



Scott's Monthly Statement

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Hope everyone is not too depressed by the July weather. Looking on the bright side you could have been on holiday in Rhodes instead!

Anyway July saw me visiting Bournemouth 41 for a "pub and grub" night. Really good fellowship (almost as good as us).

August is a busy month for us with the Boules night on 15th at The Three Tuns pub. Wareham 41 are visiting us for a match and fellowship. There's now a rumour that Bournemouth 41 could also join us!

This is followed by my and Gills **Chairmans At Home on the 19th** with a "Day at the Races" Should be good fun, well I am gambling on it.

Looking forward, we are planning a Turkish night late October so please don't go on holiday to Rhodes (or Turkey) at this time because Turkey is coming to you!

That's all for now. Here's hoping for 30 degrees during most of August. Wait a minute a pig just flew over my house.

Derek



"...Turkey is coming to you..."





Tangent Tipbits

A small group of Tangent ladies and two honorary Tangent gents travelled, up to Richmond to visit the Poppy factory.



The factory was set up in 1922 to provide employment for veterans injured during the first world war. Although many of the poppies are no longer produced on site, the charity continues to employ and support those who have served in the armed forces.

Our visit included a talk and video on the history of the poppy factory and there was an

opportunity to make a poppy using the original blocks designed for one handed poppy making. It was disappointing that the tour no longer permits access to the factory itself but nevertheless a good day out was had by all!!

YICF

Caroline



A Message From Jenny

Tangent Cutlery

I have here at Selsdon Tangent cutlery for 60/70 people if anyone would like it for a party.

Welfare

Maureen Brunt collapsed and is now recovering at home after a stay in hospital.

Pam Dwyer is back home after surgery for a new hip.

We wish both well and a speedy recovery, from all your Tangent friends.



Tights!
Opps, Sorry



Save
the Date

- **Wednesday 9th August** - Skittle Evening with Fish & Chips at Sopley Village Hall. Open to all. Please let Marion or Caroline know ASAP.
- **Saturday 19th August** - Joint Chairmans At Home - Wynngates Cowpitts Lane.
- **Wednesday 23rd August 6pm**-Walk around Japanese Garden, Avon Castle. Book in with Marion..
- **Tuesday 13th September**-Club Night. Details to follow..
- **Tuesday 11th October**-Club Night. Details to follow.
- **Saturday 28th October**—SW Regional Lunch being organised by Ringwood Ladies.
- **Wednesday 1st November**-Poppy Fields at Winchester Cathedral. Marion has purchased all the tickets who booked with her. Just let Marion know if you're coming.



Tangent's Picnic



August 2023

Saturday 5 th	Proms in the Park
Wednesday 9th	Tangent's Skittle Evening at Sopley Village Hall
Saturday 12th	Ellingham Show
Tuesday 15 th	Club Night: an evening of boules plus meal at the Three Tuns, Bransgore. Arrive 6pm, meal at 7:30pm
Saturday 19th	Joint Chairman's At Home - Wynngates, Cowpitts Lane.
Sat 26th-Sun 27th	Gurston Down Hill Climb-season finale (one for the petrol heads) Ian Stockdale is the point of contact

September 2023

Friday 1st	Lashings Cricket Day-Out at Wimborne (table of 10)
Saturday 16th	Ringwood Carnival
Friday 22nd	Regional Golf Competition—Dudsbury Golf Club (in support of The Childrens Wish Charity Appeal)

October 2023

Wednesday 11th	Region 23 Annual Quiz. Cobham Sports & Social Club
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February 2024

Friday 16th	Gala Night, Dudsbury Golf Club Hotel & Spa
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April 2024

Fri 19th-Sun 21st	National Conference 2024— Liverpool
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From Richard our Vice Chairman

September Meeting:

Tuesday 19th September : Our speakers will be Martin Hardwick's friends, Pete and Janet, who recently completed their epic charity walk from Lands End to John O'Groats.

Ladies Night:

As I think everyone now knows after consultation with all three Clubs this annual celebration of our Ringwood RT Clubs will be renamed 'Gala Night'. The date is Friday 16th February 24th 2024. The venue is Dudsbury Golf Club Hotel & Spa. Personal invitations will be emailed to all members early in September so please save the date and watch for your invitation.

Club 60th Charter/Anniversary:

After Club agreed that we should plan for this event in 2024 a small team is now working on date, venue etc and will update details as soon as progress is made and will welcome thoughts and contributions to the planning of the event. The team: Jeff Wickens, John Harper, Richard Blackiston, Richard Carter with advice and guidance from Non-Executive Chairman David Phelps.



Ringwood's Pedal Car Grand Prix 2023

The biggest race in town



Forty teams raced their high speed pedal-powered cars around Ringwood Town unaware Richard Blackiston and John Clough were on marshalling duty.



