**Ditton community Centre**  
**ME20 6AH**

**Wendy Andrade with her passion for  
all things floral and her love of  
crafting**



**Kate Marlborough takes us back to the  
time of Anne Boleyn, telling us how  
and why she had worn the fabrics of  
the time.**

**Off to the circus with Curtis Tappenden  
to hear of the history of the circus how  
it inspired his art, finishing with an art  
demonstration**



## VIEW FROM THE CHAIR



Well, as always, the months are shooting by (is this the fault of old age?) and here I am writing my piece for our July/August edition! Yes, we are giving our editors and contributors a summer break to recharge the batteries! At home I have been without a proper kitchen since March but the end of the building of our new extension is now in sight and as you read this my new kitchen will be being fitted! My neighbours have been wonderful offering parking spaces and use of kitchens when they are away. Everyone has been so very kind and helpful. I think we will have to have a big thank you party at the end!

Planning for next years AGM continues at a pace and in September we will be announcing our line-up. I'm very pleased with how it's all coming together, and I hope you will be too!

I was lucky enough to go on the Green Team Walk round Shoreham recently and it was great to catch up with my WI friends and make new ones. I'm guessing that for most of us that's what the WI means to us – friendship. I hope that over the summer you all have the opportunity to catch up with your WI friends either at your meetings, special August events for those that don't meet that month or at other organised events. Time to have a catch up and a chat maybe over a cup of tea and cake!

Have a great summer everyone –  
Take Care

*Amanda*

## Treasurer's Corner



This year is going so fast and I cannot believe this is the July edition of the Treasurer's Corner.

Your secretary will have received correspondence in June regarding the NFWI launch of new WI Officer Induction modules which are now live and available to book via the WI Learning Hub! Whether you're newly appointed or looking to refresh your knowledge, this modular training is designed to support you in your Officer role—President, Secretary, or Treasurer. There is a Treasurer Induction Module plus an Additional Training Module for WI Treasurers. I would highly recommend both even if you are an established WI Treasurer. The link is : WI Training On Demand : WI Officer Induction - WI Learning Hub

If you have any queries once you have completed the modules, please do not hesitate to contact me.

It is also important that all Treasurers are aware of the WI constitution and rules. This is available in myWI – Essential Information. There are also documents under this heading regarding fundraising, lottery and WI raffle.

Under another heading – Running your WI, there is a section for WI Finances where you will gain further information as well as being able to download the WI spreadsheet.

*Rita King*

## Federation Noticeboard for July/August 2025

West Kent Federation is pleased to announce a new WI within the Cray Group – **Falconwood**. They meet on the **3rd Tuesday** of the month at **7.30pm** in the Small Hall, Falconwood Community Centre, 31-39 Falconwood Parade, Welling DA16 2PG.

### Yearbook

Please note that as from Thursday 11 September, **Nevill WI** have a new venue: St Peter's School, Hawkenbury Road, Tunbridge Wells TN2 5BW. All other details remain the same.

## HAVE YOU?

For International Friendship Day—**Have you** made a friendship within the WI? If so, we would love to hear how this has impacted on your life?



We would also be grateful for your recommendations for a good read, for a feature in a WKN Book Corner for July/August which may even become a monthly feature!

Please email all text, recommendations and any photos to [sysadmin@wkwfi.org.uk](mailto:sysadmin@wkwfi.org.uk)

Many thanks, Keeley Smart

In May a group of us from **Meopham WI** had a private tour of Hall Place House in Bexley. We chose the Santa Fe tour and what an amazing tour it was. During the war Hall Place House was requisitioned for the war effort. It was used by the U S Army Signal core in cooperation with the British Intelligence Service as an intercept station to decipher morse code signals from the Germans. Hall Place was STATION Y to Bletchley Park's STATION X. That together with beautiful grounds, lovely lunch and a visit to the Butterfly Garden made for an amazing day.

At our AGM the role of President was handed over to me. A role I am honoured to have.

