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Letter from the Chair



Welcome to our Newsletter which is bursting with events and groups to tempt you. Please check our website for the latest information. We try to keep the website up to date regarding cancellations and changes of times or venues which are unfortunately sometimes unavoidable. We will be working with our Group Contacts over the next few months to improve the online information.

I look forward to meeting members at our AGM on Monday 5 October at 10.30am at Letchworth Settlement. The agenda is on page 24.

The AGM is followed by a talk by TV antiquarian Eric Knowles; see page 3 for details. Non-members who may wish to hear him, will be admitted after 11am if there is space.

Lastly, why not treat yourself to lunch at The Broadway Hotel and take advantage of their new discount to LALG members. They now offer 20% off small plates and 30% off large plates and steaks ordered from 12 noon to 2.30pm during the week. Many thanks to The Broadway Hotel for this offer and for hosting many of our groups. Full details of all our discounters are on pages 44 and 45.

Jackie Harber

Committee News

- We are delighted to report that membership of LALG has now reached 3,000. Most new members are recruited through word of mouth; so please keep spreading the word!
- There is no Committee meeting in October due to the AGM which is on Monday 5 October at 10.30am in the Kincaid Hall at The Settlement. The agenda is on page 24 and the accounts are at lalg.org.uk/financial. They will also be available at the AGM.
- Our next Committee meeting is on Monday 16 November at 7.30pm at Mrs Howard Hall. If you would like to attend or submit an item for discussion, please email Tessa at secretary@lalg.org.uk.

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Trips & Events



Open Meetings lalg.org.uk/OpenMeetings

Kincaid Hall, Letchworth Settlement, Nevells Road SG6 4UB. Limited parking onsite; 2 hours' free parking by the lido and by the bowls club on Icknield Way. LALG members £4 (no charge in October); non-members £6. No need to book. Tea/coffee available before the talk at £1 per mug (free at AGM).

Monday 5 October, 10.30am (doors open 10am) Free to LALG members
Non-members admitted after AGM

This meeting will start with LALG's short Annual General Meeting. It is followed by a talk by Eric Knowles, best known for TV's Antiques Roadshow and Bargain Hunt. It is called **Tales From a North Country Antiquarian**.

Eric was born in Nelson in 1953 and inherited a love of antiques from his parents. He joined Bonhams, the London auctioneers, as a porter in the ceramics department, becoming head of the department in 1981. Eric has written books on subjects including Victoriana, Art Nouveau, Art Deco, Lalique and Royal Memorabilia. He has lectured in the UK at museums such as the V&A and the British Museum, as well as in the USA and Canada.

Monday 2 November, 10.30am (doors open 10am)

Our main speaker is Dr Matthew Bothwell, Public Astronomer at Cambridge University's Institute of Astronomy. More details about this and the first speaker will be published on our web page nearer the time.

Monday 7 December, 10.30am (doors open 10am)

Barry and Gill Goodman make a welcome return with **Down the Canal** – the story of Britain's canals in words, pictures and song.

Contact: Jackie H 07578 466982; openmeetings@lalg.org.uk



London Places lalg.org.uk/London_places

We travel to places of interest in London, usually by train and tube. Tickets usually cover the cost of entry and a guide, if applicable; so transport and refreshments are extra. Our trips are very popular, and we typically make a visit every two months.

We are looking for one or two people to help us with arranging these visits; **could you help?** Please get in touch for a no-strings chat.

Group Contacts:

Elaine Fox/ Tony Kuczys 01462 735642; london_places@lalg.org.uk

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Trips & Events



London Walks lalg.org.uk/London-walks

Mondays 5 and 12 October - waiting list for both dates

Alexandra Palace/Park, led by Monica, booking: LWoctober@lalg.org.uk

Thursdays 12 (full) and 19 and Saturday 28 November

Clerkenwell, led by Jocelyn, booking: LWnovember@lalg.org.uk

These walks include stops for refreshments and lunch. We travel to London by off-peak train and return late afternoon. Booking is essential. We charge £5 each towards the leader's expenses. For more details, see our web page.

Group Contact: Craig Smith 07429 206091; london-walks@lalg.org.uk



Moon Walk lalg.org.uk/moon-walk

Tuesday 22 December, 7pm

Meet at Weston Village Green. Bring a torch and suitable footwear for footpaths. Our maximum distance will be 4 miles. **Booking essential.**

Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537 moon-walk@lalg.org.uk



Theatres and Excursions lalg.org.uk/theatresandexcursions

Friday 4 December (afternoon performance)

Christmas Celebration

Waiting list available

Royal Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London.

With the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and Bach Choir.

Conductor: Sir John Rutter

Cost £52 (£55 non-LALG), includes coach, carol sheets and mid-arena seat.

Coach leaves Letchworth Station bus stop, by the car park, at 12.30pm.

Group Contact: Malcolm King 01462 677329; theatresandexcursions@lalg.org.uk



Train Buddies lalg.org.uk/trainbuddies

Thursday 22 October, 9am to 7.15pm

Our last trip of the year – an autumnal visit to Broadstairs. Postponed from July because of one of our summer heatwaves. Note this trip is a week earlier than normal to make the most of British Summer Time.

Train times are on the webpage or available from Geoff.

Group Contact: Geoff Morse 07714 503671; trainbuddies@lalg.org.uk



Trips Group lalg.org.uk/trips

This group complements all the other trips and excursions run by LALG. For local trips we travel by car, and for those further afield, by train. We go to cities, towns and villages; historic houses; seaside resorts; annual events; museums and other places of interest. We hope to recommence in the Spring.

Group Contact: Sally Cannon trips@lalg.org.uk

Delivering Leaflets **Tuesday 27 October, 10.30am**

Meet at the Grange shops, Southfields, Letchworth SG6 4NB to deliver information about LALG to homes on the Grange. If you intend to come, or if you could deliver in your local area, please contact William Armitage: 01462 643537; publicity@lalg.org.uk.

Trips & Events



Visiting Churches lalg.org.uk/visitingchurches

We are a non-religious group that is interested in churches and other places of worship – their architecture, monuments, art and history – and the people who have been associated with them over the years.

Wednesday 4 November

St Margaret's Church and Westminster Cathedral

We start at St Margaret's, 'parish church of the House of Commons', associated with many famous people and a window reputedly part of Catherine of Aragon's dowry.

We will then go to the Cathedral, the Mother Church for Catholics in England and Wales, for a guided tour plus optional trip up the bell tower and free organ recital. Details and tickets at lalg.org.uk/Westminster.

Group Contact:

Ann visitingchurches@lalg.org.uk



Visiting Towns and Cities lalg.org.uk/visit-towns-and-cities

We visit towns and cities in England. We usually travel by rail and stay one or two nights. Ideas for future trips would be very welcome.

Group Contact:

Jill Chaffey 07855 729556; visit-towns-and-cities@lalg.org.uk

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CONDUCTOR: JEFFREY GRAY

Letchworth Choral Society is registered as a charity in England and Wales, Charity No. 1214241

Dinner Party Club 2

Thursday 29 October, 7.30pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Letchworth SG6 3NZ

If you love cooking and enjoying good food in relaxed company, come to this new group's initial planning meeting.

We expect to meet monthly in each other's homes, taking it in turns to host.

Contact: Jackie 07970 407635; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Enjoying Mathematics

Thursday 8 October, 10.30am

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Norton Way South, Letchworth SG6 1NX

Maths evolved over 10,000 years ago, starting with practical counting and progressing to more advanced uses and calculations. Maths can be fun with puzzles, challenges and games. If you are interested but cannot make the first meeting, please contact William to get on the list. There may be an interest for an advanced and a basic maths group.

Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Environmental Book Group

Wednesday 14 October, 11am

Broadway Hotel Bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ

Are you interested in reading and discussing books on environmental subjects chosen by the group? At this first meeting we will discuss the range of topics we want to cover and when and how often to meet.

Contact: Sue Lines on 07866 110833 ; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Fashion, Dress, Style and Decoration

Friday 16 October, 12 noon

Miss Green Fingers, Eastcheap, Letchworth SG6 3DE

We have some interest in the group but not enough to guarantee success. We would welcome your ideas to get this group going.

Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Film Appreciation 2

Our original Film Appreciation group is full so we would like to start a second group. We would probably meet in each other's homes to discuss a film, generally available online or in cinemas. Please get in touch if this would interest you.

Contact: Jackie 07970 407635; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Flowers in Your Garden

Our September meeting was held after the deadline for this newsletter. There will be more news in the next edition.

Contact:

William Armitage 01462 643537; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Living with Climate Change and Extreme Weather

This group could discuss, share ideas and learn about what climate change means and how we will have to adapt in everyday life in the home and at work. This is not a campaigning group. If interested, please let William know your preferred day or evening for future meetings.

Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Lunch Club 2

Our original Lunch Club is full so we would like to start a second one. We will probably meet monthly at a different pub or restaurant each time. Please get in touch if this would interest you.

Contact: Jackie 07970 407635; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Recorders for Fun 2

Our original Recorders for Fun is full so we would like to start a second group. We already have six possible members and would welcome more. Please get in touch if this would interest you.

Contact: Jackie 07970 407635; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Rock n Roll

Friday 16 October, 10.30am

Miss Green Fingers, Eastcheap, Letchworth SG6 3DE

Eddie Cochran, Gene Vincent, Chuck Berry, Elvis, Jerry Lee Lewis, Little Richard etc. This group would look at the lives and music of the artists and maybe some jiving sessions. If you are interested but unable to attend, please contact William to be added to the list.

Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Studying Drama

Wednesday 14 October, 11.30am

David's Bookshop Café, Eastcheap, Letchworth SG6 3DE

For anyone interested in drama, playwrights and performance. Members could discuss production, great actors, comedy, crime and plays with a serious message. We need six people to start. Please contact William to get on the list. If you are interested but unable to attend or if you prefer evenings please let William know.

Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Traditional Crafts Discussion and Visiting Group

Thursday 15 October, 11.30am

Miss Green Fingers, Eastcheap, Letchworth SG6 3DE

Including metalwork, jewellery, leatherwork, wood, stone, marble and more. If you are interested but unable to attend, please let William know so you can be added to the list.

Contact:

William Armitage 01462 643537; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Tuesday Painting Group

We are hoping to start a new painting group on Tuesdays, 9am to 12 noon at Jackmans Community Centre. Each 10-week session will cost around £50 if we can get 12 painters interested. Free tea/coffee and ample free parking.

Contact: Neville 01462 230579; newideas@lalg.org.uk

Could you help?

Could you spare a little time to support LALG groups, or help to launch new ones? You would only be asked to help with things that interest you and there is plenty of support available. No special skills are needed, just a wish to support LALG. Please contact Jackie in the Group Support Team on **07970 407635** or groupsupport@lalg.org.uk.



All Things Music lalg.org.uk/all-things-music

Monthly on a Friday, 2 - 4pm

Broadway Gallery (above Wetherspoons), 2 The Arcade SG6 3ES.

Each meeting has a theme; we all speak about our choices and play a snippet and chat around the topic and much wider! All welcome.

Group Contact:

Mary Patrick 07872 909643; all-things-music@lalg.org.uk



Art Appreciation lalg.org.uk/artappreciation

Tuesday 20 October, 7.30pm

Depiction of women in Renaissance Christian Art

Tuesday 17 November, 7.30pm - Sir Stanley Spencer

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. We love art. Every member leads a discussion or presentation on a subject of their choice. We also have a convivial chat and gossip! You are more than welcome to join us.

Group Contact:

Jon Marsh artappreciation@lalg.org.uk



Bob Dylan and Friends lalg.org.uk/bob-dylan

Wednesday 14 October, 10.30am - Rock music in film and documentaries, legendary concert films and retrospectives capturing the spirit of rebellion

Wednesday 11 November, 10.30am - Jimmy Webb's "greatest song ever."

