



# Aston Clinton U3A

Charity Number 1115424

## Information

August 2015

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### CAMBRIDGE TRIP MONDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2015

Leaving The Bell, Aston Clinton at 09:00. Depart from Cambridge at 16:30 Any queries, please contact Jenny S.

### TRIP TO THE FOUNDLING MUSEUM AND THE WELLCOME MUSEUM, LONDON, Friday 23rd of October

The Foundling Museum tells the history of the children's charity Coram from its beginning in 1739 as The Foundling Hospital, London's first home for abandoned children to the present day. The Wellcome Museum displays an unusual mixture of medical artefacts and artworks exploring the connection between medicine, life and art. There is a small cafe at this museum but there are plenty of places to eat nearby. There are also four other museums all within walking distance. The cost of the trip is £15 if you are a National Trust member and £17.50 if you are not. Money to be paid in full at or before the September monthly meeting. **Please note** the date of the trip. Pat W.

### Proposed trip to the Museums, South Kensington, or the Westfield Shopping Centre, on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Spend the day at any or all of the 3 museums (National History, Science or Victoria and Albert) or do your Christmas shopping at Westfield.

As most of you know, I have run this popular trip for several years now. To assess whether it should run again, I will put out an interest list at the August and September General Meetings. Please sign if you are interested Cost likely to be around £12 for door-to-door coach travel. Chris B.

### HISTORY GROUP

The History Group will not meet in August. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday September 22nd at 02:30 in the Anthony Hall. Bernard Harlock will talk about "Inshore Memorials". There will be a collection on behalf of the Lifeboat Charity.

### SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

There is no meeting in August.

Wednesday 30 September - Joining and Sticking, 10.00 at **Halton Village Hall** (not Erica's).

Wednesday 28 October - The Science of Photography, 10.00 at Erica's.

Owing to lack of interest, the group theatre bookings announced at the July General Meeting are cancelled. *Colin T.*

### MUSIC GROUP

There is no meeting of the Music Group in August. We shall reconvene on Tuesday 1st September with music chosen by Jean Sturge. *Pat Mc.*

### Othello, Stratford on Avon

On Thursday 6th of August a small but enthusiastic group spent an enjoyable day at Stratford on Avon, where we attended a performance of Othello at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre. For some of us it was the first visit to the theatre, for others a re-visit. For those who have never been to this theatre before it felt like stepping back in time with the stage being in the centre of the audience. We had really good seats and were able to see the facial expressions of the actors as well as hear them clearly.

Everybody thoroughly enjoyed the performance and would like to thank Janet C for organising the trip.

For those who missed the trip but would like to see the play, a live performance is being broadcast at the Waterside Theatre on Wednesday 26th of August.

# Information

## U3A Trips, Outings and Holidays 2015

Trina S

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Transport</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Group Leader</u>
<b>History Group</b> A day out in CAMBRIDGE,	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Coach	£11.50	Jenny S
<b>Iron Bridge Trip</b>	Thursday + Friday October 8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup>	Coach	£103.00	Colin T
<b>Foundling Museum &amp; Wellcome Museum, London</b>	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Coach	£15 £17.50 (non NT)	Pat W
<b>Mela Evening</b>	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November		Deposit £10.00	Maggie E

**Always 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.**

## MONTHLY MEETINGS at ANTHONY HALL 2.30 till 4.30

August 18 <sup>th</sup>	Kipling's War	Gary Enstone
September 15 <sup>th</sup>	Army Nurse	Lt. Colonel Anton Philpott.
October 20 <sup>th</sup>	Anthony Inglese, CB	A Legal Career at the Heart of Government

### FILM STUDIES

I am proposing to start a Film Studies (Classic Films) group in October, if there is sufficient interest within the U3A. I will put out a list at the next two meetings to gauge support. If you are interested please put your name on the list.  
*Pat Mc.*

**THE FULL MONTY** – could those who asked for tickets to the Full Monty, Thursday 26 November 2.30, which is a Weston Turville Trip, please give a cheque for £23.50 made out to Weston Turville U3A (Travel) to Maggie E at the General Meeting on Tuesday 18 August, or drop in to her house as soon as possible.

### WILDLIFE GROUP

We usually meet on the Monday after the General Meeting and our activities are very varied. This year we have had various talks including one on Badgers. We have dissected owl pellets (fascinating and not at all smelly!). We have had outdoor visits to the Ragpits to see a wonderful display of orchids and to a wild flower meadow near Pitstone, where we saw a white hellebore (see picture, right). Later in the year, we plan to do some pond dipping, search for fungi and watch birds from a local hide. If you are interested in wildlife in all its many and varied forms, do join us.  
*Contact Erica G.*



### VISITING CHURCHES GROUP

Our next visit will be to Tring Church on 19<sup>th</sup> August (departure 1:15pm). On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September we will visit St John the Baptist, Little Missenden. This church started life in the 900's and although small is of great interest and is a must to visit. *Margaret B.*