Suzanna Downing



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025

### AUGUST

Tues 12 International Evening Sevenoaks

### SEPTEMBER

Mon 8 Water sports Mote Park  
Tues 9 Broderie Perse Workshop EHL  
Thur 11 Broderie Perse Workshop Snodland  
Sat 13 Broderie Perse Workshop Orpington  
Weds 24 Art & Craft Annual Day Ditton

### OCTOBER

Sat 11 Auditions Day Hildenborough  
Weds 15 Matthew Palmer Watercolour W/shop EHL  
Thur 16 Matthew Palmer Watercolour W/shop Hextable  
Fri 17 Matthew Palmer Watercolour W/shop Snodland  
Sat 18 Matthew Palmer Watercolour W/shop Orpington  
Weds 22 Lifestyle Annual Day Ditton  
Thur 23 Annual Whist Day Ryarsh

### NOVEMBER

Fri 21 Murder Mystery St Mary's Platt

## Back by Popular Demand!

### SPEAKER

## AUDITIONS

### Help Select our Speakers

St John's Church Hall, 20 Foxbush, Hildenborough,  
Tonbridge TN11 9HT

Saturday 11 October

Doors open at 9.30am with the first speaker at 10.00am and the day will finish at 3.00pm

Tickets are £10.00 and include tea or coffee on arrival and during the lunch break

Please bring your own cup and a packed lunch

If you would like to come along, please email [tickets@wkwfi.org.uk](mailto:tickets@wkwfi.org.uk) with your WI, contact name, email address, telephone number, event, date of event, venue and number of tickets required.

If applying by post your WI will be invoiced for the number of tickets issued and billed £1 for postage.

Please DO NOT enclose a stamped addressed envelope.





## BOOK CORNER



Frankie by Graham Norton

The Tally man by J A Wells

The School Teacher of Saint -Michel by Sarah Steele

The Salt Path by Raynor Winn

The Seven Sisters by Lucinda Riley

Sisters under the rising sun by Heather Morris

From **Diane Daniels, South Park WI**

Rosie Thomas - The Kashmir shawl: A moving tale of the owners of this shawl set in Asia

Markus Zusak - The Book Thief: A poignant and moving story set in German occupied Europe. Very compelling story but not a "light read"

From **Carol Dorman, Aperfield WI**

My name is **Janet KH** and a member of **Crockenhill WI** Book Club.

We are newly formed, meeting once a month since January 2025.

From old copies of WI Life we choose what book to read every month. By reading older books it saves us having to pay for hard back books and paying a lot more for a brand new book! Some of our members chose to buy Audible books or download the books onto their Kindles. But we also have a large number of members that like a book in their hands.

We have lively discussions about the latest book with an array of different opinions. I can only describe it as extremely informative and so much fun. We have at present 21 readers but our numbers continue to rise.

So far we have had one book that was an out and out winner with our club members and that was 'Darling Girls' by Sally Hepworth with 'Miss Austin Investigates, by Jessica Bull coming second. Our next meeting is on the 27 May when we will discuss our latest and 5th book. 'River Sing Me Home', by Elleanor Shearer. We will keep in touch and let you know what the verdict of the Book Club next month.

I highly recommend other branches of WI to start their own Book Club. Then we can hear what they are enjoying reading.



Our first meeting at a members house.



Our 3rd meeting held in our village hall due to expanding numbers joining our Book Club.

On 30 April **CROCKENHILL WI** members, their husbands and dogs walked 3 miles around our favourite part of the world, our village, for ACWW, 'Women Walk The World.' It was the hottest day of the year. We had a very special leader at our helm, our local historian, Dr Susan Pittman, who very kindly joined us and provided a wonderful walking historical commentary of our village through the centuries. I can say it was a truly amazing and enjoyable day.



At our May meeting we had a final count of the money, our walkers all paid a fee of £5 to walk and with the money collected from their sponsors we raised £300 with still some monies to be received. So well done to all our wonderful walkers.  
Cherie Yeates

## ART AND CRAFT



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# Matthew Palmer Watercolour Workshops

**Oast Houses** on Wed 15 October at Ethel Hunt Lodge

**Lavender Basket** on Thurs 16 October St. Peter's Church, Hextable

**Dungeness** on Fri 17th October at Bowls Club, Snodland

**Narrowboat** on Sat 18 October at St. Nicholas Church Orpington

10 am to 3:30 pm, Doors open 9:30 am

Cost of ticket £ 36. priority to members,

Non-members £5 surcharge

Please bring a packed lunch and a mug for coffee



Popular professional artist Matthew Palmer will be returning to teach us more watercolour

workshops suitable for beginners to the more experienced improver.

No need to buy any supplies in advance, Matthew will supply a sketch for you and all the paint you need to complete your painting. He will lend boards, palettes and brushes.



