

# JG Theatre Club

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<p>20 March Wed. 2.30pm £58.00</p>	<p><b>MURDER IN THE DARK AT RICHMOND THEATRE.</b> A spine-chilling ghost story, turned psychological thriller starring TV and stage favourites <b>Tom Chambers</b> (Holby City, Casualty, Waterloo Road, Father Brown and Strictly Come Dancing champion) and <b>Susie Blake</b> (Victoria Wood's As Seen on TV). It's New Year's Eve, when a car crash on a deserted road brings famous but troubled singer Danny Sierra and his dysfunctional family to an isolated holiday cottage in rural England. From the moment they arrive, a sequence of inexplicable events begin to occur... and then the lights go out... As the tension rises and deeply buried secrets come to light, you'll find nothing is quite as it seems. Murder in The Dark will have you on the edge of your seats until the final chilling twist. Are you brave enough to uncover the truth? Cast includes Rebecca Charles (The Dresser), Jonny Green (It's a Sin), Owen Oakeshott (Witness for the Prosecution) and Laura White (Doctors). <b>Time for lunch prior to performance.</b> Depart Heathfield 9.30, Uckfield 9.50, Maresfield 10.00, Forest Row 10.25, War Memorial Bus Stop 10.35, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 10.40, Felbridge 10.45. Home 7.15pm</p>
<p>23 March <b>FULLY BOOKED</b></p>	<p><b>Our second visit to ABBA VOYAGE AT THE ABBA ARENA, LONDON.</b> Depart Heathfield 10.30, Uckfield 10.50, Maresfield 11.00, Forest Row 11.25, War Memorial Bus Stop 11.35, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 11.40, Felbridge 11.45. Home 6.45pm</p>
<p>24 March Sun. 3pm £49.00</p>	<p><b>LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA AT EASTBOURNE CONGRESS THEATRE.</b> Mozart Ballet Music from Idomeneo. Mozart Violin Concerto No. 3. Prokofiev Romeo and Juliet (excerpts) Performers: <b>Gemma New</b> conductor, <b>Randall Goosby</b> violin. ' Depart Felbridge 12.30, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 12.35, Barclay Bank Bus Stop 12.40, Forest Row 12.45, Maresfield 1.10, Uckfield 1.20, Halland 1.30. <b>NO HEATHFIELD PICK UP.</b> Home 6.15pm.</p>
<p>3 April Wed. 2.30pm £54.00</p>	<p><b>THE 39 STEPS AT RICHMOND THEATRE.</b> For the first time in eight years, the Tony and Olivier Award-winning comedy, <b>THE 39 STEPS</b>, is to tour the UK. Alfred Hitchcock's classic spy thriller, The 39 Steps, brilliantly and hilariously recreated for the stage as the smash-hit Olivier and Tony Award-Winning Comedy, is back out on a UK tour after nearly 10 years in London's West End, taking Broadway by storm, playing in 39 different countries across the globe, and delighting over 3 million people worldwide with its quintessentially plucky spirit and dashing sense of fun. <b>Follow the incredible adventures of our handsome hero Richard Hannay, complete with stiff-upper-lip, British gung-ho and pencil moustache as he encounters dastardly murders, double-crossing secret agents, and, of course, devastatingly beautiful women. Time for lunch prior to performance.</b> Depart Heathfield 9.30, Uckfield 9.50, Maresfield 10.00, Forest Row 10.25, War Memorial Bus Stop 10.35, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 10.40, Felbridge 10.45. Home 7.15pm</p>
<p>4 April Thursday £72.00 Including tour and a sandwich lunch.</p>	<p><b>A VERY SPECIAL VISIT TO FARNBOROUGH AIR SCIENCES TRUST MUSEUM AND WIND TUNNEL TOUR.</b> The FAST Museum includes a fascinating collection of aircraft, equipment, machinery, photographs, films, reports and books related to Farnborough's illustrious aviation history. There are always enthusiastic experts on hand to answer your questions! <b>For those interested in WWI</b>, and particularly the work undertaken by the Royal Aircraft Factory in support of the war effort, an exhibition commemorating the event is currently in place. Have you ever wondered what a</p>

