

Aston Clinton U3A

Information

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September 2018

Science & Technology

Wed 26th Sept: 10am @ Erica's – 'The Secrets of the Modern Coach'. Discover the advances in technology that enhance safety and comfort for your journey! Talk by Danny, Chief Engineer at Mason's Coaches.

Wed 31st Oct: 10am @ Erica's – 'There's more to Glass than meets the eye!'. Presented by members of the S&T Group. Wed 28th Nov: 10am @ Erica's – 'The history of Corsets'. Speaker is former Science Museum conservator, Sue Gordon. Cardiff Residential Trip: Finalised itinerary being distributed during the next week. On 2nd October meeting 8.45am in layby opposite the Bell for 9am departure.

Colin

Film Studies Group

Tuesday 25 September at 7.30pm at The Anthony Hall: The Full Monty starring Robert Carlyle *Maggie*

Discussion Group

Please note that the October meeting will be held on the second Thursday 11th October 2018. The reason being that quite a few members of the group are going on the Cardiff trip and would deplete our usual numbers. *Richard W*

Theatre trips

11th October: 'Chess' the musical @ Court Theatre, Tring – tickets £15, a few seats still available 25th October: 'Summer Holiday' @ Waterside Theatre Aylesbury – tickets now being issued

20th November: NT live screening of 'The Madness of George III' @ Waterside Theatre. Tickets £13.50. Money due by

September main meeting.

Colin

Coffee Morning Group

Our group enjoyed a delightful morning in Leanne's garden in August. We are very grateful to Leanne who is new to our group. The next coffee morning is at Diana and John's house on Wednesday 19 September. Frances will host the following one on Wednesday 17 October. If you are a new U3A member or an older member these coffee mornings are very informal and an excellent way to meet and chat to other members. All are welcome. *Marie*

Strolling Group

This group is aimed at those who are not able to walk as far or as fast as the other two Walking Groups but still want to get out, enjoy the countryside and have some gentle exercise. The members usually walk for up to a mile and then have a cup of tea. As many of you will know, Ralph has resigned as Group Leader after many years of loyal service, so we need someone or, even better, several people, to take on this group. It will not be difficult. There is a list of people who are, or were, members. Speak to me at the General Meeting or email for more information and/or to discuss possibilities. *Chris B, Group Leader Coordinator*

New Group - Angling

I am planning to set up an **Angling group** which will (hopefully!) be fun rather than competitive. Anglers of all ages & abilities are welcome. The only cost (beyond your bait & petrol) will be a day ticket which will vary by venue; sometimes it will be free. Even if you have never fished before, please come along to see us and maybe give it a (free) try. Our first session will be at 10.00 on **Friday 23rd September** at Wilstone on the Aylesbury Arm of the canal; postcode HP23 4PE, parking on the village Hall playing field. Don't worry if you can't make the start – come along later. Anglers can finish whenever they wish. For the first session, you can bring friends who aren't currently U3A members and encourage them to join! Obviously all sessions will be dependent on the weather so fingers crossed for the 23rd. We can discuss future sessions as necessary, changing the venue and maybe the day & time too.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact me.

Neil W



U3A Forthcoming Events				
Event	Date	Transport	Cost	Contact
Cardiff Residential Trip	2 nd – 5 th October	Coach		Colin T
Mela Dinner	Monday 29 th October		£34.50	Maggie E
Afternoon Social Anthony Hall	Tuesday 13 th November		None	
Museums Trip	Monday 26 th November	Coach	£11	Chris B
Winter in Windsor	Thursday 6 th December	Coach	£45	Trina S

<u>Always Remember.</u> 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				
September 18 th	lan Jones	20 years of Bomb Disposal		
October 16 th	Martin Hodson	The Future of Energy		
November 20 th	Ian Keable	Charles Dickens, Conjuror: the playbills of Victorian showmen		

Museums Trip, Monday 26th November.

By popular request, I'm proposing to run again this annual trip to the South Kensington Museums. Cost will be £11. Please sign the list at the general meeting and/or see me for more information. Chris B

MELA evening - Monday 29 October

The dinner is at 7.00 for 7.30 pm. Would those of you who paid a deposit please bring cheques for the balance of £19.50 each by **September general meeting at the latest**. This will include all food, entertainment and tips but drinks will be payable, by you, on the night. If you would like Chicken and chips or have other dietary requirements please let me know. This year I will allocate tables to avoid the problems we have had in previous years. If there is anyone you want to sit with (or not to sit with!) please let me know when you pay your cheques, but remember it's always nice for new members to meet new people!

Maggie

Winter in Windsor - Thursday 6th of December

We have had a very good response for this trip and I have confirmed the booking for fifty people. The balance of £35 will need to be collected at the October meeting. Leaving time will be confirmed nearer the departure date.

Tring S

Space project interest group

The first meeting was held recently and it was agreed to explore UK's participation in space related projects, including rocket development and satellite launch sites. We also intend to follow the Mars exploration efforts and the work in progress on the International space station. We hope to contact scientists in this field and make visits to manufacturing companies involved in supplying components for the ESA- ExoMars (rover).

Some way in future we will make a presentation to members.

If there are any other members interested in joining our group they are very welcome.

Ron B