



# WEST KENT WI NEWS

September 2022

# THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK ♥

24 September - 2 October 2022

## VIEW FROM THE CHAIR



Well, I hope you have all had a wonderful summer. I was lucky enough to be invited to visit some WIs for birthday celebrations or a summer get together. Every event reminded me of why I belong to the WI- there was friendship, fun, a great sense of belonging and a desire to look forward to the future after a few years of such uncertainty. I also attended the Women in Politics Day and took part in the Rochester Photo Trail. Congratulations to both PA&I and PALS committees for such well-run and interesting events.

So, I hope you are all ready for an action-packed September! We have watercolour workshops. Speakers Auditions, Great Big Green Week, a Green Team zoom from Caroline Arnold on Bore Place and two Arts and Craft Annual Days!

If that wasn't enough, we are starting up the Federation Choir and don't forget 16 September is WI Day. Wow! The Federation also has some exciting news about the AGM in Tunbridge Wells and details about the Christmas visit to All Saints in December, but you will have to read your West Kent News to find out!!

Take care

*Amanda Breach*

## Treasurer's Corner



The beginning of July was the month that West Kent Federation notified and sent off the National Federation first quarter portion of subscriptions received from WIs. As you can imagine, that was a large bill to pay.

Whilst as I have previously mentioned, many WIs promptly sent in their annual subscriptions, we are conscious and were indeed reminded by National Federation, that there is still money to be sent to them. This is according to the MCS database of members compared to the money forwarded to them.

We would be grateful for any outstanding subscriptions from the first quarter of the year to be forwarded at your earliest opportunity. It is a problem for Alan, our bookkeeper to process subscriptions received when all he is told is the cheque amount. It would be extremely helpful if it could be stated what the cheque is made up of e.g. 2022—42 full members @ £22.40 plus 3 Q2 @ £16.81. A lot of his time is taken up trying to work out what the subscription cheque is for. We are currently approaching the end of the second quarter of the financial year. It is scary how quick time flies!

Most importantly, please also make sure that your MCS database is up to date as this should match your subscriptions paid. We as a Federation, as well as National Federation, use this database to accurately reflect our membership.

We are here to help if you need any assistance with the database! It is not always the Treasurer that updates the database, so please confer with each other on the current membership.

*Rita King*

## MEET YOUR TRUSTEE,

### 60 SECONDS WITH:-

**Name:** Paula Bates



**WI and WI Credentials:** Member and committee member for many years, also on the Federation Art and Craft Committee for many years, previously as secretary and currently Chair as well as assistant Federation Treasurer .

**Hobbies / Interests:** Mostly art and craft, in particular painting in watercolour, making cards and jewellery. I also enjoy going to the theatre, concerts and art exhibitions, cooking and baking.

**Last book read:** Currently reading The Immunity Breakthrough by Dr Heather Moday

**Favourite film:** Enchanted April

**Music choices:** Classic FM

**Most memorable holiday:** Guadeloupe in the Caribbean

**What do you love about the WI:** Meeting and making friends with so many lovely and interesting people and the opportunities to learn many new things from speakers and workshops to outings. It gives me pleasure when members enjoy days that we arrange and learn new crafts, and when they are delighted with and proud of items they have made, and go further with their new skills.

**Marmite:** Revolting. As an American, this is not something we eat. Give me peanut butter and jelly please.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### SEPTEMBER

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

Fri 16 **WI Day**

Sat 17 Speakers Auditions Orpington

Sat 24 Sept–2 October **Great Big Green Week**

Mon 26 Bore Place via Zoom

Weds 28 Art & Craft Annual Days Ditton

Thurs 29 Art & Craft Annual Days Ditton

### OCTOBER

Wed 12 Chine McDonald via Zoom

Thurs 27 Whist Day Sutton Valence

### NOVEMBER

Tues 8 Eco Christmas via Zoom

Tues 8 Christmas Flowers Workshops Ethel Hunt Lodge

Weds 9 Christmas Flowers Workshops Snodland

Thurs 10 Christmas Flowers Workshops Frittenden

Fri 11 Christmas Flowers Workshops Hextable

Sat 12 Christmas Flowers Workshops Orpington

### DECEMBER

Weds 7 All Saints Church Maidstone

The Trustees are proud to announce that we have booked a wonderful lady as our keynote speaker at next year's Federation Annual General Meeting.

