



DIARY

2016 (REVISED 27 April)

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Outings undertaken in 2015/16. We had another successful year as regards the outings I organise. We visited for the third time the Olympic Park site, this time to see what they had done now that the Olympics were over. We were very impressed with the work undertaken and spent a great time wandering around the gardens and visiting the swimming pool, etc. We also enjoyed visiting the RSPB Bird Sanctuary at Barnes. We had lunch at *The George* at Molash where I managed to get a Christmas menu for retired As it is the second time we have been there, I have a ruling that we go elsewhere another year. I am looking around now, but would like to hear from anyone with suggestions. Regarding ARDO, they no longer undertake these tours. We also visited Scotland Yard's *Black Museum* and had a most interesting tour led by one of *City & Village Tours*' Blue Badge guides. Also, we enjoyed the trip to the *Southern Water* Waste Water Treatment Plant at Peacehaven. This was much more interesting than any of us had envisaged.

College of Arms, London: Full details can be sent. Briefly, on behalf of the Queen, they produce Coats of Arms for those entitled to bear Arms, and also produce pedigrees for anyone who thinks their forebears had knighthoods. A number of you have expressed interest, and I can arrange another outing to this College provided we get 20 people wanting to visit this College.

New Members in 2016– I should be happy to provide you with any information about our tours that I have for many years.

Braemar Day Trip – Fred Olsen regret they are not continuing their tours now, but can send me details of a one-night cruise from Tilbury to Southampton on 2 January 2017, returning by coach, and are offering members a 10% discount because of our disappointment. The price would be £79 less the discount (Ship).

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<p>Thursday, 19 May – Visit to COOK’S Kitchen, Sittingbourne – see above for details</p>	<p>Please give nos</p>
<p>Thursday, 18 June – I am proposing to visit Lullingstons Castle, their World Garden and a visit to a Lavender Farm in their area.</p>	
<p>Wednesday, 27 July – Outing to Provender House: Cost: £20 each. If you would like to coach, please let me know, when you return this form. Yes / No</p>	
<p>Thursday, 15 September – Coach to Denbies Vineyard & Painshill Gardens: £34 Would you like to go on their train around the vineyard – small extra cost? Yes/No</p>	
<p>Thursday, 1 October – I have organised a trip to Sainsbury’s Distribution Centre on this day which is one of their ‘Open’ days. Definite confirmation will be given nearer the time.</p>	

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Thursday, 19 May -Visit to COOK's Kitchen, Sittingbourne. This firm makes thousands of frozen meals and I know a lot of our members will fondly remember going round the site, which starts from inward vegetables, meat etc, to final packaging into frozen ready-cooked meals for sale in their many outlets. I have therefore booked another visit for 19th May. I am told that they have made many changes for the better and will undertake a guided tour lasting about 2 hours. No cost by them is made.

Thursday, 18 June - I am hoping to organise an outing to Lullingstone Castle & World Garden, followed by a trip to a Lavender Farm. Please tick if interested.

Wednesday, 27 July – Outing to Provender House, Norton, near Faversham. This is a 14th century house which, over several centuries, has been updated. It is now owned by Princess Olga Romanoff, daughter of Prince Andrew Romanoff, the eldest nephew of Czar Nicholas 11, and she arranges tours of the house, and also talks about the history of the Romanoff family during the Revolution. I have booked a visit for 2pm on the afternoon of 27 July, for a tour of the House, after which we will be served tea and home-made cakes.

Thursday, 15 September – A combined coach tour of *Denbies Vineyard and Vinery*, near Dorking followed by a visit to *Painshill Gardens* at Cobham. Cost £34. Should anyone wishing to go round the vineyards by their train, there is an extra charge of £4.50. We will be having a guided tour of the former, plus learning about the history of English wine. Please let me have a deposit of £10 each if you put your name(s) down.

Thursday, 1 October – Coach visit to Sainsbury's huge Distribution Centre at Waltham Abbey. I understand this centre is divided into four sections beginning with temperature normal and finishing at very cold. I have been told they have an 'Open' Day on 1 October and hope we can go on this.

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