



# WEST KENT WI NEWS

August 2022



Petts Wood Spitfires



Runners up Catford Furballs  
with Petts Wood Spitfires

## THE FINAL OF THE 2019-2022 WEST KENT FEDERATION DARTS TOURNAMENT 24 JUNE 2022.

After many delays and hiccups, the remaining four teams met for the semi final /final tournament. First out of the hat to play each other were the two teams from Catford WI named the **Furballs** and **Sweetpeas**. Leaving the Matfield WI **Flights** to meet Petts Wood Afternoon WI the **Spitfires** to play each other.

All teams were very evenly matched, all going to three games. Catford **Furballs** was the first finalist then Petts Wood Afternoon **Spitfires** beat Matfield **Arrows** to that elusive double.

After a supper break the **Furballs** met the **Spitfires** to battle it out—again all went to three games, it was all so close. All down to that final double, then well done to **Margaret Stiff** from the **Spitfires** claiming victory for her team with achieving the winning double.

Our Federation Chair Amanda Breach was delighted to present the winning medals to the **Spitfires** as she is also a member of Petts Wood Afternoon WI and the runners-up medals to the **Furballs**—as displayed above.

Both Catford teams achieved high scores with Pauline Higgs scoring 123 for the Sweetpeas to be pipped by Caroline Welch scoring 124 for the Furballs—all very exciting stuff!

Many thanks to Matfield **Flights** for the loan of a very useful scoring machine, the members of Istead Rise Darts team for being supper hostesses and those assisting with the scoring. Also the support of the PALS Committee - without which nothing would happen!

## VIEW FROM THE CHAIR



So here we are in August at last. As a retired teacher August was always the month of rest and recuperation - a whole month of no children, lesson planning and marking! Absolute bliss!!

I know that many WIs don't have meetings in August or if they do they are outside and more social. So, I hope that you all enjoy a more relaxed month.

I have been out and about at the Platinum Tea Party, Darts Final, Water Sports Day at Mote Park, and the Women in Politics Day. All great events organised by the Federation. I must give a special thank you to all the members who made leaves for our bunting at the tea party—they were beautiful and will be displayed at the AGM in March for all to see.

I know that many of you feel that we should be booking events at different ends of the Federation and on Saturdays and we are trying! However, as members in the London area know halls are difficult to find and can be very expensive - Saturdays especially. You will notice more being offered in the Orpington area, which has very good rail links. But it is hard to find places. If you know of any good halls, please let us know as you can't beat local knowledge!

We have 2 great Arts and Crafts Annual Days coming up in September, along with Great Big Green Week (24 Sept — 2 October), the formation of our new Federation Choir and of course WI Day on 16 September. A great opportunity to get out and shout about the WI and what we all love about it!

So, have a restful August everyone and be ready for an action-packed September!

Take care

*Amanda Breach*

## Treasurer's Corner



Treasurer training took place in July in what turned out to be the hottest days on record! I hope the ladies who attended, took away some useful information. Some of the ladies had taken on the role of Treasurer for their WI to save it from closing as no one else would take on the job. Be assured that we are here to support those ladies and anyone else thinking of taking on any officer role.

All new year subscription and year end accounts and reports should by now have been received at the Federation office. Thank you to all the Treasurers that have completed them.

Many WI's do not have meeting in August, so I hope you are looking forward to the WI meetings for the rest of the year and that membership and finances are getting back to a more pre-pandemic level.

We intend to run a zoom Treasurer training session later in the year on zoom. Let me know if you would be interested and whether you would prefer afternoon or evening. I will notify you later in the year with possible dates. This will also help refresh our memories on completing the year end accounts.

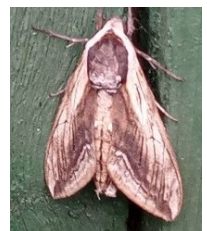
*Rita King*

## WHO HAS BEEN VISITING YOUR GARDEN THIS SUMMER?

The butterflies have always been moving and never given a photo opportunity. However a few weeks back we spotted the large Privet Hawk Moth camouflaging itself against the fence. Then we spotted the



Jersey Tiger Moth (who is also a day time flyer) it is quite spectacular when its wings are open. That would have been better camouflaged against a tree!



Linda Wills— WKN



## MEET YOUR TRUSTEE,

### 60 SECONDS WITH:-

**Name:** Barbara Bickell

**WI and WI Credentials:** I joined Petts Wood WI in its first year and became Secretary then President. I was another who was persuaded by Annette Smith to join the Trustees! I am now joint Chair of the Lifestyle Team and Vice Chair of the Trustees.