Please bring a pencil, eraser, water container and kitchen roll. If you have your own painting kit please feel free to bring it. We will need 3 round brushes - a large size 16/18/20, a medium size 10 or 12 and a small size 4 or 6, and a rigger brush might also be useful. Primary colours will be used: red, yellow and blue and all other colours can be mixed from those but bring others if you have them. He will bring his art shop so that you can top up your supplies if you wish. **Kit charge £5.**



**WATERSPORTS 2025 - MONDAY 8 SEPTEMBER****Mote Park, Mote Avenue, Maidstone, ME15 7SU****Each Session - either Paddle Boarding or Kayak £15**

Back by popular request fun and games on the lake at Mote Park. Stuart and his fully trained and insured crew will be on hand to instruct and guide you. The lake is only shallow but buoyancy aids are available for those who wish to borrow them. Please bring a towel and a change of clothing, footwear - closed toed shoes only please.

Please indicate on your application (see back page) your preferred instruction times.

**Paddleboard 10.30am - 11.30am or 12 noon - 1pm****Kayak 1.30pm - 2.30pm**

Paddleboarding, as kneeling is involved we regret this sport is not advisable for anyone waiting for or who has had knee replacements. Kayaks because of the sitting position, not suitable for those with replacement hips. Kayak if you have a Pilates block or can bring a towel to pad your lower back against the Kayak, it will be more comfortable. You are very welcome to join in with both the Paddleboarding and the Kayaking.

Not up to joining in with the instruction? Why not come along watch the fun or hire one of the pedalos. Photos of the activities please forward to [pals@wkfwi.org.uk](mailto:pals@wkfwi.org.uk).

Closing date 1 August, there may be spaces after the closing date but we do need to ensure that the size of each session is not too large. Looking forward to seeing regular participants and meeting the 'newbies'.

In May ten ladies from **BEXLEYHEATH & CRAYFORD** WI booked a 'fine dining' meal at City View Restaurant. This is run by catering students and we all enjoyed a four course meal for a very reasonable price (soup, starter, main (choice of meat, fish or vegetarian) then dessert, a choice of three. On being



welcomed and shown to our table we were offered a cocktail of fresh raspberries, grenadine, lemonade with optional vodka, at well below pub prices! Halfway through the meal the students came out of the kitchen and the waiting & bar staff were introduced to us. We were

encouraged to give feedback on the courses already eaten. We also gave feedback after our desserts, which was followed by tea or coffee. The balcony offers panoramic views over London and feeling extremely full we left with everyone saying we must go there again.....

Susan Harvey





## LIFESTYLE ANNUAL DAY

Wednesday 22 October

Ditton Community Centre ME20 6AH

10:30 am to 3:30 pm, doors open 9:30 am

**Please bring your own mug for coffee and a packed lunch.**

**Members Tickets £15. Non-members £20.**

Our October Lifestyle Annual Day has some interesting speakers lined up for you this year:

Our first speaker, Stephan Moehrke, is the lead physiotherapist for Tunbridge Wells and Maidstone hospital. He will be telling us how to look after our bodies and, hopefully, keep them maintained for the future. Having been under Stephan's care, I can confidently vouch for his methods, his care and the results.



Our next speaker is Bob Ogley. He will be telling us of his experiences, as lead reporter, for Kent, during the great storm. His story is fascinating to listen to and very apt for the time of year. Let's hope there are no winds forecast for our day!

Our final speaker is Chris Murphy; Chris started the Repair Cafe, in Tunbridge Wells, and will talk to us about the trials and tribulations of making this work. It has been a great success and has surpassed everyone's expectations. Fits in very nicely with the WI ethos of Make do and Mend.



I hope you will be able to join us for our day. As usual, there will be Country Markets and some independent stalls to shop at. And, of course, it wouldn't be an Annual Day without a raffle.

We look forward to welcoming you to Ditton.



**SOUTH PARK WI**, May craft afternoon was spent producing a small painting using a Silicon Pastry Brush, Acrylic Paints & a small paint brush, and what a lovely variety of works of art the ladies produced. Amanda Bird



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## Introduction to Broderie Perse

(French for Persian Embroidery)

With Maxine Keeble



**Tuesday 9 September at Ethel Hunt Lodge, Pembury TN2 4AG**

**Thursday 11 September at Snodland Church Hall,**

**209 Malling Road, Snodland ME6 5EE**

**Saturday 13 September at St Nicholas Church Hall,**

**Orpington, BR6 9QB**

Please bring a packed lunch and a mug for coffee.

