

27th September 2021



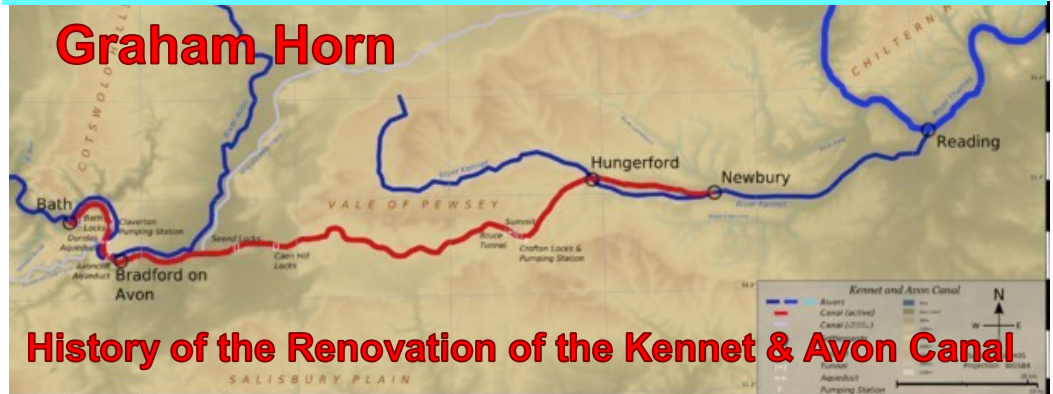
PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE IN THE COMPETITION TO FIND THE FAVOURITE PHOTOGRAPH FROM THE TWELVE CHOSEN FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2022 CALENDAR WHICH ARE EXHIBITED IN THE DINING ROOM TODAY

Place Number

«No»

Today's Presentation....

Graham Horn



Next Month's Lunch Meeting

Is on Monday the 25th October 2021 when our speaker is Alan Penn with his talk 'The Nuclear Powered Heart Pacemaker'.

Coming up in the next few months

- 22nd Nov. 2021:** **Jaye Windmill** The Story of the Siege of Troy
- 20th Dec. 2021:** **Stewart Linford** The Remarkable story of our National Chair: - The Windsor
- 24th Jan. 2022:** **Paul Joyce** The History of Printing in Reading

Lunches at the Sonning Golf Club

For new members and those returning to the SGC for the first time this year, **please remember to Check-In at the desk in the dining room, on arrival, so we know that everyone expected has arrived.** At this point you will be given your Place Assignment Card with your place number which has a matching Place Card on one of the tables.

Also please remember that, if you cannot attend a monthly lunch, you must send your apologies promptly to the Lunch Secretary, Keith Toogood either by email: keithtoogood1@me.com or by entering your apology on the Apologies Board on display at the previous month's lunch meeting. Apologies must be received no later than noon on the Friday preceding the lunch or you will be charged.

Extra-Ordinary General Meeting (EGM)



As advised by email on 11th September, an EGM will take place today at 2pm. to elect John Ledger as Vice Chairman. John is Berkshire representative for Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF), giving presentations about the work of MAF in the developing world. Recently retired after 31 years as governor of a school in Wokingham. He is a member of Greyfriars Church PCC in Reading.

Our thanks go to Richard Greenaway for holding the fort as Vice Chairman for the last six months. Richard can now take a well earned rest from his 12 years of committee duties which he has undertaken ever since he joined the club in 2009 after being immediately co-opted as Lunch Secretary. We will miss his sage wisdom on club matters and sense of humour which has sustained us at many a committee meeting.

Increase in Lunch Price

The price of the monthly lunch will increase to £21 as from October 2021. The extra £1 will go towards the cost of the speaker's fees.

We also expect the SGC to increase the price of the meals in the New Year and members should anticipate a further price increase when this happens.

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PROBUS NEWS

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Events Calendar - Details provided by individual Event Organisers

