

## WANSTEAD WI NEWSLETTER **JULY 2023**

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### Please remember

## to bring:

- A mug and glass
- Money for the home stall and NFWI raffle
- Pennies for friendship
- Donations for the food bank



#### **MEETING ON 20 JULY**

At our next meeting on Thursday 20 July, in a change to the previous programme, we will be joined by Lynne Dixon to talk about the Women of the Progress Estate during World War One - a highly acclaimed estate built for workers of the Woolwich Arsenal.

Volunteers are needed to deliver the foodbank items and a sign-up sheet will be available at the meeting to please help out, if you can.

We look forward to seeing you!

# Upcoming events



#### **AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER MEETINGS**

On 17 August, weather permitting we are hoping to hold our summer picnic outside on the lawn. The meeting will start and finish earlier than usual. We will be setting up at 6.30 and packing away at 9.30. It will be a 'bring your own' picnic rather than a shared one but by popular request the ice cream van will be back.

On 21 September, food writer and historian Sam Bilton joins us to talk about the significance of saffron and sample some delights! There will also be a chance to buy her book <u>Fool's Gold</u>, a history of British Saffron.



#### **REGULAR AFTERNOON TEAS**

Meeting for a chat over a tea and coffee at The Bull and Cafe Belgique are well attended. It's a chance for new members to meet and get to know others from Wanstead WI. No need to tell us in advance, just turn up. Look forward to seeing you soon.

Maud and Angela K

The Bull: Thursday 27 July, Thursday 24 August

Cafe Belgique: Thursday 3 August, Thursday 7 September





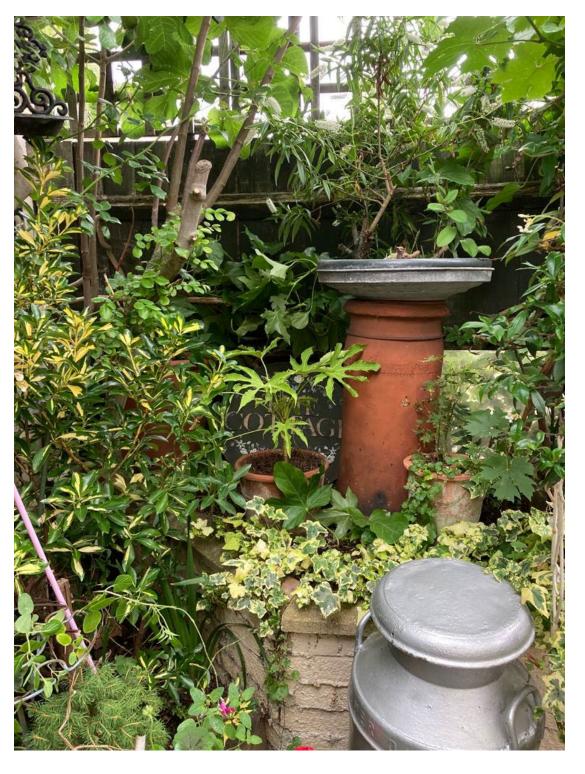
#### AFTERNOON TEA IN A GARDEN

Our summer afternoon teas continue. They are being held in members gardens with proceeds going to Amyloidosis research which is our chosen charity this year. What is not to like about spending a sunny afternoon relaxing in a garden with tea, cake and friendly chat? Gardens will be open between 2pm and 4pm.

Do please support them.

- Tuesday 8th August. Maggie. Rodney Road.
- TBA September. Deidre.

Below is an image from the visit to Teresa's garden earlier in the summer.





#### VISIT TO RHS WISLEY - TUESDAY 25 JULY

There are still five places left for the Wanstead WI RHS Wisley coach trip on Tuesday 25th July. The cost will be £18 for RHS members (membership number needed for the final Wisley invoice), £30 for non RHS members.

The coach will meet us outside our Church in Wanstead at 9am and drop us back there in the evening at approx 6pm. Our outing will include a 90 minute guided tour in groups of just 15 which will include the history and highlights of the garden. Thereafter we will be free to explore, shop and dine at our leisure. There are choices of places for lunch and refreshments on site but of course picnics are an option too.

Anyone interested will need to contact Denise urgently on <a href="mailto:denisehitchens@hotmail.com">denisehitchens@hotmail.com</a>

Payment will need to be made by our meeting on 20th July.

#### Message from your Committee

A quick reminder that our trips are for our members. Now that we are out and about again, and also for the newer members who may not be aware, one of the benefits of Wanstead WI membership is our outings together, including to theatres etc. As we get closer to the date then *IF there are places remaining* we open them up to women friends and family members.





