The aim of The Newark Group is to promote fellowship among the men of the parish. We meet, usually on the third Thursday of each month, in the Good Shepherd Hall at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Pyrford. Events may vary from informal dinners with guest speakers on a variety of topics, to 'away-day' visits, a golf day and social events for the parish. We expect to cover costs and, in the event of a surplus, we make modest contributions to local and global charities. Please check with the relevant committee member allocated to each event for details or tickets.

Some events could be subject to a change at the last moment and any information to hand will be provided accordingly in the best possible time. The latest information can be found on our website at www.wisleywithpyrford.org/newarkgroup.htm

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## THE NEWARK GROUP

(FOR THE MEN OF THE PARISH)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023 / 2024

2023		2024			
Thursday 19 October	HOW TO ROW THE ATLANTIC  Dinner with guest speaker – Chris Martin  Chris is a world record setting adventurer and former World Championship rower.  He shares his experiences rowing the Atlantic solo and the Pacific as a pair.  Committee Contact: John Parker	Thursday 18 January	Al AND THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY  Dinner with guest speaker – John Wyatt  John Wyatt is a doctor, author and research scientist and worked as a consultant neonatologist for nearly 30 years. He will talk about the new ethical, philosophical and theological challenges caused by Al and robotics in medical science and	Thursday 18 April	ARNHEM – WHAT WENT WRONG  Dinner with guest speaker – Steve Bird  Was the attack on Arnhem 90% successful as Montgomery claimed or a total failure as one of the generals who parachuted in subsequently stated. What were the causes of failure and success and should the operation have gone
Thursday 16 November	FIRE ENGINES TO FUNERALS Dinner with guest speaker – Alan Greenwood		technology.  Committee Contact: David Thompson		ahead at all?  Committee Contact: Tony Williams
	Alan shares stories about his eclectic business portfolio (from transport, removals and storage to Funeral Director) and his love of vintage fire engines.  Committee Contact: Gary Elson	Saturday 17 February	PARISH QUIZ NIGHT  This popular event – open to all – returns for another year. Form teams of eight to exercise the grey matter on a wide range of subjects and enjoy a 2-course dinner to sustain your efforts. Funds raised from this	Thursday 16 May	RIVER KWAI RAILWAY – THE TRUE STORY Dinner with guest speaker – Paul Whittle Paul will talk about the so-called "Death Railway" and will compare reality with the story portrayed in the famous film "Bridge on the River Kwai".
Thursday 21 December	CAROL SINGING  This annual evening of carols sung around the streets of Pyrford is open to		event go to the church's charities.  Committee Contact: Peter Austin	Thursday	Committee Contact: Ian Watson  GOLF AT WEST BYFLEET GOLF CLUB
	all, so bring friends and family to join the happy throng and lend your voices to a selection of Christmas favourites. We'll be collecting for the Woking Hospice as we go. We meet at Pyrford Social Club at 7pm and return at about 9pm.  Committee Contact: Peter Austin	Thursday 21 March	TAKING THE PLUNGE  Dinner with guest speaker – Eldon Sandys  Eldon will share the experience of jumping from various aircraft, solo and in tandem, from 2,000 feet to 13,000 feet and being admitted to the Noble Order of Flying Pigs.  Committee Contact: Richard Whitehill	13 June	Another chance to lift the coveted Newark Group Trophy in an 18-hole Stableford competition held at West Byfleet Golf Club. The golf will be followed by dinner, which non-golfers are welcome to attend, at the club. Committee Contact: Peter Austin