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# PROBUS NEWS

The monthly newsletter of Reading East Probus  
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## THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE TODAY AT 2PM

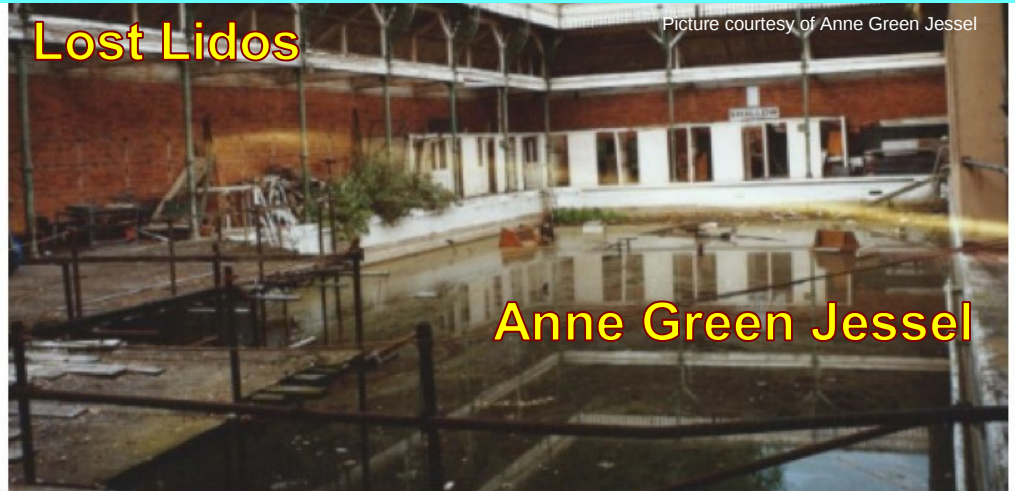
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### Today's Presentation....

#### Lost Lidos

Picture courtesy of Anne Green Jessel



#### Anne Green Jessel

- 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022: Mervyn Edwards Walking the beat to Nirvana
- 27<sup>th</sup> Jun. 2022: David Nobbs America's Spy in the Sky: The U-2 Story
- 25<sup>th</sup> Jul. 2022: Alan Haines The Baby Boomer Nostalgia Show

#### Payments Due Now - Reminder

Today is the deadline for payment of £21 for the Morning Coffee plus Lunch #99 at the Wheelwrights Arms, St Nicholas Hurst. (Event Date: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022).

#### AGM Paperwork - Erratum

One of our eagle eyed members has spotted that in 29<sup>th</sup> AGM papers issued last month, the printed dates against the signatures on both the Chairman's and the Speaker Secretary's Reports for 2021 should be 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022, not 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021 as stated. Please hand amend your individual copies, the master copy now contains amended copies of these two reports which have been reprinted, signed by the authors and filed.

#### Committee Officers Standing Down

Peter Francis is standing down from the committee and our thanks go to him for his service to our club. Three new members are nominated for committee posts as detailed below. For the first time in a long while we have no doubling up of roles with Keith Toogood relinquishing his present role as Lunch Secretary whilst retaining the post of Treasurer. After the AGM, the committee will be up to full strength with ten members.

#### Nominations for the Committee

The nominations for the Officers of the Committee for 2022/2023 are as follows:-

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|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Chairman - John Ledger ( <i>new to post</i> )     | Vice Chairman & Almoner - Mike Luff ( <i>new to post</i> )             |
| Secretary - Nigel Poole ( <i>new to post</i> )    | Treasurer - Keith Toogood                                              |
| Lunch Secretary - David Carrington ( <i>new</i> ) | Membership Secretary - Rod Wilson ( <i>new</i> )                       |
| Social & Visits Secretary - Adrian Bellars        | Speaker Secretary - Chris Ward                                         |
| Communications - Peter Gough                      | Committee Member, Club Sales & Walks - Chris Bintcliffe ( <i>new</i> ) |

#### Members Birthdays

The following members have had, or will have their birthdays in March: - Colin Feist, Richard Greenaway, John Webb, Shing Heung, Paul Townson and David Carrington - Happy Days!

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## Events Calendar - Details provided by individual Event Organisers

