

The Friends of Osterley Park

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NEWSLETTER

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and

AGM Papers



Chairman's Report

John James



Welcome to our Spring newsletter. Certainly we had some very warm days at the end of February which encouraged Spring flowers to come out early, then we had gale force winds and as I write this we are now going into another cold snap. Work has already begun in the Osterley Park gardens in readiness for planting. As you know we annually give financial support for the flower growers. We also recently started to give financial support to the House's costume department which needed help in upgrading and maintaining the costume stock. Costume Days are very popular and the Costume Department wanted to keep this activity going. The Made for the Table exhibition has just finished after a very successful winter opening. It was well advertised on the tube network. The February/March issue of our local publication "Out and About" also advertised the exhibition on its front cover, as well as a feature inside. It also continues to have an article on gardening by Andy Eddy, which this time highlighted the restoration of Osterley Park's Garden House.

Many of you will have received the Hounslow Council Conservation Area Appraisal consultation paper, which included the Osterley Park area. Mike Doran, our committee member, oversees our Community Links and Publicity. He sent an excellent response on behalf of the Friends. If you would like a copy of the response you can email him – his email address is on the back of the newsletter.

We have held three coffee mornings this year, our first on the 15th January with Hannah Wiltshire Programme Officer on plans for the year. On the 12th February Peter Bush gave a most interesting talk on the Stones of Osterley and on the 6th March Lyndsey Feeney gave an update on Experience Design which is the NT's process for looking at how a property can develop its business profile, covering visitors, services and funding over a ten year period. Further coffee mornings are Friday 5th April Douglas Craik on Friends' Donations, Wednesday 22nd May Ffion George on the House and Collections, Monday 17th June Margaret Friday on The Baltics and Monday 15th July Ed Hewison Outdoor Activities. Our AGM details are included in this newsletter and will take place on Wednesday 8th May, 4.30 for 5 p.m. Tea/coffee will be available on arrival. After the official business of the AGM wine and soft drinks will be served, the 100 Club draw will take place and there will be a membership quiz, followed by an overview of property news by Neil Cole.

Hope to see you then, if not before.

Tale of 2 (seater) Buggies

Douglas Craik

In 1992 the Friends purchased a 2 seater tricycle self drive electric buggy. There is no photo of this and it was abruptly taken out of use in 1997 after “an incident”. I guess it tipped over, easy with a tricycle if the two passengers were of very different weights.



After considerable searching a new green 4 wheeled buggy was bought in 2002, partly paid for by the Friends and ENTA. This took a long time to obtain and was fairly expensive because it was a hand built prototype. This was very popular with less mobile visitors as they could be accompanied by a companion and either could drive. Unfortunately by 2016 it started to break down frequently and it was impossible to get parts (due to it being a prototype). No replacement could be found in the UK (readily available in USA and China) as the law had changed and 2 seat buggies were illegal to use on public roads or pavements, so could only be used on private ground, which meant there was little demand for them.



However at the end of January 2019 a 2 seat buggy was spotted on ebay. It was being sold by an established buggy retailer (in Norfolk) and was a variant of the common “shoprider” range but this model is usually only on sale in the USA, how it came to the UK was a mystery. However a quick purchase

was made by the Friends and it arrived at Osterley on 1st February to go into service. In the spring.



Parking at Osterley

Did you know that if you scan your National Trust membership card at one of the machines in Osterley Park car park (no cost to you) then the property gets £1 from NT central funds- an easy and cheap way to give money for Osterley

Membership Renewal

Keith Rookledge

Welcome the new season at Osterlye! You will have already received your membership renewal form with the last newsletter and over 100 of you have already renewed. Thank you for being so diligent!

We are looking forward to remainder of you sending back your form.

One final point, post goes up in April so get your renewals in before that date. PLEASE remember to enclose your Stamped and Addressed envelop for your membership card.

