



## OLD BUCKENHAM WI BULLETIN May 2023

Our next meeting is on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May and is usually the meeting at which we vote on the current Resolution. However, the date for voting fell earlier than usual this year leaving us insufficient time to book a speaker. Instead, we will have a poetry evening with the emphasis on comic verse followed by a quiz. We will have the usual Flower of the Month competition and the month being one of the loveliest no doubt we'll see some beautiful entries. The competition is A Coronation Souvenir and as usual, there will be a raffle. Alison will be running the Love Food, Hate Waste table in support of the ACWW and she is always happy to receive any donations of 'in date' food or produce.

Susan Hunter has the Catalogue and Order Forms for the Norfolk Federation Bulb Scheme and will be collecting the completed forms and payment from members. These need to be in by the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June.

Details have been sent out of the 103<sup>rd</sup> Federation Annual Meeting which is to take place on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May 2023 at the Theatre Royal, Norwich. Seven members from Old Buckenham will be attending and there is one ticket remaining if anyone would like to make up the number.

The National Annual meeting is to take place on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May in Cardiff. Sadly, owing to the high cost of sending a Norfolk contingent, no one from the county will be attending in person. However, live screenings are to take place at Sheringham and, closer to home, at New Buckenham Village Hall. The doors open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A light lunch is to be served and the day is to be a friendly and informal one. Tickets are available from the office.

Several other events have been planned for the summer and details can be found on the notice board and in your copy of the Norfolk W.I. News. Looking forward to the Autumn there is to be a Craft Day at New Buckenham Village Hall on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September. The fee of £30 is to include a light lunch and there will be plenty of tea and coffee served too. Some help with catering etc. on the day would be appreciated.

Sheila Freake will be leading a walk on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May. Parking on the road opposite Garboldisham Village Hall. Lunch at the Nag's head in East Harling to be confirmed.

### On hearing the first cuckoo in Spring

I wonder if anyone else has yet heard the cuckoo? I heard it first on the 13<sup>th</sup> of this month and it's been singing every day since. Our garden has been full of birdsong and to date I've seen numerous butterflies, first the Orange Tip and Peacock then the Comma, Green Veined White, Holly Blue but, alas, no Small Tortoiseshell. Last year there was only one, where have they gone?