



January 2014

We're now into the second term of our 48th season and have enjoyed some interesting talks from our regular speakers as well as welcoming one or two new ones. The programme for 2014/15 is now over halfway to completion and it looks to be an exciting season with talks on Albania, Bhutan, the Middle East and a real coup—the leader of the EverestMax Expedition. Watch out for more details!

Thanks to all of you who have helped with the Welcome Desk, chairs and refreshments this season. Your help is greatly appreciated. We'd like to encourage a few more volunteers to sign up for the coffee rota please. Do see if you might be able to fill in one or two dates at the next Club evening or have a word with Gillian Cameron if you'd like to know more about what's needed.

THE  TIMES presents

Destinations

the holiday & travel show

London Earls Court

6 - 9 Feb 2014

<http://www.stanfords.co.uk/blog/post/Claim-your-complimentary-ticket-to-The-Destinations-Show.aspx>

MEMBERS EVENINGS

If you are a keen traveller and digital photographer please do consider whether you might give a Members' Evening to share your travels with other GTC club members. These can be held in the small hall at Onslow Village or in your own home—perhaps through the TV screen—if you prefer. This is an area of the club that it would be good to expand so do come and have a word with me if you have some slides you'd be willing to show or speak to Chris Brier or Andrew Luyten if you'd like some technical advice.

Janet Parsons, Chairman

PRESIDENT'S EVENING

Tuesday 4th February



John Pilkington FRGS
Georgia to Afghanistan

In an exciting sequel to John's last talk for us, our President follows a spectacular branch of the Silk Road from the Caucasus across the Caspian Sea to Samarkand. He then explores the High Pamirs of Afghanistan before making a dramatic finale at the source of the Oxus in the heart of Central Asia.

Looking ahead

18 February

William Forrester—we enjoy the perils & pleasures of the Grand Tour in the 18th century: Paris, the Alps, Florence, Naples, Venice and Rome.

4 March

John Buckingham takes us to Costa Rica—a tiny country big in scenic beauty and wildlife diversity.

18 March

Harry & Jean Wickens—Myanmar: Land of the Golden Temples. A recent visit to the former Burma—temples, hill tribe villages and stunning images.

1 April

Peter Crofts—a trip by bicycle through the beautiful American Lake District, nestling among the Andes.

15 April

AGM / Audrey Olley—Greenland Summer—A Tribute to Mike Banks. Audrey tells us of her first meeting with Mike, a former speaker and President of the club.

For more information on all our talks please log on to our website <http://www.guildfordtravelclub.org.uk/>



NEXT RAFFLE

Tues 4th February
Proceeds to
WaterAid
Once again donations
of prizes on the night
would be much
appreciated
Thank you