

ANGLO-NETHERLANDS SOCIETY



E-NEWS

Dear ANS Members,

May 2022

As the days get longer and the sunshine makes its return we hope that you have a chance to celebrate the height of spring. Enjoy the warmer weather and join us on a tour inspired by the new season.

It was great to see many of you at our visit to the Van Gogh's exhibition last month. An enjoyable lunch followed by a charmingly guided tour through the Courtauld Gallery made it a hugely successful afternoon. An illustrated report will follow in our hard copy Newsletter to go out next month.

In June we have a Thames-side afternoon with lunch at a traditional pub, followed by a short stroll along the river to the Fuller's Griffin Brewery for a private tour and tasting. We don't have an unlimited number of spaces available and are expecting this one to be very popular, so register soon to secure your spot. In July our ANS book club will discuss *The Long Song of Tchaikovsky Street* by Pieter Waterdrinker; and the Inns of Court will form the central part of a walking tour through this fascinating part of London when we learn about the quirks, history and architecture of legal London.

In September we are planning a guided tour at one of England's oldest and most beautiful public burial grounds, and certainly its most prestigious, Kensal Green. Whatever your plans, head outside for a breath of fresh air and explore the capital. Read on to find out more about our forthcoming events and interesting links. We look forward to seeing you again soon in-person or online.

ANS LIVE EVENTS

Fuller's Brewery Tour - London Chiswick - Thursday 16 June 2.00pm



A unique opportunity to see behind the scenes of a world famous working brewery. Discover the secrets of Fuller's award-winning ales with a private brewery tour <https://www.fullersbrewery.co.uk/>. Find out how brewing has evolved, how Fuller's continues to thrive, and enjoy a fascinating glimpse into British beer's history. The tour lasts around two hours and finishes with the highlight: a tasting of some finest ales. Why not make the most of your visit by enjoying a fantastic lunch at 12 noon in the nearby (10 mins walk) traditional English Pub *The Old Ship Hammersmith* situated on the banks of the River Thames. Cost £25 pp (lunch not included). Please note the tour route includes several flights of stairs. Tickets are limited and need to be purchased well in advance. Please register asap at events@anglo-netherlands.org.uk

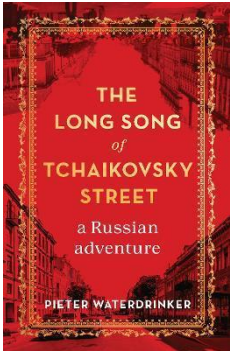
The History of Kensal Green Cemetery- private guided tour – Saturday 10 September 2.00pm



Join us for a special guided walk of one of the oldest and largest London's seven commercial cemeteries that were established between 1833 and 1841: Kensal Green Cemetery. Author, historian and chief guide Henry Vivian-Neal will lead us through Kensal Green's history, architecture, development, and some of the many famous (and infamous) figures buried within this great necropolis. We will walk round parts of this beautiful and fascinating cemetery before returning to the Dissenter's Chapel. The number of places is limited, so do sign up early. The tour lasts about two hours. <https://www.kensalgreen.co.uk/> Cost £17.50 including guided tour and admin fee. Please register at events@anglo-netherlands.org.uk

ANS ZOOM EVENT

ANS Book club *The Long Song of Tchaikovsky Street* by Pieter Waterdrinker – July, time tbc



After many book group discussions about topics related to the second world war, it seems appropriate to discuss a book that sheds some light on a far more recent one: the invasion of the Ukraine by Russia. Join us for our online book discussion on *The Long Song of Tchaikovsky Street*. One day in 1988, an enigmatic priest knocks on Pieter Waterdrinker's door with an unusual request: will he smuggle seven thousand bibles into the Soviet Union? Pieter agrees, and soon finds himself living in the midst of one of the biggest social and cultural revolutions of our time. Thirty years later, from his apartment on Tchaikovsky Street in Saint Petersburg, where he lives with his Russian wife and three cats, Pieter reflects on his personal history in the Soviet Union as well as the revolutions that took place. A master storyteller, he blends history with memoir to create an ode to the divided soul of Russia and an unputdownable account of his own struggles with life, literature, and love. Please register for this free event at events@anglo-netherlands.org.uk

Payment for events via Internet Banking, Anglo-Netherlands Society, account 0540 98 45, sort code (NatWest) 50-41-02, ref your name/event. If not using IB, email the administrator for alternatives.

You will receive your Zoom invitation and easy joining instructions a few days prior to the event. If it is your first time using Zoom you will be asked to download the Zoom App.

Society News

As the final step during our Centenary celebrations we planted on 27 April a young example of the tree *Nyssa Sylvatica* we offered to HRH Princess Beatrix on the occasion of her visit to Kensington Palace for our Centenary reception. It was planted in a prominent place close to the main entrance to the Palace with a plaque describing the occasion. In case you are visiting the Palace, look out for it. It is still quite small but should grow steadily.

In addition to the events already described in the opening paragraph of this E-NEWS, Council is pleased to advise that a firm date has already been set for our popular annual Members' dinner: in November. As usual, this dinner will be held in the beautiful Library of the Reform Club on Pall Mall and we have already received confirmation from an eminent guest speaker. This for your diaries; more details later.

Council also plans to hold another drinks reception which might be of particular interest to our younger and newer Members. Speaking of newer Members, a warm welcome to those who joined the Society recently.

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Books

Todd Longstaffe-Gowan, *English Garden Eccentrics* (April 2022).

A highly original study of eccentric English garden-makers and their extraordinary gardens.

This lively and accessible book calls on gardeners today to learn from example and dare to be eccentric. <https://yalebooks.co.uk/display.asp?k=9781913107260>

Tom Palmer, *Resist, One Girl's Fight Back Against the Nazis* (August 2022).

