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| **PRIORITY NOTICES** |
| 1. **Production of the Newsletter is likely to cease from June.**  * **Graham originally agreed to provide ‘temporary stop-gap’ cover: at end of May it will have been three years.** * **All existing Committee members are fully-engaged so someone else needs to take on the Newsletter publication or it will cease from June - please speak with one of the Committee members if you can take on this responsibility.**  1. **The Committee has agreed that subs will remain unchanged at £20 for ’25-’26.** |

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| **SUMMARY OF LATEST EVENTS (\*\* TO AID THE TRANSITION TO A NEW NEWSLETTER EDITOR (HOPEFULLY), THIS SECTION WILL BE RETIRED NEXT MONTH).** |
| 25th March – 99 members attended, and 2 new joiners on the day. Average meeting attendance since October is still nigh 110. If it rises much further, we’ll need to set up chairs in the side room (SAFETY regulations). Complete meltdown in speaker’s PC, then the problem with the Members’ Attendance Draw numbers, and then the matching bingo cards in the stand-up bingo! Not what was envisaged, but a lot of laughter because of it! Thank you to Paul for sorting out the impromptu bingo and raffle.  27th March – nigh a full house again for Petanque… and Paula’s ‘sun dance’ evidently worked as the weather held out. Good feedback on the new menu. Well done, again, Paula.  29th March – Quiz Night. 60 odd eventually attended and with much positive feedback. This was a charity event with profits going to the charity of choice of the quizmaster, Karen: she requested the proceeds went to The Brain Tumour Trust, and some £300 was the excess from the event. John & Janice also suggested a collection tin be made available, and this raised another £220 on the night! Karen was blown away by the generosity. Many requests to run another one, so watch this space for 3 to 4 months’ time. Well done Lesley for arranging. |

**EVENTS DISPLAYED IN THE FOYER AND BY THE KITCHEN ARE FOR IDENTIFYING INTEREST.**

**EVENTS DISPLAYED AT THE FRONT OF THE HALL ARE BEING SOLD AND NOT JUST FOR SHOWING INTEREST:** if you don’t pay a deposit we won’t know if the event is viable, so it may be cancelled. Any ‘reserve’ at the front will be due to the event being full and your being held on a waiting list in case a replacement is sought.

Please remember that it remains a member’s responsibility to find an alternate if unable to attend an event, albeit the organiser may be able to assist via any reserve list.

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|  | | **Organiser** |
| **APR** | **TODAY, 22nd SPEAKER: JO LIVINGSTONE – AN ARCHITECTURAL PUB CRAWL** | |
| **Tuesday 29th Apr. 6:30pm. MEAL. Curry Club #4 – Spice Club - Hawley** | | **Graham** |
| 50 places at £20 | | **LAST CALL** |

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| **MAY** | **MM: 27TH - 1:30pm** | |
| **Thursday 8th May. 7:30pm. THEATRE. DAODS – Little Shop of Horrors** | | **Fred** |
| 36 places at £17 | | **RESERVE ONLY** |

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| **Thursday 15th May. 9:30am. TRIP. Milestones Museum** | **Christine** |
| 50 places at £34. Return coach trip to Basingstoke. FINAL PAYMENTS DUE | **LAST CALL** |

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| **Wednesday 21st May. 9:30am. WALK. Blue Badge – City of London** | **Rob** |
| 20 places at £18 | **RESERVE ONLY** |

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| **JUNE** | **MM: 24TH - 1:30pm** | |
| **Thur 12th Jun. 11am. EVENT/MEAL. Petanque & Pub Meal, The Chequers, Crockenhill** | | **Paula** |
| 50 places. £15.95 2-courses, £19.95 3-courses. Excludes drinks, tea/coffee, tip. | | **SELLING NOW** |

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| **Wed 18th Jun. 6pm MEAL: Italian. Stuzzichini, Bexleyheath** | **Graham** |
| 36 places. £20 for 3-courses. Excludes drinks, extras, tea/coffee, tip. | **SELLING NOW** |

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| **JULY** | **MM: 22nd - 1:30pm** | |
| **Thursday 17th – 1pm. SOCIAL. BYO Picnic with entertainment** | | **Lesley** |
| £5 for both members and guests at the Eden Road Scout Hall. Bring your own food and drink, with the attendance fee contributing towards the hall hire and entertainment (Mike Harris). | | **SELLING NOW** |

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| **Thursday 17th – 7:30pm. THEATRE. ‘Company’ by Sondheim. DAODS Heathfields Hall** | **Fred** |
| 36 places at £15 | **SELLING NOW** |

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| **Sunday 20th – 9:30am (tbc). TRIP. Waddesdon Manor (joint with JWGC)** | **Janice H** |
| 33 places at either £20 or £43 – price dependent upon being a National Trust member. | **SELLING NOW** |

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| **BEYOND 3 MONTHS** | | | |
| Sat 9th Aug – 11am | The Hundred – Cricket, The Oval, Kennington |  | **Graham** |
| 8 places booked at £40. Anyone now wishing to join can pay and reserve for £41.50, includes booking fee, but position only confirmed upon being able to obtain seating in close proximity. | | | **RESERVE ONLY** |

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| **<< REGULAR MONTHLY EVENTS >>** | | | |
| **ART CLASS – THIRD TUESDAY MONTHLY** | Next: 20th May, 2pm | | Jenny |
| **SHORT WALKS - IRREGULAR DATES** | Next: 12th May. 10:30am | | Rob |
| **JOYARA ROLL-UP BOWLS** | Every Monday morning, 9.45am (Apr-Sept) | Dave Oram/Alan Hands | |

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| **SAVE THE DATES** | | Selling | Cost per person | |
| Wed 6th Aug | Cream Tea | May | tbc | Paula |
| Tue 12th Aug | Bexhill seaside trip by coach and 3-course meal | May | £25 | Dave |
| ? Aug | Car Treasure Hunt | May | tbc | Fred |
| Thur 18th Sept | Petanque | June | From £16 | Paula |
| Wed 22nd Oct | Just For One Day – W.E. theatre Live Aid musical | May | £50 | Dave |
| Fri 5th Dec | Longleat Christmas lights (3 days) | Aug | tbc | Jan C |
| Wed 10th Dec | Xmas Lunch | Sept | tbc | Jenny |

**FINAL BALANCES FOR ANY EVENT SHOULD BE MADE BY THE MEMBERS’ MEETING PRECEDING THE EVENT.**

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| **BOOKINGS/REFUNDS:** Not generally provided where it would cause an event loss, and WILL NOT be given because of oversight or choice. **The attendee has primary responsibility for finding an alternate when unable to attend, not the organiser (who may be able to help).** |

JOYARA’s website has full Terms and Conditions, membership and event limitations: [www.joyara.org.uk](http://www.joyara.org.uk).

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| Members’ Associated Events | | Contact |
| Joydens Wood Gardening Club | 1st Thursday monthly, PM | Christine Simpson |
| One for the Road | Normally 3rd Friday monthly, PM | Paul Monk/Paula Chapman |
| Coffee and Chat | 2nd & 4th Friday lunchtimes | Lesley Rock |
| Bridge Club | Every Monday, PM | Virginia Mann |

Any members wish to highlight their club here? Let us know and we’ll see what we can do.