



BOOKHAM BEES WI

Newsletter 52– September 2022

Bookham Bees meet the 1st Wednesday of the month
In The Old Barn Hall, Church Road, Great Bookham

Wednesday, 7th September 2022 at 7.30 pm

**Speaker from Surrey Fire and Rescue
Home and Fire Safety**



SEE BELOW FOR INDIVIDUAL GROUPS MEETING DATES!



Bookham Bees' Groups

Do feel free to sign up to any that interest you

Bees Knit & Crochet – Full

Karen Tranter: Karen.tranter1@btinternet.com

Book Clubs 1 & 2 - Full

Book Club 3

If interested in joining contact Jan Holland:

janiholland@gmail.com

Bridge

To commence in the Autumn. If you are a bridge player and interested in joining a Bees Bridge Group please contact Jane Carradine: jschome03@gmail.com

Coffee Mornings at The Vineries

Next gathering on Thursday 15th September at the Vineries.

Please contact Karen Tranter if you would like to go

Karen.tranter1@btinternet.com

Family History Group

Meet on 1st Wednesday of the month

For further details contact Judith Witter:

judithwitter@hotmail.com

Gardening Bees

Contact Diane Poole to join the active group & pick up lots of tips via WhatsApp. diane.poole25@googlemail.com

Jigsaw Library

Heather is happy to deliver and collect when finished. They will also be at meetings to collect and exchange. Heather Phenix: hphenix11@gmail.com

Pub Nights

Next pub night is on Wednesday 14th September at 8.00pm

The Old Windsor Castle Pub, Little Bookham Street

For more details please email Debra: dn1969@hotmail.co.uk or

Vikki: the7thwife@gmail.com

Theatre Group

Sue Bacon: suebacon06@gmail.com

2022 Programme

Next Monthly Meetings

Wednesday, 7 September

Speaker: from Surrey Fire & Rescue Service
'Home and Fire Safety'

Wednesday, 5 October

Speaker: Diane Poole – a member of Bookham Bees WI

Plastic Free Bookham and Bookham Hearts Wildflower Verges

Wednesday, 2 November

Speaker Sarah McAlister

'If You Want to Get Ahead Get a Hat' - Talk on hats and hat making with lots of hats to see PLUS Annual Meeting

Wednesday, 7 December

Christmas Celebrations with lots of goodies and surprises

Walking Groups

Walkie Talkie 1 – Every Wednesday 8.00am prompt

Meet at Tunnel Car Park, Bookham Common.

Janice Evans: jevanshome123@gmail.com

Walkie Talkie 2 – Every Monday at 10.00am

Tunnel Car Park, Bookham Common.

June Barber: Jbrb6@aol.com

Weekend Walking Group – Distance varies 5 – 8 miles

Next walk to be confirmed. Partners and friends

welcome. Details contact June Barber: jbrb6@aol.com

Walk Third Wednesday each month at 10.00am

approx 6 miles **Next Walk Wednesday, 21st September**

Contact June Barber: jbrb6@aol.com

Walk First Thursday each month at 10.00am

approx 4 miles. **Next Walk Thursday, 1st September**

Ann Cook: bookham56@outlook.com

Zoom Coffee Morning

Suspended at present but to start again if there is a need.

Contact Janice Evans: jevanshome123@gmail.com

Welfare

During September, please contact Anne Tait if you know of any member who is poorly or going through a difficult time. Annetait1@btinternet.com

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News and Announcements

Bees Knit and Crochet – Report by Karen Tranter

We continue to meet up with needles and tongues clacking away. We're starting to think about Christmas projects now so may have some photos to show soon. Please contact karen.tranter1@btinternet.com if you are interested in joining the group.

Book Club 1 – Gaye Burt

The Island of Missing Trees by Elif Shafak A story around a fig tree that is left to die and a cutting that is transported to England from Cyprus and the forbidden love between a Greek Cypriot and a Turkish Cypriot during Cyprus's political war in the 1970's. Even today families desperately seeking their missing relatives. Set in different time frames the tree narrates it's story beautifully and how love can overcome boundaries. If you weren't a tree hugger before you will be one after reading this book. We gave it a score of 8/10

Book Club 2 – Report by Anne Tait

There was no meeting in August but it will be interesting to see opinions of the 'Summer Reading List of 'The Good Doctor of Warsaw and The Promise, also if anyone has discovered any new books on their holidays. The next meeting is on Monday September 19th

Book Club 3 – Report by Jan Holland

Nothing to report this holiday month

Bridge – To commence in the Autumn. If you are a bridge player and interested in joining a Bees Bridge Group please contact Jane Carradine: jschome03@gmail.com

Coffee Morning – Report from Anne Zurbier

A group of Bees met up on Wednesday 17th August at The Vineries for our monthly coffee morning & catch-up. It's always a very friendly get-together which gives us the chance to meet other members of the Bees in a smaller, local and more informal setting. Our next coffee morning is being organised by Karen Tranter and will be at The Vineries on Thursday 15th September so please let her know if you wish to attend.



