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Norfolk Federation Newsletter

Hello from the Office!

We're getting used to the darker evenings…



Thank you to everyone who sorted out their craft room and donated items for the de-stash craft sale! There was every conceivable craft item, which just goes to show how creative members are and the variety of their crafting skills. Any unsold items were donated to the Big C Craft Emporium at Wymondham, the Scrapbox charity shop at Reepham and wool was given to the Norfolk Knitters for their charity knitting.

Calendar & Diary Orders: are now in if you are collecting from the House and postal orders have been sent out. We don't have any spare diaries, but Calendars are still available.

Bra Bank: I've been asked by several members how long the Bra Bank for the charity Against Breast Cancer will be here – the answer is, permanently! Thank you so much for all the donations to date and do keep them coming. To qualify for free collection we have to fill 3 boxes measuring a maximum of 100cm x 60cm x 60cm and I'm delighted to say that we are well passed that qualification criteria!

John Lewis Exclusive WI Evening, Thursday 3rd December: we're delighted to be teaming up with John Lewis again, so put the date in your diary! The invitation is enclosed with the mailing: RSVP to norwichevents@johnlewis.co.uk

Until next time, take care

Louise

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This month's Norfolk WI News

The link to his month's edition is:
https://www.flipsnack.com/5b7d5f6bdc9/norfolk-november-2026

Don't leave it too late! Have you applied yet?

Don't forget to get your tickets for these events in November:
the **Domestic Abuse talk** on **10th**
Resolutions Information Meeting on **23rd**
AND in December
Carols for Christmas on **14th**
Flyers can be found on the Website, or with your Secretary.
Leave it too late and you may be disappointed!
Contact Helen at admin@norfolkwi.org.uk or telephone 01603 624580

Competition Deadlines

Also, don't forget to get your entries in for the **Campaign Cup 4 Hats for 4 Seasons** Competition and the **Sales & Marketing Committee "Not an Apron"** Competition. We can't wait to see your creations! If you need a form, contact Helen.

500 Club is getting a Make-0ver!

You may be wondering whether you've missed the application form for shares for the 500 Club, which normally runs from November each year (the start of our financial year). Well, we're designing a re-vamp! The new look "Club" will be re-named and re-launched early next year – with the opportunity to buy shares at FAM, too! Look out for details!

Borrowing Equipment from ESH

Did you know you can borrow the sail flags, pull-up banners and projector from the Office; and you can also borrow the string with your WI bunting? The sail flags and banners are very useful if you want to promote yourself at an event! We will now be asking for a £10 deposit, non-refundable if the item is damaged, plus the cost of a replacement if required; the deposit will be refundable if everything is in order. If you do want to borrow any equipment please contact Helen, but bear in mind that we do need a little notice.

Front Office "Goodie" Boxes

If you would like a box with a range of goods from the Front Office to sell at a meeting or event, get in touch. There are some lovely items for sale and for those members who don't often come in to Norwich, it's a great opportunity to see what's on sale.

Oops! AI – What's it all about? Event: the date should be 2nd February, not the one published in last month's Newsletter. So save the date (again)!

Things to do & Other Useful Information

- **'Seeing Red' 14 Norfolk Textile Artists:** 13-22 November 11am-4pm, at Wells Maltings. Free entry to a selling show. There will always be 2 artists available to talk to you about their work. A fascinating mix of techniques- free machine embroidery, fashion, quilts, rugs, conceptual textiles, textile pictures, soy dyeing, sculptures, felt making, and more! If you are coming as a group do ring and tell us and we will make sure you have someone to show you round the show. 07913202580. Email us at commonthreads26@gmail.com
- **King's College London study on breast screening:** invite women aged 50-71, who live in England, have never been diagnosed with breast cancer, not had a double mastectomy to take part in the study. They are exploring what helps or prevents women from attending NHS breast screening and whether you attend, delay, miss or decline screening, your view matters. The online questionnaire is anonymous, takes about 15-20 minutes, and is voluntary and unpaid. To take part go to:
https://qualtrics.kcl.ac.uk/jfe/form/SV_9AA3qMZ2EdEWIGm

Finally…

Be Safe, Be Well, Be Kind

