



## **LEA VALLEY U3A – SPEAKER LIST AUGUST 2019 / MARCH 2020**

### AUGUST

**“THE ROAD TO THE TOWER”** by Mick Casson. A brief look at how one becomes a Beefeater, getting used to the historic environment and learning to convey the myriad tales of the over twenty buildings that make up the Tower of London.

### SEPTEMBER

**“THE RAF IN SUMMER SKIES”** by Phil Holt. As a Flying Display Director Phil will take us behind the scenes to explain the complexity of operating the ‘Battle of Britain Memorial Flight’ and the ‘Red Arrows’ He will also have official Red Arrows merchandise which is not available on the High Street.

### OCTOBER

**“THE BABY BOOMER NOSTALGIA SHOW PART 1** by Alan Haines. A celebration of being born between 1946 and 1964, the show explores what shaped and inspired a generation. The show is packed with funny memories and is a perfect antidote to modern life. It features comedy, magic, audio and audience participation.

### NOVEMBER

**CHARLES DICKENS CONJUROR** by Ian Keable. This promises to be a really special afternoon complete with magic tricks as performed by Charles Dickens in his time. Ian Keable is a member of the Magic Circle.

### JANUARY 2020

**“MYSTERY GUEST”** – Louise Reed. Louise will mingle amongst us in costume prior to the talk and will then recreate the life of that person by speaking about their life, their history, and the reason for their historical importance. Will you be able to guess who she is portraying by chatting to her prior to the talk?

### FEBRUARY 2020

**“50 YEARS OF RE-ENACTMENT AND WHAT IT HAS BROUGHT ME”** by Terry Boniface  
Terry has been a re-enactor for over fifty years and has played many roles connected with history. His periods are 1750s to 1890 and they cover many areas. From French and Indian wars, the Alamo, mountain men, Western covering 1830s to 1880, American civil war. On the European side he has fought in France and Belgium, and Scotland as a Jacobite.

### MARCH 2020

**“THE VICTORIA CROSS”** – Mark Smith – Expert on Arms & Militaria for “The Antiques Roadshow” and recommended by our Member, John Ambridge. Mark will talk about The **Victoria Cross (VC)** which is the highest and most prestigious award of the British Honours System.

**Our meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at The Spotlight in Hoddesdon from 1pm to 4pm. The speaker starts at 2pm and the presentation usually runs for 1 hour.**