**CALARA NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2024**

**TODAYS ENTERTAINER is Chris McCooey speaking about 'Scandals of Kent and Sussex'**

**All will be revealed on the day.**

**MEMBERSHIP- Chris Coleman.**

I still have a lot of Membership cards not yet claimed. If you haven't got yours please see me in the small hall during the tea break.

**ART & CRAFT- Chris Coleman 2nd 3rd and 4th Fridays 2pm-4pm.**

ART -The art group has joined the craft class as there are only 2 artists coming at the moment, which doesn't cover the cost of the Committee room,so it was decided to join the art and craft together in the small hall on Friday afternoons.

CRAFT- We are now working towards the Autumn fete where dare I say that we will be selling Christmas cards and other festive things as well as greeting cards etc. In the meantime don't forget to come and have a look at the cards on display in the small hall as new ones available every month.

**SHORT MAT BOWLS- Chris Frost-Tuesday afternoons.**

The bowls group meet on Tuesday afternoons between 2.45-5.00pm. New members always welcome and equipment can be supplied. Contact Chris Frost 01622 745908.

**MONDAY MOVERS- Barbara Lowe- Monday mornings.**

The Monday Movers exercise class takes place in the small hall on Monday mornings. There are two classes-10.00am and 11.00am.. There will be no classes in August and will be re-starting on 2nd September. Contact Barbara Lowe 01622 296863.

**CRIBBAGE- Gwen Hawkes-Monday afternoons.**

We meet in the Committee room on Monday afternoons from 2.00pm-4.00pm. The cost is £2 including refreshments. We will be running throughout the summer months.

Contact Gwen Hawkes 01622 746847.

**WHIST- Gwen Hawkes- Wednesday afternoons.**

We meet in the Committee room on Wednesday afternoons 1.00pm-3.30pm The cost is £3.50 to cover refreshments,raffle and whist prizes. We are running through the summer months.

Contact Gwen Hawkes 01622 746847.

**SOLITAIRE- Sheila Rosier.**

We are a friendly group for members on their own. We meet on 2nd Tuesday of the month for a cup of tea and a chat. Contact Sheila Rosier 01622 746459.

**HOLIDAYS- Cliff Burke**

The holiday to Cricket St Thomas is now over,and the general consensus seems to be a positive one and everyone seemed to enjoy it(despite the spell of bad weather). Work is now in progress for next years holiday,and if anyone has any initial suggestions,they would be most welcome.

**LUNCHES-Sheila Scott**

Our next lunch will be at the Kings Head Staplehurst who have given us a new menu. It will be on Thursday August 29th at the usual time of 12.30pm.

Menu choices will be required,please make sure you see me during the tea break as numbers will be restricted. Sheila Scott 07443 394615.

**CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL- 24th October.**

I have provisional orders for some members for the Thanksgiving Service at Canterbury Cathedral on Thursday 24th October. The service starts at 11.30 and is organised by KENTARA for all the Kent clubs. The Military Wives from Shorncliffe will be in attendance,and more information is on the notice board. Tickets are free of charge but firm orders are now required and if you wish to join us please see me in the tea break.. Chris Baker 01622 746323

**OUTINGS- CAROLE BURKE**

Battersea Day Trip- Thursday 12th September-just 2 spaces left on the coach and we may be able to get more 'Lift Experience' tickets. Coach only £20.30 or with 'Lift Experience' £37.30. Cash or cheques made payable to Calara. Final balance due today £12 for those who have booked the lift and £10.30 for those paying for the coach.

Broadstairs lunch and Theatre matinee on Saturday 9th November. Deposits required today of £26. Cash or cheques payable to Calara. The final cost will be £53-£57 depending on numbers-but there has been a lot of interest! Contact Carole Burke 07736 104764.

**NEXT MONTHS MEETING-Friday 6th September We will be entertained by Jackie Simmonds 'My Life as a Tiller Girl' who in the 50's and 60's established themselves as the premier dance group on British TV being associated with 'Sunday Night at the London Palladium' Jackie will give us an insight into this fascinating life as a member of this all-girl Dance Troupe.**