10 am to 3:30 pm, Doors open at 9:30 am

Tickets: Members £27.00 Non-members £32.00 Priority to members

Maxine was formerly Head of Textiles at a Kent Grammar School and a Qualified Adult Education Tutor.

Broderie perse is an appliqué technique where motifs, such as flowers, leaves and birds, are cut from a piece of fabric and then appliquéd on to a larger piece of plain fabric by combining motifs to create a pleasing new design. The day will start with brief look at the history of Broderie Perse.

The technique will be worked using hand embroidery on a small panel approximately 50cm x 50cm ideal for a cushion front, wall hanging or centre piece for a quilt. This workshop is suitable for both beginners and the more experienced. Step by step written instructions plus demonstrations will be given on all stages throughout the day. Further ideas for embellishment and decoration will be discussed before you go home.

Appliqué Perse Kit Charge £5 payable in cash on the day will include: Bonda web, printed instructions, plus fabric and thread to practise with.

You will need to bring scissors, pins, embroidery threads, needles, background fabric and patterned fabric. Full details on application.



Ticket application box on back page.  
Closing date for tickets Friday 22 August.





## ANNUAL WHIST DAY

**Thursday 23 October**

**Ryarsh Village Hall, Birling Road, Ryarsh, ME19 5LS**

10.30 am—3.30pm (Doors open at 10.00am for registration and tea/coffee)

Ticket price £15.00 includes lunch —members only.

Our Whist Day, with Ploughman's lunch and dessert, is always popular. We look forward to welcoming many familiar faces and hopefully some new players. You do not have to attend as a pair, single players are welcome and you will be put with another solo member. The cards will be shuffled, score sheets named and play will commence at 10.30 am sharp, Sheila Miles will be on hand to oversee the play and answer any queries.



When applying for tickets **please** let us know of any special dietary requirements, we need to know for when we go shopping, not as a surprise on the day.

Please apply for tickets, as per the back page, by supplying the required information by 3 October.

We require the following information: Name of person applying and a contact phone number. Your WI, the number of tickets requested the name of the players and if they have any special dietary requirements - thank you. Your WI will be invoiced for the number of tickets issued.

If you can, please bring your own mug/cup for your hot drinks—that will be most helpful.

Our April Mystery trip got off to a fantastic start as the weather was beautiful and a full contingent of **CROCKENHILL WI' ERS** were eager to see where our driver Kevin was taking us this time. He has never disappointed and our first stop was at the Devils Punchbowl for a coffee stop. The area was stunning and full of dog walkers with every breed imaginable. Then onwards to a museum dedicated to the Cockney Pearly Kings and Queens. An amazing collection of photographs from the last century to current times documenting the formation of costermongers before they were known as Pearly Kings and Queens. Our final stop was at a garden centre that



specialised in support and wellness that helped people recovering from mental trauma. An excellent and varied day was enjoyed by all.



Pat Wells Crockenhill WI Secretary

**SOUTHFLEET WI** worked in collaboration with Sedleys School in Southfleet to create some gingerbread bunting with the children. They were welcomed to the school where a group of children and members created a bunting with the school logo. Both children and adults alike enjoyed this experience. *Regret we are not allowed to use pictures of children.*

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## Art & Craft Annual Day

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10:30 am to 3:30 pm, doors open 9:30 am

**Please bring your own mug for coffee and a packed lunch.**

**Members Tickets £15. Non-members £20.**

### SPEAKERS:

**Wendy Andrade, NDSF AIFD CFD FBFA** has a passion for all things floral and would love to share her story about how she became a published author through the love of crafting. Join Wendy as she takes you on her journey of creating two floral crafting books that have sold worldwide and have led to many fun adventures .



**Kate Marlborough-Fletcher dresses as Anne Boleyn** for an entertaining talk to take us back to the sixteenth century with a live demonstration of how and why Queen Anne would have dressed and the significance of certain colours, weights and fabrics of the apparel worn.

