

THE INVICTA

**THE NEWSLETTER OF AVIVA FELLOWSHIP (INVICTA)
JUNE 2013**

Hello everybody. In this newsletter we have a message from our Chairman and we set out an exciting programme for the coming months.

CHAIRMAN'S PIECE

Since the publication of the last Newsletter our AGM took place at Kings Hill Community Centre in West Malling on 12th April. 39 people attended this event which was slightly down on previous years due to some last minute cancellations. Apart from enjoying the customary free lunch, we had the added benefit of a speaker from the Air Ambulance Trust who delivered a most informative presentation about their work, highlighting the large sums of money the charity needs to raise annually to continue providing this valuable service. The profit from the bar combined with the proceeds from the raffle and other donations on the day contributed to the magnificent sum of £160 we were able to give to the Air Ambulance. I would like to record a big 'thank you' to all those who gave so generously.

The business part of the AGM was most encouraging. Not only did the existing committee agree to continue in office for a further year (and were re-elected) but we now have a Vice- Chairman! Welcome aboard Richard Haynes and my thanks to the other committee members for their continued support.

I have referred on previous occasions to the challenges the Fellowship faces going forward not least of which is to increase significantly the percentage of members participating in the organised activities and the need to be more successful in engaging the interest of new members. Representatives from our committee will be joining forces with their opposite numbers from the other areas in our region to address these challenges during a one day 'workshop' on 24th June. The result of our deliberations will be published next time.

Barry Summerfield

FUTURE EVENTS

In the coming months, we have regular ten-pin bowling, a pub lunch, a visit to the Tunbridge Wells theatre and to the West End theatre, and a visit to an impressive Manor House and gardens in addition to the guided tour of the home of Charles Darwin that we advertised in the last newsletter.

TEN PIN BOWLING

Our monthly bowling meetings near Tunbridge Wells are continuing. If you wish to give it a try, please contact Shirley Leatt for details.

PUB LUNCH

Our next pub lunch takes place on Tuesday 30th July from noon onwards at The Old Vine in Cousley Wood from 12 noon. This pub and its food got high praise from all who came to our last lunch there so it is strongly recommended.

To get to the pub, take the A21 and approaching Lamberhurst avoid taking the bypass but head into the village where you turn off onto the B2100 (on the right if approaching from the north) and stay on this road for a few miles. The Old Vine is on your left with a good amount of parking.

If you wish to go please return the attached form to Laurie Thompson by 19th July or reply by email to publunches@invictamaid.org.

VISIT TO GODINTON HOUSE

We have arranged a private tour of Godinton House at 11am on Wednesday 4th September.

Godinton House is an ancient Jacobean house complete with a medieval hall, with beautifully furnished rooms offering 500 years of history, plus 12 acres of formal and wild gardens. It is situated on the A20 just east of Ashford. From junction 9 on the M20 follow signs for Lenham A20. About a quarter of a mile after the second roundabout there is a signpost for the house on the left opposite the Hare and Hounds pub.

The cost is £8 per person. A ploughmans lunch plus tea or coffee is available afterwards at an additional £8 per person. If a ploughmans is required please specify from a choice of cheese, ham, pate or mixed cheese and ham.

If you wish to go, please complete the attached form and return it to Barry West by 15th August.

WEST END THEATRE

I have a limited number of tickets for the matinee performance of The Ladykillers at the Vaudeville Theatre on Wednesday 16th October at the discounted price of £29.50. IF you wish to go please return the attached form with your cheque which must reach me by Thursday 27th June at the latest. Tickets will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS THEATRE

The next production by the TWODS at the Assembly Halls Theatre in Tunbridge Wells is Oklahoma. Tickets are priced at £15 for front stalls or circle and £17 for rear tiered stalls. Tickets will be obtained for the evening performance on Wednesday 27th November at 7.30 for those wishing to go. If you wish to go, please complete the attached form and return it together with your cheque, to Barry Summerfield by end of June.

We would also like to know whether for future productions you would prefer to attend the matinee or the evening performance. Matinees are a little cheaper but this is rather offset by the cost of parking.

THE INVICTA VIA THE INTERNET

If you are receiving your copy of The Invicta through the post and would like to try our electronic delivery service under which we send you an email with the newsletter attached, send an email to Ken Morcombe at newsletter@invictamaid.org and we will set you up on our email distribution list.

The editor of The Invicta is Ken Morcombe who can be contacted via email at newsletter@invictamaid.org.

To Barry Summerfield

I wish to go to see Oklahoma in Tunbridge Wells on 27th November

Name _____

Address _____

Post Code _____

Telephone _____

Number attending _____

I wish to sit in front stalls/ tiered rear stalls/ Circle (Please indicate preference)

I enclose a cheque payable to Aviva Fellowship (Invicta) for £ _____ (£15 per head in front stalls and circle and £17 per head in rear tiered stalls)

PLEASE REPLY BY END OF JUNE

Would you prefer future bookings to be for matinees ? YES?NO

To Laurie Thompson

I wish to attend the pub lunch at The Old Vine on 30th JULY

Name _____

Address _____

Post Code _____

Telephone _____

Number attending _____

PLEASE REPLY BY 19th JULY

To Barry West

I wish to attend the visit to Godinton House on 4th September

Number attending _____

**I/We would like a ploughmans lunch. YES/NO. Please indicate your choice is
Cheese/Ham/ Pate/Mixed Cheese and Ham**

Name _____

Address _____

Post Code _____

Telephone _____

**I enclose a cheque for £ _____ payable to Aviva Fellowship (Invicta) £8 each for the tour
plus £8 each for lunch**

PLEASE REPLY BY 15th AUGUST

To Ken Morcombe

I would like tickets for The Ladykillers on 16th October.

Name _____

Address _____

Post Code _____

Telephone _____

Number of tickets required _____

I enclose a cheque for £ _____ payable to Aviva Fellowship Invicta (£29.50each)

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 27th JUNE