### READING EAST PROBUS CLUB - FUTURE EVENTS DIARY

Day/Date	Event	Deposit/Payment required	Balance required
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar. 2022	<p><b>NOW CLOSED - March Probus Lunch at the Sonning Golf Club, Duffield Road, Sonning-on-Thames, Reading, RG4 6GJ</b></p> <p>The event starts at 12:00 noon.</p> <p>Menu - Braised Steak with Mash &amp; Onion Gravy, followed by Sticky Toffee Pudding with Ginger Caramel Sauce.</p> <p>The cost is £21 pp.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - <a href="#">Reference: SGC03</a></p> <p>Event Organiser: Keith Toogood, T: 0118 961 8596</p>	Full payment of £21 pp. due no later than 09:00 on 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar. 2022	-
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Apr. 2022	<p><b>PLACES AVAILABLE - Morning Coffee plus Lunch No. 99 at the Wheelwrights Arms, Davis Way, St Nicholas Hurst, RG10 0TR</b></p> <p>The event starts at 11:00 with morning coffee and continues into a two course lunch at 12:30.</p> <p>The menu in hard copy will be found in the board folder at today's meeting.</p> <p>The cost is £21 pp. and if you wish to attend, please inform Richard by email and, include your individual menu choices, <b>using the short code</b> or add your name to the board at today's lunch.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - <a href="#">Ref: Wheelwrights99</a></p> <p>Event Organiser: Richard Greenaway, T: 0118 954 1328 Email: <a href="mailto:richard_greenaway@hotmail.com">richard_greenaway@hotmail.com</a></p>	Full payment of £21 pp. due no later than 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar. 2022	-
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Apr. 2022	<p><b>PLACES AVAILABLE - Walk from the Memorial Hall, Memorial Avenue, Shiplake, RG9 4DW</b></p> <p>The walk is approximately 4 miles, see board for more information.</p> <p>Meet at 10.00hrs at the Hall ready to set off at 10.15hrs.</p> <p>OS Explorer Map 159. Grid Ref SU 764786.</p> <p>Lunch will be taken at the Flowing Spring, Henley Road, Playhatch, Reading, RG4 9RB and a pre-order is required. The menu will be emailed with this newsletter or a hard copy will be found in the board folder at today's meeting.</p> <p>If you wish to attend, please inform Alan by email and, include your menu choices, <b>using the short code</b> or add your name to the board at today's lunch. Menu choices to Alan no later than <b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April</b>.</p> <p>Event Organiser: Alan Wilks T: 0118 934 3991(answerphone) Email: <a href="mailto:ad.wilks@ntlworld.com">ad.wilks@ntlworld.com</a></p>	-	-
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr. 2022	<p><b>NEW - April Probus Lunch at the Sonning Golf Club, Duffield Road, Sonning-on-Thames, Reading, RG4 6GJ</b></p> <p>The event starts at 12:00, Menu - TBA. The cost is £23 pp.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - <a href="#">Reference: SGC04</a></p> <p>Event Organiser: David Carrington, Mob: 07866726200, T: 01344 300459, Email: <a href="mailto:dr.d.carrington@gmail.com">dr.d.carrington@gmail.com</a></p>	Full payment of £23 pp. due no later than 09:00 on 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr. 2022	-
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May. 2022	<p><b>NEW - Walk from the Stag &amp; Huntsman, Hambledon, RG9 6RP</b></p> <p>The walk is approximately 4 miles and lunch will be taken at the pub, see board for more information.</p> <p>Meet at 10.15hrs in the public car park (Pay &amp; Display) just beyond the pub ready to set off at 10.30hrs.</p> <p>OS Explorer Map 159. Grid Ref SU 785865.</p> <p>If you wish to attend, please inform Mike by email or add your name to the board at today's lunch.</p> <p>Event Organiser: Mike Luff T: 0118 978 9387 Email: <a href="mailto:luffmidtan@btinternet.com">luffmidtan@btinternet.com</a></p>	-	-

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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
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	<b>PLACES AVAILABLE - Morning Coffee plus Lunch No. 100 at Buratta's at The Royal Oak, Ruscombe, RG10 9JN</b>  The event starts at 11:00 with morning coffee and continues into a two course lunch at 12:30. The menu will be emailed with this newsletter or a hard copy will be found in the board folder at today's meeting. The cost is £20 pp. and if you wish to attend, please inform Gordon by email and, include your menu choices, <b>using the short code</b> or add your name to the board at today's lunch. Payment details at foot of final page - <a href="#">Ref: Burattas100</a> Event Organiser: Gordon Murray-Smith T: 0118 969 3948 Email: <a href="mailto:murraysmithg@aol.com">murraysmithg@aol.com</a>	Full payment of £20 pp. due no later than 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr. 2022	-
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec. 2022 to Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2022	<b>NEW - A Three Night Turkey &amp; Tinsel Break at Warner Leisure - Sinah Warren Hotel, Hayling Island</b> You can look forward to a sumptuous Christmas dinner with traditional trimmings, but they also cram in plenty of festive fun and soul-lifting music and dancing. The cost is £242 pp. for a <u>Standard Room</u> or £272 pp. for a <u>Signature Room</u> for three nights based on a couple sharing a room on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis; conditions apply, see board for full details. If you wish to attend, please inform Paul immediately by email or add your name to the board at today's lunch. Payment details at foot of final page - <a href="#">Ref: Sinahwarren</a> Event Organiser is Paul Townson Tel: 0118 975 2191 Email: <a href="mailto:p.townson@ntlworld.com">p.townson@ntlworld.com</a>	<b>Deposit of £20 pp. required by 31<sup>st</sup> Mar. 2022 - so do not delay</b>	Balance <i>tba</i> due later in 2022

#### >>> NEWS EXTRA

#### Price increase from the April Lunch

We are all experiencing increases in the price of food, energy and fuel, month on month and, against this background, the cost of our lunch at the SGC is being increased. We are also experiencing rising costs from our guest speakers, therefore from the April lunch, going forward, the price for lunch will be £23.

#### Apologies for the April Lunch

David Carrington, the Lunch Secretary elect, should be in post after today's AGM. Therefore in future, any apologies should be sent to David by either Email: [dr.d.carrington@gmail.com](mailto:dr.d.carrington@gmail.com) or Mob: 07866726200 or Tel: 01344 300459 or by adding your name to the Apologies Board on display at every lunch meeting. **Do not under any circumstances send apologies to Keith Toogood in future. Any apologies sent to Keith for the April lunch will fall on deaf ears as he will be in Nepal!**

#### 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** - John Ledger, **Social and Visits Secretary** - Adrian Bellars,  
**Treasurer & Lunch Sec.** - Keith Toogood, **Secretary** - Mike Luff,  
**Membership Secretary & Almoner** - John Ledger (Acting), **Speaker Secretary** - Chris Ward,  
**Communications Coordinator** - Peter Gough,  
**Committee Member, Club Sales & Walks Coordinator** - Chris Bintcliffe (Co-opted)