



Events

Date	Event	Cost	Ticket Allocation/ Confirmation
Wednesday 9 July 2025 7pm-9pm WI House	SPEAKERS SELECTION EVENING 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.	Members Only £5 Maximum 2 members per WI. Application form was with your secretary in May.	Ticket allocation date is Monday 23 June 2025 There are a few spaces available. Contact events@ncfwi.org.uk to check availability
Wednesday 23 July 2025 Full day trip	Visit to St Albans Hertfordshire A coach trip to St Albans in Hertfordshire, which offers the chance to visit the incredible history and the stunning Cathedral which features medieval wall paintings. 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. The benefit of visiting on a Wednesday is it is market day and the market spans the whole length of the high street, or you can visit a wealth of artisan or high street shops, the choice is yours.	Members £26 Non-members £30 Coach Only Application was with your Secretary in April.	Ticket allocation date is 20 June 2025. Fully Booked
Tuesday 29 July 2025 3pm-5.30pm or 6.30pm- 9pm WI House	Treasurers on-line Workshop 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. There will be time to practice the skills needed.	Members only £7 Tea or coffee provided. Updated Application Form was with your secretary in June.	Ticket Allocation date Tuesday 1 July 2025

<p>Saturday 13 September 2025 10.30am or 1.30pm WI House</p>	<p>Pebble Art Workshop with Tina Bodsworth</p> <p>This time we're going to be creating pictures from pebbles, shells, sea glass on strong watercolour card 5x7 inches.</p>	<p>Members £20 Non-members £25</p> <p>£5 for materials, £9 if you want a frame, payable to tutor on the day</p> <p>Application with your Secretary this month.</p>	<p>Ticket allocation date Friday 15 August 2025</p>
<p>Tuesday 16 September 2025 2pm WI House</p>	<p>WI Day – Afternoon Cream Tea</p> <p>Come along to WI House to celebrate WI Day with friends. No need to book.</p>	<p>£4 pay on door</p> <p>Scone with Jam & Cream and Tea of Coffee</p>	
<p>Saturday 4 October 2025</p>	<p>Hold the date</p> <p>Wired Fabric Flowers Workshop with Julie Williams – a relaxing and fun morning</p>	<p>£18 MEMBERS ONLY, plus £5.00 for materials payable to the tutor on the day</p> <p>Application form with Secretary in September</p>	
<p>Saturday 11 October 2025 10am – 4pm Shopping hour 10am -11am Northampton High School for Girls</p>	<p>Northamptonshire Federation of WIs AGM.</p> <p>In addition to Lucy Lewis who, last month, we announced as a speaker at the AGM we have a second speaker Jodie Mutch. Jodie is from the Maggie's Charity who will talk about the work of the Charity and what a difference it makes to people living with or affected by cancer. She will also tell us about the new Maggie's Centre being built at Northampton General Hospital. Jodie will be joined by a Maggie's storyteller or perhaps an oncology nurse who has first-hand experience of the Charity.</p>	<p>Observer Tickets £12.50 (Delegates attend for free).</p> <p>"Meal Deal" bags £7.50 payable with application.</p> <p>Application Form is with your secretary this month.</p> <p>Refreshments will be available to purchase at all the breaks. Lunchtime "Meal Deal" bags can be purchased in advance. Members will not be able to bring their own food into the school.</p>	<p>Closing date for applications Friday 13 September 2025.</p>
<p>Thursday 16 October 2025 or Tuesday 21 October 2025 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.
Friday 12 December 2025 7pm The Abbey Centre East Hunsbury, Northampton	Hold the Date An evening of Festive Entertainment with Northampton Rock Choir. More details in September News Sheet	Members £10 Non-members £13 Festive Refreshments included.	
Friday 24 – Sunday 26 April 2026 Staverton Park Hotel and Golf Club	Hold the Date Together with Warwickshire Federation, we are planning a weekend residential retreat based on the old Denman Federation Weekend model. We have former Denman tutors lined up including Claire Muir, Pat Lumsdale and John Vigar. More Information will be sent in September.		

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 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	The Stags Head, 1 The High Street, Great Doddington NN29 7TQ (4.25miles) Enjoy a scenic summer walk, via Wollaston Lock, through the Nene valley. No stiles!	Leader: Pauline Higgs Please let the leader know by Friday 1 August if you would like lunch. paulinehiggs9@gmail.com 07867 938154
Saturday 27 September 2025 9.45 for 10am start Raunds – Stanwick Lakes	Parking: Saxon Hall Car Park, Thorpe Street, Raunds NN9 6LT (5 miles) This is a circular walk exploring the Lakes and their history. We walk along Hogs Dyke and, via the A45 underpass, into Stanwick Lakes There are toilets and a café at the Lakes. We return via Meadow Lane. Lunch, if wanted, can be booked at the Bell Café sited opposite the car park.	Leader: Ann Jeyes Please let the leader know by Friday 19 September if you would like lunch. ajeyes.org@hotmail.co.uk 07469186731
Saturday 25 October 2025 9.15 for 10am start Harleston	Save the Date Details to follow in September News Sheet.	

Other Events

First week in July 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 from the beginning of 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 late June. Please go along and see the wonderful work done by the Yarn Bombing team.	
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