#### **DIARY**

Date	Event/Location	Price	Pay Date	Organiser	Depart	Time
Dec 16	Allara Christmas Lunch	£24.50	Oct/Nov Meet.	Philip	*	13.00
Dec 21	Christmas Tea	£4.00	Nov Meet.	Committee	*	14.00
Jan 27	Beetle Drive	*	*	Philip	*	14.00

## Ramblers November Walk

It was a lovely morning when about 20 of us gathered in the Freemasons pub car park. As usual now we divided into "short walkers" and "longer walkers". John and Marjorie Doe led the "shorts" on a circuit of the Ocean lake with a coffee break at Tesco. They enjoyed seeing numerous water birds, including some magnificent swans and walked about 2.5 miles on the good level paths around the lake, which is used for water sports.

The "long" walkers set off west and followed well trodden undulating footpaths through Horn Street to Longold Lane where we went through a horse riding centre and on to Birling. A local lady gave Roly a wad of leaflets Freemasons Arms where most about a village walk as we took a breather by the Church. Passing the Neville Bull pub we had a short section of road walking before turning down Masters Lane which led us to the long diagonal path across a field that I was relieved to find had not been ploughed, as it was on a previous visit. At the end of this path we crossed the Birling Road into Birling Ashes a pretty private a Magazine Mart at the back of estate and woods leading to the gate

onto Sandhole golf course. Last time we tried this walk in the opposite direction we were unable to reach this gate from the track we had taken through the golf course because bramble thickets had completely blocked the way. This time we followed a clear but rather wet track below the brambles and reached the overgrown driving range and burned out club house. It must be over 4 years since the fire and we could not see whether the rest of the golf course was also disused. After leaving the golf course at Sandhole Farm we retraced our steps to the of us stayed for an excellent lunch. The longer walkers had covered about 3.5 enjoyable, sunny miles.

> John Seabrook \*\*\*\*\*

# **Even More**

In addition to our Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange Station we now have the hall. Jut help yourself.

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November comes And November goes, With the last red berries And the first white snows. With night coming early, And dawn coming late, And ice inn the bucket And frost by the gate. The fires burn And the kettles sing, And earth sinks to rest Until next spring.

Clyde Watson

# **From The Archives**

Allara News Autumn 2003 When Allara News began the entire content was written by the Editor. We are pleased to report that more and more members are contributing by writing reports and producing photos. If you are not a writer please do not be put off. If you can note the day, date, time and number of members present, where you went, how

you got there and what you saw and did, this can be turned into a report. All contributions are attributed and every word is read by the entire Committee before publication. The Committee gives the Editor the full right to edit any articles. It is your Club and it is nice that you can report your activities to your fellow members 18 years later, these comments are still relevant. Your contributions will be very welcome. Ed



# **Barming Ballad**

There's another hole in the road, Well, well, I'm blowed. Look there's another one -Same as the other one. There's another hole in the road.

#### ALLARA COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair: Philip Puttifer 686305 Hon. Sec.: Myra Farrer 756475 Treasurer: Gerry Waters 671691

Membership Sec.: Simon Vivien 676726

Outings: Jean Saxby 761256

Theatre/Shows:

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Meet & Greet: Betty Douglas 753424

#### **INFORMATION**

Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 2pm to 4pm

# **Monthly Meeting**

There were 91 members + 4 new members & 4 visitors attending the October meeting

## **Suggestion Box**

There were no suggestions

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

#### SPEAKER PROGRAMME

November
Delia Taylor
The Fabulous 50's

<u>December</u> Nick Bosworth **Vocalist & Keyboard** 

#### Allara Activities

#### Tai Chi

Every Monday 11.30 to 12.30 - £4 Contact: Christine 677629

#### Keep Fit

Under Review Contact: Myra 756475

#### **Art Group**

Every Monday 1.30 to 4.00 - £2.50 Contact Megan Christmas 759426

#### Rambling

1st Tuesday in month 10.00 - FOC Contact: Roly 677629 or Ian 750480

## **Kurling**

2nd & 4th Mondays in month
2.00 to 4.00- £3.00
(Inc. Tea/coffee & cake)
Contact: Philip 686305 or Colin 717511

## **Kentara Activities**

#### Ten Pin Bowling

Last Friday in month 11 to 2 - £7.99
(3 games)
Contact: Brian 759796

## **Line Dancing**

Every Monday
Beginners 12.45 to 1.45 - £3
Advanced 2 to 4 - £3.50

## **Kentara Diary Dates**

September 14th 2022 Kentara Cruise

# Allara First Aider

Audrey Boston 695466

# **Kent Community Warden Service**

Dawn Riach-Browne 0777 3397125

# **Grins and Snickers**

Because they had no reservations at a busy restaurant, my elderly neighbour and his wife were told there would be a 45 minute wait for a table. "Young man, we're both 90 years old," the husband said. "We may not have 45 minutes,"

They were seated immediately

A man goes to see the Rabbi. "Rabbi, something terrible is happening and I have to talk to you about it." The Rabbi asked, "What's wrong.? The man replied "My wife is going to poison me." The Rabbi, very surprised by this, asks "How can that be?" The man then pleads, "I'm telling you,I'm certain she's going to poison me. What should I do?" The Rabbi replies "let me talk to her, I'll see what I can find out." A week later he contacts the man and says "I talked to your wife for 3 hours on the phone. You want my advice? Take the poison!"

Submitted by KR \*\*\*\*\*\*

# TV Dross

We hear about all the endangered species on the planet and this should include producers of good TV programmes. Soaps? - wash them down the drain. Real comedy output? - extinct. Variety concerts? - zilch! Niggled Nigel

## **New Book Titles**

Title Author Your Thoughts -Penny Forum Sheila Bandonew Bad Mother -Six of the Best -Ben Dover See Them Fall -Ed Furst Grand Total -Adam Awlup The Highjumper -Betty Fawls Help Needed -Len Derhand Dying Flame -Peter Doubt Pay Peter -Rob Pawle On My Command -Stan Deazy Falling Leaves - Wendy Winblows \*\*\*\*\*

# **Bargain Hunt**

We all like to find a bargain, and in my book one of the best is membership of Allara. For the princely sum of £10 a year, we get a monthly meeting with a Speaker or Entertainer coupled with a chance to make new friends and a good old natter. Organised trips and social activities. A cup of tea and biscuits and an excellent raffle at every meeting. Events laid on such as Christmas lunch and afternoon tea A monthly newsletter that always informs and contains something to make me giggle. Behind the scenes we have the work party laying out meeting chairs and tables, tea ladies and a Finance Supremo handling our and Kentara finances. All this for £10 a year!

Well done committee and volunteers.

H.M. (Happy Member)