



Northwood Area Women's Club

A Multinational Organization for Women

Helping One Another

February 2010 Newsletter

President's Message

Sadly this month we have said "Au Revoir" to Cindy Torrens, our vice president who returns to the US at the end of this month. During her time in the U.K Cindy has been an enthusiastic member of the club and readily used her talents, time and energy to support the club in many different ways. On behalf of all the membership we send a huge "Thank you" for her support, contribution and friendship over the last 2 ½ years. We wish Cindy and her family every happiness and success in the next phase of their lives.

On a brighter note we were delighted to welcome several new members this month as well as enquiries from prospective members. We hope that these ladies you will soon be joining events, forming friendships and having fun.

The board is delighted that responses to our request for help and support are beginning to arrive. However, there is still time to respond if you are interested in helping to maintain the vitality and viability of the club. We have also been grateful for the suggestions for speakers, outing and new interest groups.

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support which is essential for the club.

I look forward to seeing you again at this month's general meeting or events.

Christine Tyler
President

General Meeting: Thursday March 4th, 2010

Beekeeping



Our March meeting will be filled with lots of useful information on Beekeeping. Please join us as Anthony Smith piques our interest on the secrets behind honey.

**Thursday, March 4, 2010
9:30 am – 12:00 pm
St. John's Church Hall
6 Hallowell Road
Northwood, Middlesex
HA6 1DN**

Hospitality: Providing members to be notified by our hospitality chairman, Sally Coop

Upcoming Meetings

April 1st, 2009 – Corn Dollies with Pat Grisdale

May 6th, 2009 – Annual business meeting, vote on 2010-2011 board & charity

June 3rd, 2009 – End of year Social Luncheon

Out and About

Backstage tour Of The Royal Opera House

Coordinator – Christine Tyler

Tuesday 20th April 2010 at 1230

Cost is £9, due upon sign-up

This is an opportunity to see an exciting overview of this stunning building, historic front of house and the elegant Paul Hamlyn Hall. You also will gain an insight into the colourful history of the theatre, the state of the art technology and aspects of current opera and ballet productions.

An Evening of Unique Entertainment at the Magic Circle - the house of a thousand secrets

Coordinator – Sally Coop

Tuesday 8th June 2010 at 1930

We have 9 spaces remaining. Full payment is due at the March meeting.

Following the success of our magical January General Meeting we have decided to organise an evening outing to the Magic Circle, Euston. This event is open to all members and their partners. We have reserved 30 tickets for Tuesday 8 June at 1930. The tickets cost *£35 each* which includes a welcome drink, approximately 3 hours of entertainment and a light supper. The signup sheet will be available at the March meeting. So don't be disappointed, please sign up and pay early.

Chelsea Physic Garden

Coordinator – Christine Tyler

1st July 2010 at 1200 (noon)

This tour is strictly limited to 20 places. Book early to secure your place.

Price is £10.00 payable on booking.

Founded in 1673 and hidden behind high walls next to the river Thames this is the oldest surviving botanical garden in London. For centuries, this magical garden was closed to the public but you are now able to visit this unique living museum. An expert guide will reveal the extraordinary history of the garden and highlights include Britain's first Garden of World Medicine and Europe's oldest rock garden.

Revely Loge and Gardens, Bushey

Coordinator – Christine Tyler

6th July 2010 at 1400

Price is £4.50 payable on booking.

Visit to hear a brief history of the house and some of its occupants. Followed by a tour of the house and weather permitting a tour of the extensive garden. The afternoon ends with tea and biscuits in the elegant drawing room. The whole event lasts for approximately 2 hours.

Fundraising for Our Charity, The Peace Hospice

Jacque Davies

Ladies it is that time of year. We will need to decide on a new charity for the 2010-2011 season and if anyone has a particular cause that is close to their heart then please would they bring info to the next meeting to give to me.

Thank you

Jacque

Upcoming Peace Hospice Events (<http://www.peacehospice.co.uk/event.asp>)

Messages from the Board

The 2009/2010 Board Members

Ladies, please, start thinking about next season and how you would like to contribute to the club. Is it time for you to step forward & join the board? Several positions will be coming available and we need you to help continue to make this club a success.

President	Christine Tyler
Vice President/Publicity	Cindy Tornes
Secretary	Julie Sheldon
Treasurer	Christina Hung
Membership/Welcoming	Helena Doey
Hospitality	Sally Coop
Fundraising	Jacquie Davies
Interest Groups/Newsletter/Website	Jennifer Williams

The board can be contacted via the following:

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Membership

Helena Doey

Interest Groups

Jennifer Williams

The Interest Groups give our members the chance to meet on a regular basis to pursue interests covering a wide variety. Want to join and share the fun? Please contact the leaders and start now – we will be pleased to see you.

Art Appreciation

Julie Shelton

Please see the website for the full programme for 2010.

Tuesday 23rd February at 11.00am

St Lawrence's Church, Little Stanmore - a beautiful little gem *Cost £4.00*

A guided visit to this unique Continental Baroque style Church, decorated with paintings attributed to Louis Laguerre and Antonio Bellucci with wonderful original wood work by Grinling Gibbons. George Fredric Handel was employed as the composer in residence in 1717. An original medieval stone built tower (c. 1360) still exists.