## The Reverend Kate Bottley!



The Reverend Kate Bottley is known to most of us as a TV personality. She is an ordained priest in North Nottinghamshire and is passionate about bringing stories of faith and belief to the widest audience possible.

Kate currently presents Good Morning Sunday on BBC Radio 2 alongside Jason Mohammed and is a regular presenter on **Songs of Praise, The One Show, Steph's Packed Lunch, Sunday Morning Live and Sunday Morning Stories**. She has appeared as a contributor on Saturday Breakfast with Dermot O'Leary and Pause for Thought on the Zoe Ball Breakfast Show, for which she won a Jerusalem Award.

She is married with two children and has a 10-year-old retired racing greyhound called Buster. Rev. Kate loves dancing and "telly" – being a guest on Celebrity Masterchef. How brave is that! What an "Inspiring Woman"!

In all, Kate is a larger than life character who we will have the honour to meet and listen to on **Monday 27 March** at our Federation Annual General Meeting in Tunbridge Wells. Please put the date in your diaries and look out for more information to book your tickets in future communication from the Federation.

## SEPTEMBER 2022 FEDERATION NOTICEBOARD

### List of Speakers 2022

Pages 5, 7, 15 and 28 : Please be aware that sadly Lin Saines has passed away.

Page 34: Please note that sadly due to ill health, Ms Mandy Winters has had to withdraw from the List of Speakers.



# Green Team

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## Bore Place—Sustainability in Action



The Great Big Green Week runs from 24 September - 2 October 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>

## How to have an Eco Christmas with Elaine King

Do you love to make things but feel guilty about all the new materials required and the impact on the environment?

If so do join me for a guide into how to decorate your home, Christmas tree, to wrap those gifts, or dress your table in a way to impress using recycled materials giving it the magical feel you aspire to.

I will show you what things you can use, how waste products, that usually end up in landfill, can be transformed into stunning decorations that everyone will admire for little or no cost at all and with a very low carbon footprint. I will guide you to resources full of tips and tricks and show you examples of inexpensive ways to decorate your home with a low impact on our planet.

So, join me on November 8 at 7.30pm, charge £5. Secure your place using this link <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BTTZ>



Every picture tells a story! Sue Andrews created this collage of an evening to celebrate 100 years of **Ham Hill and Snodland WI**. Fifty members and guests came together to enjoy a cheese and wine party with entertainment from Terra Firma and a look at a fascinating display of photos, scrapbooks and history boards from 1922 – 2022.

President Chris Gentry gave us a short history our WI, the first meeting taking place on July 27 1922 with 60 members. Following Jerusalem, cheese and wine, a 'bit of a sing', cutting of the cake and non-stop conversation, Amanda Breach,

member Jenny Franklin and Julie, guest from East Malling WI each gave delightful and generous congratulations and votes of thanks for a very special evening.

Our second and equally happy celebration was held in the dining room at Mote House. A delicious buffet lunch was provided in this splendid setting. So many memories have been made of our very special year.

Helen Orme, Secretary, Ham Hill and Snodland WI



# 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 Brownelow Copse, Walderslade, Chatham, Kent ME5 9JQ

Closing Date for Tickets Friday 30 September Priority to members.

Please enclose an appropriate size SAE for your tickets.

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

Public Affairs and International Committee members invite you to  
**An Audience with Chine McDonald - Author, Speaker, Broadcaster**  
 On Wednesday 12 October 2022 7pm on zoom



Chine studied Theology and Religious Studies at Cambridge University. Chine is Director of Theos, vice-chair of Greenbelt Festival and a trustee of Christians in Media, she was previously Head of Community Fundraising and Public Engagement at Christian Aid. Chine is the author of *God is Not a White Man: And Other Revelations*. She has 16 years experience in journalism, media and communications. Chine regularly contributes to programme slots such as BBC's Thought for the Day on Radio 4's Today programme, Prayer for the Day and The Daily Service. With such a wealth of experience we are very pleased Chine has agreed to speak to us, during Black History Month. She will speak on her life and experience of any influence she feels she has been able to make.

