



June 2025 Events Sheet

Events

Date	Event	Cost	Ticket Allocation/ Confirmation
Wednesday 4 June 2025 9.30am-4pm WI House	NFWI Annual Meeting "Party" This year's National Annual Meeting is being held on-line, but if you don't fancy watching it on your own why not come along and join us in WI House and create our own Northamptonshire WI "Party". We will show the meeting on the large screen and there will be plenty of time to chat and meet WI friends old and new. The speakers who have been announced so far are Emma Bridgewater, founder of the famous pottery business and Angel Strawbridge, founder of Vintage Patisserie and featured on the Channel 4 series, Escape to the Chateau. You will also hear speakers for and against this year's resolution, 'Bystanders can be lifesavers'.	Members only £5. Delegates attend Free of Charge You have the option of ordering a ploughman's lunch for £7. Please advise if you have any special dietary requirements. If you prefer you can bring your own lunch. Tea and Coffee will be available throughout the day. Application Forms were with your Secretary in April.	Ticket allocation date is Monday 12 May 2025 . There are a few places available please contact events@ncfwi.org.uk if you are interested.
Thursday 12 June 2025 Full day Trip	Bressingham Gardens and Steam Museum Come along and reminisce with the smell and sound of steam, 9 acres of gardens to stroll around and you can also purchase a plant or two from the Nursery. Ticket price includes unlimited rides on the Narrow Gauge Railway & the Gallopers Roundabout. There are plenty of places to enjoy your own picnic or use the plentiful facilities on site. https://bressingham.co.uk https://bressingham.co.uk	Members £35, non-members £38 +£15 entry payable on the day. Application form were with your secretary in March. This has been a redirection in the price originally quoted. The price payable to WI house is as above which is for the coach only. The entrance ticket of £15 will be collected on the day. Please bring cash.	Ticket Allocation date is Thursday 22 May 2025

<p>Tuesday 17 June 2025</p> <p>10am-12pm</p> <p>WI House</p>	<p>Coffee Morning</p> <p>Come along to our first Tuesday coffee morning.</p> <p>There will be plants on sales from Blisworth Wildflowers.</p>	<p>Entry £4 to include Coffee and Cake.</p> <p>All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you.</p>	
<p>Wednesday 25 June 2025</p> <p>3pm-5.30pm or 6.30pm-9pm</p> <p>WI House</p>	<p>PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES WORKSHOP</p> <p>Are you a new President or Secretary of your WI? Are you an established President or Secretary, Vice-President or Assistant Secretary?</p> <p>An opportunity to learn from each other, develop skills and explore ideas. If you are leading the team or looking after the admin, come along to hear the jargon explained, help identify the essential jobs and your responsibilities as well as hopefully gaining some useful tips.</p>	<p>Members Only £7</p> <p>Application form was with your secretary in April.</p>	<p>Ticket allocation date is Monday 2 June 2025</p>
<p>Wednesday 9 July 2025</p> <p>7pm-9pm</p> <p>WI House</p>	<p>SPEAKERS SELECTION EVENING</p> <p>An ever popular evening showcasing future speakers for you to consider and book for your members evenings. These evenings do get booked quickly so please get your application in early.</p>	<p>Members Only £5</p> <p>Maximum 2 members per WI.</p> <p>Application form was with your secretary in May.</p>	<p>Ticket allocation date is Monday 23 June 2025</p>
<p>Wednesday 23 July 2025</p> <p>Full day trip</p>	<p>Visit to St Albans Hertfordshire</p> <p>We are delighted to let you all know we are running a coach trip to St Albans in Hertfordshire. St Albans offers the chance to visit the incredible history and the stunning Cathedral which features medieval wall paintings.</p> <p>Verulamium park nearby has ornamental lakes and the remains of the city's ancient Roman wall. There is also a wealth of artisan shops and high street shops.</p> <p>The benefit of visiting on a Wednesday is it is market day and the market spans the whole length of the high street. There is plenty to see and do whether it be an historic visit or retail therapy, or a bit of both, the choice is yours. Let us take you, whilst you relax.</p>	<p>Members £26 Non-members £30</p> <p>Coach Only</p> <p>Application was with your Secretary in April.</p>	<p>Ticket allocation date is 20 June 2025.</p>

