



Österreichisch-Britische Gesellschaft Austro-British Society

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Dear Members



Other than 'club nights out', which continue to be a great success, nothing spectacular happened in spring.

We closed for our summer break after the summer party, held at Hotel Hudelist in Krumpendorf, in July. Thanks to Elisabeth for suggesting the venue. We ate and drank to our hearts content and everybody had a splendid time but unfortunately Father Frost decided to make an appearance and made the evening rather chilly. Hence the party finished maybe before some of us wanted it to.

We carried on with our eating and drinking (what a society) when we recently went on the bus tour to Cividale and the surrounding area. Between a guided tour of Cividale, a monastery and a vineyard we were kept very busy. Peter Ross, our tour guide, had us spellbound with the history and general facts of the area and we thank him many times over. A lot of work goes into such trips, more maybe than a lot of you can imagine.

Now we need less of the eating and drinking before the Xmas party comes along.

Helen and Australian Susan



Summer Party



Bus Trip Italy



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Calendar of Events

Oct 19

Club Night Out

Thu

Hotel Restaurant Schweizerhaus, Kreuzbergl 11, Time: 6.30 pm onwards

Nov 9

Talk by the UK Defence Attaché to Austria, Slovenia & Switzerland

Thu

Damien Plant is based at the British Embassy in Vienna. His address, "From the Berlin Wall to Today - One Soldier's Reflections", will discuss changes to British Defence over the course of his time in service (1989 - to the present).

Commences 8.15 pm at the club premises.

Nov 11

Remembrance Service

Sat

To recall the end of hostilities of World War 1, 1918.

The service starts punctually at 10.50am so please arrive from 10.30am.

Many dignitaries attend this important service.

Address: Commonwealth War Cemetery, Lilienthal Strasse - just off Villacherstrasse



Nov 16

Club Night Out

Thu

Augustins, from 6.30 onwards

Dec 9

The Christ Church Christmas Bazaar in Vienna

Sat

Some of us are thinking of attending this bazaar.

Dec 14

Christmas Carol Service

Thu

Altkatholische Kirche, Kaufmannngasse, Klagenfurt - 6 pm

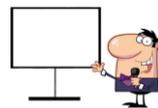
Christmas Party at the club premises - 7 pm onwards.

As usual for members of the society the buffet is free, non members €10. Buy your own drinks, except for the complementary Glühwein when you arrive!



Dec 28

THE CLUB IS CLOSED



Jan 17

Presentation by Peter deRidder

Thu

Peter will talk to us about his recent trip to Australia. Start 8.15 pm

Feb 1

Club Night Out

Thu

At the Fischerwirt, Kreuzbergl, 6.30 pm onwards

Feb 8

'Krapfen Night' at the club

Thu

Your last chance to eat disgusting calories before the 'Fastenzeit'.

Feb 22

Quiz Night or a talk by Verena on her trip to Bhutan, Start 8.15

You will be provided with further details closer to the event.

The MUSE or FOOTBALL - that was the question

When I was in my teens and made plans for my future I had two fields in which I showed outstanding qualities: one was ACTING, the other PLAYING FOOTBALL. When I went to Vienna - after my final exams in Klagenfurt - I tried to take both ways: I was accepted at the Reinhardt Seminar (see note) and joined Rapid Wien. After half a year I had to decide between the two options, because the timetables of the Seminar and football club were incompatible. I made the decision in favour of football.

I proved to be very successful, especially when I joined WackerInnsbruck. I became a member of the Austrian national team (7 caps); the highlight of my matches was the 3 : 2 win at Wembley against England in October 1965. On the English side you found names like Bobby Charlton, Bobby Moore, Nobby Stiles half a year later the English team won the World Cup. At the same time tragedy struck in my direction: in a pre-season match in August 1966, when I was not even 24, our own goal keeper jumped on my right knee and damaged it permanently.

So I had to pull my socks up. I finished my studies in English and Physical Education at Innsbruck and went back to Klagenfurt, where I started teaching at the Mössinger Gymnasium and became headmaster for 20 years. Parallel to my job at school I was a trainer of several teams and almost got to be team manager of the Austrian national team some years ago.

I had already joined the Austro-British Society in 1976 - so I have been a member for more than fifty years. After my retirement in 2008 I started attending the club evenings regularly and wouldn't like to miss the contact and friendship with the other members.

Note: The Max Reinhardt Seminar is the School of Drama at the [University of Music and Performing Arts in Vienna, Austria](#). It seems they have many applicants for only a few places and people such as Otto Schenk, Senta Berger, Peter Alexander and Christoph Waltz attended.



Playing Wallenstein by Friedrich Schiller



Walter on the right playing at the Happel

TRIP TO LONDON, INTERESTED???

Elizabeth Riedl is organising a tailor made trip to London for about 20 people. It will be in spring for one week. The group will be accompanied to all sites visited. The travel agency she is using is extremely experienced and there will be an information evening further down the track. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact:

Elizabeth on 0664 4506 196.

Sonja Welsh, is appearing yet again on stage with her 'Klagenfurter SeniorInnen Theater Gruppe'.

Mörderstund ist Ungesund

(in German)

Gemeindezentrum . St.Ruprecht,
Kinoplatz, Klagenfurt (Please note this is a change of venue to where it is normally held).

19th October 19.30

20th October 19.30

21st October 15.00 and 19.30

22nd October 15.00

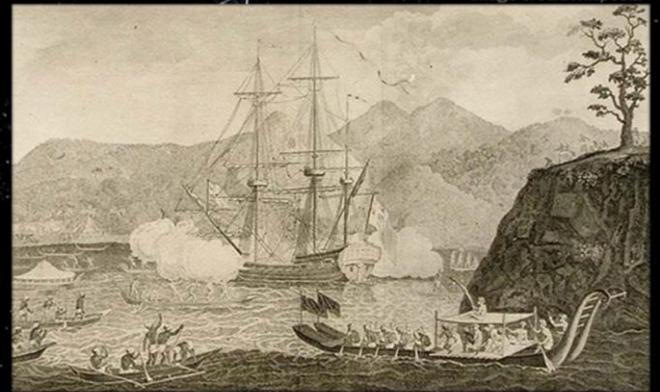
Reserve tickets - 0664 940 84 52



Farewell to Colin Grey

who has now sold his house in Kärnten and returned to live in the UK - but he will be back to visit. Otherwise we will all go and visit him and he might not like that. We wish him well.

source is mentioned in our blog: www.unbelievablefactsblog.com
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In 1766, English sailors on the frigate HMS Dolphin learned that native women on islands would trade sex for iron, so they began pulling nails out of the ship so extensively that it threatened ship's physical integrity.

Tribute to 'Lilo' Koritnig



who died in May, aged 86. It was only at the funeral that those of us who attended realised what an interesting life Lilo had led.

Tribute to Manfred Appe

who died in August, aged 88. Last year we had a page in the newsletter about his experiences helping the British troops during the war.



When he attended the club many years ago it was always with his dog, Johnnie, and that is how most of us will remember him.