



# Aston Clinton U3A

Charity Number 1115424

## Information

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### The Newsletter

Now Ralph Ludlow is no longer editing and sending out the Newsletter I have taken over this role for the time being. I am aware that some people fail to get the Newsletter on occasions and it is not often clear why this happens. The Newsletter is always available on our website [www.acu3a.weebly.com](http://www.acu3a.weebly.com) so you will always be able to get access to it. Please pass this message on to anyone who says they haven't received the Newsletter. We plan to make some changes to the Newsletter over the next few months and I will update in due course.  
*Roger Colebrook – Chairman.*

### Be a Tourist in London for a Day Thursday 22nd of March.

The coach will be leaving the Bell, Aston Clinton at 8.15. We are meeting our guide at The Tower of London where she will come on board and explain the day to everyone, we will then have 50 minutes to get a drink and use the toilets (50p required). If you need to - contact me - *Trina S.*

### St. George's Day Lunch – The Stag - Mentmore

We have secured the whole restaurant at The Stag for our lunch on Sunday 22 April. There are 4 places remaining, so if you do want to join us on the day then do contact me ASAP. Two course lunch £24 and 3 courses [inc.tips] for £31 together with entertainment. There is a pre-selection menu with some wonderful choices. I have to confirm our order by the end of this month so please let me know your menu choice plus cheque to full amount at our next general meeting on 20 March. Cheques only please made payable to "Aston Clinton U3A Travel". Your order your own drinks [house wine £14.50 bottle]. Arrival of guests at The Stag from 12.15 [no earlier please] for lunch at 1 pm. Car parking on forecourt limited so please car-share if possible. Dress code "smart casual" [or as posh as you like!]. If you came last year do bring your red rose! I have some more roses for new-comers this year. *Geoff E.*

### Science & Technology - Please note changes of date and venue.

**Our March meeting is moved forward a week to 4th April BUT still at Erica's at 10.00am.** Speaker: Yvette talking about her work as a research biologist into new drugs. Yvette is Trina and Mick's daughter and she has fitted us in to her very busy schedule.

**Our April meeting is on the 26th April and is our visit to the Post Office museum and underground railway.**

The ride is not fully accessible so if you have a mobility problem they do provide a virtual ride so that all can share the experience. **The coach leaves the Bell at 9.00am** and I expect to be back by about 5.00pm. Please note that this trip is full.

The May meeting will be at the **Anthony Hall** (as Erica is on half term duty). Time is as usual: 10.00 - 12.00am. Our speaker is John Beer on 'computer graphics (CAD)'.  
Our September meeting is on 'glass' and is the group participation meeting. Please let me know your chosen aspect of glass. Thank you.

October residential trip: There will be an important email about our visit to the Big Pit on the Cardiff trip. I will need a response so that I can make arrangements so all those going on the Cardiff trip. Please watch out for this email in the coming week!

*Colin T*

### Theatre trips.

Currently all trips are fully booked.

*Colin T*

## U3A Forthcoming Events

Event	Date	Transport	Cost	Contact
Be a Tourist in London for a Day	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Coach	£19.00	Trina S
St George's Day Lunch	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	-	£34.00	Geoff E
Post Office Museum	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Coach	£25.00	Colin T
Imperial War Museum Duxford	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Coach	£27.00	Pete Shaw 01296 482495
Cardiff Residential Trip	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> October	Coach		Colin T

**Always Remember.** When booking trips etc. Payment should be by cheque and made payable to Aston Clinton U3A Travel. No Cash payments. **Putting your name on an interest list does not guarantee you a place on that trip. Your place is only guaranteed once a payment has been made.**

### MONTHLY MEETINGS at ANTHONY HALL 2.30 till 4.30

March 20 <sup>th</sup>	Ian Curry	Gales, Greenhouses and Global Warming.
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Gwen Wright	Great American Art
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Andrew Smith	A Life in Music

### **IWM Duxford – Thursday 10 May - £27**

The Imperial War Museum at Duxford is world renowned for its collection of aeroplanes from all ages together with plenty of historical information. It also occupies a splendid location so there is lots to do for all interests. The cost includes coach and entrance and we will be leaving the Bell at 9am, getting back about 6pm. Please make your payments as soon as possible – Trina will be collecting at the March meeting as I will be away. There are seats available so please support this outing. Pete Shaw – 01296 482495.

### **MELA dinner - Monday 29 October 2018**

I am currently making enquiries regarding entertainers for our Mela evening. For those who have not joined us before we have the Mela Indian Restaurant, at Aston Clinton, to ourselves with a delicious (mild) Indian meal - chicken & chips is available for those who do not like Indian food - and entertainment by famous names (not necessarily the originals !)

Wanting to keep in our usual "party mood" I have a couple of *male* entertainers in mind. Depending on numbers who want to attend the cost will be around £36.

In order for me to be sure of booking our entertainer(s) I need to ask for a deposit of £15 (cheque to Aston Clinton U3A Travel please) at our March meeting, the balance will not be required until September/October.

Any questions please contact me *Maggie E.*

### **River Rhine Cruise**

We have a full complement booked for the Rhine cruise, May 2019, however I **may** be able to get 1 or 2 more cabins if you contact me ASAP!

*Colin T*