



Happy New Year

A happy new year to all our members. It's amazing to think that we are now entering our 4th year of DACT DAYS OUT. We hope you enjoy the trips we have to offer to you through 2016. As ever we are always looking for new venues, so if you any ideas please let us know.

We have a number of new venues planned throughout the year, in addition to existing venues that we know are popular. Many of the new venues are ones that you have asked us to include, such as: Tewkesbury, Huntingdon, Pennels Garden Centre, Westonbirt Arboretum, Abingdon-on-Thames, Imperial War Museum London, Leamington, Banbury, St. Neots, and more. We have also added Lord Leicester Hospital, Redditch, Wyatts Garden Centre, Cadbury World and many more. So we hope we have a good variety for our seasoned travellers and our newer members!

Note:

- Some trips get booked up very quickly. If you cannot get on a trip it is always worthwhile to go on the 'waiting' list. If demand is sufficient we will put on extra buses. Also it is always a possibility that cancellations will make spaces available.
- If you want a travel scooter for a trip you can always hire one from DACT Mobility. We do ask you to talk to the office first, to make sure we have the right type of bus available. (N.B. Some venues do provide Scooters making it unnecessary to take your own. Ask DACT Office if you need more details)
- **As a courtesy to other members and DACT we ask you to only book trips you are committed to go on. Unfortunately we do seem to have a very small minority of people that book seats and then later decide if they actually want to go or cancel late. Cancellations can affect a lot of people.**

