



WEST KENT WI NEWS

January 2025

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Have you booked your Early Bird Ticket with your Rep for the AGM at the Woodville, in Gravesend on the 19 March yet? Please note earlier start time of 10.45am.



Adam Frost

Adam is an award-winning British Garden Designer and presenter on **Gardeners' World** (BBC2). He regularly presents the BBC's coverage of multiple RHS Flower Shows and has featured on **The One Show** and **DIY SOS** (BBC 1), **The Alan Titchmarsh Show** (ITV).

Janie Ramsay has been a WI speaker for over 10 years visiting nearly 100 West Kent WIs. This talk is about why she became a WI member, and why a speaker.



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Please note that due to an unforeseen clash of dates Melissa Green NFWI CEO, will no longer be able to attend our AGM. There will be a senior NFWI speaker and once the name is confirmed we will let you all know.

VIEW FROM THE CHAIR



Welcome to 2025, a new year filled with exciting possibilities for all our WIs! Embrace the future with enthusiasm and continue our tradition of community engagement, learning, and friendship.

As we step into this new year, let's explore innovative ways to connect with our members and the wider community. Remember the importance of face-to-face interactions, cherishing the warmth and camaraderie of our meetings.

In 2025, why not prioritise personal growth and skill development. Make use of the WI Learning Hub which is free to members and only £6 for non-members. Organise workshops and discussions on topics that inspire and empower us, and don't forget the wonderful activities, Annual days and of course the AGM, organised by West Kent Federation!

Let's support each other's creative endeavours and celebrate our achievements.

Together, we can make 2025 a year of positive impact and lasting memories, working together to create a vibrant and inclusive community that uplifts and empowers women and girls of all ages.

Take care,
Amanda

Treasurer's Corner



I would like to wish everyone a very happy 2025.

With that in mind I would hopefully like to make your job a little easier by doing Treasurer Training for your WI end of year accounts. I have pencilled in Friday 21 February for training on Zoom at 6:30 pm.

If you would like to attend then please email me on treasurer@wkwfi.org.uk and I will add your name to the list.

Whilst we are on the subject of training, the Learning Hub will be offering WIs a Gift Aid training session soon, so look out for your weekly email on the Learning Hub for details. Regular emails are also sent to your WI mailbox by our Federation Secretary with details of various Learning Hub sessions.

Kind regards

Rita King

FEDERATION NOTICE BOARD

List of Speakers 2024/2025

Please note the following additional speaker:

Life Inside 10 Downing Street

Mario Creatura

Tel No: 07951 902905

Email: mario@mariocreatura.org.uk

Website: www.mariocreatura.org.uk

Fee: £70 (donated to charity) plus £10 travel expenses

New Speakers

A big thank you to the PA&I sub-committee for hosting such a successful Speakers Audition Day last October. The Federation is delighted to welcome the following speakers:

