

# OUT & ABOUT IN MARCH

## **St Lawrence Church, Alton.**

**Alton Organ Society - Tue 5 at 8 pm.**

Sixth organ concert in Alton Organ Society's 52<sup>nd</sup> year given by Concert Organist Gordon Stewart. For 25 years he has been Borough Organist of Kirklees where he plays regular concerts on the 1860 Father Willis organ in Huddersfield Town Hall. Admission £10 at the door. For more information see [www.altonorgansociety.co.uk](http://www.altonorgansociety.co.uk)

**Mozart and Poulenc Concert - Sat 30 at 7:30pm.**

Luminosa will perform the Mozart Requiem and the Gloria by Francis Poulenc accompanied by the international concert organist Richard Pearce, with soloists from Glyndebourne Opera. Tickets at £12.50 (under 12s at £5) are available via the website [www.luminosamusic.com](http://www.luminosamusic.com) or from Newbury Building Society in Alton High Street.

## **Alton Library, Vicarage Hill, Alton.**

**Death in Peking - Thur 7 at 6:30pm.**

Who really killed Pamela Werner? Peking, a freezing morning in January 1937, and a young woman is discovered murdered. Most mysteriously, her heart has also been stolen. The crime defeated the British and Chinese police and went unsolved. Eighty years on, retired police officer Graeme Sheppard goes through the evidence once more. Examine the evidence, investigate the crime, and discover the real offender from among the nine possible suspects. Contact the Booking Line: 01420 85734 or [www.hants.gov.uk/shop](http://www.hants.gov.uk/shop)

## **Community Centre, Alton.**

**Recycling in East Hampshire - Wed 13 at 7:30pm.**

Sharon Watson from East Hampshire District Council will talk about their policy and answer questions. PLUS Energy Alton AGM – review of 2018 and plans for the future.

**Alton U3A Monthly Lecture – Fri 15 at 2 pm**

*Winchester Cathedral.* - Bill Weeks will give a wonderful lesson about one of our local landmarks. Bill has been a Tour Guide at Winchester Cathedral for the last seven years, and will entertainingly and passionately relate all the detail of this marvellous building. Sit back and be enthralled. All are welcome. Admission is £1.00 which will entitle you to a cuppa and an opportunity to meet other members.

## **Curtis Museum, Alton.**

**Alton Town Walk - Sat 16 at 11 am.**

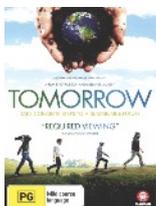
A guided walk around Alton where you will learn about the town's historic sites. Organised by Alton Community Association. £3 for adults and 50p for children (age 5 - 16). More information from the Community Centre. (01420 85057)

## **Four Marks Village Hall.**

**Saturday Night Dancing - Sat 16 at 8 pm**

Ballroom, Latin and Party Sequence dancing. Tickets £6.50. Please reserve in advance from Alan Amor on 07758 589441 or email [alanamor@ymail.com](mailto:alanamor@ymail.com). Future dates: 22 Jun, 20 Jul.

## **Alton Maltings Centre, Maltings Close.**



**Film screening - Fri 22 at 6pm to 9:30pm.**

Energy Alton, the Alton Society and Alton Local Food Initiative present a screening of the inspirational film "Tomorrow". The film shows how we can reduce global warming and live better. It's a film about

local solutions to global problems. Food and drink available, and time to talk about the film afterwards.

**Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat - Fri 29 at 7:30pm. & Sat 30 at 2:30 and 7:30pm.**

Strictly Showtime's students aged 7-12 put on a full scale performance of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat. Tickets £9 (adults), £5 (16 and under). [www.strictlyshowtime.co.uk](http://www.strictlyshowtime.co.uk)

## **Alton Abbey, Beech, GU34 4AP.**

**Concert - Fri 22 at 6:30 for 7:30pm..**

University of Winchester Music Centre presents a concert featuring our Folk Band, Folk Choir and String Gems who will be joining forces to offer a fascinating programme of folk and classical music for you to enjoy. They will be joined by soloists from the ensembles to complete an evening of beautiful music, there will be something for everyone! Tickets £15.00 available from "Tickets", Friends of Alton Abbey, Alton Abbey, Beech, Alton, GU34 4AP. Cheques should be made payable to "Friends of Alton Abbey". Please include a SAE & a telephone number and/or email address. For information: ☎ 01428 712938 [friendsofaltonabbey@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofaltonabbey@gmail.com)

## APRIL EVENTS

### **Alton Library, Vicarage Hill, Alton.**

**Card Making - Mon 1 - Mon 29 from 1:30 to 4:30pm.**

Create a range of different cards and have fun doing so, in a supportive and encouraging atmosphere. Learners are encouraged to use a wide range of different techniques, including those that they may not have tried before. Price: Free for new learners this academic year, otherwise £60. Booking essential.

**Origami - Mon 1 - Mon 29 from 10am to 1pm.**

Create a range of different Origami creations and have fun doing so, in a supportive and encouraging atmosphere. Learn about the history of Origami whilst making. Learners will be encouraged to use a wide range of different folding techniques, including those that they may not have tried before. Price: Free for new learners this academic year, otherwise £60. Booking essential. [www.hants.gov.uk/shop](http://www.hants.gov.uk/shop)

### **St Lawrence Church, Alton.**

**Alton Organ Society - Tue 2 at 8 pm.**

Seventh organ concert in Alton Organ Society's 52<sup>nd</sup> year given by David Dunnett. He has been Organist at Norwich Cathedral since January 1996 and was also Master of the Music 1996-2007.. Admission £10 at the door. For more information see [www.altonorgansociety.co.uk](http://www.altonorgansociety.co.uk)

### **Community Centre, Alton.**

**Alton U3A Monthly Lecture – Fri 12 at 2 pm**

*A View from the Wings* - Brian Freeland. The stage manager's view from the prompt corner is very different from that from your comfortable seat in the Stalls or Circle. Reality theatre, no retakes and as reviews say "slightly saucy". All are welcome. Admission is £1.00 which will entitle you to a cuppa and an opportunity to meet other members.

For inclusion of your event in this feature send details by email to [Editor@fourmarksnews.co.uk](mailto:Editor@fourmarksnews.co.uk) to arrive by 12th of the month prior to publication.

## Curtis Museum, Alton.

Alton Town Walk - Sat 20 at 11 am.

A guided walk around Alton where you will learn about the town's historic sites. Organised by Alton Community Association. £3 for adults and 50p for children (age 5 - 16). More information from the Community Centre. (01420 85057)

## Alton Abbey, Beech, GU34 4AP.

Open Days - Sat 27 & Sun 28 12 noon to 5 pm.

Mosaic demonstration. Beautiful Stationary, Secondhand Books and Hadeel Fair Trade Products from Palestine for sale. Organ /Piano Recitals at 3pm both days If you have never discovered the beauty and peacefulness of the Abbey come this time; if you have been before, come back to rediscover the joy. Entrance £3. Tea & cake £3. For information: ☎ 01428 712938 [friendsofaltonabbey@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofaltonabbey@gmail.com)



Spring may have arrived, despite the odd sharp frost and a bit of fog but the Snowdrops managed to survive the snow we had and have been poking their heads through. Now we look forward to a myriad of crocus and daffodils and other Spring favourites.

Rain came on 5<sup>th</sup> February in time for our first meeting of the year with John Wood from Hinton Ampner talking about its history and extensive gardens. John did a great job and we all enjoyed his sense of humour! It's much appreciated that over 60 people came out on a horrible night, but everyone enjoyed themselves.