Coming events



ABERDEEN Holiday 18-24th July **Douglas Craik**

LNER have moved their Advance Booking date to later so I can still take bookings. There are still 3 spaces left, including twin, double and single rooms. If interested ring me or drop me an email **NOW**. Several people have made their own travel arrangements including flying, sleeper and breaking the journey (our cost to them is reduced by £100 in these cases)- so if the long journey puts you off you could consider these options.

COFFEE MORNINGS BREW HOUSE

10:30 FOR 11:00 UNTIL 12:00ish

Members of Friends £4, others £5

£2.50 pays for Coffee and biscuits

Our monthly programme of coffee morning talks continues, all are welcome and it is a chance to catch up on the latest news from other Friends & staff.

Wednesday 22nd May Ffion George - House & Collections

Monday 17th June Margaret Friday - the Baltics

Monday 15th July Ed Hewison - Outdoor Activities

2020 Programme

About half of our talks are updates on the property from members of staff and the others on subjects that will hopefully be of interest.

We have 6 members as speakers for 2019, If you are willing to do a 30-45 minute talk on any relevant subject in 2020 please tell John James

OSTERLEY HOUSE BOOKGROUP



Meet in the cafe

Tuesday 14th May at 2pm:

The book is



William Wilberforce- The life of the Great Anti-Slave Trade Campaigner
by William Hague

“Please let the Wendy Sim know if you are coming.

wendyasim@BTinternet.com or 020 8979 3834.

For all volunteers, staff and members of Friends of Osterley Park

Coach trips and London Walks **Douglas Craik** **NB Changes**

Wimpole Estate. Coach leaves at 9:00 not 9:30

Pittzhanger Manor Meet from 2:15 for 3:00 tour not 11:00 the 11:00 tour is now only for children, we don't really qualify! I believe I have I have contacted all who booked before the tickets changed so this is just to be sure

City Walking Tour Same time of 2:00pm but for clarification meeting point is In Paternoster Square, (next to St. Paul's) outside "the Happenstance Bar".

The walk will look at stories of interesting ladies and include some new sculptures by women sited around St. Paul's Cathedral. Phil is a member of the Friends of Osterley and a working archaeologist who has dug up many areas in the City. He had just completed training as a City of London guide and is eager to present his new knowledge and answer questions about archaeology in London. Please join us for a look around the old City with an interesting view at the close of the walk

Most of the outings advertised in January can still be booked, form enclosed, **but phone me immediately for Wimpole** and send form and cheque after.

The following outings will be in July Newsletter
Nymans House & Gardens **Angela Lynskey**

Wednesday 14th August

London Visit Clementi House **Margaret Friday** August

Chenies Manor House (plus another nearby property)

Rita Ford Tuesday 17th September

London Visit Brompton Square **M Friday** 10th September

London Visit TBA **Margaret Friday** October

Winchester & City Mill **Barrie Pyle** Wednesday 23rd October

from the 100 club **Douglas Craik**

A draw was held at the coffee morning on the 6th of March and the lucky winners were Jeff Shaw £25, I Sebastian £50 and Christine Diwell £100. All members of the Friends can purchase one or more "shares" in the 100 Club by sending a cheque payable to Friends of Osterley for £12 each share to me. Next draw at the AGM

No Postage Bookings Douglas Craik

I am aware of the increasing postage cost for trip bookings.

If you book with the paper form and a cheque then **if you include your email address** an S.A.E. is not required, I will email you the tickets. (61p saved)

Or if you do online banking then you can book Coach trips or London Visits by email and make payment online You can also make payment at your bank counter using details in 3. below

1. email friendsofosterleypark@gmail.com with the names of trippers, name of trip and amount being paid and where you want to be picked up for coach trips.,

2. I will confirm if there are spaces available

3. You make a bank transfer to **Friends of Osterley**

Sort code **20 02 06** Account number **70389315**

4. I email you the tickets (£1.22 saved)

Ceres, goddess of plenty at Osterley.

Margaret Friday

As it is Spring our newsletter features Ceres goddess of fertility and plenty. Her festival Cerialia is celebrated in March greeting the arrival of Spring.

