DACT DAYS OUT Oct – Dec 2014







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Those Autumn Leaves

Well here we are already heading towards the end of the year.

We are very pleased with the support that we have received for our summer program. We have had some excellent trips and of course the weather has been pretty good – almost too hot at times! Your feedback has been very positive. In the last 3 months we have had very few trips that we had to cancel through lack of numbers. We are always happy to receive ideas for new venues/ideas – we do try to accommodate as many as we can, whether it be for this year or for 2015.

To minimise our postage costs we would appreciate it if you could inform the DACT office if you no longer wish to receive our DACT DAYS OUT programs. We have over 700 people registered so you can appreciate the mailing cost is significant.

Age – There is NO age limit for DACT DAYS OUT trips. It is open to young and old.



<u>Oct</u>	<u>Destination</u>	Type of Trip	Depart	Return	Cost	Information
Wed 1 st	The Quays / Billing Garden Centre	Pub Lunch / Garden Centre	11.30 am	3.00 pm	£8	The Quays pub is at the entrance to Billing Aquadrome, overlooking the Marina. After a meal there is a short stop at Billing Garden Village, a compact but interesting place to wander around, with a small garden centre, a Ponden Mill, a clothes shop and some other smaller outlets The Quays has various meal offers including 2 meals for £10.
Thurs 2 nd	The National Brewery Centre, Burton-on-Trent	Museum	10.15 am	3.30 pm	£13	On the site of an old Bass brewey this is a museum about brewing. Visitors are taken through the story of brewing over the centuries. There should be Shire horses to see and a variety of vintage vehicles .There is the opportunity to taste some beer. There is a Restaurant. Cost – adult £7.95, Concessions £6.36. We have arranged a private tour for the group.
Sat 4 th	Wellesbourne Market	Shopping	11.15 am	3.00 pm	£9	Reputed to be one of the UKs largest outdoor markets, with around 500 stalls and 15000 visitors each Saturday. There is a vast variety of goods on sale for everyone, from clothes, gardening, toys, books, mobiles and food. Pick up some bargains and enjoy some food and drinks
Tues 7 th	Lichfield	Historic City / Shopping	10.30 am	3.00 pm	£11	Visit the small but popular Cathedral city of Lichfield. Visit the impressive cathedral and wander through the city streets. Tuesday is market day in the Market Square.
Wed 8 th	Black Country Museum, Dudley	Living Museum	10.30 am	3.30 pm	£13	Described as a living open-air museum. The main area has 'streets' of factories and shops as they were in the early 1900s, with people in costume to tell you about what was sold and made in those days. There is much to do and see – take a tram ride, go down a coal mine, go to school!, take a canal trip into limestone caves, watch local craftsmen at work, view historic buildings & a vehicle collection Group rate of £14 for adults and £11 for over 60's applies.
Thurs 9 th	RAF Hendon	Museum	10.30 am	3.00 pm	£13	The RAF museum at Hendon hosts a collections that includes some very early aircraft designs through to the latest modern day jets and military aircraft. Among othe exhibits there is a Bomber Hanger (with a Flying Fortress), Battle of Britain Hanger, Marine Craft Collection and a 'Milestones of Flight' Hanger. Entry is free. There is also Flight simulators and a 4D cinema – for these there is a small charge.
Fri 10 th	Stamford	Historic Town / Shopping	10.30 am	3.15 pm	£12	Market day in Stamford. Stamford is a small Linconshire market town famous for it's Lincolnshire stone buildings. It has narrow streets and courtyards with specialist shops & boutiques in addition to the larger high street shops. Close by is the River Welland where there is a park area where you can walk or just sit. The popular market spreads through the town centre streets.