Positive Dog Training and Communication

Tilly Baker

13 Roseholme, Maidstone, Kent ME16 8DY

Tel No: 07494 478892

Email: Fawndog121dogtraining@gmail.com

Website: Fawndog121dogtraining.co.uk

Fee: £75 plus travel at £1 per mile after 5 miles

Mini Me – A Journey through History in Miniatures

Mette Breminer

9 Croft Road, Westerham, Kent TN16 1RY

Tel No: 01959 467817 / 07880 388378

Email: mbreminer@gmail.com

Fee: £80 plus 30p per mile travel expenses if over 10 miles

Colour your Soul and Dress yourself Happy

Jillian Egelton

The Cottage, 8 Windmill Hill, Wrotham Heath, Kent TN15 7SU

Tel No: 07341 273440

Email: cherishlifecoaching@gmail.com

Website: www.cherishlifecoaching.co.uk

Fee: £50 plus 45p per mile if over 10 miles

Put a Spring Back into your Step – Colour, Style, Makeup and Skincare

Elaine Evans

13 Homewood Road, Tenterden, Kent TN30 7AU

Tel No: 07921 649949

Email: elaineellenevans@gmail.com

Website: www.elaineevans.net

Fee: £80 inclusive

Sam Winston: Journey of a Singer-Songwriter

Sam Winston

34 Maiden Erlegh Avenue, Bexley, Kent DA5 3PD

Tel No: 07851 236740

Email: samwinstonmusic@icloud.com

Website: www.samwinstonmusic.com

Fee: £80 plus 40p per mile travel expenses outside a 5 mile radius of Bexley

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025

MARCH

Weds 19 West Kent Federation AGM Gravesend

APRIL

Thur 03 Know your sewing machine EHL

Fri 04 Know your sewing machine Snodland

Sat 05 Know your sewing machine Orpington

Thur 24 ACWW Afternoon Tea Paddock Wood

MAY

Weds 7 Lifestyle Annual Day Ditton

JUNE

Thur 19 Introduction to Pastels W/shop EHL

Fri 20 Introduction to Pastels W/shop Snodland

Sat 21 Introduction to Pastels W/shop Orpington

SEPTEMBER

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 TBA

Thur 16 Matthew Palmer Watercolour W/shop TBA

Fri 17 Matthew Palmer Watercolour W/shop TBA

Sat 18 Matthew Palmer Watercolour W/shop TBA

Weds 22 Lifestyle Annual Day Ditton

West Kent Federation wishes all our members a Happy New Year!





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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Woodville

Woodville Place, Gravesend DA12 1DD

Wednesday 19 March 2025
10.45am to 3.45pm (doors open at 10.00am)

DELEGATE TICKETS ARE FREE however you still need to complete and return the Ticket Application form and provide a name. The Delegate WI will be printed on the front of your ticket and **Delegates are free to sit anywhere in the hall.**

NON-VOTING MEMBERS TICKETS including Group Co-ordinators and Federation Sub-Committee Members – Admission will be by ticket only at a cost of **£15.00 per ticket** and WI Reps should apply to the Federation Office for these by **Tuesday 28 February**.

However, we are offering an 'Early Bird' booking price of **£13.50 per ticket** if received in the office by **Friday 31 January**. There may be a second release after the closing date. **There is no restriction on ticket numbers.**

**ADMISSION TO THE MEETING WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED ON PRODUCTION OF A TICKET
TICKETS ARE SOLD ON A NON-RETURNABLE, NON-REFUNDABLE BASIS**

COLLECTION

We will be collecting for Gravesend Foodbank and would be grateful for any non perishable donations. If your WI would like to make up **one** bag of items a strong bag for life could be used, maximum size 18 x 15 x 8 inches. This is a voluntary collection and WIs can participate if they wish.

MEMBERS WITH LIMITED MOBILITY

Please indicate on the ticket application form if a reserved seat is required for member(s) with limited mobility. Seating will be at the end of a row and space is limited, but we will do our best to accommodate you. There is also limited space available for wheelchairs, so please let the Federation Office know if wheelchair access is required. Please note if you bring a rollator to the event, it will be necessary to store this at the side of the hall.

HEARING IMPAIRED

The main Auditorium has an infrared hearing system which is available for those sat in rows D to P in the stalls. Please let us know your requirements when booking your tickets.

RHS WISLEY DRAW

As a Federation we are Associate Members of the RHS which entitles us to 50 tickets for a visit to RHS Wisley. Remember, this is for a ONE group visit of up to 50 people and you are welcome to include members from other WIs to use all the tickets.

BURSARIES

Four Bursaries for Individual Members

These are not subject specific and can be used for any course chosen by the member as long as it meets the WI charitable objectives. The course can be residential, non-residential, or online.

Each bursary will be for a set figure of £200. If the course costs more than that then the member should pay the balance.

Winners will have two years to take up the bursary.

Winners will need to check with the Federation that the course meets WI objectives.

If possible, the Federation should pay the provider direct. If not, we will refund the member on production of confirmation paperwork.

Members will have to apply for entry into the individual bursaries using the application box in the November, December and January West Kent News, or email or write in with your details.

