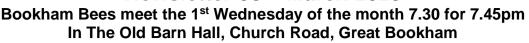


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EVENTS FOR MARCH

Wednesday, 1ST March DOWN MEMORY LANE AND BACK –

an entertaining wander through the ages with Paul Weakly, using songs, tales,

and fun

Please have your chosen charity ready to vote for as well.

Raffle this month so change needed if you would like to join in.

Wednesday 1st March Family History Group

Thursday 2nd March First Thursday walk 10.00am

Thursday 2nd March Sewing Group 2-4pm

Monday 13th March Coffee Morning at the Vineries 10.30am Wednesday 15th March Third Wednesday Walk 10.00am

Wednesday 15th March Supper Club Queens Head East Clandon 7pm

Wednesday 22nd March Book Club 3 (ask Jan Holland for time)

Monday mornings Walkie talkie 2 10.00am Wednesday mornings Walkie talkie 1 8.00am

FUTURE MONTHLY MEETINGS

Wednesday 5th April CELEBRATE OUR BIRTHDAY with Raw Honey Gin Distillery as Sam Robinson tells us

about the distillery and provides samples to add to the cheer. There will be discounts if you

are tempted to buy! Toast our birthday and enjoy the celebrations.

Wednesday 3rd May SIGHT FOR SURREY - an insight into the work of this amazing local organisation with

a member who has benefited from their support.

Wednesday 7th June VILLAGE DAY PREPARATION An evening of fun preparing for this community day. Bring

out your inner craftswoman or support those more inclined to create. Something for all!

Wednesday 5th July ENJOY AN EVENING OF MUSIC, and a fascinating look at the work and music of harpist

Margaret Watson.

Wednesday 2nd August DRINKS AND NIBBLES ON THE GREEN A social outing to catch up on summer fun.

Wednesday 6th September A TOUR OF THE MONOPOLY BOARD – An illustrated talk with raconteur and

photographer Roger Mendham. No get out of jail card needed!

Wednesday 4th October BEETLE DRIVE -come and test your skills and luck with fellow Bees. No Live beetles

involved!

Wednesday 1ST November NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME -a floral delight to cheer up the shortening days, with

Annabel Alford Warren

Wednesday 6th December CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS -fun and surprises for everyone





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Bookham Bees meet the 1st Wednesday of the month 7.30 for 7.45pm In The Old Barn Hall, Church Road, Great Bookham



WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING THIS MONTH?

Monthly meeting.

We had a less energetic meeting this month and listened to a talk by Cherill Sands on women writers and their gardens. The writers ranged from Frances Hodgson Burnett and how gardens influenced 'The Secret Garden', Agatha Christie and how her properties and favourite places were included in her many stories, to how JK Rowling wove real and fantasy paints in her books. Cherill was a knowledgable speaker and enthralled her audience.

Bees Knit and Crochet

A late meeting this month so we will catch up in April on what the ladies have been up to!

Bees Bridge Group

The Bridge Group have had a good month as we have played bridge at a charity bridge evening run by Rotary in Bookham. All the proceeds raised were for the work being done by teams of charity workers and volunteers in Syria and Turkey. March will see us playing a friendly match at Christine's house in Fetcham.

Jane Carradine

Book Club 2

The Husband's Secret. Liane Moriarty
Set in Australia, where a happily married mother of three is
living the 'perfect life', until she discovers her husband's
secret. Should she tell, or should she keep the secret? Most
of us would probably keep it! An easy read, once you work out
and follow the three women's stories. We gave it an 8/10.

Anne Tait

Book club 3

This month we met with no specific book to discuss, to give us a chance to share our thoughts on any books we've read individually. We had quite a range, with several light-hearted recommendations and some absolute howlers to avoid! However, most of the evening was spent chatting about anything but books ① As usual, a great evening with a great group of ladies.