Mon 13 th	Woodlands Garden Centre	Garden Centre	11.30 pm	3.00 pm	£9	Large Garden Centre, part of Wyevale Group, in Stapleton (near Hinkley). Woodlands hosts a number of retail outlets including Cotton Trader, Lakeland, Edinburgh Woollen Mill and The Works. There is also a large restaurant.
Tues 14 th	National Memorial Aboretum	Memorial Gardens	10.30 am	3.00 pm	£12	Autumn time at the Arboretum. 150 acres of trees & memorial gardens – to both military and civilian services. Ever evolving this is a beautiful and interesting place to walk round with a wide range of memorials and many varieties of trees. One side of the arboretum is bordered by the River Tame, a lovely place to walk and view the wildlife. There is a road train (with commentary) that circuits the Arboretum (small cost). Mobility scooters are available (book in advance). Entry is free.
Wed 15 th	Stratford-on- Avon	Historic Town	11.15 am	3.15 pm	£10	A very popular tourist attraction on the banks of the River Avon. Visitors can enjoy the park area either side of the river, take a river cruise, wander around the shops or visit one or more of the historic attractions such as Shakespeare's House
Thurs 16 th	Henley-on- Thames	Historic Town / Shopping	10.30 am	3.15 pm	£13	On the banks of the River Thames, Henley is world famous for its rowing events. It is a 12 th century market town with over 300 buildings designated as being of special architectural or historic interest, including St Marys Church, the Town Hall, Market Place and Henley Bridge. Thursday is market day.
Mon 20 th	Kew Gardens	Gardens	9.00 am	3.00 pm	£15	Autumn at Kew. The world famous Kew covers 325 acres and includes lakes, extensive walkways, themed areas and a number of greenhouses housing a wide array of temperate plants and trees, including alpines and orchids. Mobility scooters available (book in advance). There is a land train (£4 for the day) that stops at various points around Kew. Under our agreement with Kew the entry price for this trip is just a nominal £2 per person!
Tues 21 st	Moreton-in- Marsh / Bourton- on-the-Water	Cotswold Towns	10.30 am	3.45 pm	£12	Visit to 2 very popular Cotswold towns. Market day in Moreton-on-Marsh attracts visitors from far & wide. Have lunch & browse the stalls before moving on to Bourton-on-the-Water.
Wed 22 nd	Lincoln	Historic City	10.00 am	3.30 pm	£15	Historic city world famous for it's impressive Cathedral and Castle, surrounded by cobbled streets with traditional teashops & craft shops. In addition there are museums, high street shopping and the Brayfield waterfront which has bars & restaurants overlooking the marina.
Thurs 23 rd	Brampton Halt, Chapel Brampton	Pub Lunch	12.00 noon	3.00 pm	£8	Located in the Northampton countryside and right next to the Lamport & Northampton Steam Railway. Meal prices vary but a number of menu items are included in a 2 main meals for £13.95 offer
Mon 27 th	Oxford	Historic City	10.30 am	3.15 pm	£12	A famous city that has a number of historic buildings, colleges and museums – try the Pitt Rivers Museum. There are a large number of shops both indoor and outdoor plus an indoor market.
Tues 28 th	Wistow Rural Centre/ Market Harborough	Shopping	10.45 am	3.15 pm	£9	First stop is Wistow Rural Centre. Situated in the countrside Wistow has a garden centre, a bistro, a deli and a number of small shops selling things such as pet products, handbags, jewellery, silk flowers, ceramics, paintings etc. Then on to Market Harborough for a wander round and lunch. Today there should be a market in the town centre.

