

Traditional T^oring Club

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TRIP & SOCIAL SHEET NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2025

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.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR AN EVENT TO BE ENTERED ON THE TRIP SHEET IS FRI 12TH DECEMBER.
CONTACT PAT O'SHEA ON oshea644@btinternet.com

CYCLES / WALKS

WALK TO BENFLEET EVERY MONDAY 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**

CYCLE SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER **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**

CHRISTMAS BOWLING FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER **Wear something festive.** Meet 3pm at Sally's house, 25 Meadow Drive, or 3:45 at Kingpins. Cost, £11.05 for 2 games. Meal at Seafood Shack afterwards, booked for 6pm. **Contact Sally.**

WALK SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER London walk – Holland Park Station to Paddington Station. A five mile stroll through Notting Hill, along Portobello Road, then beside the Grand Union Canal, passing picturesque Little Venice, finishing at Paddington Station. Cheapest fare is a return ticket to Liverpool Street and either an Oyster or Debit card for the two tube journeys. Meet **9am** at Leigh Station for the **9:12** train to London. **Contact Jane**

FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER JINGLE BELL CYCLE Meet 10am at Judy's Tea Rooms, Jericho Cottage, The Green, Blackmore, CM4 ORR. A pleasant cycle to The Black Bull pub, Fyfield, for lunch (I will need numbers). Please remember to have lights on your bikes. **Contact Martin.**



CLUB TRIPS

COACH TRIP SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER to **CANTERBURY**. See the Cathedral lit up and immerse yourself in the festive spirit around the Christmas Markets or just take a walk around this beautiful city. First pick-up will be at **10am** at the Chalkwell Rooms, London Road and the second pick-up at The Elms, 10:05. We will leave Canterbury around **4:30 / 5pm**. The *subsidised* cost will be **£16 pp**. This trip is on a **first come, first served** basis. You can transfer your payment into the **TTC Bank account**. *Your seat will be confirmed once payment has been received. If you prefer to pay by cash/cheque please let me know as there are only THREE SEATS left.* **Contact Susan Alder**

18TH to 24TH MAY 2026 **CHRIS BLOWERS** is looking to organise a **Saga Holiday to ITALY**. This will be at Lake Molveno, staying at the Dolmiti Hotel. It will be a non-guided walking trip. **Other activities such as cycle hire and water sports will be available.** Also, at added expense, excursions can be booked. **COST will be between £1,055 and £1,157**, depending on room type. This includes **Half Board** and **ALL transport transfers and luggage**. Chris needs to have people committing shortly after the meeting, as rooms and flights have been set aside for a limited period. If interested, please **contact Chris**.

JUNE 28TH 2026 **Newquay and its 7 Bays**. Eight days, fully inclusive holiday, which includes Breakfast, Dinner, Excursions and Evening entertainment. Coach travel, leaving from The Elms (time to be arranged). Lots of opportunities for **walking the coastal paths** and visiting some of the **Gardens of Cornwall**. Cost is **£615pp**. A **£50 Deposit** is required. Early booking is advised as places go very quickly. If interested, please **contact Elaine**.

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 balance end of July 2026. **Contact Jenny Kwakwa.**

SPRING OF 2027 Foothills of the Himalayas. A trip exploring the countryside of north-east India, Nepal and Bhutan. The trip is in the early stages of planning with our man, Sheesh, in India, but we are considering visiting Darjeeling for the toy train and tea plantations, Kolkota for the Sunderban Wildlife national park, Varanasi for the Ganges ritual, Kathmandu and surrounding countryside and Bhutan where we will climb up to see the famous Tiger's Nest. Once a plan is formulated I will circulate it to those interested for consideration. If interested, please **text Caroline.**

CLUB SOCIAL



CHRISTMAS LUNCH WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER 12.30 for 1pm at Garons Park Golf Complex. *Lovely three course meal.* **TICKETS** are available at the *generous* club subsidy of **£18** (partners are welcome at the full cost of **£28**). Transfers can be made into the **TTC Bank account**. If you prefer to pay by cash or cheque please let me know. The menu can be viewed on our website www.traditionaltouringclub.com in the 'Members' section. Let me know if you have any allergy requirements, when putting your name down as they will cater for all dietary needs. For further information, **please contact (Susan Alder).**

BOOK CLUB TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER This will be held at Jacqui's to discuss 'If Nobody Speaks of Remarkable Things' by Jon McGregor (as mentioned at the meeting, book club is now full, but if you want to go on the waiting list, please **let Jackie know.**

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL WEDNESDAY 17TH DECEMBER As always, our Christmas social will be festive, so wear your Christmas jumpers, hats or even get your Elf / Santa suits out! Prize for the best dressed! As usual, there will be a festive buffet feast. Sally has *again* agreed to organise this for us. If you can contribute a plate (or help in any way) please let **Sally know**, so she can co-ordinate and ensure there is a variety of food in the spread. Remember, it will be an earlier start and food will be laid out from 7pm. The meeting will start as usual at 8pm.



NON-CLUB SOCIAL

CINEMA Every Tuesday (except the school holidays). Silver Screen at the Odeon, Southend. For further details, please visit: www.londonnet.co.uk/cinema/odeon-southend. For details of school holidays, please visit the Southend-on-Sea City Council website.

WEDNESDAY 3RD TO SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER Southend Drama Society presents: 'The Game's Afoot by Ken Ludwig'. It's December 1936. West End star William Gillette (famous for his portrayal of Sherlock Holmes) has invited his fellow cast members to his Oxfordshire home for a weekend of revelry. But when one of the guests is stabbed to death, the festivities in this isolated house quickly turns dangerous. Then it's up to Gillette himself, to assume the persona of his beloved Holmes to track down the killer. The danger and hilarity are non-stop in this whodunnit spoof/farce. The play is at the Palace Theatre's Dixon Studio, 7:30pm with a Saturday matinee at 2:30pm. Tickets are £18 and £16 concession. Box Office: 0343 310 0030. Our member, Peter Nawrat, is playing the part of Felix Geisel. I hope to see as many members as possible. Thank you.

*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 17TH DECEMBER,
8pm at the Constitutional Club, 116 - 118, Elm Road, Leigh-on-Sea, SS9 1SQ.**