Jan Holland

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Coffee Morning

9 of us met up at the Vineries on Wednesday, February 15. As always it was an excellent session with lots of chat and laughter. As one of the ladies said it's such a lovely, friendly and no pressure event. The plan is to meet on a different day of the week each month, so there is a good chance of capturing everyone. The next coffee morning at the Vineries will be on Monday, March 13 at 10.30. Please let me know if you plan to attend. Pam Ingledew

Pub Group

Don't forget Pub night resumes this month so get your glad rags ready for a fun night together. The dates to put in your diary are March 8th, 12th April and 10th May, all Wednesdays. *Vikki Oliver*

Supper Group

The Bees Supper Group had its inaugural supper together at The Duke of Wellington, Horsley. 12 of us were present to enjoy some yummy food (which we didn't have to prepare or wash up!) along with lots of interesting chat and friendship.

The next supper will be held at The Queens Head, East Clandon on Wednesday, 15th March. We will not always be meeting on a Wednesday evening, and we will be ringing the changes. *Diana Greenman*

Theatre Group

Several productions this month. 14 of us watched Steel Magnolias at Yvonne Arnaud in Guildford. There was a mixed reception to this from loving to loathing. It seemed as if it helped if you had seen the film first. A lovely convivial evening though. The theatre group have also enjoyed 2 other performances recently....

We saw The Magic of Motown at Dorking Halls and Sister Act at The New Victoria Theatre.

They were both amazing shows, really fun evenings.... Sue Bacon

Monday Walkers



We took this photo on the walk on Monday- Spring is on its way and the catkins are starting to look wonderful!

June Barber

Thursday Walkers



Following a spell of wet weather towards the end of January it was decided to play safe and for February enjoy a walk lead by Denise Bottomley around the streets of Leatherhead. Starting outside the Leatherhead Institute we looked at various buildings and alleyways as we walked towards the Parish Church, remarking on much we have walked past and not taken in. Along our route Sue Parrot added fascinating bits of local knowledge. Having looked around the Church we walked towards Thorncroft Manor and alongside the River to the Town Bridge and finished at The Blue Cafe.

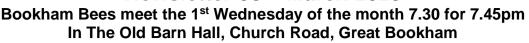
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Anne Cook



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Bees News and Community Information

Murder Mystery Evening - SOLD OUT!

We are looking forward to the Murder Mystery Evening. It will be a fun evening with the entertainment provided by MoneyPenny Productions.

The main course of your meal will be lasagne, supplied by Connisbee's with dietary needs taken into consideration. We will be including salad and dressing to go with the main lasagne but please do bring any extras you like, such as bread, other dressings, snacks to go with your pre-entertainment drink etc. We will be serving a choice of desserts.

You need to bring plates, cutlery (knife fork and spoon) and glasses. We will provide water but please bring any drinks of your choice with you.

New Groups

Sewing -We are having our first meeting at the Space, Dorking Rd on 2nd March 2-4pm. Please do contact me if you would like to join us. Ladies please don't forget your fee of £3 a month needs to be handed in before the meeting if possible as we need to pay 3 months in advance for the hall hire.

fiona goldsmith@hotmail.com

Ukulele –Please could you contact June Barber if you would like to be a part of this.

jbrb6@aol.com

Community Space, St Nicholas Church

It is planned that on **Wednesday**, **26th April at 2.30pm** WI groups within Bookham, Fetcham and Ashtead will gather in the new space provided in St Nicolas Church now that the pews have been removed and replaced with stackable chairs.

We have a brilliant speaker booked, Jo Sherring from Epsom & Ewell Refugee Network, and I really hope the Bees will be well represented. Please pop the date in your diary.

Diana Greenman

Bookham Help Your Neighbour

Following my appeal at the last meeting I would like to thank the members who kindly offered to help by manning the dedicated mobile phone. If anyone else is interested in this community-based scheme please contact me.

