



WMWI

The National Federation of WI's campaign to
improve women's and family's lives

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NEXT MEETING

WHEN 9th September

WHERE St Margaret's Institute, Polstead Rd

TIME 7.30pm for 8pm start

EVENT The history and uses of Aloe Vera - Diana Page

Diana also collects underwear for 'Smalls for all' which is a charity that collects underwear for people in Africa and the UK who can't afford or can't get any. If you have any unused new pants, or new or gently worn bras, please could you bring them along. More details available on www.smallsforall.org

JULY'S MEETING



Jackie (Allen) came with Sue and gave us a talk and demonstration in July. The subject was 'Packing the Ultimate Capsule Suitcase' – how to pack a suitcase full of style for holidays, staycations and vacations too.

Jackie brought with her an impressive collection of summer clothing, bags, scarves and accessories in colours to suit everyone! The aim of her talk was to pack a small suitcase to take on a holiday cruising the Med to maximise style whilst minimising luggage space!

We were very fortunate to have Di and Julie who were happy to model casual wear as well as party clothes and they looked extremely stylish.

The atmosphere was delightfully animated – we all relished the interactive and fun nature of the session. Many members seized the opportunity to discover new pieces and accessories to refresh their wardrobes, while several prospective members attended and expressed genuine enthusiasm about joining our group after such an enjoyable experience.



JULY WI WALK

Six of us gathered in the charming village of Northmoor, nestled southwest of Oxford in the peaceful Thames Valley. Our circular walk began from The Red Lion's car park, leading us across farmland toward the river and along its pretty towpath. It was a bright sunny day but not too hot to begin with. We encountered many wildflowers on the walk across the fields and beside the river. Arriving at Northmoor Lock we paused and helped a narrowboat navigate through the lock system. From there we went back into the village from a different direction and passed its very attractive church and pretty cottages along the way.



Lunch was taken under the shady trees in the pub garden. Everyone enjoyed the pub fare which was very tasty and we shared some good tales and television viewing tips!

JULY LADIES LUNCH

Our July gathering at The Talbot brought together 15 members for a very pleasant lunch meeting. The group enjoyed flowing conversation and camaraderie making for another successful meetup.

Thank you to Di who organised it, and to all who attended.



AUGUST WALKING GROUP

What a fantastic turnout. Twelve members walked from Kidlington church to Annies tea room at Thrupp. After a light lunch they made the return walk. A lovely walk.



FUTURE EVENTS WALTON MANOR

SEPTEMBER LADIES LUNCH

The next ladies' lunch is booked for Friday 5th September for 12.45pm at The Greyhound, Besselsleigh.

Please let Di Williams know if you are coming.



SEPTEMBER KNIT AND NATTER

The next knit and Natter meeting will be on Tuesday 16TH September from 7 – 9pm at Catherine's 92 Lonsdale Rd, OX2 7ER.



Bring along your knitting/sewing etc and enjoy a coffee/tea and a good natter.

SEPTEMBER WALK

The next WI Walk is planned to be held on Wednesday 17TH September.

A volunteer is needed to lead this walk – please advise if you can help at our next meeting or via the Walkers WhatsApp Group. Thank you.

FUTURE EVENTS FROM THE OFWI

Cake toppers for Christmas

Come and enjoy a fun couple of hours creating novelty cake toppers from sugar. All materials provided.

WHEN	Two separate sessions on Wednesday 26 th November
WHERE	OFWI office, Tackley, OX5 3AL
COST	£18.00 members only

THE GARDENS OF LE MANOIR AUX QUAT'S SAISONS

We are thrilled to offer you this once-in-a-lifetime unique opportunity to be taken on a private guided tour of the gardens of Le Manoir.

WHEN	Monday 13 th April 2026
VENUE	Great Milton OX44
COST	£45 Mbrs and £49 non-mbrs