Fee £5 please book through Try Booking by 5 October . Places are not limited. Details of log in will be forwarded after booking. We look forward to seeing you on screen on 12 October.

<https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BURW>



The ladies of **Highgate Hawkhurst WI** 'cashed in' the Heron Maxwell Bursary, awarded at the 2020 ACM and held two Felting Workshops for their July meeting.

The Committee decided that, following the restrictions imposed by the pandemic, the bursary should benefit the whole membership, investigations were made and we welcomed Sue Kimber to deliver the workshops.



Sue introduced us to the delights of wet-felting using wool harvested from her family's herd of sheep and alpaca. She demonstrated how to create a colourful tableau, after which we had great fun pulling, laying, wetting, rolling, rinsing and, finally, 'slamming' our pieces. It was amazing to see how a collection of fibres came together to create a strong vibrant piece of fabric.



Sue also gave us tips on how to re-size woollen garments following mishaps in the washing machine and we talked about the effects of warm and cold water on different fibres, as well as learning about her life living 'off grid' on her smallholding. The members thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and we are grateful to the Federation for making it possible.  
 Rachel Fagg

**Detling WI** held their Summer afternoon meeting in a members garden. We had a lovely afternoon tea and get together with a raffle and bring and buy. 11 members attended and a wonderful sunny afternoon was enjoyed by all.

Many Thanks to our President and Committee and of course Ann who hosted the event.

Kathy Tanton

Detling WI



**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. Closing date 30 September.

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 850571 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.

**Rochester Fun Orienteering Photo Trail**

A big Thank You to everyone who came to the fun trail in Rochester on Saturday 6 August. It turned out to be a very hot day and it was admirable that thirty three teams of members, families and friends spent two hours walking up and down the roads, alleys and pathways of the town looking for locations and then identifying the matching photos. Yes the optimum route would have seen you cover five miles, perhaps too far for many on a hot airless morning but quite possible for fit young things.



One of the locations was the castle walls but in retrospect the two possible photos were hard to distinguish so a point was given to either of the photos 5 or 19. This did not affect the overall result for first or second place.

1<sup>st</sup> Frindsbury Extra Slowcoaches Time 2 hours Score 17

2<sup>nd</sup> Bredhurst Battenberg Appreciation Society Time 1 hour 42 m Score 16

There was a time limit of two hours with points deducted for every five minutes late back but few teams were late as everyone was keen to enjoy the refreshments provided by Istead Rise WI in the cool of the Baptist Church.

It was a good morning with comments such as “I didn’t know Rochester had so many hills “

“Lived near here for years but visited places today that I have never been to before”

“Stood at a location for ages but couldn’t see anything suitable but then looked up and saw Crystal Palace”

“ How were we expected to walk that far out of town !”

It was five years ago that we explored Gravesend in this way. Hopefully it won’t be another five years before the next trail, but where?

Heather Brown

Our thanks to PALS member, Heather Brown, for her hard work in organising the Trail maps and photos, another successful WI Event.

# West Kent Federation Carols at Christmas

Wednesday 7 December at 2pm

West Kent Federation would like to invite you all to start your Christmas with us at All Saints Church Maidstone for our Carols at Christmas.

Ticket price is £5, please email the Federation office at [fedsec@wkwfi.org.uk](mailto:fedsec@wkwfi.org.uk) putting "Tickets for All Saints, Maidstone", in the subject box, stating the number of tickets required and your WI. You will be emailed your ticket/tickets after the closing date and your WI will be invoiced in the normal way. Please note your tickets are non-refundable and non-returnable.

We will be singing your much loved carols and listening to excerpts from some of your favourite Christmas poems and stories. So, once again we need to hear from you! Please let us know if you have a favourite you would like to share with us all and if you are willing to read it yourself.

