



BOOKHAM BEES WI

NEWSLETTER NO.38 - July 2021

We meet the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7.30 pm

Bookham Bees' WI Meetings are normally held in The Harrison Room to where we hope to return in September. However, do join us via ZOOM for July's Meeting.



'BUSY BEES'

Bees' Groups

* not taking place during the pandemic

Bee Creative* Contact: Heather Phenix
hphenix11@gmail.com

Book Club Feel free to start another Book Club – this one is full!

Zoom Coffee Morning Contact Janice Evans for an invitation jevanshome123@gmail.com

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

Jigsaw Library Heather is happy to deliver and collect when finished. hphenix11@gmail.com

Pub Nights * Jenny Bissell
jenniferannbissell@googlemail.com

Theatre Group * Carol Teunon
carol.teunon@googlemail.com

Walkie Talkie One – Every Wednesday 8.00 am
Tunnel Car Park, Bookham Common
Janice Evans jevanshome123@gmail.com

Walkie Talkie Two - Every Monday at 10.00 am
Tunnel Car Park, Bookham Common
June Barber: Jbrb6@aol.com

Longer Distanced Walking Groups

Third Wednesday each month at 10.00am
approx 6 miles. June Barber: jbrb6@aol.com

First Thursday each month at 10.00am
approx 4 miles. Ann Cook: bookham56@outlook.com

Weekend Walking Group – Distance varied 6-8 miles.
June Barber: jbrb6@aol.com

2021 Programme

7 July Speaker: Cherrill Sands
'Arts & Crafts Gardens in the South East'
Plus a brief Report from
Jill Elliott on the NFWI AGM

4 August Drinks & Nibbles on the Green

1 September Speaker: Tim Albert
'Baby Boomers ' We never had it so good !

6 October Speaker: Judith Witter
'Mary Chrystie and her Family'

3 November Speaker: Peter Allen
'Oh no it isn't'- A History of Pantomime

1 December Christmas Celebration

Check out
Bookham Bees' Bakery
on our website and share some of your
favourite recipes with the Bees
Email to: hphenix11@gmail.com



'Garden Parties'

The 'Garden Parties' have proved most successful and we hope to continue with them but we need more offers from members willing to host. It's great fun so please contact June Barber if you are able to host morning, afternoon or early evening gatherings: Jbrb6@aol.com



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News & Announcements



Picnic Lunch Tuesday, 13th July Well, not long until hopefully the weather permits many of us to get together over a picnic lunch on The Green alongside The Cricketers at Downside. Everyone is welcome, please let Jenny Bissell know if you would like to join the Busy Bee Picnic:
jenniferannbissell@gogglemail.com

Walking Groups' News

The Weekly Walkie Talkies - Mondays and Wednesdays These walks are around two miles. On Wednesdays the pace is pretty fast and an alarm has to be set in order to be at the Tunnel Car Park ready to leave by 8.00am. In the early morning summer sunshine the common is buzzing with the birds and wildlife. On Mondays the pace is a little slower but all participants enjoy a meander over the common, finding lots of different parts we never knew were there.

Third Wednesday Walk each month: The last walk was to Slyfield Manor and Fetcham. It was most enjoyable despite being harassed by a very naughty horse and trying to pick through a rather thisty path! This is where one is best wearing long trousers!

First Thursday Walk each month: At the beginning of the month seven Bees met for our first walk. After a wet May, we were glad that the Common had dried out once more and the weather was warm and sunny. We started at the Fetcham end of the Common and made our way towards Mark Oak Gate and on in the direction of Slyfield Farm. Our route took us from the Common to the farmland belonging to Chasemore Stud Farm and the lovely view over North West Surrey. Our return took us past Hundred Pound Bridge towards the Tunnel Car Park and back along Commonsideside. It was great to be able to enjoy the 4 mile walk and chat in beautiful surroundings. Our next walk is over Norbury Park on Thursday, 1st July. If you wish to join the group please contact Ann Cook.

Bookham Open Gardens

First of all, many congratulations to the many residents of Bookham, including several Bees, who opened their gardens on Sunday, 27th June allowing so many of us to enjoy the fruits of their hard labour. There was an extremely wide selection of gardens to visit, both large and small, and every one of them was a treasure to be explored. Next year make sure it is a date firmly written in your diary – something never to be missed. Not only do you have the opportunity to pick up wonderful ideas for your own garden, you also meet so many Bookham Bees buzzing around from garden to garden, as well as bumping into old friends and acquaintances. Well done to all the Open Garden participants.

Resuming Meetings in The Harrison Room

We sincerely hope we will be able to resume meetings in the Harrison Room with effect from **Wednesday, 1st September**. As mentioned before, we will rework teas and coffees so that we don't have the queues at the hatch.

On **Wednesday, 4th August**, weather permitting, we plan to meet on the field behind the Harrison Room. Bring your own nibbles and tipples and something to sit on and come along to catch up with all of us Bees who are not away on holiday sunning ourselves somewhere special in the UK!

Welfare Officer Janice Evans is the Bookham Bees WI Welfare Officer and if you know of any Bee that is unwell or requires some support, please let Janice know. jevanshome123@gmail.com

Looking forward to 'seeing' you over Zoom on Wednesday, 7th July. Zoom invites to go out the day before and, hopefully, this will be our last WI Zoom Meeting and we will soon be back to our 'new normal'.

Diana and your Committee