

# Fugelmere Probus Club of Fleet

## January 2022 newsletter



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Welcome to the January Newsletter from your committee.

The committee hopes all members and their families had an enjoyable Christmas and would like to wish everybody a Happy New Year.

### **Monthly Meeting & Lunch – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January – to be held at the Lismoyne hotel.**

Lunch will be at a cost of £20 per head and any new dietary requirements should be notified to Ted Payne.

The menu is:

- Starter: Smoked Haddock with Leek and Cheese Gratin Caper Mayo.
- Main: Beef in Ale Pie, Mashed Potato and Roasted Carrots.
- Dessert: Warm Chocolate Brownie and Vanilla Ice Cream.

The speaker for the day is the Reverend Mark Hayton and his topic is the History and arson of All Saints Church, Fleet.

Last month's Speaker, Rachel Haver kindly donated her fee to our charity fund for the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice.

### **Apologies for Absence**

Any apologies for this lunch meeting must be given by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January, to Ted Payne, or if Ted is unavailable, or you do not receive an acknowledgement from him, to Simon Hackett. Contact details are in the Club Handbook.

For telephone calls please ensure you get a verbal acknowledgement, especially if leaving a message on answer phone or voice-mail. For e-mail, please ask for a reply from the addressees.

**If you do not receive a reply, either by phone or e-mail, you will be assumed to be attending and the club will be charged for your lunch, which will be at your cost. Please note that this also applies to late apologies received after the deadline and for just forgetting to turn up!**

## Speakers for 2022/23

Chris Farmer will be planning the speaker programme for next year, during January/February. If there are members who have talks they would like to give, or if there are speakers from other events that you have enjoyed and would recommend, please contact him.

Finally, if there are members who would like to be involved in the speaker planning, now is a perfect time to get involved!

## Recent Event

### Sonning Mill Wednesday, 22nd December matinée, "Top Hat"

Organiser: Terry Berridge

Although it was another very cold day the visit to the Mill at Sonning went very well. We all enjoyed an excellent lunch and the performance of Top Hat fully justified the outstanding reviews it had received in the press. The performance of Top Hat was further enhanced by the intimate nature of the theatre and the excellent seats Terry had reserved for us.



Sadly on the return journey Terry announced this would be the last trip he would be arranging after a decade of organising the visits to the Mill. Terry has done a sterling job and he is happy to help anybody that takes on organising this event in future years.

We are now looking for a member to take on organising the next visit to the Mill at Sonning. If you are interested please feel free to talk to Terry about what is involved and let the committee know you are happy to take on this event.

## **Upcoming Activities**

### **Winter Quiz on Zoom, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 8pm.**

Organiser: Paul Allen

We resume our Zoom quizzes with quiz master Paul Allen devising the questions for us. All of your household are welcome to join and assist.

The quiz itself kicks off at 8pm but do join us a few minutes early if you want to participate in the usual Probus social chit chat.

Details for connecting to this Zoom session are:

Either click on this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83945851976>

Or enter this ID into your Zoom app: 839 4585 1976

Michael Butcher is happy to offer one-on-one support to anyone who is having difficulty with Zoom.

### **Winter Quiz on Zoom, February 2022.**

Organiser: Hugh Williams

A second Winter Quiz is being organised by Hugh Williams and will take place in February. Details of date and time will be published in our next Newsletter.

### **Skittles at the Jolly Farmer, Blacknest Tuesday 8 March 2022**

Organiser: Ted Payne

A Skittles afternoon has been arranged at the Jolly Farmer, Blacknest for Tuesday 8 March 2022 commencing 1200 noon. Please note this is a departure from the previously held Skittles events to enable those attending to travel in daylight.

Basket meals will be provided at about 12.30 with tea or coffee being served later in the afternoon.

Currently The Jolly Farmer does not have prices or choices for their basket meals. This information is expected shortly and options and cost of meals will be sent to those proposing to attend when they become available; however, the estimated cost is £18 per person

The signup sheet is still available and payment of £18 will be taken at our January 2022 lunch.

## **Spring Break – Sinah Warren Hotel - 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

Organiser: Leslie Holt

With a much shorter timescale to organise the break compared with previous years we have opted to return to a well known and favourite hotel – Sinah Warren, Hayling Island.

There has been sufficient interest to make the break viable and we are pleased to report Warners' have met most if not quite all of our members' specific requirements. All necessary changes have now been agreed with members.

A deposit of £30 per person was requested at our December lunch with the balance is now due at our January 2022 lunch.

### **Other Events currently being scheduled for 2022**

Kit Mitchell is organising a visit to Chartwell House on the 18<sup>th</sup> May.

George Edwards is arranging a Pétanque morning for the 21<sup>st</sup> June.

Peter Buck will be coordinating a Cream Tea and Quiz for sometime in July.

### **A personal note**

As I sit reading our first Newsletter of 2022, I'm once again struck by the positive contribution made by non-committee members in organising club activities. I hope that they won't be too embarrassed by me mentioning that the club simply wouldn't be as successful as it is without their continuing efforts on behalf of us all.

This neatly leads me to observe that it's also the time for us to make New Year Resolutions. In particular, as you will have seen from our recent excursion to The Mill at Sonning, we now need someone to resolve to take over the organisation of this annual event from Terry.

On that note, I'd like to sincerely thank Terry, on behalf of us all, for the many enjoyable trips to the Mill at Sonning and also his contribution to the club in his many past roles, which are literally too many to mention here in the space available.

Kind regards,

**Paul Allen,**  
**President, Fugelmere Probus Club of Fleet**