

# NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2025



## Happy 1st Anniversary, Petersfield Evening WI!

This September marks a very special milestone—our first anniversary—and we can't wait to celebrate with you at our monthly meeting! We have a fabulous evening planned, with guest speaker **Jennifer Jones**, founder of the award-winning Jennifer Jones Styling.

Jennifer and her team specialise in practical, personal advice—from wardrobe refreshes to personal shopping experiences and Jennifer believes that style should always feel effortless and achievable. With her warm, down-to-earth approach, she will share how to choose silhouettes, colours, and styles that flatter your body, suit your lifestyle, and leave you feeling your very best.

To make this occasion truly memorable, we'll also be welcoming **Shine Radio**, who are keen to hear from members about your experiences and favourite memories of our first year.

Plus, we'll be inviting everyone to take part in our **five-year time capsule project** by answering three simple but meaningful questions:

- ✨ What's been your favourite WI memory so far?
- ✨ What message would you like to share with future members?
- ✨ What do you hope for our WI in the years ahead?

If you're part of our craft group—or simply feel inspired—do bring along something small to add to the capsule!

## Next Meeting

**TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER**

**7.30-9.30PM**

**DOORS OPEN 7.15PM**

**REFRESHMENTS SERVED AFTER THE  
SPEAKER**

**THE ASSEMBLY HALL**

**THE PETERSFIELD SCHOOL**

**THE CAUSEWAY**

**PETERSFIELD GU32 3LU**

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## 1st Anniversary Celebrations

Of course, no anniversary is complete without prizes.

Our raffle is extra special this month, with three fantastic prizes up for grabs:

- A £50 meal voucher for The Cricketers Pub, Bell Hill
- A Style Power Hour voucher with Jennifer Jones at Gunwharf Quays
- And a surprise third prize to be revealed on the night!

Tickets are just £1 each – cash only.

Join us for this wonderful celebration of women supporting women, inspiring one another, and building a WI full of friendship, fun, and shared achievements. Let's make our first birthday a night to remember!

**REMINDER**

**Meeting takes place in The Assembly Hall**

**Buddy Walk to meeting:  
Meet at the library at 7pm**

**Mark your calendars for the next meeting dates  
Tuesday 21st Oct | Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

## Home-Start Butser Quiz Night

Following the wonderful talk by Nicola last month about the amazing work of Home-Start Butser, Michele Harpur is arranging our WI tables for the Home-Start Butser Quiz Night. So if you love a quiz, do reach out to her to secure your spot! [micheleharpur@grp-solutions.com](mailto:micheleharpur@grp-solutions.com)



## Join us for our next Sunday Social Walk!

On Sunday 21st September, WI Member, Helen Smith will be leading a lovely 7km countryside walk, starting at 10.30am from the Chalton Red Lion (PO8 0BG). The route will take around 2 hours at a relaxed pace—perfect for chatting, connecting, and enjoying the fresh air with like-minded women.

These walks are a brilliant way to meet new friends, catch up with old ones, and give yourself a little time outdoors. Helen is also happy to book a table for lunch afterwards if anyone fancies continuing the social! 🍴 If you'd like to know more, join our Sunday Walking Group on the WI WhatsApp community.



## NEXT CAFE SOCIALS:

**Thursday 25th Sept 2pm**  
**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 10am**  
at Gallery 30, High Street,  
Petersfield

## ✨ Last Few Places Left! ✨

Join us for our **Wellness Retreat** on Saturday 27th September at Henry Warren Hall, Nyewood. Tickets are £49 and include delicious mid morning refreshments.

Organised by WI member Mel Conder, a certified nutrition and menopause coach with support from Tessa Fanshawe and Jess Khushi, the morning is designed to Nurture, Inspire & Recharge. Enjoy a beginner-friendly workout, an “Eat Well, Age Well” nutrition workshop, and a relaxing sound bath with meditation. A perfect opportunity to invest in your wellbeing. 🌿

Book your place using the QR code (left) and make payment to the WI Bank Account.

## 📣 WI Walking Netball is Back! 🏐

Walking Netball is back! ❤️ Sixteen ladies joined our first session, led by our newly qualified Walking Netball Hosts, Chris and Cindy. Sessions run every Thursday evening, 7–8pm at Churcher's College, until 16th October.

Whether you're a seasoned player or completely new to netball, this is a fun, friendly way to get moving and enjoy the game at your own pace. You're welcome to come along for a taster—just £5 per session. For updates and to get involved, join our WI Walking Netball WhatsApp group.

