

50th Anniversary Celebration

Eighty three members attended afternoon tea at the Mayfield Lavender Glasshouse Cafe on Thursday 11th July 2025 to celebrate Walton on the Hill Arts Society's 50th year.

We welcomed Jo Edna Corbyn, the chair of the East Surrey area of the Arts Society. A wonderful afternoon has had by everyone who attended. As many said: "The staff members were outstanding and the presentation and content of the afternoon tea was excellent."



The Walton on the Hill Decorative Fine Arts Society had its first meeting on 12th February 1974 and Mrs Anne Bensted was elected Chair and the subs were set at £3 per single and £5.50 per couple. The first lecture was on 16th May 1974, "Looking at Decorative Arts" given by Mrs Nancy Armstrong. The first outing was on 23rd July 1974 with visits to Clandon Park (am) and Losely (pm).



When delving into the records we discovered that Suzette Marsh is a founding member, joining in 1974. To commemorate this loyalty, she was presented with a bouquet of flowers.