## LA CAGE AUX FOLLES, TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER, REGENT'S PARK OPEN AIR

#### **THEATRE**

There was interest in my proposal for a theatre visit to <u>La Cage Aux Folles</u> announced at the June meeting, so with the Committee's blessing I have booked and paid for a very limited number of seats:

#### **Tuesday 5 September**

**Evening performance – start time 19.45** (running time 2 hours 30 mins including interval)

Seats £35 each (block booking discount reduced from £40). Seats in Rows P and Q

Due to my holiday plans I have a very limited time frame to get the event organised <u>and for you to reimburse</u> <u>me</u> so I ask please for an email ASAP if you would like to reserve a seat and payment by or before the next meeting on **Thursday 20 July**. First come, first served. Apologies for the rush

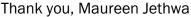
Please email me – Maureen Jethwa – <u>maureenjethwa@aol.com</u> or telephone 07949 925 137 to reserve your tickets.

Please include your full name, telephone contact number and how many tickets, or if you would prefer to be seated with a WI friend who is also attending that person's name, in the email and it would be useful if you would say how you will be paying, bank transfer, cash or cheque at the meeting on 20 July.

As soon as I have confirmed you have a ticket reserved for you please make an on-line payment to my personal bank account Mrs Maureen Jethwa, HSBC Bank. 55805880 40 11 00

The reference should be Folles and your surname please. Or I will happily accept cash at the meeting on Thursday 20 July or a cheque made out to Mrs M Jethwa.

Please feel free to phone me if you have any queries 07949 925 137 however please consult the Openair Theatre site for information about cancellation due to the weather – basically you must turn up whatever the weather and if the show has to be cancelled individual replacement tickets – possibly for other shows will be offered. But we won't worry about that!







#### WANSTEAD AND WOODFORD FILM CLUB - JULY-SEPTEMBER

Below is the upcoming programme for the Wanstead and Woodford Film Club which holds monthly screenings at the **Odeon Cinema**, 60-64 High Road, South Woodford, E18 2QL (near George Lane) Telephone: 020 8989 3463. Bus routes 123, 179, 679, W12, W13 & W14 stop nearby. There are no adverts or trailers shown.

Films are shown at 12.30pm on the first Monday of every month except August. Everyone is welcome at our Film Club. There is no membership charge but a 20p donation is requested to cover essential costs. You pay the normal admission charge at the box office. Council car parking is available at the bottom of George Lane or further north on Woodford High Road.

Monday	Hit the Road (2021) (Iran)
4th	Director: Panah Pannahi Duration: 1 hour 33 minutes Language: Persian with
September	English subtitles
	Comedy/Drama /Music
	Follows a chaotic tender family that is on a road trip across a rugged landscape and fussing over the sick dog and getting on each other' nerves. Only the mysterious older brother is quiet.
Monday	Allelujah! (2022)
2nd	Director: Richard Eyre Duration: ! hour 39 minutes Language: English
October	Drama
	The story of a geriatric ward in a small Yorkshire hospital that is facing closure.
Monday	The Lost King (2022)
6th	Director Stephen Frears Duration: 1 hour 48 minutes Language: English
November	Drama/ Comedy
	An amateur historian defies the stodgy academic establishment in her efforts to find King Richard III's remains, which were lost for over 500 years.

If you are interested in helping to select next year's programme, please email <a href="weafilmclub18@gmail.com">weafilmclub18@gmail.com</a> with your contact details. We will be meeting on Monday 7 August to select next year's films. Or you can make nomination(s) using this address.

**Enquiries**: Anne Pomfret (at the showing) or Dorothy Sullivan: <a href="weefilmclub18@gmail.com">weefilmclub18@gmail.com</a>
Send your e-mail address to join our e-mailing list for programme updates etc. .An email announcing each month's film is sent one week in advance of the date of showing. Films may be subject to change without notice due to reasons outside our control.



