

## ALLARA TRIPS 2019

To avoid disappointment make a note of these dates then watch for further details nearer the time of each trip

### August 8th

#### Cruising Down the River

Meal & River Trip - Woodbridge Suffolk  
£38 - MKS - 08.30 - Marilyn  
Reserve List only

### September 12th

#### Denbies Winery

Tour of the winery with free tasting.  
Free time in Guildford  
£27.00. - Pay July/August - MKS  
- 08.30 - Rosemary

### DO JOIN US

## Ramblers

While the Allara Ramblers enjoyed their walk in Upnor on 1st July, five of us who have various dodgy knees etc. went on a different shorter walk. We drove to Upper Upnor village and parked in the free car park. Walked down the lovely cobbled street with beautiful small old houses displaying pretty window boxes and tubs. Upnor Castle has now stopped letting visitors to the village going in for coffee as before, but we found a lovely landlord in the village pub, although shut, he kindly made us all a cup of coffee sitting outside in the sunshine. Back then down to the river front for a walk along as far as we could as the tide was now in, meeting up with the fitter walkers for a pub lunch. All very enjoyable. *Marjorie Doe*  
*My Long Walkers* had a dry walk on the shingle with none of the muddy patches of previous years. We passed the tilted Pill Box and the remains of Fort Cookwood

(a large red brick edifice built in case Napoleon came that way) and came to Port Werburg with its collection of old barges, light ships and other vessels. After this we passed through the large "village" of Park Homes before heading up the road towards Hoo St Werberg. Our route left the main road and headed gradually uphill through the fields, this year planted with barley. Beyond this we reached the new houses on Searchlight Hill (a reference to its use in WW2). Finally we descended through the woods back to The Ship where both groups reunited for an excellent, well earned meal. *John Seabrook*

## Kurling

### June Session 1 - 24 ends played

Result: Colin, Malcolm, Roger  
Score: 86

### June Session 2 - 30 ends played

Result: Barbara, Colin, James, Roger  
Score: 126

### Current Championship Table

1. Roger - 4 wins
2. Maureen,/Colin - 3 wins

## 10 Pin Bowling

Not a bad turnout this month. 11 of us, well 10 and me hobbling down the lane. To my surprise I (Brian U) won the first game 122. Rob came 2nd with 112 & Roly 3rd with 95.

The second game was won by Rob with 120, Brian U 2nd with 115 & Dave 3rd with 109.

The last game was mine with 158, Sylvia 2nd with 121 & Rob 3rd with 117. Sylvia got her own back on husband Ron by beating him in all 3 games. High score 158, lowest 57.

There were a few names missing this month. Hopefully back to full strength at the July meet which will be on the 19th, ahead of schools closing for holidays

*Brian U*

# Allara News



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## An ALLARA Day Out

We left Allington at 9.15am to make our way to Canterbury on the A2 but unfortunately we were unable to use this road, so our driver took us across country via Chilham. It was lovely to have a ride around the Kent countryside. We arrived in Canterbury at 10.30am and made our way to the coffee shop. After that it was a quick look around the shops and then back on the coach for the ride to The Dog and Duck at Plucks Gutter. We all had a very good lunch, if rather large, but still made room for dessert and coffee and I would recommend a visit there. Back on the coach for a short drive to The Salutation Gardens at Sandwich. We had a very good driver because he had to drive down some very narrow streets, in one street I think there was only about six inches either side. We walked all around this lovely garden which had a woodland garden, a white garden and the long border. We went in the cafe to have a cup of tea but decided an ice cream would be nicer and a good end to a perfect day. Thank you Rosemary.

*Kathy R*

## Trip Proposal

I am proposing to do a trip on October 10th to Eltham Palace followed by a two course carvery for £8.50. The coach is £12.50 and the Palace entrance is £12.00.

If you are an English Heritage member you will just pay for the coach and food.  
So - Members = £21.00  
Non members = £33.00.  
I have made a provisional booking and will be taking names at this meeting.

*Marilyn*

## Proposed Outing

Following excellent reviews, we are proposing a trip to The Dog and Duck at Plucks Gutter for a meal and entertainment in January or February next year. Such is the demand for this very popular venue, that it has to be booked well in advance. If you are interested in coming to this event please register your name with Rosemary Welcome. Full details will be published at a later date..

## The Month of July Anniversaries

"If the first of July be rainy weather,  
'Twill rain more or less for four weeks together"

1st July 1937 - 999 emergency service began  
1837 Registration of births, marriages and deaths begins in Britain

2nd July 1928 Equal voting rights for women  
3rd July 1938 The 'Mallard' broke the speed record for steam engines. 125 mph

4th July American Independence Day from British Rule

15th July St. Swithin's Day - If it rains on St. Swithin's Day there'll be forty more days of wet weather.

21st July 1969 Apollo 11 landed on the moon. Neil Armstrong was the first man on the moon

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**Hall Bookings:** Kathy Ribiero  
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INFORMATION

Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 2pm to 4pm  
**Monthly Meeting**  
There were 110 members + 7 new members & 4 visitors attending the June meeting  
**Suggestion Box**  
There were no suggestions  
  
All suggestions are recorded and kept for future consideration by the committee.

SPEAKER PROGRAMME

July 16  
Tony Harris  
**Henry V111**

August 20  
Melanie Gibson-Barton  
**Edith Cavell**

October 15  
Prue Anderton  
**Pilgrimage to Ariana**

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 - £2.50  
(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

August 15th

Short Mat Bowls Competition  
Ditton Community Cen tre  
Contact: Bob Abnett 07726 252681

October 25th

Annual Supper & Race Night  
Ditton Community Centre 7pm start  
£9 including Ploughmans Supper

Allara First Aider

Audrey Boston 695466

Kent Community Warden Service

Dawn Riach-Browne 0777 3397125

Praise The Lord for Church Women

These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services

1. Bertha Belch, a church missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Methodist. Come hear Berths Belch all the way from Africa.
2. Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.
3. The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled due to a conflict.
4. Don't let worry kill you off - let the church help.
5. Miss Charlene Mason sang "I will not pass this way again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
6. Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
7. At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?"  
Come early and listen to our choir practice

Weather Forecast

When sharp showers are forecast which umbrella do you take out with you? The wooden one or the metal one.

Is there a more aptly named TV programme Than Pointless Celebrities?  
*Grumpy*

Kentara Christmas Concert

This is a matinee performance at Ditton Community Centre featuring The Military Wives Choir and Chicory Tip. Unfortunately the date is Thursday 5th December which clashes with our Allara Christmas Lunch

Sad News from Minnesota

The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 75. Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects. The grave site was piled high with many flours. Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Born and bread in Minnesota, Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a very smart cookie wasting much of his dough on half-baked schemes. Despite being a little flaky at times, he was still a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions. Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough, three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart. The funeral was held at 3.50 for about 20 minutes.

If you smiled while reading this, please rise to the occasion and pass it on to someone having a crumby day and kneading a lift.

*Contributed by Barbara Baldwin*

Broadband Scam Again

I have had a flood of international calls recently with the same old scam stating that my broadband will be cut off today unless I press button 1 or 2 etc. If you did you would be transferred to a premium rate line rip off. These calls are usually a recorded version by some bird with a dodgy foreign accent. However, today I had a live call so I had the pleasure of telling this scum ball exactly what I thought of him and politely told him that his parentage was definitely of an unknown variety  
*Ed*