



# A.D. 2022

Adams Digest, a Publication for the 22nd Century



Chairman's  
Column

## Adams Amble

May I thank the club for their vote to authorise my elevation to become your club chairman for the ensuing year.

I am looking forward to a great year ahead and we will endeavour,

somehow, to ignore Vladimir Putin's horrendous exploits, any unhealthy pandem-

ics, and the rising cost of beer and essentials.

So, please all take care, and isolate if necessary. Test kits are no longer free, but they should still be part of our way of life. Please respect each other, to help keep us all protected.

Sitting in my man cave, tucked in my garden, I am of course unaware just what the journal is going to be called- editor in chief Gordon has not asked me for any suggestions- but here are a few that I had ready, in case he ran out of ideas:

- \* The Ringwood Articulation Times
- \* Wisdom Country Echo
- \* Wise Impressive Reading Mirror
- \* Old Tables can still make good sense

Sincere best wishes.....

See you all soon!

John

Following the AGM, coronavirus managed to prevent the first planned council meeting, but your council I know are ready and able to meet early next week, at Toad Hall.



*"Club has a  
new Chairman"*



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# The Tangent Telegraph

## My Last Entry As Chairman...



My last entry as chairman and the first in the new edition of the newsletter. Congratulations to Bob and his team for a great year and good luck to John for the coming year.

Tangent has had an enjoyable month with an interesting speaker at our March meeting who told us the tale of what happened when her house partially collapsed. – Who went straight home to check their house insurance?!

Birthday night followed with our Mamma Mia singalong in our very own Greek taverna nestled in the cobbled white streets of Ringwood (sort of). It was a super end to our year.

The next social event is 'tea and nostalgia' –

a chance to view the Tangent photo albums with chat, tea and cake. Ann Lomax has proposed the following dates so please let her know which afternoon you would like to attend:

- 19 April at Lesley's house or
- 9 May with Liz F or
- 25 May with Ann L.

The AGM will take place on Wednesday 13 April at The Old Beams 7.00 for 7.30pm when the baton will be handed over to Sian Elen. I wish her and the new committee the very best of luck.

YICF  
Caroline

*"followed with our Mamma Mia singalong in our very own Greek taverna"*





## Third time out for Ibsley Park Race Night!!!

Despite confusing road works , Covid 19 and recent fallen trees 54 intrepid punters made it to the Ibsley Park Animal Race night on March 4<sup>th</sup>. What an amazing turnout. Never wanting to miss a chance to dress up we had Jockeys, Horses, Snail Trainers, Rat Policeman, Vets, Bookies, Lords, Ladies( in wedding hats), Commentators, Racing Times photographers and even our very own infamous Brown Coated Duck Herder.

After access across the good to firm Astroturf our guests entered the Members Enclosure and signed up for Snail, Rat and Duck races. They also selected horses to bet on from the Race Cards.

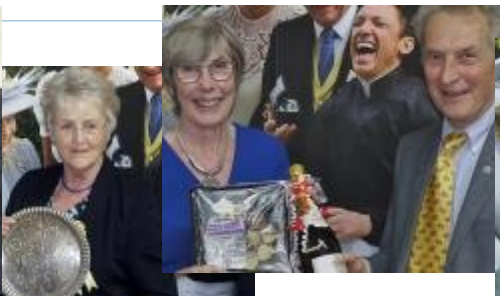
Honest Phelpers offered guidance on horse form as well as providing a delicious high octane Stirrup Cup to all punters. This libation perfectly balanced the crispy popcorn on each of the Racecourse Named tables!!!

Colourful wall Images featured Chairman Bobs Betting Shop: Honest Phelpers Bar and HRH: The Queen, with laughing Frankie Dettori.

Being a big year for our Queen, Jenny and her team cantered that extra furlong to produce delicious Coronation Chicken with Charlotte pommes de terre and extensive green salad followed by Tarte au Citron avec crème fraîche.



*"for the second race each took home a startling £18.00"*



**Guests came to Ibsley Park not to chat or eat but to race to win!!**

16 horse owners were identified and given their rosettes.

The video Horse Racing began under the Starter Flag of Sir Dickie Smythe-Carter assisted by the

lovely Lady Tinkerbelle Smythe-Carter.

The tarnished but desirable Rump Stakes Silver plate was won by

Red Hot Pepper owned and trained by Sue Treleaven.

Honest Phelpers classy filly Rows Roys stormed in to take the Memorial Motor Pot once again.

Tickets for the Race night included 2 x £1.00 bets

per punter for the Horse Racing. With just 3 punters

backing the winner for the second race each took home a startling £18.00.

