



Eltham Choral Society Concert Tour 2012

Rheinland Germany

Newsletter No.3

We are pleased to announce progress in our plans for our two concert tour to Rheinland Germany in June 2012 and give you a flavour of what to expect when we get there.

Where and when?

Following the Jubilee double bank holiday the previous weekend, the trip will depart Eltham early on **Thursday, 7 June 2012** and will be for three nights staying in the 3* **Hotel Scholz** in the small but historic spa city of **Koblenz**. We expect to return to Eltham in the early evening of **Sunday, 10 June**.



Deutsches Eck, Koblenz

The trip will be by air-conditioned coach with all the usual facilities, travelling via Eurotunnel, and returning the same way. The journey will be lengthy (with two drivers), but we will arrive by late afternoon on Thursday to a meal provided at the hotel.

Accommodation will be at Hotel Scholz on a B&B basis in twin *en suite* rooms, and a limited number of single rooms will be available at additional cost.

Koblenz is set in picturesque countryside where the Mosel river meets the Rhine. The Old Town of **Koblenz**, founded in Roman times, features quaint narrow streets and historic squares. The city's attractions include the **Rhein-Museum**, tracing the cultural and historical development of the Rheinland, the **Mitterheim-Museum** offering paintings and sculptures from artists of the Rhein region and, within 10 miles of Koblenz, the 12th century **Marksburg Castle** in Braubach. And not to be missed, a leisurely river cruise past the famous '**Lorelei**' rock where, legend has it, a beautiful young maiden, Lorelei, threw herself to her death with a broken heart and where her voice can still be heard singing to passing sailors! An excursion cruise can be arranged to include the picturesque winemaking town of Rudesheim am Rhein.



Marksburg
Castle,
Braubach

The Concerts

Our two concerts will both take place at the Christuskirche:

The first, on Friday at 7.00pm, will be in **Christuskirche in Andernach**, some 20km down river from Koblenz;

The second, on Saturday at 7.00pm, will be in **Christuskirche in Koblenz**, followed by a farewell celebration meal together in the city;

What will it cost?

The cost of the tour has been set at £360 per person based on a party of 60. The cost is inclusive of accommodation on a B&B basis, with an evening meal on the day of arrival, performance fees for our MD and accompanist, insurance and a gratuity for the coach crew and/or courier. We may also be able to include the meal after the concert on the Saturday within that figure. Anyone requiring a single room will be required to pay a supplement of about £15 per person per night.

The balance of payment due, generally £230 per person plus single room supplements where applicable, **will be required by the end of February next year**. This is a sizeable figure so it may help to make an instalment payment before the end of this term. Please see Tony.

Insurance

Insurance cover has been included on a group basis and is already effective since the tour deposit has been paid. A 'Key Facts' document is attached for your information. Please take time to read this (small print, I'm afraid) and pay particular attention to the paragraphs in the section **Significant Limitations, Conditions and Exclusions** concerning Age Restrictions and Pre-existing medical conditions. You should be aware that if you do not tell us about your pre-existing health conditions or those of anyone on whom your travel plans depend, you may not be able to make a claim under the policy. You may make any relevant declaration by contacting the Rayburn Referral Helpline on 0845 1300 198.

Reminder

Do please check that your passport is still valid for June next year and that your European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) has not expired.

Welcome

We are still able to welcome anyone not yet booked to join our group for Koblenz. If you would like to join us, please have a word with one of those named below as soon as possible. We must close our list by Christmas. As always, we are looking for a balanced choir and would particularly welcome

Further information

If you have any queries or problems, please see one of the tour organising committee of:

Rod Tutt;

Val Seaton;

Mike McQuillan; or

Tony Crowe

Policy Summary - 2012 Rayburn Tours & Venture Abroad Single trip travel insurance

This document provides a guide to the cover provided. It is however, only a summary of the terms of cover and does not contain full details of the insurance policy terms, conditions and exclusions which are contained in the insurance policy itself. You should refer to your own policy document, your policy certificate and any endorsements that apply to your policy for full detail of your cover. Please take time to read the policy to make sure you understand the cover it provides.

