



NESW

NETWORK OF ENGLISH-SPEAKING WOMEN

Spring/Summer 2017

Upcoming Meeting Dates in
2017
(subject to change!)

September 29
October 20
November 17
December 8

Our website is: www.nesw.de
Monthly registration:
registration@nesw.de

A Note from the Coordinating Team

The Network is proud to enjoy a
bond with several key
organizations in Freiburg.
Find out more from our website
under 'Interesting Links'.



MAY

Friday, May 19th at 7:00pm

Herbs or Weeds?

Weeds often get bad press, but are we justified in condemning them? What distinguishes a herb from a weed? Kat Morgenstern, grassroots herbalist, ethnobotanist, writer and eco-travel consultant, will argue that it's mostly to do with their vitality. Meanwhile, writer and broadcaster Richard Mabey famously calls them 'ruthless gate-crashers of civilisation' as they refuse to succumb to our every attempt to control them. In fact, there are many good reasons why we should be grateful for that!



Join us on this walk through the meadows in Günterstal with Kat who will introduce us to some common and much under-appreciated weeds. She will let us in on some of their secrets, their ecological role in restoring damaged ecosystems, their potential benefits for human health and nutrition, and their lore.

Meeting Point: 6:45pm Opposite Hotel Waldheim, Schauinslandstraße 20, 79100 Freiburg, at the entrance to Günterstal 'Wiesenweg'

Restaurant: 8:30pm Hotel Kühler Krug, Torplatz 1, 79100 Freiburg

Register by **May 17th** with Liz at registration@nesw.de or call 0171-724 6834

JUNE

Friday, June 23rd at 7:30pm

Helping Businesses to Grow Internationally



Business Support on Your Doorstep

The Enterprise Europe Network is the world's largest support network, for small and medium-sized businesses having international ambitions, comprising 600 member organizations in over 50 countries. The contact point of the Southern Upper Rhine region is located at the "Industrie- und Handelskammer Südlicher Oberrhein".

Together with her team, Petra Steck-Brill offers international business expertise, with local knowledge, across a range of targeted services to companies. They respond to enquiries from businesses on a daily basis, providing international connections and helping companies to find European partners, or gain access to EU finance and funding. Mrs Steck-Brill will share with us a personal overview of the work she has been doing for the Enterprise European Network for more than 20 years.

Restaurant: Rößle, Alte Bundesstraße 33, 79194 Gundelfingen

Register **June 21st** with Ingrid at registration@nesw.de or call 07665-967 9171

NEWS

JULY

Saturday, July 15th at 3pm

Summer Fun with BBQ and Picnic!

Before everyone takes off for the summer, let's get together and celebrate the great outdoors with a barbecue and picnic in the Hexental Forest.



Join us for an afternoon of food and fun for the whole family! Invite your partner, the kids, a friend, and bring along your favourite potluck dish to share!



Meeting Place: 3pm Grillstelle und Waldspielplatz am Schützenhaus, Wittnau

Register by **July 12th** with Liz at registration@nesw.de or call 0171-724 6834

Membership Information



30€ Annually
(due by the end of January)

17.50€ Half Year
(January-June, July-December)

5€ Evening Fee for
Non-Members
(to be paid at the evening's
event)

Guests and new members are
always welcome. The evening
fee is waived for first time guests

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AUGUST

As usual, we will be taking a well-deserved break this month. We look forward to welcoming you back for the start of our autumn program on **September 29th**!

In wishing you and your families an enjoyable summer break, the Coordinating Team would like to leave you with these sentiments:

"August rushes by like desert
rainfall,
A flood of frenzied upheaval,
Expected,
But still catching me unprepared.
Like a matchflame
Bursting on the scene,
Heat and haze of crimson sunsets.
Like a dream
Of moon and dark barely recalled,
A moment,
Shadows caught in a blink.
Like a quick kiss;
One wishes for more
But it suddenly turns to leave,
Dragging summer away."

—Elizabeth Maua Taylor



"The first week of August hangs at the very top of summer, the top of the live-long year, like the highest seat of a Ferris wheel when it pauses in its turning. The weeks that come before are only a climb from balmy spring, and those that follow a drop to the chill of autumn, but the first week of August is motionless, and hot. It is curiously silent, too, with blank white dawns and glaring noons, and sunsets smeared with too much color."

—Natalie Babbitt, Tuck Everlasting