**Hobbies / Interests:** Anything crafty! I enjoy embroidery, patchwork and knitting. I love gardening and visiting the many beautiful gardens around the South East.

**Last book read:** The Dry by Jane Harper

**Favourite film:** James Bond – the Daniel Craig era!

**Music choices:** Very eclectic! Stevie Wonder, Daft Punk, Queen, Clean Bandit.

**Most memorable holiday:** Of all the holidays I think the most memorable was Sri Lanka. We toured around and went on several safaris – it was fantastic seeing the wonderful wildlife.

**What do you love about the WI:** It's the opportunity to meet so many interesting people and try out new activities.

**Marmite:** Take it or leave it!

West Kent Federation is delighted to announce that Keeley is expecting her first baby at the end of August! She will be on maternity leave from mid-August and return to us in January 2023. During this time the office will be open as usual with Trustees helping when things get busy! Please bear with us if it takes a little bit longer to answer your query!

We all wish Keeley and Jamie, her partner much love and best wishes for the future.



## Art & Craft Competition

### Design a Christmas Card for the Federation 2022

Following the success of the 2021 West Kent Federation Christmas Card Competition, we would like you to design another one for us to use in 2022. The winning designs will be chosen by the Trustees and will be professionally printed.



Your artwork can be in any media, painted, drawn, stitched, etc but must be original, entirely handmade, and suitable for reproduction, no computer art will be considered. The size of the card must be 5" x 7" or 12.5 cm by 17.5 cm in portrait or landscape format. To enter in the first place, please send a jpeg photograph of your card design in medium resolution to the Art & Craft Committee at: ArtCraft@wkwfwi.org.uk, giving the details of how the work was made along with your name and the name of your WI by the closing date. We will ask you to send us the original work, of those short listed, for further consideration.

The designs this year do not need to be on a WI theme as we would like to make them available to purchase by all our members as well as being used by the Trustees. The winning designs will each receive a free pack of printed cards.

Original artwork can be returned to you, but copyright in the winning designs will remain with the Federation. The closing date for card entries is 26 August 2022.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### AUGUST

Sat	6	Town Trail	Rochester
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#### SEPTEMBER

Weds	7	Watercolour workshops	Frittenden
Thurs	8	Watercolour workshops	Ethel Hunt Lodge
Fri	9	Watercolour workshops	Hextable

Fri	16	<b>WI Day</b>	
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Sat	17	Speakers Auditions	Orpington
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Sat	24 Sept–2 October	<b>Great Big Green Week</b>	
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Mon	26	Bore Place	via Zoom
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Weds	28	Art & Craft Annual Days	Ditton
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Thurs	29	Art & Craft Annual Days	Ditton
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#### OCTOBER

Thurs	27	Whist Day	Sutton Valence
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#### NOVEMBER

Tues	8	Christmas Flowers Workshops	Ethel Hunt Lodge
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Weds	9	Christmas Flowers Workshops	Snodland
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Thurs	10	Christmas Flowers Workshops	Frittenden
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Fri	11	Christmas Flowers Workshops	Hextable
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Sat	12	Christmas Flowers Workshops	Orpington
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#### DECEMBER

Weds	7	All Saints Church	Maidstone
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## AUGUST 2022 FEDERATION NOTICEBOARD

### List of Speakers 2022

Pages 24: Please note that Brian D'Arcy has now retired and no longer wishes to be included as a Speaker.

**ACWW** has published a new Strategy for 2022-2026 that launches a new programme of development projects ensuring greater community impact for the women most at risk of being left behind.



### **Community Transformation and Grassroots Projects**

Between 1974 and 1977 ACWW began funding small-scale projects in developing countries. The ACWW Projects Committee has supported initiatives at grassroots level, providing funding for locally devised, women-led development projects ever since.

This work has been hugely important and made positive impacts in rural communities. However, it is also clear that if governmental priorities and international attitudes remain the same, projects alone cannot achieve the sustainable changes ACWW members need. This is why ACWW passionately believes that development projects and advocacy must be combined.

In line with experience and global priority ACWW's future Core Projects will focus on Climate-Smart Agriculture, Rural Women's Health, and Education and Community Development.

ACWW will fund fewer Projects each year, but continue annual spending at the same level so there is greater investment in each community.