**Curtis Tappenden: The Art of the Circus.** Curtis is an author and illustrator who has for many years been drawing for magazines, books, advertisements and newspapers. He has written books and visits art clubs around the country with his unconventional presentations. Curtis is a performance poet and painter and has been drawing live in Britain's circuses. He will give an entertaining talk about the history of the circus and his own passion and involvement with them, finishing off with an art demonstration.



Our ever popular Bring & Buy stall will be there as well as the excellent supplies from Rainham Sewing and artisan retail stalls.

Ticket Application on back page. Closing date Friday 5 September 2025.





## Green Team

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Writing this piece at the very end of May it seems as if summer has arrived with glorious sunshine, and the countryside and peoples' gardens a mass of colour. But declining rainfall, and globally rising temperatures are causing crop failures leading to food shortages, devastating wild fires, are destroying forests, people's homes and livelihoods, plus serious changes to marine life with both coral reefs and fish suffering greatly

We can all do our bit to try and alleviate this deeply worrying trend of lessening rainfall even if by only taking small and simple steps. A bucket beside the kitchen sink can be used to collect the cold water which initially comes out of the hot tap and then used to water your garden or the pots on a balcony. Showers too use much less water than baths.

In the case of what we can do to help prevent the destruction of our seas and marine life, it is not just plastic that ends up in the water, causing harm but the sunscreens which we apply to our bodies. Approximately 10 million tonnes of UV-filtering chemicals are produced each year for sunscreen products, with about 25% of sun cream being washed off within the first 20 minutes of swimming, resulting in an estimated 14,000 tonnes of UV chemicals entering global waterways each year. Scientists warn that even at low concentrations, sunscreens can cause the rapid and complete bleaching of hard corals. In some parts of the world bathing spots have notices prohibiting people from entering the water if using products that contain sunscreen chemicals known to cause bleaching. Research on this topic is still developing but when reading the ingredients list steer clear of oxybenzone and octinoxate.



On 24 April some members of **Aperfield WI** completed a walk through our local woods in Biggin Hill. This has become an annual event for us, giving the opportunity to enjoy the bluebells and raise funds for ACWW.

Jennifer Melotte



A small party from **SHOOTER'S HILL WI** went to Emmetts Garden to see the glorious bluebells on a sunny day in the middle of April.

It was wondrously blue and fragrant and well worth a visit next year. Maggy Park







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### INTERNATIONAL (AFRICA) EVENING

Sevenoaks Community Centre Bat and Ball Centre, Crampton's Road TN14 5DN

Tuesday 12 August 7pm to 9pm (Doors open 6.30pm)

Ticket Price £12 per person

**Please come and join us and with our speaker Kim Biendell**

**'Life growing up in South Africa' – pre and post apartheid**

Then further entertainment with Master Drummer **Souleymane Compo** is the Founder and Artistic Director Wuntanara. Souleymane was born into the proud musical tradition in Guinea. As a young man he travelled to The Gambia, where he continued his training in the traditional arts with Guinean masters, in the famous Fatala Drum and Dance School. He soon began teaching African drumming and dance to students from all over the world. An accomplished dancer, he also became choreographer and lead dancer for the Fatala Ballet troupe.

Souleymane moved from Africa to London in 2004. Since then, he has been teaching and performing in schools, weekly classes, festivals and private events across the UK. He combines warmth and patience with great musical knowledge and skill. He is an inspiring teacher, as well as an accomplished performer.



**Taster Food and drink**

**(No dietary requirements can be accommodated on this occasion)**

We look forward to seeing you there.

Please see back page for ticket applications.

Closing Date: 18 July.

### REPORT OF A RECENT EVENT

Monday, 16 June dawned warm and fairly sunny for the WI Water Sports Day at Mote Park, Maidstone. With a bit of trepidation our group set off to join the second sitting of the Paddleboarding/Kayaking experience. Most of us had been to previous sessions but our instructor, Stuart advised us in a clear manner so that everyone was left feeling reasonably confident. Once on the boards most people eventually stood up although in my case I took soaking before finally succeeding. Once we had gained our sea legs so to speak, we all enjoyed paddling around in the peaceful location.

Following a brief break for lunch, it was on to the kayaking. Initially we paddled around Terrapin Island and then had the first ever kayaking netball game. This proved to be great fun and very competitive.

