

DIARY

| Date | Event/Location | Price | Pay Date | Organiser | Dep. | Time |
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| Dec 6 | Allara Christmas Lunch Cornwallis Suite. Tovil | £22 | November meeting | Philip | * | 12.30 for 13.00 |
| Dec 18 | Allara Christmas Tea | £4 | November meeting | Committee | * | 14.00 |
| Jan 22 | Mandy's Allara Quiz + Tea & Cake | £2.50 | December meeting | Mandy | * | 14.00 |

Ramblers

Leybourne Lakes Walk

This walk is always popular and 12 of us turned up in fair weather for the final walk of our season. After making our meal order at the Freemasons Arms we made our way along the lane to a foot path leading over a bridge into the country park. We crossed over the railway line following the footpath between a lake and the River Medway towards the paper mill and water treatment works. Having completed this circuit, we went under a railway bridge to a footpath heading towards our start point. Our objective was to walk round the large lake that the new houses overlooked. This is one of those walks that you cannot get lost on, however it is possible that you can take a wrong turn and this is what we did unfortunately. Because we were talking we didn't realise until it was too late that a mistake had been made, and the only way to rectify it was to walk along New Hythe Lane and to enter the park adjacent to Tesco. If anyone has walked along this road they will know that it is like a motorway and not a very pleasant walk. However we did it and soon found ourselves next to the lake again. The rest of the walk was quite scenic with pleasant views and less noise than the road. We returned to the pub at about 12.15 and had a welcome drink and lunch. No walk next month as we are having our

Christmas lunch at the Freemasons Arms. 'Merry Christmas everyone'

10 Pin Bowling

Friday 19th October there were 11 of us turned up to play with some good high scores. It is getting very competitive I must say. First game was won by Brian U with 142, 2nd was Ian with 128 and 3rd was Maddy with 127. Second game was again won by Brian U with 202. 2nd was Ian with 164, and 3rd was Brian W with 143. Third game was won by Brian W with 162, 2nd was Roger with 161 and 3rd was Brian U with 142. We all had a very good morning and if anyone else would like to have some fun and play, come along and join us..
B.W.

Oh Good!

The aliens from Planet Chaos strike again! The joys of Nightmare Road, also known as Hermitage Lane continue. Temporary traffic lights have been installed opposite Barming station and will remain until 7th December. It has been reported that rush hour tailbacks on the A20 reach back to the Sir Thomas Wyatt. Definitely a no go area.

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November

*No warmth, no cheerfulness, no healthy ease,
No comfortable feel in any member -
No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees,
No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds -
November!*

Mystery Tour Report



I'm sitting watching it rain as I write this thinking "Weren't we Lucky". Yesterday the sun shone all day as the Allara Travellers went on their mystery trip. Before we started the driver told us that we were not going on any motorways that day, but travelling through the highways and byways of..... Our first destination for coffee was an hour away. Where did we go? Have you guessed? The Pantiles, Tunbridge Wells. Fully replenished we returned to the coach to be told we had a one and a half hour drive "down" to our next stop. A clue "down", now where could that be?. The coast - Brighton, Eastbourne, Worthing? This was where the driver had fun. He travelled on, and, as we watched, the signs convinced us on board that we were going to Eastbourne. However, with just a mile or so to go he turned off that route. We were heading towards Bexhill - Wrong! On the outskirts of the town we turned again

and yes, have you guessed - Arrived in Hastings. We had two and a half hours to explore. Many walked along the prom to the pier and sat in the sun. Some visited the Old Town shops and others visited the old fishermen's huts and museum - housed in the Fishermen's Church of St. Nicholas, and some even took a miniature railway train ride! But... what I think most of us did was have a lovely meal of fresh fish and chips. Tired but happy we climbed on board our coach for the journey home, stopping for a cup of tea in Tenterden. What a welcome back Maidstone gave us. Traffic jams and road chaos meant we spent an hour travelling from the other side of Maidstone to Allington. Still, it could not take away our memories of a warm and sunny day by the sea
Thank you Betty

Jo



Happy Band of Pilgrims on the Mystery Tour. Are you sure it was just tea and coffee you stopped for girls? Cheers!
Ed.