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	<p>black box flight recorder looks like? Or how an ejection seat works? You can find out with FAST! <b>Please wear sensible shoes as the surface can be uneven.</b> We begin with Coffee and an introductory talk before splitting into 2 groups, one will visit the museum while the other visits the Wind Tunnels. <b>At lunchtime we enjoy a prebooked sandwich lunch at The Gloucester Pub before swapping over.</b> Depart Heathfield 7.15, Uckfield 7.35, Maresfield 7.45, Forest Row 8.15, War Memorial Bus Stop 8.20, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 8.25, Felbridge 8.30. Home 6.30pm</p>
<p>30 April Tuesday £27.00 NT Members £37.50 Non NT Members.</p>	<p><b>HATCHLANDS PARK (NT) AT BLUEBELL TIME.</b> We arrive at approximately 11.00 and there will be time for coffee before you walk the Bluebell Trails. There will then be time for lunch before our visit to the <b>Mansion.</b> Hatchlands Park was built in the 1750s for naval hero Admiral Edward Boscawen and his wife Fanny, since then it has housed wealthy families, a finishing school for girls and even a printing press. <b>The Kitchen Café</b> is located at the top of the cobbled courtyard close to the house. Here you can find a selection of snacks, fresh cakes and bakes, pasties, sandwiches, light lunches and a range of hot and cold drinks to eat in or take away. <b>Garden:</b> Sweeping lawns with a small fountain, a parterre garden and meadow. <b>Temple:</b> Found in the garden, an 18th-century classical stone folly, inscribed with a tribute to a beloved mother. <b>The Mansion</b> is now a family home, containing tenant Alec Cobbe's collection of paintings and fine furniture. Also on display is the Cobbe Collection, Europe's largest collection of keyboard instruments. An early interior design commission for architect Robert Adam, his work can be seen in ceilings and fireplaces throughout the house. Depart Heathfield 8.30, Uckfield 8.50, Maresfield 9.00, Forest Row 9.25, War Memorial Bus Stop 9.35, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 9.40, Felbridge 9.45. Home 5.00pm</p>
<p>3 May Friday £28.00 RHS Members £44.00 Non RHS members.</p>	<p><b>WISLEY GARDENS CONTEMPORARY CRAFT FAIR.</b> This event, one of our largest, will be held mainly in floored marquees within the beautiful surroundings of RHS Garden Wisley so visitors will be able to view and purchase contemporary craft and art whilst also enjoying the beautiful spring garden with its huge plant collection. In addition visitors will be able to discover a diverse range of sculptures, garden art and outdoor exhibits as they wander around the world renowned garden and up towards the state-of-the-art glasshouse. <b>With around 200 exhibitors, demonstrating artists and specialist food exhibitors.</b> Depart Heathfield 8.15, Uckfield 8.35, Maresfield 8.45, Forest Row 9.10, War Memorial Bus Stop 9.20, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 9.25, Felbridge 9.30. Home 5.45pm</p>
<p>8 May Wednesday £38.00 <b>FULLY BOOKED</b></p>	<p><b>RIVER CRUISE AND THE ISABELLA PLANTATION.</b> We begin with our cruise before having time in <b>Kingston to get lunch.</b> We will then board the coach for the short drive to The Isabella Plantation. A beautiful 40-acre woodland garden set within a Victorian plantation established in the 1830's. The gardens' ponds and streams provide additional habitat for invertebrates and amphibians. Depart Heathfield 8.00, Uckfield 8.20, Maresfield 8.30, Forest Row 8.55, War Memorial Bus Stop 9.05, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 9.10, Felbridge 9.15. Home 6.00pm</p>
<p>15 May Wed. 7.30pm £158.00 <b>Deadline fast approaching so please book now if you wish to join us on this lovely trip</b></p>	<p><b>A VERY SPECIAL CONCERT WITH ANDRE RIEU AT THE OVO ARENA, WEMBLEY.</b> André Rieu is quite simply a musical phenomenon like no other, a true King of Romance, His romantic and fun concerts are the only ones where people regularly jump to their feet and dance in the aisles. It's not uncommon to see devoted fans laughing, weeping, clapping, dancing and embracing when they listen to the beautiful waltzes, film scores, spirituals, musicals, folk songs and marches and André's precious Stradivarius violin from 1732; his concerts are a perfect mix of thrilling, romantic, festive and emotional melodies combined with surprises, balloons, beautiful soloists and of course André's great sense of humour. It's all about emotions! The OVO arena is a covered stadium and we have seats on the Arena Floor so there are no stairs to negotiate. The arena has many refreshment choices. <b>Time to get refreshments prior to performance or you may prefer to bring a picnic to eat on the coach.</b> Depart Heathfield 2.30, Uckfield 2.50, Maresfield 3.00, Forest Row 3.25, War Memorial Bus Stop 3.35, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 3.40, Felbridge 3.45. Home midnight.</p>