Ann Cook

bookham56@outlook.com

Craft Day

A couple of us attended a craft day organised by the Surrey Federation of WIs at Effingham Rugy Club in KGV. There were many crafts to choose from to try, from button making to artwork to rug making. It was a very enjoyable day, with lunch provided, at a very reasonable cost. It was also an excellent chance to meet WI members from all over Surrey. We were lucky we only had to travel a very short distance compared to many other visitors. There are many activities organised around us so I do recommend seeing what is on offer. The mosaic day at Merrist Wood looks very tempting!

You can find the events in the monthly WI magazine or online through <u>Surrey Federation of Women's Institutes</u> (<u>surreyfedwi.org.uk</u>)

Denman at Home

Who had time to look at Denman? Hopefully you found something you liked if you did. Book through -

National Federation of Women's Institutes | National Federation of Women's Institutes (thewi.org.uk)
Or directly through Denman
Home - Denman College

As requested by many ladies last meeting here is Julie's recipe. Evidently it is best made with clementines rather than any other citrus fruits so the recipe may make another appearance nearer Christmas.

Clementine cake

4 - 5 clementines (about 375 g / 13 oz total weight) 6 large eggs 225g / 8oz white sugar 250g / 9oz ground almonds 1 heaped teaspoon baking powder

Put the clementines in a pan with some cold water, bring to the boil and simmer for 1 hour. (Nigella says 2 hours but I just boil for 1). Drain, and when cool cut each Clementine in half and remove pips. Then pulp the whole lot, peel, pith and all in a food processor, or by hand.

Preheat oven to 190C / gas mark 5 Butter and line a 20cm / 8in cake tin

Beat the eggs. Add the sugar, almonds and baking powder. Mix well, and add the pulped clementines.

Pour the cake mixture into the prepared tin and bake for an hour. You may have to cover after 40 minutes to stop the top burning.

The cake is done when a skewer comes out clean. Remove from oven and leave to cool in the tin on a rack. Take out of the tin when cold.

Better a day or two after it's made.

You can eat as a cake, or as a pudding with some creme fraiche.



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Bookham Bees' Groups

Do feel free to sign up to any that interest you – just contact the group organiser

Knit & Crochet - Full at present. For waiting list or to set

up another group contact

Karen Tranter: Karen.tranter1@btinternet.com

Book Club 1

Full at present. For waiting list contact Gaye Burt: gayegoddard@hotmail.co.uk

Book Club 2 - Full at present. For waiting list contact

Anne Tait: annetait1@btinternet.com

Book Club 3

Full but if interested in joining contact Jan Holland: janiholland@gmail.com

Bridge

If you play bridge and are interested in joining, please

contact

Jane Carradine: jschome03@gmail.com

Coffee Mornings at The Vineries

Usually 10.30 on different days of the week. Please contact Pam Ingledew If you would like to go, on pamandgeoff6@icloud.com

Family History Group

For further details contact Judith Witter: judithwitter@hotmail.com

Gardening

Contact Diane Poole to join the active group & pick up lots of tips via WhatsApp. Visits and gatherings from Spring until the bad weather

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

2nd Wednesday of the month at The Old Windsor Castle Pub 8pm

For more details, please email Debra:

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

Sewing Group

Please contact Fiona Goldsmith if you would like to join her once a month on a Thursday afternoon 2-4pm. Fiona goldsmith@hotmail.com

Supper Group

If anyone is interested in joining this and to hear more details of this month's meal, please contact Jan on jangapper@gmail.com

If you think of a new group -let us know!

Theatre Group

Please contact Sue Bacon: suebacon06@gmail.com

Ukulele Please could you contact June Barber if you would

like to join her. jbrb6@aol.com

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 Contact June Barber: jbrb6@aol.com

Walk First Thursday each month at 10.00am

approx. 4 miles.

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 Officer

Janice Evans is our welfare officer. Please contact Janice if you know of any member who is poorly or going through a difficult time. Janice's email is: Jevanshome123@gmail.com



Web Site

https://bookhambeeswi.org