READING EAST PROBUS CLUB - FUTURE EVENTS CALENDAR

Day/Date	Event	Deposit/Payment required	Balance required
Monday 27 th Sep. 2021	<p>CLOSED - September Probus Lunch at the Sonning Golf Club, Duffield Road, Sonning-on-Thames, Reading, RG4 6GJ</p> <p>The event starts at 12:00 noon.</p> <p>Menu - Starter of Baked Field Mushroom with Brie & Bacon, followed by Roast Pork Loin, Apple Sauce and Crackling.</p> <p>The cost is £20 pp.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: SGC09</p> <p>Event Organiser: Keith Toogood, T: 0118 961 8596</p>	Full amount of £20 pp. due no later than 09:00 on 27 th Sep. 2021	
Wednesday 29 th Sep. 2021	<p>PLACES AVAILABLE - Walk from the Queens Oak, Church Lane, Finchampstead, Wokingham, RG40 4LS</p> <p>The walk is approximately 5 miles, OS Explorer map 159. Start Grid ref: SU793638</p> <p>Meet in the pub car park at 10:00 ready to select lunch from the daily menu and move off at 10:30.</p> <p>If you wish to attend, please inform Nick Bell by Email : nebell999@gmail.com or add your name to the board today.</p> <p>Event Organiser: Nick Bell T: 07544 806833</p>	-	-
Monday 11 th Oct. 2021 to Friday 15 th Oct. 2021	<p>NOW CLOSED - Four Night Walking/Sightseeing visit to Warners Thoresby Hall Hotel, Nr. Ollerton, NG22 9WH, Nottinghamshire.</p> <p>Event Organiser is Paul Townson Tel: 0118 975 2191</p>	-	-
Tuesday 12 th Oct. 2021	<p>PLACES AVAILABLE - Morning Coffee plus Lunch No. 94 at Buratta's at the Royal Oak, Ruscombe, RG10 9JN</p> <p>The event starts at 11:00 with morning coffee and continues into a two course lunch at 12:30. The menu was emailed with the August Newsletter or a hard copy will be found in the board folder.</p> <p>The cost is £18 pp. and if you wish to attend, please inform Gordon Murray-Smith by email: murraysmithg@aol.com and, include your Menu Choices, using the short code or add your name to the board at today's lunch.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: Burattas94</p> <p>Event Organiser: Gordon Murray-Smith T: 0118 969 3948</p>	Full amount of £18 pp. no later than Mon. 27 th Sep. 2021 the September lunch date which is also the deadline for receipt of Menu Choices	-
Monday 25 th Oct. 2021	<p>NEW - October Probus Lunch at the Sonning Golf Club, Duffield Road, Sonning-on-Thames, Reading, RG4 6GJ</p> <p>The event starts at 12:00 noon.</p> <p>Menu - TBA</p> <p>The cost is £21 pp.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: SGC10</p> <p>Event Organiser: Keith Toogood, T: 0118 961 8596</p>	Full amount of £21 pp. due no later than 09:00 on 25 th Oct. 2021	-
Tuesday 9 th Nov. 2021	<p>NEW - Morning Coffee plus Lunch No. 95 at the Elephant & Castle, Lodge Road, Whitley Green, Reading, RG10 0EH</p> <p>The event starts at 11:00 with morning coffee and continues into a two course lunch at 12:30. The menu will be emailed along with this Newsletter or a hard copy will be found in the board folder.</p> <p>The cost is £17.50pp. and if you wish to attend, please inform Gordon by email: murraysmithg@aol.com and, include your Menu Choices, using the short code or add your name to the board at today's lunch. Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: Elephant95</p> <p>Event Organiser: Gordon Murray-Smith T: 0118 969 3948</p>	Full amount of £17.50 pp. no later than Mon. 25 th Oct. 2021 the October lunch date which is also the deadline for receipt of Menu Choices	-