<p>17 May Friday £44.00</p>	<p><b>VALLEY GARDENS, WINDSOR GREAT PARK.</b> Located within the grounds of Windsor Great Park, a group visit by coach is perhaps the easiest way to experience the twisting trails of this flowering woodland. After leaving the coach, embark on a tour through undulating valleys known for their bold spring colours. On your tour you will discover: The Punchbowl of Japanese azaleas. The National Collection of Rhododendrons. The Heather Garden. We begin with time to explore the <b>Savill Garden</b> and get lunch before we board the coach for the 1.5 hour tour of <b>The Valley Gardens</b>. We then return to The Saville Gardens with time for tea before we make the journey home. Depart Heathfield 8.15, Uckfield 8.35, Maresfield 8.45, Forest Row 9.10, War Memorial Bus Stop 9.20, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 9.25, Felbridge 9.30. Home 6.30pm</p>
<p>25 May <b>FULLY BOOKED</b></p>	<p><b>ABBA VOYAGE.</b> Depart Heathfield 10.30, Uckfield 10.50, Maresfield 11.00, Forest Row 11.25, War Memorial Bus Stop 11.35, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 11.40, Felbridge 11.45. Home 6.45pm</p>
<p>13 June Thursday £44.00 <b>NEW</b></p>	<p><b>GREAT COMP GARDEN &amp; NETTLESTEAD PLACE.</b> Great Comp Garden, near Sevenoaks, has built up an enviable reputation over the years as being one of Kent's finest gardens to visit... A tranquil garden space that effortlessly showcases 7 acres of beautiful and rare plants that unfold and flower as the seasons move and change. Home to an Italian Garden, romantic ruins, enchanting woodland walks, <b>The Old Dairy Tearooms</b> and Dyson's Salvias. There will be time to explore and get lunch at Great Comp before we make the short drive to <b>Nettlestead Place</b>. Set on the west side of the valley, thus affording panoramic views of the river and surrounding farmland, the gardens are on many levels leading down to the River Medway. In 1921/22 the medieval Manor House was refurbished and enlarged and the basic structure of what is now the inner part of the gardens, including the large sunken pond and the Rose Garden, was established. Nettlestead Place is surrounded by 10 acres of gardens of much beauty interest and variety and were awarded a star rating in the Good Garden's Guide. The features of the gardens have been planned to provide specific and beautiful vistas of open countryside beyond and views of the Manor House, gatehouse and adjoining church. Please note there are no refreshments available at Nettlestead.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p>Depart Heathfield 8.30, Uckfield 8.50, Maresfield 9.00, Forest Row 9.25, War Memorial Bus Stop 9.35, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 9.40, Felbridge 9.45. home 5.45pm</p>
<p>20 June Thursday £49.00 <b>NEW</b></p>	<p><b>HATFIELD HOUSE.</b> Built by Robert Cecil, 1st Earl of Salisbury and Chief Minister to King James I, from 1607 to 1611. There is a marvellous collection of pictures, furnishings and historic armour on display. The estate has been in the Cecil family for 400 years - one of England's foremost political families. Hatfield House is the home of the 7th Marquess of Salisbury. The Royal Palace of Hatfield (c 1485) in the West Garden is where Elizabeth I spent most of her childhood. In the park, an oak tree marks the place where the young princess Elizabeth first heard of her accession to the throne. The garden at Hatfield House dates from the early 17th Century when Robert Cecil employed John Tradescant the Elder to collect plants for his new home. The West Garden includes a scented garden, herb garden and knot garden. Visitors can enjoy the extensive park surrounding the house. <b>The Coach House Kitchen</b>, the restaurant sits with a picturesque courtyard view for al fresco dining in warmer weather and lovely indoor dining atmosphere for those colder days. Serving breakfast, brunch, lunch and</p>