Please note members can only apply once and winners will be chosen by draw.

Two Bursaries for WIs as follows:-

NFWI Raffle

One bursary to be funded from the proceeds of the NFWI Raffle.

Memorial Bursary (formerly the Denman Memorial Bursary)

The winning WIs can decide whether to use these bursaries to book a specialised tutor/workshop that would be open to all its members to attend, or hold a draw for an individual to have a chance of winning the bursary.

All WIs will be entered automatically for these bursaries and winners chosen by draw.

CLOSING DATES

Friday 31 January 2025

Tuesday 28 February 2025

'Early Bird' ticket applications and
Applications for the RHS Wisley Draw and Bursaries
First release closing date for ticket applications and
Receipt in the office of stationery orders to be collected at the AGM

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**BASKETS FOR THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
THE WOODVILLE
WOODVILLE PLACE, GRAVESEND DA12 1DD
WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH 2025**

This year we're inviting all WIs to donate a basket filled with 'goodies'.

Theme ideas could be seasonal – springtime or summer, and don't forget Easter is just round the corner.



Or they could be items for gardening, the home, cooking, pampering or craft. In fact, anything you feel someone would like to buy.

A good place to find a basket is the local charity shop; it can be big or small with a handle or without. YouTube has plenty of ideas if you're looking for inspiration.

Please price your basket at £5, £10, £15 or £20. Money raised will go towards contributing to cover the cost of the day.

We are sure you will think of some lovely ideas and will enjoy seeing and buying an unusual gift either for yourself or a friend.

Please bring your WI basket with you on the day.

Please find below the bio's for the nominations for the Federation Board of Trustees for 2025-27. The forms have already been sent to all WIs and this information will help you make an informed choice.

The closing date for the completed form is 17 January 2025.

TRUSTEE BIOS

AMANDA BREACH

Amanda joined the WI in 2015. She was founding President of Petts Wood WI and later Secretary and was a member of West Kent Zoomers Virtual WI. Amanda was first on the PALS committee and became a Climate Ambassador six years ago. She is now joint Chair of the Green Team. Amanda became a Trustee seven years ago and was Vice Chair and then became Chair three years ago.

BARBARA BICKELL

Barbara joined the WI in 2015. She was founding Secretary at Petts Wood WI and later President. Barbara is joint Chair of the Lifestyle committee and became a Trustee seven years ago. She is now Federation Vice Chair.

GILL BROWN

Gill joined Hadlow WI in 2011. She has been both President and Treasurer and is currently Secretary. She is currently Chair of the PALS (Performing Arts Leisure & Sport) committee. Gill has been a Trustee since 2018 and is a Federation Vice Chair.

DIANE DANIELS

Diane joined the WI in 1984 and is a member of South Park WI. Positions held have included President and Secretary. Diane is currently Chair of the PA&I (Public Affairs & International) committee and is also our KVSEG Co-ordinator (Kent Voluntary Services Emergency Group). Diane has been a Trustee since 2023 and is currently a Federation Vice Chair.

CAROL GUPWELL

Carol joined South Park WI in 1974 and has been President throughout those years about 11 times in all! She also belongs to West Kent Zoomers and Surrey Vixens Virtual WIs. Carol is a West Kent Federation Adviser and was Chair of Advisers for six years until 2022. She is on the Federation PA&I committee and has been a Trustee since 2019. Carol is also ACWW representative for the Federation.

RITA KING

Rita joined Lenham WI in 2016 and has been President twice. She is also a member of West Kent Zoomers Virtual WI. Rita has been a Trustee since 2020 and has been Federation Treasurer for three years. Rita is also an Independent Financial Examiner, and a member of the West Kent News Editorial Team.

GERALDINE MARTIN

Geraldine has been a member of Walderslade WI since 1962 where she was a founding member. Geraldine has been both President and Secretary and is currently on the committee. Geraldine is on the PA&I committee and has been a Trustee since 2016.

