



XPA Update

Xerox Pensioners' Association



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It's that time of the year again!

It's that time of the year again – the start of the countdown to Christmas – and the Xerox Pensioners' Association (XPA) has arranged a number of lunches and dinners covering those parts of the country where the bulk of our pensioners live.

Below you will find details of the various Christmas and New Year events and overleaf there is information on the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight in Lincolnshire, four more London Historical Walks plus a guided tour of the Middle Temple.

This **XPA Update** only touches the surface of what is on offer from the XPA. To find out more, go to the Events Calendar on the XPA part of the pensions website www.xeroxpensions.co.uk/xp_xpa.html. You'll find new events added to the Calendar at the start of each month. Try it – you'll be surprised how much is on offer!

XPA Christmas and New Year events

The South of England is where a significant number of our pensioners live and, this year, there are five great events here:

 **Hever Castle, Kent**
Thursday 16 December
12.30 for 1.00



Hever Castle was built in the 12th century and Henry VIII was a frequent visitor. Lunch will be served in the recently completed Guthrie Pavilion, overlooking Hever's large lake. The cost is £29.35 which includes a traditional 4-course Christmas lunch and a glass of wine. It also includes entry to the gardens and the Castle itself. The grounds open at 10.30am and there is parking close to the venue.



Website www.hevercastle.co.uk

Deadline for replies – 3 December

 **St Stephen's Club, London**
Thursday 2 December 12 for 12.30

One of London's most authentic private clubs, St Stephen's was founded in 1870 under the patronage of Benjamin Disraeli. The buffet lunch will be warm and hot Scandinavian food. Price – £30 excluding drinks and raffle tickets (£1 each). Website www.ststephensclub.co.uk

Deadline for replies – 15 November

 **Guido's Restaurant, Amersham**
Wednesday 26 January 12 for 12.30

Guido's New Year Italian lunch is the longest running event in XPA's South Region history. There will be a 3-course meal from a multi-choice menu. Price – £24 excluding drinks and raffle tickets (£1 each).

Deadline for replies – 15 December

 **The Spread Eagle, Thame**
Tuesday 18 January 12 for 12.30

The hotel is in the middle of Thame and so you can combine lunch with shopping in the town or in Oxford or Bicester. £20 for a 3-course meal from a multi-choice menu – excluding drinks and raffle tickets (£1 each).

Website www.spreadeaglethame.co.uk

Deadline for replies – 6 December

For any of the above South of England events contact Indre Numgaudyte
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email indre.numgaudyte@xerox.com

 **Hants/Dorset/Wiltshire**
Friday 7 January 12.15 for 1.00 – £17.50

Venue – Ferndown Golf Club, Golf Links Road, Ferndown, BH22 8BU.

Contact – David Parkinson, 423 Ringwood Road, Ferndown, Dorset, BH22 9AF.
Tel 01202 897394.

email parkinson@tinyonline.co.uk.

Deadline for replies – 30 November

... and in the North, East and West

 **North Region**
Tuesday 11 January 7.30pm


Venue – Beehive Inn, Beehive Lane, Curdworth, Nr Birmingham (M42 Jct 9)

Contact – Bob Johnson. Tel 01889 583363.
email oiltrail@hotmail.com.

 **North Region**
– venue and date to be confirmed

Around the end of January/early February, there will be a second function organised by the North Region. It will be held on a Saturday evening and will include a meal and a disco. Overnight accommodation will be available, if required.

Contact – Keith Boughton.
Tel 01785 245910.
email keith@theboughtons.co.uk.

 **East Region**
Tuesday 25 January 7.15pm
£19.30

Venue – Chesfield Downs Golf & Country Club, Jack's Hill, Graveley, Nr Stevenage, Herts, SG4 7EQ.

Contact – Allan Vickery, Newcroft, South Park Avenue, Chorleywood, Herts WD3 5DY.
Tel 01923 284286.

email allan.vickery@btinternet.com.

Deadline for replies – 30 November

 **West Region**
Thursday 2 December 12.15 for 1.00pm – £9

Venue – Xerox Social Club, Mitcheldean

Contact – John Court, Stockwell Farm, Aylburton, Lydney, GL15 6DN.
Tel 01594 843651.

email john@courtjb.freemove.co.uk.

Deadline for replies
19 November

Pension dates 2010/2011

Your Xerox pension will be paid into your account on the following dates:

2010	
November	Mon 1 November
December	Wed 1 December
2011	
January	Fri 31 December
February	Tue 1 February
March	Tue 1 March

April	Fri 1 April
May	Fri 29 April
June	Wed 1 June
July	Fri 1 July
August	Mon 1 August
September	Thu 1 September
October	Fri 30 September

COMPETITION WINNER

The winner of the *Spot that Slogan!* competition in the Spring issue of XPA News was Mrs Mary Morrice from Aberdeen who wins £25.



Other events

Battle of Britain Memorial Flight (BBMF)

Friday 26 November 10.30am

We have arranged a tour of the BBMF at RAF Coningsby in Lincolnshire on 26 November. The visit will take in five Spitfires, two Hurricanes, two Chipmunks, a Lancaster and a Dakota and will be followed by lunch at The Petwood Hotel. The hotel itself was home to The Dambusters (617) Squadron and includes a room dedicated to photographs and memorabilia from that period.