afternoon teas. The seasonal menu includes sustainable produce and monthly specials created by our team of dedicated chefs.



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5 July  
Friday  
£59.00

**NEW**

Including house, gardens, guide book and afternoon tea.

**DORNEYWOOD, AN EXCLUSIVE VISIT.** We begin with time in Windsor so you can explore and get lunch before we visit Dorneywood. We enjoy a free flow tour of the house before time in the garden. Dorneywood House is an official government residence, reserved for a Minister of the Crown or the Secretary of State. As such, it is not open to the public. It was bequeathed to the National Trust by Lord Courtauld-Thomson in 1942 on the provision that it be used by the current Prime Minister or a senior cabinet minister. At the moment it is the grace and favour residence of the Chancellor of the Exchequer. Several well-known Prime Ministers have occupied Dorneywood before becoming PM. Among these are John Major, Anthony Eden, and Alec Douglas-Home. The house interior boasts paintings from the government's own collection of art as well as paintings owned by the National Trust. Dorneywood Garden is a combination cottage and kitchen garden in 1930s style, set around an 18th-century house. The garden features a lily pond, a stylish conservatory, a rose garden, and herbaceous borders. In 1910 the house was badly damaged by fire. It was rebuilt and the gardens laid out in 1942. There are 215 acres (87ha) of garden, parkland, woods, and farmland. In the past, the house was closed to visitors but in recent years there has been a limited opening period in the summer. We will enjoy Tea and Cake served in a Gazebo on the lawn.



Depart Heathfield 8.15, Uckfield 8.35, Maresfield 8.45, Forest Row 9.10, War Memorial Bus Stop 9.20, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 9.25, Felbridge 9.30. Home 7.00pm

16 July  
Tuesday  
£54.00

**NEW**

**PARSONAGE FARM GARDEN AND A CRUISE ON THE WEY & ARUN CANAL.** We begin at **Parsonage Farm.** A major garden in a beautiful setting developed over 30 years with a fruit theme and many unusual plants. This stunning garden is formally laid out on grand scale with long vistas. Features include a C18 walled garden with borders in apricot, orange, scarlet and crimson. Topiary walk, pleached lime allée, tulip tree avenue, rose borders and the vegetable garden with trained fruit. There is also a turf amphitheatre, informal autumn shrubbery, yew cloisters and a jungle walk. We then make our way to the Wey & Arun Canal for our lovely cruise beginning and ending at Loxwood. The boats travel through locks and countryside with a chance of seeing wildlife plus an abundance of wild flowers. **Please bring a picnic to eat on the day.**



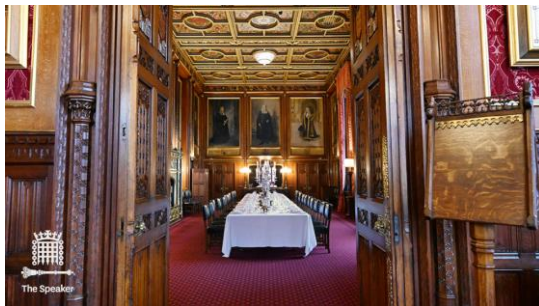
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8 August  
Thursday  
£49.00  
Limited numbers.  
**FULLY BOOKED**