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Norton Way South SG6 1NX.

A discussion group looking at the works of Dylan and other singer-songwriters.

Group Contact:

John Bray 07767 707141; bob-dylan@lalg.org.uk



British History Reading Group lalg.org.uk/britishhistory

Thursday 15 October, 7.30pm - *Among the Bohemians: Experiments in Living, 1900 – 1939* by Virginia Nicholson

Thursday 19 November, 7.30pm

Empire: How Britain Made the Modern World by Niall Ferguson

We are studying Western Europe from the fall of the Roman Empire up to around 750 AD. Although we are still focusing on British history we sometimes venture beyond. All welcome.

Group Contact: Don Dowling 01462 678934; britishhistory@lalg.org.uk



Children's Books lalg.org.uk/childrensbooks

Tuesday 20 October, 7.30pm - *The Little Prince* by Antoine De Saint-Exupéry

Tuesday 17 November, 7.30pm - *Flambards* by K M Peyton

We enjoy reading classic and current books aimed at children, from picture books to teen fiction. We discuss the content, writing style, format and relevance to the period in which it was written.

Group Contact:

Jane Faulkner childrensbooks@lalg.org.uk



Cinema lalg.org.uk/cinema

Friday 2 October, 2pm-3.45pm, via Zoom

A discussion of 'omnibus films' based on the 18-part anthology *Paris, Je T'aime* (120 minutes) (See our webpage for YouTube details).

Friday 6 November, 2pm-3.45pm, via Zoom

Polish cinema, specifically Paweł Pawlikowski's films *Ida* and *Cold War*.

Group Contact: Rob Townsend 07903 946334; cinema@lalg.org.uk



Creative Writing for All lalg.org.uk/creative-writing

Every Monday, 10am

Broadway Hotel bar, Letchworth SG6 3NZ. The emphasis is on short stories and flash fiction. We bring work and write short pieces to read and discuss. Enjoy writing and a good chat with coffee and a few laughs. No charge.

Group Contact:

Tony Faulkner 07414 780177; creative-writing@lalg.org.uk



Crime and Murder Mystery Book Group lalg.org.uk/crimebookgroup

Monday 26 October, 7.30pm *The Name of the Rose* by Umberto Eco

Monday 30 November, 7.30pm *A Death in Tokyo* by Keigo Higashino

We meet in the bar of the Broadway Hotel. We are currently full but please get in touch to go on our waiting list.

Group Contact:

Jenny Gosling 01462 895878; crimebookgroup@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Crime and Murder Mystery Book Group 2 lalg.org.uk/crime-book2

Monday 12 October, 7pm *Postmortem* by Patricia Cornwell

Monday 9 November, 7pm *Daisy Darker* by Alice Feeney

We usually meet in the bar of the Broadway Hotel, Letchworth SG6 3NZ. This friendly group is now full. Please get in touch to go on our waiting list.

Group Contact:

Tish 07530 536576; crime-book2@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Daytime Book Group lalg.org.uk/daytimebook

Monday 12 October, 2pm *The Island Beneath The Sea* by Isabel Allende

Monday 9 November, 2pm *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See

We meet at Letchworth library at 2pm. Please see our webpage for details of books we have read since 2013.

Group Contact:

Hazel Irwin 01462 730498; daytimebook@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Daytime Book Group 2 lalg.org.uk/daytimebook2

Thursday 1 October, 10.30am *The Swift and the Harrier* by Minette Walter

Thursday 5 November, 10.30am *Raising Hare* by Chloe Dalton

We meet in the Broadway Hotel Bar, Letchworth SG6 3NZ.

Group Contact:

Yvonne 07484 136164 and Ella 07932 048497; daytimebook2@lalg.org.uk



DH Lawrence Study Group lalg.org.uk/dhlawrence

Thursday 15 October, 10.30am to 12 noon *The Rainbow*

Thursday 19 November, 10.30am to 12 noon *Women in Love*

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Letchworth SG6 1NX

We discuss this controversial author's novels, poems, plays, letters, short stories and paintings. Small charge towards room hire. No need to book.

Group Contact: Susan L 07930 439682; dhlawrence@lalg.org.uk



Fairfield Book Group lalg.org.uk/fairfieldbookgroup

Fairfield Bowls Club, Kingsley Avenue, Fairfield Park SG5 4GY

Thursday 8 October, 7.30pm *Beautiful World Where Are You*, Sally Rooney

Thursday 12 November, 7.30pm *Air* by John Boyce

Thursday 10 December, 7.30pm *Beautiful Ugly* by Alice Feeney

£3 per month to cover costs. For a list of our books, please see our web page.

Group Contact:

Elaine Fox 01462 735642; fairfieldbookgroup@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Film Appreciation lalg.org.uk/filmappreciation

We meet regularly in a member's house to discuss a film, generally available online or in cinemas. Please contact Lynne to go on our waiting list.

Group Contact:

Lynne McGeachie 07763 030031; filmappreciation@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Get Painting lalg.org.uk/getpainting

Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9.30am - 12.30pm

Letchworth Settlement, Nevells Road SG6 4UB

This friendly group welcomes everyone, from beginners to experienced artists. There is a small weekly charge to cover room hire, payable termly in advance.

Group Contact:

Tony Faulkner 07414 780177; getpainting@lalg.org.uk



Irish Book Group lalg.org.uk/ireland

Wednesday 18 November, 2pm

Broadway Gallery (above The Three Magnets), 2 The Arcade SG6 3ES

Dublin People by Jennifer Bassett: short stories such as about a country girl coping with life in the big city and drink is a hard enemy for man with problems. New members are always welcome.

Group Contact: Graham Collins 01438 356840; ireland@lalg.org.uk



Monday Painting Group lalg.org.uk/mondaypainting

Mondays, 9am - 12 noon

Letchworth Corner Sports Club, Whitethorn Lane SG6 2DN. The cost of the room is shared by the group. Each term we choose a selection of subjects to paint. You are welcome to come along for a trial for £5 per session.

Group Contact: Valerie Williams 01462 624439; mondaypainting@lalg.org.uk



Musicians Together lalg.org.uk/musicians

Do you play an instrument to a good standard, perhaps (semi-) professional? If you have an idea for a sub-group on any aspect of music, contact William.

Acting Group Contact:

William Armitage 01462 643537; musicians@lalg.org.uk



Play Reading 1 lalg.org.uk/playreading1

Monday 19 October, 1.30pm *The Mousetrap* by Agatha Christie

Monday 16 November, 1.30pm *The Whistling* by Abel and Wagstaff

We usually meet on the third Monday of the month in a member's house in Letchworth to read plays loaned from Hertfordshire Performing Arts Library. If you are interested and would like to go on our waiting list please contact Ann.

Group Contact:

Ann Gibson 07779 673105; playreading1@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Play Reading 2 lalg.org.uk/playreading2

Second Wednesday of the month, 10am

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ

We read the same plays as are read by Play Reading 1 group. We would welcome one or two more members.

Group Contact:

Sonia Sewell 01462 654933; playreading2@lalg.org.uk



Poetry in the Afternoon lalg.org.uk/poetryafternoon

Third Thursday of the month, 2pm

We are not poets, just poetry lovers. We meet each month at a member's house to read aloud poems that we have chosen on a particular theme and share our thoughts about them.

We are a small friendly group, so if you enjoy reading poetry, come and join us.

Group Contact:

Val D poetryafternoon@lalg.org.uk



Readers Group lalg.org.uk/readersgroup

Thursday 22 October, 7.45pm *The Fraud* by Zadie Smith

Thursday 26 November, 7.45pm *My Friends* by Fredrik Backman

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Norton Way South, Letchworth SG6 1NX

There is a small charge to cover room hire and book loan from Letchworth Library. Do get in touch if you would like to join our waiting list.

Group Contact:

Megan Stacey 01462 683074; readersgroup@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Recorders for Fun lalg.org.uk/recorder

Wednesdays, 10am - 11.30am

Central Methodist Church, 109 Pixmore Way SG6 3TR. We are a friendly and sociable group who meet every week and welcome descant, treble, tenor and bass players. We play for an hour and a half and go for a coffee afterwards.

Group Contact: Val D recorder@lalg.org.uk



Science Book Group lalg.org.uk/sciencebookgroup

Wednesday 18 November, 7.30pm

Letchworth Sports and Tennis Club bar, Muddy Lane, Letchworth

The Forbidden Garden of Leningrad by Simon Parkin

Parkin tells the remarkable story of the creation of the world's first seed bank and how the bank's starving botanists saved the collection during the 1941-42 siege of Leningrad.

We will discuss this book and related topics. It can be purchased from David's Bookshop in Letchworth (LALG discount makes it very competitively priced) or ordered from the library. There is no charge but please buy a drink from the club bar: card only, no cash. Please email Ann to go on our waiting list.

Group Contact:

Ann sciencebookgroup@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



SciFi/Fantasy Book Group lalg.org.uk/sci-fi-fantasy

Tuesday 20 October, 7.30pm - *Uprooted* by Naomi Novik

Tuesday 17 November, 7.30pm - *Solaris* by Stanisław Lem

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. New members are very welcome – please get in touch with Branwen or just come along to a meeting.

Group Contact:

Branwen sci-fi-fantasy@lalg.org.uk



Shakespeare for Fun lalg.org.uk/shakespeare

First Wednesday of the month, 10.30am - 12.30pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. We are a friendly informal group, interested in learning more about the works of William Shakespeare. We meet to choose, read and discuss a particular play.

Group Contact:

Angela Hepworth shakespeare@lalg.org.uk



Sketching in the English Countryside lalg.org.uk/sketchingcountryside

You will be very welcome to join this informal group, no need to book, just bring your own drawing materials and a chair. All abilities very welcome. We usually meet monthly from April to September.

Group Contact:

Celia Lord 07964 373131; sketchingcountryside@lalg.org.uk



Social Playgoing Group lalg.org.uk/playgoing

Thursday 29 October, matinee performance

A Man for All Seasons at Cambridge Arts Theatre, starring Martin Shaw who starred in the same play over twenty ago at the Theatre Royal, Haymarket.

We have 12 seats in the stalls at £41.50 each. We will each make our own way there, probably by train. There is an option for us to go for a meal afterwards.

Please contact Brian to reserve tickets.

Group Contact: Brian Sykes 07710 274503; playgoing@lalg.org.uk



Walking Book Group lalg.org.uk/walking-books

Third Wednesday of the month, 2.30pm

We read a book and then go for a walk to discuss it. More members welcome.

Group Contact: Catherine 07354 973355; walking-books@lalg.org.uk



Writers Group lalg.org.uk/writersgroup

Tuesday 6 October, 7.30pm - 9.30pm, via Zoom

Tuesday 3 November, 7.30pm - 9.30pm, via Zoom

We write two or three pages in advance, which can be inspired by our monthly themes (optional). We then share our work (also optional) before the meeting and discuss it on the night. The type of work is very diverse: short stories, poems, plays, sections of novels, memoirs, etc. The fee is £15 a year for LALG members; £20 for non-members. The first visit is free. New members welcome.

Group Contact: Diana Newson writersgroup@lalg.org.uk



Writers Retreat lalg.org.uk/writersretreat

Every Monday, 8.30am - 10am, one Saturday per month

We meet at a coffee shop every Monday and on one Saturday a month for a longer session. We all work on our own work-in-progress. In between we chat and drink coffee. No reading aloud; just time to work without distraction. If you are interested, please get in touch.

