

21st August 2023

Place Number

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR
COMPLETED BUDDY SCHEME
CONSENT FORMS WITHOUT
DELAY**

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Today's Presentation ...

Richard Marks



An Eclectic Extravaganza: Victorians at Leisure

Next Month's Lunch Meeting

Is on Monday the 25th September 2023 when our Speaker is Dananjaya Silva with his talk: Tea and World War 2.

Coming up in the next few months

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| 23 rd Oct. 2023: | Dr Stephen Goss | 'No tolerance of undeserving rank and splendour': the wit and satire of Gilbert & Sullivan |
| 27 th Nov. 2023: | Gordon Rogers | The Sky at Night, with a Laugh |
| 18 th Dec. 2023: | Sally Hughes | The Mill at Sonning Theatre |

Access to the Sonning Golf Club (SGC)

Once again the SGC has informed us that access to the club will be restricted from Monday due to ongoing gas works. Pound lane from the A4 will be closed and access will be from Butts Hill Road, Duffield Road or West Drive.

Payments due Today

Payment for the Coffee Lunch Burattas on Tuesday 12th September. The full amount of £25 pp is due today. The payment reference is: [Burattas113](#) and payment methods are detailed on the final page.

Buddy Scheme Consent Form - Urgent Reminder

Thank you to all those members who have returned completed Consent Forms, however, we are still a little way short of a full house. Those of you attending today's Lunch have a further opportunity to deposit completed forms in the box provided in the dining room. The form was placed on every seat at the June lunch meeting and as an attachment to the email bringing you the June newsletter. Hard copies of the Consent Form will be available at today's lunch or alternatively the form is posted on the club's website at: www.probusreadingeast.org for you to print and fill in by hand. Details for returning the form are included at the foot of the form.

The Buddy Scheme cannot move forward without the completed forms from all members!

Please do not attempt to return the form by electronic means, a physical copy is required.

Photographic Competition for the 2024 Calendar

After a slow start, the entries picked up so a big thank you to all those members who have submitted photographs for the 2024 Calendar. A sub-committee will meet shortly to review the entries and select the twelve best photographs which will be exhibited at the September lunch meeting. A board will circulate next month for you to place your orders.

Members Birthdays

The following members have had, or will have their birthdays in August: - Roger Adams, Geoff Bartlett and Ian Macro - Happy Days!

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Events Calendar - Details provided by individual Event Organisers

Day/Date	Event	Deposit/Payment required	Balance required
Monday 21 st Aug. 2023	<p>TODAY - August Probus Lunch at the Sonning Golf Club, Duffield Road, Sonning-on-Thames, Reading, RG4 6GJ</p> <p>The event starts at 12:00.</p> <p>Menu: Melon & Parma Ham, followed by fillet of Salmon.</p> <p>The cost is £24 pp.</p> <p>Apologies - no later than noon on Friday 18th August.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: SGC08</p> <p>Event Organiser: Keith Toogood, Mob: 07741 460020, T: 0118 961 8596, Email: keithtoogood1@me.com</p>	Full payment of £24 pp. due no later than 09:00 on 21 st August 2023	-
Tuesday 22 nd Aug. 2023	<p>TOMORROW - PLACES STILL AVAILABLE - Walks from the Butt Inn, Station Road, Aldermaston Wharf, Reading, RG7 4LA</p> <p>Two walks are available either 2-3 or 6 miles, see board for more details.</p> <p>Meet in the pub car park at 10.15 to move off at 10.30.</p> <p>OS Explorer map 159. Start Grid ref. SU 600 669</p> <p>Lunch will be taken at the pub from a menu which will be found in the pocket of the board folder at today's meeting.</p> <p>If you wish to attend, either email Paul Townson without delay or sign up on the board in the dining room today.</p> <p>Event Organiser: Paul Townson - Tel: 0118 975 2191, E-mail: p.townson@ntlworld.com</p>	-	-
Tuesday 12 th Sep. 2023	<p>PLACES AVAILABLE - Morning Coffee plus Lunch No. 113 at Buratta's at The Royal Oak, Ruscombe, RG10 9JN</p> <p>The event starts at 11:15 with morning coffee/tea and continues into a two course lunch at 12:30.</p> <p>The menu was emailed with last month's newsletter or a hard copy will be found in the board folder at today's meeting.</p> <p>The cost is £25 pp. and if you wish to attend, please inform Gordon by email 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: Burattas113</p> <p>Event Organiser: Gordon Murray-Smith T: 0118 969 3948 E-mail: murraysmithg@aol.com</p>	Full payment of £25 pp. due no later than the 21 st Aug. 2023 the August lunch date	-
Wednesday 13 th Sep. 2023	<p>NEW - Walk from the National Trust Car Park, The Moor, Cookham, Maidenhead, SL6 9SG</p> <p>The walk is approximately 4 miles.</p> <p>Meet at 10.15 hrs, ready to set off at 10.30 hrs.</p> <p>OS Explorer map 172. Start Grid ref. SU 893 854</p> <p>Lunch will be taken at the Crown Inn (close-by the carpark) from a menu which will be found in the pocket of the board folder at today's meeting.</p> <p>If you wish to attend either email Mike Luff or sign up on the board in the dining room today.</p> <p>For further details including directions, parking and lunch arrangements, please see the event board or contact the organiser.</p> <p>Event Organiser: Mike Luff M: 07874 818933; T: 0118 978 9387; E-mail: luffmidtan@btinternet.com</p>	-	-