We are also putting out a call to all WIs, craft groups to bring along a decoration for the pew ends of the church. Last year's pew ends were amazing and a great showcase for the talents of our Federation members. As with last year this can be any media – knitting, crochet, fresh or dried flowers etc. In any form – wreath, hanging etc. but it must be able to hang from the pew end and be an 8 inches diameter ring, decorated with recycled materials.

Items can be dropped into Ethel Hunt Lodge by Friday 11 November with your name, WI and contact details attached. We would also recommend you take a photo of your decoration before you drop it off. Decorations can also be bought along on the day.

Readings and poems can be emailed into the Federation office at [fedsec@wkwfi.org.uk](mailto:fedsec@wkwfi.org.uk). Please state if you are able to read your contribution or if you are happy for someone else to read it. There will be an opportunity to rehearse at the church on the day.

Your WI will be invoiced in the usual way and tickets sent accordingly. We look forward to seeing you at All Saints, Maidstone on Wednesday 7 December at 2pm when our Federation Christmas begins!

**Closing Date Thursday 10 November**

A bursary awarded to South Park meant that 40 members of **South Park WI** were treated to a guided tour of Penshurst Place on one of the hottest days of the year. The excellent guides gave us a fascinating history of how the house and garden has been in the same family for hundreds of years and much loved and looked after. Luckily there was plenty of shade !

Sue Lambert



**St. Michaels WI** were the delighted winners of this years Wisley Bursary!

What a great day from beginning to end. We were so lucky with the date we chose, only one coach load which was us and not that many cars either, so any queues for the carrot cake (well worth it) were short and swift.

Our weather was fine benefiting from a breeze. The Gardens were just glorious (something for everyone) and the New Hill Top Learning Centre a fabulous addition.



The Glasshouse was home to many amazing and unusual blooms. Naturally we stopped to shop before leaving.

A return visit is on the cards.  
Thank you for pulling us out of the hat!

Brigitte Watkins

(President) St. Michaels W.I.



## **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





I joined **Halstead WI** about 5 years ago and joined the Committee, which I have very much enjoyed being a part of. This year I was very lucky to win a Bursary for a craft course of my choice. I chose to do a Mosaic course. I have never tried this craft and technique before and was keen to learn how to complete a small mosaic table for my garden. I booked myself onto a two day master class in mosaics with Sarah Bourne (Mosaic Mum - [www.mosaicmum.co.uk](http://www.mosaicmum.co.uk)) who runs courses from her home and studio located at Chevening, which is only a short drive from my home. I had an idea in mind for the layout and drew a Mandela design that I took with me to the course. Sarah's teaching method was easy to follow and her advice and expertise in constructing my mosaic was very helpful. A lot of time was spent in sorting out the pieces to fit

successfully – it was almost like putting together a jigsaw pattern. Sarah was patient and instructive in how to use the tools needed for cutting up china and porcelain and making shapes from the designs on the vintage plates available, without being too rushed.

I got great enjoyment from the two day course and the time seemed to fly by. As well as providing me regularly with refreshments, Sarah made a delicious home cooked lunch that we had out in her garden, overlooking the fields (an idyllic setting). My table is now out in the patio area in my garden, so I can sit out and enjoy using it. I am delighted with the result of my course.

The bursary was a great way for me to learn a new skill, which I can now continue with to create many other items with the mosaic technique I have been taught.

Maureen Evans  
Halstead WI



On 13 June, **Edenbridge Evening WI** celebrated our 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. Members and guests enjoyed a buffet meal, followed by dancing to Miss Vintage. A celebration cake was cut by our newest and our longest-serving members.

V Pearman



Congratulations to **Staplehurst WI** on their 100 year celebrations.

### Messing About on the River

**Highgate Hawkhurst WI** Summer Outing was a trip down the Medway on board the Kentish Lady. Departing from the Archbishop's Palace in Maidstone, we cruised to Teston Lock and back, enjoying beautiful scenery, an abundance of wildlife (or that

chatter emanating from the boat!) and commentary about the history of the various places we passed.