Visit [www.acww.org.uk](http://www.acww.org.uk) to see the full Strategy for 2022-2026.

### **Sharing of Knowledge and Local Activities**

To strengthen the sharing of knowledge between ACWW's Member Societies all Societies are invited to appoint an ACWW Coordinator. The Coordinators will receive training and support and have regular online meetings with each other, their Area President, and the World President. This will mean global representation and greater communication.

Coordinators will be assisted in organising local activities, and awareness-raising events, and will be encouraged to implement fund-raising activities and organise local Women Walk the World events.

If you are interested in becoming a Coordinator, or West Kent's ACWW Representative please contact me for the job description and more information.

Tricia Ashdown

[triciaashdown@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:triciaashdown@yahoo.co.uk)

### **SHORNE & THONG WI**

Members of Shorne & Thong WI celebrated their **Centenary** in style with a delicious strawberry cream tea prepared by the committee. In keeping with this special day, members wore their best tea dresses to the party and raised a glass of sparkling wine to the occasion.

Before tea, ladies enjoyed a floral demonstration by member, Jill Crawley, who created two beautiful arrangements of pink roses enhanced by verbena and a variety of foliage from her garden.

Two lucky ladies won the flowers in the raffle and every member was presented with a specially designed canvas bag as a memento of the occasion.

We are grateful to our founder members for establishing Shorne & Thong WI and are doing our best to keep our branch going despite ongoing challenges such as the pandemic. The WI provides a wonderful source of friendship with stimulating speakers to enjoy in the centre of our community.

Juliet Theobald President



### **REMINDER ABOUT NATASHA'S LAW**

Since October 2021 Natasha's Law has come into force. This means any pre packed food or food for sale has to be labelled with name and full ingredient information with the allergens emphasised.

The West Kent Federation recommends that it would be good practice to label homemade cakes etc. with a list of ingredients. Also with the proviso that the food has not been prepared or cooked in an allergen free environment. Although this does not apply to WI self catered events.

For full information please visit [www.food.gov.uk/PPDS](http://www.food.gov.uk/PPDS) or MyWI website.

Barbara Bickell— Chair Lifestyle





## Green Team

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# THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK

## Bore Place—Sustainability in Action

The Great Big Green Week runs from 24 September - 2 October 2022 and celebrates community action to tackle climate change and protect nature. To mark this West Kent Federation is hosting a Zoom talk on Monday 26 September. We are delighted to welcome Caroline Arnold, the Chief Executive of Bore Place, home of the Commonwork Trust near Chiddingstone in West Kent. Caroline will give us a brief history of Bore Place and the creation of the Commonwork Trust by Neil & Jenifer Wates, whose vision was to explore how to live and work sustainably and reduce our impact on our planet. These values still run true today and Caroline will highlight how they have been incorporated into the running of Bore Place which has an organic dairy farm and market garden at its core. Also a key facet of Bore Place is its role in education, aiming to help us explore our impact on the environment and to think about the decisions we make in our everyday lives and how making the right choices can help us all to lead more sustainable lives.



Caroline has a passion for all things environmental and will share with us why we need to reconnect with nature for our own well-being as well as the planet. She is sure to inspire us, so sign up now and join us to hear Caroline on Monday 26 September at 7.30pm - everyone is invited! This Zoom will be £2, secure your place via Trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BTTW>

### HOLLINGBOURNE WI

Saturday 11 June dawned dry and sunny for the Hollingbourne Annual Village Fête, the theme this year being the Reign of HM Queen Elizabeth II. Several members helped decorate our, ever popular, Hook-a-Duck stall with flags, balloons, photographs of villagers and village events over the past 70 years and, of course, toy ducks. After a very busy afternoon, with

children (and some adults) trying to hook the highest numbered ducks, we were awarded First Prize for the Best Decorated Stall, a fitting reward for all the hard work put in by our very supportive members.

Oh, and we even made a profit this year !



Barbara Gibbs, Joint President



### WALDESLADE WI 60TH BIRTHDAY

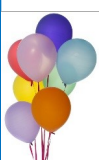
Our first meeting was held on 6 April 1962 at Walderslade Secondary School for Girls and to celebrate the past sixty years members and visitors were treated to a buffet meal and birthday cake.

We were joined by two members from Greenslade WI, Rainham WI and Bredhurst WI, together with Wendy Keast our WI Advisor, Jane Backshall Past Federation Chairman and Rosemary Tidby past President.