Group Contact: Rayna West 07415 169511; writersretreat@lalg.org.uk

Please come to the

26th ASHWELL BOOK WEEKEND

in

St Mary's Church, Ashwell

Saturday 3rd October 10am-5pm

Sunday 4th October from 1.30pm-4.30pm

Entrance £1.00 - Children under 16 free



*A great selection of second handbooks to
browse through and buy*

Tea, Coffee, and Homemade cakes available

All money raised goes to Friends of St Mary's Church, Ashwell



Art and Craft Workshop lalg.org.uk/artworkshop

First and third Thursdays of the month, afternoons

We meet primarily to learn watercolour painting, but we also cover acrylic painting, pebble art, and much more. The workshops are relaxed and include refreshments – all for £3 per session. Beginners welcome, with materials supplied at the first session. For further information, please get in touch.

Group Contact:

Robin Ghisi artworkshop@lalg.org.uk



Clock Group lalg.org.uk/clockgroup

Tuesday evenings, 7pm - 9.30pm

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Norton Way South SG6 1NX. We meet January to April and September to December to study and repair clocks. Our tutor, Richard Edwards is assisted by clockmaker Derek Chapman. Members work on their own clocks. A few basic tools will get you started.

Group Contact: Richard Edwards 07989 737219; clockgroup@lalg.org.uk



Flower Arranging lalg.org.uk/flowerarranging

Alternate Mondays, 2pm

The Cloisters, Barrington Road SG6 3TH. We are a very enthusiastic group who enjoy making pretty arrangements. Our skills vary from novice to almost professional. Open to new members, so please get in touch.

Group Contact:

Angie Lockyer flowerarranging@lalg.org.uk



Gardening at the Weekend lalg.org.uk/gardeningweekend

Sunday 11 October, 2.30pm visit to Victoria's garden in Letchworth

November yet to be decided

We also visit Open Gardens and other plant and garden events throughout the year. For more information, please get in touch.

Group Contact: Wendy Martindale 07803 888162 or 01438 359332;
gardeningweekend@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Gardening in the Evening lalg.org.uk/gardening-evening

Alternate Wednesdays in the summer, 6.30pm

We enjoy visiting each other's gardens, talking about gardening (and sometimes life!), and swapping plants and seeds. We have space for one or two more members. Please get in touch as meeting times and places can vary.

Group Contacts:

Lisa and Emili gardening-evening@lalg.org.uk



Gardening In The Evening 2 lalg.org.uk/gardening-evening2

We meet monthly in the warmer months. We start with a tour of the host's garden, sharing info, ideas and perhaps seeds, cuttings and plants. Then chat over a glass of wine. More members welcome!

Group Contact:

Jolene gardening-evening2@lalg.org.uk





Gardening Tea and Tips 1 lalg.org.uk/GardeningTT1

Every Tuesday, 10.30am

We are enthusiastic gardeners who visit each other's gardens to share expertise and swap plants, while also enjoying coffee and cake.

Group Contact:

Annie Hankin 01462 685511; gardeningTT1@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Gardening Tea and Tips 2 lalg.org.uk/GardeningTT2

We are keen gardeners who enjoy socialising together, taking turns to host visits to all our gardens, and swapping plants, information and ideas.

Group Contact:

Angela gardeningTT2@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Gardening Tea and Tips 3 lalg.org.uk/GardeningTT3

Monday 5 October, 2pm at Wendy's

Monday 2 November Vanstone Park Garden Centre, Codicote.

Timing yet to be decided.

Monday 14 December, 12 noon Christmas bring and share lunch at Katie's

We are a friendly group of enthusiastic gardeners who take turns to host meetings in our own gardens over the summer months. We share plant knowledge and often swap plants and seeds, followed by refreshments.

Group Contact:

Ros Dollman 01462 683769; gardeningTT3@lalg.org.uk

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Gardening Tea and Tips 4 lalg.org.uk/GardeningTT4

Every Wednesday

We meet on Wednesdays in the warmer months to enjoy our gardens and chat over a cup of tea or coffee; trips/garden centre visits in cooler months.

Group Contact:

Caroline Taiano 07961 462295; gardeningTT4@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



In the Dye Garden lalg.org.uk/dye-garden

We combine using natural plant pigments for colouring fibres and fabrics with nurturing the plants that make the vibrant array of colours possible. This will be a chance to meet each other, look at the established plants, and find out which plants produce the best dye pigments. More members welcome.

Group Contact:

Amy Wilson dye-garden@lalg.org.uk



Knitting Group 2 lalg.org.uk/knitting2

Alternate Mondays, 2pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. A very friendly group of knitters (and some who crochet). You are welcome to bring along your own project or support projects that we are working on.

Group Contact:

Hetty Smith 01462 630195 or 07930 462870; knitting2@lalg.org.uk



LALG Allotment lalg.org.uk/allotment

We are at Woolgrove Allotments, Newells, Letchworth. We visit on Thursday afternoons and any other times when we are able.

Our aim is to bring people together to share knowledge, skills and produce. Our focus is on organic and sustainable gardening as well as connection through cultivating a shared space. We have space for a few more gardeners so please get in touch. We all make a small contribution towards costs.

Group Contact: Jacky Jordan allotment@lalg.org.uk



Let's Get Beading lalg.org.uk/get-beading

Monday 12 and Tuesday 13 October; 1.30pm - 4.30pm

Monday 9 and Tuesday 10 November, 1.30pm - 4.30pm

We enjoy making jewellery or decorative items for the home. Materials provided. £15 per session for members (includes tools, materials, tea, coffee and cake). Workshops are at Janet's studio in Baldock. Please get in touch for details.

Group Contact: Janet Beattie 07787 225145 (text); get-beading@lalg.org.uk



Photography Out and About 1 lalg.org.uk/poa

We are a small group of hobby photographers who enjoy a social outing with our digital cameras. We take it in turns to organise a monthly photoshoot, usually on a weekday morning. We then review some of our photos on the fourth Monday morning in a local village hall to share ideas and knowledge.

Group Contact: Pat Rumpus 01438 557529; poa@lalg.org.uk



Photography Out and About 2 lalg.org.uk/photography2

We usually meet once a month (normally at a weekend) to take photos at a variety of locations. We meet a couple of weeks later to share the results. Contact Graham for details of our next photo shoot. We welcome photographers of any skill level. See pictures from previous shoots on our web page.

Group Contact: Graham Dollman 07584 835197; photography2@lalg.org.uk



Sewing Group lalg.org.uk/sewing

First Friday of the month, 10am - 12 noon

Letchworth Corner Sports Club, Whitethorn Lane SG6 2DN

We take along our sewing machines, sew, and chat. Between us, our interests cover dressmaking, embroidery, patchwork and quilting, home furnishings, and most things to do with stitching. Many of us use sewing machines, but we also welcome members who prefer to sew by hand.

Refreshments and the use of an iron are provided. There is a small charge to cover room hire.

Group Contact: Alison Butler 07941 631314; sewing@lalg.org.uk

No contact phone number? If an event listing gives no phone number, you can call the LALG Chair on **07578 466982** for further details.



Taiko Drumming ialg.org.uk/taiko

Fortnightly on a Tuesday

Wilbury Hall, St Thomas Church, Bedford Road SG6 4DU. Have fun learning this Japanese skill in a small, tutor-led group. Drums provided. A reasonable level of fitness is necessary. £12 per 2-hour session to cover room hire, tuition, and equipment. All welcome to try – please get in touch.

Group Contact: Claire 07702 041934; taiko@ialg.org.uk



Textile Art Group ialg.org.uk/textileart

Workshops in which you will work on individual projects – materials are available to use if you would like to begin a new project. £5 to cover room hire and refreshments. New members very welcome. Booking essential. For details of future meetings or events, please see our web page or contact Amy.

Group Contact:

Amy Wilson 07917 542405; textileart@ialg.org.uk



Textiles Group ialg.org.uk/textiles

We meet at one of our members' homes and share ideas on all elements of textiles. Please contact Linda to be added to our waiting list.

Group Contact:

Linda Carson 07990 748583; textiles@ialg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



UkenSing ialg.org.uk/ukensing

Thursday afternoons

A small group of women learning the ukulele and singing. We meet on Thursday afternoons and are currently unable to take any more members.

Group Contact:

Pat H 07900 344486; ukensing@ialg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Ukulele Group ialg.org.uk/ukulele

Daytime group: Thursdays, 1pm - 3pm

St Paul's Church Hall, 179 Pixmore Way SG6 1QT. We play for about 2 hours with a short break for a cuppa and a chat. We are over 60-strong and growing, and regularly have 30-plus at our meetings.

Evening group: First Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Corner Sports Ground, Whitethorn Lane SG6 2DN. Informal evenings – partners and friends are invited to come along and enjoy playing and socialising.

If you would like to learn to play the ukulele, please contact David Flower.

Group Contact: David Flower 01462 683939 or 07804 158463; ukulele@ialg.org.uk



Wildlife Gardening ialg.org.uk/wildlife-gardening

First Wednesday of the month, 10.30am

We meet at each other's homes. Our interest is in encouraging wildlife into our gardens. New members very welcome. Please get in touch.

Group Contact:

Diane Ketcher wildlife-gardening@ialg.org.uk



Breakfast Club lalg.org.uk/breakfast

We meet each month at a different local location

Tuesday 6 October, 9am

No 12 Coffee House, 12 Leys Avenue, Letchworth SG6 3EU.

A venue which is particularly proud of its barista crafted coffee brews. The varied menu ranges from Classics to Smoothies.

Tuesday 10 November, 9am

Jubilee Social Cafe, Jubilee Road, Letchworth SG6 1WU

The Jubilee Social is a hidden gem tucked away in the heart of Letchworth Industrial Estate. They serve fresh homemade food which includes an excellent breakfast.

Please contact Malcolm beforehand if you are coming as some venues can only take a limited number of people.

Group Contact:

Malcolm King 01462 677329; breakfast@lalg.org.uk



Dinner Party Club lalg.org.uk/dinner-party

A monthly gathering for people who love food, flavour, and good company.

We choose a theme or a cookbook and everyone cooks a dish from it; we take it in turns to host, and everyone brings their own drink.

LALG is hoping to start a second Dinner Party Club. See details on page 6.

Group Contact:

Alison W dinner-party@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Firkin Club lalg.org.uk/firkinclub

Thursdays 8 October and 12 November, 7pm

Garden City Brewery, The Wynd SG6 3EN – where we are promised a good selection of real ales, including those made on the premises in the heart of the Garden City.

We meet monthly to sample real ales and put world affairs into a personal perspective, viewed through a pint glass. New members welcome.

Group Contact:

Grant Cameron 07896 260261; firkinclub@lalg.org.uk



Food and Cookery Group lalg.org.uk/foodcookery

Please contact Keith to go on our waiting list.

Group Contact:

Keith Wadsworth 07917 446044; foodcookery@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Lunch Club lalg.org.uk/lunchclub

Second Thursday of the month

We go to a different local pub or restaurant for lunch – the group is currently full but LALG is hoping to start a second Lunch Club group. See page 7.

Group Contact:

Sally Cannon lunchclub@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Malt Whisky Appreciation lalg.org.uk/maltwhisky

Friday 20 November, 7pm

Sláinte Mhath! Over 200 whiskies tasted so far! If you are interested in sampling, comparing and enjoying fine malt whisky, come along to this meeting, when a selection of examples will be presented for members' pleasure. For the venue and format, please get in touch.

Group Contact:

Grant Cameron 07896 260261; maltwhisky@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Supper Club lalg.org.uk/supperclub

Tuesday 1 December, 7pm for 7.30pm

Letchworth Golf Club, Letchworth Lane, Letchworth SG6 3NQ

Our early Christmas evening meal. Please contact Linda for a menu and return it by Friday 20 November together with payment. All welcome.

Group Contact: Linda King 01462 677329; supperclub@lalg.org.uk



Vegetarian and Vegan Group lalg.org.uk/vegetarianandvegan

We meet once a month, either during lunchtime or in the evening, aiming to create a supportive community where we can learn from one another and enjoy life together in a healthier and kinder way. Please check our web page for upcoming events or email us.

