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WEST KENT WI NEWS

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JULY/AUGUST 2026

Speakers Audition Day
Saturday 12 September



Singing Day
Tuesday 6 October

Whist Day
Thursday 29 October



Stop press!!!!

New dates for your diary have been added.



VIEW FROM THE CHAIR

Dear ladies

I start my view from the Chair with some extremely sad news; Frances Farley

has sadly and suddenly passed away. It has been a terrible shock to the WI Advisers and trustees and her own WI, Greenslade. Our thoughts are with her friends, family and anyone who knew her. Her bubbly personality will be very much missed.

The Federation has had some very successful events but have also had to cancel some, due to lack of ticket sales. If you have any ideas about what events you would like the federation to put on, please contact the office and the Events Team will see what they can do.

The Federation is run by volunteers-members, such as yourselves and without those volunteers we wouldn't have a Federation. If you feel that you have something to contribute and would like to be on the Event team or would consider being a WI Adviser or Trustee, come along and observe a meeting. We would welcome fresh ideas.

My previous columns have included some "thank you's". My final Thank You goes to a much unsung group, the West Kent News Team, who keep us all informed of upcoming events and sifting through the myriad of photos and event write ups from our WIs, which are very much welcomed and enjoyed. Keep sending them in. They are also very good at keeping me on my toes and getting my piece in on time, which is very welcome.

I look forward to meeting our members at future events.

Sarah

Treasurer's Corner



As we move into July and thoughts turn to Summer Holidays, including some WIs taking a short break from their monthly meetings in either July or August, I'm afraid I'm going to bring Treasurers back down to earth by mentioning an annual fee which WIs will be invoiced for shortly – namely WI Insurance.

The WI Insurance provides cover for WI meetings and members on WI organised trips. It also gives WIs public liability cover for when WIs have stalls at fetes (as long as the stall is clearly in the name of the WI). Most famously it provides cover for monies (from normal meetings or fetes etc) held at the Treasurer's home until it can be banked. Please note that monies should be banked as soon as possible after they are collected.

This year, as in previous years, the Federation will subsidise 20% of the total premium charged to WIs by our Insurers as a goodwill gesture. We will shortly be calculating the chargeable amount for each WI, as it is not just a straight split of the total premium divided by the number of WIs. The charges are banded by WI size, and the band your WI is in is determined by the number of members shown in the MCS. So now would be a good time for you or the MCS Rep to check out MCS for the following factors:

- Are all your members (full or multi) entered as active
- Have you deactivated any duplicate records for the same member
- Have any members who did not renew their 2026/27 subs been marked as inactive
- Are all members details up to date (including are the 2026/27 subs indicators completed and the new membership questions answered)
- Are all your Committee Positions assigned to the correct members

This helps us make sure your WI ends up in the correct band for Insurance charges and makes sure that NFWI expect the right value for their element of the subscriptions. Other benefits for keeping MCS up to date are that your WI is complying with GDPR regulations to keep recorded data accurate, that the WI Magazine gets sent to the right address and that if the Federation or NFWI wishes to communicate with Officers of the WI directly they can find up to date contact details for the correct member promptly.

This month's inspiring Treasurer Quote is "A treasurer is like the conductor of a financial orchestra, bringing harmony to the numbers".

Jeannette

Events 2026

Members are encouraged to get involved—join the Events committee, volunteer at an event, or share ideas on what you'd like to see. Below are some “dates for your diary” , be part of making 2026 a great year of events.

Please contact the Federation if you or your WI would like to have a stall on any of our Federation Days .

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2026

Sept	Sat	12	Speaker Auditions	St John's Hildenborough
	Wed	16	Federation Open Day	Ethel Hunt Lodge
	Wed	23	Federation Day 2	Ditton
October	Tues	6	Singing Day	Hadlow
	Wed	14	Make a Mug Rug	Ethel Hunt Lodge
	Thurs	29	Whist	Ryarsh Village Hall
November	Tues	3	Bead Jewellery work-shop	Ethel Hunt Lodge
	Tues	10	Quiz North	Charlton Park RFC
	Mon	16	Quiz South	Masonic Hall, Tunbridge Wells
	Thurs	19	Learn the art of Para Knotting	Ethel Hunt Lodge
December	Wed	2	Carol Service	All Saints Church, Maidstone

When applying for Federation Events, please note the closing date is **NOT** the date to apply, but the final date when applications can be made. Please apply for your member's tickets as soon as possible. Late applications can cause events to be cancelled and cancellation fees paid to venues and speakers.