We began our evening by singing Jerusalem with 15 members of The East Kent Chorus, an a cappella group, who then entertained us with a delightful selection of songs, some including the audience.

Each member and guest left with a gift of chocolate and wild flower seeds.

Maureen Creed President



### IGHTHAM WI's

July Garden meeting at a member's garden, when 39 attended plus two on Zoom - a delicious supper was provided by the committee and a quiz based on members earlier lives caused a lot of laughter.

Mary Allwood



## **Back by Popular Demand!** **SPEAKER AUDITIONS**

*Help Select our Speakers/*

St Nicholas Church Hall  
14 Leamington Avenue, Orpington BR6 9QB

**Saturday 17 September**

Doors open at 9.30am with the first speaker at 10am  
and the day will finish at 3pm.

Tickets are £5 and includes tea or coffee on arrival  
and during the lunch break (bring your own cup if you wish)

Please bring a packed lunch.

Limited parking is available next to the hall.  
Please check the church website for directions and buses.

If you would like to come along, please either complete the  
ticket application or email [tickets@wkwfwi.org.uk](mailto:tickets@wkwfwi.org.uk) with your WI,  
Contact Name and number of tickets required.

**PLEASE NOTE THERE IS A MAXIMUM OF  
TWO TICKET APPLICATIONS PER WI**

Please **DO NOT** enclose a stamped addressed envelope.  
Your WI will be invoiced on the monthly account for the  
number of tickets issued and billed £1 for postage.

*The closing date for ticket applications is Friday 26 August*

PA&I SUB-COMMITTEE

## **SPEAKER AUDITIONS**

St Nicholas Church Hall,  
14 Leamington Avenue, Orpington BR6 9QB

**Saturday 17 September**

10.00am – 3.00pm (doors open at 9.30am)

Tickets £5 | Members only

Includes tea and coffee (bring your own cup if you wish)

Please bring a packed lunch

WI: .....

Contact Name: .....

Address: .....

Postcode: .....

Email: .....

Tel No: ..... No of tickets required: .....

**Apply to:**

Mrs Di Daniels, 39 Holtys Crescent, Maidstone ME15 7DB

Tel: 01622 674494 or email: [tickets@wkwfwi.org.uk](mailto:tickets@wkwfwi.org.uk)

with your WI, Contact Name and number of tickets required

Please **DO NOT** enclose a stamped addressed envelope

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**Closing Date: Friday 26 August**



**ALLINGTON CASTLE WI** Celebrated the Platinum Jubilee on 9 of June at our meeting. Member Sandra Maden made our cake. Lin Smith Allington Castle WI



### **HADLOW WI HIGHLIGHTS**

On Sunday 3 July, four WI ladies,  
participated in the Race for Life 5K at  
Mote Park in Maidstone.

The weather was good, the walk  
through the park was enjoyable and  
between us we raised nearly £600 for  
Cancer Research UK. Well done ladies,  
your celebrated bacon roll and a cup of  
tea at the end was well deserved!  
Shirley Ellis—Committee member





# ART AND CRAFT

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## Art & Craft Annual Days

**Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 September**

DITTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, KILN BARN ROAD, AYLESFORD ME20 6AH

Start 10:30am—3:30pm / Doors open 9:30 am

Tickets £10 to include tea/coffee. Please bring your own cup.

Non-members are welcome but priority will be given to members.

**The following will be speakers at our Annual Art and Craft Days:**

### **Janie Ramsay: The Jewels of the Duchess of Windsor**

Her magnificent jewellery, designed by the 20th century's most iconic jewellers and sold for record prices, still fascinates today. The list of who bought some of the pieces, and what they had to pay, is equally fascinating.



**Alison Le Fevre (Alf) is The Soldersmith** - a Kent-based jewellery designer and maker. Her work is an eclectic mix of statement sterling silver pieces that are raw, organic, unconventional and bold. Alison will explain and demonstrate how to make a stunning leaf pendant. Made entirely from a single sheet of sterling silver, the full process involves heat, acid solution as well as simple hammering and metal manipulation techniques.

### **Wendy Dolan, Textile Artist: Layer, Paint and Stitch - My World of Stitched Textiles**

Wendy will share with us her exciting world of stitched textiles, combining fabric, paint and stitch. Inspiration for her design work comes from the world around us, landscapes, natural forms and architecture. She will discuss how she develops ideas, translating them into stitched artworks combining a variety of techniques, illustrated with examples, including pictures, wedding garments and large commissions.