Group Contacts: Andya and Jacky vegetarianandvegan@lalg.org.uk



Wine Appreciation Group lalg.org.uk/wineappreciation

Friday 2 October, 7.30pm

A presentation by Steve Mellish: Bubbles to Botrytis: a journey through the vineyards.

Friday 6 November, 7.30pm

A presentation from David Davis on South African wines.

Both presentations are in the Brunt Room, Letchworth Settlement, Nevells Road SG6 4UB; and both promise to be educational and tasteful.

Group Contact:

Tony Mansey 07770 541207; wineappreciation@lalg.org.uk



Wine Discovery lalg.org.uk/winediscoverygroup

Monthly wine tastings. Please get in touch for details.

Group Contacts:

Moira and Nigel Rigby winediscoverygroup@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Wine Group 3 lalg.org.uk/winegroup3

Tuesdays 20 October and 17 November, 7.30pm

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Norton Way South SG6 1NX

We enjoy tasting wines in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. Each month two members choose a theme and share their selection of wines with the group. The group is currently full, but please email to join our waiting list.

Group Contacts:

Jerry Bolter and Mike Clarke winegroup3@lalg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)

General Groups



Action for Happiness lalg.org.uk/actionforhappiness

Occasional evening meetings via Zoom

A movement for positive social change using activities to improve wellbeing such as mindfulness, gratitude diaries, identifying personal strengths, being near nature, etc.

Group Contact: Chris West 07932 195463; actionforhappiness@lalg.org.uk



Afternoon Quiz Group lalg.org.uk/afternoon-quiz

Fourth Monday of the month, 2.30pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. Come and enjoy a light-hearted general knowledge quiz in a friendly, non-competitive atmosphere. Everyone brings 5 questions to ask the others. Novice quizzers welcome.

Group Contact: Marilyn W afternoon-quiz@lalg.org.uk



All Things Feathered Poultry Society lalg.org.uk/chickens

We welcome anyone interested in finding out about the joys of keeping chickens or other species of poultry and in being part of a community that can provide advice, support and guidance. Please get in touch for further details.

Group Contact:

Claire Bunyan 07788 153500; chickens@lalg.org.uk



All Things Military lalg.org.uk/allthingsmilitary

Thursday 8 October, 7pm for 7.30pm

Foster Hall, Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Letchworth SG6 1NX

The speaker is Nick Peace on *The Battle of Hastings to the Royal Disaster*.

Thursday 12 November, 7pm for 7.30pm

We welcome back Matthew Pratt from the District Museum. His talk, based on archive material in our local museum, is *Echoes of World War One*.

The usual charge of £5 per person towards room hire and other expenses.

Group Contact: Veronica Tomkins 01462 671402; allthingsmilitary@lalg.org.uk



All Things Welsh lalg.org.uk/welsh

Friday 9 October, 2.30pm - The History of the Welsh Language.

Steve will begin the discussion with a short presentation.

Friday 13 November, 2.30pm - topic yet to be decided.

We meet in the Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ

We are interested in all things Welsh; the language, culture and history; and we would welcome more members.

Contact: Jackie S 07970 407635; welsh@lalg.org.uk



Amateur Radio Group lalg.org.uk/amateur-radio

Once a month on a Friday, 3pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. We meet for a chat about amateur radio subjects and would welcome LALG members who may be looking to revive their amateur radio skills. Please get in touch or see our web page.

Group Contact: Bryan amateur-radio@lalg.org.uk

General Groups



Black Squirrel Country Dancing lalg.org.uk/countrydancing

Tuesdays 20 October and 17 November, 6.30pm - 8pm

Central Methodist Church Hall, Pixmore Way SG6 3TR. Complete beginners with two left feet very welcome! All dances taught/called. LALG members £4; non-members £5; under-18s £2. No need to bring a dance partner. We are a very friendly group.

Group Contact: Mandy Baldwin 07515 823735; countrydancing@lalg.org.uk



Blitz an Open Space lalg.org.uk/litter

Letchworth litter clearance sessions:

Thursday 1 October, 10am; Saturday 3 October, 10.30am

Thursday 5 November, 10am; Saturday 7 November, 10.30am

Baldock litter clearance sessions:

Wednesday 14 October, 10.30am; Sunday 18 October, 11am

Wednesday 11 November, 10.30am; Sunday 15 November, 11am

Venues to be advised nearer the time. More volunteers are always welcome. Equipment will be provided. Please tell us of any area that needs our attention. We have collected 2,784 sacks of litter to date!

Group Contacts: litter@lalg.org.uk

Ian Martin (Letchworth) text 07939 268169, Gary Mills (Baldock) text 07941 685683;



British Monarchs lalg.org.uk/british-monarchs

Mondays 12 October and 9 November, 11am to 12.30pm

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Norton Way South SG6 1NX

We look at British history by monarch. We take it in turns to present a talk for the group, followed by discussion. Small charge towards room hire.

Group Contact: Jo british-monarchs@lalg.org.uk



Computer Users lalg.org.uk/usingcomputers

Last Wednesday of the month, 10.45am

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. Limited space for new members. Please email Graham to introduce yourself.

Please note: This is not a computer support line.

Group Contact: Graham usingcomputers@lalg.org.uk



Decarbonise Letchworth Group lalg.org.uk/decarbonise

Monday 5 October, 12.30 to 2pm

Monday 2 November, 12.30 to 2pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ

Join our monthly lunchtime get-together where group members have an opportunity to share ideas and the latest news on actions that will help Letchworth to reduce its carbon footprint. The planned consultation about solar panels on street facing roofs in the Heritage Area, 20mph zones and options for reducing commuter parking on streets are current topics for discussion.

Group Contact: Julia S decarbonise@lalg.org.uk



Decluttering lalg.org.uk/decluttering

Tuesday 24 November, 4pm

Are you thinking of having a clear-out and you need some moral support? Or perhaps you are looking to swap tips on where to sell or recycle your old 'treasure'. We are building up a list of useful tips and usually meet on the last Tuesday of alternate months. New members are always welcome.

Group Contact: Nicole Ashbrook decluttering@lalg.org.uk



Europe and Beyond lalg.org.uk/europeandbeyond

Thursday 22 October, 7.30pm

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Letchworth SG6 1NX

Coming here from Europe and beyond – why? How did it feel? How's it going? Speakers: Professor Dorota Bourne, Reading University and Joe Fattouche from Lebanon.

Please bring your questions, thoughts and experiences to the discussion. LALG members £4, non-members £5, cash on the door. All welcome!

Group Contact: Mandy Baldwin 07515 823735; europeandbeyond@lalg.org.uk



Geology lalg.org.uk/geology

Wednesday 25 November, 7.30pm

Underwood Room, Mrs Howard Hall, Norton Way South, Letchworth SG6 1NX

Hertfordshire Puddingstone: the story of a unique local rock

Puddingstone is one of the world's most remarkable stones; beautiful and very distinctive. Gerald Lucy's talk will explore the stone's origin 56 million years ago, and its history, uses and folklore stretching back thousands of years.

Everyone is welcome. Free car parking is available next to the Hall.

LALG members £4, non-members £5, cash please.

Group Contact: Ann geology@lalg.org.uk



Letchworth Local History Research Group lalg.org.uk/localhistory

No general meetings are planned while we finalise our current project. We are considering writing a new book, a companion to *Industrial Letchworth*, with the working title *Social Letchworth*. There is the nucleus of a group to research and write this but new, committed researchers and writers are welcome to enquire.

Group Contact: Philippa Parker 01462 686828; localhistory@lalg.org.uk



Letchworth Residents Group lalg.org.uk/leitchworth-residents

Tuesday 6 October, 7.45pm to 9.15pm, doors open at 7.30pm

Underwood Hall, Mrs Howard Hall, Norton Way South, SG6 1NX

Where in Letchworth is 20 Plenty?

Baldock and Hitchin have had a consultation on changing roads to 20mph and new speed limits are being introduced. Letchworth consultation is expected this Autumn. After a presentation on the rationale for reducing speed limits, we will discuss where 20mph speed limits might be most beneficial in Letchworth.

Cash on the door, £3 LALG members, £4 non-members.

Group Contact: Julia S leitchworth-residents@lalg.org.uk



Charles Dickens' **A Christmas Carol**
— A Ghost Story —
Adapted by Mark Gatiss
An amateur production by arrangement with Nick Hern Books

12–14 November 2026
The Little Theatre, Letchworth Settlement,
229 Nevells Road, Letchworth, SG6 4UB
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Garden City Singers
Christmas Concert

Saturday, 12 December 2026
Doors open 7pm
St. Chris School Theatre,
Barrington Road,
Letchworth SG6 3JZ

Tickets on the Door,
David's & Online
Adults £12.50
Children 10+ £7.50
Children under 10 free

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2026

**To be held in Kincaid Hall, The Settlement, Letchworth Garden City SG6 4UB
on Monday 5 October 2026 at 10.30am**

Please join us for tea or coffee and the AGM business before our guest speaker, **Eric Knowles**, talks to us about his **Tales as a North Country Antiquarian**. Eric was born in Nelson in 1953 and inherited his love of antiques from his parents. He joined Bonhams, the London auctioneers, working first as a porter in the ceramics department, before becoming head of the department in 1981. Eric's television work includes the *Antiques Roadshow* and he is one of the team of presenters on *Bargain Hunt*. He has written books on subjects including Victoriana, Art Nouveau, Art Deco, Lalique and Royal Memorabilia and lectured extensively in the UK at such renowned museums as the Victoria and Albert and the British Museum, as well as the USA and Canada.

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Approval of minutes of the AGM on 6 October 2025
4. Matters arising not covered under other agenda items
5. Chair's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Formal approval of accounts for the year ended 31 July 2026
8. Membership Secretary's Report
9. Election of Committee members (including members retiring by rotation and offering themselves for re-election and members co-opted by the Committee during the year and offering themselves for election)
10. Any Other Business: please advise the Chair (contact details below) in writing of any matter you would like to raise by 28 September 2026
11. Date of 2027 AGM: to be confirmed

The agenda, and the minutes of the last AGM, are:

- On the LALG website www.lalg.org.uk/AGM2026
- Available from the Chair - contact details below.

The accounts for the year ended 31 July 2026, and any other documentation, will also be on the LALG website or available from the Chair before the Annual General Meeting.

Election of Committee Members

At the time of issue there are three vacancies for Committee Members.

If you would like to stand for election to the Committee, please complete and return the nomination form by **28 September 2026**. Nominations received after this date may not be considered. Please note that to stand for election to the Committee you must be a Member of LALG, as must your proposer and seconder. Your proposer and seconder should not be a member of your household, and should each be from separate households.

Please return the completed form to the LALG Chair, Jackie Harber, c/o David's Bookshop, 14 Eastcheap, Letchworth Garden City SG6 3DE or by email to chair@lalg.org.uk

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Settlement Sessions

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Settlement Sessions

Live Music @ Kincaid Hall, Settlement

2026

Fri 23rd Oct: Dave Ellis and Boo Howard contemporary duet
Fri 20th Nov: Edwina Hayes is back by popular demand
Fri 18th Dec: Barry Goodman Christmas traditions and song

2027

Fri 29th Jan: Letchworth Ukulele Group Back again!
Fri 19th Feb: Kate Garner daughter of Chas Hodges
Fri 19th Mar: Viv Lucas and Rhys Wilson two for the price of one
Fri 16th April: Banter - Innovative, interpretive folk music
Fri 21st May: Steve Tilston Folk and contemporary music icon
Fri 25th Jun: Isle Ave a Shanty - acapella sea shanties
Fri 17th Sep: Honey and the Bear - contemporary duo
Fri 22nd Oct: Elsa Jean McTaggart plays Caledonia, Scottish Folk
Fri 19th Nov: Vikki Clayton Traditional and Contemporary songs
Fri 17th Dec: Jack in a Barrel - Festive acapella

Doors and licensed bar open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start



Dave Ellis and Boo Howard

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General Groups



Living in an Online World lalg.org.uk/online-world

Wednesday 11 November, 10.30am

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ

For help with smartphones, tablets, social media, online banking, etc. Content Editors welcomed for help with editing group web pages, adding events/articles. In-person membership renewal is available too: cash, card or cheque.