Federation Noticeboard for July/August 2026

We are sorry to share that the following WIs have now suspended

Crockham Hill June 2026
Rochester May 2026

Yearbook:
Please note that Staplehurst WIs new venue is Staplehurst Free Church, Station Road, Staplehurst TN12 0QQ. All other details remain the same.

West Kent Federation Water sports event. This was held on a lovely not too hot but dry day in June. The ladies all had a lovely time, no one fell in.



Events 2026

FEDERATION DAY TWO

Wednesday 23 September
Ditton Community Centre ME20 6AH

10:30am to 3:30 pm, doors open 9:30am
Please bring your own mug for tea/coffee and a packed lunch
£15 members, £20 non-members

Our first speaker, for September, is Chris O'Donoghue who will be talking to us about the gardens of Great Dixter. Chris, offers an intimate view of why Great Dixter always has surprises, as well as Christopher Lloyd's earlier days to the present days of Head Gardener Fergus Garret. Chris is a very popular speaker on his chosen subject and promises to get us off to a great start.



The second speaker of the day is Helen Tobias, who is talking to us about the highs and lows of shoes. Who doesn't like shoes? Helen has a long history of talks specifically designed for women, to make them feel confident. Helen will be bringing a variety of shoes and, possibly, a

quick quiz.

Our last speaker is the very talented Linda Regan. Some of you may remember her from Hi-De-Hi. She will be talking about her life as an actress, recounting tales of actors who were lovely, others.... Linda has also turned to Crime Writing, how to kill people off without getting caught. She was also the wife of the late and very talented Brian Murphy.



Please apply before 21 August ticket information on back page.

Please apply for tickets before the closing date, as Events will be cancelled if the minimum number is not reached

PLEASE TAKE PART IF YOU CAN

WKFWI has received an invitation, from Amelia Blesius who is a PhD student at the UCL Dementia Research Centre, to take part in a survey.

The study uses a digital assessment app called Ignite+, featuring engaging, game-like memory and thinking tasks that take approximately 30 minutes to complete at home. At this stage, we are inviting **healthy adults aged 20–80 to take part**. By collecting data across different age groups, we can establish “normal” cognitive benchmarks. These benchmarks are essential for identifying very early cognitive changes in the future. Just search for **Ignite+** and you can assist their study, encourage your families to join in.

We have invited Amelia from UCL Dementia Research Centre, to come and speak at our **AGM in March 2027**. We would love members to fill out the survey which will get reported back in March

<https://forms.gle/9sFJy7QDNkg4mUVx8> Participants need to register their interest using the above link or the attached QR code to participate, as we need to take consent and give everyone the opportunity to ask questions before they receive the instructions to complete the app.



Events 2026

SINGING DAY

Tuesday 6 October

Hadlow Village Hall, Marshall Gardens, Hadlow TN11 0HQ

10.00am – 3.30pm (doors open 9.30am for registration and coffee)

Tickets £15 – Members only

Please bring your packed lunch and a mug for your tea or coffee on arrival and at lunchtime.

The Events Committee are very pleased to have secured Jane Hanna a professional musician for over 30 years, performing in this country and all around the world to lead our singing day. She has been Musical Director of Women In Harmony in Tunbridge Wells since 2024 and looks forward to meeting you and guiding your singing at this special event.

The day will begin with vocal warm up exercises, followed by a selection of gospel/shanty songs, songs from stage musicals, a standard from the 60's and if time allows a special finale, so come along and enjoy the camaraderie and health benefits of a day devoted to singing.

Please note it is not necessary to be able to read music to participate.

Applications following the instructions on the back page of WKN to tickets@wkfwi.org.uk by **Tuesday 15 September**



FEDERATION ANNUAL WHIST DAY

Thursday 29 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 £18.00 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,

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 **5 October**

We require the following information:

Name of person applying and a contact phone number.

Your WI, the number of tickets requested, the names of the players and if they have any special dietary requirements.

Your WI will be invoiced for the number of tickets issued.

If you can, please bring your own mug/cup for your hot drinks at registration and lunch.

Back by Popular Demand!

