



INGOLDISTHORPE VILLAGE WI NEWSLETTER JULY/AUGUST 2022

President's Message

Several of us went to the WI Sandringham and District Group meeting. A chance to chat to members from other institutes and enjoy a buffet supper whilst listening and singing along to sea shanties with a group called Pot of Gold. A good evening all round.

4th July, as promised three of us delivered your knitted Trauma Teddies to a charity based in Kings Lynn who are working to settle Ukrainian families into our local area.



Tonight we pay a warm welcome to a number of visitors; our Federation Chairman and Secretary, trainee WI Advisor and members of neighbouring WI's. We hope you enjoy your evening.

As we do not meet formally in August please make sure you listen out for any trips / activities that you need to decide upon before September.

Have a good break and I look forward to seeing many of you at our August meal. Otherwise, see you at our September meeting, Thursday 15th.

Lesley

Future Federation Events - Please Action Now

The following items of Information are from Federation and replies are needed by them before our next monthly meeting. There will be boards out as usual, but we do have a lot of visitors this month and it may be difficult to get around to signing up. So this is your chance to let Jean know if you want a ticket for the Federation Meeting or to order a calendar/diary. Her email address is armjm_44@hotmail.com and telephone number 01485 541462.

2023 Diary and Calendar

National Diary, Red Cover - Cost £7 each

Norfolk Calendar - The Theme for 2023 is Norfolk Heritage - Cost £5

Autumn Federation Meeting 2022

Tuesday 11th October, 10.00 - 1.00 p.m. at St Cecilia's Church Hall, Dersingham

Tickets £7.50, to include refreshments.

Topics - Wellbeing Service Norfolk & Waveney Anxiety - we all live with it. This will be an interactive talk.

Cheese Sommelier - Learn more about Cheese with Cheryl Cade, including a blind tasting.

Visit all the Sub-Committees stands and Mobile Shop

(Make the most of this meeting, it's on our doorstep. These Federation Meetings show us that the WI is not just a local club, but both a County and National Organisation with a great deal of influence.)

Winter Fun Day at New Buckenham Village Hall NR16 2AU Friday November 11th 10.30 - 3.30p.m. Cost £20.

Simon White of Peter Beales Roses.

In the Morning Simon will demonstrate and help you plan a spring time tub - layering the bulbs for maxim flowering time.

Creating Together

The afternoon session is time for you to relax and watch two very talented ladies from East/West Winch. They will demonstrate a Christmas theme with ideas for your home.

If you are interested in going to this event talk to Jean as she will need to get the application in before our September Meeting and also will also give you the details of the light lunch, which has to be ordered together with your application for tickets.



Trips and Outings



Kings Lynn Heritage Trail

Recently a group of members spent an interesting afternoon enjoying the Kings Lynn Heritage Trail with a private guide. We started the walk at the Minster in the Saturday Market Place where we were welcomed by Sue Nulty who was looking after visitors to the church. Vic, our guide, explained the history of the church and had to extend his talk as a heavy downpour prevented us from going outside. After the deluge stopped we walked around the old streets behind the Minster and the quay and heard about the merchants and life in the town centuries ago. We also heard about the work of the preservation society who renovate old unused buildings and turn them into living accommodation. We finished our walk in the Tuesday Market Place where we adjourned to a coffee shop for refreshments, everyone had an enjoyable afternoon.

Future Outings



Unfortunately due to problems with the menu we have had to change the venue for our meal. We are now going to The Aviator at Sculthorpe formerly The Hourglass on Thursday 18th August at 6.30p.m. Menus will be available at the July meeting. It would be a great help if you could let us know your menu choice then and if you need transport.



The trip to Wild Ken Hill on Tuesday 30th August is now full. I am sorry if some of you who wanted to go were disappointed but we were limited to 12 places. There is a waiting list of people who were unsuccessful if

anybody has to drop out. I will contact those that are going the week before to make travel arrangements.

