

# July 2024

# Web-site Address – <u>www.probusclub-reading.org.uk</u>

This month our own President will take us on a trip to Alaska.

LUNCH ARRANGEMENTS (Tuesday 9th July)

The cost of lunch will be <u>£24 per head</u>. Please assemble in the dining area at 12:30 in time for our Business Meeting on this day. Lunch will be served at 12:45. Please remember that you will be liable for a "no show" charge of £22 if you fail to advise the Secretary that you will not be attending by **09:00hrs. on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July** that you will **not** be attending.

member of your party.

We shall be dining this month in the Henly Room at 12:45

# UPCOMING SPEAKER ARRANGEMENTS

13 August 2024 Nick Wells – "Fun Quiz"

8 October 2024 Christine Lewendon "The Royal British Legion"

10 September 2024 Fred McCrindle "Dementia"

**12 November 2024 Richard Havelock** "Penicillin"

# 4th TUESDAY CLUB" LUNCH (July 23rd)

Come along and enjoy the company and chat at our next "4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Club". We normally start to gather around 12 noon at Mapledurham Golf Club. Bring along a friend or your wife.

## **BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH**

John Kavanagh and Michael Humphries will celebrate their birthday this month.

## **REGALIA & CLUB SALES**

If any member wishes to purchase a tie or any other item, please contact Russell King.

### **Reading & District Probus Club – Committee Members**

President: Colin Hatcher Vice President: Peter Higginson Immediate Past President: Francis Brown Secretary: David Laird Treasurer: Siraj Vora Speaker Secretary: Vacant Almoner: Russell King Regalia & Club Sales: Russell King

#### THIS MONTH'S HUMOUR



#### **DID YOU KNOW....?**

- There are no penguins in the Arctic
- The Earth travels through space at 660,000 miles per hour
- Each day, up to 150 species become extinct
- French was England's official for over 600 years
- Falling space dust makes the Earth 100 tons heavier every day
- The names of all continents end with the same letter they start with
- Nobody can touch their nose with their elbow
- A baby is born every three seconds
- Spider's silk is stronger than steel
- Snails can sleep for 3 years
- Your brain is 80% water
- Antarctica is a desert

#### The Old Man's Tomatoes

An old Italian man lived alone in New Jersey . He wanted to plant his annual tomato garden, but it was very difficult work, as the ground was hard. His only son, Vincent, who used to help him, was in prison. The old man wrote a letter to his son and described his predicament.

#### "Dear Vincent,

I am feeling pretty sad, because it looks like I won't be able to plant my tomato garden this year. I'm just getting too old to be digging up a garden plot. I know if you were here my troubles would be over. I know you would be happy to dig the plot for me, like in the old days. Love, Papa"

A few days later he received a letter from his son.

"Dear Pop, Don't dig up that garden. That's where the bodies are buried. Love. Vinnie"

At 4 am the next morning, the local police arrived and dug up the entire area without finding any bodies. They apologized to the old man and left.

That same day the old man received another letter from his son.

*"Dear Pop,"* 

Go ahead and plant the tomatoes now. That's the best I could do under the circumstances. Love vou, Vinnie"

The Grim Reaper came for me last night, and I beat him off with a vacuum cleaner. Talk about Dyson with death.

I saw a poor old lady fall over today on the ice!! At least I presume she was poor - she only had £1.20 in her purse.

Local Police hunting the knitting needle nutter who has stabbed six people in the last 48 hours - believe the attacker could be following some kind of pattern...

Bought some rocket salad yesterday but it went off before I could eat it!

The wife was counting all the 5p and 10p coins out on the kitchen table when she suddenly got very angry and started shouting and crying for no reason. I thought to myself, "She's going through the change."

A teddy bear is working on a building site. He goes for a tea break and when he returns he notices his pick has been stolen. The bear is angry and reports the theft to the foreman. The foreman grins at the bear and says "Oh, I forgot to tell you, today's the day the teddy bears have their pick nicked."

Murphy says to Paddy "Why ya talkin' to an envelope?" "I'm sending a voicemail, ya silly idiot!"

19 paddies go to the cinema, the ticket lady asks "Why so many of you?" Mick replies, "The film said 18 or over."

> David Laird 30 June 2024