



BOOKHAM BEES WI

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*We meet the First Wednesday of every month
7.30 for 7.45pm*



Group Meetings

Bees Creative

Monday, 18 November at 7.30pm
Sterling silver and semi-precious beads bracelet
Waterfield Room, Old Barn Hall
Contact: hphenix11@gmail.com

Book Club

The present Book Club is full but do feel free to start another Book Club. It really encourages you to read books you might never think of dipping in to.

Coffee Morning

Thursday, 14 November from 10.30am at Del Fuoco
Contact: jevanshome123@gmail.com

Gardening Bees

Contact: diane.poole25@googlemail.com

Pub Nights

Monday, 4 November from 8.00pm
The Old Windsor Castle
Contact: jenniferannbissell@googlemail.com

Theatre Group

The Rose Theatre, Kingston

“Six’ The Musical” - Saturday, 16 November 8.00 pm

Nomad Theatre, East Horsley

“Jack and the Beanstalk” – Wed, 11 Dec 7.30pm

New Victoria Theatre, Woking

“The King and I” – Saturday, 18th April 7.30pm

Contact: carol.teunon@googlemail.com

Wednesday Weekly Walkie Talkie

Pop along to the Tunnel Car Park on the Common at 8.00 am prompt – all welcome + dogs!
Anyone interested in extending this to Thursdays and Fridays please read details on Page 2.

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Feel free to contact Group Organisers or
Bookhambees@outlook.com

Thank you to all the Group Organisers
for all your hard work.

Next meeting

6 November: The Brigitte Trust Talk
Our 2019 chosen Charity of the Year
& Annual Meeting plus Raffle

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Walking Group

We are looking for a volunteer to run the Walking Group – please contact
dianagreenman@gmail.com

Visits & Trips

All suggestions for more visits and trips
welcome!
Why not organize one?

2019 Programme

4 December: Festive Christmas Evening
Making Table Centres – oasis, containers
and candles supplied. Bring along
greenery and anything you may wish to
add to your Christmas Table Centre.
Also **Secret Santa** – bring a wrapped gift
from a charity shop, maximum cost £5

Outings

Simply Scones at The Grange Centre
Tuesday, 26 November 2.00 pm £5
Contact: jenniferannbissell@googlemail.com

Coffee & Cake at The Grange Centre
Friday, 6 December 10.15 am £5
Contact: jevanshome123@gmail.com

Diary Note

Bookham Bees WI QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday, 8 February 2020

The Old Barn Hall - £15 per person
Bring family & friends to make up a table
of 8 or join a table. Same Quiz Master as
last year. Hurry up and get your tickets.
We sold out last year. It will be FUN!

2020 Programme

Reminder: January's meeting is to be
2nd Wednesday – 8 January 2020
In The Old Barn Hall (not Harrison Room)

2020 CHARITY

Choose the charity you would like to see Bookham Bees
supporting. Three suggested charities are set out on
pages 2 and 3 below. We will be voting at our
December Meeting or email your choice to:
bookhambees@outlook.com



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Bookham Bees WI Website has gone live!

www.bookhambeeswi.org. Catch up on all the Bees' News by visiting the website.

Walkie Talkie The Walkie Talkie Group are happy to extend the walks to Thursday and Friday mornings, as well as Wednesdays. The group meet at 8.00am prompt at The Tunnel Car Park on Bookham Common. This is a brisk walk, not a gentle stroll, and takes no more than 40-45 minutes. If you are interested in any of the days suggested please contact Michelle sloehouse2@gmail.com or Janice jevanshome123@gmail.com

Bookham Bees WI 2020 Charity of the Year

Below are the details of the three charities which have been put forward by Bookham Bees Members. Voting will take place at the December meeting. If you will not be attending in December please email your choice of charity to: bookhambees@outlook.com

Leatherhead Youth Project (LPA)

Leatherhead Youth Project launched in 2005 to provide much needed services for socially and economically disadvantaged young people in Leatherhead and Bookham. Our aim is to help young people be safe, happy, resilient and able to make positive changes in their own lives and in their community.