About your insurance

This insurance is arranged by Fogg Travel Insurance Services Limited (Fogg), who is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority and whose FSA registered number is 307304. This can be checked at www.fsa.gov.uk/pages/register. A copy of the policy wording is held by Fogg. This insurance is underwritten by Union Reiseversicherung AG, UK Branch and who are authorised in Germany by BaFin and regulated by the Financial Services Authority. Rayburn Tours Limited is an Appointed Representative of Fogg Travel Insurance Services Limited.

This insurance is Single Trip cover and under cover under A. Pre-Travel Policy, is valid from the date of purchase until you leave home at the start of your trip. The cover under the B. Travel Policy starts when you leave home at the start of your trip and ends when you return home or the expiry of the policy whichever is first. This insurance is arranged for departures between 1st January 2012 and 31st December 2012.

Cancellation

If the terms of the policy are not suitable for your needs please inform Rayburn Tours Limited within 14 days of receipt of your insurance document provided no claims have been made, you intend to make any claim and that you return your policy prior to your departure date.

24 Hour Assistance

We want to take all the worry out of your holiday so that you have the best time possible. If problems do occur you be sure that help will be on hand wherever possible. This is why we have arranged a special 24 hour service for emergency medical assistance. Through FOGG ASSIST we provide immediate help in the event of an Insured Person's illness or injury arising outside the United Kingdom.

You must notify FOGG ASSIST immediately of any serious illness or accident abroad where you are admitted to hospital or you are anticipating having to return home early or having to extend Your stay or costs are likely to exceed £500 because of any illness or injury. We provide a 24 hour multi-lingual emergency service, 365 days per year and can be contacted by telephone or fax. Emergency Tel. No. (+44) 845 658 9899 Fax. (+44) 20 7407 9206. You will need to quote your scheme name.

Significant Features and Benefits

Your policy will show the full cover provided, the following is a summary of the main benefits, applicable to each Insured-person:

A. PRE-TRAVEL POLICY

Policy section	Maximum benefit	Excess Under 18's	Excess 18's and over
1. Cancellation	up to £5,000	£40	£50
Loss of deposit	up to £5,000	£10	£10

B. TRAVEL POLICY

Policy section	Maximum benefit	Excess Under 18's	Excess 18's and over
1. Delayed arrival	up to £100	Nil	Nil
Delay abandonment	up to £5,000	£40	£50
Missed departure	up to £600 (£300 area 1 & 2)	£50	£50
2. Personal possessions	up to £1,500	£40	£50
under 16 years limit	up to £1,000		
Single article limit	up to £250 (£200 under 16)		
Valuable limit	up to £200 (£200 under 16)		
School property	up to £500	£50	£50
Delayed possessions	up to £100	Nil	Nil
3. Personal money	up to £250	£40	£50
Under 16 years limit	up to £150		
Party leader	up to £1,000	£50	£50
Cash limit	up to £500		
Loss of travel documents	up to £300	£40	£50
4. Emergency medical expenses	up to £5,000,000	£40	£50
Area 1 limit (United Kingdom)	up to £2,000		
Hospital benefit	up to £400	Nil	Nil
Curtailment of activities	up to £120	Nil	Nil
5. Curtailment	up to £5,000	£40	£50
6. Personal liability	up to £5,000,000	£50*	£50*
7. Organisers liability	up to £5,000,000	£100	£100
8. Personal accident	up to £25,000**	Nil	Nil
9. Legal advice and expenses	up to £10,000	£250	£250

* increased to £250 in respect of rented property damage only.

** please see Section 8 - Personal accident of the policy for details of amount of payment.

Claims

If you believe that you have a claim please refer to your policy and "What you need to do if you wish to make a claim". You can obtain a claim form online at

www.foggtravelinsurance.com

or alternatively if you do not have internet access you should contact:

Fogg Travel Insurance Services Limited, Crow Hill Drive, Mansfield, Notts NG19 7AE Telephone: 01623 631331 Fax: 01623 420450

When you notify a claim you will need to quote your scheme name RAYBURN TOURS & VENTURE ABROAD.

