

# National Health Service Retirement Fellowship

## NORWICH AND DISTRICT BRANCH NEWSLETTER

Welcome to our latest newsletter. We hope you all had a happy and peaceful Easter and are now enjoying the spring flowers and warmer weather. Thank you to all who have provided raffle prizes and bought tickets at our monthly meetings. In February we raised £56.50 on our raffle and £4 on the book sale and in March £69 on the raffle and £3.50 on books.



**At our February 2024 meeting** we helped Kathleen Robinson celebrate a special birthday. We thanked Kathleen for her commitment to the Branch and for her membership of almost 30 years during which time she has served as a committee member and was for a long period of time our vice chairman. Kathleen was offered and accepted a life membership for services to our Branch. Cake was shared with members attending. Also at that meeting the work of The NNUH Nurses League was presented. This was led by Jan Beart and supported by

Mary Dolding, Margaret Allcock and Liz Blaxell.



Members of our Branch who also represent the NNUH Nurses League were happy to share part of its heritage collection.

### March Meeting 2024

Penny and Ted Doe "Two's Company" came to entertain us sharing the history of music through a variety of songs and instruments. They performed a wide selection of songs that ordinary people have been singing the past 800 years.



You are welcome to contact me with any ideas about the future newsletters. I am at [marydolding4@gmail.com](mailto:marydolding4@gmail.com) or telephone me on 01953 600896.

It was our Easter meeting so lots of treats enjoyed too.



Thank you to Christine for all the thought put into our Easter celebrations.

### **March 8<sup>th</sup> 2024 Visit to Ely.**

Several members from our Branch enjoyed a lovely sunny spring day in Ely. Starting with a welcome coffee at St Marys Church going on to have a guided tour of Cromwell's House, the Ely Museum and Cathedral.



Thank you to all members who have already paid their annual subscription which was due on 1<sup>st</sup> April. If you have you should have received a new Programme card 2024/25.

**Next meeting is the 18<sup>th</sup> April 2024** when our speaker is Jenny Gibbs with the subject of the talk entitled "Turkish Farmhouse Restoration".

### **Quiz & Chips Night Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup>**

For those booked in we hope you enjoy the evening. Bring your own team nibbles, condiments and non-alcoholic drinks. We will be holding a cake sale.

### **Future Events**

**May 9<sup>th</sup>** Great Hospital Afternoon Tea. For those who have booked and paid arrive at 1.30pm.

**June 6<sup>th</sup>** Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse. Nursing through textiles exhibition. Google booking form available.

**July 5<sup>th</sup>** Regional Anniversary buffet lunch. Ashlar House Bury St Edmunds.

**July 25<sup>th</sup>** Willow Ceramics.

**September 12<sup>th</sup>** Wroxham shopping and Bure Valley train to Alysham and cream tea.

As always keep an eye open for electronic booking forms or book at meetings or contact Jane Hayes social secretary.