Booking ahead is essential, with a brief description of help required.

Group Contact: Trevor L [07361 040348](mailto:07361040348); online-world@lalg.org.uk



Meditation and Reflection lalg.org.uk/meditation-reflection

Second Friday of the month, 10.30am

Upstairs Meeting Room, Letchworth Library, Broadway SG6 3PF. Each 1-hour session begins with silent meditation, followed by a circle of reflections based on an inspirational article circulated in advance.

Group Contact: Andya meditation-reflection@lalg.org.uk



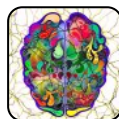
Online Quiz lalg.org.uk/online-quiz

Saturday 31 October, 6.45pm for 7pm - hosted by Carol

Saturday 28 November, 6.45pm for 7pm - hosted by Time Travellers

We post general knowledge questions on the LALG website and you email your answers after each round. You can play on your own or in a team; no quiz experience or internet skills are required to enjoy the evening. It is light-hearted and free! Please let us know if you are interested in being a future quiz host.

Group Contact: Angela Bell online-quiz@lalg.org.uk



Philosophy lalg.org.uk/philosophy-study

Tuesday 27 October, 11am - 12.30pm - The philosophy of idealism

Tuesday 24 November, 11am - 12.30pm - The philosopher, Machiavelli

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Norton Way South SG6 1NX

There is no need to have prior philosophy knowledge, just a keen interest in the subject. Here is an opportunity to investigate philosophy and the great philosophers. In addition, discussions around: reason, knowledge and the mind. No need to book. LALG members £3, non-members £4.

Group Contact: Catherine philosophy-study@lalg.org.uk



Psychology lalg.org.uk/psychology

Wednesdays 14 October and 11 November, 7.30pm

Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Norton Way South SG6 1NX.

We meet once a month. There is a small charge to cover the room hire costs and tea/coffee. The meeting format is presentation and discussion.

Group Contact: Ken Jordan [07980 606781](mailto:07980606781); psychology@lalg.org.uk

No contact phone number?

If an event or group has no phone number, you can call the LALG Chair on **07578 466982** for further details.

General Groups



Quiz Team lalg.org.uk/quizteam

In the next 2 months we are planning to attend the following quiz nights:

Tuesday 6 October, 7.15pm The White Lion, 46 High St, Baldock. £2pp

Wednesday 14 October, 8pm The Millstream, Cambridge Rd, Hitchin. £3pp

Monday 19 October, 8pm The Orange Tree, Stevenage Road, Hitchin. £1pp

Saturday 24 Oct, 7.30pm Settlement Fundraiser, 229 Nevells Road. £10pp

Thursday 29 October, 8.30pm Grange Community Centre, Middlefields. £1pp

Tuesday 3 November, 7.15pm The White Lion, 46 High St, Baldock. £2pp

Wednesday 11 November, 8pm Millstream, Cambridge Road, Hitchin. £3pp

Monday 16 November, 8pm The Orange Tree, Stevenage Rd, Hitchin. £1pp

Thursday 26 November, 8.30pm Grange Community Centre, Middlefields. £1

Please contact Andrew if you would like to join in.

Group Contact:

Andrew Dear quizteam@lalg.org.uk



Self-Help Slimming Group lalg.org.uk/slimming

We support each other in our attempts to adopt a healthier lifestyle. We share ideas and recipes. Our emphasis is on being responsible for ourselves, so no weighing-in or telling-off!

Group Contact:

Rayna West 07415 169511; slimming@lalg.org.uk



Society Unpacked lalg.org.uk/society-unpacked

Wednesday 7 October, 7.30pm - Does the rise in individualism prioritise personal rights at the expense of social responsibility?

Wednesday 4 November, 7.30pm - To what degree does the media influence our thinking and decision-making?

We meet at Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Norton Way South SG6 1NX.

A discussion group for non-sociologists, looking at how society works – and sometimes doesn't! Small charge towards room hire.

Group Contact:

Ken Jordan 07980 606781; society-unpacked@lalg.org.uk

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Transport and Industrial Heritage Group lalg.org.uk/transport

Tuesday 27 October, 7.30pm

Jackmans Community Centre, Ivel Court SG6 2NL

Alistair Hodgson, ex-curator of the de Havilland Aircraft Museum, will talk about the de Havilland Aircraft Company and Hertfordshire, starting from Sir Geoffrey de Havilland's earliest flights to the global business that he established at his factory in Hatfield. The company eventually became part of the Hawker Siddeley Group and subsequently British Aerospace before the Hatfield factory closed in 1994. LALG members £3, guests £5. No need to book.

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General Groups



Transport and Industrial Heritage Group ... continued

Tuesday 24 November, 7.30pm

Jackmans Community Centre, Ivel Court SG6 2NL

Robert Gill, an expert in the history of Welwyn Garden City, will tell us the story of Shredded Wheat in Welwyn Garden City. While the cereal was invented in America in 1890, this year marks 100 years since its introduction to the UK. LALG members £3, guests £5. No need to book.

Group Contact:

Tessa Palfreyman 07763 944596; transport@lalg.org.uk



Understanding America Today and its History

lalg.org.uk/american-history

We have discussions, presentations and speakers. We know we have interest. To make a go of it we need active help in getting the group going. Please contact William if you can help, for example arranging a speaker for one meeting.

Acting Group Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537; american-history@lalg.org.uk



Wild Flowers lalg.org.uk/wildflowers

We make monthly wildflower trips. All welcome! Please get in touch for details.

Group Contact:

Jean Hewitt 07914 151768; wildflowers@lalg.org.uk

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Café Français ialg.org.uk/Cafe-Francais

Tuesday afternoons

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. We meet for an hour on Tuesday afternoons to chat in French over a drink.

Group Contact:

Rob Wallis 07768 297802; cafe-francais@ialg.org.uk



Conversation Française ialg.org.uk/french1

Lundis soirs, 19h30 à 21h30

Par Zoom et en présentiel. Conversation française se poursuit les lundis soir par Zoom, mais avec des réunions en présentiel de temps en temps. Si vous souhaitez participer, veuillez contacter.

Group Contact:

Jimmy Croall 07795 909178; french1@ialg.org.uk



Daytime French 1 ialg.org.uk/daytime-french1

Alternate Thursdays (1 October onwards), 2.30pm

Dimples Café, Letchworth Par 3 Family Golf Centre, Willian Way SG6 2HJ. We are currently full but Daytime French 3 (below) has space for new members.

Group Contact:

Sheila Rhodes 07876 260152; daytime-french1@ialg.org.uk



Daytime French 3 ialg.org.uk/daytime-french3

First and third Mondays of the month, 2.30pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. We meet for an hour. New members very welcome.

Group Contact:

Anna Vaziri 07397 161041; daytime-french3@ialg.org.uk



Dutch Conversation ialg.org.uk/dutch

First Wednesday of the month, 10.30am

Come and share your thoughts on the arts, politics, weather, travel, sports, or anything else. Join our small group of (more or less) Dutch speakers.

Group Contact:

Corrie Swain 01462 742542; dutch@ialg.org.uk



German Daytime ialg.org.uk/germandaytime

Wednesdays, 2pm

We meet in a café. The group is thriving but new members are always very welcome, particularly native speakers.

German Evenings ialg.org.uk/germandaytime

Wednesdays, 7pm - 8pm, via Zoom

Additional evening session, held on Zoom. New members are very welcome. We are a friendly group and we share a weekly update via email and Spond.

Group Contact:

Sheila Hogan 01462 743578; germandaytime@ialg.org.uk

Language Groups



German Group 1 lalg.org.uk/german1

Tuesdays, afternoons/evenings

In-person meetings and also on Zoom. See our web page for details. You are very welcome to join us for 2 hours of everyday German conversation.

Group Contact:

Martin Sproat 01438 226044; german1@lalg.org.uk



Italian Conversation 1 lalg.org.uk/italian1

2nd Tuesday of each month, 10am

We meet in local cafés and would welcome more members with basic Italian conversation skills.

Group Contact: Alan Fraser 01462 685448; italian1@lalg.org.uk



Italian Conversation 3 lalg.org.uk/italian3

Mondays, 2.30pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. A small group interested in trying to speak Italian. New members with a basic level of Italian conversation welcome.

Group Contact:

Rosie Lapsley 01462 636331; italian3@lalg.org.uk



Latin lalg.org.uk/latin

Alternate Monday evenings, 8pm, via Zoom

For dates, please contact Carl. For those with some knowledge of Latin.

Group Contact:

Carl Raybold 07921 563611; latin@lalg.org.uk



Russian Language Русский Язык lalg.org.uk/russian

Thursdays, 3.30pm - 5pm, via Zoom

We try to resurrect oral and aural skills for part of the session. We also translate items, sometimes news downloaded from Правда, Известия, Би-Би-Си, etc., but more often short stories. Some knowledge of Russian is needed.

Group Contact:

Sheila Hogan russian@lalg.org.uk

We would welcome more members



Spanish Conversation lalg.org.uk/spanish

Thursdays, 7.30pm

The Orange Tree, Norton Road, Baldock SG7 5AW. General conversation, practising Spanish together. Some ability in Spanish is needed if you want to really gain a benefit. New members are very welcome.

Group Contact:

Ginny Morris 07944 777862; spanish@lalg.org.uk



Speak Spanish lalg.org.uk/speak-spanish

Tuesdays, 10am - 12 noon

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. Enjoy improving your vocabulary and grammar, whatever your level. Have fun discussing cultural themes and current hot topics over a coffee or tea.

Group Contact:

Tony Faulkner 07414 780177; speak-spanish@lalg.org.uk

Social Groups



30+ Drop-in lalg.org.uk/30plus

This friendly group is aimed at people in their 30s and 40s – singles and couples – and aims to provide a relaxed opportunity to make new friends locally. We meet in the evening once a month, usually in the bar of the Broadway Hotel, Broadway SG6 3NZ. Please get in touch for more details.

Group Contact: Nurit 30plus@lalg.org.uk



50+ Singles Drop-In lalg.org.uk/50plussingles1

Fridays, 7.30pm

We meet in the bar at Letchworth Corner Sports Club, Whitethorn Lane SG6 2DN. You are welcome to drop in, but please ring in advance if you would like us to look out for you arriving.

A relaxed and informal way to make new friends, and maybe to suggest an event that you would like to attend so that it can be added to our calendar and others can go with you. We also organise trips and events.

Group Contacts:

Trevor 07872 968141 and Dawn 07983 505044; 50plussingles1@lalg.org.uk



Informal Lip-Reading Group for Hearing Aid Users lalg.org.uk/lipreading

Thursdays, 10.30am

We are a small group and we enjoy our time together. Details are on our web page.

Group Contact:

Veronica Jones 01462 451174; lipreading@lalg.org.uk

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Meet for Coffee 1 lalg.org.uk/coffee1

Alternate Wednesdays, 10.30am

Dimples Café, Letchworth Par 3 Family Golf Centre, Willian Way SG6 2HJ.

Group Contact:

Jill Sells 01462 684289; coffee1@lalg.org.uk

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Meet for Coffee 2 lalg.org.uk/coffee2

We meet monthly at Hitchin Garden Centre, Cambridge Road SG4 0JT. Our group is full but there is space on some other Meet for Coffee groups.

