



The latest from The Everyman Club

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7th May 2019



The final meeting of the season of the Everyman Club was preceded by the AGM. This was successfully completed but, unfortunately, did NOT produce any new members for the committee! Anyone interested in joining the committee would be welcome and should approach a serving committee member for more information. At the meeting which followed, the speaker was Martin Pailthorpe with a talk entitled 'The Heroes of Telemark'. The Heroes of Telemark was a 1965 World War Two film starring Kirk Douglas and Richard Harris. It tells the story of a dangerous mission to prevent the Nazis from developing an atomic bomb in Norway. Martin is an acclaimed TV producer and director with over 25 years' experience of making challenging programmes in remote locations. He shared with us the story behind the film, using archive and personal testimony, as well as modern re-enactment and survival tips. Martin gave us a superb talk enhanced by brilliant photography and illustrated by his personal involvement.

9th April 2019



At the April meeting of the Everyman Club the speaker was Paul Money FRAS FBIS with a talk entitled 'Wonders of the Solar System'. Paul is a very enthusiastic speaker and extremely knowledgeable and he took the members on an amazing tour of the solar system. He brought the whole system to life with his brilliant photography. Paul is an astronomer based in Horncastle and is the reviews editor of the BBC Sky at Night Magazine. He has received many awards in the field of astronomy, including a Lifetime Achievement for his public promotion of astronomy and space and, since 2000, has written the annual night sky guide 'Night Scenes'. Recently Paul has realised a long held ambition and become an author and has published three novels and more are planned including several Sci-Fi novels adding another aspect to his varied career.

12th March 2019



For the March meeting of the Everyman Club the speaker was Peter Medhurst with a talk entitled 'Vivaldi in Venice'. Peter explored the amazing world of Vivaldi's music and brought it to life for those with musical knowledge and those with very little. He explained that Vivaldi is the one Baroque composer whose music is a direct reflection of the city in which it was composed. The reasons for this were many but Peter discussed three main ones. Vivaldi was a son of Venice and had an innate understanding of Venice's unique aesthetic including colour and emotion. Also Venice solved its problems with abandoned and orphaned children in an altruistic manner and the way in which that was done impacted on Vivaldi as a composer,

teacher and musical director. Finally Vivaldi's health problems and his eccentricities as a man and a priest dictated his path as a musician and performer in Venice's cultural life.

12th February 2019



For the February meeting of the Club members enjoyed a talk by Dr. Jacqueline Campbell entitled 'The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew'. Dr. Campbell has an Honorary Fellowship at Alexandria University in Egypt. Her work in the Pharmacy of Pharaonic Times earned her unrivalled access to Kew. She described the Origins of the Gardens through the development of its research and it was fascinating to hear of the history of the gardens and the collection of seeds and plants. Dr. Campbell's expertise was in the forensic collection of plant DNA which was, and is, vital for the preserving of the diverse species. Founded in 1759 this historic landscape garden includes work by renowned architects Bridgeman, Kent and Capability Brown, illustrating significant periods of design from the 18th to the 20th centuries. The gardens became a World Heritage Site in 2002.

8th January 2019



A happy new year. 2019 started with a interesting talk by Christine Robinson, former Housekeeper at Chatsworth House. Christine gave an interesting insight into the history and inhabitants of the House, along with the massive undertaking to keep the Hall and grounds in order. Christine and her husband still live within the park, there were some stories of how the Cavendish family entertain and look after their staff and keeping Christmas alive for all the children of the estate - Santa is seen on the roof, and then emerges from the chimney in the painted Hall.

7th November 2018



The Club's November meeting turned out to be an enchanting one with our guest Kathy Lewis who charmed the audience within minutes of starting her talk. Kathy has had a musical career at very highest level. She won a talent competition when she was 12 years old and went on to

work with top people in the business. She became a very versatile performer singing opera and ballads. Her musical career started with Semprini in Bridlington. She had a call to work with Max Jaffa and his orchestra in Scarborough. It was during a long summer season she got a call out of the blue from the entertainment director of P and O Cruises asking her to join their cruise ship Canberra on her world cruise. She subsequently did many more cruises meaning visited many parts of the world and met many eminent people. She had a long and happy career on ships despite lifelong seasickness. Finally, she went on to do musicals in The Theatre. Kathy's talk gave a fascinating insight into this glamorous world. Everyone went home smiling.

9th October 2018



International Bomber Command was the subject of our October meeting. The evening opened with the appearance of a very special guest, RAF Veteran and Lancaster rear gunner James Flowers. 94 year old James described his first mission and also several others over enemy territory. He remembered every incident and detail and presented it in a style which made us feel we too were in the rear gunner's position which as we know was very perilous indeed. Members warmed to his story telling and as it was his 94th birthday presented him with a card and members gave a rousing rendition of "happy birthday" at the end. Our guest, Barry Wallis then gave an excellent talk about Bomber Command and the sacrifices made. He specifically talked about the Bomber Command visitor centre at Lincoln, how it came about and gave details of the extensive exhibits that visitors can expect to see. Barry spoke passionately about those who served in Bomber Command and the vital missions that were flown from airfields throughout Lincolnshire. He paid tribute the many thousands of aircrew who sadly did not return. A very informative and thought provoking evening much enjoyed by a good attendance.

11th September 2018



Well our first meeting of the new season certainly set a high standard. A full house of 300 or so were thoroughly entertained by our guest, naturalist Simon King as he gave an enthralling talk and photographic presentation of his experiences and knowledge of “Wild Africa”. Simon’s relaxed and amiable style together with his superb animal impressions captivated our audience. On this occasion the evening ran over time but not one person left early. We were so grateful to our partners on this occasion, RSPB and The Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust, without whose help the meeting would not have been possible.

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