

Traditional T^ouring Club

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TRIP & SOCIAL SHEET APRIL - MAY 2026

PLEASE NOTE: YOU SHOULD ALWAYS BOOK TRIPS AND SOCIAL EVENTS THROUGH TRIP LEADERS.

YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE WITH YOU ON ALL TTC EVENTS. PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR 'IN CASE OF EMERGENCY' DETAILS ARE SHOWN ON THE REVERSE. PEOPLE ON A TASTER EVENT MUST ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE 'IN CASE OF EMERGENCY' DETAILS ON THEIR PERSON.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR AN EVENT TO BE ENTERED ON THE TRIP SHEET IS FRI 15TH MAY.

CONTACT PAT O'SHEA ON oshea644@btinternet.com

CYCLES / WALKS

WALK EVERY MONDAY WALK TO BENFLEET Approx 5 miles. No need to book. Meet **10:30am** at Osborne's Cockle Stall in Old Leigh, by the sea wall. We have lunch in a pub in Benfleet and either walk back or return by public transport. **Contact Jackie.**

WALK FRIDAY 17TH APRIL WALK AND BOWLING Meet **3pm** at Sally's house, 25 Meadow Drive, S-on-S, SS1 3DJ, to walk to Kingpins or meet there at **3:40pm**. Cost is £11:25 for 2 games. A meal after, to be arranged nearer the date. **Contact Sally.**

WALK SUNDAY 19TH APRIL CIRCULAR 4 MILE WALK Starting at the Bull in Hockley and finishing with lunch in the pub. Meet **10am** at The Elms for car share. **Please let Leo know if you are interested.**

WALK SUNDAY 26TH APRIL WALK AND GUIDED TOUR THREE MILLS BROMLEY-BY-BOW C2C from Leigh to West Ham then DLR to Stratford for coffee stop. A walk of about one mile from Stratford to the mill. A guided tour of the mill which has been on the site for 1,000 years and is the largest tidal mill in the world. There is a café at the mill which sells snacks and hot drinks or there are benches outside for picnics. Another walk of about one mile to Star Line then the DLR back to West Ham. The walk forms part of 'The Line', a public art trail. The cost of the **tour is £10** per person, which should be **paid to Traditional Touring Club, ref: Three Mills** or by cash or cheque. You will need a return to West Ham and two journeys of one stop on the tube. **Meet at Leigh Station for the 9:12am train. Contact Susan Pierce.**

CYCLE SUNDAY 3RD MAY LOCAL CIRCULAR CYCLE around Barling & Wakering. A gentle ride of approx. 13 miles. Meet **10:30am** by Ocean Beach on the seafront. We will stop for coffee at Gossips before heading back to Ocean Beach via East Beach. To put your name down **contact Susan Alder.**

CYCLE WEDNESDAY 13TH MAY WALLASEA ISLAND & NATURE RESERVE meet at Cherry Orchard car park at 10.30. **Contact Norman.**

WALK ROVER TICKET ASSISTED LONDON WALK, FRIDAY 15TH MAY Approximately **5 mile** walk along the Thames Path from Fenchurch Street to Wapping where we cross the Thames in Brunel's old tunnel to Rotherhithe (tube ticket required) and once in Rotherhithe we can visit (if we so wish) the Brunel museum and maybe have lunch in one of the Rotherhithe pubs before walking back to Tower Bridge or London Bridge to cross back over the Thames. We can meet at Leigh Station at **9:30 am. Contact Robert.**

WALK SUNDAY 31ST MAY GROVE WOODS, HOCKLEY WOODS AND CHERRY ORCHARD Approx. 6 miles. Meet **10am** at the Grove car park, SS6 8UQ. **Contact Clifford (text only).**

WALK SUNDAY 7TH JUNE BOREHAM IN BLOOM CIRCULAR WALK, IF WANTED 3 to 4 miles, with a half way coffee stop at Papermill Lock. **Contact Pat Peck.**

WALK AND GUIDED TOUR FRIDAY 12TH JUNE BELFAIRS WOODS Meet at the **Visitor Centre in Belfairs from 1:15pm for a 1:30 start.** There will be a guided walk of about one hour, a presentation of about 30 mins on the history and nature of the woods and the work of the Wildlife Trust and a cream tea. **Cost of walk/talk/tea £10** per person which should be paid to **Traditional Touring Club, Ref: Belfairs** or by cash or cheque. Meet at Belfairs Visitor Centre. **Contact Susan Pierce.**

WALK SUNDAY 14TH JUNE SIX MILE CIRCULAR WALK AROUND CAMBRIDGE Led by Nolan with the option of shortening the walk to visit the sights (or to shop). Further details to follow. **Contact Ron, by 15th April.**

WALK SUNDAY 21ST JUNE WALLASEA ISLAND SIX MILE CIRCULAR WALK Meet **10am** at the **RSPB car park, SS4 2HD** or **9:15** at The Elms for car share. **Contact Clifford (text only).**

WALK AND GUIDED TOUR SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER TO SATURDAY 10TH DARTMOUTH £250 in luxury chalets on the edge of Dartmoor. Car share. **Contact Ron.**

MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR TTC GARMENTS ON WALK AND CYCLES

CLUB TRIPS

PLACE YOUR BETS NIGHT AT CHELMSFORD RACES THURSDAY 14TH MAY There will be a coach to take us to the track and the cost will be in the region of **£17pp**. The entry fee is **£15**. First race is at **5:30pm**, last race will be **8:30pm**. Pick-up points will be at the Chalkwell Rooms and the Elms, possibly the White Horse as well. Exact times to be confirmed but first pick-up around **3pm**. If you are interested, please let me, **Susan Alder** know, as the numbers are essential to the travel arrangements.

