

# NIWIC, EVERYONE'S WELCOME!



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NIWIC stands for the NRDC Italy Wives' International Club. It is a recognised voluntary membership association within the NRDC Italy Morale & Welfare programme. Every spouse or partner who holds a NATO card can be a member, as well as any female personnel serving at NRDC-ITA.

After an international move – or national at that – there is always a hectic period with countless issues a family has to adapt to. Stress can build up quickly at home and at work, and joining NIWIC might not seem to be the right priority. Wrong!! When all of this happens, there is nothing like taking a break and meeting other ladies who recently went through the same experience. You can get some good advice, find the solution to “that” problem, make some friends for you and your children or just relax for a few hours with a good cup of coffee at the International Coffee mornings. These are just a few examples of the benefits one might get by joining.

NIWIC routinely organizes several activities and multinational events in order to bring together the various nationalities involved in the NRDC by fostering good relationship and mutual understanding. Examples are fund-raisers for charitable purposes, Italian conversational classes, a Christmas Fair each year, an International Coffee morning on the first Thursday of each month (except during July

and August), cultural trips, cookery demonstrations, visits to art galleries, museums, villas, gardens, outlets centres, local markets and the like.

Joining NIWIC doesn't necessarily mean you have to attend them all.

Remember, membership is free in more than one way: it doesn't cost any money, and you can always tailor your level of involvement to your available time, personal interest and taste.

So, to those who are still considering whether to join or

not, the current members would like to say, “What are you waiting for? Hurry up! We all look forward to meeting you!”

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NIWIC members at the 2010 Christmas Fair

Want to practice your Italian in a friendly environment? Join the NIWIC Italian Conversational Group. This group meets once a week to provide informal practice for non-native Italian speakers. Reaching out to our ever-growing international community, we try to give you the confidence to branch out to your Italian hosts and local communities.

It is a great way to meet ladies from other countries and practice your Italian. It doesn't matter what level of Italian you speak, everyone is welcome!

Date: Every Monday, from 10,00 – 12,00.

Location: alternatively, rotating between a room at Support Brigade HQ and a NIWIC member's house.

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