

CRANLEIGH & DISTRICT U3A OUTINGS CLUB

ALL MEMBERS OF CRANLEIGH U3A ARE ENTITLED TO APPLY FOR OUTINGS

PLEASE READ THIS PAGE BEFORE BOOKING YOUR OUTINGS

The latest Outings information covering December 2026 – March 2027 is now available on the u3a website:

[Outings - Cranleigh & District](#)

THE BOOKING FORM, which can be found by clicking on the link above (may need to do Ctrl + click) will take you straight to Outings where you will find the visit you wish to attend. Click on the relevant booking form at the bottom of the information. **Complete a separate form for each person for each outing.** Once completed click on SUBMIT and it will automatically go to the organiser of the outing you have chosen. If you wish to travel with another person on the day please use the message facility to contact the organiser.

Online booking payment: Make a **separate** bank transfer for **each** outing, using your membership number and outings code as the reference. Two people coming together can pay in one transfer, although separate booking forms will be necessary. This will create a list of individuals for the organiser, saving them a lot of time.

Bank details are: **Cranleigh & District u3a Outings Club, Sort Code 30-94-41, Account No. 02659121.**

Please ensure you **do not use the main u3a membership account**, which you may have set up on your account.

Cheque payments can still be made. **(we do get bank charges, so would encourage bank transfer).** You can tick the relevant box on the booking form and post a cheque to the organiser of the visit(s) you have chosen. Separate cheque for each outing required.

Due to our new easier booking process, we will be applying a **'first come, first served'** system. The website will show 'booking closed' when the maximum number of applications are received. We will do our utmost to ensure that everyone has a place on at least one outing and you will be informed by email if you are successful. We will have a short waiting list if oversubscribed and you will be repaid if you are eventually unsuccessful with getting on the visit. You will be informed of your number on the waiting list.

If you need to cancel a booking, we cannot buy your ticket back, but, if there is a waiting list the organiser of that outing will try to find a person who can take your place. Any questions regarding a particular outing should be made to the **organiser** of that outing. If an event must be cancelled through lack of support or due to poor weather your money will be refunded, less any cancellation charges.

The prices quoted for all outings include the driver's tip, admission charges where appropriate and administration costs. Please be aware that an itinerary might have to be changed on the day, due to unforeseen circumstances.

If you have any walking difficulties, please inform the Organiser of the outing before you book.

PICK-UP POINTS *All pick up points are shown on the booking form*

If you want to change your pick-up point, or discuss anything about an Outing, please speak to the visit organiser.

DROP-OFF POINTS *At the end of an outing, you can be dropped off at any of the pick-up points or opposite Jewson's on the Common and Cranleigh Arts Centre.*

Please do not request any additional drop-off points.

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THURSDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2026

WEST HORSLEY PLACE

LEATHERHEAD

What to do on a December day? Why not join us on a visit West Horsley Place, with the house dressed for Christmas, and enjoy a tour which includes a mince pie and mulled wine. There is a café in the barn which serve hot drinks and snacks.

West Horsley Place is a Grade I listed medieval manor house and 380-acre estate located in Surrey, famous as the filming location for the BBC comedy series *Ghost*.

A building has existed on the site since Saxon times, with the core of the current timber-framed manor house dating back to 1425.

Henry VIII owned the estate and gifted it to his cousin Henry Courtenay, who later hosted the king there. Its red-brick facade and classic features were added later to conceal the older timber structure. The estate was famously inherited in 2014 by the late TV presenter and author Bamber Gascoigne, who established the [West Horsley Place Trust](#) to fund its restoration.

We will arrive about 11.00am and leave about 2.30, which will get you back to Cranleigh before dark.

COST: £37.50

LEAVING STOCKLUND SQUARE 10.15AM

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FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2027

THE BAYEUX TAPESTRY

AT READING MUSEUM

As the original Bayeux Tapestry proved to be quite difficult to book for our large group we have arranged for a visit to Reading Museum.

The Bayeux Tapestry is one of the world's most famous pieces of medieval art. It is 70 metres long and chronicles the legendary tale of the Norman conquest of England, when William the Conqueror invaded and defeated King Harold Godwinson.

In the late 19th century, an extremely ambitious project was undertaken by a group of Victorian embroiderers to recreate the Bayeux Tapestry in full, painstakingly reproducing every single detail, stitch-by-stitch, so that the Tapestry's timeless story could be enjoyed by the people of Britain. This is the one housed in Reading Museum, and apart from one or two small details is an exact copy. The Museum is in the heart of town with easy access to the centre.

We will be arriving at around 11.45am and split into two groups. I suggest that group one visit the onsite café and browse the museum before their introductory talk and visit to the tapestry at 1.00pm. Group two's talk and tour is at 2.00pm, which gives them the opportunity to walk the short distance to explore Reading shops and have lunch in one of the many cafes. Likewise, after their tour, group one will have an hour to explore the shops.

We will leave for our return to Cranleigh at 3.15pm. What a great thing to do on a possibly grey February day!

COST: £20.00

LEAVING STOCKLUND SQUARE 10.15AM

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MONDAY, 15 MARCH 2027

QUEEN ELIZABETH 11: HER LIFE IN STYLE

KING'S GALLERY, BUCKINGHAM PALACE

Discover the remarkable style of our longest reigning monarch through clothing worn in all decades of her life, from birth to adulthood, from princess to queen, to dressing for the global stage for momentous occasions in Britain's history. Featuring more than 300 items, many on display for the first time. Never before seen design sketches, fabric samples and handwritten correspondence which sheds new light on the Queen's close involvement in the creation of her wardrobe. Highlights include her christening robe, bridesmaid dress, wedding dress, Coronation dress, and many more.

We will be arriving in London by 11.30am and you will have an opportunity to go to a local café for coffee before our tour, which begins at 12.45pm. If you prefer you can bring a picnic lunch. We will need to meet by the King's Gallery entrance by 12.30pm to collect our tickets. The tour last about an hour.

Our coach will pick us up at 2.45pm for our return to Cranleigh.

COST: £38.50

LEAVING STOCKLUND SQUARE 9.20AM

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