

**Dear Members old and new.** For those that continue to be valued members, thank you for your contribution, and ongoing friendship. For those that are thinking of joining us, we look forward to welcoming you. This programme of events is a guide to events we have planned this year for our monthly WI meetings. There are, in addition, numerous events that take place within our federation and the national WI. For more information please contact the Secretary

- President** – Mrs Ellen Skehan MBE  
**Vice-President** – Mrs Penny Burfield  
**Treasurer** – Mrs Jill Morgan  
**Secretary** – Ms Emma Jack  
**Members** – Mrs Brenda Tierney  
Mrs Audrey Poole

If you have any questions please contact the Secretary at [womens.institute@chiltonfoliat.com](mailto:womens.institute@chiltonfoliat.com)

### **About Chilton Foliat WI**

Chilton Foliat WI was started over 20 years ago by our President Ellie Skehan. The previous group had disbanded and Ellie promised that when she retired she would restart the local WI. She did and our group continues to go from strength to strength.

### **About the WI**

The Women's Institute (WI) was formed in 1915 to revitalise rural communities and encourage women to become more involved in producing food during the First World War. Since then the organisation's aims have broadened and the WI is now the largest voluntary women's organisation in the UK. The WI celebrated its centenary in 2015 and currently has almost 220,000 members in approximately 6,300 WIs.

The WI plays a unique role in providing women with educational opportunities and the chance to build new skills, to take part in a wide variety of activities and to campaign on issues that matter to them and their communities.

The WI is based on the ideals of fellowship, truth, tolerance and justice. The organisation is non-sectarian and non-party political. WIs are charitable and everything they do must be consistent with that special legal status.

# Chilton Foliat WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



## Programme of events 2019

Meetings are held in Chilton Foliat Village Hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month starting at 7.15 pm



10<sup>th</sup> January 2019

**A January surprise**  
(Find the artist within you)

**Pattie Medlin**

9<sup>th</sup> May 2019

**Resolutions**

12<sup>th</sup> Sept 2019

**Call the Midwife**  
We are told this is a fabulous evening where hilarity is sure to ensue.

21<sup>st</sup> February 2019  
Please note change of date

**Annual General Meeting and Surprise event**

13<sup>th</sup> June 2019

**Summer outing**  
Location to be confirmed

10<sup>th</sup> October 2019

**Harvest supper**  
Bring a plate and enjoy some crafts.

14<sup>th</sup> March 2019  
**Martin and the Magpie**  
An evening of spring bulbs and cut flowers

**Martin Bakker**

11<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Garden Party**  
Location to be confirmed

14<sup>th</sup> November 2019

**Members' Evening**  
Always an event not to be missed.

11<sup>th</sup> April 2019

**A walk in the world of Italian style**

**Maura Rossini**

*There is no meeting in August*

**Pudding Clubs**

Our very successful pudding clubs will be held again this year. Be sure to remember the dates and don't forget to tell friends and family  
**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April and Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October**

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019  
**Christmas Carols at St Mary's church**

5<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
**Christmas meal**