The cost of the tour and a two-course lunch is £18.50. Cheques should be made payable to 'D. Goodwin' and sent, together with your contact details, to: 9 Roman Close, Navenby, Lincoln, LN5 0GW.

Alternatively, you can contact Bob Johnson – see **XPA Regional Co-ordinators** on the right.

Websites: www.petwood.co.uk, www.raf.mod.uk/bbmf/visitorscentre.



London Historical Walks

Four more walks have been arranged between November and next May. Each walk starts at 11.00am and lasts for about 2 hours and is under the guidance of a London history specialist. The cost of each walk is £15 and this includes a pub lunch (excluding drinks).

1) Chelsea – 17 November (Sloane Square tube) 11.00am

We will explore the history of Chelsea – an elegant riverside village – remembering some of its famous residents including Thomas More and the Chelsea Pensioners.

Contact Indre Numgaudyte* by 10 November.

2) St Paul's to Covent Garden 9 February (St Paul's tube station – Cathedral exit 2) – 11.00am

The walk will take in the western edge of the City of London, Fleet Street (incl. the River Fleet) and a little of Covent Garden.

Contact Indre Numgaudyte* by 2 February.

3) Let's all go down the Strand – 6 April (Embankment tube) 11.00am

Once a street lined with the greatest palaces, The Strand became a façade to a lawless slum before being rediscovered by the rich and fashionable.

Contact Indre Numgaudyte* by 30 March.

4) Bloomsbury – 11 May (Russell Square tube) 11.00am

Home to the British Museum and the University of London, Bloomsbury is one of London's great artistic, literary and intellectual quarters.

Contact Indre Numgaudyte* by 4 May.



Middle Temple – Lecture & Lunch 16 March 11.00am

The Middle Temple is one of the four Inns of Court which have the exclusive right to call men and women to the Bar. The guided tour, followed by a 3-course lunch, will cost £24 (excl. drinks).

Meeting place: Outside the entrance to The Middle Temple Hall, Middle Temple Lane, London EC4Y 9AT at 11.00am.

Numbers limited to the first 25. Contact Indre Numgaudyte* by 2 February.

* see XPA Contacts above

Golf dates

Our keen golfers are planning 7 golf days next year, which will be detailed on the XPA Events Calendar in due course. The next Haggett Cup will be in Hawkstone Park (near Shrewsbury) on 21 and 22 August. On the XPA Newsdesk you will find articles and photos of the 2010 Haggett Cup and Wimbledon Golf match.

For more information

For more information about the events, visit the Xerox Pensions website, www.xeroxpensions.co.uk/xp_xpa.html, where you will find our Events Calendar. Alternatively, call Indre on 01494 615159 to get your updates.

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North Region – Bob Johnson

Tel 01889 583363 email oiltrail@hotmail.com

Absent friends

Our sincere sympathy goes to the families of members who died in the past few months. Their names and ages appear below.

Leeds

David Try 66

Marlow

Alan King 71
Irene Knight 87
Brian Long 77
Evelyn Sargisson 89
George Toft 79
Mary Watson 90
Gilbert Webster 71

Mitcheldean

Owen Barnard 96
Arthur Brown 95
Melville Bullock 93
Rita Burford 86
Phyllis Creed 92
Geoffrey Darke 75
Hilda Dawson 91
Ralph Downing 77
Gertrude Edwards 88
Walter Evans 76
Zena Gwilliam 81
Kathleen Hardwick 89
Marie Hopkins 76
Raymond Jayne 81
Frederick Jones 81
Raymond Knight 85
Charles Leighton 72
George Marfell 85
Barbara Marrott 73
Vera Martin 86
Robert Murray 74
Olive Newman 82
Jack Parker 90
Edith Perkins 94
Joyce Price 84
Mary Ruck 71
Derek Shewell 67
Harold Shortt 85
Rodney Smallridge 89
Lyndon Smith 77
Betty Starke 84
William Stephens 78
Kathleen Timmis 90
Stanley Taylor 83
Ivy Wade 87
Olive Walker 84
Winifred Waythe 80
Albert West 94
Sydney Whitson 83
Ralph Wickham 76
Georgina Woodward 83
Rolf Zimmermann 85

UK

Charles Andrews 88
Clive Ashton 71
Olive Blanchot 87
G W H Bourne 64
Vera Bull 84
Edward Burghart 73
John Butt 75
Roger Childs 77
Martin Cutland 76
Joseph Ennis 81
Gladys Fayle 91
Joseph Freeth 77
Patricia Freeth 75
Raymond Freeth 72
George Halahan 65
Elizabeth Henderson 74
Gloria Joyce 76
Dennis Linacre 82
Eric Louth 86
Lilian Marlow 69
Denis Morley 73
William Morse 89
Eric Moss 90
Brian Norris 67
Leonard Offen 86
Kenneth Pemberton 80
Alan Scarfe 68
David Shimmin 63
Beryl Spokes 74
Alan Standbridge 71
Frank Stook 92
Roy Stopford 92
Harry Whitehead 86

Welwyn

Dympna Alcock 75
Andrew Barnes 58
Leslie Bateman 88
Lynne Davies 63
Mike Draper 64
Francis Graham 73
Sarah Hives 90
Joy McFall 78
Anthony Pearmain 78
Brian Walters 68

Woking

Philip Dyer 54
John Medhurst 77