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INFORMATION

Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 2pm to 4pm
Monthly Meeting
There were 114 members attending the October meeting

Suggestion Box

There were no suggestions

SPEAKER PROGRAMME

November 20

Andy Thomas

A Celebratory History of Christmas

December 18

Christmas Tea

Ray Spiller

Musical Entertainment

Allara Activities

Tai Chi

Every Monday 11.30 to 12.30 - £4

Contact: Christine 677629

Keep Fit

Every Wednesday 11.00 to 12.00 - £3

Contact: Myra 756475

Art Group

Every Monday 1.30 to 4.00 - £2.50

Contact Megan 759426

Rambling

1st Monday in month 10.00 - FOC

Contact: Roly 677629

Kurling

2nd & 4th Monday 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

29th November

Kentara Christmas Concert

Ditton Community Centre 2.0pm £10

Featuring Joley Day (soprano)

Ashton Harley (Sinatra tribute singer)

The Brompton Military Wives Choir

Kent Community Warden Service

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Thank You

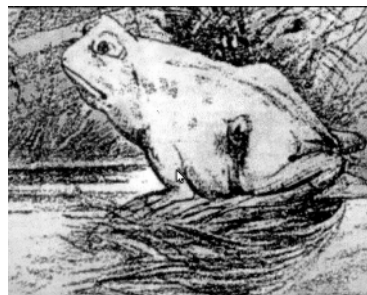
Linda ran a Marathon 26.2 miles in memory of her childhood and lifelong best friend Tina, who sadly passed away from cancer at the age of 54. Donations from Allara amounted to £246.61, for which we would like to say an immense THANK-YOU to you all. This amount, plus other donations came to a grand total of £1349.61 and has been sent on to a charity to help people suffering from cancer - called 'Star Throwers'. Details of Linda's marathon will be published in next months Allara News

The Star Throwers Story

A man was walking along the beach when he saw a young man picking up starfish and throwing them into the ocean. Approaching the boy he said "Excuse me but what are you doing?" The boy replied "Throwing starfish back into the ocean. If I don't throw them back they are going to die, the sun is rising and the tide is going out." The man laughed and replied "There are too many starfish on this beach. you can't possibly make a difference." The boy smiled politely and picked up another starfish and threw it into the ocean. Turning back to the man he replied "But I made a difference to THAT one."

Sylvia Denny

One you won't 'froget'



This frog has a dual personality -
Turn sideways -
Just horsing around!

10 Pin Bowling Competition

On the 30th October this years KENTARA 10 Pin Bowling competition was held at Hollywood Bowl Rochester. There was quite an exciting atmosphere when all these teams from across all the ARAs in Kent gathered to play.

The winners of each category were -
Men's:

STARA 1 (Snodland Town) - 1251 points

Ladies:

ISTARA (Istead Rise) -1156 points

Mixed:

CLIFARA (Cliffe Woods) - 1082 points

ALLARA had 3 teams entered, we did not actually win but we came pretty close. -

Team 1 - Ian, Maddy & Roly 910 points

Team 2 - Brian U, Brian W & Sylvia - 996

Team 3 - Barbara, Roger & Malcolm - 819

We should all thank Brian and Marilyn

Underwood for their very hard work in

arranging everything, It was quite a

mammoth task throughout the year for

them, and at the end of the day it was a

very successful event. Our thanks should

also go to Mandy & Arthur for running the

raffle which raised a grand total of £107 for

Cancer Research. What a brilliant result.

Our thanks also go to the other big helpers

on the day. Gay & David were the runners

collecting all the scores in from the teams,

they must have been worn out with all that

chasing about. Lastly a big thank you to

Diane Lefevre for her tremendous task of

adding up all the scores of the event.

ALLARA's next monthly 10 Pin Bowling

will be on the 30th November at the

Hollywood Bowl, Lockmeadow, Maidstone

at 11am. Cost is £6.25 for 3 games + cup

of tea or coffee

Brian W.

Reminder - Don't forget to book your place for our Christmas Tea and Christmas Lunch today