



April 2025 Events Sheet

Events

Date	Event	Cost	Ticket Allocation/ Confirmation
<p>Monday 31 March 2025</p> <p>7-9pm</p> <p>WI House</p>	<p>NFWI Annual Meeting and Resolutions Briefing Conference.</p> <p>Have you been chosen as a delegate for the National Annual Meeting this year? Are you one of the members who will lead the discussions or get involved in Resolutions at your WI meeting? Would you simply like to learn more about the Resolution(s) being discussed this year.</p> <p>If any of these apply to you come along to WI House to hear expert speakers, join the debate and have the opportunity to ask questions. These are always lively sessions and it's good to hear different views on the topic.</p> <p>For delegates this is the opportunity to find out more about how the voting process will work on the day of the annual meeting.</p>	<p>Members only £5</p> <p>Application Form was with your Secretary in January.</p>	<p>Ticket allocation date is Monday 3 March 2025</p> <p>There may be a few places available please contact the office events@NCFWI.org.uk if you are interested</p>
<p>Monday 7 April 2025 7pm</p> <p>Tuesday 8 April 2025 2pm</p> <p>WI House</p>	<p>Wilson Browne Solicitors Workshops</p> <p>Monday 7 April – 7pm Wills-the benefits of having one. The use and need of LPA's and what happens if you don't have one</p> <p>Tuesday 8 April – 2pm Care Funding & your property – brief overview of care funding and how we can use trusts in wills to protect your family assets; discussion about life time property trusts</p>	<p>Free to members only.</p> <p>Coffee and Tea will be available for a donation of £1</p>	<p>Please contact Jackie in the office to advise which workshop you wish to attend.</p> <p>events@ncfwi.org.uk</p> <p>01604 646055</p>

<p>Monday 14 April 2025</p> <p>Mercure Hotel Daventry</p>	<p>County Quiz</p> <p>April will soon be here and with it our much anticipated bi-annual county quiz. Teams consist of 4 fully paid-up WI members, you can enter as many teams as you wish and they can be made up with members from other WIs.</p> <p>Tea coffee and light snacks will be available for sale, there will also be a bar. As we have a member with a severe nut allergy, no nuts will be available at the event.</p>	<p>£26 for a team of 4 (paid up members).</p> <p>Application was with your Secretary in December.</p>	<p>Ticket allocation date is Monday 17 March 2025.</p> <p>There may be a few places available please contact the office events@NCFWI.org.uk if you are interested</p>
<p>Saturday 26 April 2025 10am-12.30pm or 1.30pm-4pm</p> <p>WI House</p>	<p>Treasurers Workshop</p> <p>Are you about to take on the role of Treasurer or an established one who would like an update?</p> <p>Membership and Training Committee members will take you through a 'Year in the life of the WI Treasurer'. We will discuss budgets, keeping records, financial safeguards, charity law and where to find information and guidance. There will be open discussion and lots of handouts to help assist you in your role.</p>	<p>Members only £7.</p> <p>Application was with your secretary last month.</p>	<p>Ticket Allocation date is Monday 7 April 2025</p>
<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.</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>Wednesday 25 June 2025 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>The Membership & Training sub-committee members look forward to welcoming you to this joint workshop.</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 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 will be with your Secretary next month</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>		

Walks

Date	Route	Contact/ Booking
<p>Saturday 5 April 2025 9.45 for 10am start.</p> <p>Greens Norton</p>	<p>The Butchers Arms, 10 High Street, Greens Norton NN12 8BA (5 miles with 3 mile option).</p> <p>In an area we have not walked recently, this walk is partially over solid ground but some is over paths that could be muddy if it has been wet. There are no stiles.</p> <p>The pub has only a small car park. There is parking at the village playing field by the church.</p>	<p>Leader: Sue Williams</p> <p>Sue needs to know by Friday 31 March if you wish to order lunch</p> <p>sue@williamsfarmingpartnership.co.uk 07769 967532</p>
<p>Saturday 10 May 2025 9.45 for 10am start.</p> <p>Brixworth</p>	<p>The George Inn, Northampton Road, Brixworth NN6 9BU (4.5 miles).</p> <p>Through Brixworth to Merry Tom Lane, down the Lane to Brampton Valley Way and back across the fields to the old Saxon Church. A walk through a wide variety of scenery.</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>9.45 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>

Other Events

<p>Sunday 20 April and Monday 21 April 2025 9 am-5pm</p> <p>Kelmarsh Hall, Northamptonshire, NN6 9LY</p>	<p>Kelmarsh Show</p> <p>Once again, we will be in the local club and interest marquee at this fantastic family event. Last year we spoke to a large number of ladies, some of whom, hopefully, are now WI members.</p> <p>A great recruitment opportunity for the WI.</p>	<p>If you'd like to come and help on the stand please contact us events@ncfwi.org.uk</p>
<p>Change of Date New Date to be confirmed</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>