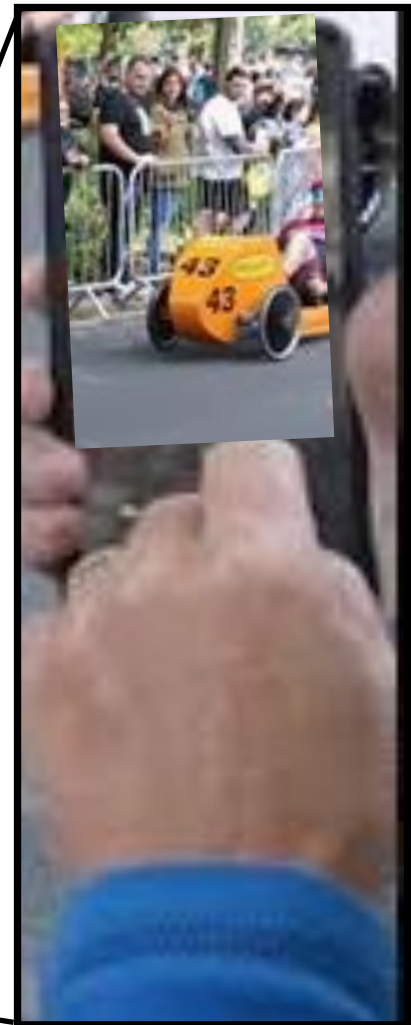
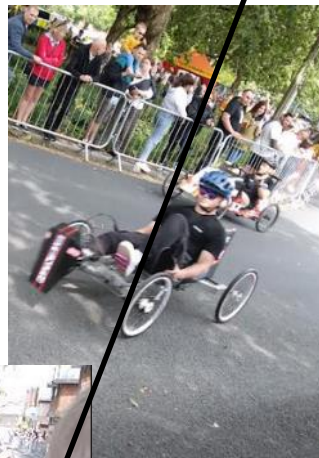
Good Morning

Can I send a massive thank you to Richard Blackiston and John Clough for their fantastic marshaling at the pedal car yesterday.

Thanks

Francis Charlton

Pedal Power



"They gave us a Red Flag, a Yellow Flag and a Walkie Talkie which neither of us could hear. What could go wrong!"

Richard B.



From The Meal Shack

Away Meeting: Three Tuns, Bransgore,

Tuesday 15th August, 6pm

A change of scene for our August meeting.

As previously announced, we are playing Boule at the Three Tuns, Bransgore on Tuesday 15th August.

The evening will commence at 6 pm with Boule and then in the Barn at 7.45pm for supper of Steak Pie and Coffee. (Sweet optional extra).

The evening will take place even if it is raining as we will congregate in the Barn which has a Bar.



David Phelps
Meal Monitor

We have invited Wareham 41 Club and we hope our own Round Table will put forward a team.

I will be sending a general reminder out as usual nearer the date but it would be much appreciated if I can have numbers as soon as possible please.

The cost will be approx £20 per head.

Hope to see you there.

"Boule, Player's Code of Behaviour"

as sent in by Richard Carter

In addition to the official rules of the game. The Code of Behaviour differs from nation to nation. Typically this prohibits:

- smoking,
- drinking,
- cursing on the terrain,
- using a cell phone during a game,
- playing shirtless (*torse nu*),
- pets on the terrain,
- glass containers,
- e-cigarettes, and
- high heels."

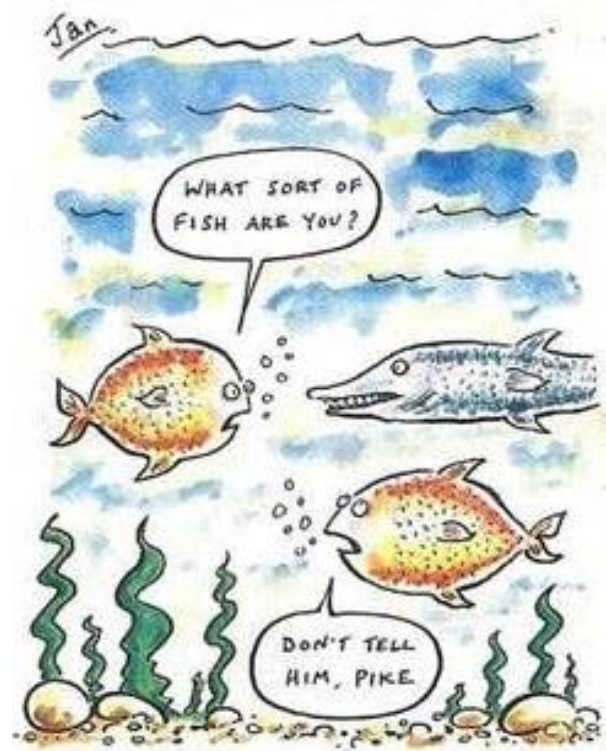


The fact that there's a highway to Hell but only a stairway to Heaven says a lot about anticipated traffic numbers



I received a “get better soon” card.
I’m not sick,
they just hope I get better soon.

Derek



The Band Marmalade in 1968



The group formed in 1961 as the “Gaylords” changing their name to “The Marmalade” in 1966. Their greatest success was between 1968 and 1972. Ob-La-Di, Ob-La-Da topped the UK chart in January 1969. The group was the first Scottish artist to top the UK charts.

