



Aston Clinton U3A

Charity Number 1115424

Information

June 2014

STOURHEAD N.T. HOUSE AND GARDENS - MONDAY 30TH JUNE 2014

The coach will leave Aston Clinton at 8.40am prompt from opposite The Bell. We will leave Stourhead at 4.30pm. Do not forget your National Trust card. We hope to arrive at Stourhead around 11.00am and you will then be free to visit the house and have some lunch before we meet up at 1.50pm and have our booked tour of the gardens, for this we will split into 3 groups. Let's hope for good weather!!!

Contact: Mary R.

Trip to Down House and Emmett's Garden on 29th September 2014

There are just 4 places left on the coach! Please note that Down House is English Heritage and Emmett's Garden is a National Trust property and the total cost will therefore be unusually complicated.

National Trust Members only - £17.50

Members of both organisations - £10

English Heritage Members only - £15.50

Members of neither organisation - £23

N.B. These prices include the cost of the coach

Please write your N.T. and E.H. membership numbers on the back of your cheques (payable to Aston Clinton U3A Travel) and remember to bring your membership cards for E.H. and/or N.T. with you on the day! N.B. PICNICS are NOT allowed (for obvious reasons) anywhere on the site at Down House. The following are available in the tea-room but must be ordered in advance:

Cheese, Pork pate or Ham Lunch Platters (£7.25) and Soup of the Day (£4.95). Please add the appropriate amount to your cheque and write your choice of food and your relevant membership number(s) on the back.

Contact: Gloria C or Erica G

Science and Technology.

Our next 2 meetings are Away Days:

Wednesday 25th June is the **Bletchley Park** trip. We meet at 9.30 in the Hub car park for car share to Bletchley. I will have maps if required. Lunch is supplied and the day will last 3 - 4 hours,

Wednesday 30th July we are following the **Grand Prix at Silverstone**. The coach will leave at 9.30 at the Bell pub. We have 5 members of the Tring S & T joining us so we may meet them in Tring.

The tour of the track will last about 2 hours and then we will drive to Stowe for lunch and about an hour in the gardens.

I will be collecting names for our August trip to the **RAF museum in Hendon** at the main June meeting.

Contact: Colin T

Do you want to **KEEP FIT and HAVE FUN?** - come and play **TABLE TENNIS** at our weekly Thursday session, 2.30 to 4.00 pm. Whether a beginner or experienced you will be welcome at The Youth Club, next to the Hub at Aston Clinton. Bats & balls supplied.

Contact: Maggie E

COFFEE MORNING GROUP

Next meeting is at Mary Whittell's home. Date: **WED 18TH June** 10am till 12noon. Please add your name to list at the General Meeting if you would like to attend. This is open to all.

Contact: Frances F

Information

MONTHLY MEETINGS at ANTHONY HALL 2.30 till 4.30

June 17 th	Keith Baldwin	All the Queen's Horses and all the Queen's Men (and women)
July 15 th	Alf Fisher	The Eye of the Glazier-- 60 years of stained glass design, 1000 years of history
August 19 th	David Butler	Cordite, Castrol R and the Olympics

Events further ahead

Behind the Scenes at Brighton Races - 15 September 2014

Weston Turville U3A invite interested ACU3A members to join them. Cost is expected to be £51 each which will include return coach; Premier Enclosure Ticket; behind the scenes tour of the racecourse; £2 Tote betting voucher; raceday programme and one drink voucher. Departure time approx 10:00 from a convenient place and return around 20:00.

To secure a place or for more information contact Adrian R

Another MELA EVENING. Due to popular request I am planning another evening at Mela in **October**. The entertainment will either be a group of Old Time Music Hall entertainers; a "saucy" Magician / comedian or a comedy & music man. Until I know we have the numbers and can arrange the date I do not want to book the entertainment (the expensive part!!). For m

Contact Maggie E

THEATRE TRIP

"**One Man, Two Guvnors**" (Norman Pace and Emma Barton) is coming to the Wycombe Swan. They are holding 30 tickets (only until 22nd June!) - £17 each, front two rows, centre upper circle seats for the matinee performance on **Wednesday 3rd December!** Transport to be decided. Cheques a.s.a.p. payable to Aston Clinton U3A (travel). For more information:

Contact: Gloria C

LINE DANCING - There will be **NO** Line Dancing on 16 June as our teacher is on holiday. The next line dancing sessions are Mondays 21 July and 18 August at Halton Village Hall, 10.30 to 11.30 am. Anyone interested in a **FREE TRIAL SESSION** please come along at 10.30 to 11 am on **Monday 15 September**. No Hats or Boots necessary !! Just wear comfortable clothes & shoes. For more information:

Contact: Maggie E

The **Family History Group** will not be meeting in July or August as they are too busy out and about looking at their family history on the ground.

Contact: Gill A

Report

The **Birdwatching Group's** field trip to Wendover in May was primarily to find Firecrests. The firecrest is the UK's smallest bird which usually spends its life high in the fir trees and is very hard to see. This time of year however they are feeding young, and so often come down lower to find food. We were very lucky to see four Firecrests quite well. *See group member Mick Stallwood's photos on the web-site.* We also saw Goldcrests so we were able to compare the two species. In addition we saw twenty-one other bird species in what was a very successful morning's birdwatching. We would **welcome any new members to the group**, previous experience not necessary, all you need is a pair of binoculars and suitable outdoor clothing.

Contact: Terry L