

October 2023

## TWICKENHAM & DISTRICT NEWSLETTER No. 112: NOVEMBER 2023

Our last meeting of the year will take place at the Parish Hall of St Mary & St Alban, Langham Road, Teddington, on Friday 8 December from 1100 to 1300. **The Cabinet of Curiosities:** Lionel will be bringing specimens and artefacts both large and small from his collection of the odd and unusual, most of which can be handled. He promises that you will say *"I have never seen one of those before."* So, prepare to be amazed.

The hall in Langham Road is near St Alban's Church which is also the Landmark Arts Centre, the impressive church at the river end of Teddington High Street near the junction with Kingston Road, Manor Road and Ferry Road. The 281, 285 and R68 buses stop here. Langham Road is off the High Street at this point. The meeting room is the Mina Hogan room on the ground floor which is accessed by the wheelchair ramp on the side of the building. Tea and coffee will be available.

We are pleased to report that ten members attended our meeting on Friday 8 September. Our guest speaker was David Luxton, CSPA Deputy General Secretary. He gave an interesting talk on the work of the CSPA with particular reference to protecting our pensions. Members were able to ask David questions and discussions ranged over a variety of topics.

Michael Peacock  
Chair

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As this is the last Newsletter of 2023, your Committee would like to wish all members a very happy Christmas and, dare we say, a *prosperous* New Year.  
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## JOINT CSRF/CSPA PROGRAMME OF EVENTS – AUTUMN/WINTER 2023

### MONDAY 13 NOVEMBER, 10.30 am

Coffee morning in Squire's Garden Centre, Fulwell (opposite the bus garage). Free parking inside, off Sixth Cross Road. No need to book, just turn up.

### THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER, 12.30 pm

Christmas Lunch at The Crown, 174 Richmond Road, St Margaret's, TW1 2NH (the same venue as last year). On all bus routes from Twickenham to Richmond and near Marble Hill House. Cost £35 for three courses or £28 for two courses. Booking required with a deposit of £20. Please see below details of the menu. Please send your menu choices and £20 deposit (cheques payable to **CSRF Richmond and Twickenham Group**) to: Lewis Read, 11 Crane Park Road, Twickenham, TW2 6DF or bring them to the coffee morning. Queries to lread03@gmail.com or 8894 1858 (answerphone).

### MENU

#### Starters

Roast cauliflower soup, chestnut gremolata, toasted sourdough (v) (413 kcal)

Burrata, roasted heritage squash, crispy sage (v) (266 kcal)

Gressingham duck rillettes, cornichons, capers, toasted sourdough (418 kcal)

Severn & Wye smoked salmon, salt-baked beetroot, chestnut gremolata, toasted rye (366 kcal)

#### Mains

Crown of English turkey, goose fat roast potatoes, crushed winter roots, Brussels sprouts, maple roast parsnip, pork, smoked bacon & chestnut stuffing, Cranberry sauce, gravy (857kcal)

West Country rump of beef, goose fat roast potatoes, crushed winter roots, Brussels sprouts, maple roast parsnip, pork, smoked bacon & chestnut stuffing, horseradish sauce, gravy (972 kcal)

Pan roast seabream, Cornish new potatoes, rainbow chard, samphire, Champagne beurre blanc (686 kcal)

Heritage squash risotto, crispy sage & chestnut gremolata (v) (1368 kcal)

Shin of beef & chestnut mushroom pie, crushed roots, purple sprouting broccoli, gravy (846 kcal)

#### Puddings

Christmas pudding, brandy butter ice cream (v) (457 kcal)

Apple, fig & chestnut crumble, lemon thyme custard (v) (395 kcal)

Lemon posset, almond shortbread (v) (454 kcal)

Dark chocolate brownie, toasted hazelnuts, golden raisins, vanilla ice cream (v) (398 kcal)

Pitchfork Cheddar, Long Clawson Stilton, Bath Soft, celery, quince jelly, seeded