



# Norfolk Federation Newsletter

## Hello from the Office! We're cooling down...

As you will see from the magazine, we have been busy during the shutdown re-arranging offices on the first floor at The House. Naturally, this coincided with the hottest days of the year so far! We are very pleased with the result and know that we now have two further, really usable, spaces.

Last month was quite a postbag, advertising events for autumn and early winter. Because we know that members, and our volunteer organisers, get busy in the lead-up to Christmas, the mailing in September is always a little smaller – but still perfectly formed – and each year includes the schedule for the Centenary Salver. We hope your WI will be inspired to enter and novices are particularly welcome!

Don't forget that all the flyers and application forms for previously advertised events can be found on our Website at [norfolk.thewi.org.uk/news](http://norfolk.thewi.org.uk/news) or under the Activities & Committees tab.

A little advanced warning that the **Office will be closed** for the Autumn Federation Meeting on **Tuesday, 29th October**.

We hope you have all enjoyed the summer and look forward to seeing you all again when we **re-open on Monday, 2nd September**.

Until then, take care



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## This month's Norfolk WI News

The link to this month's edition is below:

<https://www.flipsnack.com/5b7d5f6bdc9/norfolk-wi-news-september-2024/full-view.html>

## Welcome to Blundeston & Flixton WI!

You'll see from the magazine that Blundeston & Flixton WI have joined us from Suffolk East. We bid them a very warm welcome and look forward to seeing them at Federation events.

## Autumn Federation Meetings 18<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> October

Don't forget to get your application in for tickets! As well as meeting the alpacas, Trustees will be telling you all about the events planned for next year, and you can browse the Committee stands, including the mobile Front Office with all their goodies – including the new aprons and pens!

## Pre-Loved Jigsaw & Games Sale at The House – 23<sup>rd</sup> November

We advertised this last month and hope to see you there, picking up a bargain in time for Christmas! If you are coming to one of the Autumn Federation Meetings you can bring your unwanted jigsaws and games – just drop them off at the Communications stand.

## Another Save the Date for 2024! WI Evening at John Lewis Thursday, 5th December

We are delighted to announce that we have collaborated with John Lewis for an exclusive WI evening! Starting from 5.30 until 8pm, there will be demonstrations, workshops, offers and much more, all with free parking! Full details will be sent out in next month's mailing, but you might like to put the date in your diaries now. It is open to WI members, family and friends are encouraged to come along, too.

## 500 Club

Don't forget to buy your share or shares, with the chance to win a monthly cash prize. You can apply either via the form on the Norfolk Website, or by email to Helen ([admin@norfolkwi.org.uk](mailto:admin@norfolkwi.org.uk)). They will also be

available at the Autumn Federation Meetings, when Vanessa and Helen will be selling shares.

## Writing Competition

A reminder that there is still plenty of time to enter. The Title is "Behind the Curtain(s), so let your imagination run wild and put pen to paper! The closing date is 30<sup>th</sup> December and the winning entries are published in the magazine.

## Need some Stationery?

During the clear out we found heaps of ring binders, punched pockets and square cut folders – far too many for us to use. The surplus will be available in the Front Office for free or a small donation. Call in to pick some up when we re-open in September.

## Things to do & Other Useful Information

- **Norwich Castle – Catherine Maude Nichols: Making her Mark:** an exhibition of this prolific and gifted Norwich artist, only the third woman to be elected a Fellow of the Society of Painters-Etchers. More information at [www.norwichcastle.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.norwichcastle.norfolk.gov.uk)
- **Heritage Open Days, 6th-15th September:** Evelyn Suffield House may not be participating this year, but there are a whole host of fascinating and rare opportunities to visit and participate in numerous events throughout the County. More information can be found at [www.heritageopendays.org.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk)
- **National Gardens Open Scheme:** There are still plenty of gardens to visit. Go to <http://www.ngs.org.uk/> for details.

Finally...

Be Safe, Be Well, Be Kind.  
Enjoy September's Sun

