

Aston Clinton U3A

Charity Number 1115424

Information

December 2014

ASTON CLINTON U3A: MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS 2015

The new membership year begins on 01-January-2015 and payments for renewals and new members are due by 31-January-2015 to ensure continued membership. You will be pleased to note that for yet another year the Committee has decided that there will be no increase in the annual membership fee of £15.00 per person. Please make your payments by cheque (no cash please) either at the forthcoming General Meetings at the Anthony Hall, by post to the treasurer (Doug B) or by bank transfer (details from the treasurer). If you are renewing your membership, and your income tax status has changed (i.e. you are no longer paying income tax or have become liable to it since you joined) the records we hold for you in relation to Gift Aid may need to be amended so should you be in this position please contact the treasurer.

DIGITAL IMAGING / PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

Why not join a new group in the New Year: the digital imaging group has vacancies. It meets on the second Tuesday of the month at the Baptist Church Hall, Green End Street from 2.30 - 4.30 pm. Contact Alan T for details.

Barbican New Year's Day Concert

The coach will leave The Bell, Aston Clinton at 11.15 am and Tring Church at 11.30 am arriving at the Barbican in time for a bite to eat before the Concert starts at 2.30pm. If you are regretting NOT booking for what promises to be an extraordinary afternoon of music please let me know so that I can contact you - should anyone drop out at the last minute. Contact: Gloria G



Arla Visit

I have at last got through to Arla. They are now only taking 12 people in a group visit. I have booked 2 visits; Wednesday March 4th and Tuesday 10th both in the morning. We will meet at the Hub as they can only allow the whole group through their security gate at one go. There will be lists for signing at the next general meeting. This trip is open to all in U3A if they did not visit Arla last time. *Contact:Colin T.*

<u>Science and Technology.</u> January 28th will be a talk on solar energy by the Director of the company which is applying for planning near Broughton. Contact: Colin T.

Discussion Group

Discussion Group will meet on the second Thursday 8th January at Aston Clinton Bowls
Club at 10.30. This is a one off date change due to the first Thursday being New Year's Day; the Aston Clinton
Bowls Club will be our new venue. it is located behind the A C Youth Club. Contact Richard W.

Music for All

As I mentioned at the last General Meeting I felt that the term Music Appreciation was a bit pretentious and might put off some members from attending, hence the name "Music For All" Throughout 2015, we shall meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30. p m at the Anthony Hall, London Road, Aston Clinton. The First meeting for the year is Tuesday 6th January. We listen to a wide variety of musical styles/genre, so why not come and join us for an enjoyable evening of good music in pleasant company. The theme for our January meeting is

"Music from the Americas". A Happy Christmas to you all. Pat Mc.

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U3A Trips, Outings and Holidays 2014 Destination Date Transport Price Group Leader New Year's Day Concert Barbican Thursday Jan 1st 2015 Coach Inc. Coach Gloria Crellin

<u>Always remember.</u> 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

December 16th
January 20 **2015**

Betty Page Elisa Algussar Amusing monologues

Archaeology of the Stablebridge Road Site

February 17th

<u>AGM</u>



What's On The Menu (now the Dining Out) Group

Ten U3A members enjoyed a delightful lunch at the Chandos Arms in Weston Turville on

Thursday 20 November. Put your name down on a monthly list at the

U3A meetings or organise your own group for lunch or dinner to enjoy with other members. *Marie Jones*

<u>DECEMBER SPEAKER</u> Jim Mitchel is now unfortunately unable to talk to us this month. Betty Page has offered to come and entertain us with some amusing monologues - fun for our Christmas meeting. Colin T will be arranging all the speakers from January 2015 so if you have any recommendations please pass them on to him. Many thanks for all the suggestions you have given me over the last few years. Maggie E.

Iron Bridge October 8 & 9 I will require a deposit either at the main December meeting or the January meeting. There are still places available. Those of you who are booking as a single person must be aware that there will be a single supplement at the hotel. You could get together and make up a booking for a twin room. The basic cost will be about £94 for the two day trip. Many thanks: Colin T.



Strolling Group.

We had 9 come on our latest stroll to the Airfield. This time we went round in a loop to the Rhubarb Café in St Michael's Church where we had a "Builders Tea" with homemade cake and enjoyed by all. Ralph T.



The Naked Trees;

Autumn Colour

Weston Turville U3A THEATRE TRIPS at Waterside Aylesbury:

<u>Anything Goes - Thurday 12th</u> February £25.00; **Blood Brothers** - Thursday 26th February £27.00; **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the night-time** – Thursday 19th March £15.00; **Oh what a lovely war** - Thursday 30th April £22.50; **Spamalot** - Wednesday 15th April £27.00.

Most are matinees. See the website for more details.

Wendover U3A.

One of our members would like to set up a folk music group i.e. people with interest in this sort of music and actually playing e.g. fiddle/acoustic guitar/accordion.

If anyone is interested in joining such a group please contact me Lindsay Smith on lindsay7695@aol.com