Referral Helpline

If you need to make a medical declaration and/or material fact please refer to your policy and "Disclosure of Material Facts and Pre-existing Health Conditions" under the pre-travel policy and "New Medical Condition or Change in Medical Condition or Ongoing Medication" under the travel policy. You should contact the Referral Helpline on telephone number 0845 1300 198 during office hours Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm, quoting your scheme name RAYBURN TOURS & VENTURE ABROAD.

POLICY WORDING

The policy wording and/or the key facts can be viewed and printed at any time by any one who wishes to see the full terms via the Rayburn Tours & Venture Abroad website at

http://www.rayburntours.com/safety_management_financial_security.php

Significant Limitations, Conditions and Exclusions

This is not an exhaustive list. Please take time to read the full insurance policy to make sure you understand the cover it provides.

	Significant restrictions and exclusions applying to all parts of the policy
Residency	This policy is only available to persons who have lived in the United Kingdom or the Channel Islands for at least 6 months in the last 12 months. Please read Definition of Words section in the policy – Home, Resident, Insured-person/you/you.
Insurance Policy	This contains full details of the cover provided plus the conditions and exclusions which apply to it. You must read the insurance policy carefully. There are conditions and exceptions which apply to individual sections and general policy conditions, exceptions which apply to the whole policy.
Policy Limits	Most sections of the policy have limits on the amount the insurer will pay under that section. Some sections also include inner limits e.g.: for any one item, or for valuables in total. Please read Section B1 Delayed Arrival, B2 Personal Possessions, B3 Personal Money, B4 Emergency Medical Expenses, Section B9 Personal Accident.
Excesses	An excess is the amount you have to pay towards each claim. All excesses are payable by each insured person for each incident giving rise to a separate claim under each section of cover. Under Section B4 - Emergency Medical Expenses your excess will reduce to Nil if you save money by using a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) at a state hospital and/or with a registered doctor.
Age Restrictions	Cover is available for persons under 85 years at the date of departure. The duration is reduced to 31 days if you are aged between 65 and 75 and to 24 days if you are 75 to 84 years at the date of departure.
In-patient Treatment	There is no cover for in-patient treatment that has not been notified to the 24 hour Emergency Assistance Service. Read if you need emergency medical assistance abroad' section in the policy and see 24 Hour Assistance section heading above.
Pre-existing medical conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is no cover for any claim connected to any pre-existing medical condition, any condition awaiting treatment or investigation, any terminal condition or any condition where medication has been changed. If you have ever had a heart condition, diabetes, a stroke, breathing problems, high blood pressure, and do not notify the Referral Helpline we reserve the right to refuse any claim on your policy. If you have been referred to a specialist or treated as an in patient in the last two years and do not declare that fact to the Referral Helpline we reserve the right to refuse any claim on your policy This includes anything concerning your close relative or close business associate on whom the travel plans may depend. Please also see Required Disclosure of Material Facts below. If you are travelling as part of a school party you need only contact the Referral Helpline if you are <u>17 years and over</u> travelling anywhere or under <u>17 years</u> in full time education travelling outside Europe. Persons <u>under 17 years</u> travelling as part of a school party do not need to make a declaration if travelling in Europe. We require you to notify the Referral Helpline if your health or your ongoing medication changes or if you have had a new diagnosis (for any age or destination) between the date the policy was bought and the date of travel. <p>Please read Disclosure of Material Facts and Pre-existing Health Conditions section, New Medical Condition or Change in Medical Condition or Ongoing Medication section and Definition of Words section in the policy for full details.</p>
Psychological conditions	There is no cover for stress, anxiety, depression, eating disorders or any condition requiring psychiatric care.
Alcohol or Drugs	There is no cover for any claim caused by your past or present use or abuse of drugs, solvents or alcohol
Required Disclosure Material facts	<p>We reserve the right to refuse a claim where you have not informed us of a material fact.</p> <p>A material fact is a piece of important information that would affect the likelihood of a claim under your policies.</p> <p>We require you to notify the Referral Helpline if you have ever had (this includes anything concerning your close relative or close business associate on whom the travel plans may depend) :- any form of cancer, any heart or circulatory condition, a stroke or high blood pressure, any breathing condition (such as asthma), any type of diabetes.</p> <p>This includes any pre-existing health conditions concerning any one who is travelling with you or your close relative or close business associate on whom the travel plans may depend. Please read Disclosure of Material Facts and Pre-existing Health Conditions section and Definition of Words section in the policy.</p>
Hazardous activities	Any claim caused by you taking part in a hazardous activity (as defined in the policy) except where forming part of the published tour operator programme. Hazardous activities include competitive events, sports, pastimes and any other activity that requires skill and involves increased risk of injury. (If you are unsure prior to travel, if your activity is covered by this policy, please telephone us for advice).
Terrorism, war, civil disorder	The policy does not cover claims arising from terrorism, war, civil disorder or fear of any of these.
Proof of claim	<p>If you have to make a claim under any section of these policies it is for you to produce sufficient evidence of the cause of the claim and the losses connected to it before we will meet the claim. For eg. Police, reps report confirming the loss, theft, damage or written medical confirmation confirming the need to curtail your holiday. Please also see the 'If you need Emergency Medical Assistance Abroad' Section headed in the policy, and see 24 hour Assistance heading above.</p> <p>Read the sections in the policy and under the headings "What you need to do if you wish to make a claim under this section of the policy."</p>
Property Claims	<p>These are settled on an indemnity basis (initial purchase price less a deduction for age, wear and tear and depreciation) – not on a "new for old" or replacement cost basis. Claims will not be considered unless substantiated by proof of purchase or existing valuation for any item, pair or set above £50.</p> <p>Read Section B2 – Personal Possessions in the policy headed 'What is not covered' and "What you need to do if you wish to make a claim under that section of the policy."</p>
Unattended	There is no cover for Valuables, Personal Money (including Student Money, Emergency Funds) left unattended, carried in suitcases or similar containers when left unattended. Personal Possessions are not covered if left unattended from your personal trip accommodation. Certain exceptions apply. Read Section B2 Personal Possessions and Section B3 Personal Money in the policy headed 'What is not covered' and Definitions section in the policy under Valuables, Personal Possessions and Personal Money.
Personal Liability	There is no cover for claims arising from ownership, possession, control of or use of any mechanically propelled vehicles, aircraft, motorised skis, motorised waterborne craft or sailing vessel or animals, land or buildings other than your trip accommodation or caused by your profession, any member of your family, or deliberate act or omission by you.
Subrogation and contribution	We reserve the right to ask for a contribution from any other relevant insurances you may hold and to take legal action in your name to recover losses against any third party.