At Osterley Ceres, or in Greece, Demeter, greets us in the entrance hall with a marble statue (opposite) and a grisaille portrait by Giovanni Battista Cipriani over the fireplace on your right.(front cover) She is one of the twelve recognised gods and goddesses of the Greco - Roman world.

In Greek and Roman mythology Ceres / Demeter is the goddess of agriculture and is worshipped as the earth-mother often associated with grain and seen as the provider of fertility. In the *Hutchinson Dictionary of Symbols in Art Sarah Carr-Gomm describes her as daughter of Saturn and Ops and sister of Jupiter.*

The god of the underworld, Pluto fell in love with Ceres' daughter Proserpina (Persephone) and took her to Hades. Ceres searched for Proserpina everywhere but Jupiter finally revealed that Proserpina, Pluto's queen was underground. Jupiter agreed she could return to earth as long as she had eaten nothing whilst in Hades; however she admitted to eating 7 pomegranate seeds. It was arranged that she spend half of each year on earth with her mother Ceres and the remainder underground with her husband Pluto, returning from the



underworld in spring and summer every year so the earth could flourish again. The pomegranate symbolises the regeneration of spring.

Our grisaille portrait shows Ceres' chariot being drawn by lions - the only goddess to be accompanied by the most powerful cat of all. Here the lion is seen as the guardian of doorways. A man using a plough follows her chariot and a woman embraces a tree. Attendants bearing a tray of fruits and sheaves of grain accompany her. Her life sized marble statue holds fruits in her hands. One of Ceres attributes as the goddess of abundance is a cornucopia - a horn overflowing with the ripest and most luscious fruits. Ceres is sometimes seen with a crown of wheat stalks or carrying sheaves of grain.

The idea of plenty is associated in Roman times with peace, justice and good government. The arms on the wall in the entrance hall support the ideal of peace. When Adam designed the entrance hall at Osterley he hoped that if a citizen of ancient Rome had entered he would have felt at home. The goddess of plenty and the god of wine would have complemented this plan perfectly. The other statues in the entrance hall apart from Ceres are Hercules symbolising courage, strength and the triumph of good over evil, Apollo god of poetry and music, and Minerva representing wisdom.

The statue in the appending apse is of Hercules holding the apples from the garden of Hesperides. The grisaille portrait opposite is of Bacchus, god of wine. Robert and Sarah Child with the help of their architect Robert Adam are showing us that Osterley is a house where generous party celebrations will take place.



In confirmation of this we find Ceres in the Eating Room in a painting called 'An Offering to Ceres' by Cipriani displayed over the fireplace. Here she is being honoured by women and children singing her praises to the sounds of a lyre. This painting overlooks the area where the most exquisite foods available in the eighteenth century were served presented beautifully by the cook, Mrs

Bishop and occasionally a French chef plus the Butler and the Footmen who served at table. The splendour of the scene was set to show any visitor how the Child wealth was centred on having a good time in the classic surroundings designed by Robert Adam.

**Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 8th May 2019
4:30 for 5:00 pm
in the Old Brewhouse, Osterley Park
*After the AGM***

1. 100 Club Draw

2. Membership Quiz

3. Overview of Property News

Neil Cole, General Manager

Members are invited to assemble in the Brewhouse from 4.30 p.m.
for tea/coffee before the formal business begins at 5 p.m.

Wine/soft drinks will be served before the

Overview of Property News by Neil Cole

Cars may be parked in the Stableyard

AGM Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the AGM held on 16th May 2018 (page 10- 13)
3. Annual Report presented by the Chairman on behalf of the Trustees
4. Presentation of certified accounts for year ending 31st December 2018 (pages 14-17)
5. Election of Trustees
6. Appointment of Independent Examiner of the Accounts
7. Any other business

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

**ITEM 2 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING HELD ON 16TH MAY 2018 IN THE OLD
BREWHOUSE, OSTERLEY PARK**

(Pages 10-13)

Present: Committee members John James (Chairman), Douglas Craik, Michael Doran, Patricia James and Joan Mound, and 29 members.

