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LONDON AND SOUTH EASTERN BRANCH REMS SECTION

Arsenal Emirates Stadium and London Canal Museum

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This visit has been organised by Tony Manning

It's football, Jim, but not as we knew it! Forget the windswept terraces and disgusting toilets of our youth, this is football in the era of Champions League, Corporate Entertaining and millionaire players.

We will have the chance to see behind the scenes, sample the comfy seats and excellent sight-lines, marvel at the architecture and civil engineering involved in removing visible roof pillars, and see the electronic turnstile admission system for the 60,000 spectators at this state-of-the-art stadium.

Lunch will be taken at the Wetherspoon's "Coronet", where a baked potato with cheddar cheese melt and salad, plus a pint of Greene King IPA cost me just £5.

After lunch there is the option of another visit to the London Canal Museum a short tube ride away, at a cost of £1.50, pay on the day. Please indicate your intention on the booking sheet so that we can gauge numbers.

DIRECTIONS AND MEETING.

We will meet at entrance "S" at the south end of the stadium for the tour at 10.45. Do not be late as you would have a problem catching up! If you want some Arsenal merchandise for grandchildren or nieces/nephews alight at Arsenal Station (Piccadilly Line) and turn right into Drayton Park and follow the road round to the Arsenal shop. Then follow signs for "Stadium" and go over the railway bridge and round the stadium to entrance "S". (To your left as you exit the station you can see the old Highbury ground, with its listed art deco grandstands, being converted into exclusive apartments).

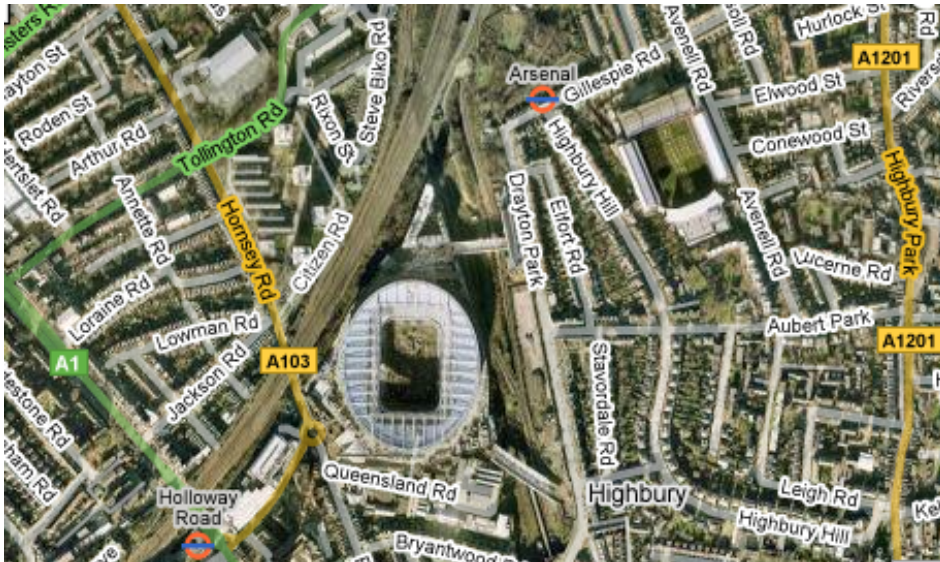
If coffee and toilets are your priority, alight at Holloway Road (also Piccadilly Line) and cross over. To your left there is a McDonalds restaurant, where I will be stationed until 10.30. When your needs have been satisfied return to the traffic lights and turn left into Hornsey Road. You will see the stadium in front of you up the steps. Go to entrance "S". Any problems call me on 07747 611 503

After the tour we will walk back down Hornsey Road, turn right at the lights and go past the McDonalds and the "Coronet" is another 100 metres along Holloway Road, Nos 338-346. After lunch it is back to Holloway Road and two stations to Kings Cross. Exit the main line station to the East onto York Way. The Canal Museum is brown-signed down Wharfdale Road, which is 250 metres on the right along York Way.

Maps of the two areas are overleaf. The museum is roughly where the A is on the second map.

The cost of the stadium tour is £5 and the numbers are limited to 50. Please indicate on the form whether you will be having lunch at the Coronet pub, so that Tony can book the necessary number of tables. The admission charge to the museum is £1.50 for ten or more senior citizens, payable at the door.

Google hybrid map of the area around the Arsenal Emirates Stadium



Google map of Kings Cross and the London Canal Museum

