



Aston Clinton U3A

Charity Number 1115424

Information

August 2014

MONDAY 13 October 7.00 pm- another fun packed evening at Mela Indian Restaurant. Three course meal and this year we are being entertained by a Magician / Comedian. Please may I have a £10 deposit cheque, made out to Aston Clinton U3A Travel, at the August meeting. I will confirm the final amount for September, depending on how many bookings we have, but it will be around £32 each

Contact: Maggie E

LINE DANCING. Please note that due to low numbers over the summer months we will NOT be holding a meeting in August. However we will be meeting at 10.30 on 15 September (Halton Village Hall) and invite anyone who is interested in "having a go" at no charge, to join us on that day.

Contact: Maggie E

Science & Technology

RAF Hendon 27 August: places still available. Cost £15 for the coach.

NEW TRIP. BBC Broadcasting House: This is the newly refurbished centre near Oxford Circus (NOT the TV Centre visited some years ago!) We will see the 'One Show' and 'News' Studios amongst others during our visit.

Date: Monday 16th February, 2015 - our tour is scheduled at 1.00 pm. Detail still to be finalised but the group rate for the tour is £11.00. I will book a coach but the cost is not known as yet. This cost will be added to the tour cost. I am suggesting we stop in Regents Park for lunch prior to the tour - that way we take into account any hold-ups en route to London.

I need a firm list of names so that I can book the correct size of coach and finalise numbers at the BBC. Please email me (or phone/post) for an S n T priority booking. I will open it up to the main meeting in August for those interested - payment by December please.

Contact Colin T

Strolling Group

In recent months the support for the strolling walks has declined such that on some occasions nobody has turned up. The reasons are varied and have included either being too wet or too hot.

It has also been difficult to select an afternoon when my proposed strolls do not clash with peoples other commitments.

I am therefore not holding anymore strolls until the middle of September, after my holidays. In the meantime I shall be circulating a table for people to indicate when they are normally available. If, when we resume there is insufficient support the strolling group will closed down.

I am always looking for additional members, especially from those walkers who find 5 miles is getting too much. It is good exercise without stress of overreaching oneself.

Contact: Ralph W

Aston Clinton U3A Music Appreciation Group

The first meeting of this new group will be held at The Anthony Hall, London Road, Aston Clinton, on the 9th September at 7.30 pm. All are welcome at this inaugural meeting when I hope we will be able to put some of our ideas for the future into practice.

Contact Pat Mc

U3A Trips, Outings and Holidays 2014

| Gloria C | | | | |
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| <u>Destination</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Transp</u> | <u>Price</u> | <u>Group Leader</u> |
| Down House and Emmett's Garden | 29th September | coach | | Gloria C and Erica G |
| St Albans flower festival | 25th September | coach | £8.00 plus the | Gaynor E |
| New Year's day Concert Barbican | Thursday Jan 1 st 2015 | Coach | £39.00 Inc. | Gloria C |

MONTHLY MEETINGS at ANTHONY HALL 2.30 till 4.30

August 19th David Butler Cordite, Castrol R and the Olympics
 Sept. 16th Paul Ranford Isaac Newton – his life and times
 October 21 Ken Brazier Mercy Ships

A point to remember. When booking trips etc. payment should be by cheque and made payable to Aston Clinton U3A Travel. Cash payments can only be made by special arrangements.

Poetry for Pleasure: This Group will meet again after the summer break on Friday 12th Sept. at 10.30 a.m. at 10 The Mill, Wilstone. We will be discussing and reading poems about life in youth and old age. I look forward to seeing you – Sue Y.

Down House and Emmett's Garden on Monday, 29th September 2014

(Leaving Aston Clinton at 8.30am, picking up in Tring at 8.40am)

FULL PAYMENT REQUIRED BY 1st SEPTEMBER

If you would like to be contacted when there are places available, please make sure you are on our 'Waiting List'.

National Trust Members only - £17.50

English Heritage Members only - £15.50

Members of both organisations - £10

Members of neither organisation - £23 These prices include the cost of the coach

Picnics are NOT allowed anywhere on the site at Down House but they are offering

Soup of the day (£4.95) or cheese, pork pate or ham platters (£7.25) to be ordered by 1st September

Please write your membership numbers and your choice for lunch on the back of your cheque and add the appropriate amount to the price applicable above

The coach will LEAVE the lay-by before The Bell, Aston Clinton at 8.30 am; Tring Church at 8.40 am;

Please don't forget your membership cards on the day!!

Gloria C and Erica G

NEW YEARS DAY (2015) CONCERT at the BARBICAN HALL, LONDON

Picking up at Aston Clinton and Tring Thursday, 1st January, 2015

The London Concert Orchestra

This is a matinee performance; there are still some seats available for this concert

The programme includes The Hebrides Overture, The Liberty Bell March, Finlandia, Swan Lake Finale, the Pearl Fishers Duet (and much more) and is described as 'a traditional celebration of great classical and light-hearted music'. (The full programme will be available at the meeting)

NB The August General Meeting is the last opportunity to book and pay! Cost (including the coach) will be £39 and cheques (payable to Aston Clinton U3A (Travel) may be given to me at the meeting OR they can be posted to me.

Gloria C

LONDON WALK - Friday, 18 July

Twenty four members of the Walking Group set off to London on one of the hottest days of the year, taking advantage of the "two for one" ticket offer from Chiltern Railways, to walk a small section of the Thames Path Walk which follows a route of approximately 40 miles in its entirety from the Cotswolds in the West, through the heart of London and out to the Thames Barrage in the East.

For a full report on this walk and to find further information about the walking group then visit the Aston Clinton U3A Website.

VACANCY FOR TREASURER

Doug B has decided to stand down as Treasurer by the next AGM in February 2015 at the latest. Anyone interested in taking on this rewarding role, please contact Doug in the first instance for an informal discussion.