1. Apologies for absence

Carol Baker, John and Stephanie Collis, Jennifer Corbin, Rita Ford, Margaret Friday, Howard Simmons, John Stacey and Sheila Underwood. Neil Cole had also sent sincere apologies for missing the Friends' A.G.M. for the first time in six years. He wished the Friends all well, trusting that the evening would be a huge success. He thanked the Friends for their continued support.

2. Minutes of the A.G.M. held on 17th May 2017

Proposed by Peter Bush, seconded by Sandra Hunkin, the minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2017 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

3. Annual report presented by the Chairman on behalf of the Trustees

3.1 John James said that when we had met at this time last year we were close to finalising the purchase of a new buggy. It was a highlight of the year when we had the official unveiling of the buggy, the Conacher Car, in the stableyard. In our winter 2018 newsletter we had a memorable photograph of the occasion, taken by John Stacey, with Ian Conacher's family and friends present. It was a fitting tribute to Ian and also to his wife Audrey for their immense voluntary contribution to the work of the Friends and to Osterley Park and House.

3.2 We continue to attract new members and keep in touch with quite a few of those members who have left the area. We are one of the few Friends' organisations of a National Trust property, as most supporters' organisations are local, such as Ealing, Wembley and Central London branches. As a small committee we keep our members up to date through our quarterly newsletter, expertly edited by Douglas Craik, who is also our Honorary Treasurer, holiday organiser, and runs the 100 Club. We have regular articles, particularly by our very knowledgeable Margaret Friday, on diverse subjects.

3.3 With Neil Cole's support we regularly hold coffee mornings every

month. We had regular updates from staff on the House and Park, last year from Neil Cole, Lyndsey Feeney Visitor Experience and Marketing, Ffion George House and Collections Manager, Andy Eddy Head Gardener, Sophie Slater Commercial Manager and Jeremy Dalton Head Ranger. We were also grateful for contributions from some of our members and guest visitors, last year Douglas Craik on Osterley bombs and Blitz bomb disposal, Margaret Friday on her trip to Iran, Christine Diwell on historic houses in the borough, Arthur Spikins and others on early volunteering at Osterley and Virginia Fassnidge on "in the Tudor kitchen". Our coach trips continue to be popular and six were held, to Leeds Castle, Sherborne Castle, Lydiard House, Apethorpe Palace, the Shuttleworth Collection and Sudeley Castle. I would like to thank the Trips Group, namely Rita Ford, Margaret Friday, Pat Herod, Angela Lynskey and Barrie Pyle, ably led by Douglas Craik. Margaret Friday once again organised London visits, last year to Keats' House, Queen's House Greenwich, Eastbury Manor, a Georgian Walk, the Museum of Garden History and the Jewel House, Westminster. We held an Autumn Reception at which the speaker was Jim Foy, Assistant Director Operations National Trust London and South East. For the first time we also held a Christmas Lunch in the Brewhouse, much enjoyed by all who attended. Once again I attended London and South East Supporter Group meetings. I also went to the National Trust AGM in Swindon.

3.4. Joan Mound continues to serve on the committee. Her vast experience of the House and Friends is an important contribution to our work. Mike Doran looked after our website and we are most grateful for his I.T. skills. He provides an important link to the Osterley Park community. He also liaised with REACH and advertised the posts of Membership Secretary and Newsletter Editor. We were successful in finding Keith Rookledge as our new Membership Secretary. As a committee we are grateful for the agendas and minutes produced by our Honorary Secretary, Patricia James. I am sorry to say that John Stacey is not standing as a committee member for the time being as he has mobility problems, but when his mobility improves it is hoped to co-co-opt him to the committee. We are grateful to him for his years of support of the Friends, and in particular for so many superb photographs over the years that have appeared in the newsletters. Finally, I would like to thank Douglas, as our Vice-Chairman, for all the work he carries out for the Friends. We meet six times a year and do need to have more people coming forward to join

the committee. Too many voluntary organisations have folded because no-one comes forward to fill the posts once committee members retire. Recently two nearby National Trust supporter groups have closed. We need to share the work and ensure that there will be continuity.

