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OCAA reunion

Dear member

We are arranging our main reunion for 2012 in the Hilton Hotel Bristol on the weekend of 18th/19th May.

The price will be in the order of £232 per couple for Friday and Saturday nights including B&B, Dinner the cost of the Disco Dance on the Saturday night and transport to and from the city dock attractions on the Saturday. This assumes 100 members and guests attend. The price will drop if more attend as the proportion of the disco and coach hire will be less. Single occupancy rooms cost will be in the order of £156 for the Friday and Saturday night including breakfasts dinner on the Saturday night coach and disco costs. If you want to stay on the Sunday night the B&B cost will be £84 per couple and £62 per single occupancy. There will be no parking charge at this hotel for any of our members. Bar price discount for us will be 20%. Pre ordered wine is around £14.20 per bottle. There is a pub down the road if you want to tank up first!!

The OCAA has reserved 60 ground floor rooms as this hotel has no lift to the 1st floor. Cut off date for this reservation is the 1st April 2012

We will also hold our General Meeting to elect and re elect committee members on the Sunday morning. Ballroom and conference room hire charges are zero.

At this stage we need some ideas of numbers who will attend. We will not hold you to this as we know peoples programmes change. But if you are thinking of attending can you please return page two to Don Smith the Reunion Secretary? Or if you are on email please email.

Apologies to those who have already emailed me with their intentions.

More details will be in the autumn newsletter due out later in the year.

To book this event for yourself and partner please contact the hotel directly and Quote OCAA and the reunion dates 18th/19th May 2012.

Hilton Bristol
Bradley Stoke
Bristol
BS32 4JF
01454 893436
www.hilton.co.uk/bristol
Any? Contact James Polson or Lucy

The proposed programme is as follows

Fri 18th May 1500 onwards. Check in at OCAA private check in desk for complementary drinks. Chose menu items for Saturday night, pre order your wine so that the hotel has a chance to get sufficient stocks in for the Sat.night. Put your names on the table plan for Saturday night if you want to sit with your oppos'.

Pick up information packs and Bristol maps. This Evening will be an informal drinks get together and informal supper.

Saturday 19th May am Coaches at 1000 and 1100 to the city centre/historic docks area. 1600 and 1700 coaches back to hotel.

Pirate Pete historic walks have been booked for am and pm. £6 each pay at the venue on the day.

1930 for 2000 formal dinner followed by a dance. A raffle will take place. Members may contribute prizes if they wish. There will also be three moderately priced prizes. The menu will suit all tastes with a choice of 3 starters, chicken, lamb, fish and vegetarian option for the main course and a choice of three sweets. Tea and coffee is included. If you want a cheese board option it will cost you £1 extra.

Sun 20th May am after breakfast 1000 to approx. 1130 the General Meeting will be held for members only. Any items for the agenda must reach the Secretary a month before the meeting. The Chairman will be outlining his ideas on the future of the Association.

Some members may be staying on the Sunday night, in which case an informal drinks/swinging the lamp/supper together will be arranged if possible.

Things to do and attractions in Bristol include

1. @Bristol planetarium and science show.
2. Blue reef aquarium
3. M shed harbour side museum (opened 2011)
4. Brunel's SS Great Britain.
5. Canal barge trip, one hour with commentary in the floating harbour. Price in 2011 was £4.95 per senior.
6. Pirate Pete's hilarious and informative one-hour harbour walk (Booked by OCAA) £6 per person. Pay on the day.
7. Arnolfini centre for contemporary arts.
8. Cabot centre shopping area with 500 stores and 50 cafés
9. Watershed media centre
10. Spike Island art space.

Bristol Visitor Information Centre for maps /brochures 0906 711 2191
So that the Reunion Secretary can get an idea who is attending and to enable him to book suitable coaches etc. Can members please complete this and return to Don.

We/I am planning to attend the reunion in Bristol 18th/19th May 2012

We/I am also planning to stay on the Sunday night Yes/No

We/I intend to take part in the Pirate Pete's 1hour walking tour of historic Bristol Yes/No

Name.
Address

Tel.no.
Email address

Name of Partner and Guests you are bringing

Please return to **Don Smith OCAAA Reunion Secretary**
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Don't forget please book your rooms for the reunion directly with the hotel

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