



#### April 2021

## **Norfolk Federation Newsletter**

### Hello from the Home Office!

#### **Happy Easter!**

I know for many of us, this Easter will probably be similar to last year – quiet. At least we will be able to meet in 6s outdoors to scoff easter eggs or hot cross buns, and it looks like the weather will be kind, too!

Amongst this month's mailing you'll find numerous things to make and eat, as well as other information. Send in pictures of your finished crafts or food! Email <u>magazine@norfolkwi.org.uk</u>

We also know that many WIs are planning Easter treats for members, so do send in photos of what you did. Again, email <u>magazine@norfolkwi.org.uk</u>

I hope you are all keeping safe and well and until next time, take care.

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## This month's Magazine

Here is the link to view the latest edition: <u>https://www.flipsnack.com/5B7D5F6BDC9/norfolk-wi-news-april-2021/full-view.html</u>

It's been sent to WI Secretaries, members requesting it direct and will be available on the News Page of our Website – and, of course, a welcome return to its usual glossy format, which will be posted out to those WIs who have requested hard copies!

# Fudge for Easter recipe – a new ingredient?

Thank you to the member who pointed out that the recipe gave the option of "glace sherries"! Obviously, that should be "glace cherries". As the members said, she tried to find them in her cupboard to no avail, but did find the sherry and the cherries, so added the cherries and drank the sherry. Just in case...

#### **Constitutional Changes**

The votes cast at the meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> March have been verified and the proposals were passed. The new WI Constitution has been circulated to Secretaries and the changes are effective immediately. You may be interested to know the voting results for the WI Constitution: 8,133 votes for, 27 against, so the vote was carried with a 99.67% majority.

#### Federation Annual Meeting – Tuesday, 18th May

Clearly because of Covid-19 restrictions this can't be a physical meeting, so for 2021 it will be via Zoom. We appreciate that not everyone has access to the internet, but this is our only option in order to comply with legislation; however, if restrictions are lifted as planned under the Government's Roadmap, the Rule of 6 will have returned allowing members without access to meet in another member's house. This year will be a purely business meeting, as there are various legal processes we must undertake: We will, though, be honouring WIs with significant birthdays in 2020 and 2021, "presenting" competition and Rosebowl winners, and hearing about the exciting plans for future events from Sub-Committees. Every WI is entitled to send a delegate to the meeting and there are spaces available for visitors. There is no charge for either delegate or visitor tickets. If you are interested in attending, please contact your Secretary. FAM will be back as usual next vear!

#### National Annual Meeting –

#### Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> June

I now have some details of the National Annual Meeting. Again, because of Covid restrictions this will be a virtual meeting. National have advised that, as with the Constitutional changes meeting, the linking ratio for link delegates will be 1 in 8 WIs. I will now be sorting out the Linking List and sending what information I have to Secretaries.

Details are a little sketchy at this time, but we are told that there will be delegate tickets – although how many of these we will be allocated has yet to be advised; we do know that they are limited and will be available to buy on a first-come, first-served basis (but I don't yet know how much they will be). Rest assured, as soon as I have information, I will send it out! I will also be in touch with members who had sent an "expression of interest" in attending.

They have advised the speakers, though: HRH Sophie, Countess of Wessex, Dame Cressida Dick and Baroness Brenda Hale.

#### Things to do & Other Useful Information

As ever, feel free to share the following with family and friends.

- Suffolk & Norfolk Life Magazine: produced by the publishers of our magazine, previous back issues are FREE to read via their website at: <u>https://www.suffolknorfolklifemagazine.co</u> <u>m/read-online/</u>
- Norfolk Museums Service: have a host of online services. You can join a virtual tour, find learning resources, and discover family activities. Go to <u>Museums from home -</u> <u>Norfolk Museums</u>
- **Signal for Help**: is a one-handed, nonverbal, gesture that adults and children can use on a video call or in person to communicate that they feel threatened. It was created in response to the rise in domestic violence as a result of selfisolation during the pandemic. If you see this signal, please call the emergency services.



#### Finally...

Be Safe, Be Well, Be Kind ...and don't eat too much chocolate! ©