Dersingham WI have contacted us about two trips they are organising by coach which they wondered if we would be interested in joining. Blicking Hall - Friday 7th October and Ely Cathedral Christmas Market - Friday 18th November.

If any members are interested please can you let us know at the July meeting.

Barbara and Sandie



Forthcoming Dates

Saturday 10th September 10 - 1p.m - Programme Planning

This meeting is open to all Ingoldisthorpe Village WI members to put forward their suggestions for future speakers/trips etc.

Harvest Lunch on Saturday 24th September

It has been so good this year to be able to return to our Community Events and the next one which is open to everyone will be our Harvest Lunch on Saturday 24th September, a two course meal with tea or coffee cost £8. As usual you will be able to purchase your ticket from Sylvia on 01485 544362

Saturday 15th October Dabble Day 10 - 4pm

Crafts on offer are Painting with Alex, Book Binding with Judith and Maureen will be guiding members making Christmas Bubbles. Lunch will be a 'bring and share platter' with tea and coffee provided. The only cost will be for materials supplied by the tutors.

Dabble Days are fun and give you the opportunity to try something new or improve on something you enjoy, but are only open to our own members.

Do come and join in

After the past two years of Lockdowns and restrictions we all know how lonely life can be. WI has been a lifeline to many and the activities between monthly meetings are very much looked forward to. Regular walks, Pitch & Putt and Bowling. Book Club, Knit and Natter, Darts and Craft Group are over subscribed at the moment but please let Jean know if you are interested in putting your name down for when there is a vacancy. Do any of you play Scrabble? If so we can try and find a way of having a regular session in a members' home.

If you have difficulty in getting to our monthly meeting, please let Jean know and she can arrange for another member to provide transport or, if you normally walk to WI, again ask for help from another member to walk with you.



June Walk to Morston/Blakeney

Eight members ventured on a seaside walk before the summer influx. We took the scenic cross country minor roads which we enjoyed. On arrival we set out from Morston towards Blakeney seeing many seagulls and other nesting birds. We decided to go into a new cafe on the waterfront in Blakeney for coffee and a bite to eat. Everyone enjoyed the sausage rolls

and some tried the Moroccan ones which were delicious. Then we walked on a circular route round the village seeing 3 life size cows in someone's driveway caused my laughter. There was a whale weather vane and lots of beautiful flowers to discuss. It was a sunny day but there was a good breeze. Enjoyed by all.

Carol



Pitch and Putt Monday 20th June

Six members tested their golfing skills after over three years due to COVID and weather. We had to split into 2 groups of three and many shots either fell short or far exceeded the flagpole. Much laughter was heard and everyone enjoyed the views to the sea and the kite surfers. It was a lovely game and Carol Hodges retained the Pauline Coulden Cup for the third time. We then walked to the Ancient Mariner and all enjoyed a nice lunch with much needed drinks, and conversation discussing the shots played amongst other things.

Carol

Carol is hoping to arrange another Pitch & Putt before the end of the season.



Knit and Natter

Knit & Natter, though perhaps it should be called needles and natter. Pam knits lovely items for Baby Basics and Carole produces jumpers for her family and herself. Sandie has a change of needles by working on Cross Stitch items or Crochet ones. Sylvia does more talking than working on her Plastic Canvas project. Dorothy is a very accomplished needlewoman knitting, crochet or sewing. Another knitter is Margaret who joins us when she feels fit enough. The two hours pass very quickly with lots of laughter and catching up with the news and putting the world to rights.

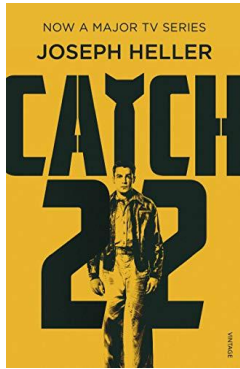


Book Club met on Friday 24th June. As part of Kindness month, at our June WI meeting we had opened up this book club meeting for all to come along in friendship to join us. Unfortunately probably due to a resurgence of Covid and people on holiday there were only 8 of us but that did include one WI member who does not normally attend book club! The Beekeeper of Aleppo, Northanger Abbey and Catch 22 were the books for June. The Beekeeper was very much enjoyed by all and Northanger Abbey brought back memories of school texts for most and was a sharp contrast to the other 2 books. Catch 22 was a struggle for most but led to an interesting discussion on life in Norfolk during the Second World War with Ann telling us some fascinating stories .