<u>Jan</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Type of Trip</u>	<u>Depart</u>	<u>Return</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Information</u>
Thurs 7 th	Toby Carvery, Hunsbury	Pub Lunch	11.30 am	2.30 pm approx.	£8	A visit to the Toby Carvery in Hunsbury. They offer a carvery selection of 4 roasts meats for approx £6. Other menu items are available.
Tues 12 th	Woodlands Garden Centre, Nr Hinckley	Garden Centre	11.15 am	3.00 pm	£9	Large Garden Centre, part of the Gardening Club Group, in Stapleton (near Hinckley). Woodlands hosts a number of retail outlets including Cotton Trader, Lakeland, Edinburgh Woollen Mill and The Works. There is also a large restaurant.
Tues 19 th	Milton Keynes	Shopping	11.15 am	3.30 pm	£9	Milton Keynes is a very large indoor shopping centre with many major brands such as John Lewis, Debenhams, House of Fraser, Next, M&S etc. There is also the General Market which should be open today.
Tues 26 th	Duck On The Pond, Long Itchington	Pub Lunch	11.30 am	2.30 pm approx.	£8	A typical country pub situated in the village of Long Itchington (close to Southam). There is a standard pub lunch menu and a special set menu offering 2 courses for £7.95 and 3 courses for £10.95 (Oct 2015 prices).
<u>Feb</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Type of Trip</u>	<u>Depart</u>	<u>Return</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Information</u>
Mon 1st	Leicester	Shopping	10.15 am	3.00 pm	£9	Leicester has it's large modern Highcross Shopping Centre which includes major brands such as John Lewis, Debenhams and House of Fraser. Just outside of Highcross are the outdoor and indoor markets offering a wide range of foods and goods.
Thurs 4 th	Frosts Grden Centre, Woburn Sands	Garden Centre	11.15 am	3.00 pm	£10	Large, popular garden centre close to Milton Keynes. There is a large selection of typical garden centre products on sale, a food hall and a large restaurant.
Tues 9 th	National Space Centre, Leicester	Themed Attraction	10.30 am	2.30 pm	£12	Situated close to the city of Leicester the NSC offers an an interesting and interactive experience. There is a Rocket Tower with 2 large rockets, many artefacts relating to space travel, interactive exhibits, shows and simulator rides. Also has the UKs largest domed planetarium giving visitors a 360 degree full-dome voyage of discovery. Entry – Adults £13.00, Seniors £11.00, Children £11.00. Discount will apply if we have a minimum of 15 people.
Thurs 11 th	Banbury	Shopping	11.30 am	3.30 pm	£8	Banbury is a popular market town with some interesting architecture, including it's famous Banbury Cross. There is a variety of shopping with it's Castle Quay Shopping Centre, market place and pedestrianised High Street. Castle Quay has a wide range of shops, including Debenhams and M&S. At the side of Castle quay is the canal where you can stroll. Today there should be an antiques market along with the general market.
Wed 17 th	The Fox Inn / Emmaus Village, Carlton	Pub Lunch / Charity Project	11.15 am	3.00 pm approx.	£10	First stop is at The Fox Inn in the small Bedfordshire village of Carlton. The lunchtime menu offers good basic pub grub, all at £5 per main course. Soup, sandwiches and desserts are also available. Just outside the village is Emmaus Village. This is a charity project where donated goods are offered for sale in a large emporium – selling bric-a-brac, furniture, boutique items, paintings, crockery, electrical goods and much more. There is also a Bistro offering a range of food and drinks. An interesting place to visit.