## New QR code to our bookings page for events and volunteering




## 🌟 October Meeting – Financial Wellbeing with Jodie Phelps 🌟

We're delighted to welcome **Jodie Phelps**, Financial Adviser, as our guest speaker at our next meeting on Tuesday 21st October.


Jodie specialises in retirement planning, maximising wealth, and protection strategies. With 14 years' experience, she supports people through major life changes—whether that's divorce, bereavement, or preparing for retirement—always with empathy and clarity.

She's particularly passionate about empowering women to take control of their finances, helping them build long-term security, manage wealth, and shape the future they want. Jodie will share practical steps to turn financial stress into confidence and give you the tools to plan ahead with ease.

- 🌿 Expect clear, practical advice
- 🌿 Learn strategies to manage wealth and life transitions
- 🌿 Leave feeling more confident about your financial future

 Tuesday 21st October

 The Studios, TPS

 Doors open 7.10pm

Join us for an inspiring evening of support, knowledge, and women lifting women 💚



## John Lewis Festive Shopping Evening



Join fellow Hampshire WI members on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November, at John Lewis Southampton for a special festive event filled with holiday cheer and great shopping opportunities. The perfect chance to get a head start on your Christmas shopping whilst enjoying festive music and refreshments. The evening will include tastings, demonstrations and a fashion show. Tickets are £15 per person and include a £10 gift card and drink on arrival.

Head to the eventbrite website to book your ticket or use the QR code in your Hampshire WI newsletter.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/festive-shopping-evening-at-john-lewis-southampton-tickets-1605753454809>

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## 🌟 Celebrating Our Supporters! 🌟

The Petersfield Awards shortlists are out, and we're thrilled to see some of our wonderful WI supporters recognised this year!

Over the past year, we've been lucky to receive generous raffle prizes and support from brilliant local businesses including One Tree Books, Rogate Pumpkin Patch, Sew Creative, The Townhouse and Annie Jones – all of whom are now award nominees. 🌟

We're so proud to see their hard work and community spirit acknowledged, and we'll be cheering them on!

Head to the website on the following link to cast your votes for all the wonderful businesses in Petersfield.

<https://www.petersfieldfest.com/thepetersfieldawards>

# WELLNESS RETREAT

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## *A morning to Nurture, Inspire and Recharge*

### **Beginner friendly home workout with Tessa**

Boost strength, mobility, and joint health with easy, effective exercises designed for women at every stage of life.

### **Eat Well, Age Well Workshop with Mel**

Learn simple, practical nutrition tips to support muscle, bone, brain and heart health without overwhelming changes or strict diets.

### **Sound Bath & Meditation with Jess**

Relax deeply with a guided meditation and sound journey to rebalance body, mind, and spirit.

**Cost: £49 per person**

**Limited spaces now available**

**BOOK NOW TO SECURE YOUR PLACE!**



Saturday 27th  
September



Henry Warren Hall  
Nyewood GU31 5HX



9.00 AM -  
1.00 PM

**Refreshments  
included**



**Tessa Fanshawe**

Personal Trainer & Nutrition Advisor  
Tessa Fanshawe Fitness



**Mel Conder**

Menopause & Nutrition Coach  
Hormonally Nourished



**Jess Khushi**

Yoga & Sound Healing Instructor  
Khushi Yoga

**Head to the Petersfield Evening WI Booking Page to secure  
your place. On confirmation please pay via the WI Bank AC.**





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# Christmas Party

THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

“Step into Christmas” at Old Thorns Hotel

Doors open 6.30pm, Dinner served  
at 7.30pm

Event ends at 12.30am

£35.95 2 course Dinner, Tea & Coffee & Mince Pies

Bar available separately

DJ, Disco & Photobooth

Please book your place via the WI Bookings System  
then make payment of £35.95 to the WI Bank Account  
- Ref Xmas & Surname





# Christmas Afternoon Tea

**Exclusive WI Event at Gallery 30**

**£22.50 per person**

*A welcome glass of Prosecco*

*A selection of festive finger sandwiches*

*Pork & cranberry sausage rolls*

*Sweet scones with cinnamon sugar, orange curd & clotted cream*

*Mince Pies*

*Breakfast or Earl Grey Tea*

**SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

**4pm to 6pm**

Please book using the WI Bookings Page to secure your spot  
and make payment to the WI Bank Account

Payment reference: Tea and Surname

(please advise dietary requirements, sadly we cannot accommodate vegan options)

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