

2016 Programme of Events

Saturday 19th March

12.30 pm

**Schools Public Speaking Competition
Regional Final**

County Hall, Oxford

OX1 1ND

Admission free

Tuesday 19th April

12.45 for 1.00 pm

The Oxford Union

OX1 3JB

Tour and Lunch

with talk on The History of Oxford Union

Tickets: £25

Tuesday 26th April

Guided Tour for Rhodes Scholars to

House of Lords and House of Commons by

Lord Gordon Wasserman & Victoria Prentis MP

(for membership information only)

Thursday 12th May

6.00 - 8.00 pm

Visit to Chalgrove Manor

OX44 7SL

by kind permission of Paul & Rachel Jacques

Tickets £20

Followed by an optional supper at the Red Lion pub.

Friday 24th June

7.00 for 7.45 pm

Annual Dinner

Balliol College Oxford

Speaker Professor William Whyte

Professor of Social & Architectural History,

St John's College

Black Tie.

£56 including pre dinner drinks.

Saturday 25th June

Members Conference

Malmaison Hotel, Oxford

OX1 1AY

Book through Dartmouth House

Wednesday 6th July

Annual General Meeting

6.30 - 7.30 pm

Paddock Cottage Thrupp

OX5 1JY

Optional supper at the Boat Inn

Tuesday 13th September

3.30 pm

School Leavers Awards

County Hall, New Road, Oxford

OX1 1ND

With tour of Council Chamber & Coroner's Court

Admission free

Tuesday 20th September

3.00 – 6pm

Teas and tour to Ditchley Park

OX7 4ER

By private invitation:

High Tea with Champagne by the fireside
in the White Drawing Room at Ditchley Park

Tickets £32

Tuesday 25th October

5.30 – 7.00 pm

Reception for the new Rhodes Scholars

Champneys's Room, Oriel College, Oxford

OX1 4EW

Tickets £10, Rhodes Scholars free

Sunday 27th November

12.00 for 12.30 pm

Thanksgiving Day Lunch

Speaker to be announced

Studley Wood Golf Club

OX33 1BF

Tickets: £39

November

5.30 pm

Schools' Public Speaking Competition,

Oxfordshire Branch Final

Admission free

Details to follow

Further details will be emailed or posted to members before the events..
Please ensure that we have your email address to save printing and postage costs

President Oxfordshire Branch

Mr Charles Conn, Warden of Rhodes House

Recent Past Chairmen

Larry Holt-Kentwell
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All Oxfordshire event enquiries to:

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Early booking with a cheque for all events would be Much appreciated. Please make cheques payable to:
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Members are invited to attend any UK or International ESU Branch events (details on www.esu.org).

Guests and new members are welcomed.

Membership forms may be obtained from the Ticket Secretary
or join on-line at www.esu.org.

All proceeds raised from events organised by the Branch go directly towards the educational and other support activities of the ESU.

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- **Educational support** for students, including financial grants.
- **Promoting and running** schools public speaking competitions as part of the overall ESU activities.
- **Enjoyable programmes of members events** such as talks on current affairs, general interest topics, public speaking competitions and social functions.
- **Welcome and hospitality** to overseas visitors.

With over 80 branches worldwide, of which 30 are in the UK, the heart of the English-Speaking Union is the role of English in public speaking, discussion and debate. This is reflected in our current programme.

The ESU is an educational charity, relying financially on the fund raising activities of its branches and the generosity of its members and corporate sponsors. Donations to support our work are always welcome.

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