Contact: coffee2@lalg.org.uk



Meet for Coffee 3 lalg.org.uk/coffee3

First and third Wednesdays of the month, 2pm

We are a lively and growing group and are open to new members. There is no commitment to attend every session. We meet at a café in Letchworth. Please contact Nayier beforehand if you would like to come along.

Group Contact: Nayier Ahmad coffee3@lalg.org.uk

If a group is full ... it might be possible to start another. You are welcome to email details and contact information to newideas@lalg.org.uk.

Social Groups



Meet for Coffee 6 lalg.org.uk/coffee6

Second and fourth Thursdays of each month, 10.30am with some variation during public holidays. Dimples Café, Letchworth Par 3 Family Golf Centre, William Way SG6 2HJ. The pleasant café overlooks green and leafy surroundings, with outside seating when weather permits. All are welcome.

Group Contact:

Brian Sykes 07710 274503; coffee6@lalg.org.uk



Meet for Coffee 7 (Stotfold) lalg.org.uk/coffee7

Tuesday 13 October, 10.30am

Wednesday 11 November, 10.30am

We meet at Wild Coffee in Stotfold Library, Greenacre Centre, Valerian Way, Stotfold SG5 4HG. We are changing the day of the week for 2 months. More details in the next newsletter.

Acting Group Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537; coffee7@lalg.org.uk



Philosophy for Non-Philosophers lalg.org.uk/philosophy

Third Monday of the month, 7.30pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. The venue is free but we all buy something from the bar. Please bring any topics you would like us to discuss.

Group Contact:

Tony Faulkner 07414 780177; philosophy@lalg.org.uk



Singing Sea Shanties lalg.org.uk/sea-shanties

Second Thursday of each month, 7pm (prompt) - 8.30pm

Small/Upper Hall, St Paul's Church, 179 Pixmore Way SG6 1QT. Song sheets are provided and backing tracks are played to help us learn songs. A charge of £3 is made on the evening to cover costs. This group is very popular and is a fun evening. We welcome new members. See our web page for details or contact Phil.

Group Contact: Phil Mortiboy sea-shanties@lalg.org.uk

Welcoming new LALG members

Thursday 12 November, 6.30pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ.

Have you recently joined LALG, or do you know someone who might be thinking of joining? Come along to this 'getting to know you' session. It's a chance for newcomers to meet each other and find out more about LALG.

Contacts: Jackie or Trevor: 07970 407635; newbies@lalg.org.uk

Support Our Venues

There is usually no cost for meetings in cafés and bars but we all buy refreshments from the venue.



50/9 Golf Society ialg.org.uk/50_9golf

Every Wednesday morning, 9am

We play nine holes at some of the area's finest golf clubs, at discounted green fees of £12.50 - £20. Our games are social rather than competitive, and our members are of all abilities, male and female. We are over 50 years old and enjoy playing 9 holes – hence the group's name.

Group Contact:

Stanley Bonin 01462 672178; 50_9golf@ialg.org.uk

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Backgammon ialg.org.uk/backgammon

Alternate Thursdays, 4.30pm - 6.30pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ.

Some knowledge of the game is needed, although help is available.

Group Contacts: Harry and Nicky 07944 360356; backgammon@ialg.org.uk



Badminton 1 ialg.org.uk/badminton1

Mondays (except bank holidays), 8pm - 10pm

Letchworth Sports and Tennis Club, Muddy Lane SG6 3TB

We have some space for new members, so if you have played before and want to get back on court again or are currently playing and would like some more regular games, do come along one Monday evening for an initial free session.

Group Contact: Paul McCann badminton1@ialg.org.uk



Badminton 2 ialg.org.uk/badminton2

Mondays, 7pm - 8pm

Fearnhill School, Icknield Way SG6 4BA.

We play mixed doubles and have mixed abilities. Our games are sociable, with the emphasis on fun.

Group Contact:

Sue Bresnahan 07801 345595; badminton2@ialg.org.uk

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Badminton 3 ialg.org.uk/badminton3

Wednesdays, 10am - 12 noon

North Herts Leisure Centre, Baldock Road SG6 2ER. This group has four courts permanently booked. We welcome new members who can play to a reasonable standard. Cost £5.50 (discounted), payable to the Leisure Centre.

Group Contact:

Robin Ghisi badminton3@ialg.org.uk



Bridge Club ialg.org.uk/bridgeclub

Tuesdays and Fridays, 1pm

Howgills, South View SG6 3JJ. Come early and you will be slotted into a table as you arrive. Beginners and improvers are always welcome. We play friendly Rubber Bridge at £4 a session to cover room hire and refreshments.

Group Contact:

Gill Cheaney 01462 686806; bridgeclub@ialg.org.uk

Sports & Games



Canasta lalg.org.uk/canasta

Alternate Wednesdays, 7pm

We meet in the Broadway Hotel bar. New members very welcome.

Group Contact: Jill Chaffey 07855 729556; canasta@lalg.org.uk



Chess for Fun lalg.org.uk/chess

Third Monday of the month, 7.30pm

Letchworth Sports and Tennis Club café, Muddy Lane SG6 3TB. After a demonstration we enjoy a relaxed game of chess. New members are very welcome.

Group Contact: Nayier Ahmad chess@lalg.org.uk



Cribbage lalg.org.uk/cribbage

Every Tuesday, 1.30pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. We have room for new members; just turn up, or get in touch if you would like us to look out for you arriving.

Group Contact: Edna Constable 01462 485086; cribbage@lalg.org.uk



Cricket lalg.org.uk/cricket

This group is for all lovers of cricket. We aim to enjoy visits and discussions about all things cricket. More members welcome. Please get in touch.

Group Contact: Bryan cricket@lalg.org.uk



Easy Riders lalg.org.uk/easyriders

Friday 2 October and Saturday 17 October, 10am start

Friday 6 November, and Saturday 21 November, 10am start

Cycle ride details are posted on our web page. If you would like to join these rides, please contact Jackie.

Group Contact: Jackie H 07578 466982; easyriders@lalg.org.uk

**Get
fit!**

Fitness Together lalg.org.uk/fitness-together

Mondays, 7.30pm - 8.15pm Norton Methodist Church Hall, North Avenue

Wednesdays, 12.15pm - 1pm Fortescue Hall, Pixmore Way SG6 3TP

Have fun keeping fit at your own pace. All you need is to wear appropriate clothing for exercise and bring a bottle of water. A yoga-type mat can be useful. Our trainer is Mike Eve, a professional fitness trainer. The first session is free, then £7 per session or £5 if paid monthly in advance.

Group Contacts:

Monday group: Dennis Alder fitness-together@lalg.org.uk

Wednesday group: Paul Taylor fitness-together@lalg.org.uk



Games on the Grange lalg.org.uk/grangegames

Wednesdays, 10.30am

Grange Community Centre Café, Middlefields SG6 4NG. All members are welcome to drop in and may bring their own games. Parking is available nearby.

Group Contact: Rhian Blakey grangegames@lalg.org.uk



Garden City Wheelers ialg.org.uk/GCWheelers

Thursdays 15 October, 10.30am start

Weather permitting, we will meet at the fountain in Broadway Gardens for a ride to Shuttleworth Aerodrome for lunch in their café. We will cycle at the pace of the slowest rider, doing a return trip of about 24 miles. This ride is relatively flat. Please let Stuart know if you would like to join us for the first time.

Thursday 19 November, 10.30am start

Weather permitting, we will meet at the fountain in Broadway Gardens for a ride to Spokes Cycles in Codicote for lunch in their café. We will cycle at the pace of the slowest rider, doing a return trip of about 24 miles. This ride has some hills. Please let Stuart know if you would like to join us for the first time.

Group Contact: Stuart Collins 07710 507069; GCWheelers@ialg.org.uk



Mahjong ialg.org.uk/mahjong

Wednesdays, 2pm

Letchworth Sports and Tennis Club, Muddy Lane SG6 3TB. We regularly play on three tables with 12+ players, of mixed ability. New players always welcome, beginners as well as experienced players. Please get in touch:

Group Contact:

Sue mahjong@ialg.org.uk



Par 3 Golf ialg.org.uk/par3

Fridays, 10.15am

Letchworth Par 3 Family Golf Centre, Willian Way SG6 2HJ. Nine holes, ranging from 53 yards to 104 yards. There is a small charge (LALG discount applies). Comfortable clubhouse, light refreshments, reasonable prices. We have space for a couple more members.

Group Contact: Paul Wilkinson par3@ialg.org.uk



Par 3 Golf Thursdays ialg.org.uk/par3thursday

Thursdays, 2pm

Letchworth Par 3 Family Golf Centre, Willian Way SG6 2HJ. Nine holes, ranging from 53 yards to 104 yards. Small course charge with LALG discount. Comfortable clubhouse, light refreshments, reasonable prices.

Group Contact:

Anne par3thursday@ialg.org.uk



Par 3 Golf Wednesdays ialg.org.uk/par3wednesdays

Wednesdays, 2pm

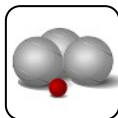
Letchworth Par 3 Family Golf Centre, Willian Way SG6 2HJ.

Nine holes, ranging from 53 yards to 104 yards. There is a small course charge (LALG discount applies). The clubhouse serves light refreshments – see the Golf Centre's website for opening times. The group is full at the moment, please email the Group Contact if you wish to be added to the waiting list.

Group Contact:

Graham par3wednesdays@ialg.org.uk

[Waiting List](#)



Pétanque lalg.org.uk/petanque

Wednesdays, 2pm - 3pm

Letchworth Par 3 Family Golf Centre, William Way SG6 2HJ. We have three pistes and six people can play on each piste. On average, 14 - 16 people play each week. We pay £3.60 for each session. Afterwards, many of us meet in the café for coffee, cake and conversation! If you are interested in joining us, please get in touch.

Group Contact: Maureen Flower 01462 683939; petanque@lalg.org.uk



Pickleball lalg.org.uk/pickleball

Tuesdays, 12.30pm - 2.30pm and Fridays, 12.30pm - 1.30pm

Outdoor tennis courts at Norton Common. We have two spare paddle bats for newcomers to borrow. The courts are free. Please dress for an outdoor activity. Come and learn a new game and have some fun! The weather can change our plans, so please get in touch to check whether we are playing.

Group Contact:

David Stanmore 07795 603192 or Margie Dickson 07514 674167; pickleball@lalg.org.uk



Piquet lalg.org.uk/piquet

Second and fourth Thursdays of the month, 2pm - 4pm

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. Piquet is a fairly simple two-handed card game of French origin. There is a more challenging variant called Auction Piquet, invented by British POWs in WW1, which has become the game of choice for most of us. Please come and try us out. We are there most Thursdays, but always on the second and fourth Thursday of each month.

Group Contact: Phil Rowe 07982 254463; piquet@lalg.org.uk



Rummikub lalg.org.uk/rummikub

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9.45am - 12 noon

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. This is a fun and sociable game, with an addictive mix of skill and luck. Tuition given to beginners.

Group Contact:

Martin Lieb 07954 224438; rummikub@lalg.org.uk



Rummikub 2 lalg.org.uk/rummikub2

Wednesdays, 10am for 10.30am

Letchworth Sports and Tennis Club, Muddy Lane SG6 3TB

We have coffee in the café. If Joyce is unavoidably absent, just ask at the bar for the Rummikub sets. We play for 2 hours. New members are always welcome, even if you have never played before: it's easy to pick up!

Group Contact:

Joyce Henderson 07929 402058; rummikub2@lalg.org.uk



Scrabble lalg.org.uk/scrabbleclub

Alternate Wednesdays

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ

Please contact Eileen for more details.

