



Aldersgate Ward Club

Founded 1860 Revised 1909

Master: Ron Wood

January 2015

Dear Member,

Visit to the College of Arms on Friday 6th and Tuesday 10th February 2015

Place: The College of Arms, 130 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4V 4BT.

Supper: Pizza Express, 5–10 St Paul's Churchyard, London EC4M 8AY.

Timing: College of Arms gate opens 6.15pm. Tour starts 6.30pm. Tour finishes 8.00pm, followed by a glass of wine. Table booked at Pizza Express for 8.45pm.

Firstly, may I wish you all a very Happy New Year!

Our February visit is to the College of Arms, where we shall be guided by Timothy Duke, Norroy and Ulster King of Arms. We are fortunate to be hosted by him, one of only three Kings of Arms, the most senior rank in the College. Norroy, incidentally, is that part of England north of the River Trent.

Our tour will begin in the Earl Marshal's Court and the Waiting Room, where Mr Duke will give a brief talk about the history of the building and the origins of heralds and heraldry. We shall then proceed into the Record Room to view a range of heraldic and genealogical manuscripts. The guided visit will finish at 8 pm, when we shall be served a glass of wine, with the opportunity for further informal discussion.

If you or someone close to you is armigerous, please let me know and I will request Mr Duke, if possible, to tell us something about that Grant of Arms.

You will notice above that there are two dates for this visit. That is because the College of Arms limits the number of visitors to twenty. You may choose either date, but I would be grateful if you could indicate whether you would be willing to swap to the other date, in case one becomes oversubscribed.

After the visit, we shall adjourn to the nearby Pizza Express for a one-course supper with wine and coffee. Menu choices, which include salads and pasta as well as pizza, can be made on the night.

If you wish to come to the College of Arms, please complete the details below and return to me with your cheque. As I am away skiing 24-31 January, it would be very helpful to receive your application before then. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Ron

To: Ron Wood

Closing date for bookings: Monday 2 February, but before 24 January if possible, please.

You will be notified (by email or phone) either way when I receive your application. So if you don't hear, please contact me.

Please complete as appropriate:-

I/we wish to apply for the visit to the **College of Arms** @ £46.00 per person.

If you do not wish to join us for Supper afterwards, the charge for the College of Arms only is £25.00.

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My first choice of date is:

My second choice of date is:

Do you wish to join the group for Supper afterwards at Pizza Express?

I enclose my/our cheque for the total sum of £..... made payable to 'Aldersgate Ward Club'.

Name Address

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Name(s) of guest(s)

My contact telephone and/or email