Thurs 18 th	Cadbury World	Themed Attraction	10.15 am	3.00 pm	£13	A visit to Cadbury World is not a factory tour, it is a self guided exhibition tour. There are 14 zones including a 4D cinema, a Cadabra ride through a chocolate wonderland, Aztec Jungle, Advertising Avenue, Chocolate Making, Cadbury Story and more. There is also a large Cadbury shop and a Restaurant. Entry: Adult £16.25, Seniors £12.25 and Children £11.95. A discount may apply if we have a minimum of 15 people.
Sat 20 th	Natural History/Science/V&A Museums, London	Museums	9.30 am	4.00 pm	£19	The Natural History Museum is a series of zones – including the age of dinosaurs, ecology, the ever changing world, wildlife garden, the Darwin Centre & Cocoon and much more. Next door is the Science Museum covering a wide range of topics such as space exploration, medicine & health, energy & flight. Across the road is the V&A Museum, claimed to be the worlds greatest museum of art & design. All museums FREE to enter – special exhibitions, simulators etc may be chargeable.
Tues 23 rd	Melton Mowbray	Shopping	10.00 am	2.45 pm	£12	A popular destination - visit the home of the Pork Pie on Market day. Look round the, the extensive street market and the large indoor market where there is food and antiques to buy. There is also the auctioning of a range of livestock and pets.
Wed 24 th	Coventry	Shopping / Attactions	11.15 am	3.30 pm	£8	Coventry has a number of attractions close together, all within easy walking distance. There is an extensive shopping area with most major retailers present. There is also Coventry Cathedral (donation requested) and the Coventry Transport Museum which has undergone an extensive £9 million makeover - it is a great place to visit, has a restaurant and entry is free .
Thurs 25 th	Webbs of Wychbold	Garden Centre	10.45 am	3.00 pm	£12	Webbs of Wychbold (near Bromsgrove) claims to be one of the biggest garden centres in the UK and has been awarded Garden Centre of the Year by the Gardening Association 3 times. It has the typical range of garden centre products plus a large food hall and a fully licenced restaurant. Concessions on-site include Lakeland, Cotswold and Hobbycraft.
<u>Mar</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Type of Trip</u>	<u>Depart</u>	<u>Return</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Information</u>
Tues 1 st	Market Harborough	Shopping	11.15 am	3.15 pm	£9	A popular market town with a good mix of shopping ranging from small independent shops to larger branded shops and an indoor market. The shopping area is partly pedestrianised. Architecture of interest includes the small timber framed Old Grammar School and the steeple of St. Dionysis Church.
Wed 2 nd	Oxford	Historic City	10.15 am	3.15 pm	£12	A famous city that has a number of historic buidings, colleges and museums, such as the Ashmolean and the Pitt Rivers Museums. There are a large number of shops both indoor and outdoor plus an indoor market.
Thurs 3 rd	Redditch	Shopping	10.30 am	3.15 pm	£11	Redditch is a Worcestershire town south of Birmingham. It has a market, street shopping and it's Kingfisher Shopping Centre, which has around 100 stores including Debenhams, M&S, TKMaxx, Next etc.
Sun 6 th	Imperial War Museum, London	Museum	9.30 am	3.30 pm	£18	IWM London has a number of diverse displays covering WW1 to more current conflicts. Displays include: A Womans War, WW1 Galleries, Afghanistan, The Holocaust Exhibition, Fighting Extremes: Ebola to ISIS, A Family In Wartime, Secret War, Witnesses To War and more. Objects on view include a Harrier Jump Jet, Spitfire, V-2 Rocket, a T-34 Tank and other vehicles. Entry is free.