JEANNETTE SMITH

Jeannette joined Walderslade WI in 2002 and is a past President and current Secretary. Jeannette is on the PALS committee, became a Trustee in 2023 and is Federation Safeguarding Officer. She is also an Independent Financial Examiner and completed her training to qualify as a WI Adviser for West Kent Federation this year.

SARAH SUDLOW

Sarah has been a WI member since 2011. She is currently President of Nevill WI, a committee member, magazine representative and a past Treasurer. Sarah is joint Chair of the Lifestyle committee. Sarah has been a Trustee since 2018 and is an Assistant Federation Treasurer and is also an Independent Financial Examiner.

ART AND CRAFT



Paula Bates 01892 327863
artcraft@wkwfi.org.uk

Kay Moore Cup Art & Craft Competition

Works to be displayed at the Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 19 March 2025

Theme: **FAVOURITE PLANT or FLOWER**

Your Original Art or Craft work in any medium

No computer art will be considered.

Work on paper to be presented in a mount.

Maximum size 12" x 12"

To be judged on the day by Gardeners' World Presenter **ADAM FROST**



Examples only



Send your entries to: the Art & Craft Committee
West Kent Federation of WIs
Ethel Hunt Lodge, 4 Hawkwell Centre
Maidstone Road, Pembury
Tunbridge Wells TN2 4AG

By the closing date of Friday 28 February

Attach a label to the back of your work stating clearly your name, telephone number and name of your WI.



Leeds WI decorated their bench in the village with poppies made or knitted by their members to commemorate Remembrance day.
Lois Hurst

South Park WI had a craft and bring and share lunch, where we enjoyed making a variety sizes and colours of Stars, enjoyed lunch and mulled wine. Groups can be joined together to make a garland.

Amanda Bird



ART AND CRAFT



Paula Bates 01892 327863
artcraft@wkwfwi.org.uk

Getting to know your sewing machine workshop

Learn how to use your sewing machine
whilst making an attractive tote bag



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

Cost of ticket £ 39. **to include materials.**

Priority to members. Non- members surcharge £5.

You will need to bring your own sewing machine along with the manual for this machine as this is a workshop for you to learn how to use it. Please bring sharp scissors, a seam ripper and good quality thread.

Please bring a packed lunch and a mug for coffee.

Thursday 3 April at Ethel Hunt Lodge, Pembury

Friday 4 April at Bowls Club, Snodland

Saturday 5 April at St Nicholas Church Hall, Orpington

Ticket application form on back page.

Closing date Friday 28 February.

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GILL BROWN and JEANNETTE SMITH pals@wkwfi.org.uk

2025 WEST KENT FEDERATION OF WIS ANNUAL POETRY COMPETITION

Members are once again to compose a poem—the title this year is ***MOVING ON***. Please interpret this how you wish in **12 to 24 lines**, perhaps a change of lifestyle, moving house, a new job, learning to tow a caravan or horsebox. Going from Junior to Senior School or even University.

Please supply two copies - one with just your poem, the other with your poem and also your name, WI and contact details.

You can mail to

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



Or email to FedSec@wkwfi.org.uk

Closing Date End January 2025

Winner to be announced at our WKFWDI AGM 2025 and will be presented with a trophy and a certificate.



PALS Activities in 2025

Firstly the PALS committee would like to thank all the members that came to PALS events in 2024. They were very well supported and we hope to see you all again in 2025, please bring other members with you.

This coming year we hope to start the events with a walking netball session, probably in May.

Then we hope to run 2 water sports days - one in June and the other in September. This is so that we can concentrate on one activity on each of the days and save members having to wait for the second activity.

In June we will run a multi-activity day at Hopehill, where you will be able to try a variety of different activities.

The whist day will run in October as usual, this year we had 60 ladies playing but would be able to squeeze in a few more.

We are very excited about being able to run a Murder Mystery event.

Dates for all these events have to be confirmed so please check in the coming editions of the WKN.