Family History Group – Report by Judith Witter

There are currently six members in the group. Most of the group are new or newish to looking at Family History using websites to research. We do live research together so everyone gets ideas about how these websites can be used. This month we talked about Zoom talks given by Surrey History Centre. This lead on to looking at researching wills Contact Judith Witter judithwitter@hotmail.com

Gardening Bees – Report by Diane Poole

It was a quiet August with the heat and sun being a gardening challenge, but we did visit each other's gardens, enjoyed homemade refreshments and kept each other up to date on holiday visits to historic and impressive properties There are a couple more meets planned before the season finishes so if you would like to join, please contact diane.poole25@googlemail.com



Pub Night –

This was well attended as usual and very enjoyable



Contact: Debra: dn1969@hotmail.co.uk or Vikki: the7thwife@gmail.com

Longer Walking Group - Report by June Barber

The longer walk group walked to West Horsley place today to see the Sunflowers, which were still in abundance.



Next Walk planned to be **Wednesday 21st September**

Monthly Thursday Walk – Report by Ann Cook

Earlier this month Sue Parrott led a walk to discover the shrinking River Mole. The weather was dry and thankfully not too hot as we set off from Bocketts Farm, under the Leatherhead to Dorking Railway line towards the river. Due to the very dry spell of weather during this summer, we were able to scramble down onto the dried-up river bed and walk along it. We then headed back on the path towards Thorncroft Manor at one point passing under Young Street remarking on the height of the 'Flood Line' compared with the level of the river at present. From Thorncroft Manor we returned via a different route, this time over the Railway to much enjoyed refreshments in Bocketts Farm Barn.

Our next walk will be on Thursday September 1st. If you would like to join us, please contact Ann Cook – bookham56@outlook.com



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Walkie Talkie 1 Continues to gallop around Bookham Common early every Wednesday morning. Meet at Bookham Common's Tunnel Car Park, 8.00am prompt for a breath of fresh air and enjoy listening to the bird song as well as lots of 'talkie'!

Walkie Talkies 2 Takes things a little more gently on Monday mornings meeting at 10.00am at the Tunnel Car Park.

Theatre Trip – Report by Sue Bacon

Our suggested visits to London shows proved to be very expensive so we are now exploring more local offerings. Please contact Sue Bacon if you are interested:
suebacon06@gmail.com

Picnic Monday, 12th September at 12 noon

Downside Common opposite The Cricketers pub. Please bring chairs, food and drink. This is a turn-up event – no need to book. Any queries contact Jenny Bissell email:
jenniferannbissell@googlemail.com Cancelled if wet.

Bees Information

Bees WI WhatsApp group

Please could you let Diane Poole know if you are not a member of this group and would like to be
diane.poole25@googlemail.com

New Sewing Group

If anyone is interested in joining a sewing group please could they let Fiona Goldsmith know and she will look for a suitable venue, depending on numbers. Thank you
fiona_goldsmith@hotmail.com

New Supper Group

Please contact Diana Greenman if you are interested in joining a Supper Group. The idea would be to meet in groups of six in each other's houses. dianagreenman@gmail.com

Community Information



The Country Market, run by volunteers, meets in The Old Barn Hall on Friday mornings. The organisers are still seeking a "pool" of "reserve" volunteers who would be willing to occasionally help when the regular team is depleted. Could you be one of these?

If interested, please contact Trevor Sokell by email – trevorsokell@btinternet.com OR by telephone – 07836 646456

Butterflies Quiz night

Don't forget the WI Butterflies Quiz Night on Friday, 16th September commencing at 7.00pm with a fish and chip supper. Cost £16 per person. Diana is going if any of you would join her in getting a table together. The Quiz will be in The Harrison Room.

Murder Mystery Evening – Another reminder that Bookham and Horsley Rotary Club are organising a Murder Mystery in The Old Barn Hall on Saturday, 17th September to raise funds for Rotary charities –

The husband of one of our Bees, Steve Gapper, is arranging the evening and possibly as well as enjoying a fun evening you may like to help this local organisation to help our local residents. Tables can be up to 10 people, or less, of course.

BOOKHAM HELP YOUR NEIGHBOUR is a scheme organised to help local residents with transport for medical appointments and is in urgent need of volunteers. We are looking for drivers willing to assist our 'clients' to travel to appointments at doctor's surgeries, local hospitals, opticians, chiropodists etc. and for people willing to man our mobile phone. If you are interested in helping the local community, please contact Ann Cook bookham56@outlook.com for further information.