<p>Tuesday 29 July 2025 3pm-5.30pm or 6.30pm- 9pm</p> <p>WI House</p>	<p>Treasurers on-line Workshop</p> <p>Do you do your WI accounts online, or would you like to do them online? If yes, and you would like some help, do come along to WI House and members of the Membership & Training team will take you through the information that is available to assist you.</p> <p>There will be time to practice the skills needed</p>	<p>Members only £7</p> <p>Tea and coffee provided.</p> <p>Updated Application Form is with your secretary this month.</p>	<p>Ticket Allocation date Tuesday 1 July 2025</p>
<p>Tuesday 16 September 2025</p>	<p>WI Day – Party Time</p> <p>More details next month</p>		
<p>Saturday 27 September 2025</p> <p>Full Day Trip</p>	<p>Malvern Autumn Show, Worcestershire</p> <p>Don't forget to book your tickets for this great show which includes demos from celebrity chefs, garden & lifestyle, world of animals, flower show and much more to see and do. Cost includes coach and discounted entry so book early to avoid disappointment.</p>	<p>Members £50 Non-members £55</p> <p>Includes coach and entry to show.</p> <p>Application form was with your secretary in April.</p>	<p>This is an early closing date of 23rd May to enable a discounted ticket price to be obtained.</p>
<p>Saturday 11 October 2025</p> <p>10am – 4pm</p> <p>Northampton High School for Girls</p>	<p>Northamptonshire Federation of WIs AGM.</p> <p>Guest speaker is <i>Lucy Lewis</i> – a woman of firsts.</p> <p>Lucy became the first woman in the Army to operate as a Bomb Disposal Officer in the Royal Engineers.</p> <p>She also made history by becoming the first woman to be appointed University Marshal at the University of Cambridge.</p> <p>Lucy's talk will highlight some of the challenges of being a woman in a man's world in her own often amusing style.</p>		
<p>Thursday 16 October 2025 or Tuesday 21 October 2025</p> <p>Start point Trafalgar Square - South Side at 11am.</p>	<p>London Walking Tour</p> <p>Join us for an all-day walking tour (5 hours with breaks – approximately 3 miles of walking) with Rob the “Chap in Hat” to explore the area from Trafalgar Square to Somerset House. A full tour of incredible facts but above all great entertainment, you'll see this part of London come alive.</p>	<p>Members £40 Non-members £43</p> <p>Application with your Secretary this month.</p>	<p>Ticket Allocation date 5 September 2025.</p> <p>Group size is very limited so get your bookings in early.</p> <p>Please indicate your preferred date.</p>

Thursday 27 November 2025	Winchester Day Trip and Christmas Market Come with us to Winchester – a vibrant, ancient, cultured city. See the Castle’s Great Hall and Roundtable. Tour the Cathedral, the longest medieval one in the world and burial place to Jane Austen. As you’d expect this is a great place for independent shops and places to eat, with the bonus of an established Christmas Market. You might even spot one or two of the famous painted bollards!	Members £32 Non-members £35 Applications with your Secretary next month.	Ticket Allocation Date 16 October 2025.
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Reminder

Events must be paid for at time of booking.

Cancellations made up to 3 days before the Ticket Allocation Date will not be charged but cancellations made after that will be invoiced and must be paid for.

Please do not turn up to Events if confirmation of attendance has not been received. If the event is fully booked we will not be able to admit you.

McManus Pubs – NCFWI Discount

Are you planning a lunch or dinner for your WI at a local pub, or even meeting for coffee, think about visiting a McManus Pub.

NCFWI have negotiated a 10% discount for a group of up to 6 WI members on production of your membership card (download from MyWI) at all McManus pubs in the County. Please visit their website for venue details: <https://www.mcmanuspub.co.uk/our-pubs/>

Walks

Date	Route	Contact/ Booking
Saturday 7 June 2025 9.45am for <u>10.15</u> am start. Bancroft Park, Milton Keynes	The Roman Crown, 1 Constantine Way, Bancroft Park. Milton Keynes, MK13 0RA. (4 Miles). Join us on one of our occasional visits to another county. This time Buckinghamshire, with an interesting walk around parts of Milton Keynes you never knew existed – some very old, some more modern.	Leaders: Kate and Graham Edwards, and Valerie Jackson. Please let the walk leaders know by 31st May, if you would like to join us and also book lunch. katengraham@hotmail.com , 01908 611749, Kate 07751 346290.
Saturday 19 July 2025 9.45am for 10.00am start Crick and Yelvertoft	The Wheatsheaf, 15 Main Road, Crick, NN6 7TU (4 miles) Setting out from Crick, we walk footpaths, towpaths and bridleways to Yelvertoft, taking in Cracks Hill and, if wished, the Millenium Park.	Leaders: Linda and Ron Newbould. Please let the leaders know by 11 July if you would also like to lunch. ronald.newbould@btinternet.com 01604 763585 07986 216739
Saturday 16 August 2025 10.00 for 10.15 start Great Doddington	Great Doddington The full details to follow next month	

Other Events

Change of Date New Date Friday 6 June 2025	Pensioners Fair We have been invited by the office of the Rt Hon Stuart Andrew MP for the Daventry Constituency to participate in this event, which will provide local people information on essential services including social activities. Our aim is to demonstrate all the wonderful things the WI can offer and encourage new members.	If you'd like to come and help on the stand please contact us events@ncfwi.org.uk
First 2 weeks in June 2025 The Guildhall and Market Square, Northampton	Northampton in Bloom Both of these areas will form part of the Northampton in Bloom competition which will be on display throughout June. The Guildhall will also be the venue for a Rugby World Cup Welcome Ceremony for the teams. We have agreed with WNC to the hanging of two (or more) camouflage nets covered with red, pink, gold and white roses to be displayed on a tree at the entrance to The Market Square, and at the entrance to The Guildhall we will be displaying these from 3rd week of May. Please go along and see the wonderful work done by the Yarn Bombing team.	