Wed 29 th	Birmingham	Shopping / Jewellery Qtr.	11.15 am	3.45 pm	£11	A popular shopping destination with it's modern shopping centre and largeindoor and outdoor markets. Shop in the glamorous Bullring Centre, stroll up New Street & other shopping streets! Take a walk to the Ashmolean Museum and the stunning new Library with it's rooftop gardens and views over the city. For this trip there is an option to visit the Jewellery Qtr with its numerous jewellery shops and its jewellery museum.
Thurs 30 th	Bicester Avenue/ Bicester Village	Shopping	11.00 am	3.30 pm	£10	Bicester Avenue is a small avenue of shops (including Lakeland & Hobbycraf) and a large Wyevale garden centre. Very close by is Bicester Village with it's large number of top brand designer outlets. Both places have a selection of cafes & restaurants. Visit the venue of your choice, or both.
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Tues 4 th	White Swan, Holcot	Pub Lunch	12.00 noon	3.00 pm Approx	£8	A trip across Pitsford Reservoir Causeway to The White Swan at Holcot. A small but very friendly pub that offers a good menu of freshly cooked food at reasonable prices. Highly praised by our members that have been there previously.
Thurs 6 th	Dobies Garden Centre, Atherstone	Garden Centre	11.15 am	3.00 pm	£9	Popular garden centre just past Hinckley. A typical large garden centre that also Includes a clothing outlet and food hall. Also Has a large restaurant.
Tues 11 th	Melton Mowbray	Shopping	10.00 am	2.45 pm	£12	Visit the home of the Pork Pie on Market day. Look round shops and street market and visit the large indoor market where there is an antiques market and the auctioning of a range of livestock. There is also a park to wander round.
Wed 12 th	Leicester	Shopping	11.15 am	3.30 pm	£9	Leicester has it's large modern Highcross Shopping Centre which includes John Lewis, Debenhams and House of Fraser. Next to Highcross are the outdoor and indoor markets offering a wide range of foods and goods.
Sat 15 th	Wellesbourne Market	Shopping	11.15 am	3.00 pm	£9	Reputed to be one of the UKs largest outdoor markets, with around 500 stalls and 15000 visitors each Saturday. There is a vast variety of goods on sale for everyone, from clothes, gardening, toys, books, mobiles and food. Pick up some bargains and enjoy some food and drinks
Wed 19 th	Swindon Designer Outlet	Shopping	9.30 am	3.00 pm	£13	McArthur Glen's Swindon Designer Outlet is housed in the beautifully renovated Grade II listed buildings of the Great Western Railway Works and is one of the largest covered designer outlets in Europe. There are over 80 leading brands including outlets for M&S, Next, John Lewis along with a wide range of designer brands.
Thurs 20 th	Chatsworth (Xmas Display)	House and Gardens	10.15 am	3.45 pm	£15	This is the time Chatsworth has it's Xmas display in the house. This year's theme is Alice in Wonderland, including the Mad Hatters Tea Party. Outside there is the Xmas market with a stalls selling a wide range of products and Xmas fayre. If we have a minimum of 10 people Group rates of £14 adults and £12 seniors will apply. Note: This is an extremely popular event and to get a reasonable entry time into the house to see the Xmas display we are restricted to 1 minibus only.
Mon 24 th	Toby Carvery, Hunsbury	Pub Lunch	12.00 noon	3.00 pm	£8	A vist to the Toby Carvery in Hunsbury. They offer a 4 roast carvery (Gammon, Beef, Turkey & Pork) for approx £6. Other menu items are available.
Thurs 27 th	Boundary Mills	Shopping	10.30 am	3.00 pm	£12	Shopping under one roof. Boundary Mills offfers huge choice and discounted prices against leading names in ladies and men's leisure, outdoor and occasion wear, footwear and lingerie; luggage, bags and accessories; home furnishings, cookware, china and glassware; art, crafts and gifts
<u>Dec</u>	<u>Destination</u>	Type of Trip	<u>Depart</u>	Return	Cost	<u>Information</u>
Mon 1 st	Birmingham (Xmas German Market)	Shopping	11.15 am	3.45 pm	£11	Xmas in Birmingham. A popular shopping destination with it's modern shopping centre and largeindoor and outdoor markets. Shop in the glamorous Bullring Centre, stroll up New Street & other shopping streets! Take a walk to the Ashmolean Museum and the stunning new Library with it's rooftop gardens and views over the City. At this time the popular German Market is spread along the length of New Street up to the Town Hall.
Tues 2 nd	Blooms Garden Centre, Dunchurch	Garden centre	12.00 noon	3.00 pm	£7	Popular garden centre near to Dunchurch. Part of the Gardening Club chain, offering a wide range of goods and plants. Has a large restaurant. Concessions include Edinburgh Woollen Mill, Mountain Warehouse, Hotter Shoes & The Works
Wed 3 rd	Milton Keynes	Shopping	11.15 am	3.15 pm	£9	Milton Keynes is a very large indoor shopping centre with major brands such as John Lewis, Debenhams, House of Fraser, Next, M&S etc. This is the time that Middleton Hall,- in front of John Lewis - has it's popular Christmas themed display.
Thurs 4 th	Waddesdon Manor (Xmas display), Buckinghamshire	House and Gardens	9.45 am	2.30 pm	£12	Xmas at Waddesdon Manor, home of the Rothchilds. An impressive stately home with equally impressive gardens, both decorated for Xmas. There is a also a Xmas Gift Fair and Food Market in the grounds. Vistiors have timed entry into the house to see the Xmas decorations. The theme this year is 'Lights and Legends'. The tour of the house is approx 30 minutes (not all the house is open for viewing over the Xmas period, only the areas with the Xmas display). We are able to take up to a maximum of 30 people (2 buses). Our National Trust special rate (a 50% discount) applies – Cost is £8.10 per person for over 60s. This may reduce to approx £6.50 if we have sufficient numbers.
Tues 9 th	Solihull	Shopping	1115 am	3.45 pm	£10	Solihull has it's modern Touchwood indoor shopping centre plus outside a very pleasant pedestrianised area. It has John Lewis, House of Fraser, Bhs and a host of other retail outlets. There may be an xmas market in the square.