A story which shines a light on the incredible work of the Dutch resistance inspired by the childhood of Hollywood legend Audrey Hepburn. <https://tompalmer.co.uk/resist/>

Sjoerd Levelt, *The Middle Dutch Brut: An Edition and Translation* (2021).

https://www.bookdepository.com/Middle-Dutch-Brut-Sjoerd-Levelt/9781800348608?gclid=EAlaIQobChMli5iNp_-N9wIVj_IRCh37ywKBEAMYAiAAEgLKLVd_BwE

Saskia Goldschmidt, *Shocked Earth*, translated by Antoinette Fawcett (2021).

A story of a farming family in Groningen province. Meet three generations of the Koridon family.

<https://blogs.exeter.ac.uk/translatingwomen/2021/06/03/review-shocked-earth-by-saskia-goldschmidt/>

Monisha Rajesh, *Around the World in 80 Trains, A 45,000-Mile Adventure* (2019).

A gloriously entertaining travelogue spanning the concourse at Kings Cross to the sky-scaping peaks of Tibet's Qinghai railway. <https://www.waterstones.com/book/around-the-world-in-80-trains/monisha-rajesh/9781408869772>

Art, Culture & Tips

North Sea Crossings: inside the exhibition.

Discover the treasures that illustrate how exchanges between England and the Netherlands have shaped literature, book production and institutions such as the Bodleian, on either side of the North Sea. <http://podcasts.ox.ac.uk/north-sea-crossings-inside-exhibition>

Architect Cuypers & Amsterdam, online talk, Tuesday 7 June 5-6pm GMT.

Everyone has heard of the Rijksmuseum with its amazing collection of works by Rembrandt, Vermeer and many others. Many of you might have arrived in Amsterdam via Central Station, built by one of Netherlands' most famous architects. <https://www.arthistoricallondon.com/event-details/architect-cuypers-amsterdam>

Piet Mondriaan, 150 years.

The legendary "father of modernism" Piet Mondriaan.

<https://www.mondriaanhuis.nl/en/about-mondriaanhuis/the-world-of-piet-mondriaan>

By Royal Appointment: Carpenters and Masons at the Court of Henry VIII

Dr Simon Thurley CBE is a leading historian, curator and heritage expert; and he recently delivered this lecture, which you can view through our Corporate Member's website at

<https://www.carpentersco.com/dr-simon-thurley-lecture/>

Superbloom, Tower Moat, 1 June to 18 September.

The Tower of London Superbloom will be a colourful, dramatic and vibrant field of flowers to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen at the Tower of London.

<https://www.hrp.org.uk/tower-of-london/whats-on/superbloom-at-the-tower-of-london/#gs.zmr3dv>

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

There will be many events and activities celebrating the Jubilee across the UK Commonwealth and beyond. <https://londonist.com/london/things-to-do/platinum-jubilee-celebrations-events-london-bank-holiday-when-2022>

<https://platinumjubilee.gov.uk/events/>

The Royal Jubilee Virtual Challenge Run-Walk-Cycle.

A 500-mile route visiting all 5 of the Queen's residences in the UK and more Royal highlights.

<https://endtoend.run/royal-jubilee/>

Nederlandse City Lunches (in Dutch), Hugo de Koning, Dutch Centre 17 May 1pm.

Guest speaker Hugo de Koning, founder and owner of The Works, a “human-based tech company” will talk about the power of young people. <https://dutchcentre.com/eventer/nederlandse-city-lunches-presenteert-hugo-de-koning-eigenaar-en-oprichter-van-the-works/edate/2022-05-17>

The New Dutch Water Defence Line, 1815-1940, Dutch Centre, 25 May 7.30pm

Exclusive talk by military historian Ronald Hamberg <https://whc.unesco.org/en/list/759/>
<https://dutchcentre.com/eventer/talk-on-the-new-dutch-water-defence-line/edate/2022-05-25>

The Delphine Trio London St George's Church Campen Hill, 22 June 7.30pm

The Trio in association with the Royal College of Music brings together three passionate young musicians from opposite ends of the globe; Dutch cellist Jobine Siekman, Australian clarinettist Magdalenna Krstevska and pianist Roelof Temmingh from South Africa.
<http://kcmusic.org.uk/concerts/22nd-june/>

Eyes on England, international hockey at the Twickenham Stoop.

<https://hockey.seetickets.com/tour/the-fih-pro-league>

A new line for London.

The Elizabeth line opens on 24 May 2022, subject to safety approvals. It will stretch more than 100km from Reading and Heathrow in the west through central tunnels across to Shenfield and Abbey Wood in the east. <https://tfl.gov.uk/travel-information/improvements-and-projects/elizabeth-line>

Princess Beatrix: The Queen Who Gave Up the Crown – British Royal Documentary.

The life of Princess Beatrix, who reigned as Queen of the Netherlands from 1980 until her abdication in 2013. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q06PcLnLbvs>

The Dutch Academic Network in the UK (DANinUK).

DANinUK is an open network for Dutch Nationals working in Higher Education and (academic) research institutions in the United Kingdom. <http://dutchacademicnetwork.uk/>

ANS Centenary book

An excellent present for your family members and friends waiting for you: a copy of our much appreciated Centenary book. Please contact administrator@anglo-netherlands.org.uk

ANS Website

Members can login to the Member's Page with username and password.
<http://www.anglo-netherlands.org.uk/members-page/>

Instagram

Please follow us on Instagram at AngloNetherlandsSociety
<https://www.instagram.com/anglonetherlandsociety/?hl=en>

If you have ideas or suggestions for ANS E-NEWS or for one of our Zoom or in person events, please let us know at events@anglo-netherlands.org.uk.