SPEAKER



Help Select our Speakers

St John's Church Hall

**20 Foxbush, Hildenborough, Tonbridge
TN11 9HT**

Saturday 12 September 2026

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

Tickets £10

Includes tea or coffee on arrival and during the lunch break
Please bring your own mug and a packed lunch

To book, please email: tickets@wkfw.org.uk

Include 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 on the monthly account for the number of tickets issued and billed £1 for postage

Please DO NOT enclose a stamped addressed envelope

Closing date for ticket applications: 14 August

In celebration of the **International Year of the Woman Farmer**, ACWW is sharing stories from across our membership to highlight women farmers' voices, experiences, and leadership.



Beauty Ndlovu, Ntengwe for
Community Development,
Zimbabwe:



The Path That Changed the Soil

My farming journey began in childhood, working beside my mother in our family garden. Back then we relied on government-supplied hybrid seeds and chemical sprays which were the only methods we knew, despite their hidden costs to our health, soil, and independence. Everything changed six years ago when Ntengwe for Community Development introduced us to organic, sustainable farming. We learned to make natural fertilisers that restore soil life.

One of the most powerful moments in this journey was being reintroduced to indigenous seeds—seeds my grandmother once used, but which had slowly disappeared from our fields and memories.

Where Seeds and Skills are Shared

I work on our family farm in Kasibi Village, Matetsi Ward, where our garden doubles as a learning space for women farmers to practise organic farming, seed saving, and climate-resilient growing with traditional crops and indigenous vegetables. These varieties thrive in our dry conditions and nourish our families better than hybrids.

In the demonstration plot, women learn to enrich soil with organic compost and to protect crops with natural pest controls and liquid fertilisers. Although we've preserved some seeds, many indigenous varieties have already vanished or are hard to find, which makes our work feel both urgent and meaningful.



On 9 June, the ladies of **Greenslade WI** paid a visit to Wisley. This followed winning the 50 tickets at last year's AGM.

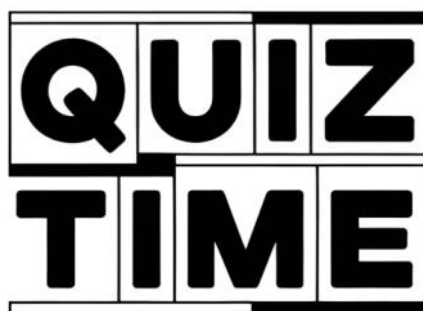
The weather was kind (apart from one hefty downpour) and everyone had a great time. There was much to see. We enjoyed visiting the impressive glasshouse and the wonderful scents in the rose garden. We came away with lots of ideas for our own gardens. Thank you once again for the tickets.



Sally Hargreaves (President)



Events 2026



West Kent WIs Get Ready to Rack Your Brains!

Calling all masterminds, trivia titans, and knowledge seekers!

Join us for afternoons of fun, friendly competition, and brain-teasing questions that will put your general knowledge to the ultimate test! Gather your smartest friends, form a team, and prepare for an exciting challenge.

Don't miss out afternoons of laughter, learning, and lively competition!

Please only request tickets through your WI Rep. Members only.

WI Reps please apply for tickets via tickets@wkwfwi.org.uk

Charlton Park RFC

Tuesday 10 November

Doors open at 1.15pm – prompt start at 1.45-3.30pm

Charlton Park RFC, 60A Broad Walk, London, SE3 8NB

Complimentary table snacks, drinks can be purchased at the bar

The ultimate prize for the sharpest minds!

Max 6 per team. £5 per member

Closing date- 17 October

Quiz Afternoon Extravaganza! Please note that this is only for WIs in Cray, London and Oxleas Groups as table numbers are limited, it is hoped to hold another quiz for other London groups if requested in other areas.

Tunbridge Wells

Monday 16 November 1pm (time to be confirmed)

Masonic Hall, St. John's Road, Tunbridge Wells TN4 9UY

Free car park Teams of 6 - £30 per team bring your own drinks and snacks

Whether you are a master of general knowledge, a history enthusiast, or a creative expert, there is a question tailored just for you. It is the perfect opportunity to showcase your brainpower, celebrate our community spirit, and enjoy a wonderful social gathering with fellow members.

Dust off your thinking caps and bring your sharpest wit—we cannot wait to see you there!