3.5. The report was adopted.

4. Presentation of certified accounts for year ending 31st December 2017

4.1. Douglas Craik gave a presentation on the accounts. Net income amounted to £13,068.98. Income came from three main activities: membership subscriptions, members' activities and "other" (donations/fundraising/gift aid). Membership subscriptions at £2,352 were similar to 2016. Members' activities were up by about £700: 100 Club at £617 about the same, coffee mornings at £617 up £500 as the cost was increased by £1, coach trips at £2,100.70 up £300 due to increased bookings, holiday at £2,925.95 up £400 due to a successful travel insurance claim and London visits at £369 down £500 due to reduced bookings and lower "mark-up" on costs. "Other", up overall up by about £400 after exceptional items (Ian Conacher donations in 2016 and buggy trade-in in 2017). Buggy donations at £2,238 were up £500 to the highest yet, and can be gift aided. General donations at £793 were up by £650, but this included a one-off £750 for the buggy trade-in. Gift Aid at £921.33 was at the usual level

4.2 . Expenditure amounted to £12,134.27. This included £11,262 to the National Trust supporters group donation account, materials for flower growers £254.27 and buggy maintenance £618. Expenditure on newsletter amounted to £460.93 (printing was some £160 of the total); postage costs were reduced by 60 Friends receiving the newsletter on line. General expenditure at £73.34 included the AGM and Autumn Reception costs. The 2016 figure was £247.28 and included payment to the speaker.

4.3 The excess of income over expenditure amounted to 44p. Douglas explained that when there was a surplus or the committee chose not to spend, it went into the Supporters Group Donation Account held by the National Trust on behalf of the Friends. The money could only be used as agreed by the Friends' committee. The Friends had started to use this account four and a half years ago. The amount brought forward on 1.1.17 was £23,975.61.

£15,650 had been transferred out for the buggy and £1,000 for wheelchairs. At the end of the year £11,262 had been transferred in. 4.4 Douglas referred to the subscription charge of £10 plus £1 gift aid, expenditure broken down as 33p running costs, postage £2.17, printing newsletter £2.88, gave to Osterley some £5.50.

4.5 Douglas thanked Patricia Barrett for examining the accounts this year. Patricia in turn thanked Douglas for each year handing over impeccable accounts.

4.6 Barrie Pyle queried Jim Tickle's legacy. It was noted that the money went directly to the House. John James said that the legacy was an item on the agenda for each meeting of the Friends' committee. Uses for the legacy had been discussed and included the possibility of refurbishing the strong room in conjunction with the Goldsmiths' silver exhibition at the House. Barrie said that he would like the money to be spent within a year. John said that he would inform Neil Cole of the view of the A.G.M. and report back to members.

4.7 The adoption of the certified accounts was proposed by Susan Kendrick, seconded by Barrie Pyle and agreed.

5. Election of Trustees

Under the constitution, members could elect between six and ten Trustees, who must be members of the National Trust, to serve for the next year. The present Trustees Douglas Craik, Michael Doran, Margaret Friday, John James, Patricia James, Joan Mound and Keith Rooklidge were prepared to stand for re-election. There were no other nominations. Proposed by Pat Elliott, seconded by Joan Hazell, the above were elected.

6. Appointment of Independent Examiner of the Accounts

It was noted that Patricia Barrett was retiring as Independent Examiner and John James asked anyone interested in taking over to put their names forward.

Patrick Howard said that he would be willing to become Independent Examiner and was thanked

.The meeting was closed.

ITEM 3 ANNUAL REPORT PRESENTED BY THE CHAIRMAN ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

ITEM 4 PRESENTATION OF EXAMINED ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2018

NOTES FROM THE TREASURER

See pages 17 and 18 for The Friends of Osterley Park 2018 accounts which will be formally presented at the AGM on 8th May 2019.

