



Aston Clinton U3A

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Information

March 2013

Thanks to our retiring Chairman: At the last general meeting, after 2 years as our Chairman Richard W. stood down and passed on the baton. Richard worked tirelessly to ensure that our U3A ran smoothly and met the needs of its members. It is only fitting that we should express our thanks to him, through this newsletter, for all his hard work and wish him well for the future. Our thanks should also go to Geoff P. who has dealt very ably with our finances for the past two years and to Richard B. for his work as a committee member and "audio wiz" for the past 4 years. To all three we pass our grateful thanks for their Stirling efforts on our behalf. *Pat Mc.*

Your U3A: Following our AGM last month, we now have a new committee, treasurer and Chairman to lead us through the coming year. If any member has any thoughts or ideas about the running of AC U3A that they believe will benefit everyone and make the U3A more enjoyable for all, please pass those thoughts to a member of the committee. The New Committee for the next 12 months is shown on the Group Schedule. *Pat Mc.*

When attending monthly meetings at the Anthony Hall

Please have your membership card ready. to speed up entry,

Flower Arranging date is now the second Monday of each month. The next meeting will be at 2.30 pm on 8th April. For this meeting bring flowers and foliage for an all-round arrangement. If you have any queries, call Frances

Digital Imaging/Photo Group To Host Visiting Speaker

On Tuesday 9th April from 2.30 to 4.30 pm we invite all U3A members to join with the Digital Imaging group, to hear a talk by Steve Brabner from Amersham Photographic Society, on Digital Photography. This will be a return visit following his successful talk and presentation last year. Steve is an experienced speaker and photographer of many years standing and his talks will be illustrated with examples. He is used to helping beginners through to Advanced Workers so there should be something for everyone, whatever level you are. Time has been allowed for your questions.

The Venue will be the Aston Clinton Baptist Church Hall, Green End Street.

Admission Charge : £3.00. including Tea or Coffee.

Any queries please contact Alan

Wycombe Swan are putting on 'HIGH SOCIETY' on Wednesday 26th June you are invited to come to see this lovely feel-good musical. This will be a 7.30 pm evening performance. I have booked the front 2 rows of the Circle so we'll have the best seats! Having done a bit of bartering the cost will be under £40! But I have to sell 35 tickets, so I do hope you will put this date in your diary.

I'll give more information in the next Newsletter and at the next Monthly meeting.

I only have a few email addresses so please tell your friends! Many thanks, best wishes *Martin Y.*

A date for your diary – Following several requests I have booked Mela Indian Restaurant again for Monday 28 October. Not Elvis & "the girls" this time but for your delectation and entertainment the lovely Ukulele playing comedienne Gabriela. A word of warning though – if you are of a delicate disposition you may find some of the entertainment a tad risqué!?! More information will follow shortly. *Maggie E.*

Historic Dockyard Trip

I still have 6 places left on our visit to The Historic Dockyard at Chatham in Kent on Tuesday 23rd April (St. George's Day). The Historic Dockyard covers a site of 80 acres so there's a certain amount of walking around a large site but it's steeped in history with plenty of exhibits to keep you interested. Plus the Ropery, - do NOT miss the Ropery tour (included in the price). The cost of the trip will be £25 – there are only 6 places left on this trip If you would like to join us, please contact; *Geoff P.*

The Wildlife Group is organising a visit to TIGGYWINKLES WILDLIFE HOSPITAL on Monday 25th March. Meet at the Hub car park at 1.30 pm. OAPS free! All are welcome. *Martin.*

U3A Trips, Outings and Holidays 2013

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<u>Destination</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Transport</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Group Leader</u>
Barrow Boys & Bankers.	March 27 th & April 3 rd	Coach	£31. each	Pat Mc
The Historic Dockyard at Chatham.	Tuesday 23rd April	Coach	£25. each	Geoff P

MONTHLY MEETINGS at ANTHONY HALL 2.30 till 4.30

March 19 th	Mel Rees	My Family and other Setbacks
April 16 th	Peter Humphries	The Spice Trade
May 21 st	Malcolm Nelson	40 Years of Catching Smugglers

Barrow Boys & Bankers: There are 106 people going on this trip 49 on the 27th of March and 57 on 3rd April. Both dates are now completely full. As I did last month I have attached the two lists to this mailing. Please ensure that you attend on the correct date as it will not be possible to accommodate anyone who turns up on the wrong day. In March the 49 seater coach is completely full and in April 57 is the most that City & Village Tours can accommodate on one trip. **There is only one pick up point for both of these trips – The Bell, Aston Clinton at 8.45.am.** I shall lead the March trip and Maggie the second one in April. I hope everyone has an enjoyable day. *Pat Mc.*

Cologne Christmas Market: 15 members have expressed an interest in a trip to visit the Christmas Market in Cologne. I will put the list out again at the March meeting for other members to add their names if they are interested. If you cannot attend the general meeting and wish to express an interest please ring me on _____ Pat Mc

Coffee Morning Group, Birthday Celebration

The coffee morning held a special lunch to celebrate the 90th birthday of U3A member, Marjorie S. The lunch was held at the house of Diana and John B. and all members brought a dish for the lunch. Janet T. made a magnificent large card and brought wine; Frances F. did a beautiful flower arrangement for Marjorie and also made a birthday cake. Thanks to all who helped make this a wonderful occasion. *Marie J.*