Contact: Christine Tyler

Friday 26 March

We are going to Freud's House and, time and energy permitting, the Hampstead Museum. More information in the next newsletter but please note the date now if you would like to come along.

Book Club

Alicia Slook (2nd Wednesday Daytime Session Leader)

Evening Book Club

Melissa Fabio (4th Wednesday Evening Session Leader)

Bunco

Margaret Daniels

International Cooking for Couples

Vanessa Harker

Email me to sign up for a date!

Dinner Party Dates

6 & 13 March

8 & 15 May

Knitting

Mary Vaughan

The knitting group meetings have been moved, by popular choice, to the third Thursday of each month with the time remaining at 7.30pm. The next meeting will be on Thursday March 18th at Sally Coop's house. Refreshments will be provided. Her details can be found in the NAWC directory (as mine are.) We are happy for new members to join us whether experienced knitters or beginners. At present everyone is working on their own piece of knitting but I would be happy to organise a project if that was wanted. Please let Sally or me know if you will be attending the next meeting.

Ladies Who Lunch

Carol Prager

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY!

Our next culinary adventure will take us to Northern India, for elegant, stylish Punjabi cuisine.

Indus, The Indian Room in Hatch End, has offered to extend their introductory special price Thali menu just for our delight. A three course lunch with a range of vegetarian options is £6.25, or £6.95 for chicken or lamb options, or £7.95 for seafood options.

The restaurant itself is modern and elegant, and the food should live up to this high standard. I haven't eaten there myself, but I did experience the knowledge and friendliness of the staff, which must come from being proud of what they offer.

Our reservations are for Tuesday the 9th of March, at 12:30. There is a free parking lot just behind the restaurant which empties of its nursery school mothers around noon, so there should be plenty of spaces by the time we get there. I'll give you directions and suggestions of other places to park.

I'll have a signup sheet at our March meeting. I am sure there will be a lot of you who want to take advantage of this exceptional offer.

Please let me know if you want to come, as I have to let them know how many we will be. See you soon!

INDUS, THE INDIAN ROOM

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www.indus-hatch.com

Quilting & Stitching

Bernadette Hynes

Screen & Stage

Seeking Coordinator

Sunday 14 March at 3pm and 7pm

Kol Chai Hatch End Jewish Community is delighted to present

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

Saturday 13th March at 7.30pm

At the James Theatre, Watford Grammar School for Boys!

Adults £12.50; Concessions £9.00!

Prices include ticket and programme

Please phone/e-mail Bernadette Debnath for Ticket application form

Concessions: aged 18 or under; students; aged 65 or over

Tuesday 20th April at 12.30pm

Backstage tour Of The Royal Opera house 1 1/2 hours

Cost £9.00

An opportunity to see an exciting overview of this stunning building, historic front of house and the elegant Paul Hamlyn Hall. You also will gain an insight into the colourful history of the theatre, the state of the art technology and aspects of current opera and ballet productions.

Contact: *Christine Tyler*

Walkers & Ramblers Sally Coop

For all our walks we try to fit into school hours. The walk is usually about 2 hours before we reach our destination at lunch time. You then have the option to join us for lunch or if you have to rush off, that is fine also.

Thursday 25th February
Climbing Big Ben.

Thursday 11th March

Thursday 25th March

Details of the walks will be emailed closer to the dates to all members.

For further information contact Sally Coop.

Announcements

The time has actually come for me to return to America the end of February. I am unable to be at the February general meeting as we will be traveling (once again) but hopefully will see many of you at February's events. We have had such wonderful opportunities to see many exciting places that likely would never have occurred if we were not living here in the UK. I leave with mixed emotions. Of course I am anxious to be back closer to my children, family and friends. But I have made so many new friends here through the NAWC that I will miss seeing; I could easily be happy living here for another year.

The NAWC has made my transition to living in the UK an easy one. Since I am not affiliated with the military I really had no way of meeting people. I attended my first NAWC about 3 days after arriving here as previous expat Kodak wives had told me about the club and I was in contact by post even before moving. I remember being warmly welcomed by Board members Lorraine Harker, Elizabeth, Alice and Sally. That was in December and in April I agreed to become Vice President. This also helped me become closer to a smaller group of women by meeting and working with them more intimately. I hope that each of you will consider taking part in the organization of the club as Board members or Interest Group chairwomen. The club cannot exist without new ideas and new leadership each year. It truly is YOUR club and the benefits of taking part are immeasurable for the minimal work required.

In conclusion, NAWC was a lifeline for meeting friends and enjoying wonderful social activities with other people rather than on my own. I so appreciate the kindness each of you has shown to me during my 2+ years here and do hope that you will keep in contact with me via email. I will be sure to let you know when my book, *I Gave You Each Other: A Journey of Faith and Inspiration*, is published.

Fondly, Cindy Tornes

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CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH OF: March 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	1	2	3	4 General Meeting Beekeeping 9:30 am St. John's Hall	5	6 International Cooking
7	8	9 12:30pm Ladies Who Lunch	10 Book Club – daytime 09:30 am	11 Walkers & Ramblers	12	13 International Cooking
14 3pm & 7pm Stage & Screen “Fiddler on the Roof”	15	16 Screen & Stage “Bright Stars” 10:30am Odeon	17	18 19:30 - Knitting	19	20 23:59 – Newsletter submission deadline
21	22	23	24	25 Walkers & Ramblers	26 Art Appreciation	27
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