Fri 12th	Milton Keynes	Shopping	11.15 am	3.15 pm	£9	Milton Keynes is a very large indoor shopping centre with major brands such as John Lewis, Debenhams, House of Fraser, Next, M&S etc. This is the time that Middleton Hall,- in front of John Lewis - has it's popular Christmas themed display.
Wed 17 th	The White Swan, Holcot	Xmas Pub Lunch	12.00 noon	3.00 pm Approx	£8	A trip across Pitsford Reservoir Causeway to The White Swan at Holcot. A small but very friendly pub that is popular with our members. This is the Xmas lunch. The menu selection and prices (expected to be very reasonable) will be advised close to the day – we will then take your menu choices and pass them on the the White Swan.

Departure is from Daventry Bus Station unless otherwise advised

Return time is the anticipated time of departure from the venue visited unless otherwise stated



To register free for the DACT 'Days-Out' Scheme, simply telephone the number below stating you wish to register as a new member. You will be asked for your full name, address and date of birth. If you have any kind of mobility difficulties which you think we should be advised of, please notify us. (e.g. you perhaps need to bring a tri-walker on a trip)



Points to note:

- Booking will be on a first-come first served basis. For trips that are fully booked we will run a reserve list and contact people on that list if seats become available through cancellations.
- There are **NO** age restrictions applicable to DACT Days Out, but unfortuanately all seats are charged at the same rate. This also applies to carers of wheelchair passengers etc.
- Price quoted is for return travel only. Admission charges are not included, unless otherwise stated. Food, drink etc is excluded.
- Payment in cash should be made to the driver on the day of the trip unless stated otherwise.
- <u>Pick-ups</u> The bus will leave from Daventry Bus Station at the time stated in trip details. <u>We will wait a maximum of 5 minutes only, in fairness to other passengers</u>. If a number of passengers from the same area are travelling, it may be possible to arrange another pick-up point en-route. Passengers within Daventry Town may be dropped off at home on the return trip where practicable.
- DACT will do their best to make sure every trip operates as advertised. However in circumstances beyond our control or minimum numbers not being met, we may have to change or cancel we cannot run these trips at a loss to DACT.
- Trip Information is obtained from a variety of sources. We try to give a fair summary of a destination but we cannot guarantee that all the content we may use is totally accurate.
- Trolleys. We can carry shopping trolleys but they must be booked in advance as there is only limited storage space on our buses.
- CANCELLATIONS. Please be aware that if you cancel your booking late, you prevent others from travelling on the trip who would otherwise have been able to go, and also if buses then get insufficient numbers, they run the risk of being cancelled. Please only book if you definitely intend to travel. All bookings are taken on trust without a deposit and we do not want to change this procedure to avoid heavy administration. Any trip cancelled at less than 3 full working-days notice prior to the trip date (or a no-show on the trip day) will incur the full trip cost. Please pay to the DACT Office as soon as possible.