Group Contact: Eileen Creak 01462 632692; scrabbleclub@lalg.org.uk



Shanghai lalg.org.uk/shanghai

Monthly on a Sunday, 11am

Dimples Café, Letchworth Par 3 Family Golf Centre, Willian Way SG6 2HJ
This card game is based on rummy and is fun to play.

Group Contact: Christina; shanghai@lalg.org.uk



Short Tennis lalg.org.uk/shorttennis

Thursdays, 10.30am

Indoor courts, Letchworth Sports and Tennis Club, Muddy Lane SG6 3TB
New members welcome! Emphasis on fun with mixed abilities. Short tennis is played in doubles on a smaller court with a soft ball. It is easier than lawn tennis, but still good fun and a new skill to master. Please get in touch.

Group Contact: Andy Gordon 07910 397266; shorttennis@lalg.org.uk



Snooker lalg.org.uk/snooker

Thursdays, 2pm - 4pm

We meet at local venues. There is a fee payable to play snooker or pool. Snooker cues are available to borrow. If you would like to participate, contact Steve by the Tuesday beforehand for details of the venue. All welcome.

Group Contact: Steve Howell 07811 511466 (WhatsApp or text); snooker@lalg.org.uk



Table Tennis for Fun lalg.org.uk/TableTennisFun

Thursdays, 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Central Methodist Church Hall, Pixmore Way SG6 3TR. Please get in touch for confirmation. New members welcome. If you're thinking of joining us for the first time, please phone Jane so that she can explain how we fund the hiring of the hall. Please bring your own bat.

Group Contacts: Jane and Adam 07818 038183; TableTennisFun@lalg.org.uk



Table Tennis 2 (Daytime Group) lalg.org.uk/tabletennis2

Tuesdays, 11am - 12.30pm (except in school holidays)

Letchworth Sports and Tennis Club, Muddy Lane SG6 3TB. £4 per session to hire the indoor court and pay for the table tennis balls. We use five tables. There is a café in the clubhouse for us to use.

Group Contact:

Marion Yeeles 07867 774849; tabletennis2@lalg.org.uk

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Whist Group lalg.org.uk/whist

Mondays, 2pm

Letchworth Sports and Tennis Club, Muddy Lane SG6 3TB. Please get in touch if you are interested in joining this popular group. There is a small charge to create a winner's prize.

Group Contact: Ann C 01763 287543; whist@lalg.org.uk



Word Games lalg.org.uk/word-games

Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 10.30am

Broadway Hotel bar, Broadway SG6 3NZ. We have lots of word games to choose from, but you are also welcome to bring your own.

Group Contact: Evelyn C word-games@lalg.org.uk



Alternative Ramblers ialg.org.uk/alternativeramblers

Sunday 11 October, 10am for 10.15am start

Meet at the Peace Memorial Hall, Church Road, Willington, Bedford MK44 3PY. What3words///dairy.shaped.hope. A walk of 5.5 miles mainly along good tracks around the Bedford River Valley Park. For anyone wishing to eat after the walk, The Crown Pub is nearby. Please make your own reservations on 01234 831024. To book the walk contact Paolo via the WhatsApp Group, or via Sue details as below. **Mobile on the day: 07504 181009.**

Sunday 8 November, 10am for 10.15am start

Meet at The Fox and Duck, The Green, Therfield, Royston SG8 9PN
A 6-mile loop through the countryside around Therfield, towards Therfield Heath over fields, towards the golf course and into a wooded area. It is Remembrance Sunday so we will stop at 11am for a 2-minute silence.
If you would like lunch at The Fox and Duck, please book with the pub on 01763 287246. To book the walk contact Nick via the WhatsApp Group, or Sue via the group contact details below. **Mobile on the day 07751 088686.**

Group Contact:

Sue Infantino 07758 858418; alternativeramblers@ialg.org.uk



Baldock Walks ialg.org.uk/baldockwalks

Saturday 24 October, 9.20am for a 9.30am start

Meet outside Baldock Community Centre for a circular walk of about 3 miles through Ivel Springs and across the North Road. We will head towards Bygrave Plantation and return via Bygrave Road. It is a little steep in parts but you will be rewarded with lovely views. Coffee afterwards in Baldock.

Saturday 28 November, 9.20am for 9.30am start

Meet outside Baldock Community Centre for a winter walk of just over 4 miles, exploring some little-used roads and unnamed paths. We will start at The Twitchell, head towards Brewery Lane, the cemetery, Pepys Way and Woodland Way, leading up to part of the nature reserve, which is a little steep in parts. We will have a coffee stop at Tapps Garden Centre then return to the Community Centre via Grosvenor Road West.

Please carry a contact number with you in case of emergency.

To book either walk, please email or phone:

Group Contacts:

Julia Genders 07704 762167, Eileen Creak 01462 632692; baldockwalks@ialg.org.uk



Early Morning Walks ialg.org.uk/earlymorningwalks

Wednesdays 14 and 28 October, 7am

Wednesdays 11 and 25 November, 7am

We meet at Letchworth's first roundabout on Broadway. Maximum distance is about 5 miles according to participants' wishes. Dogs welcome. No need to book. We go whatever the weather.

Group Contact:

William Armitage 01462 643537; earlymorningwalks@ialg.org.uk

Walking Groups



Fast Walking lalg.org.uk/fastwalking

Wednesdays, 8.30am - 9.30am

This is a fast 1-hour walk (4 miles per hour), starting at Norton Common. We meet at 8.20am at the bowling green car park (accessed from Icknield Way).

Group Contact: Jan Gates 07888 695215; fastwalking@lalg.org.uk



Hill Walkers lalg.org.uk/hill-walkers

Formerly Wild Walks, this group is now Hill Walkers to better accommodate anyone wishing to travel north when all grades of walkers will be welcome.

Wednesday 21 October, 7.30pm

Our annual planning meeting where future walks will be discussed. If you would like to attend please email Sheila for details of venue.

Wednesday 18 November, 8pm

The Three Magnets, Leys Avenue, Letchworth

Our monthly social for all group members - and those who are curious.

Group Contact: Sheila George 07807 827490; hill-walkers@lalg.org.uk



Letchworth District Walkers lalg.org.uk/Letchworth-district-walkers

Sunday 25 October, 9.30am

A circular walk of about 13 miles, from Ware, east towards Hunsdon, south towards Roydon, and then back via Stanstead Abbots and the river Lea. Largely flat with one small climb. We start from Burgage Lane car park in Ware, just off the High Street at TL 356143, or [///fend.native.feeds](http://fend.native.feeds). £2.10 for all-day parking on Sundays. Bring food and drink for the day. Please book with the walk leader, Tony Maynard-Smith via the group email or on 07800 632879.

Sunday 15 November, 9.45am

A circular 10-mile walk starting from Trumpington Park and Ride (CB2 9FT or joins.lines.notion) to Cambridge. The route is via Granchester Meadows, along the River Cam towards the city centre and returns near the river, residential Cambridge and paths. Please bring food and drink; and book with the walk leader, Mia Matheson via the group email or on 07517 466773.

Group Contact: Mia Matheson Letchworth-district-walkers@lalg.org.uk



Longer-Distance Walking longer-walks@lalg.org.uk

Tuesday 13 October, 2.30pm

Miss Green Fingers, Eastcheap, Letchworth

For anyone interested in longer and more adventurous small-group walking around the country; a chance to discuss the possibilities for this new group. Please text / email to confirm you can make it. We can re-arrange or have a second meeting if necessary.

Contact: Nigel Carrick 07952 199989; longer-walks@lalg.org.uk



Walking safety LALG walk leaders take care to keep everyone safe, and we have a checklist to help them (and you), available at lalg.org.uk/walkingsafety. It finishes with a link to the Ramblers Association's safety advice at www.ramblers.org.uk/safety.



Midweek Amblers/Ramblers ialg.org.uk/midweekambleramble

Wednesday 7 October, 10am for 10.15am start

Meet in the George IV car park, Baldock, SG7 6LZ for a walk of about 4.5 miles led by Jean Doney. Toilets available. Lunch to be ordered on return. A gentle circular walk, mainly flat but some gradients: starts through woods, then along good field paths with open views to Clothall. Return down Hickmans Hill and the path back to Baldock. To book the walk, and lunch if required, contact Jean by 5 October, on MAROctober@ialg.org.uk (preferred) or 01462 682152. Bookings are acknowledged. Jean's **mobile on the day is 07807 771972**.

Wednesday 11 November, 10.15am.

Meet in the (free) car park at RSPB Fowlmere SG8 6EZ, for a walk led by Barbara and David Isherwood. We will walk twice around the reserve (it takes about an hour to walk). Entrance is free but there is a box for donations. Some parts may be boggy but generally it is good walking. Bring binoculars if you wish. One accessible toilet. See rspb.org.uk/days-out/reserves/fowlmere/facilities. Lunch is available at The Green Man in Shepreth: extensive menu and plenty of parking. Please let Barbara know by 4 November if you are walking and/or staying for lunch. Email MARNovember@ialg.org.uk (preferred) or phone 07974 695664. All bookings are acknowledged.

Group Contact: Carol Stokes 07813 800874; midweekambleramble@ialg.org.uk



Midweek Walkers ialg.org.uk/midweekwalkers

Friday 9 October, 10am

This is a 10-mile circular walk starting from Pegsdon. Roadside parking is on the stub end of the road that leads to the gated house, SG5 3JS. There will be several steepish ascents and descents. Please bring your own refreshments and food for the day and book in with Alan via the group email. We will try to coordinate lifts if needed from Sollershott Green, SG6 3JW leaving at 9.30am. Walk leader: Alan Copping.

Tuesday 10 November, 10am

This is an 8-mile circular walk starting from Ashwell. Roadside parking is available in Mill Street, SG7 5LY, near St Mary's Church and we will meet under its lych gate. The walk is mostly flat along grassy paths with a few connecting roads after a steady ascent in the first mile. Please bring food and drink for the day and book in with Jess on the group email or 07813 802495. She will coordinate lifts if needed from Sollershott Green SG6 3JW, leaving at 9.30am. Walk leader: Jess Peyton Jones

Group Contact: Jess Peyton Jones midweekwalkers@ialg.org.uk



Nordic Walking ialg.org.uk/nordicwalking

Come and walk the Nordic way, a whole-body exercise that harnesses the benefits of walking with the use of Nordic walking poles. Learn how to walk with ease, becoming faster and walking further while having fun. We meet weekly for a walk of 3 - 4 miles, with occasional longer walks at weekends. Taster sessions are available for those considering taking up this form of walking.

Group Contact:

Martin Lansbury nordicwalking@ialg.org.uk

Walking Groups



Short Walks ialg.org.uk/short-walks

Wednesdays 7 October and 18 November, 10.30am

We meet at Letchworth's first roundabout on Broadway for a maximum 2-mile walk, with optional coffee stop. We welcome suggestions for future walks. No need to book, just come along.

Acting Group Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537; short-walks@ialg.org.uk



Slower Walkers ialg.org.uk/slowerwalkers

Thursday 22 October, 10.15am for 10.30am start

Pete and Shirley will lead the walk from the Bushel and Strike pub, Mill Street, Ashwell SG7 5LY. This is a 3.9-mile walk in open country on good paths to the south-west of the village with no stiles or gates. The route rises gently for 1.5 miles. We then cross the Newnham Way, undulating gently before descending back to Ashwell. Please book a place on the walk/ lunch by Monday 19 October. Menu choices to be ordered in the pub before starting the walk. Book with Pete on SWoctober@ialg.org.uk or 07974 041777.

Wednesday 18 November, 10.15am for a 10.30am start

Trevor and Judith will lead the walk from the Waggon & Horses, 27 High Street Graveley, SG4 7LE. The circular walk is around 3.5 miles. It passes under the A1 and then heads along part of the Hertfordshire Way towards Roxley Court. The paths are a mix of hard surfaces and permitted paths beside fields. Apart from a short incline near the start of the walk, it is a flat route. If you are having lunch, please book by Thursday 12 November. Menu choices to be ordered in the pub before the walk.

