

WEA REPORT – Summer2017

ASHFORD- Our Industrial Archaeology Study Day is going ahead on Saturday 11th March 10-2.30 at Willesborough windmill. Our theme is the 175th anniversary of the coming of the railway to Ashford. We have an audio-visual presentation on this theme along with other speakers on allied topics including Jim Preston on the cement industry which used the railways extensively. The cost of the day is £25 which includes a plentiful supply of hot and cold drinks. Please bring your own sandwiches. To enrol please contact Marion Pont on 01233820679 or Lindsay Pearson on 01233 634014 or turn up on the day.

There are no summer courses in Canterbury or Sevenoaks but the following places do have summer term courses:

HERNE BAY – ‘Local History- the History of the Cinque Ports’ starting on 18/4/17

SWALE – ‘History Makers in Kent’ starting 25/4/17; ‘Art History’ starting 26/4/17

TENTERDEN – ‘Art Appreciation’ starting 13/4/17

TONBRIDGE – has 2 Day Schools -11/3/17 ‘World Affairs – the Middle East in the World.’ And 3/6/17 ‘Politics – People, Politics and Power.’

TUNBRIDGE WELLS – has2 Day Schools: ‘Gardening – Early Summer Planning’ on 1/04/17 and ‘Art History: Sea Fever’ on 3/6/17

WHISTABLE – ‘Literature: Poetry of the 1950s’ starting 5/5/17

The only class I could find in the London area was at BECKENHAM and WEST WICKHAM which had History Walks entitled ‘Secret London’ starting on 27/4/17

There are also 2 free lectures at Canterbury Christchurch University in the Old Sessions House. The first one is on Thursday 9th March at 6pm when Lord Peter Hennessy will talk about the challenges of researching and writing about contemporary political history. Then, on Monday 8th May Professor Dame Sally Davies, the Chief Medical Officer for England, will talk on ‘Antimicrobial resistance: the global problem.’