I would like to thank Patrick Howard for “examining” these accounts.

Income

Income comes from 3 main activities

Membership Subscriptions

Members’ activities

Other (Donations/Fund raising/Gift Aid)

Membership Subscriptions

These are slightly up on last year. The income from Subscriptions is over double our “running costs” (Friends Expenditure in the Income and Expenditure Report page 17) with the surplus going toward our donations to the National Trust.

Therefore I do not propose any increase in subscription rates in 2020.

Members’ activities

Overall up about £1,000 on last year

- a) 100 Club, £50 down due to fewer shares
- b) Coffee mornings almost exactly the same
- c) Day coach trips down £400
- d) Holiday up £1.600 due to more people than expected booking, and one place we visited didn’t charge us the expected entry fee..
- e) London Visits about the same

Other

Overall down £300 after exceptional items

- a). Buggy donations down £800 partly due the repeated thefts and some changes to the notices suggesting donations were welcome. The wet Easter and very hot summer also possibly deterred our less mobile visitors
- b) General donations down nearly £800, but 2017 included an exceptional one-off £750 for the “trade-in” of the old Buggy.
- c) Gift Aid was up 50% as an additional source to claim was found..

Expenditure

Expenditure is of two types, donations to the National Trust and operating costs (“Friends Expenditure” in Accounts)

Donations

Overall about the same as last year

Our usual regular donations are

- a) Flower Growers, doubled as last year we were well under our “budget” of £500.
- b) Maintenance of the self drive scooters was not done this year as there are plans to purchase 2 new scooters instead. Maintenance of the Buggy slightly up.

The main donation to the property was funding to the volunteer

costume team, a regular donation will also be made in future years

We also added about £7,000 to our Supporters Group Account

This is held by the National Trust which we can use for donations at any time.

Friends Expenditure

Overall about the same as last year

- a) Newsletter up £100 as we had a coloured issue in 2018
- b) General up a bit as for the first time we paid for tea and coffee at the autumn reception
- c) Postage, mainly for the 114 x 4 posted Newsletters was down, this varies depending on when the stamps are bulk purchased

Net “Profit”

We aim to break even or make a small “loss” as this avoids any tax, this year we made a **profit of £15.96** , this was due to over £15 of interest from HMRC in respect to Gift Aid, an unexpected bonus after the year end balance had been struck

Standing Orders.

We now have about 100 subscriptions made by standing order. This simplifies the collection of income for the Friends and also saves members having to remember to renew and post in their payment.

I would welcome any further additions for next year’s subscriptions.

Gift Aid

We have 126 members signed up but the more the merrier (or wealthier for the Friends).

Douglas Craik, Treasurer

Friends of Osterley Park

Income and Expenditure Account Year 2018

INCOME (£)	2018	2017
Subscriptions	2,462.00	2,352.00
100 Club (Net)	709.00	752.00
Coffee mornings etc	618.00	617.00
Coach Trips (net)	1,726.50	2,100.70
Holiday (net)	4,178.95	2,925.95
London Visits (net)	379.50	369.00
Customer Courtesy Vehicle Donations	1,432.00	2,238.00
Misc Donations	12.00	793.00
Gift Aid	1,407.51	921.33
TOTAL INCOME	12,925.46	13,068.98
EXPENDITURE (£)		
Donations to the National Trust		
Materials for Flower Growers	485.65	254.27
Battery Cars Maintenance	0.00	0.00
Customer Courtesy Vehicle Maintenance	636.00	618.00
Other Donations (Costumes)	3,500.00	0.00
Supporters Group Donation Account	7,328.00	11,262.00
Total Donations	11,949.65	12,134.27
Friends Newsletter	607.74	490.93
General incl AGM and Autumn Reception	128.11	73.34
Postage	224.00	370.00
Friends Expenditure	959.85	934.27
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	12,909.50	13,068.54
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	15.96	0.44

BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2018

TOTAL ASSETS AS AT 31/12/17 5,944.68

Excess of Income over Expenditure in 2017 15.96

Assets at 31/12/17 plus

Excess Income over Expenditure 5,960.64

Bank Balance as at 31/12/18 14,024.13

Deduct cheques not presented 2016 -25.00

Deduct cheques not presented 2017 --50.00

Deduct cheques not presented 2018 -6,045.49

Add Prepayment for 2017 Holiday --2347.00

Add Prepayment for 2017 coach trips 404.00

TOTAL ASSETS AS AT 31/12/16 5,960.64

Supporters Group Donation Account

Brought forward 1/1/18 18,587.61

Transfer in 7,328.00

Carried forward 31/12/18 25,383.61

ITEM 5 ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

Any member may stand for election as a trustee.

Members shall elect between six and ten trustees, who must be members of the National Trust, to serve for the next year. The trustees will retire at the next AGM but may stand for re-election.

If you wish to nominate anyone to go on Committee (including yourself) for the coming year, please send your nomination to: Patricia James (Hon. Secretary)

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ITEM 6 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER OF THE ACCOUNTS

ITEM 7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

After the AGM

100 Club – 1ST DRAW OF 2019/20 SEASON.

Membership Quiz

Glass of wine

Overview of Property News
Neil Cole, General Manager

Diary: Friends Events and Excursions

Tue 9 th April	Coach Trip: 09:00 The Wimpole Estate
Fri 12 th April	London Visit: Charterhouse
Wed 1 st May	London Visit: Pitzhanger Manor 2:15pm NOTE NEW TIME
Wed 8 th May	AGM 4:30 for 5:00 speaker Neil Cole
Tue 14 th May	Coach Trip: 09:00 Upton House & Broughton Castle
Wed 22 nd May	Coffee Morning: Ffion George - House & Collections
Thu 13 th June	London Visit: City sites walking tour
Mon 17 th June	Coffee Morning: Margaret Friday, The Baltics
Wed 26 th June	Coach Trip: 09:00 Coughton Court
Mon 15 th July	Coffee Morning: Ed Hewison - Outdoor Activities
Thu 18 th -24 th Jul	Holiday Aberdeen
NO JULY COACH TRIP OR LONDON VISIT DUE TO HOLIDAY	
Wed 14 th Aug	Coach Trip: Nymans House & Gardens
Aug TBA	London Visit: Clementi House
Wed 28 th Aug	Coffee Morning: Howard Simmons The English Civil War (including Battle of Brent ford)
Tue 17 th Sep	Coach Trip: Chenies Manor House
Tue 10 th Sep	London Visit: Brompton Square
Wed 18 th Sep	Autumn Reception 4:30 for 5:00
Fri 27 th Sep	Coffee Morning: Andy Eddy - Head Gardener
Mon 14 th Oct	Coffee Morning: Virginia Fassnidge, Apples in myth and legend
Wed 23 rd Oct	Coach Trip: Winchester & City Mills
Oct TBA	London Visit: TBA
Tue 12 th Nov	Coffee Morning: Jeremy Dalton - Lead Ranger
Thu 5 th Dec	Coffee Morning: TBA
December	Christmas Lunch TBA

Coach Trips depart from Lakeside Car park and Bus Stop opposite Osterley Station at time indicated above
Coffee Mornings 10:30 for 11:00 in the Brewhouse.

Issue	Published 14th of	Contents
Winter	January	Membership renewal first 3 coach trips First 3 London Visits
Spring	April	AGM papers, membership cards
Summer	July	next 3 coach trips, next 3 London Visits
Autumn	October	next summer holiday booking

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 the current news, meetings, events,
 publications, and membership
 information relating to the work of the
 Friends of Osterley Park in supporting
 Osterley House and Park.

www.e-voice.org.uk/

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If you experience any problems in
 using our website, or have any
 suggestions for its improvement,
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Next newsletter

to be published 14th July 2019.

Any contributions to the Editor

by **30th June**

The Editor may edit ontributions
 if necessary.