Book with Trevor & Judith on SWnovember@ialg.org.uk or 07985 122772.

Group Contact: Phil Taylor slowerwalkers@ialg.org.uk



Sunday Ramblers ialg.org.uk/sundayramblers

Sunday 4 October, 10am

Meet at Rowney Warren Woods car park on Sandy Lane, Shefford, SG17 5QB (what3words.com/spotted.nasal.germinate)

A varied circular walk of about 7 miles, passing through Rowney Warren Woods and Sandy Smith Nature Reserve along good paths, quiet roads and tracks including part of the John Bunyan Way. Bring packed lunch.

If you would like to join the walk, please call or WhatsApp the walk leaders Christine and Peter on 07925 803029.

Sunday 1 November, 10am

Meet at Dan Albone Car Park Hill Lane, Biggleswade SG18 0BQ

What3Words.com/punchy.line.chariots

8.5 miles on flat and hard surfaces, with a small section through residential streets. This walk is mainly the Green Wheel and Green Ring. Heading south, along Kingfisher Way to Jordan's Mill, then along the perimeter of Biggleswade. Please bring a packed lunch.

To book, message Paolo on mobile number 07504181009

Group Contact: Wendy 07856 768685; sundayramblers@ialg.org.uk

Walking Groups



Trail Walkers lalg.org.uk/trailwalkers

Tuesday 13 October, 9.30am Cross-Herts trail South to North 3rd leg

Tuesday 10 November, 9.30am Cross-Herts trail South to North 4th leg

We aim to cover some of the longer distance trails that pass near Letchworth. We normally walk on the second Tuesday of every month, but occasionally do two walks in a month. The average is 10-12 miles. We share cars for these linear walks. New members are warmly welcome. If you are interested in joining us or have any questions, please get in touch.

Group Contact: Nigel B trailwalkers@lalg.org.uk



Weekend Strollers lalg.org.uk/weekendstrollers

Saturday 17 October, 10.30am

Standalone Farm, Wilbury Road, Letchworth SG6 4JN

Meet by the café and the admission entrance.

Saturday 18 November, 10.30am

The Fox, Willian SG6 2AE. Meet at the car park.

Group Contact: William Armitage 01462 643537; weekendstrollers@lalg.org.uk

Personal Insurance

While we take care to reduce the risks associated with LALG activities, it is up to each individual to stay safe and to arrange their own personal insurance where applicable.

Barkway Literary Festival 2026

Saturday 3rd October, Barkway Village Hall



www.barkwaylitfest.co.uk

Join us for a day of literary celebration, with guests including Richard Negus, Lucy Mangan, Fraser Grace and many more...

Tickets on sale now: **£10 per event**, or **£30 for a day pass from 10:00am onwards**.

See our website for full lineup and more details!

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Agent Brains Escape Games	26 Leys Avenue	539763	10% off all off-peak game bookings
Alexander Lewis Estates	9 Arena Parade	510881	10% off fee for sales
Allders Opticians	15 Eastcheap	673216	10% off spectacles
AM Optometrists	29 Leys Avenue	486123	10% off complete glasses
Broadway Hotel & Downtown Bar & Grill	Broadway	480111	12 noon - 2.30pm, Monday - Friday: 30% off large plates & steaks and 20% off small plates from main menu
Cooks Boutique	1 Commerce Way	01708 691322	10% off purchases over £10
David Stern Opticians	10 Arena Parade	683045	10% off, excluding eye tests
David's Bookshop	12 - 14 Eastcheap	684631	10% off over £10, some exceptions
David's Music	12 Eastcheap	475900	10% off over £10, some exceptions
Dr Bike – friendly mobile bike mechanic	Mobile service	07840 888050	20% off parts & labour
Evolve Life Pain & Injury Clinic	Henlow & Letchworth	486444	10% off all appointments
Fairhaven Wholefoods	Unit 27, Jubilee Trade Centre, Jubilee Road	675300	5% off all products – in store only
Garden City Florist	6 Arena Parade	685370	10% off, except Interflora
Icas-Vilas Fine Art	21 Commerce Way	677455	10% off framing only
Isabelle Estates	45 Station Road	487877	10% off sales fees
Joules Garden City Gifts	3 The Wynd	07415 281930	10% off sales over £10
Just for Me	30 Leys Avenue	676688	15% off
LAPZ	2A Commerce Way	07368 201584	10% off all products in store only
Letchworth Pharmacy	One Garden City, Broadway	685915	10% off non-medical
Liliane Textiles	Weavers Barn, Fairclough Hall Farm, Hall's Green, Weston	07917 542405	10% discount on all workshop bookings & shop purchases
Martins Furniture	62 - 64 Leys Avenue & 12 - 14 Commerce Way	351610	5% discount on furniture, carpets & flooring
Max Spielmann	36 Broadway	672264	10% off

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Miss Green Fingers	2 - 4 Eastcheap	337970	10% off café items
Mobility World	Birds Hill	708830	£50 off riser recliner chairs, £100 off beds, 10% off smaller items
Nanny Julie's Children's Hairdresser	8 The Arcade	337805	10% off
North Herts Chiropody	46 Leys Avenue	684358	10% off full treatments
Nuffield Health Letchworth	Letchworth Lane	681075	15% discount off our anytime memberships
On Your Travels	www.onyourtravels.co.uk	677111	Discounts on tours & cruises
Pampered Pets	9 The Arcade	07432 440104	10% off a full groom
Professional Dry Cleaners	25 Eastcheap & 5A Brand Street, Hitchin	682571 & 450491	10% off dry-cleaning on site only
ReelN	85 Great Portland Street, London	reeln.co.uk	5% off monthly South Asian film screenings in & around Letchworth
Revive the Beauty Salon	4 The Wynd	674888	10% off
Shades of Gray	Pixmore Avenue	07794 693709	10% off for over-60s
System Restore UK	2 The Wynd	339101	10% off all labour
T Brooker	Bilton Road, Hitchin	434501	Trade discount where applicable
The BakeHouse	16 The Wynd	337980	20% off two or more cakes
The Letchworth Clinic	17 Station Road	670900	10% off podiatry, Monday - Friday
The Little Ironing Shop	23 The Wynd	339128 or 07833 984091	10% off
The Prep Lounge	2 Whitehorse Street, Baldock	545419	10% off food & drink
The Shoe Box	45 Leys Avenue	683190	10% off all shoe repairs
The Uniform Monkeys	16 - 18 Openshaw Way	07828 148179	10% off first order
Tutti Frutti Clothing	12a Central Approach	07725 830913	10% off sales of £10 or more
Vutie Beets vegan café	24/25 The Wynd	337930	10% off all sales
Walkwel Clinic	13 Eastcheap & 21 Westgate Centre, Stevenage	682526	5% off non-sale footwear only, in Letchworth & Stevenage

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Linked Organisations

Arts Society North Herts theartssocietynorthherts.org.uk	Art lectures at Broadway Theatre on the first Thursday of the month, 11am except January and August. All welcome. Contact: theartssociety.nh@gmail.com
Baldock and District Canoe Club thecanoeclub.co.uk	Kayaking and canoeing trips throughout the UK, from gentle local paddles to exciting white-water rapids. See the website for details.
Baldock Folk Club baldockfolkclub.org	Free admission; donations to performers welcome. Usually at the Orange Tree pub. Contact: Brian Burke 07768 274037; baldockfolkclub@gmail.com
Benslow Music benslowmusic.org	Music learning opportunities, residential courses and concerts, and courses for those returning after a break. Event spaces for hire. Contact: 01462 459446 info@benslowmusic.org
Branch Out social club for single people branch-out.org.uk	For single people aged 50+ to socialise, weekly at the Three Moorhens, Hitchin. Contact: Christine 07932 560998; Christine@branch-out.org.uk
Forty Plus Cycling Club www.fortypluscc.co.uk	Rides of 25 - 40 miles to a pub lunch, mostly on quiet lanes. Thursdays, 10.30am. Contact: Alan Brosnan 07790 646949; 40plusNHerts@gmail.com
Garden City Singers www.gardencitysingers.co.uk	Friendly community choir singing a variety of music and holding concerts to raise money for local charities. All voice parts welcome. See the website for details.
Hitchin Thespians www.hitchinthespians.org.uk	Musical theatre and choral society. The Young Thespians present various staged shows throughout the year. See the website for contact information and ticket details.
Letchworth Educational Settlement letchworthsettlement.org.uk	Independent adult education centre providing academic and recreational classes. Contact: info@letchworthsettlement.org.uk
Letchworth Film Club broadway-lethworth.com/cinema/letchworth-film-club	World cinema films and timeless classics, monthly on Sundays, 7.45pm, at Broadway Cinema. Contact: Lynne McGechie 07763 030031; lynne@letchworthfilmclub.com

Linked Organisations

Letchworth Garden City Bowls Club letchworthbowlsclub.co.uk	Norton Common, April to September. 50% off membership for the first year, plus 10% LALG discount. Contact: Sue Sinclair 01462 621067; secretary@letchworthbowlsclub.co.uk
Letchworth Garden City Society lgcs.org.uk	Visits and talks on Letchworth, other Garden Cities, architecture/history, and local planning matters. Contact: Philippa Parker 01462 686828; philippaclare@me.com
Letchworth Music letchworthmusic.org/	Chamber music concerts, October to April, by professional musicians, at Howgills Friends Meeting House. Contact: Kevin Jones; 07779 995476; kevin@osneyconsulting.com
Letchworth Scale Model Club letchworthsmc.yolasite.com	Figures, vehicles, aircraft, ships, etc. Talks and demonstrations at the Icknield Centre. Contact: Geoff Russell 07806 433998; 118geoff@gmail.com
Letchworth Sinfonia Letchworth-sinfonia.org.uk	Amateur chamber orchestra with professional conductor. Two concerts per annum. Rehearsals on alternate Sundays at Letchworth Educational Settlement. Contact: Elisabeth George 07305 315657; elisabeth.george@ntlworld.com
North Herts Bowls Club www.n-h-b-c.org.uk	Norton Common, Mondays 2pm - 4pm. LALG discount. Contacts: Andy 07818 664274 or Mike 01462 893411
North Herts Speakers Club www.northhertsspeakers.org	Friendly group helping with public speaking, presentations, and leadership. First Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm online and third Wednesdays at The Cloisters. Free for visitors. Call first. Contact: John Kendall 01462 684036
North Herts Stamp Club	Monthly meetings in Letchworth at which members enjoy displays and can buy and sell stamps. Contact: 07776 381781; richardemeritt@talktalk.net
Unicorn Ceilidhs unicornceilidhs.org.uk	Dances for the local community, with a wide range of ceilidh bands and callers. Contact: 07833 643597; barry.goodman1@ntlworld.com
Whitethorn Bowls Club (Whitethorn Lane)	Friendly and league matches, April to September. All welcome; instruction available. Contact: 07981 958651; tonypinchin@hotmail.co.uk

Linked Organisations offer benefits to LALG members. To apply to become a Linked Organisation, visit lalg.org.uk/linkedorgs or email linkedorgs@lalg.org.uk.

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or contact the Membership Secretary: **Trevor 07361 040348; membership@lalg.org.uk**

From the Editors

The editor of this edition was Jackie Sayers. The December/January edition will be edited by Suzanne Gillian. Please send repeat entries to newsletter@lalg.org.uk by 10 November. If you have a new or longer item, please send it by 5 November.

If you are unable to make the deadline, your entry will read: 'For details of future meetings or events, please see the group's web page or call/email the Group Contact.'

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