

DIARY

Date	Event/Location	Price	Pay Date	Organiser	Depart	Time
Jan 28	Allara Quiz Main Hall	TBA	Dec/Jan Meetings	Mandy	*	TBA
Feb 20	Dog & Duck Plucks Gutter Meal & Entertainment	£32.50	December	Rosemary	MKS	10.30am

Ramblers

Our season starts with the first walk on Monday March 2nd. Our 2020 walks diary will be available to collect from the Ramblers table at the next meeting.

Kurling

The 2019 championship has now been finalised and the Champion this year is Colin with 10 wins. Second place goes to Roger with 6 wins and third was Audrey with 5 wins.

The top team award with 157 points goes to Katie, Pam and Brian W who were each presented with a Certificate of Honour



Proverb: Many hands make light work.
Reality: You only need two hands to change a light bulb!

Proverb: He who laughs last laughs the longest
Reality: He was slow to get the joke

Seniors Quiz

- 1) How long did the 100 years war last?
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats?
- 3) From which animal do we get cat gut?
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
- 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of?
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal?
- 7) What was King George VI's first name?
- 8) What colour is the purple finch?
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from?
- 10) What is the colour of the black box in a commercial airline?

*Answers (inverted) at bottom of page

Marriage

A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't
A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change, but she does.

A married man should forget his mistakes.
There's no use in two people remembering the same thing.

Quiz Answers

- (1) 116 years. (2) Ecuador. (3) Sheep & horse
(4) November. (5) Squirrel fur. (6) Dogs.
(7) Albert. (8) Crimson. (9) New Zealand.
(10) Orange.

*4 correct out of 10 questions - Well done!
6 out of 10 - Very impressive!
10 out of 10 - Pull the other one!
What do you mean, you failed all of them?
- Welcome to the club!*



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Happy New Year

Our wish for you -

Hours of happy times with friends

Abundant time for relaxation

Prosperity

Plenty of love

Youthful excitement of pleasure

Nights of restful slumber

Everything you need

Wishing you joy

Years and years of good health

Enjoyment and mirth

Angels to watch over you

Remembrances of happy years



Christmas Party

Hope you all enjoyed the Christmas party which wouldn't happen without the hard work of your committee. Prior to the day, numbers have to be calculated and table cloths, serviettes, disposable bowls, plates, cups and crackers have to be purchased. All food has to be organised, counted and bought by committee members. We arrive 2 hours early to prepare food and lay tables.

The mulled wine is made by Mandy and she and Arthur although not committee members do a fantastic job organising and buying raffle prizes. As with all events that we arrange it is appreciated to have the support from members. Could we also ask for your support in the coming year for the outings. A lot of time and effort by Rosemary and Marilyn goes into the organisation of these but we do need your support. Also please support the raffle at our monthly meetings, any profit made from this helps to keep the yearly fees down. We do have a lot to pay out for hiring of halls etc. This is just from one committee member, not blowing my own trumpet but hoping that everyone appreciates the hard work put in by your committee

Diane

At our December meeting we celebrated the Festive season with an excellent Christmas Tea followed by a trio called "The Spare Part" three ladies with a great sense of humour who entertained us with songs mostly from the 50's and 60's which the members seemed to thoroughly enjoy as they sang along to most of the songs. The afternoon ended with a fantastic raffle organised as always by Mandy and Arthur. Thanks to all members of the Committee for arranging such a great afternoon and looking forward to more entertaining and interesting meetings in the coming year.

Joyce Foster

ALLARA COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair: Philip Puttifer 686305
Vice Chair: Jo Dolton 762665
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Newsletter: Colin Lester 717511
Speakers: Diane Lefevre 756326
General Asst. Rosemary Kitney
Kathy Ribiero
Meet & Greet: Betty Douglas 753424

INFORMATION

Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 2pm to 4pm
Monthly Meeting
There were 113 members attending the December (Christmas Tea) meeting
Suggestion Box
There were no suggestions

All suggestions are recorded and kept for future consideration by the committee.

SPEAKER PROGRAMME

January 21
Mel Rees
And Things I Meant To Say

February 18
Neil Sadler
A Policeman's Lot Can Be An Interesting One

Allara Activities

Tai Chi
Every Monday 11.30 to 12.30 - £4
Contact: Christine 677629
Keep Fit
Every Wednesday 10.30 to 11.30 - £3
Contact: Myra 756475
Art Group
Every Monday 1.30 to 4.00 - £2.50
Contact Megan Christmas 759426
Rambling
1st Monday in month 10.00 - FOC
Contact: Roly 677629
Kurling
2nd & 4th Monday s in month
1.45 to 4.30 - £3.00
(Inc. Tea/coffee & cake)
Contact: Philip 686305 or Colin 717511

Kentara Activities

Ten Pin Bowling
Last Friday in month 11 to 2 - £6.25
(3 games & tea or coffee)
Contact: Brian 759796
Line Dancing
Every Monday
Beginners 12.45 to 1.45 - £3
Advanced 2 to 4 - £3.50

Kentara Diary Dates

Wednesday March 18
Kentara Quiz Afternoon
Thursday April 9
Kentara AGM
Friday April 24
Tea Dance

Allara First Aider

Audrey Boston 695466

Kent Community Warden Service

Dawn Riach-Browne 0777 3397125

Raffle Revenue

The excellent raffle at our monthly meetings plays a vital part in keeping our membership fees so low. Please participate in a win-win situation.

What's Happening To Me ?

I used to think I was just a normal person, but I was born white, which now, whether I like it or not makes me a racist. I am heterosexual which now makes me a homophobe. I am mostly non union, which makes me a traitor to the working class and an ally of big business. I was christened by my parents (who were married in a church and remained married until they died) which now labels me as an infidel. I am older than 65 and retired, which makes me useless. I think and reason, therefore I doubt much that the main stream media tells me, which must make me a reactionary. I am proud of my heritage which makes me a xenophobe. I value my safety and that of my family and I appreciate the police and the legal system, which makes me a right wing extremist. I believe in hard work, fair play, and fair compensation according to each individual's merits, which today makes me an anti-socialist. I believe in the defence and protection of the country for and by all citizens and I honour those who served in the Armed Forces, which now makes me a right-wing militant. Please help me come to terms with the new me...because I'm just not sure who the heck I am anymore. Funny but it's all taken place over the last 7 or 8 years. Finally, as if all this nonsense wasn't enough to deal with, now I'm not even sure which toilet to go into.....

MKS Car Park Charge

These unwelcome charges are now in force and could seriously affect our outings. The charges are up to 3 hours free then £1 for next hour & pro rata up to £25 for 6+ hours £100 default penalty. As you know, some of our outings would incur the £25 rate and the committee are looking at alternative arrangements, car sharing would be helpful.

Church Bulletins

These actually were in church bulletins.
*The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
*Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.
* The sermon this morning 'Jesus Walks on the Water'. The sermon tonight 'Searching for Jesus'
* Ladies don,t forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.
* Don't let worry kill you off - let the church help.
Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
* For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
* Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
*Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
* A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.
* At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "what Is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.