Bearsted Green WI - Craft Group enjoyed time together making Christmas Tree Decorations using milk bottle tops, cereal carton cardboard, Christmas fabric plus beads, festive stars/thread and ribbons. All impressed with end result.

Rachel Shepherd - Joint President

Bearsted Green WI





On behalf of the WI Advisers I would like to wish all the members a Happy New Year and to let you know that we will be holding another Meet the Adviser Zoom session on Wednesday 22 January 2025 at 7pm. Please contact the Federation Secretary to book your place.

Bev Wild Chair of WI Advisers and Membership

RHS Wisley Draw

As a Federation we are Associate Members of the RHS which entitles us to 50 tickets for a visit to RHS Wisley.

If your WI would like to enter into the draw for these tickets, which will be held at the AGM on Wednesday 19 March, please complete the entry form.

Remember, this is for a ONE group visit of up to 50 people and you are welcome to include members from other WIs to use all the tickets. The tickets will show the 'shelf life of the offer' usually the current year and you will have to arrange your own transport. This would be deemed an educational item and your WI could pay transport costs.

Applications can be submitted either by using this form or by letter or email.

Please make sure that all the information requested on the application box is included: WI, Contact Name, Address and Postcode.

West Kent Federation of Women's Institutes

WISLEY TICKETS

Please submit only one WI application – thank you

WI

would like to be included in the annual draw for tickets to visit RHS Wisley

No transport is included in this offer

Contact Name

Address

..... Postcode

Tel No

Email

Apply to: FedSec@wkfwi.org.uk
or to the Federation Office at Ethel Hunt Lodge
clearly marked 'Wisley'

Closing Date: Friday 31 January

WEST KENT FEDERATION OF WIS

2025 Annual Bursary for Education in any subject

Please submit only one personal application – thank you – either on this form, email or letter

WI

Contact Name

Address

..... Postcode

Tel No Email

Apply to: FedSec@wkfwi.org.uk
or to the Federation Office at Ethel Hunt Lodge clearly marked 'Bursary'

Closing Date: Friday 31 January

Please note if you win a bursary at the 2025 AGM, you will not be eligible to enter again within the next five years.



Green Team

greenteam@wkwfi.org.uk

Green Team

Goodbye Christmas tree (for this year!)

Sadly the time has come to take down those lights and strip the Christmas tree of all its decorations.....and then what do we do with it? If yours is an artificial tree you might be lovingly folding down the branches and putting it away in its box for another year!

If you have bought one of the approximately 8 million real trees this year, then there are several options for you to choose. You might have decided on a living, rooted tree in a pot, many of which are grown in Scotland, and hope to keep it. Gradually transition your tree to the outdoors in a garage or unheated room, and water it thoroughly. Choose a sunny spot in the garden, remove its pot and plant in a hole big enough to cover its roots -- but remember, Christmas trees can get **very** large in only a few years! If you decide to keep it in a pot to bring inside next year, you can repot annually making sure you can still lift it! Feed it and water well in the warm months.

A cut tree is 100% recyclable, but here in W Kent, the local authorities differ with their recycling plans so check locally. Some councils take your tree with the regular green waste collection, some have drop-off points, or you can take it to the 'tip'. The trees are then shredded into chippings which are used in parks and woods for paths and mulch. Some charities also offer a 'treecycling service'!

What other uses are there for your tree? Well, if you have a local animal sanctuary, zoo or farm it could go to feed some animals, eg goats! Some trees are used to slow the flow in rivers to prevent flooding, or at the coast to stabilise sand-dunes!

The Green Team wish you all a happy and eco-friendly New Year. We are always pleased to hear from you!

We enjoyed a great Christmas Party with delicious food and hot mulled wine. Our games were extremely well done and we had such fun taking part. **Detling WI** also maned the Christmas Village Fair with tea, cake, mince pies and sausage rolls together with a cake stall. A very busy weekend but thoroughly enjoyed.

Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

Kathy Tanton

Secretary



Early in December four Ladies (L to R Sue L, Eve, Gwen, Shelia S) from **South Park** decorated the real Christmas Tree, with decorations made by our members. This tree had been planted in our local park by our WI a few years ago.