Books for next month are Songbirds by Christi Lefteri, The Wherryman by David Blake, The Snow Child by Eowyn Ivey and The Women of Troy by Pat Barker. Happy Reading!

Lindsay

Book Review - Catch 22 by Joseph Heller



A long review but I know some people found this difficult to read at first and I hope you'll go beyond the first few pages if the style appears flippant. Being a child of the 1950s my adolescence was punctuated by anti war events like those brave women at Greenham Common and the anti Vietnam War protests in the US. At school and university I read classic English and European novels. War was History. It was only when I started teaching that I read the First World War poets like Wilfred Owen and then much later, this book.

Dark satire, it manages to be uproariously funny in places. But the humour is rooted in sheer terror at times and in others, abject hopelessness. The rate of civilian casualties was higher than World War II's and the Vietnam War's). Almost 40,000 Americans died in action in Korea, and more than 100,000 were wounded.'

A million South Koreans died.

There are many famous quotes but this one seems very relevant.

'It was miraculous. It was almost no trick at all, he saw, to turn vice into virtue and slander into truth, impotence into abstinence, arrogance into humility, plunder into philanthropy, thievery into honor, blasphemy into wisdom, brutality into patriotism, and sadism into justice. Anybody could do it; it required no brains at all. It merely required no character. German children are still taken to Coventry and told not to forget the horrors of the 2nd World War. Sculptures are left at the side of the river in Budapest as a memorial to those shot. Berlin has a very atmospheric holocaust museum manned by young Jews.

I really hope Catch 22 continues to be widely read as a memorial to the deaths of so many. It is funny and human. And helps you walk in Yossarian's shoes. This might give you a flavour.

Helen Beynon



A Countryside Quiz

1. What is the name of a squirrel's nest?
2. What is the common name of Bellis Perennis?
3. What is the collective name for a group of Goldfinch?
4. Which tree is traditionally used to make cricket bats?
5. What is a cumulonimbus?
6. Which little British bird's name translates from the Latin to 'cave dweller'?
7. What is a water boatman?



More from Federation - Last Chance to Book

18th August for 'ACWW and More' Thursday 29th September at Mileham Village Hall, cost £20. Morning speaker on ACWW and in the afternoon a speaker from Vattenfall Windpower.

12th August for Watercolour Workshop being held on Friday 14th October, venue Federation Office, cost £25.

19th September for the Poetry competition entries to celebrate National Poetry Day.

There will be boards in the committee room for you to sign if you wish to attend any of the Federation events, also the Dersingham trips to Blickling and the Federation trip to Ely.



Jean is still collecting Postage Stamps which are sent to Parkinsons UK to raise money for research into the illness and also used ink cartridges which are at the moment sent to a recycling organisation. Jean is trying to find a charity which can use them to raise money. If you have a stash tucked away, bring them to the September Meeting.

Our next monthly meeting will be on Thursday September the 15th, the speaker is Samantha who will give a Make Up demonstration.

Ingoldisthorpe Wetlands Walk on the 10th September has been organised by the Church Hall Committee. Meet at the hall at 2p.m. and Dr. Jonah Tosney, operations Director of the Norfolk Rivers Trust will give a talk about how the Wetlands have been created and will continue with a guided walk around the area (the wetland treatment site is the first of its kind in England). Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available at the hall - cost £2. This may be of interest to our walkers and to those who have recently moved into the village.



Answers to the Quiz

1. Drey
2. Daisy
3. A Charm
4. Willow
5. A Cloud
6. Wren
7. A predatory aquatic bug that swims on its back using its long legs as oars