

Aston Clinton U3A

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January 2019

<u>AGM</u>

Next month's meeting will be our AGM. We are always looking for new people to get involved on the committee which ensures your U3A is run effectively and provides a wide range activities for you all. If you are interested in helping support your U3A in any way please speak to one of the committee members or myself. Nominations are also being sought for the post of Chairman and Vice Chairman for election at our AGM in February. If anyone is interested in putting themselves forward then I would be happy to discuss the role with them. Please contact me if you want any further information or clarification.

Roger

Membership

The deadline for renewing and paying membership subscriptions is the 31st January 2019. Membership will lapse after this date if the membership subscription remains unpaid. *Pete - Treasurer*

Return to the 60's – Saturday 23rd February 2019 - Dance and Fish & Chips Supper

This social event is now full. Dancing will start at 7.30 so please arrive between 7.15 and 7.30. Fish and chips will be provided at 8.15 and the evening will end at 10.30. No drinks will be available so bring your own drinks and non-breakable glasses. Paper cups (and water) will be available for those who bring non-alcoholic drinks. 60s attire is optional - just come as you want and have a really good time! *Pete*

Science & Technology

Wednesday 30thJanuary 10.00am at Erica's. Colin Smith (MD of Smith's Coffee) taking us through "from tree to cup" the story of coffee.

Wednesday 27th February 10.00am at Erica's. Dr Jerry Walker is speaking on 'The History of Forensic Fingerprinting'. **Residential Trip to Liverpool and Manchester - 1st - 5th October.** £50 deposits due by the main meeting in January. The full amount will be due in July.

Colin

Film Studies & Music Groups

Please note that on Tuesday 22nd January 7.30 pm at the Anthony Hall, we are having a combined after Christmas party for the Film and Music Groups. All regular members of the groups welcome. *Maggie*

London Docklands Museum - Thursday 11th of April

A trip has been booked for Thursday 11th of April to the London Docklands Museum and a Blue Badge Guide tour of the local area, where the guide will talk about its history and the new development taking place.

We need a minimum of 40 people and a maximum of 50 for this trip to be viable.

We aim to arrive at the museum between 10.15 and 10.30 where we will meet our Blue Badge Guide. After coffee and a break we will split into two groups, half will go with the guide and the other half will visit the museum. After lunch the groups will swap over. We aim to leave the museum at approx 4.30pm

The cost will be between £18 and £22 per person depending on numbers.

I will collect names and a £10 deposit at the January meeting and the balance in March.

No food or beverages are included in the price.

Trina

St. George's Lunch

No more information as yet. I am still searching for a suitable venue. Date planned Sunday 28 April. More information in next Newsletter.

Geoff

Information

U3A Forthcoming Events							
	Event	Date	Transport	Cost	Contact		
2019	AGM	Tuesday 19 th February	N/A		Secretary		
	Return to the 60s Dance & F&C Supper	Saturday 23 rd February	N/A	£10	Pete S		
	London Docklands Museum	Thursday 11 th April	coach	Approx. £20	Trina S		
	Wisley RHS	Thursday 9 th May	coach	ТВА	Pete S		
	Rhine Cruise	31 st May - 6 th June	coach/train/ boat	-	Colin T		
	S&T Residential trip to Liverpool & Manchester	1 st - 4 th October	coach	-	Colin T		

Please 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				
January 15 th 2019	Chris Dingley	Tax, Care and Toy Boys		
February 19 th 2019	AGM			
March 19 th 2019	Joe Lavers	Jewels of Japan		

Coffee Morning Group

The next coffee morning will be a bring and share lunch on Wednesday 16 January from 12.30 at the home of Marie and Terry. Note that this is a change of venue. Please bring either or both a savoury and/or sweet dish and a drink (bottle of wine or some fruit juice).

Marie

Theatre trips

Performances of 'The Bank Robbery that went Wrong' the 'Nutcracker Ballet' and 'Les Miserables' have been booked for the Spring. These are all fully booked and tickets have been given out. *Colin*

Small Change

Geoff will, as usual, be in the small room with his box of small change. There have been several enquiries as to where this money comes from. It is the proceeds of several groups which Geoff and Maggie and involved in. Rather than Pete having to take many £1 coins to the bank each month in was thought members might like the facility of small change. *Geoff*

Bring your own cups for refreshments

Just a reminder to bring your own cups to the General meeting if you can. There was a good response to this initiative last month so thank you all for your support. We have become concerned about hot drinks being spilt, either over others or on the floor, and this can be a problem as people move around the hall in a crowded space. We will therefore make sure we don't overfill cups and would ask that you exercise care when moving about with hot drinks and, if you do spill any on the floor, please make sure it gets mopped up. Many thanks. *Roger*

Hearing Loop

The Anthony Hall is equipped with a Hearing Loop which can be used by members with hearing aids should they wish. *Roger*