



Reading and District Probus Club

"Telegraph"

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Web-site Address – www.probusclub-reading.org.uk

Our guest speaker this month is Bridget Britton who will tell us all about the "RLNI". I am sure Bridget will remember to bring along a few lifebelts and maybe a raft or two. We hope she will enjoy her time with us.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

If you have not yet paid your annual subscription (£20) please do so this month.

LUNCH ARRANGEMENTS (Monday 9th March)

The menu of the day will be **Welsh Rarebit** followed by **Fish Pie with vegetables** at a cost of **£17** per head. Please remember that you will be liable for a "no show" charge of **£10.00** if you fail to advise the **Secretary** by **09:00hrs.** on **Saturday 7th March** that you will **not** be attending.

UPCOMING SPEAKER ARRANGEMENTS

20th April 2020 No speaker booked for this month **8th June 2020 Ladies' Lunch** Tony Trafford
"The Personal Life of Kings"
11th May 2020 No speaker booked for this month **13th July 2020** No speaker booked for this month

"4th TUESDAY CLUB" LUNCH (March 24th)

Come along and enjoy the company and chat at our next "4th Tuesday Club". Bring along a friend or your wife. These get togethers are fun and totally informal.

REGALIA & CLUB SALES

If any member wishes to purchase a tie or any other item, please contact Alf Chadwick.

Reading & District Probus Club – Committee Members

President: David Laird **Vice President:** Siraj Vora **Immediate Past President:** Patrick Moren
Secretary: David Laird **Treasurer:** Siraj Vora **Speaker Secretary:** Vacant
Almoner: John Swift **Press Secretary:** Alan Bradbury **Regalia & Club Sales:** Alf Chadwick

THIS MONTH'S HUMOUR



HAVE A LOOK IN THE MIRROR

Have you ever been guilty of looking at others your age and thinking, surely I can't look that old? Well, be careful

My name is Alice Smith and I was sitting in the waiting room for my first appointment with a new dentist. I noticed his Dental Diploma, which bore his full name. Suddenly, I remembered a tall, handsome dark-haired boy with the same name had been in my secondary school class some 30-odd years ago. Could he be the same guy that I had a secret crush on, way back then?

Upon seeing him however, I quickly discarded any such thought.

This balding, grey haired man with the deeply lined face was far too old to have been my classmate.

After he examined my teeth, I asked him if he had attended Morgan Park Secondary School.

"Yes, yes I did. I'm a Morganner!" he beamed with pride.

"When did you leave to go to college?" I asked

He answered, "In 1965. Why do you ask?"

"You were in my class!" I exclaimed.

He looked at me closely, then that

Ugly, Old, Bald, Wrinkled, Fat, Grey haired, Decrepit, Creature asked...

"WHAT DID YOU TEACH?"

Courtesy Terry Richmond

HOSPITAL CHART BLOOPERS

(Actual writings from hospital charts)

1. The patient refused autopsy.
2. The patient has no previous history of suicides.
3. Patient has left white blood cells at another hospital.
4. She has no rigors or shaking chills, but her husband states she was very hot in bed last night.
5. Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year.
6. On the second day the knee was better and on the third day it disappeared.
7. The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also appears to be depressed.
8. The patient has been depressed since she began seeing me in 1993.
9. Discharge status: Alive but without permission.
10. Healthy appearing decrepit 69-year old male, mentally alert but forgetful.
11. Patient had waffles for breakfast and anorexia for lunch.
12. She is numb from her toes down.
13. While in ER, she was examined, x-rated and sent home.
14. The skin was moist and dry.
15. Occasional, constant infrequent headaches.
16. Patient was alert and unresponsive.
17. Rectal examination revealed a normal size thyroid.
18. She stated that she had been constipated for most of her life, until she got a divorce.
19. I saw your patient today, who is still under our car for physical therapy.
20. Both breasts are equal and reactive to light and accommodation.
21. Examination of genitalia reveals that he is circus sized.
22. The lab test indicated abnormal lover function.
23. Skin: somewhat pale but present.
24. The pelvic exam will be done later on the floor.
25. Patient has two teenage children, but no other abnormalities.

Courtesy John Swift

JOINT OUTINGS ARRANGED BY READING EAST

If interested, please contact the R&D Secretary for more details

Tuesday 10th Mar. 2020

Morning Coffee plus Lunch No. 92 at The Wheelwright's Arms, Davis Way, St Nicolas Hurst, Reading, RG10 0TR

The event starts at 11.30 am with morning coffee and continues into a two-course lunch.

The cost of the event is £17 pp. and includes the welcome coffee and lunch;

Richard Greenaway is the organiser

Tuesday 17th Mar. 2020

Walk from The Bull, 41 High Street, Theale, RG7 5AH

The walk is approximately 4.5 miles. As the pub car park is very small, please park in the small public car park 150 yards along the High Street (to the right of the pub looking from the front), and meet in the pub car park at 10:15 ready to move off at 10:30

O.S. Explorer map 159.
Start grid reference: SU 645715

Organiser: Chris Bintcliffe

Tuesday 14th Apr. 2020

Morning Coffee plus Lunch at Buratta's at the Royal Oak, Ruscombe, RG10 9GN

The event starts at 11.00 am with morning coffee and continues into a two-course lunch.

The cost of the event is £16.50 pp. and includes the welcome coffee and lunch;

Gordon Murray-Smith is the organiser

Wednesday 20th May 2020

Visit by coach to the Bombay Sapphire Distillery at Laverstoke Mill, Whitchurch followed, in the afternoon, by a visit to the Whitchurch Silk Mill

Meet at the Sonning Golf Club at 08:15; the coach will leave at 08:30 sharp.

At the distillery we will have a guided tour finishing up with cocktails.

At the Silk Mill we will enjoy a buffet lunch then suitably restored we embark on a guided tour of the waterwheel and the mill building.

The cost is £52.50 pp.,

Adrian Bellars is the organiser