



National Women's Register is an organization for all women.  
NWR is a social organization and our style is informal and relaxed.  
Local and online activities, conversation, friendship and fun.  
Our lively minded members are interested in everything and talk about anything.

## GRANTHAM

## PROGRAMME 2026

THEME – “THE RIPPLE EFFECT”

COUNTRY - ICELAND

**EVENING MEETINGS** *In a local hall*

*at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm prompt start*

*(unless otherwise stated in the programme).*

Remember we need to cover the cost of the hall. Let the meeting leader know if you are not coming so that if numbers are low we can plan an alternative.

Bring a mug plus tea or coffee. Milk & biscuits will be provided

*Cost per meeting £3.00*

**COFFEE MORNINGS** *at a local venue from 10.00am,*

*on alternate Thursday mornings*

*Ask about joining our local 'WhatsApp' group*

*National NWR group pages can be found on **Facebook***

**Annual subscription**

*Paid by Direct Debit to head office*

## GRANTHAM NWR PROGRAMME 2026

| DATE   | TOPIC  | LEADER  |
|--------|--|---------|
| 15 JAN | What is your earliest memory?<br>It can be from your childhood, or a news item, or both!   | Jane    |
| 29 JAN | Your Favourite Place to Camp, in a tent, campervan or caravan. It can be anywhere in the world. And tell us the story of your favourite or your funniest or worst!   | Helen   |
| 12 FEB | Royal Families.<br>Have you met Royalty? Have you any photos? Are they still relevant today? Discussion.   | Sue S   |
| 26 FEB | Scams – a speaker will tell us about recent scams and how we can spot them.  | Lesley  |
| 12 MAR | Railways.<br>How did they develop? Was British Rail awful, or was it better than what we have now? Favourite journeys by rail.   | Chris   |
| 26 MAR | A Play Reading or<br>I Spy Something Beginning With ....<br>Alison will tell us nearer the time which letter of the alphabet she has chosen.   | Alison  |
| 9 APR  | Child of the Twentieth Century.<br>No mobile phone, probably no TV. Do you still have a favourite toy from your childhood? Do you remember who gave it to you and any adventures or mishaps you shared? Please bring it along as your guest! | Maureen |
| 23 APR | “Women in the Air War”<br>a talk by James Wiggins  | Sue H   |
| 7 MAY  | A Fun Word Quiz<br>to test, and possibly improve, your knowledge and vocabulary.   | Angela  |

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| 21 MAY | My Favourite Walk.  | Doreen         |
| 4 JUN  | Not Your Average Festival.<br>We know about Glastonbury, religious festivals, steampunk and even Thatcherfest! Please tell us about the most niche festival you have come across here or abroad e.g. Pie, Beards, Dinosaurs, Ploughing – there are many more. | Kay            |
| 18 JUN | Coffee and Teas from Around the World.<br>Tell us about your favourite tea or coffee, its history and how you prefer to drink it.   | Elizabeth      |
| 2 JUL  | What is Our Individual Carbon Footprint?<br>How can we shrink it? Based on the book "How bad are bananas" by Mike Berners-Lee.  | Chris          |
| 16 JUL | What is your favourite TV drama series of all time? Why did you like it?  | Helen          |
|        | Reminder - Please email Sue H or Chris with your suggestions for 2027 by 31 August  |                |
| 30 JUL | Details TBC   |                |
| 13 AUG | Details TBC   |                |
| 27 AUG | Details TBC   |                |
| 10 SEP | PLANNING MEETING FOR 2027   | Sue<br>H/Chris |
| 24 SEP | Today is the NWR National Conference in Norwich. What would those not attending like to do? A Topical Discussion, a Coffee Morning?<br>Details TBC  |                |
| 8 OCT  | The NWR Country this year is Iceland. What do we know about this island situated just below the Arctic circle?  | Jane           |

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| 22 OCT          | 'SHIPWRECK!' We all know about the Titanic and the Mary Rose. Lincolnshire is a coastal county with an important maritime history. Do you know of any ships that have sunk off our coast, or elsewhere and why? Were there survivors and heroes? Have you a connection to ships & shipping? Can you dance the horn pipe! | Kay           |
| 5 NOV           | Shoes Structure of feet, foot problems. Ancient footwear, Chinese foot binding, poetry. What are/were your favourite shoes?  | Doreen        |
| 12/19 NOV (TBC) | TTT – The NWR Telephone Treasure Trail. A fun quiz speaking to NWR groups around the UK.   | Sue H/ Lesley |
| 3 DEC           | What were we all doing 50 yrs ago? Including world events, discoveries, sporting achievements etc.   | Alison        |
| 17 DEC          | Food, Fun and Festivities. Our Christmas Buffet and Party Night.   | Angela/ Sue H |

No formal evening meetings planned for 30 July, 13 and 27 August, these can be evening discussions or coffee mornings depending on members' wishes at the time.

**Happy Christmas**  
**see you all in 2027**

Programme may change.





## Here are a few pictures from Grantham activities in 2025

For the second year we exhibited our NWR group at the College's community day, and a similar day organized by our local council.



### Plays/Theatre

Wizard of Oz performed in St Wulfram's church



**Tolethorpe** open air Shakespeare Theatre is also a must. The actors are in the open but the audience is under cover! We take a 'bring and share' picnic, hope for sunny weather and have lots of fun.



Our VE celebrations, in a member's garden, though not very warm!!



NWR walk around local park and ending up in Grantham House & Gardens for coffee, a newly opened property. Grantham House is owned by the National Trust.



We have again entered a Christmas tree into St Wulfram's Church 2025 Christmas tree festival, which also included an ice skating rink!

Our tree - 'Connecting Women'.



## National Events

These are just a flavour of what might be happening in 2026

### National Conference in Norwich

This is a day conference on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2026, which Beccles NWR are organising, our friend Janet Tuffs is helping them to organise this fun day!

Conference title '**Cutting the Mustard**'

Venue at Carrow Road Football ground, exact details are being worked on. There will be an event or meal the day before for people wishing to stay over.

### NWR's Telephone Treasure Trail

12<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> November 2026 exact date TBC

### NWR BIG READ

We usually have a big read with books suggested around the country subject, but 2026 books not yet announced.

Keep checking the NWR webpage

### NWR Walk

This is for all of us to join in – a couple of weeks are chosen usually in May to coincide with the National walking month, We try to have a walk somewhere locally and send details to the office who add up all the miles NWR members have walked.

Keep an eye out for exact dates

Watch out for Zoom talks, the weekly email with lots of info and the newsletter, plus the many Facebook pages for extra chat and our own WhatsApp group.

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## COFFEE MORNINGS 2026

Unless otherwise stated, coffee mornings start at 10.00am

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|--------|----------------|---------------|
| 8 Jan  | 28 May         | <b>27 Aug</b> |
| 22 Jan | 11 Jun         | 3 Sept        |
| 5 Feb  | 25 Jun         | 17 Sept       |
| 19 Feb | 19 Jun         | 1 Oct         |
| 5 Mar  | 9 July         | 15 Oct        |
| 19 Mar | 23 July        | 29 Oct        |
| 2 Apr  | <b>30 July</b> | 12/19 Nov     |
| 16 Apr | 6 Aug          | 26 Nov        |
| 30 Apr | <b>13 Aug</b>  | 10 Dec        |
| 14 May | 20 Aug         |               |

**NB** 30 July, 13 and 27 August may be Coffee Mornings in place of evening meetings. We will decide nearer the time what we wish to do on these dates.



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