



# Aston Clinton U3A

Charity Number 1115424

## Information

February 2016

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**NEWSLETTERS** - as from March 2016 please note those members WITHOUT internet/email may either collect their Newsletters at the monthly meeting, ask a friend or relation to print them a copy – and advise our membership secretary Ron Batts of the email address, or provide stamped addressed envelopes (C5 {6x9} size) which can be handed in at the door when entering the meeting. Thank you to those who have already provided stamped addressed envelopes!

**AGM Tuesday 16 February.** There will be no speaker at our February meeting but tea and “birthday cake” will be provided after the official business has concluded.

### **Subscriptions**

Please note membership subscriptions are due and must be paid no later than the February general meeting. There is a risk that if late in paying you will become an associate member as our numbers are increasing and could go beyond our hall capacity thereby restricting meetings to full members only. Ron B. Membership Secretary.

### **Trusted Tradesmen Book**

A reminder, that if you use any of the tradesmen listed please let me know if you are satisfied or not. I can then amend if necessary. Also if you have somebody to recommend please fill in the form and leave your name and telephone number if you want it entered. Ron B.

### **Coffee Morning Group**

Owing to the fact that Rob and I have a funeral to attend, I will not be hosting the Coffee Morning for February the 17<sup>th</sup> if anyone in the group wishes to run it please phone me. Thanks Frances.

### **Science and Technology**

Wednesday Feb 24th. 10.00 at Erica's. Tony Hawkins (title TBA).

Wednesday March 30th. 10.00 a Erica's. David Bayly talking about North Sea Oil.

Payment for the trip to Leicester Space Centre of £25 should be paid at the AGM.

N.B: Theatre trip to Waterside, Aylesbury for matinee performance of 'Good Night Mr Tom' in April - I hope to have the tickets for collection at the AGM. Many thanks, *Colin*.

### **Black Country Museum - Thursday 12th May 2016.**

A visit to this popular outdoor museum. An interest list will be available at the next main meeting. Cost (including admission) will be about £25. The museum has an excellent website which you can easily find on Google. Organiser: *Pete S.*

### **Bovington (Dorset) Tank Museum**

I'm testing to see if anyone would like a visit to this excellent museum. No dates yet decided as we could either go mid-week for a general visit or at a weekend when there may be special events. If you are interested fill in the interest form and I'll keep you informed. Pete S.

**Weston Turville U3A** have some places for Gliding, Blo-Karting and Zip-wire experiences. If you are interested in joining their “Extreme Activities” group, please contact Barbara Turner.

Weston Turville **canasta group** - anyone who would like to join this group please contact [canasta@wtu3a.org.uk](mailto:canasta@wtu3a.org.uk)

## U3A Trips, Outings and Holidays 2016

Trina S

Destination	Date	Transport	Price	Trip Leader
<b>Legal London - Discovering the Inns of Court.</b>	Thursday 18th Feb.	Coach	£36.00	<b>Trina S</b>
<b>Leicester, Space Centre</b>	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Coach	£25.00	<b>Colin T</b>
<b>Lyndhurst, New Forest</b>	5, 6 & 7 October	Coach	£210	<b>Colin T</b>
<b>Black Country Museum</b>	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Coach	About £25	<b>Pete S</b>

**Always remember.** When booking trips etc. payment should be by cheque and made payable to Aston Clinton U3A Travel. Once payment is made no refunds are possible.

### Legal London trip, Thursday 18th of February 2016

Just to confirm that the coach will be leaving **The Bell at 8.15** (the driver wants to be driving at 8.15) therefore could you please be in time to board the coach so as not to hold him up. We will be leaving London at 4.45. *Trina S.*

## MONTHLY MEETINGS at ANTHONY HALL 2.30 till 4.30

February 16 <sup>th</sup>	A.G.M.	Social Time
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	David Pearson	Being a Toastmaster
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	Pam Wright	The National Trust

**Appeal:** Do you have an old PC or laptop lurking somewhere, unused and unloved?? We have several belonging to U3A, and we have found a company that will recycle them free of charge, if we have enough items. This company, Green IT Disposal, also promises to completely remove the data from a computer in a way that it cannot be recovered. If we can get together enough items, the service is free. An "item" is a desktop computer, a monitor, or a laptop. Not a keyboard or a mouse, though they will take these, and cables, along with countable items. So this is your chance to get rid of that old computer in a safe and environmentally friendly way. Look on their website, [www.greenitdisposal.co.uk](http://www.greenitdisposal.co.uk), and contact Ralph L for more information.

### **U3A Strollers**

The U3A Strollers had their first walk of the year on Wednesday 13th January. After all the wet weather this Wednesday was cold and clear, with a hazy sun and nobody on the canal. We then returned to Buckland Church where Francis F and Maureen R provided us with a tea. The walk took an hour and using a counter worn by one member we discovered that we had walked 2 miles. The walk left us invigorated with a warm glow on a cold day. This is typical of the length and timing for most of our walks. New members are always welcome.