18TH to 25TH MAY 2026 CHRIS BLOWERS Saga Holiday to ITALY is now full.

JUNE 28TH 2026 NEWQUAY AND ITS 7 BAYS is now full.

14TH – 20TH SEPTEMBER 2026 LOCHS & GLENS - ARDGARTAN HOTEL Nightly Entertainment, Luxury Coach Travel. Excursions include: Helensburgh, Hill House & Submarine Centre, Isle of Arran & Broddick Castle, Glasgow & Riverside Museum, Cruise of Loch Lomond, etc. Cost is £774 pp, half board. Now also open to non-TTC friends and family. No single rooms left. Double rooms and twin bedded rooms available. £30 deposit, with the balance, by the end of July 2026. **Contact Jenny Kwakwa.**

29TH NOVEMBER – 2ND DECEMBER EUROPE CHRISTMAS MARKETS A three-night visit to Colmar. Colmar by reputation has a very good Xmas market. Strasbourg has too but it's a big town which will get mobbed at Xmas market time but we can visit it for a day from Colmar (it's about a half hour by train). Cost will be approx. £250pp for twin sharing accommodation. Eurostar voyage to/from Paris and connections to Strasbourg/Colmar will incur costs of, in the region, £250. **Please note, this trip is now full** for further information, **contact Robert.**

SPRING OF 2027 FOOTHILLS OF THE HIMALAYAS To India, Bhutan and Nepal. I will shortly be sending out details of the itinerary, dates and costs. Thank you to those of you who are interested in the trip and have already sent me their email addresses. If you haven't yet, **PLEASE LET ME HAVE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS ASAP**, so that I can send you details. **Contact me (Caroline).**

CLUB SOCIAL

THURSDAY 30TH APRIL MONTHLY MEAL AT LEIGH BISTRO 123 Broadway, SS9 1PG. For further details, please visit: **Leigh Bistro**. Meet **7pm**. If interested, **contact Pip ASAP.**

THURSDAY 23RD APRIL ST GEORGE'S DAY, FIND THE DRAGON BUS ADVENTURE Meet 9:30am, at the Travel Centre, with your bus pass (if you have one) and be prepared to find the dragon before 6pm. You may team up with another member, if you want. **Contact Ron.**

TUESDAY 19TH MAY BOOK CLUB Meet at Pip's from **7:30pm** to discuss '**Lost Horizon**' by James Hilton. **Phone Pip.**

THURSDAY 30TH JULY SUMMER PARTY Details to follow.

CANASTA EVERY WEDNESDAY at the Constitutional Club, **2pm for 2:30**. Those interested, please **contact Norman** Alternatively, you can just turn up.

POINT OF INTEREST - THE SWEET SCIENCE OF BRUISING This is a Southend Drama Society production, directed by our own Peter Nawrat. Performances are Wednesday 20th May to Saturday 22nd May at the Dixon Studio, Palace Theatre. Nightly at **7:30pm** with an additional Saturday matinee at **2:30pm**. Ticket prices are full price £18.00 and concessions £16.00. **To book tickets either telephone the box office on 0343 310 0030 or go online at <https://trafalgartickets.com/palace-theatre-southend/en-GB/event/other/the-sweet-science-of-bruising-tickets>.**

Two trips (walks or cycles) or short events (e.g. monthly meals) are allowed as 'tasters' by non-members, before they are required to join the TTC. Please note that holidays and longer trips are open only to fully paid up TTC members. Everyone participating in TTC organised walks or cycles should familiarise themselves with the TTC Safety Guidelines and the Disability Statement - not just for their own safety, but also for that of other people taking part in the event. PLEASE NOTE THAT WHEN ON CYCLING TRIPS, WEARING A CRASH HELMET AND HI VIS GARMENT IS STRONGLY ADVISED. People should let the trip leader know of any health issues that might affect their ability to participate fully in the activity. Members participate in walks or cycles at their own risk.

Please note: in order to be fully compliant with the new General Data Protection Regulations, be aware that the Traditional Touring Club (the club) currently holds personal data in the form of your name, address, email address, etc. that you have previously provided to the club. The club values your support and promises to respect your privacy. The club only holds this personal data for the purposes of providing information to you in respect of the club's events and activities, and for other club purposes. The club will never share your data with third parties, for marketing purposes. You have the right to withdraw your data at any time.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON: WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY, 8PM AT THE CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB, 116 - 118, ELM ROAD, LEIGH-ON-SEA, SS9 1SQ.