

Aston Clinton U3A

Charity Number 1115424

Information

November 2013

WE ARE APPROACHING THAT TIME OF THE YEAR!!

Subscriptions for 2014 are payable at the December or January meetings. The good stewardship of our funds (by the committee!!) has enabled the cost to remain at £15. You may pay by cheque or direct bank transfer. The Treasurer, Doug B, will be available at both meetings to collect your contributions. If you wish to pay by Bank transfer the Sort Code is and the account number. Please indicate in the description field "ACU3A subs". You will also receive a form asking you to provide your personal and contact details. This is to ensure that we are keeping the accurate records required of us by the Data Protection Act. Many thanks. Pat Mc

SILVER VAULTS AND CHURCHILL'S WARTIME BUNKER, LONDON

I am thinking of organising a visit next May/June to the above with, in between, lunch at The Royal Festival Hall where you can picnic or eat at one of the cafes and maybe have a stroll by the Thames. To see whether it is worth doing, I am putting out a sheet at the next General Meeting for you to put your name down if you may be interested. The cost will be about £25 to include coach and entrance to the Wartime Bunker. I am not committing you at this early stage! Happy Christmas!! Martin Y

2014 Marks the Centenary of the Beginning of the 1st **World War.** If there is sufficient interest, we may run a short visit lasting 3 or 4 days, to the Western Front in France & Belgium in the spring of next year. At the general meeting I will put out an interest list. If you are interested in going on such a trip, please put your name on the list. If you are unable to attend the meeting please contact me by phone. If there is sufficient interest, Phil S and I will endeavour to make the necessary arrangements. *Pat Mc.* Add your name to the list if you are interested

The Jane Austen Country Tour 14th March 2014. This has been arranged through City & Village tours and will be led by one of their Guides. During the morning we shall visit the village of Steventon in Hampshire where her father was Rector in the late 18th Century. Following a stop for lunch we shall visit Jane Austen House and Museum at Chawton. It was here that Jane lived in genteel poverty with her mother and sister in one of the estate cottages. We then move on to a Pub in Dunmer for tea before heading back to Aston Clinton at about 5.15pm. Total amount of walking on this tour is approximately 400 yards. The Cost will be £30 per person.

Add your name to the list if you are interested

City & Village Tour - Capital Curios 22nd January 2014

This City & Village Tour starts with coffee and biscuits at a pub in the city and we then proceed to Mayfair to enjoy a number of curiosities that are within a short walk, such as Burlington Arcade and the clock at Fortnum and Masons. We then return to the pub for lunch (drinks are extra) and in the afternoon we will visit The Freemasons' Grand Lodge in Covent Garden including a visit to the beautiful Grand Temple. There will then be some free time before we leave Covent Garden for our return to Aston Clinton. The total walking distance on this tour is about 800 yards. The costs include coffee & biscuits and lunch and will be £31 per person. Enter your name on the list if you are interested

The Computer Group Please Note the Change of venue we will be meeting at Halton Village Hall from December 9th all are welcome, beginners and those with a little more experience, come along and try it out. *Ralph*.

U3A Trips, Outings and Holidays 2013

■--Pat M, Chris B, Gloria C

| <u>Destination</u> | <u>Date</u> | Transport | <u>Price</u> | Group Leader |
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| Visit to Museums (South Kensington) or Westfield Shopping Centre, West London | Monday November 18th | Coach Pick-up 9 am at The Bell | £10 | Chris B Gloria C |

MONTHLY MEETINGS at ANTHONY HALL 2.30 till 4.30

November 19th Michael Leach A Funny Way to Make a Living

December 17th Tony Brown, Gordon Casbear A Touch of Glass

Subscriptions are Due on January 1st

January 21st 2014 Derek Batten Women of the Wild West

Strolling Group

As many of you will know I suffered from my internet emails being hacked. I apologise for the stray emails that you may have received. This has been put right (it took me all morning with BT. but I found them very helpful).

Also for some reason, some of you have been receiving an email from me dated 01 Nov that was circulated 2 weeks earlier. This may have been the reason that only 6 strollers came on the Marsworth Stroll last week. I have circulated another email dated Sat 02 Nov, however not all of the stroller members have responded and I am not sure that they are being received by all. Please let me know if you have received my last email, perhaps by speaking to me at the general meeting.

My Wife Elizabeth has invited members of the strolling group for an afternoon Christmas tea. We have not arranged a specific date yet as it has to fit around other events in our calendar but keep a look out. I will not lead you through muddy footpaths like last year! We will probably have a stroll around the park before our tea. Thank you. *Ralph W*

The group visited the Cupids Green recycling centre recently. The World of rubbish has moved on - our guide had a degree in recycling from a Dutch university who are the tops in rubbish.

The picture on the right was taken in the Hemel Hempstead Ski Centre where we had coffee after our visit.

Science n Technology Group





<u>To remind</u> all those going to the Christmas do at the Oak, that final money (total £19) must be in by the November main meeting.

<u>Our next meeting</u> is at Erica's and is given by Keith Carpenter of Bucks CC. His subject "Maintaining Bucks Roads", 10.00 on 27th November Thanks *Colin*

<u>REMINDER for the TRIP TO KENSINGTON MUSEUMS</u> (dropping off at Westfield Shopping Centre en route) on MONDAY 18TH NOVEMBER. Our departure time is 9 am from The Bell, Aston Clinton, leaving London at 4pm. There are still seats available at £10 for the coach. Either phone Chris B. or Gloria C. OR turn up on the day with a cheque and your fingers crossed!