



FARNINGHAM WI

June 2025

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to us !

Our new committee was elected in May.

Our President , Marj , will be supported by Lesley as Treasurer and Marilyn as Secretary.

Judy, Lesley and Micaela are Vice-Presidents, Brenda continues to be in charge of membership and Micaela to organise speakers.

Other members - Anne, Bernie, Brenda J , Linda F, Lynda and Sharon – have specific roles (outlined in your new programme) , and of course we'll all be pulling together to organise meetings and events.

Individual 2025-26 programmes will be given out tonight. If you'd like to take one for a friend who can't attend, please see Marilyn (in Brenda's absence) . *Thank you to Lesley who printed these for us all*



Your WI needs you

CAKES URGENTLY NEEDED !

We'll be running the tea and cakes tent at the

CHURCH FETE on SATURDAY JUNE 14th

Please sign the board if you'll be baking!

Please deliver to our stall between 10.30 and 11.30 on Saturday 14th .

Not possible ? You can leave at Lesley's House ("Lavenderhill", this end of Beesfield Lane) on Friday 13th. Porch is fine -door will be open

NFWI & WK EVENTS

We've revived the role of West Kent Rep
and Sharon is taking this on.

You can find the latest copy of WK News
on our website (*see how to access below*)
and see a printed copy on the stage .

If you'd like to attend any WK Fed event
just let Sharon know and she'll
submit your application .

*Payments should be
made to Lesley*

NEWS FROM OUR GROUPS

PA & I LUNCH 11/6/25 12.00 for
12.30 FVH (Marianne)

CRAFT "Come 'n Craft" 4/7/25 2.00-
4.00 FVH (Micaela)

BOOK GROUP 21/7/25 7.00 FVH
Join the Whats App group (Tina)

SCRABBLE 13/6/25 2.00-4.00
FVH *Join Lynda's 'Whats App'
Group*

DRAMA – 18/7/25 2.00-4.00
FVH (Brenda J)

WALKS – TBC *Join the Whats App
Gp for updates*

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE?

Micaela will be leading a session at the Village hall

FRIDAY JUNE 20th 2.00 Teas and cake

Sign the board at tonight`s meeting £3 pp



WEDNESDAY JULY 23rd Visit to Hythe with Afternoon tea

*Board the coach at 9.30 at the village hall , visit the independent cafes
and shops in the High Street, stroll along the seafront and enjoy
afternoon tea at The Hythe Imperial hotel .*

£23.95 pp due now *Coach costs met from Ted Saxton legacy*

Ladies are asking 'What is PA & I ?'

The answer is

Public Affairs and International !

A group of ladies meet
once a month at the village hall
for a leisurely Ploughman's Lunch
and a relaxed discussion
Topics are wide-ranging
and last year included
Healthy Living, the National Trust
and Decluttering .

Occasionally speakers

(such as from Porchlight)
are invited .

£2.50pp to cover meal costs .

See Marianne for information



Calling all Drama Queens!

Farningham WI has a long and proud history of Drama . While we can't promise their lavish (and public!) performances , Brenda (Joyce) will be reviving the tradition with a Drama Group, starting in July

The emphasis will be on fun and meetings include readings, sketches -and your ideas - and perhaps preparation of some in-house entertainment .

No prior experience or talent required
Everyone welcome

First meeting Fri July 18th 2-4 FVH

Please sign the board tonight



Something to be thinking about.....

The village hall no longer has a Public Performance Licence which means that should we wish to play a music CD at a meeting we must buy our own licence..

Our 'Jerusalem' recording is exempt (Phew!) but at present any other recording renders us liable for a fine . .

We tend to play music at 'special meetings' (e.g Christmas) , but we might wish to extend this to other occasions.

An annual licence is £112 .

Do you think we should buy one (on a trial 1 year basis)? If so, maybe fund with a raffle?

OR is it not worth the cost? OR.....?

We'll discuss it at the July meeting and go with the majority vote

THANK YOU for the lovely flowers I received at the last meeting. They were beautiful and the lilies and stocks made my lounge smell wonderful ! Marilyn x

NEWS of IRENE who has clearly been keeping busy !

The building of The Bothy is well underway and she's joined Qi Gong, Yoga, Blethers chat group, Ladies who Lunch and choir and has played a couple of games of bowls -(hard work apparently!)

The local WI doesn't meet in the summer , maybe because originally they may have been farmers' wives, and too busy, but she's signed up for a cream tea outing in a garden in June.

The family also attended a craft show of all the local WIs which had some marvellous cakes and lovely things on show.

She's missing us (which is mutual!) and sends her love

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

Heather C (3rd) Rita (16th), Kay N (28th), Helen (30th), Jane T (30th)

JULY STEWARDS

TEAS Sally A , Helen

ROOM : Denise, Kay G

PLEASE REMEMBER ! IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO COVER YOUR ROOM OR TEA DUTY, YOU SHOULD FIND A SWOP

USEFUL INFO :

OUR WEBSITE ADDRESS IS : farninghamwi.co.uk

Or just `google` Farningham WI and a link should magically appear!

PAYMENTS BY BACS :

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NB If you incur any expense e.g. making cakes, supplying goods, for the WI , see Lesley, with proof of purchase, to claim back your expenses. No members should be out of pocket because they `ve been helpful !

