

### Winter 2025/26

Dear members and friends,

due to popular demand we are continuing our 'Tasting' series with a **tea afternoon**. We can accommodate a maximum of 20 tasters, so please reserve quickly by sending an email to us. We are continuing the Thursday morning series called **'Let's Talk**' for everyday English conversation practice. Ursula will organise these sessions and has a range of activities up her sleeve to ensure there is a lively atmosphere.

This year we are able to offer a **Talk** in cooperation with VHS Bamberg and Europe in Bamberg in January. The subject is the controversial '**Brexit**'. Please come along, encourage your friends to participate and join in the discussion at the end.

We reserve the right to cancel any events at short notice, so please let us know each time that you intend to come by registering with <a href="DECB@gmx.de">DECB@gmx.de</a>. The Club homepage will also be updated. There is a DECB What's App group, for informing you about events and updates.

We wish you all good health and look forward to seeing you soon.

#### The committee

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### September 2025

Wednesday, 17th Sep 7 p.m.

Conversation and Reading for Fun

Meet other members for a sociable evening

We'll read a short excerpt from a favourite novel or a magazine

article and discuss it afterwards over tea and biscuits.

Our conversation is of course not restricted to literature Schutzgemeinschaft Alt Bamberg

so come and talk to native speakers and exchange ideas

with other members over a cuppa. Please register in advance on

DECB@gmx.de or call Jane on 0951/1337151

Thursday, 25th Sep

Let's Talk Morning 10 a.m.

Schutzgemeinschaft

Alt Bamberg Schillerplatz 9

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We'll engage in a variety of fun activities to practise speaking.. in particular to become more confident in everyday / holiday situations. There will be a fee for non-members. Please register with Ursula at ursula-kalb@gmx.de

### October 2025

Wednesday, 8th Oct 7 p.m.

Schutzgemeinschaft Alt Bamberg

Schillerplatz 9

**Bedford Exchange Review – Bring and Share** 

Hear about this year's exchange and ask questions to find out about the places that were visited.

Please bring some food to contribute to the buffet. (Ursula is coordinating this). Tea, soft drinks and alcoholic beverages will be

provided. Registration: DECB@gmx.de

Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct 10 a.m.

Schillerplatz 9

Let's Talk Morning

We'll engage in a variety of fun activities to practise speaking.. in particular to become more confident in everyday / holiday situations. There will be a fee for non-members.

Please register with Ursula at ursula-kalb@gmx.de

Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 7 p.m.

Schillerplatz 9

**Singalong Evening** 

Stretch your vocal chords to the melodies of some traditional English songs and oil them with a pint. Of course we'll be discussing the lyrics as well. Everyone welcome – with

or without a trained voice.

Please confirm your attendance by email: DECB@gmx.de

### November 2025

Wednesday, 12th Nov 7 p.m.

Conversation and Reading for Fun

Meet other members for a sociable evening

We'll read a short excerpt from a favourite novel or a magazine article and discuss it afterwards over tea and biscuits.

Registration: DECB@gmx.de

Schillerplatz 9

# Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 3 p.m.

Schutzgemeinschaft Alt Bamberg Schillerplatz 9

### **Afternoon Tea and Making Christmas Pudding**

Stir-up Sunday

and the pudding for our Christmas Dinner has to be made. Come along and help – or just watch, have a cup of tea and a chat. Children are welcome and games will be available.

# Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 10 a.m.

Schillerplatz 9

### **Let's Talk Morning**

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### December 2025

# Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 7 p.m.

Schillerplatz 9

### **Games evening**

Meet other members for a sociable evening

We're trying our luck at snakes and ladders and beetles. Perhaps we can also improve our skills at cards and dominoes this evening. Come along to learn, to refresh and above all have fun.

Registration: DECB@gmx.de

# Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 5 p.m.

Sternwartstraße 3 Parking available in school ground

### A Festival of Lessons and Carols

for Advent and Christmas

Readings from the Bible and Christmas Songs

Based on a traditional English Christmas service of lessons and carols. A chance for everyone to participate in the story of Christmas.

Sherry and traditional mince pies to be served afterwards.

# Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 7 p.m.

Scheiners Weinstube Katzenberg 5 96049 Bamberg

#### **Christmas Dinner**

Get away from the pre-Christmas stress and join us for a festive meal at the Weinstube. Each person can choose their desired meal from the Christmas menu.

The Club will provide Christmas crackers.

There is however a limit on the number of diners that can be accommodated, so please register by **December 4**<sup>th</sup>.

Registration: DECB@gmx.de

### January 2026

# Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 7 p.m.

Schutzgemeinschaft Alt Bamberg Schillerplatz 9

### **Conversation and Christmas Review**

Meet other members for a sociable evening

Same procedure as every year, or did something unusual happen? Review Christmas and New Year with us and finish the season off with a slice of Christmas pudding.

Registration: DECB@gmx.de

Tuesday, 20th Jan 7 p.m.

Talk in English by Dr. Susan Brähler "BrexLit: Literary Responses to Brexit

**Großer Saal** 

and the Crisis of British Identity"

#### Altes E-Werk, Tränkgasse

Over the past decade, Brexit and its aftermath have inspired a diverse body of literary responses by both British and non-British writers, from within the UK and beyond. In what has come to be called BrexLit, these authors have engaged with the perceived crisis of national identity, fears of mass immigration and cultural change, the rise of populism, socioeconomic disparities, and a nostalgia for an idealised (imperial) past. Across a variety of genres, modes, and tones, they envision Britain's future after its withdrawal from the EU – ranging from cautiously hopeful to starkly dystopian.

This talk invites the audience on a journey through the varied landscape of Brexit literature, spanning (documentary) plays, (performance) poetry, condition-of-England novels, cartoons, crime fiction, satire, and short stories. It assesses how these works contribute to an ongoing cultural conversation about what it means to be British after Brexit.

Come and discuss the talk afterwards with us.

VHS in cooperation with DECB and Europe in Bamberg

Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan 10 a.m.

Schillerplatz 9

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### February 2026

### Sunday, 1st Feb

3 p.m. Schutzgemeinschaft Alt Bamberg

Schillerplatz 9

### Tea Tasting

We have compiled a selection of six teas for you to taste. Come and sample them with us and learn about the different regions that they come from. Please register and pay €10 (€15 non-members) into the Club account for one of the limited places by 10<sup>th</sup> January2026. Registration: DECB@gmx.de

### Wednesday, 11th Feb 7 p.m.

Schutzgemeinschaft Alt Bambera

Schillerplatz 9

## Thursday, 19th Feb

10 a.m.

Schillerplatz 9

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### Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb

3 p.m. Schillerplatz 9

### 'Bamberg' Bake Off

Have you ever wanted to try baking scones or flapjack? Now is your chance. Experienced bakers will be on hand to give you tips as we create these British delights together. Obviously we will be eating the results as well. Please register at DECB@gmx.de for more instructions.