Tues 8 th	The Cromwell, Banbury	Pub Lunch	11.30 am	2.30 pm approx.	£8	Part of the Old English Inns group The Cromwell dates back to the 17 th Century. There is a main menu, a value menu offering main courses from £4.99 and desserts and starters for £2.79, and a Golden Years menu offering 2 courses for £5.29 or 3 for £6.79 (Oct 2015 prices).
Wed 9 th	Tewkesbury	Historic Town	10.15 am	3.15 pm	£13	Tewkesbury is an historic riverside town in Gloucestershire, where the River Avon meets the River Severn. It is described as having one of the best medieval townscapes in England, with half timbered buildings, overhanging upperstoreys and narrow alleyways. There is a 12 th century Norman Abbey, various museums and riverside walks. The main shopping area is along High Street. Today is market day.
Tues 15 th	Worcester	Historic City	10.15 am	3.15 pm	£13	An ancient city with much to offer. There are 2 main shopping centres plus High Street specialist shops and a market. There is the river where you can walk or take a cruise. There is the Royal Worcester porcelain factory to look round, and finally the famous Cathedral. All are relatively close together.
Thurs 17 th	Heritage Motor Museum, Gaydon	Museum	11.15 am	3.00 pm	£8	The Heritage Motor Centre is home to the world's largest collection of British Cars; it boasts nearly 300 cars in its collection which spans over 100 years and includes the classic, vintage and veteran eras. There is a restaurant. Entry: Adults £12, Over 60s £10. Child £6. If we have 12 or more group rate of £8 applies. In addition, for the adventurous there is an option to experience an amazing off-road ride in a Land Rover (£9 for approx 20 minute ride).
Sat 19 th	Wellesbourne Market	Shopping	10.15 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.
Wed 23 rd	Podington Garden Centre	Garden Centre	11.30 am	3.00 pm	£10	Situated in the heart of the Bedfordshire countryside Podington Garden Centre is now part of the Wyevale Group. A smaller garden centre inside means effort is made to utilise every bit of space. Outside there is a good selection of plants. This also a restaurant.
Thurs 24 th	Stratford-on-Avon	Historic Town	11.15 am	3.30 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
Tues 29 th	Huntingdon	Historic Town	10.15 am	3.00 pm	£13	Huntingdon is the county town of Huntingdonshire and birthplace of Oliver Cromwell. It has a good sized pedestrianised shopping area that also has the Cromwell Museum. A short walk away is the River Ouse with its riverside park and walks.
Wed 30 th	Milton Keynes Museum	Museum	12.15 pm	4.00 pm	£9	A fascinating trip down memory lane, this museum reflects the history of the area with exhibits ranging from agricultural, transport, horses, farming, gardens, telecommunications, etc. There is a street of shops with a butcher's, Post Office, chemists and a cinema. There is also an old schoolroom, parlour and kitchen, a pianola (that you can play yourself) and more. Staff are always on hand to guide you through the exhibits. There is also a large gallery telling the story of transport - from a sedan chair to Clive Sinclair's C5, a Penny Farthing, canal boat, an enormous tram and more. Entry: Group rate - Adults £6.50, Seniors £5.50.
Thurs 31 st	The Quays / Billing Garden Centre	Pub Lunch / Garden Village	11.30 pm	Approx. 3.15 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, clothes shop and some other smaller outlets including a Smiths Farm Shop. The Quays has various meal offers including 2 meals for £10.
Apr	Destination	Type of Trip	Depart	Return	Cost	Information
Fri 1 st	Bletchley Park	Historic Interest	11.15 am	4.00 pm	£11	World famous for its code breaking activities. Significant development work in 2014 means there is now more to see. This is where the code breakers worked and it shows how they operated. There are a number of huts to explore, war memorabilia on display, the Victorian Mansion and much more. Free guided tours take place throughout the day. Entry Cost: Adults £16.95 Adults, Seniors £14.75. (this gives you an annual pass) Entry is free if you already have a valid annual pass. Group rate applies if we have 12 or more people, £13.50.
Mon 4 th	Abingdon-on-Thames	Historic Town/Shopping	10.15 am	3.00 pm	£12	Described as a historic, modern market town set in rural Oxfordshire. The town centre contains a blend of buildings and architecture dating from 1100 to the present day. The town's Abbey Shopping Centre and surrounding streets contain a wide variety of shops, restaurants and public houses, whilst a short walk takes you to the River Thames and with its Abbey Meadow and riverside walks. Today is market day.
Tues 5 th	Cambridge	Historic City	9.45 am	3.30 pm	£14	A famous city steeped in history & tradition with some amazing architecture. There are the famous colleges, the River Cam with its punts etc, botanical gardens, museums and shopping centres. A lot to see and do.
Wed 6 th	Evesham / Evesham Country Park	Historic Town / Shopping	10.15 am	3.30 pm	£12	First stop is the historic riverside market town of Evesham, with time to lunch and look round. Then a short trip to Evesham Country Park, a countryside setting where there is an extensive garden centre, farm shop, courtyard shops, restaurants and a narrow gauge railway.
Thurs 7 th	Lord Leycester Hospital / Warwick	Historic Interest /Historic Town	11.00 am	3.30 pm	£9	First there is the opportunity to lunch and explore the centre of the historic town of Warwick. Then it is a short walk to the Lord Leycester Hospital, not a hospital but a charity that provides homes for ex-servicemen. It is an historic group of timber framed buildings on Warwick High Street dating mainly from the 14 th century and with a 12 th century Chantry Chapel. A fascinating place to visit. Entry: Adults £5.90, Concessions £5.40.