Several very funny and competitive rounds of Duck and Rat racing were eventually settled after some animals had to be

retired, euthanised or rewind!!

The eventual winners were :

- Indian Duck Racing Grand Final Monica Edwards
- Wind Up Chinese Rats Final Monica Edwards (again)

Clearly Covid in Tenerife did not deplete Monica's competitive streak. However one of the candid



## From The Meal Shack

We are now settled in our new venue, the Old Beams at Ibsley.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 19th April and I will be sending out the usual reminder nearer the date .

Also I will be sending out a list shortly of the current permanent diners which, will you please amend if you wish to add your name or take yourself off the list.

David Phelps  
Meals Monitor  
(for yet another year)



## Tangent Dates

### A Reminder From Ann Lomax

#### 19th April

Tangent Tea, cake and Nostalgia (looking at Circle and Tangent photo albums) at Lesley's for 10 people.

#### 9th May

Tangent Tea and Nostalgia at Liz's for 10 people.

#### 25th May

Tangent Tea and Nostalgia at Ann's for 10 people.

### Booking essential

Ibsley Park Race Night continued from page 3

Monica carried home tins of rata-touille (sic) and duck pate to go with copious quantities of Fizz.

It was clearly a big night for winners from the East Hampshire studs with Lady Sara ( nee Tippy Well-beloved) carrying off the Fizz and 12 Waitrose Escargot Provencal to win the BK Live Garden Snail

Race with her number 9 Slimey

To cap off this classy evening our bowler hatted Lord Robbie Phortisque - Myrrrit presented the owners trophies to Miss Treleven and Honest Phelps along with potential cash winnings of up to £300,00 each on their Scratchcards. Do we know if Sue or David P received life changing sums???

Our night out closed surprisingly on time at 11.15pm with generous and much deserved thanks to all who helped before and during the event



plus mucking out at the end. Special thanks to HRH for graciously helping distribute the trophies.!!

And finally..as you read this, the numbered snails are making their way home to Hangersley Hill so drive carefully.

Your friends: Ian and Jenny

## Diary

### April

Wednesday 13th Tangent AGM, The Old Beam Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

Fri 15th—Mon 18th Easter Weekend

Tuesday 19th Club Meeting, The Old Beam Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

Saturday 23rd St George's Day

Friday 29th Joint Quiz Night, The Old Beam Inn, 7pm prompt

### May

Monday 2nd May Bank Holiday

Wednesday 11th Tangent Meeting, The Old Beam Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

Tuesday 17th Club Meeting at The Old Beam Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

### June

Thu 2nd—Fri 3rd Spring Bank Holiday / Queens Platinum Jubilee

Wednesday 9th Tangent Meeting, The Old Beam Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

Saturday 11th Queens Birthday

Wednesday 15th Beer Day Britain celebrating the signing of the Magna Carta

Saturday 18th Waterloo Day

Sunday 19th Father's Day

Tuesday 21st Club Meeting at The Old Beam Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

## Congratulations Are Well Deserved

With the demise of the Merretttable Times, Ringwood says good-bye to its most trusted Editor. After two successful years as Editor, Peter is hanging up his copy of Publisher.

Peter edited our magazines during the difficult CoVid years. In his first year, Peter published 18 issues of The Cartier Chronicle. This success was followed by 12 equally anticipated issues of the Merretttable Times. With face-to-face contact banned, meeting friends on Zoom, the magazine was eagerly awaited for news, information and humour. Peter had the ability to get the mix right. 30 enjoyable magazines capturing not just our events but the mood of our Clubs and there was always something to bring a smile. He will be a difficult act to follow.

Peter, from all your Readers, congratulations, a job well done, a big thank you.



## “Ringwood’s most trusted Editor hangs up his copy of Publisher”

### Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir,  
May I congratulate you on becoming the Editor of this fine paper. In doing so it would be remiss not to thank your predecessor Peter for all his work over two tumultuous years. He produced extra editions to keep us informed and together as a Club. He included humour which we all needed and he appeared to enjoy what he was doing for us all. Well done. I should add a special word of thanks to his proof reader whose contribution to the accuracy of the paper was frequently referred to and without which we might have been reading gobbledegook. I hope you will be as fortunate in your sub-editing team. Good luck.  
Cartier

Sir,  
Peter Lomax, the Editor of our Club magazine for the last two years is,

like most occupying this role, an unassuming hero.

