



May 2025 Events Sheet

Events

Date	Event	Cost	Ticket Allocation/ Confirmation
<p>Wednesday 4 June 2025 9.30am-4pm</p> <p>WI House</p> <p>If demand exceeds the capacity in WI House we have reserved an alternative venue, Great Houghton Village Hall, which is a short distance from the Barnes Meadow Interchange of the A45.</p>	<p>NFWI Annual Meeting “Party”</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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’.</p>	<p>Members only £5. Delegates attend Free of Charge</p> <p>You have the option of ordering a ploughman’s lunch for £7. Please advise if you have any special dietary requirements.</p> <p>If you prefer you can bring your own lunch.</p> <p>Tea and Coffee will be available throughout the day.</p> <p>Application Forms with your Secretary this month.</p>	<p>Ticket allocation date is Monday 12 May 2025</p>
<p>Thursday 12 June 2025</p> <p>Full day Trip</p>	<p>Bressingham Gardens and Steam Museum</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Ticket price includes unlimited rides on the Narrow Gauge Railway & the Gallopers Roundabout.</p> <p>There are plenty of places to enjoy your own picnic or use the plentiful facilities on site. https://bressingham.co.uk</p> <p>https://bressingham.co.uk</p>	<p>Members £35, non-members £38</p> <p>+£15 entry payable on the day.</p> <p>Application form with your secretary this month.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Ticket Allocation date is Thursday 22 May 2025</p>

<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 is with your secretary this month.</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 is with your secretary this month.</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>Applications are with your Secretary this month.</p>	<p>Ticket allocation date is ???</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, with tea/coffee provided.</p>	<p>Members only £7</p> <p>Application Form is with your secretary this month.</p>	<p>Ticket Allocation date Tuesday 1 July 2025</p>
<p>Saturday 27 September 2025</p> <p>Full Day Trip</p>	<p>Malvern Autumn Show, Worcestershire</p> <p>Nestled below Worcestershire's glorious Malvern Hills, the event is a seasonal showcase celebrating the very best of autumn including demos from celebrity chefs, garden & lifestyle shopping and much much more.</p>	<p>Members £50 Non-members £55</p> <p>Includes coach and entry to show.</p> <p>Application form is with your secretary this month.</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>Save the Date</p> <p>Northamptonshire Federation of WIs AGM.</p> <p>Details of the programme and the exciting speakers we have attending will be shared in the coming months.</p>		

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.

Walks

Date	Route	Contact/ Booking
<p>Saturday 10 May 2025 9.45am for 10am start.</p> <p>Brixworth</p>	<p>The George Inn, Northampton Road, Brixworth NN6 9BU. (4.5 miles).</p> <p>Come and enjoy a pleasant walk in a village with a Saxon church and other historic places – we lunch in one! The walk, initially through the village ventures into the surrounding countryside - a lovely early summer walk.</p>	<p>Leader: Ann Thorington</p> <p>Please let Ann know by 3 May if you wish to book lunch.</p> <p>annt.welford@gmail.com 01858 575236 or 07818 058200</p>
<p>Saturday 7 June 2025</p> <p>9.45am for 10.15 am start.</p> <p>Bancroft Park, Milton Keynes</p>	<p>The Roman Crown, 1 Constantine Way, Bancroft Park. Milton Keynes, MK13 0RA. (4 Miles).</p> <p>A varied and interesting walk, passing concrete cows, a medieval abbey, and Roman Villa. Mostly on firm surfaces, (but could be muddy initially).</p>	<p>Leaders: Kate and Graham Edwards, and Valerie Jackson.</p> <p>Please let the walk leaders know by 31st May, if you would like to join us and also book lunch.</p> <p>katengraham@hotmail.com, 01908 611749, Kate 07751 346290.</p>
<p>Saturday 19 July 2025</p> <p>9.45am for 10.00am start</p> <p>Crick</p>	<p>More details next month.</p>	<p>Leaders: Linda and Ron Newbould.</p>

Other Events

<p>Change of Date New Date Friday 6 June 2025</p>	<p>Pensioners Fair</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Our aim is to demonstrate all the wonderful things the WI can offer and encourage new members.</p>	<p>If you'd like to come and help on the stand please contact us events@ncfwi.org.uk</p>
<p>First 2 weeks in June 2025</p> <p>The Guildhall and Market Square, Northampton</p>	<p>Northampton in Bloom</p> <p>Both of these areas will form part of the Northampton in Bloom competition which is the first two weeks in June. The Guildhall will also be the venue for a Rugby World Cup Welcome Ceremony for the teams.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Please go along and see the wonderful work done by the Yarn Bombing team.</p>	