Once again the committee has put together a programme for the next half-year and we hope that you will find it interesting and varied. As always there will be walks, talks, visits and other events and we are happy that, this year, we will have our own Christmas Party again. However, you will also notice that we have made some changes. The AGM will be held in January - earlier than in the last years - as it is easier to find a good room at this time of the year. Burns Supper, on the other hand will only take place in March as our dancing master Chris Harris is on holiday in February and Burns Supper would not be the same without him.

The quality of our programme depends largely on a constant flow of new ideas. Therefore please do not hesitate to inform us if you have any idea for an event we could organise in the future.

There is also news from the FASC: The new president, Bob Howis, has taken over with a fresh and motivated team and the FASC is planning several events, besides the traditional weekend, during the next year. They will celebrate the 60th jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II and the 80th anniversary of the FASC with an event on the 3rd of June 2012. They will revive the golf tournament and members who are interested in bowling can participate in a ten-pin bowling tournament.

I hope that you enjoy our new programme and I look forward to meeting you at many of the upcoming events

Best wishes

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