Gardening is indeed a year-round occupation and we all look for inspiration throughout the seasons. Help is at hand with various talks, outings and ideas from the Gardeners Club events coming up. Dates for the diary can be found at

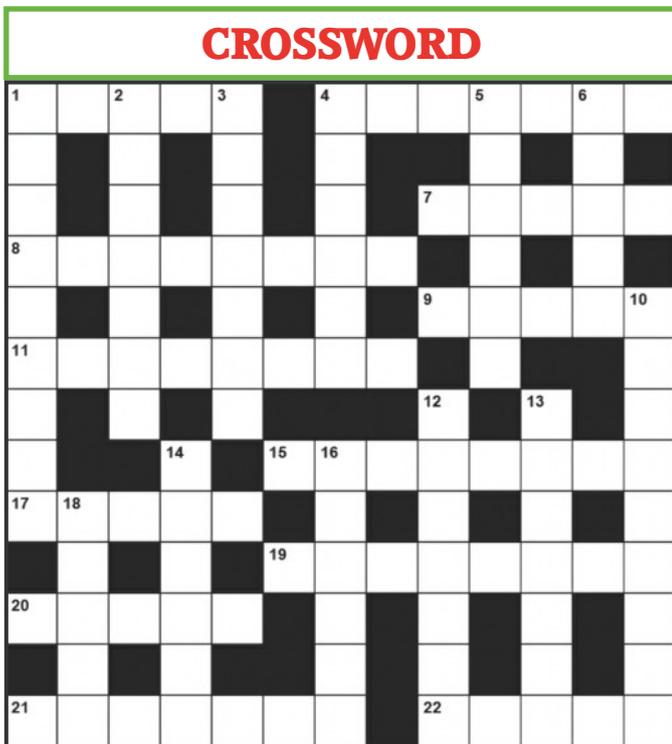
[www.medsteadgardenersclub/xyz/events](http://www.medsteadgardenersclub/xyz/events).

The Annual Plant Sale is on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May and it's time to prepare to sow seeds, think about and plan what perennials can be divided, and are there any cuttings that can be taken and grown on? So much to do.

We were overwhelmed with last's years' response to the Plant Sale with so many people coming along, and over 1200 plants were sold. A big thank you to everyone who came and supported us and bought plants. The sale this year will be open to buyers from 10.30am through to 12.00 noon and we will have a lot to choose from: Perennials, bedding, fruit bushes, starter vegetable packs, tomatoes, and much more. Refreshments will be available whilst you queue!

Our next meeting is at Medstead Village Hall on 5<sup>th</sup> March. Doors open at 7.15pm and Judith Needham will be talking about Willow Weaving and giving us a demonstration which starts at 7.45pm. Refreshments will be available.

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at Medstead Village Hall. Doors open at 7.15pm and speaker/event starts at 7.45pm. The whole 2019 programme is in place and can be found on the website with speakers, outings and a special guest speaker in June!!! Membership is held at £8 per person from February to December 2019.



## CROSSWORD

### Across

- 1 - Move sideways (5)
- 4 - Small onion-like bulb (7)
- 7 - Deduce or conclude (5)
- 8 - Deserving blame (8)
- 9 - Rice dish (5)
- 11 - Bogs or marshes (8)
- 15 - Policy of direct action (8)
- 17 - Impress a pattern on (5)
- 19 - Similarity (8)
- 20 - Foresee or predict (5)
- 21 - Impartial (7)
- 22 - Nick \_\_\_\_ : former Liberal Democrat leader (5)

### Down

- 1 - Individual samples (9)
- 2 - US currency (pl) (7)
- 3 - Large area of land (7)
- 4 - Abandon a plan (6)
- 5 - Legume (6)
- 6 - Last Greek letter (5)
- 10 - Serious or unfriendly (9)
- 12 - Of great size (7)
- 13 - Firm providing flights (7)
- 14 - Quantity (6)
- 16 - French fashion designer (6)
- 18 - Armistice (5)

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