We take a relational and positive approach which provides support and skills to young people, helping them to overcome barriers they are facing and build a brighter future. We are a team of experienced youth workers and counsellors who care about the local community.

LYP has many projects, the flagship being the afterschool club which runs every evening at All Saints Cafe from 3.15 to 6.15. Sometimes up to 50 young people attend, mainly from Therfield School and younger teenagers in Yrs 7 and 8 who are trying to find their way in the tricky world of social media, exposure to peer pressure and lack of self-confidence. We all know, it is so easy for them to go astray. During the course of the year, LYP youth workers deal with many safeguarding incidents such as sexual assault, depression, suicidal thought, self-harm. We are not infrequently the first people to whom young people turn.

We also have a similar youth club project in Bookham, currently in St Nicholas church, BYouth. Young people starting in Yr 7 at Howard of Effingham are keen to attend. Topics they talk about with youth workers include bullying, drugs, friendships and gangs. In June 19 we ran a special transition group for 15 young people whose teachers had identified as especially vulnerable.

This summer, our "Into the Wild" project took a group of girls aged 12 - 16 to spend 2 weekends in the countryside, firstly in Surrey and then in a mountainous area of Wales. They were sleeping in hammocks, cooking on campfires, hiking and orienteering. None of these young people had done anything like this before; some had had challenging life events and it was an overwhelming experience to be away from the comforts of home. Some had no suitable clothing and so we provided waterproofs, spare leggings, trainers, underwear, tops and sweatshirts. They were nervous and excited. One extraordinary part of the trip was that they were not allowed their mobile phones all weekend, so that they could really connect with the countryside and each other. All had to dig very deep physically and emotionally, not to give up. At times it poured with rain, but they learnt to encourage each other. Having no electronic devices, they had nothing to settle or distract themselves, but for the first time experienced the sounds of the wild in pitch darkness with only their torches for light.



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They said that although at first they had hated not having their mobile phones, they gradually became aware how different it felt not to spend any time looking on social media.

The girls said they were “Overcome with joy” at the experience and “amazed at what they had been able to achieve”. At the presentation they all spoke movingly about how the challenge had changed them, making them feel really proud of themselves and could now see how this would help them be more confident in being more ambitious about what they could achieve in life and that they were “as good as anyone else”.

This is just a fraction of the many different projects we run. Some young people have chosen to come back and volunteer in the projects, as they feel so strongly about how much LYP has helped them in their lives.

Princess Alice Hospice

Many people think that hospices are all about dying. We disagree. We believe that end of life care is about helping people live every moment to the full, in comfort and dignity. It’s about creating a space, whether in our hospice or at home, where families can enjoy special moments and make precious memories.

We believe that everyone has the right to a good death – not just the few. Over the next five years, we are planning to reach more people by extending specialist end of life care out into the community. We do this in the following ways.

- Delivering outstanding end of life care in the home
- Supporting families caring for patients at home
- Sharing skills and knowledge with doctors, nurses, carers and social workers, as well as non-professionals caring in the community
- Helping to create compassionate communities where friends, neighbours and colleagues feel able to care for and support patients and families through death and bereavement
- Taking a strong lead in the debate about death and dying

We’re working towards a future where we can all choose where we die. Where we will know that wherever we choose to be, we will receive outstanding care and support. Everyone who works with us will play a part in building this future.

Surrey Wildlife Trust

Surrey Wildlife Trust is one of 46 Wildlife Trusts working across the UK. With the invaluable support of volunteers and members we manage over 7000ha of land for wildlife and people in Surrey. We also work with other organisations and landowners to protect and connect wildlife sites across the county and inspire local communities and young people to care for wildlife where they live.

Surrey Wildlife Trust manages over 7000ha of land across Surrey, including some of the county's top nature reserves. The sites under our care are home to a wide range of habitats and wildlife and include ancient woodland, heathland, species rich grassland and wetland.

These landscapes require careful monitoring and a range of techniques to ensure that they are managed and improved for wildlife, as well as safely accessible to the public. Aided by an army of volunteers, the Trust's countryside team spend their time caring for our sites.

Our key land management partners include Surrey County Council and the Ministry of Defence. We also work with a range of private landowners to advise them on managing their sites for wildlife.
