



REIGATE EVENING WI

Record of Meeting Wednesday 11 March 2026

Margaret Gordon opened the meeting welcoming everybody.

Margaret introduced the speaker Nicholas Owen - Surviving 60+ years in the media. Nicholas Owen gave a very entertaining talk about his time as a journalist and newsreader on BBC and ITV. He is a local man whose first job was on the Surrey Mirror.

Margaret thanked the speaker.

Announcements for meeting

- Completion of Membership forms - Margaret explained that all members have to complete new membership forms for 2026. Forms were available at the meeting for members to complete.
- Boards -
 - Visit to Two Temple Place - 19th March
 - 2nd Monday Lunch - 13th April Nissou Reigate
 - Tea and Coffee rota
 - What's App cinema group
 - Garden Party - 18th June
 - Priory Park walk - 16th April
- Gift Aid - The advantages of Gift Aid were explained by Michele Hackman and members asked by a raise of hands if they would be interested in signing up. The majority were interested so forms will be emailed to all members.

After the break

- Charity Fundraising Nominations -
 - Sandra White nominated PSDS (Providing Support for individuals with Down Syndrome) and talked about how this charity helps children and young people with Down syndrome reach their full, individual potential.
 - June Arnold nominated Renewed Hope and spoke about why we should continue the charity which provides practical and emotional support to the homeless, vulnerable or isolated of East Surrey.

- The meeting voted for PSDS as our charity.

Gill Reynolds is interested in taking part in the Yorkshire Three Peaks Challenge in July or Snowdon at Night in August as discussed in the March WI Life and asked members to contact her if they would like to join her.

Rosemary Creasey, Joan Apps, Sandra White et al have made and sent 107 knitted/crochet poppies to the Standing with Giants campaign.

June Arnold organised a trip to the Wildlife Photographer of the Year Exhibition in London as part of the Travel Together group.

One of the Book Groups has read Unlawful Killings by Wendy Joseph KC. It was non-fiction, written by the first female judge at the Old Bailey and well received by that group.

Thanks to:

- Margaret Terry and Laura Jobling for registry
- Ros Norman and Helen Keene for tea and coffee
- Sharon Felton for the raffle, proceeds going to our charity

Margaret then closed the meeting.

Margaret Gordon
President