Closing date 17 October Please specify date/location on ticket application



A big thank you to Kathy Coates for arranging a fun quiz for us at our **Wateringbury WI** AGM and also bringing in some beautiful hand

written books. One of them was from 1928 to 1958 minutes of meetings. A very interesting read. She also brought in a photo poster that was created by a previous Committee from original photos. Thanks Kathy for giving us Newbies an insight into previous WI groups.



Sharon Goshawk

Erith WI spent a short holiday in Llandudno exploring the area with members of our own institute and members of **Welling WI** and **Nuxley Village WI**. As well as relaxing and enjoying the hospitality we enjoyed visiting Conwy, the Great Orme, and exploring Llandudno, especially searching for Alice in Wonderland statues dotted around the town, a homage to Lewis Carroll who reputedly lived near the town where Carroll visited



Mo Roose



On 9 May, **Frindsbury Extra WI** proudly celebrated its 60th anniversary, joined by friends, former members and neighbouring

groups. The afternoon was filled with joy, featuring live music and a delicious afternoon tea.

Members enjoyed looking back through photos, sharing treasured memories, and reflecting on the people and moments that have shaped our WI over the years. A fun selfie station helped us capture new memories to carry forward, and we created a commemorative cross stitch to mark this milestone.

We raised a glass to the special people who make our WI such a supportive and vibrant community, and look forward to many more years together.

Thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate.



At our May meeting we had one of our **Hucking WI** members give a talk on walking the Camino Santiago ancient pilgrimage route and completing in the vast square of the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela Spain. It was very interesting as to how necessary the right equipment must be purchased, from plasters, cream, socks, boots, clothes and rucksacks. It should be adhered to as the walk is definitely not for the fainthearted. They met many walkers from all parts of the globe with very interesting stories plus various resting places.

An interesting outing earlier in the year was visiting Chelsea Pensioners Barracks and a guided tour by one of the Pensioners explaining the history of such an historic part of London. We were also lucky that the Archbishop of Canterbury visited a local church in Thurnham on her recent pilgrimage and was welcomed by one of our members.

Glenda Goodwin
President



Please note that we will **never** ask you to purchase vouchers on our behalf or request changes to banking information through informal communication channels (such as personal email, text message, or phone). If you receive such a request, do not act on it and report it immediately through your service supplier channels .



When the Bystanders Can be Lifesavers campaign first crossed our horizons in January 2025, **Burham and Wouldham WI** members felt this was something we could really get to work with and promptly arranged for St Johns volunteers to come along to our evening meeting to demonstrate techniques and allow us a chance to practice. This sowed the seed that we could run similar session for the local community and over the weekend of 25 and 26 April 2026, that is exactly what we did. We invited everyone from the local villages to drop in to our How Prepared are YOU sessions. With St Johns volunteers giving up their weekend and providing the expertise, the Community Centre management team providing on going support, our local KCC councillor, Andrew Kennedy, supporting our application for a community grant and the local co-op helping with a donation, we flung open the doors.

Feedback was lovely, Lucy posted on Facebook 'We had a really valuable afternoon...thank you for organising and delivering such an important event.'

SJA wrote, 'I think it was a very worthwhile event and pleased it did go as well as it did.'

It turned into a great community event – and we even had biscuits left over to enjoy at our next meeting!

Margaret Wood, Secretary, Burham and Wouldham WI



Each WI year members of **South Park WI** choose a charity to fund raise for. The past year we raised funds from various events such as opening of members gardens and refreshments at a local fete, for the charity Blood Runners, SERV (Kent). At our annual meeting we were pleased to be able to present a cheque in the sum of £1,200 to Trevor Sayer, Events & Fund Raising Coordinator North Kent.

Gwen President of South Park.



Wells Bells WI had a great AGM and afterwards played a game of Human Fruit Machine. Such a fun game to enjoy with members after the formal business of the AGM.

There was so much laughter in the hall and would recommend if you have some fruit, a bell and spare cardboard!!



For our May community get together **Boughton Monchelsea WI** held a very successful fashion show with clothes and accessories from Lottie's Loft. Members of the committee made excellent models to show off the clothes; everyone enjoyed the sparkling refreshments plus the raffle and a great evening was had by all.