# News and campaigns

HAVE YOUR SAY ON WASTE: NORTH LONDON JOINT WASTE STRATEGY CONSULTATION

Bins, bags and bleurgh!....Where does all our waste go? How do we reduce it? Over the summer North London Joint Waste Strategy is consulting people in all seven boroughs about how to reduce our waste with a plan going forward to 2040 (the last plan ran out in 2020). Of course, part of the real solution when processing is the proposed new incinerator at Edmonton; the controversies over that and clean air policy continue. But this consultation seems to be more aspirational and about reducing waste. Here's the link to the website so you can have your say on waste:

https://northlondonwaste.commonplace.is/



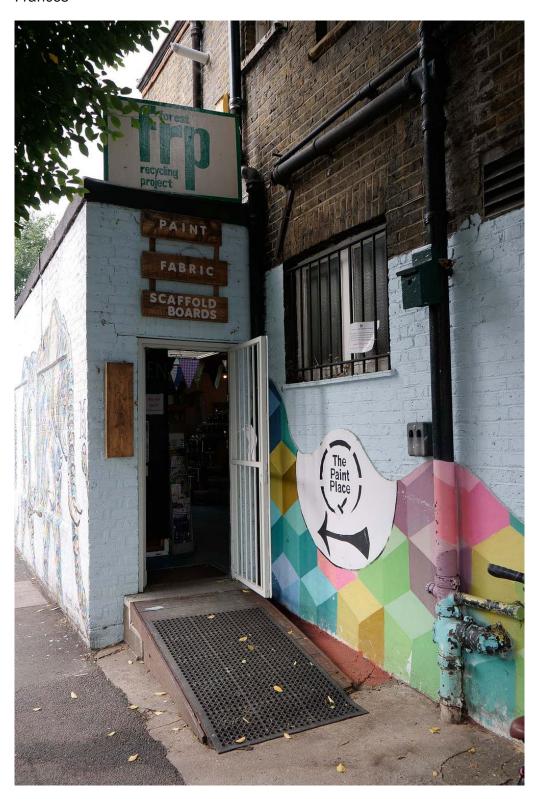


#### PRACTICAL STUFF NOW FOR CRAFTERS AND DIYERS

Attention all you crafters and home sewers: seek out Forest Recycling Project who save fabrics from landfill and incineration and divert them to charitable projects as well as selling them to us! Shop is 2c Bakers Avenue in Walthamstow on Friday and Saturdays, E17 9AW. Website: <a href="https://frpuk.org/">https://frpuk.org/</a>

Also for DIYers: they do **paint a**nd go all over London collecting paint. Plus **Walthamstow Tool Library** <a href="https://frpuk.org/community-work/tools">https://frpuk.org/community-work/tools</a>: better borrow than buy for an annual fee of about £35 or so: will also take donations of unwanted tools

#### Frances



# Recent events



#### AFTERNOON TEA

Annie sent in this photo from her afternoon tea in a garden (see also image on the front cover). Lovely sunny afternoon, the cake was delicious and we were all really impressed with how beautiful Annie and Murray have made their new garden.





#### JUNE WI MEETING



At our last meeting, we were joined by Patricia Gregory for a fascinating and at times shocking talk about her fifty years as a pioneer in women's football. There were audible gasps as she told us that we got a man on the moon before the English FA recognised women's football! The talk was followed by the usual delicious tea and cake.



#### MESSAGE FROM KNIT FOR PEACE

Maggie shared the following message:

Dear Wanstead WI,

I am delighted to say that we have received your wonderful knitted donations, thank you so much. We look forward to delivering the knitted items, as they will undoubtedly make a big difference to those in need. Thank you for your support, we truly appreciate it.

In an effort to minimise our environmental impact and allow knitters to connect with their local community, we are encouraging knitters to deliver their knitting locally where possible. We have compiled a list of charities that might need knitting, which is available on our website here: https://knitforpeace.org.uk/knit-for-peace/donate-knitting/

If possible, please consider donating directly to one of these charities. Please always check with the charity before delivering, in case the situation has changed (contact details are provided on the list). If you do not have access to the internet, and friends or family can't help, then you are welcome to call us and we can give you some suggestions.

We will still be accepting knitting at Radius Works, so if you have problems donating locally, you can still send your knitting to us. We have attached a recording sheet if you do so (please only use recording sheets if sending to us).

Remember to take a look at our shop where you can buy a range of yarn packs, crochet kits and patterns: <a href="https://knitforpeace.org.uk/shop/">https://knitforpeace.org.uk/shop/</a>

All the latest information from Knit for Peace can be found in our monthly newsletter and on our Facebook page! You can also support our projects through the Good Gifts Catalogue by following the link at the bottom of this email.

We always appreciate feedback and help in spreading the word about Knit for Peace.

Warm wishes from the whole team,

#### Lucy





Maggie says: "It took two of us to carry my bag to the car after the last meeting. So many donations of small coins. £12.67 now counted out ready to be banked. A fantastic amount that will eventually go to Eat or Heat. It just shows how those small coins can add up. Thank you."