Mon 11 th	National Memorial Arboretum	Gardens	10.15 am	3.30 pm	£12	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.
Tues 12 th	Moreton-in-Marsh, Bourton-on-the-Water	Cotswold Towns / Shopping	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 13 th	Pennels Garden Centre, South Hykeham	Garden Centre	10.15 am	2.45 pm	£14	Pennels is a large garden centre located in South Hykeham, between Newark and Lincoln. It has an award winning restaurant with a theatre cooking area where you can watch your food being prepared. This is a large food hall selling fruit & veg, breads, wines, beers and frozen foods. It also has an award winning butchers. Concessions include Pavers Shoes, Field & Trek, Julian Charles (bedding & curtains) and Leading Labels (clothing).
Thurs 14 th	Black Country Museum	Themed Attraction	10.15 am	3.00 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.. Entry: Group rate: Adults £12, Seniors £10.
Mon 18 th	Kew Gardens	Gardens	9.00 am	3.00 pm	£18	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 alpine and orchids. Mobility scooters available (book in advance). There is a land train (approx £4 for the day) that stops at various points around Kew. With our excellent agreement with Kew we are able to offer this trip at a total cost of £18 (Bus and entry combined).
Tues 19 th	Gloucester Warwickshire Railway	Steam Railway	9.00 am	3.00 pm	£12	Take a ride on a steam or diesel train through the Cotswolds. The GWR runs between Toddington (Near Tewksbury) and Cheltenham Race Course, with stops at Winchcombe and Gotherington. Various stations have tea rooms. Toddington has a small museum, a viewing area behind the loco sheds and a small display of classic vehicles. Various ticket options are available. Full return ticket is £16 adult, £15 over 60s. A group discount may apply depending on numbers.
Wed 20 th	The White Horse, Broughton Astley	Pub Lunch	11.30 am	2.30 pm	£9	Pub lunch at the White Horse in the village of Broughton Astley (near Lutterworth). The menu includes 2 main meals for the price of one.
Thurs 21 st	St. Neots, Cambridgeshire	Market Town	10.15 am	3.00 pm	£13	St. Neots is described as a charming Cambridgeshire riverside market town. The town centre offers a varied shopping experience, with hidden courtyards running off the High Street. Today is market day. Close to the centre is the River Ouse with it's Riverside Park.
Mon 25 th	Royal Chelsea Hospital	Historic Interest	10.30 am	3.30 pm	£19	The home of the Chelsea Pensioners, the architecturally impressive Royal Chelsea Hospital, designed and erected by Sir Christopher Wren in the 17 th century at the request of Charles 11. It provides a home to soldiers that need support in their old age. There is a fascinating guided tour around the buildings, led by a Pensioner. There is a café and a small shop. Entry with the tour is £10. N.B. Any cancellations of a booking to this venue will automatically incur a £12 cancellation fee if cancelled after 6th April 2015 as we have to pay for tickets in advance.
Tues 26 th	Batsford Arboretum / Cotswold Falconry Centre	Arboretum / Birds of Prey	10.30 am	3.00 pm	£11	Two attractions at the same location – you can choose one or both. 1) Batsford Arboretum covers 56 acres, and has different things to see all year round. Typical April displays include Hellebores, Magnolia's and Cherries, Wood Anemones, Bluebells and Violets. There is a visitor centre with it's Garden Terrace Café, a Gift and Garden Shop and a Plant Centre. Entry: Adults £7.95, Over 65s £6.95. 2) Cotswold Falconry Centre houses around 150 birds of prey ranging from Vultures to Owls. You can walk through the Owl woods and see birds in natural settings. There are also flying displays at set times during the day that last about 1 hour, with the possibility of maybe holding a bird on a gloved hand. Entry: Adult £10, Concessions £7.50, Children £5.00.
Wed 27 th	Mystery Tour 1	Mystery Tour	10.15 am	5.30pm – at Dav	£13	Mystery tour with stops for refreshments, lunch and browsing.
Thurs 28 th	Springfield Centre, Spalding	Shopping	9.30 am	3.00 pm	£13	Springfield is an out of town centre in Spalding. It has a Garden Centre plus a number of shops (approx 55 in total) that include an M&S Outlet, Hotters, Designer Warehouse Outlet, Klass etc. In addition it has its 25 acre Festival Gardens that are free to explore.
Sat 30 th	Artisan Cheese Fair, Melton Mowbray	Shopping	9.15 am	2.30 pm	£12	The 6th year of the Artisan Cheese Fair, the largest dedicated festival of cheese in the UK. Held undercover within the halls of Melton Mowbray's Cattle Market, the fair showcases cheese makers from all over the British Isles. It is expected there will be over 50 Cheese Makers who between them produce 250+ cheeses, including some of the UK's rarest cheeses. Entrance cost is just £3. In addition there should also be the normal street market operating on this day.

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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 unfortunately 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.
- Pick-ups The bus will leave from Daventry Bus Station at the time stated in trip details. **We will wait a maximum of 5 minutes only, in fairness to other passengers.** If a number of passengers from the same area are travelling, it may be possible to arrange another pick-up point en-route.
- **Drop offs - Passengers within Daventry Town may be dropped off close to home on the return trip where practicable. This is purely a courtesy by the driver and we would ask passengers not to abuse this courtesy.**
- 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.***

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