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5 <sup>th</sup> March	Metropolitan Police Dog Handler - Mike Spies  We'll hear about the work of a Met Police dog handler. Mike will bring a four-legged friend - which is why our venue is the Glebe (to enable his 'assistant' to have a run around and comfort break).	Pavilion, The Glebe
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Education in Today's World  The new Head, Mrs Sue Baillie, will talk to us about her plans for the school and most importantly what it's like to educate young women in these very challenging times.  Your opportunity to learn more.	Woldingham School
7 <sup>th</sup> May	Local History  A talk by Woldingham History Society	At a member's house
4 <sup>th</sup> June	Life in Jordan  Our member, Rabab Hardiman, who comes from Jordan, will talk about the customs and culture.	At a member's house
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	DABS and DNA Detects Criminals by Scenes of Crimes Officer (SOCO) - Chris Truran  We'll hear about the development of fingerprints from the first burglar being arrested using fingerprints, to the development and use of DNA in 1984.  We will give further info on suggested items to donate to Foodbank nearer the time	At a member's house  PLEASE BRING  DONATIONS FOR  CATERHAM FOODBANK

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6 <sup>th</sup> August	Women's League of Health and Beauty – Margaret McAllister	St Paul's Church Room
	Margaret returns to conduct another fitness session.	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	"KSS" - Kent, Surrey & Sussex Air Ambulance	At a member's
	We'll learn more about the very important work of this organisation	house
1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	SOE (Special Operations Executive): Churchill's Secret Army by Gilly Halcrow	At a member's house
	A tribute to the brave men <i>and</i> women agents who were parachuted behind enemy lines to 'Set Europe Ablaze'. Their training and some of	
	the missions, whilst some achieved amazing success, others ended in betrayal, concentration camps and death - all so young.	
5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Cartoonist - Harry Venning whose work is published in major newspapers	Church Room
	Harry will draw cartoons to illustrate his crazy stories. Be prepared that your face will literally ache with laughing too much!	Guests welcome £10 for non-
	We promise that this session will be great fun!	members
3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Walking with Polar Bears by Gillian Lloyd	At a member's house
	Gillian Lloyd, an experienced wildlife photographer, talks to us about her unique experience of walking with Polar Bears, accompanied by her own photo images of landscapes, wildlife and special memories.	
17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Advent Service	St Paul's
	Our annual event with Women in Fellowship and lunch afterwards at the Village Club	Church and Village Club