A great day – thanks to the organising committee. Moira Ensol, Marden WI



Thanks to Annette Parish Greenslade WI for the photos of the 1st Paddleboarding session. Which she enjoyed watching



**ISTEAD RISE WI** incorporated into its May Annual Meeting a visit from Simon from Dynamo Concise Training to help update any First Aid Training anyone had received in the past. Also, how to explain, with the help of his partner Annie, the mysteries of the defibrillator attached to the Memorial Hall wall. It was all very informative and we felt reassured by Simon's instructions. We had invited some members of the local Retirement Group and Gardeners to attend this part of the meeting – Bystanders can be Lifesavers too.



Then in June David Williams, from the Gravesend Floral Art Groups wowed us with his flower arranging presentations, with many beautiful flowers being part of the raffle. This one only used a female head and neck, but did mean two arrangements for the raffle.



## **CATFORD WI TREASURE TRAIL - The Four Bridges of London 31 May 2025**

London, bathed in warm sunshine, made it the perfect day for the four Bridges of London Treasure Trail. 12 teams were entered from 11 WIs, in total 64 took part.

The clues took the teams along the Thames Path from Blackfriars Station, crossing four bridges, to reach the final destination near London Bridge, where they received their reward for completing the trail.

Everyone enjoyed the trail, giving positive feedback and looking forward to next year's Treasure Trail. Below some of the competitors—sorry not room for everyone.



Ladies from **BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA WI** and some husbands enjoyed an exciting morning playing crazy golf at The Ridge Golf Club followed by lunch. Thanks to Amanda Waugh (our new President) for arranging.

Thank you  
Anthea Springett



**BEARSTED GREEN WI - OUTING.** A beautiful sunny May day. Well worth the early start! A relaxing coach journey to Windsor. Time for refreshments and then a fascinating look around Windsor Castle. Followed by a River Cruise with cream tea. A leisurely trip from Windsor Promenade through Boveney Lock and passing Bray Film Studios and return. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day. No delays on journey home - perfect!  
Rachel Shepherd







## OBITUARIES

### Shorne & Thong WI

is sad to report the death of **ANITA BRIDGER**.

Anita was a very active committee member and treasurer. She will be remembered for the beautiful knitted baby clothes donated to the Special Care Baby Unit at DVH. Anita also organised the monthly lunch club and will be greatly missed.

The **Farleigh's WI** is sad to announce the death of a past member. **LILIAN DAVIES** passed away on the 30 May after a long illness. She will be remembered by some of our older members as a lovely lady who loved to come to the WI, even when daughter Sandra had to bring her in her chair. Sadly missed by Sandra and family

Ladies from **BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA WI** took part in the Women Walk the World event on 29 April, walking round Maidstone's beautiful Mote Park. We raised £55 to send to ACWW. Anthea Springett



### Bexley Village WI

members were sad to hear that **JOAN CATTERALL** had passed away on the 11 May. Joan was an active

member of the WI, including helping to found and chair the Bexley Village branch in St. Mary's church hall until 2008. When the branch was reformed in 2011, she came back to join us in the Freemantle Hall. Our thoughts are with her family.

**St Georges Beckenham WI** regret to announce that our valued member **MARILYN CALLARD** died peacefully on 28 April. We send our sincere condolences to her family and friends.



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### ARTICLES—YOUR EVENT

Articles, your events Please no more than 150 words and two photographs. Congratulations and Obituaries (no more than 40 words) . If possible email direct to [westkentnews@wkfwi.org.uk](mailto:westkentnews@wkfwi.org.uk) If not please post to our Ethel Hunt Lodge address see top of page two.

The change over the last year in ordering tickets for Federation events has proved a success. However, due to the cost and reliability of the postal service, we propose that in 2025, we will accept ticket applications via email only. Tickets, when issued will be emailed to the WI representative in the normal way.

Please only order tickets via your nominated representative.

Should this create a problem, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

### Ticket applications via email:

WI Reps Apply to: [tickets@wkfwi.org.uk](mailto:tickets@wkfwi.org.uk) with your WI, Contact Name, Telephone number, event name, number of tickets required, date of event, and venue.

- Tickets are non refundable and non returnable.
- Places cannot be guaranteed until after the closing date.
- If an event is over-subscribed a ballot will take place.
- The Federation is not liable for additional costs or changes to a programme caused by circumstances beyond its control.
- Please apply for your tickets promptly, if an event is under subscribed by the closing date, the event may be cancelled.
- If open to non-members please state number required for members and non-members separately. Priority will always be given to members.