Two members of **SHIPBOURNE WI** spent the afternoon of 1 June at Mote Park in Maidstone, enjoying fun and games on the water! We opted to do the kayaking while others tried paddleboarding. Some instructions on safety were given as well as information on the depth of the water (most important!) and off we went. First games – kayakers against paddleboarders – and then a trip round the lake. No one fell in, although we did get a little wet, and all the paddleboarders stood on their boards. It was truly great fun and we would definitely do it again and hopefully encourage others to come with us.



Helen Leach
Secretary Shipbourne WI



Coach Trip to Wisley Gardens 12 June 2026

Sennocke WI & friends were joined by Members of **Otford Oast** & a member from **Chipstead WI** for a great day exploring the many gardens.



ACWW wishes to thank you for the donation of £155.00 received on the 1 June through **Recycling for Good Causes** for our Rural Women in Action fund. This fund is the lifeblood of ACWW, and enables us to work with rural communities around the world through sustainable development projects, produce awareness raising materials on our policy, work with the UN, and advocate for the issues facing Rural Women worldwide. This fund maintains the core of ACWW's work and allows us to facilitate the network that connects women across the globe.



Ethel Hunt Lodge – Open Day – Wednesday 16 September 11am-3pm



To celebrate **WI Day**, we're proposing a West Kent Federation Open day.

Time slots are:

11am-12pm

12pm-1pm

1pm-2pm

2pm-3pm

Come meet the team - Trustees, Advisers, Archivists, West Kent News, and Office Staff. It is the perfect opportunity to see what your Federation does.

Tea and Cake on arrival

There is limited onsite parking, so we advise members to car share where possible.

Please book your place by emailing tickets@wkwfi.org.uk, including your name, WI, contact number, and preferred time before **Tuesday 2 September**.

If you are unable to attend, please contact us and we will try to offer an alternative date or time or arrange another open day if there is sufficient interest.

Ethel Hunt Lodge, 4 Hawkwell Business Centre, Pembury TN2 4AG

In Memory of Frances Farley



It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we announce the loss of our dear friend and colleague **FRANCES FARLEY**.

Frances was bright, bubbly and a much valued member of our WI community, always ready to offer help support and encouragement to the WIs and the Federation.

Her warmth, kindness and generosity touched the lives of so many and she will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Frances embraced life to the fullest. She had many holidays planned and loved spending time with friends and loved ones, plus found great joy in walking through Bluebell woods with her beloved Winston.

While we mourn her passing we will remember with affection and gratitude the many happy times we shared together.

Her friendship, laughter, and caring spirit will remain in our hearts.

Our thoughts and deepest sympathies are with Frances' family and friends, at this difficult time.

WI Adviser to Eden Valley, Goudhurst, Weald and Wrotham. Member of Greenslade WI.



Green Team

greenteam@wkfwi.org.uk

West Kent Green Team Walk 2026

West Kent Green Team marked Great Big Green Week this year by leading a walk in Petts Wood, with those who were in a position to do so travelling there by public transport.

30 WI members had a very enjoyable visit to this lovely National Trust owned land with its beautiful woodland and working farmland. Luke the National Trust Ranger responsible for the estate, provided fascinating information on how the area was being both restored and developed to make it as biodiverse as possible.

We were also shown two monuments to notables who had lived in the area. The first was to William Willett who came up with the concept of daylight saving and started the campaign for Daylight Saving time, with a sundial providing a very apt memorial to him. The eastern part of the woodland was later purchased by public subscription to prevent development and was named after him. The second memorial was to Col. Francis Edlmann who purchased the western part of the wood likewise to prevent development, adding it to his existing estate at Hawkswood in 1923 with the subsequent owners in 1957 donating it in its entirety to the National Trust.

The morning concluded with those members who sought refreshment visiting some of the many local coffee shops before returning home full of praise for a very enjoyable trip.

Many thanks to Amanda and Moira who led the walk, and we look forward to finding out where next year's will be.

Annette Smith

Guidance Document: Adding ICE (In Case of Emergency) Contact Information to Your Mobile Phone

Having your emergency contact information easily accessible on your phone can make a big difference in urgent situations. Below are simple steps for both iPhone and Android users to set this up.

iPhone: Setting Up ICE Contacts

Step 1: Open the Health App

- Find and tap the **Health app** (white icon with a red heart).
If you haven't used it before, it may ask you to set up your profile.

Step 2: Access Your Medical ID

- Tap your **profile picture** or initials in the top right.
Select **Medical ID**.