Some items by Wendy and Alison will be for sale, as will our usual interesting retail stalls including Rainham Sewing, Search Press, Ceramics, Wood Turning, Sue Roberts flowers and the fabulous Bring & Buy. Do bring your chequebook or cash as not all stalls can take cards. We would like to invite you to take a voluntary Lateral Flow Test before the event and we, the Art & Craft Team, will also take a test.



## Art & Craft Annual Days

Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 September 10:30 am to 3:30 pm. Doors open 9:30 am

Tickets £10 to include tea/coffee on arrival and at lunchtime. Please bring a packed lunch and your own cup. Non-members are welcome but priority will be given to members.

WI:.....Contact Name:.....

Address: .....

Tel No:..... Email.....

No. of tickets: **28 Sept** Members .....Non-Members..... **29 Sept** Members .....Non-Members..

Apply to: Jenny Way, 27, Veles Road, Snodland ME6 5RB. Telephone 01634 241791

Closing date: **Friday 17 August**. PLEASE ENCLOSE A SUITABLY SIZED STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE

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

**Staplehurst WI** was delighted to receive the following message in connection with their **100th Celebrations** ' I would just like to offer huge congratulations to everyone involved in Staplehurst WI, I am sure you will have a fabulous day which is well deserved.

Congratulations and good luck for the next **100 years!!**

Sorry I cannot be with you but I am sure my colleagues will enjoy the day with you.

Thanks and well done to you all  
Very best wishes Paddy (P.J.Riordan)  
Chairman Staplehurst Parish Council'

Tree Planting and a Commemorative Bench, part of the event. Pam Payne Centenary Committee member



**Hartley Afternoon WI** Celebrated the Platinum Jubilee, on 9 June, with a delicious cream tea held in the Cricket Pavilion, Manor Field,.



## Keston WI

The preformation meeting of **Keston WI**, was a fantastic success with nearly 60 ladies in attendance, both past members and many new members.

After a brief introduction about the WI, we put the ladies to work, filling in posters, to share their interests and ideas on trips, clubs and local issues. We explained the committee were keen for Keston WI to reflect the interests of all its members. A very lively session followed, with lots of discussion, resulting in some brilliant suggestions for speakers, trips and clubs.



Since this meeting, we now have 58 members, some of our clubs are established and we have had a wonderful jubilee tea to celebrate the Queen 70<sup>th</sup> jubilee.

Helen Best, President of Keston WI

These pictures are from **Nevill WI Platinum Jubilee Tea**. Members decided to wait, until the end of the month, considering all the other teas that had been planned for June. Thankfully the weather was kind to us and everyone left feeling very full of sandwiches, cake and tea. We also had a plant sale and the obligatory raffle which added to the fun of the day. Sarah Sudlow





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GILL BROWN 01732 850571 pals@wkfwi.org.uk

## WHIST DAY

### £12.50

**Thursday 27 October**

**At Sutton Valence Village Hall, Sutton Valence ME17 3HT**

10.30 am—3.30pm (Doors open at 10.00am for registration and tea/coffee)  
Ticket 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 to meeting again those members that attended the recent 'Learn to Play Whist'. You do not have to attend as a pair, single players are welcome and you will be put with another solo member. 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 include name/s.



PALS Sub-Committee

## WHIST DAY

**Thursday 27 October**

**Sutton Valence Village Hall, North Street, Sutton Valence ME17 3HT**

10.30am—3.30pm (Doors open at 10.00am for registration and tea/coffee)  
Ticket £12.50 includes lunch—members only.

WI.....

Contact Name.....

Address & Postcode.....

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Telephone No.....

Email.....

No. of Tickets req:.....

**Dietary requirements on a separate sheet please with name/s.**

**Apply to:** Gill Brown, 20 Appletons, Hadlow, Tonbridge TN11 0DT Tel: 01732 850671 or 07703 359529  
pals@wkfwi.org.uk

Closing date 30 September

Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope Your WI will be invoiced on the monthly account for the numbers of tickets supplied.

## REPORT OF A RECENT EVENT



The 27 June was return to the Water Sports Centre at Mote Park. 31 members went out on the paddle boards followed by 13 in Kayaks - originally booked as canoes but with a bit of wind blowing the kayaks were deemed the safer option. After so much beautiful weather it was a shame that it had changed for our activity. However everyone enjoyed themselves and it is something that we hope to repeat in 2023, keeping to smaller paddle boarding groups.