The trip included a packed lunch (we WI ladies love a packed lunch!) and there was an on-board bar ... and choc ices at the end. As well as engaging in chatter amongst ourselves we met ladies from Westwell WI who had also chosen the day for their river cruise!

Rachel Fagg



### Boughton Monchelsea WI

ladies enjoyed a garden tea party in the village hall for their August meeting. Fun and games with a garden party hat competition made for an exciting evening which everyone enjoyed. Anthea Springett



# EAST PECKHAM WI CENTENARY 1922 - 2022

## By Vintage Coach

Didn't we have a lovely time the day we went to Essex? We arrived in very good time for coffee at The Swan pub, an old coaching inn, in the beautiful village of Thaxted. Our guide was lively, fun and very informative relating historical facts, ghostly facts and keeping up a friendly banter with our driver, Ken. She took us on a stroll around the town, taking in the Church, thatched cottages galore, the Windmill and down small streets to the medieval Guildhall. Ken had manoeuvred the coach down to meet us, so no uphill climb for us ladies. Off we went passing through the chocolate box villages of Finchingfield and High Easter with the beautiful surrounding countryside to admire.



On arrival at the Vintage Coach Company we entered the Garage with tables set out for lunch. A glass of wine and lunch in the garage alongside two vintage coaches, a sports car and a "Barn Find" coach that was due to be renovated in the next couple of years – was a delight, how quirky was that?

Dividing into two groups we set off on two different coaches, one a charabanc with its windows removed which was great fun and a beautiful vintage coach, each taking a different route and then we swapped. We toured the eight villages known as the "Essex Rodings", beautifully preserved traditional settlements bursting with thatched roofs.



Some of these vintage coaches had been used in TV ads and TV shows and our driver was full of stories of meeting David Jason and lots of the actors from "Only Fools and Horses" when they used one of their coaches in an episode. We enjoyed looking at the Museum full of beautiful Vintage cars but all too soon it



was time for tea and cake in the Garage before heading home.

It was a delightful day out and much enjoyed by everyone.

## ART AND CRAFT



Paula Bates 01892 327863

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\*\*\*\*\*A few tickets still available\*\*\*\*\*

Art and Craft Annual Days—closing date extended.

### Art & Craft Annual Days

Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 September 2022, 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 required 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.



## OBITUARIES

It is with sadness that **Sole Street WI** reports the death of **MARY CLARK**, a long-

standing member of our Institute. Mary was a former President and Secretary, holding both posts simultaneously at one time. She was a talented artist and loved taking part in our craft sessions. We have lost a great friend and will remember her fondly.

**Swanley WI** wish to pay tribute to **MARY WATERS**, a founder member some 62 years ago, who has died at the age of 103. An amazing lady, greatly loved and respected, who for many years arranged wonderful holidays and days out.

With much sadness, **Shorne & Thong WI** announces the death of **PEARL DAVIES**. A long standing member, Pearl will be warmly remembered for her friendly manner. A keen reader and book club member, she loved talking to others and will be greatly missed.

It is with great sadness that **The Farleighs WI** announces the passing of **MARIANNE VALENCIA**. She was a very active member of our WI always full of fun and had a contagious laugh- our Pantomimes will never be the same. Our thoughts are with her family.



**Bexley Village WI** sends warmest wishes and congratulations to **ANN & ROY MUNNS** who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on the 4 August .

## 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 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.

A lovely selection of baby clothes knitted by some talented **Shorne & Thong WI** members for the Special Care Baby Unit at Darent Valley Hospital.



## Federation Golf Day 2023

The Trustees are planning to hold a West Kent Federation Golf Day in the Spring 2023. If any golfers in the Federation are interested in playing in this event, please email your interest to Rita King - [treasurer@wkwfi.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@wkwfi.org.uk)

The venue would be in the Swanley/Orpington area and would consist of a Stableford competition with prizes for the overall winner, runner up, nearest the pin and longest drives. There would also be a meal and presentation after the event. Open to all members with a valid handicap.

If successful, it could become an annual event.!!



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