**News & Information Sheet March 2025**

*Please ensure that you have received all the circulars listed below, if any are missing, please ring WI House and copies will be sent to you.*

1. ***Declaration of Eligibility Form***
2. ***Gift Aid Declaration Form 2025***
3. ***Membership Fees 2025-26***
4. ***WI Annual Report Form***
5. ***Bulb Order Catalogue & Order Form***
6. ***WOW Order Form 2025-26***
7. ***Ladies of Blenheim***
8. ***Lacock Treasurer Trail***
9. ***Craft Competition 2025***
10. ***White Horse WI Invitation (Email copy only)***

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**Isle of Wight Holiday- The History & Heritage of the Isle of Wight 1st-5th September 2025**

We now have allocated the single rooms but have twin and double rooms remaining for the Isle of Wight coach holiday departing on the 1st September. £849 per person sharing. If you are interested in visiting the Isle of Wight with a friend or partner, please contact WI House.

**Gift Aid Declaration Forms**

A reminder that the 2025/26 Gift Aid declaration form should only be completed by members who want to Gift Aid for the first time and who have not previously completed such a form.  Members do not have to complete a form every year, but we would remind you to complete a new form if your circumstances have changed i.e. you have moved house. If you are no longer a taxpayer and eligible for Gift Aid you should also let WI House know so we can remove you from the list.

**Bulb Orders 2025**

Two copies of the bulb catalogue are included with this mailing. The bulb company have informed us of some changes they have made this year:

**The members order form** – this is now a paper pull out in the middle of the catalogues for members to fill out, this will be much easier to write on as well as something that can be photocopied at ease for any friends / other members to use.

**Triplicate Co-Ordinators Order Forms –** this year they have had to move from Triplicate pads to normal A3 paper order forms. The process is still the same with having the 3 copies:

Copy 1 - Co-ordinator (retained by WI)

Copy 2 - Federation office (send to WI House)

Copy 3 – to send back to Bulbs.co HQ (send to WI House)

The deadline for returning orders to WI House is Friday 30th May 2025.

**Membership Subscriptions**

With year end fast approaching could you ensure that any outstanding membership subscriptions you may be holding are sent to WI House either by post or BACs before 24th March 2025. This will ensure a smooth year end for your accounts, your IFEs and the Federation.

**WOW Orders 2025/26**

With ever increasing costs of postage and stationery, the Trustees have revised the pricing of the WOW subscriptions. Each issue will now cost 35p per issue per month plus the postage. The price list is available with the WOW order form with this mailing. If you require help with what the price for your WI will be, please contact WI House.

**Please remember to add food-allergy/dietary requirements to all applications for activities that include food.** Payment must be made at the point of booking. Your place is not secured/reserved until WFWI has received payment from you/your WI.

Refunds will only be given if: a) WFWI can resell your ticket or b) WFWI cancel the activity.

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| **Date** | **Activity** | **Venue** | **Closing Date** | **Price** |
| **Wed 5th March**  **1.30pm** | **The Mitford Sisters with Gillian Cane** | **Market Lavington Community Hall St. Mary’s Road SN10 4DG** | **5th February** | **£20.00** |
| **Wed 26th March**  **10.45am-3.30pm** | **New Speakers Day** | **West Lavington Village Hall, Sandfield, West Lavington, SN10 4HL** | **17TH March** | **£10.00** |
| **Thurs 3rd April**  **2.00pm – 3.00pm** | **Actors Behaving Badly** | **The View @RWB Auctions 144 High Street Royal Wootton Bassett SN4 7AB** | **5th March** | **£20.00** |
| **Tues 22nd April**  **10.00am-3.30pm** | **Sew a Summer Hat** | **WI House, 17 Couch Lane, Devizes, SN10 1EB** | **14th April** | **£25.00** |
| **Tues 6th May 1.30pm – 4.00pm** | **The Ladies of Blenheim: Lust & Laudenum** | **Marlborough Town Hall, High Street, Marlborough SN8 1AA** | **22nd April** | **£25.00** |
| **Thurs 8th May** | **Windsor Castle Coach Trip** | **Windsor Castle. Coach pick up points: Chippenham, Wroughton, Devizes, Amesbury** | **3rd April** | **£55.00** |
| **Sun 8th June 2.00pm – 3.30pm** | **Lacock Treasure Trail** | **National Trust Car Park SN15 2RQ** | **29th May** | **£7.50 per team** |

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| **Type** | **Destination and Date** |  |
| **Coach holiday (Tailored Travel)** | **1st – 5th Sept 2025 – The History & Heritage of the Isle of Wight** | **£849 per person sharing (£49 single supplement) Twin and double rooms remaining** |

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