# ART AND CRAFT

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## CHRISTMAS FLOWER WORKSHOPS

Tuesday 8 November : Ethel Hunt Lodge

Wednesday 9 November: Bowls Club Snodland Sportsground,  
Potyns Paddlesworth Road ME6 5DP

Thursday 10 November: The Memorial Hall, The Street, Frittenden, TN17 2DD

Friday 11 November: St. Peters Church, College Road, Hextable, BR8 7RH

Saturday 12 November: St. Nicholas Church Hall Leamington Ave.,  
Orpington BR6 9Qb

Doors open 10am (for registration, tea/coffee) 10.30am—3.30pm

Tickets £27 - Kit charge £5 cash on the day Members only



**TUTOR Sue Roberts** returns, after teaching us paper flowers some years ago, we will learn to make :-

Christmas Flowers from Foamiran. The kit, £5 payable on the day, makes seven flowers: four red poinsettias, three white fantasy flowers.

Some tools are supplied for use on the day.

The vase and branches of leaves and berries are NOT included. If time allows, the vase kit can be made for an additional £10.

You will need to bring your packed lunch and hopefully a mug/cup for your tea or coffee.



### CHRISTMAS FLOWER WORKSHOPS WITH TUTOR Sue Roberts

Doors open 10am for registration (tea/coffee) 10.30am to 3:30 pm, Tickets £27 plus £5 kit on the day

WI.....Name: .....

Address and Post code:.....

Phone No:.....Email:.....

No. of tickets..... Date as above.....venue listed above.....

2nd choice date and venue .....

Please Apply to: Mrs. Derry Fleisig, 7 Brownelaw Copse, Walderslade, Chatham, Kent ME5 9JQ

Closing Date for Tickets Friday 30 September Members only

Please enclose an appropriate size SAE for your tickets.

YOUR WI WILL BE INVOICED ON THE MONTHLY ACCOUNT FOR THE NUMBER OF TICKETS ORDERED

**COULD YOU BE THE PALS NEW DRAMA QUEEN?** Desperately seeking Susan, or May or any interested WI member. SPORTS & LEISURE really needs you or you and a friend who can help improve the PERFORMING ARTS side of our **PALS** Committee. The next meeting is on the 2nd September 10.15 am at Ethel Hunt Lodge. Please phone Gill Brown 01732 850 571 if you would like to come and visit our committee. *Thank you*





## OBITUARIES

It was with sadness that **Pembury Evening WI** heard of the death of our member **FRANCES MILES**. Frances was a founding member of our WI which began in October 1954 and attended regularly until 2019 when poor health stopped her, however she remained interested in what we were doing. She will be missed and our thoughts are with her family.

**West Peckham WI** is saddened to announce the passing of long-standing member, **CINDY FOSTER**.

A past president, she had been an active and enthusiastic supporter of the WI and was an avid quizzier and past member of our choir and drama group. She will be sadly missed by all her friends.

It is with great sadness that **Chipstead WI** report on the death of **MARGARET REDDEN**. She was an active member and had served on the committee in past years. Her particular talents in Arts and Crafts benefitted many. We will miss her kindness, her warmth and sense of humour.

It is with much sadness that **Hartley Afternoon WI** announces that over the past two years, and not because of Covid, the following members have passed away

**JOAN BROWN**  
**PATSY GOODMAN**  
**JOYCE GOSS**  
**JEAN HUNT**  
**BARBARA MAYER**  
**EILEEN TUCKER**  
**FLORRIE WILLIAMS**

**PAT WOOLLETT**  
 The ladies were all long time members of the Institute and many of them held officer status for a number of years. They will be greatly missed.

It is with great sadness that **Bearsted Green WI** announces the passing of **JENNIE PAGE**. She was a kind and loving lady and will be remembered with great affection by all our members and will be sadly missed



**Istead Rise WI** sends warmest wishes and congratulations to **SYLVIA AND MICHAEL MEGGS** as, on the 14 July, they celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary



At last Linda Wills could receive the thank you flowers from the Trustees for all the very hard work that she has put into organising the stewards at the AGM meetings over many years. Linda was unable to attend this year's meeting but we caught up with her after the Darts final which she also organised. Thank you again Linda what would we do without you.

## YOUR WEST KENT NEWS

To enable WIs to receive their ordered copies of the WKN by the first of the month and for it to be displayed on the website earlier you may find some of your articles will feature in the following month's edition rather than the next month. All items will follow in the sequence that they are received.

## WHO TO CONTACT

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**ACWW: To be advised**

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