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Monday 22 nd Nov. 2021	<p>ADVANCE NOTICE - November Probus Lunch at the Sonning Golf Club, Duffield Road, Sonning-on-Thames, Reading, RG4 6GJ</p> <p>The event starts at 12:00 noon.</p> <p>Menu - TBA</p> <p>The cost is £21 pp.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: SGC11</p> <p>Event Organiser: Keith Toogood, T: 0118 961 8596</p>	Full amount of £21 pp. due no later than 09:00 on 22 nd Nov. 2021	-
Friday 3 rd Dec. 2021 to Monday 6 th Dec. 2021	<p>NOW CLOSED - A Three Night Turkey & Tinsel Break at Warner Leisure - Sinah Warren Hotel, Hayling Island, PO11 0BZ</p> <p>Event Organiser is Paul Townson Tel: 0118 975 2191</p>	-	-
Monday 20 th Dec. 2021	<p>NEW (ACTION REQUIRED NOW) - Probus Christmas Lunch with our wives, partners and guests at the Sonning Golf Club, Duffield Road, Sonning-on-Thames, Reading, RG4 6GJ</p> <p>The event starts at 12:00 noon.</p> <p>Please remember that you must "opt-in" to this event</p> <p>Menu - The menu will be emailed along with this Newsletter or from the September meeting, a hard copy will be found in the board folder where you can also sign up for the event.</p> <p>The cost is £28 pp. and if you wish to attend, please inform Keith Toogood by email: keithtoogood1@me.com and, include your Menu Choices, using the short code.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: SGC12</p> <p>Event Organiser: Keith Toogood, T: 0118 961 8596</p>	Full amount of £28 pp. due no later than the 22 nd Nov. 2021 the November lunch date	-
Wednesday 23 rd Feb. 2022	<p>CLOSING SOON - Visit to the Mill at Sonning, Sonning Eye, Reading, RG4 6TY to dine and see 'The House on Cold Hill' a spine-tingling play by Peter James</p> <p>The cost is £55 pp. instead of the normal ticket price of £69 pp. You must be prepared to pay the £55 pp. ticket immediately to secure the offer.</p> <p>If you wish to attend, please inform Adrian Bellars by email: bellars@virginmedia.com or add your name to the board at today's lunch and make payment immediately.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: Mill02</p> <p>Event Organiser: Adrian Bellars T:0118 947 0837</p>	Full payment of £55 pp. due now	-
Spring 2022	<p>POSTPONED TO 2022 - Visit by coach to the Bombay Sapphire Distillery at Laverstoke Mill, Whitchurch followed, in the afternoon, by a visit to the Whitchurch Silk Mill</p> <p>Event Organiser: Adrian Bellars T:0118 947 0837</p>	-	-
Monday 19 th Sep. 2022 to Friday 23 rd Sep. 2022	<p>NEW - A Four Night Sightseeing Visit to Warner Leisure - Alvaston Hall, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 6PD</p> <p>An interesting area to visit for sightseeing with historic Chester nearby.</p> <p>There is <u>no</u> guided walking included, see news item on the final page.</p> <p>The cost for two people sharing a standard room is £332 pp. or upgrade to a signature room for £362 pp.</p> <p>If you wish to attend, please inform Paul Townson by email: p.townson@ntlworld.com by Friday 8th October 2021 or add your name to the board at today's lunch.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: Alvaston</p> <p>Event Organiser is Paul Townson Tel: 0118 975 2191</p>	Deposit of £10 pp. due now but no later than 22 nd Oct. 2021	Balance in 2022

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Later in 2022	LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD Adrian would like to do a reprise of the trip to Greenwich back in September 2019 or a Thames river trip from either Henley or Oxford. Please let Adrian know 'what you fancy' via email to: - bellars@virginmedia.com	-	-

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2021 Christmas Lunch - Monday 20th December 2021

This event is launched today, see entry above and a board will circulate at today's lunch for the Christmas Lunch on Monday 20th December 2021. The cost of the lunch is £28 pp. The meal will comprise a starter and main course with a sweet end to the meal provided by mince pies served with coffee. Attendees will however be offered a choice from four starters and four main courses. A copy of the menu was emailed with this newsletter and members attending today's meeting can also obtain a hard copy from the board folder. **Please remember that this is an "opt-in" event.**

2022 Calendar

The 2022 Calendar will feature photographs chosen from entries to this year's photographic competition. The board on which to order copies of the 2022 Calendar will circulate at today's lunch. The price of the calendar will be £7 per copy. Please visit the dining room today to view the pictures chosen and vote for your favourite picture. Members not attending today's meeting will have received the voting form along with this newsletter mailing including information on how to order a copies of the calendar. The winning photo will be announced at the October meeting when a prize will be awarded.

Visit to Warner's Alveston Hall in 2022

This visit is launched today, see entry above and a board will also circulate at today's lunch. Eagle eyed members will notice that there is no mention of 'walking' as we are unable to offer the guided walking element any longer due to changes in conditions at Warner Leisure. Previously Warner Leisure gave beneficial terms which enabled Paul Townson as group leader to recce walks in advance of the visit but this will cease from 2022. The club cannot subsidise this activity as it would be unfair to non-walkers. However, resourceful walkers who are members of Ramblers can access a database of walks in the Cheshire area and plan their own walks.

News of Members

This month we have two new members, Tony Finch and Peter Ward both introduced by Ian Macro. A very warm welcome to you both.

Tony Precious has suffered another fall since we saw him at last month's meeting and has been admitted to hospital where he remains. We wish him well.

Members Birthdays

The following members have had, or will have their birthdays in September: -
Alan Harland and Richard Jenkins.

Happy Days!

Payments for Events

Payment by cheque:

Please make cheques payable to Reading East Probus Club and send to: Keith Toogood, 36 Campbell Road, Woodley, Reading, RG5 3NB. Please write unique Payment Reference shown against each event above on the reverse of the cheque.

Reading East Probus – Committee Members

Chairman - Nigel Poole, **Vice Chairman** - Richard Greenaway (temporary - pending recruiting full-time candidate),
Social and Visits Secretary - Adrian Bellars, **Treasurer & Lunch Sec.** - Keith Toogood, **Secretary** - Mike Luff,
Membership Secretary & Almoner - Geoffrey Wallace, **Speaker Secretary** - Chris Ward,
Communications Coordinator - Peter Gough, **Committee Member, Club Sales & Walks Coordinator** - Peter Francis