Legal Advice

Should you have an accident abroad and require legal advice this is available through Pannone LLP, 123 Deansgate, Manchester, M3 2BU telephone: 0161 228 3851 or fax: 0161 909 4444. They will arrange for up to thirty minutes of advice to be given to you by a lawyer. You cannot use this service to sue a member of your family, the tour operator, the insurer or anyone acting as their agent.

Complaints

We aim to give you a first class service and to meet any valid claims covered by these policies honestly, fairly and promptly. If you are not happy with our service or wish to complain about your insurance policy please write to in the first instance to:

(a) The General Manager, Fogg Travel Insurance Services Limited, Crow Hill Drive, Mansfield, Notts. NG19 7AE

Should you still remain dissatisfied you may then pursue the following options:

(b) (i) Write to the Branch Manager, URV, Oast Business Centre, Frith Farm, Ashes Lane, Hadlow, Kent TN11 9QU who will review the claims office decision.

(ii) If your complaint cannot be resolved you may ask the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) to review your case.

Their address is South Quay Plaza, 183 Marsh Wall, London E14 9SR Telephone 0845 080 1800

Compensation

URV is a member of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme, which offers you protection in the event that the Insurer is not financially able to meet its liabilities in respect of your claim, the FSCS can cover 90% of the claim without any upper limit.

Law Applicable to the Insurance

This insurance is governed by the law of the country that you live in, within the United Kingdom or the Channel Islands unless you and your insurers have agreed otherwise.