**SPEAKER'S HOUSE GUIDED TOUR.** During this guided tour you will visit the State Apartments of Speaker's House, the part of the Palace of Westminster where the Speaker conducts official business and lives. You will discover the history and traditions of the role of the Speaker and see the magnificent artworks on display including a unique set of 46 portraits of Speakers through the years. This 75-minute fully accessible tour includes the Grand Staircase, the Crimson Drawing Room, the State Dining Room, and the State Bedroom. There will be no seating in Speaker' House for the duration of the tour. There will be free time for exploring and/or lunch prior to our timed tour. Depart Heathfield 8.45, Uckfield 9.05, Maresfield 9.15, Forest Row 9.40, War Memorial Bus Stop 9.50, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 9.55, Felbridge 10.00. Home 7.00pm

19 August  
Monday  
£49.00  
Limited numbers  
**NEW SECOND DATE**

**SPEAKER'S HOUSE GUIDED TOUR.** During this guided tour you will visit the State Apartments of Speaker's House, the part of the Palace of Westminster where the Speaker conducts official business and lives. You will discover the history and traditions of the role of the Speaker and see the magnificent artworks on display including a unique set of 46 portraits of Speakers through the years. This 75-minute fully accessible tour includes the Grand Staircase, the Crimson Drawing Room, the State Dining Room, and the State Bedroom. There will be no seating in Speaker' House for the duration of the tour. There will be free time for exploring and/or lunch prior to our timed tour.



Depart Heathfield 8.45, Uckfield 9.05, Maresfield 9.15, Forest Row 9.40, War Memorial Bus Stop 9.50, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 9.55, Felbridge 10.00. Home 7.00pm

27 August  
Tuesday  
£48.00  
**NEW**

**LONGFORD CASTLE, SALISBURY. A SPECIAL INTEREST GUIDED TOUR.** Longford Castle is **one of the grandest stately homes in Britain** and has been the residence of one family for over 300 years. Originally built in the late 16th century during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I by the Gorges family to an unusual triangular plan. The castle was built with the proceeds of the contents of one of the Duke of Medina-Sidonia's galleons which sank in the wake of the Spanish Armada. In the 18th century the 2nd Earl of Radnor, employed the architect James Wyatt to transform it into a hexagonal palace; a project which was abandoned. It was left to the 4th Earl of Radnor and Victorian architect Anthony Salvin to complete Longford. **It contains enough grand master paintings to make most major galleries sigh in envy.** It is a private home that a few years ago, started opening to the public, but only for guided tours on a very limited number of days each year. **Please note you cannot take large bags into the Castle but they can be left on the coach. No photography is permitted within the Castle.**



**Please wear comfortable shoes as the tour lasts two hours. You will then have a chance to stroll in the formal gardens. After our tour we will visit Salisbury where you can get lunch and explore. If you are bringing a guest I do need their full name for the Castle security please.**



Depart Heathfield 6.45, Uckfield 7.05, Maresfield 7.15, Forest Row 7.40, War Memorial Bus Stop 7.50, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 7.55, Felbridge 8.00. Home 6.00pm

25 September  
Wed. 2.30pm  
£68.00

**NEW**

**HERE YOU COME AGAIN – THE NEW DOLLY PARTON MUSICAL at RICHMOND THEATRE.** Packed with the iconic songs Jolene, 9 to 5, Islands in the Stream, I Will Always Love You, Here You Come Again and more, this lively and touching new musical tells the story of a diehard fan whose fantasy version of international icon Dolly Parton gets him through trying times. With her wit, humour and charm, Dolly teaches him a whole lot about life, love and how to pull yourself up by your bootstraps ... even if your bootstraps don't have rhinestones! This is one musical that is sure to make you smile. **Time for lunch prior to performance.**



Depart Heathfield 9.30, Uckfield 9.50, Maresfield 10.00, Forest Row 10.25, War Memorial Bus Stop 10.35, Lingfield Road Bus Stop 10.40, Felbridge 10.45. Home 7.15pm