The Band Marmalade in 2023 with Guest



Sent in by John Kennedy
who tells us “they didn't do
any jam..ming”

Steve Newman, a member since 1975, son John and
guest vocalist, Phil Hoyle

Hot on the wheels of the fastest race around Ringwood Town, Ian brings us more speed at Gurston Down's Speed Hillclimb.
A day not to be missed, a day at the races.
VROOM, VROOM

You've been At Home for a Day at the Horse Races with our Chairmen
Now try a Day at the Motor Hillclimb Races on Saturday 26th August.



Just northwest of Fordingbridge is Gurston Farm SP5 5HR where you can witness the 2023 national Hillclimb Finals for assorted forms of hairy vehicle including:

MGs, Triumph, Austin Sevens, Formula Ford and Healey Sports

The day costs £15.00 per person on the gate from 8.30am. Food available on site

Come along with friends, sons and grandchildren. Exciting, noisy and smelly!!!

<https://gurstondown.org/spectator-information/> for directions

Why not fill up a car ?

If you would like to join in with the group just call Ian who will be filling up cars from Ringwood.

Any questions just call. 07930340624 ian@isosco.com



Well, July, and the start of August have hardly been beach weather (unless you were in the Med, of course) Thankfully, there was some decent weather between the showers! Plenty to report on with social activities, however.

The **Pedal Car Race** was a great success, well done to Table. Thirty six cars competed and the weather was fine. We provided marshalling with one or two 'lively' incidents seen but thankfully no serious damage to people or cars!



Proms in the Park on the 5th August. Thanks to Arthur for the great organisation. Just need the weather to be kind (it was) so we can enjoy the BSO playing the greatest Abba hits.

Rotary are looking for volunteers to man the gates at **Ellingham Show** on the 12th August. If you are available to cover a two-hour slot, please contact Chris Card on 07717 695833 to arrange a time when you can support.

Not long now until we are under 'Starters Orders' at the joint **Chairmen's at Home** on the 19th August. Promises to be a brilliant event. Plenty of information available elsewhere in the SMS

26th August sees the **Durston Hill Climb** event, a 'must attend' for all petrol heads. Ian Stockdale is coordinating.

The **Lashings Cricket Club Day** out on the 1st September is now fully booked with a reserve list in place.



Tangent have been asked by the **Ringwood Carnival** Committee to find volunteers to be judges for the afternoon and evening processions at this year's Carnival on 16 September. If you (or your partner/friend/adult children) would like to be a judge at either or both of the processions, please let Caroline Gill know ASAP. Judges usually meet about 1 -1.5h before the start of the procession, are assigned a class to judge and then spend time looking at the floats and speaking to all the participants - its a fun atmosphere!

Tangent have organised a **trip to Beaulieu** on the 20th September, starting at 10.30am. This promises to be a really interesting visit as a guide/speaker who has knowledge of covert war-time activities centered around the area will be speaking.



Childrens Wish Charity Golf Event

22nd September Dudsbury Golf Club Details have been circulated.

Richard Carter is coordinating bookings and the club will be entering a team. If you are interested, please speak to him directly.



Looking ahead to October, the **Area Quiz** will be taking place at Cobham Sports and Social Club on 11th October starting at 6.45 pm. Team of 4 need and a list of those interested will be circulated at the next meeting.

Information on **Dorset Knobs** to be published shortly

John Clough

Another super evening at The Proms in the Park. There were 33 people who booked tickets and 24 turned up. A couple were due to sickness, but I guess the rest were put off by the weather. As it turned out the rain stopped around 5pm and it stayed clear all evening. Typical British weather!!

Arthur

Obituary of Paul Thackray (left us June 2023)

Paul originally came from Chesterfield. After National Service he became a Chartered Secretary and trained as an accountant and held several positions as Finance Director for several large organisations including Grand Metropolitan.

He joined Wokingham Round Table in 1970 and was an active member until 1975 when he resigned as he was spending most of his time overseas in locations such as Saudi Arabia, Libya and Brazil. During his Tabling career he held posts such as Treasurer and was also the Club Auditor.

For the last 15 years of his working life Paul ran a Group Consultancy specialising in Corporate Strategic Planning. He moved to St Ives in 1998 with his wife who unfortunately passed away in 2015 and unfortunately also lost his son due to illness.

Paul was active in his local community and held posts in the local Ataxia Society, St Leonards Hospital and Happy Dogs Rescue Centre. He was a keen dog walker and had a dog up until his death. He was a keen golfer and played at Crane Valley Golf Club and was Seniors Captain in 2010.

Paul contacted Ringwood & District Ex-Tablers Club in 2016 and became a member in 2017 and was active in the club until his death.

Paul's death was unexpected and prior to his death he had arranged a 'non-attend' funeral and so it was not possible to pay our last respects.





**Our National President
Steve James**



The Purposes and Objects of 41 Club are:

- (i) To continue to promote opportunities for fellowship amongst former members of Round Table.
- (ii) To encourage active involvement in the Community.
- (iii) To use our experience in support of the Round Table Family.
- (iv) To encourage international relationships.

These objects to be promoted through regular meetings and other activities.



Speeding towards the 26th

**August
Gurston Hillclimb**



Racing towards the 19th

**August
Chairmans At Home**