Amanda Bird



Boughton Monchelsea WI enjoyed a fabulous Christmas party with entertainment from the Boxley Handbell Ringers who also gave us a chance to try ringing the bells.

This was followed by a sumptuous supper, a parade of very imaginative Christmas hats and the singing of Christmas carols accompanied by the beautiful sound of the bells. A great way to kick off the Christmas festivities!



Anthea

St. Michaels WI hosted another wreath making workshop.

This year we opened it up to Marden, Staplehurst, Highgate Hawkhurst, Tenterden Glebe, Frittenden, Iden Green and Benenden WIs

We were also joined by Carol Gupwell and her daughter.

What a lovely time and such different interpretations.

Thank you all for joining us.

Brigitte

St. Michaels WI



West Peckham knits for Hospice in the Weald

Eight members of the West Peckham WI, got together for a Knitathon. The aim was to produce as many knitted Christmas tree stockings as we could in one afternoon. We made a great team. Seven of us knitted furiously while a delicious tea was prepared, to help sustain us. There was lots of laughter and chat, and we found out things about fellow knitters that we didn't know – one of us has had an artwork displayed in the Tate modern!

We managed to produce 25 stockings which will be sold in aid of Hospice in the Weald. Three members who did not attend the knitathon knitted a further 22 stockings. We included small gifts in the stockings, and we hope they are enjoyed by those that buy them.

Elizabeth and Bridget



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ACWW Fund Raising Afternoon Tea

Paddock Wood Community Centre,
Maidstone Road, Paddock Wood TN12 6EB

Thursday 24 April at 2 pm
(Doors open 1:30 pm)

£15 members £20 non members
Members will be given priority

Speaker : Casey Daudelin, ACWW
Engagement Officer talking on Project
and work of ACWW.

Enjoy a social afternoon tea with fellow WI members.

The red bag for good causes will be available plus pre
loved costume jewellery will be on sale.
Proceeds to ACWW

Please see back page for ticket applications. Please
state any dietary requirements / allergies.
Closing date : 31 March

On Monday, 18 November, two of our members at **Nuxley Village WI**, decided to do a sponsored walk in aid of Children in Need. Their usual routine is to walk twice around our local park, but for this charity event they would challenge themselves & go around five times. Some of us were there to watch & to celebrate with coffee & pancakes afterwards!

One of their granddaughters had set up a Just Giving page & to everyone's great delight they managed to raise £1270! We are all very proud of the two of them .

Rosemary
Webdale





OBITUARIES

Frindsbury Extra WI was saddened by the death of **YVONNE**

DAVALL. She had been a member for many years and helped run the bookstall. She was always positive even when she was ill. She liked to chat and always had a smile. She will be much missed by all who knew her.

Chelsfield Evening WI is sad to announce that **SHIRLEY WEBB** died recently following a sudden deterioration in her health. As well as being an active member of Chelsfield Evening, she was also on the committee for many years and participated in a number of WI activities. Shirley was very friendly, chatty and always prepared to help and assist with any task at short notice. She will be missed by those that remember her in our WI.



OBITUARIES

Allington Castle WI was saddened to hear that **MARGARET ADAMS** passed

away. Margaret was a member of 'Allington Afternoon' before joining us. A member for over 50 years, as past President, Secretary and Treasurer, and a very respected Committee member. Her services will be forever remembered with affection. Co-editor of "West Kent : Within Living Memory" a book about West Kent Federation with memory contributions done jointly with Davina Digby. She will be sadly missed by family and friends. Sue Hollings, Janet Buller and Linda Wills remember fondly working with Margaret at she organised the Around the WIs for the WKN

It is with great sadness that **Chislehurst WI** announce the death of **GILL MOGER** after she lost her second battle with cancer. Gill was a lovely lady and had been a member since 2011 and regularly attended our meetings and activities. Gill will be sadly missed by our members and we send heartfelt condolences to her family.

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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.

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@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.