# JG THEATRE CLUB DAY TOUR BOOKING FORM.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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PICK UP POINT: \_\_\_\_\_ / 2<sup>nd</sup> Pick Up If Applicable \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ mobile no: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>FEBRUARY 2024</b>	DATE	PRICE £	NUMBER OF TICKETS	TOTAL £	+ £2.50 PER GUEST
Murder in the Dark at Richmond <b>Separate cheque</b>	20 Mar	<b>58.00</b>			
ABBA Voyage	23 Mar	<b>95.00</b>	<b>FULL</b>	<b>FULL</b>	
LPO at Eastbourne	24 Mar	<b>49.00</b>			
The 39 Steps at Richmond	3 April	<b>54.00</b>			
FAST Museum and Wind Tunnel	4 April	<b>72.00</b>			
Hatchlands Park(NT) <b>NT members</b>	30 April	<b>27.00</b>			
Hatchlands Park (NT) <b>non NT members</b>		<b>37.50</b>			
Wisley Contemporary Craft Fair <b>RHS members</b>	3 May	<b>28.00</b>			
Wisley Contemporary Craft Fair <b>Non RHS members</b>		<b>44.00</b>			
River Cruise & Isabella Plantation	8 May	<b>38.00</b>	<b>FULL</b>	<b>FULL</b>	
Andre Rieu at Wembley	15 May	<b>158.00</b>			
Valley Gardens at Windsor	17 May	<b>44.00</b>			
Abba Voyage third date	25 May	<b>95.00</b>	<b>FULL</b>	<b>FULL</b>	
<b>NEW</b> Great Comp and Nettlestead Place	13 June	<b>44.00</b>			
<b>NEW</b> Hatfield House	20 June	<b>49.00</b>			
<b>NEW</b> Dorneywood, an exclusive visit	5 July	<b>59.00</b>			
<b>NEW</b> Wey & Arun Canal and Parsonage Farm	16 July	<b>54.00</b>			
<b>NEW</b> Speaker's House guided tour	8 Aug	<b>49.00</b>	<b>FULL</b>	<b>FULL</b>	
<b>NEW</b> Speaker's House <b>Second date</b>	19 Aug	<b>49.00</b>			
<b>NEW</b> Longford Castle	27 Aug	<b>48.00</b>			
<b>NEW</b> Here You Come Again	25 Sept	<b>68.00</b>			
<b>TOTAL £</b>					

IF YOU REQUIRE AN EMAIL CONFIRMATION PLEASE TICK HERE \_\_\_\_\_

TO REDEEM A CREDIT VOUCHER PLEASE ENTER NUMBER HERE

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Seats in theatre, on coach or dietary requests if a meal is included:

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## DAY TOUR BOOKING CONDITIONS.

**For routine enquiries please telephone 01825 732211 during office hours (9 – 5 Monday to Friday),** there is an answerphone if you wish to leave a message.

If you need to **cancel a trip for the following day and it is out of office hours** please phone Sallie on 07889359367

**No bookings or reservations can be taken over the telephone or by email.**

Please add £2.50 extra for each guest on each trip

**If you wish to be seated on the coach or in theatres or concerts with other members please let me know on the booking form.**

If booking for other members please list their names on the booking form as this avoids confusion.

**Tickets will be given out on the coach**

Please note: credit notes can only be given if your booking(s) can be resold and they are valid for one year from date of issue.

**Home times are approximate and are there for guidance only. Home refers to the Maresfield area.**

Please note that JG cannot be responsible for any cast changes in theatre productions

**Postal confirmations will only be sent if a DL SAE is enclosed with the booking. If you have email and wish for an email confirmation please just tick the space on the bottom of the booking form and I will do this.**

Please make cheques out to JG Theatre Club.

**JG Theatre Club cannot accept any liability for accident or injury to any member or guest in the course of the excursions.**

**Emergency** Contact numbers: Guy 07908 720170. Sallie 07889 359367