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READING EAST PROBUS CLUB - EVENTS CALENDAR CONT'D

Day/Date	Event	Deposit/Payment required	Balance required
Monday 25 th Sep. 2023	<p><i>ACTION REQUIRED</i> - September Probus Lunch at the Sonning Golf Club, Duffield Road, Sonning-on-Thames, Reading, RG4 6GJ</p> <p>The event starts at 12:00.</p> <p>Menu: Braised Steak with Mash & Onion Gravy, followed by Chocolate & Raspberry Tart. The cost is £24 pp.</p> <p>Apologies - no later than noon on Friday 22nd September.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: SGC09</p> <p>Event Organiser: Keith Toogood, Mob: 07741 460020, T: 0118 961 8596, Email: keithtoogood1@me.com</p>	Full payment of £24 pp. due no later than 09:00 on 25 th Sept. 2023	-
Tuesday 10 th Oct. 2023	<p><i>NEW</i> - Morning Coffee plus Lunch No. 114 at The Heron on the Ford, RG10 9JN</p> <p>The event starts at 11:15 with morning coffee/tea and continues into a two course lunch at 12:30.</p> <p>The menu will be emailed with this month's newsletter or a hard copy will be found in the board folder at today's meeting.</p> <p>The cost is £25 pp. and if you wish to attend, please inform Nick by email 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: Heron114</p> <p>Event Organiser: Nick Bell, M: 07544 806833 E-mail: nebell999@gmail.com</p>	Full payment of £25 pp. due no later than the 25 th Sep. 2023 the September lunch date	-
Monday 23 rd Oct. 2023	<p><i>DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES</i> - October Probus Lunch at the Sonning Golf Club, Duffield Road, Sonning-on-Thames, Reading, RG4 6GJ</p> <p>The event starts at 12:00.</p> <p>Menu: Pea & Ham Soup, followed by Roast Chicken, with Traditional Trimmings. The cost is £24 pp.</p> <p>Apologies - no later than noon on Friday 20th October.</p> <p>Payment details at foot of final page - Reference: SGC10</p> <p>Event Organiser: Keith Toogood, Mob: 07741 460020, T: 0118 961 8596, Email: keithtoogood1@me.com</p>	Full payment of £24 pp. due no later than 09:00 on 23 rd Oct. 2023	-

Payments for Events

Payment by bank transfer (preferred):

Account: Reading East Probus Club, Sort Code: 30-96-96, Account Number: 01737233. Please use unique Payment Reference shown against each event above. If you have had difficulty in changing the reference each time you make a payment, please use the single reference 'Probus' instead for all future club transactions.

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.

Important Note:

Unforeseen circumstances may occasionally occur with opt-in events such as the Ladies Lunches and Coffee Lunches whereby it may become necessary to cap the number of attendees. Should such an eventuality arise, places would be allocated on a priority basis to those members who registered first and paid in full ranked by the date that the payment was received. A reserve list would be created for those who did not make the cut. Full refunds would be made to those who miss out.

Reading East Probus — Committee Members

Chairman - Mike Luff, **Vice Chairman & Almoner** - David Carrington,
Social and Visits Secretary - Adrian Bellars, **Treasurer & Lunch Secretary** - Keith Toogood,
Secretary - Nigel Poole, **Membership Secretary** - John Ledger, **Speaker Secretary** - Chris Ward,
Communications Officer - Peter Gough, **Committee Support** - Richard Greenaway
Committee Member, Club Sales & Walks Coordinator - Chris Bintcliffe