## **NEWS FROM CAMBRIDGE BRANCH 142**

**Welcome.** We welcome new Branch Members Paul & Karen Abbott, Anne Archer, Jacqueline Covill, Jackie & David Matthews-Jones, and Susan & Matin Watson. Thank you for joining the Cambridge Branch.

Christmas at the Inn on the Lake with Abba & Lunch 24<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025. Members £64.00. Non-Members £69.00. Join us for an afternoon in the company of Abba Chique entertainers at The Inn on the Lake in Cobham Gravesend and combine it with a Christmas Lunch. This is a new venue for us and it is managed by the same company that organises events on board the Tereza Joanne in London's East End which we use often and is popular with our members. Christmas Turkey Lunch with all the trimmings or a vegetarian option of the day will be served on arrival followed by a sweet in the interval. Booking forms will be available from the 1<sup>st</sup> Oct and bookings will close on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2025

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2025. Christmas Lunch. Members £20.00. Non-Members £26.00** It will be held in The Park Restaurant, Cambridge Regional College. Same venue as the 2024 event. Booking forms will be available from the 20<sup>th</sup> Oct and bookings will close on the 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025. The menu is as follows:- **Starter:** Pulled Ham Hock Terrine or Celeriac & Truffle Velouté or Prawn & Crayfish Cocktail. **Mains:** Roast Turkey & Trimmings or Braised Beef or Pan-Fried Bream or Polenta Galette or Beetroot Raviolo. **Sweet:** Christmas Pudding or Cinnamon Bread Pudding or Warm Chocolate Almond Sponge or Flavoured Sorbets.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Tina – The Tina Turner Musical. Members £67.00. Non-Members £72.00 We have tickets for this show in the Milton Keynes Theatre for the matinee performance. We will arrive in Milton Keynes in late morning to allow members to purchase refreshments before the show starts. Booking forms will be available from 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep and bookings will close on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct.

As booking forms become available for these events, I will send out copies to those for whom I have an email address. If you are not receiving these then I do not have your details. If you wish to be added to the list, just send me a message to natfedcambridge@yahoo.co.uk

**Coffee Mornings 2025.** The venue for Coffee Mornings is our usual location in the St Andrews Church Hall, St Andrews Street, Cambridge, CB2 3AR, almost next door to the Regal Public House. The entrance to the Church Hall is through the Livingstone's Coffee Shop in the Stone Yard Centre and up the stairs on your left. There is a lift up to the hall. The events run from 10.30am until 12.00pm. No booking required, just turn up. There will be the usual tea, coffee, cakes, biscuits, sausage rolls etc. There will be a raffle. Entrance fee payable on the door is just £3.00.

The next Coffee Morning will be held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September. The speaker will be Tony Kirby speaking about Railways at Cambridge and Fenland. The speaker at the 14<sup>th</sup> November event will be Dennis Moules – Fen Boy to Police Detective.

**Obituaries.** It is with much sadness that we have to report that Branch Member Roger Leonard passed away recently. Our sympathies are with his family and friends

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