Step 3: Edit Your Medical ID

- Tap **Edit** in the top right corner.
Scroll down to the **Emergency Contacts** section.

Step 4: Add Emergency Contacts

- Tap **Add Emergency Contact**.
- Choose a contact from your phone's address book.
Select their relationship to you (e.g., parent, spouse, friend).

Step 5: Enable Emergency Access

Make sure **Show When Locked** is turned ON. This allows first responders to see your Medical ID without unlocking your phone.

Step 6: Save Your Information

- Tap **Done** in the top right corner. Your ICE contact is now set up and accessible from the lock screen by tapping **Emergency Medical ID**.

Android: Setting Up ICE Contacts

Step 1: Open Settings

- Go to your phone's **Settings** app.
Look for **Safety & emergency** (this may vary slightly depending on your phone brand).

Step 2: Access Emergency Information

- Tap **Emergency information** or **Emergency contacts**.
If your phone doesn't have this option, check under **Lock screen** settings for "ICE information."

Step 3: Add Emergency Contacts

- Tap **Add contact**.
- Select a person from your phone's contacts list.
You can add multiple contacts if needed.

Step 4: Add Medical Information (Optional)

- Some Android phones let you add details like allergies, blood type, or medications.
Fill in what you're comfortable sharing.

Step 5: Enable Lock Screen Access

Ensure the option to **Show on lock screen** is turned ON. This allows emergency responders to view your ICE info without unlocking your phone.

Step 6: Test It

- Lock your phone.
- Tap **Emergency** on the lock screen.
- Confirm your ICE contacts and information appear correctly.

Final Tips

1. Keep your ICE contacts up to date. 2. Choose people who are likely to answer quickly in an emergency. 3. Consider adding more than one contact for backup.

Southfleet WI spent a day in London & had a tour of the Drury Lane Theatre. Our guide (a Shakespearian actor) was exceptional & very informative. He really brought alive the history and uniqueness of the Theatre. We went behind the scenes and were privileged to the backstage workings of the theatre & learn about the provenance of the language used in the theatre, for example the word Drag meant Dress Respectable A Girl because women were not allowed to perform on stage. We would recommend the tour to anyone interested as to how the Drury Lane theatre began.

Pam Smith
Southfleet WI



Allington Castle WI would like to mark the birthday of member **STELLA ANNIS** who will be 95 this month! Stella has done lots of fund-raising for Peggy Wood at Maidstone Hospital, was on the Committee for years, has baked many cakes and is a long-standing WI Member. Stella has led a very interesting and busy life, continues to come to Meetings, and we would all like to wish her a really Wonderful Birthday when she celebrates on June 27. Stella is holding a bouquet of flowers presented to her by our president Ann Mitchel





OBITUARIES

High Halstow WI was saddened to hear of the death of two of their members. **MARGARET BILLING** was a long standing member, past President and for many years Treasurer, always willing to help and a loyal supporter of all things WI passed away just short of her 92nd birthday.

FRAN CARR a newer member serving on the committee and always willing to help, passed away suddenly after a short illness. We send our condolences to their families.

Greenslade WI are sad to inform you all of the passing of our friend **FRANCES FARLEY**. Frances had been a member of the WI for a number of years and transferred to us in 2023. She was unable to attend every meeting as she was kept busy in her role as a Federation Adviser. She was a valued member and always a great font of knowledge.

We will miss Frances and send our thoughts and condolences to her family, friends and WI family - she was taken far too young!

Members of **Gates Green WI** are sad to announce the death of **PATRICIA MARCHANT** after a long spell of ill health. Patricia had been a member since 2011, had served on the Committee and was always willing to help. She was an active member of our WI joining in lots of our events and trips Our thoughts are with her family at this sad time.



Eden Park WI send their sincere congratulations to **BARBARA AND ARTHUR CHANDLER** who celebrated their Diamond Wedding anniversary in June.

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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@wkwfwi.org.uk If not please post to our Ethel Hunt Lodge address see top of page two.

Please only order tickets via your nominated representative. Should this create a problem, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Please note: In the event that a workshop is oversubscribed/cancelled or there is a problem with the Tutor or venue the representative ordering the tickets will be notified. It will be the responsibility of the representative to notify the members wishing to attend the workshop/event. It is therefore important that the representative is aware of who is requesting tickets.

Ticket applications via email:

WI Reps Apply to: tickets@wkwfwi.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.