



Norfolk Federation Newsletter

Hello from the Office!

We're looking forward to the Jubilee...

We know that numerous WIs are planning their own celebrations, or are very involved in their local community events. We hope they go well and you have a wonderful time commemorating this momentous milestone (and no doubt praying for good weather, of course). Don't forget to take pictures and send a report of your activities to the magazine (magazine@norfolkwi.org.uk)!

There will be another Platinum Jubilee to celebrate later this year – the 70th anniversary of the WI buying Evelyn Suffield House in September 1952! We will be opening the House on **Friday, 9th September** to members and the public, as part of Heritage Open Days. There is a booklet in this month's mailing detailing what's planned, including a craft project – "A Flower for the Garden". We hope this will inspire your creativity as much as the Spoon Garden did in 2019!

Finally, just a reminder that for the Jubilee, **the House will be closed** over the Bank Holiday – **Thursday, 2nd and Friday, 3rd June**.

So until next time, take care and enjoy your Jubilee celebrations



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This month's Norfolk WI News

If you would like to read the magazine online link to the latest edition is below:

<https://www.flipsnack.com/5b7d5f6bdc9/norfolk-wi-news-june-22/full-view.html>

Don't forget that you can amend your order for hard copies of Norfolk WI News at any point during the year – just ring or email Helen (admin@norfolkwi.org.uk).

Save the Date #1 – Autumn Federation Meetings 2022

These take place across the County, and I am currently trying to finalise exactly where. Information will come out as soon as I have all the venues agreed, but in the meantime you might like to make a note of the dates:

Wednesday, 5th October
Tuesday, 11th October
Wednesday, 19th October
Wednesday, 26th October

Save the Date #2 – FAM 2023

We now have a confirmed date!
Tuesday, 23rd May

National Annual Meeting Liverpool, 11th June

Final preparations are being made for the Federation's attendance. We are delighted that all 35 delegate places have been taken up and there are 12 visitors, which is encouraging after the last two years. Some of the delegates and visitors are attending virtually! The Office will be closed on Friday, 10th June, as I act as Federation Steward (or "Herder in Chief"!). Attending National Annual Meetings makes you realise just what you are a part of; if you haven't attended before, we would really encourage you to consider going!

Things to do & Other Useful Information

There are a few items to share this month:

- **Norfolk Rivers Trust & the Wensum Catchment Partnership:** are about to launch a new citizen science project (running from June 2022 - December 2022) to monitor water quality in the headwaters of the River Wensum. This will provide valuable information that will

support the development of restoration plans that are based on evidence. They need to recruit a number of regular volunteers over the next month to conduct weekly sampling (training and expenses will be provided) to support this project and have written to ask if any members might be interested and able to help. If so, please contact Georgia Waye-Barker at georgia@norfolkrivertrust.org

- **UEA Arts & Humanities Events:** launched a brand-new series for spring, 'Back to the Future: Arts in a Digital Age', examining the impact of the digital age on key aspects of the arts. Events are free, but booking is essential: [Back to the Future: Arts in a Digital Age | University of East Anglia Online Store \(uea.ac.uk\)](#) (although some of the events have taken place.)
- **Courier Fraud:** Norfolk has one of the highest recorded rates of courier fraud offences in the country. City of London Police and Action Fraud are running an awareness campaign: a copy of their fact sheet including advice to help protect you against such fraud is included in the mailing – do feel free to share it. Based on 2021 information, they are expecting to see a spike in the number of reported cases in June and July, so anything we can do to raise the profile of this type of fraud will be a good thing.
- **Trading Standards:** are reminding consumers to think #CHECK when choosing a tradesman or business for a job. Compare – Use [Norfolk Trusted Trader](#) and get three quotes
History – Ask for the traders' references, recommendations and reviews and make sure you check them out
Establish the details – What is being done, by Who, by When and for How much?
Contract – Ensure everything is recorded
Keep all of the paperwork - This may be needed should anything go wrong

Finally...

Be Safe, Be Well,
Be Kind

