



OUTINGS 2016 (REVISED 8 April 2016)

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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 being taken on a guided tour around the many lakes there holding both wild and domestic birds. We had an excellent lunch at *The George* at Molash. I managed to get a Christmas menu for retired people although the meal was in January at a very reasonable figure. 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 advise they no longer undertake these tours. Finally, we recently visited Scotland Yard's *Black Museum* and had a great tour led by one of *City & Village Tours*' Blue Badge guides. Could have spent a lot more time going round the exhibits.

College of Arms, London: If anyone is interested, I can arrange another outing to this College. Full details can be sent. Briefly, on behalf of the Queen, they produce Coats of Arms for those entitled to bear Arms.

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

Revised DIARY - 2016

Thursday, 19 May – Visit to COOK’S Kitchen, Sittingbourne – see overleaf for details.	<u>Please give numbers</u>
Tuesday 14 June (date to be confirmed) - Visit to Sainsbury’s Distribution Centre at Waltham Abbey – see overleaf for details	
Wednesday, 27 July – Outing to Provender House: Cost: £20 each. If you would like to go by coach, please let me know, when you return this form. Yes / No	
Thursday, 15 September – Coach to Denbies Vineyard & Painshill Gardens: £34 Would you like to go on their train around the vineyard? Yes / No	
College of Arms – please tick if enough interested and I wil arrange this	

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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) + £20 coach.

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.

Tuesday, 14 June – 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 am awaiting confirmation of price (if there is one) and date of visit and will contact those interested in going.

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.

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