So I am writing this short piece to congratulate him and to try and bring some recognition to the selfless work Peter has done to keep us all informed and amused. Although the Club magazine is the Editor's baby, he decides on what to publish and we see the final output, his efforts behind the scenes largely go unnoticed. Unless you have tried making sense of and, correcting, copy or put together a photographic record without infringing decency standards or copyright controls, then you may be unaware of the efforts the Editor makes on our behalf.

So Peter well done. Thank you for producing the MT I have enjoyed reading every edition and it has helped make my year. So now put away your blue pencil and have a well earned rest.

Yours etc  
Bob





# 57 Varieties Ringwood & District



2022—2023



2021—2022



2020—2021



2019—2020



2018—2019



2017—2018



1965—2017

## Ringwood & District Ex-Tablers

### 57th Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 15th March 2022

The Old Beams, Ibsley



It happened, our 57<sup>th</sup> AGM and not a computer screen in sight. The first time for two years.

Chairman Bob arrived at the bar, not wearing his chain of office and looking taller than normal. Did we notice an extra spring in his step or was he just looking forward to his first pint. Vice John arrived in the bar, wearing the Vice Chairman's chain and he too had a spring in his step. We put it down to the guest ale on offer that night.

36 attended our 57<sup>th</sup> AGM. It was a delight to see Chris and Collin. Dinner enjoyed, the main business of the night got underway, electing our new Chairman. Following on from his success of Ladies Night, there

were no challenges to Vice Chairman John and so he was duly elected Chairman for 2022—2023

Council elected, and importantly, our Vice Chairman, Dereck Scott. Chairman John then introduced Club to the National AGM resolutions. His first meeting and he had Resolution 2 about Membership to present to the meeting. This potential hot potato, John successfully steered to a vote where Club agreed to the resolution. John heavily emphasizing it would be at the discretion of individual clubs helped. The potential for a difficult first meeting, expertly dodged. Having successfully survived this challenge early in his Chairmanship, we eagerly look forward to John's year.

*"a great Chairman... an inspiration, he was Merrettable!"*

I would like to thank Bob for being such a great Chairman. He was an inspiration, he was actually Merrettable!

It was an extremely difficult year to plan ahead- coronavirus produced lockdowns , socialising was illegal, faces were covered up, and even New Years Eve was socially cancelled! But Bob 's calming , yet authoritative nature calmed the situation, and we managed and kept going.

Sara was a lovely friendly lady who was always his great support, and an elegant First Lady.

Thanks Bob! You were a great chairman, a great leader!

YiCF  
John



YOU HAVE GOT TO BE KIDDING!?!  
PAT WOOD

## Caption Competition



What did the policeman say to the Lady?

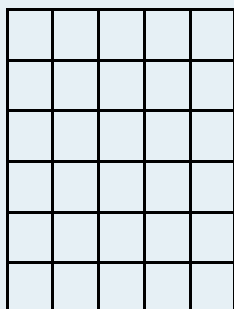


What are they thinking?

Answers to the Editor for next issue.

## Guess the WORDLE in six tries

Each guess must be a valid five-letter word. Answer next Issue



## Childhood Memories

When Arthur was at school they had a competition to see who could waste the most paper.

Arthur won by a wide margin!!

## Guest Publication



Read the full version of the Guest Publication at [www.ringwood-extablers.org/guestpublication](http://www.ringwood-extablers.org/guestpublication)



I'm John from next door,  
I've come to negotiate

## Definition of a "Gentleman"

A gentleman is a man who knows how to play the bagpipes, but refrains from doing so.



A busy night at Stone Henge as workers move all the stones forward one hour...



## Trivia About John Adams



- He shares his name with an American President
- American President live in the White House, Chairman John lives in Toad Hall
  - He was a local politician and became Mayor of Bournemouth
  - He plays many musical instruments: guitar, mouth organ & bagpipes
  - Despite playing the bagpipes, John is Welsh
  - He joined Saga way before his peers
  - John did his Tabling at Bournemouth 5
- John is a member of 3 Ex-Tablers Clubs
- John bought a hotel in the well known holiday destination, Alderney
- John is a sailor, we know as he has a boat

## The Royal Mint Issues Commemorative Coin To Celebrate Chairman John's Year



*Hazardous Data Sheet - received from Jackie, Risk Assessment for publishing, done.*

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DATA SHEET	
<b>ELEMENT:</b>	Woman
<b>SYMBOL:</b>	☺
<b>DISCOVERER:</b>	Adam
<b>ATOMIC MASS:</b>	Accepted as 55kg, but known to vary from 45kg to 225kg
<b>PHYSICAL PROPERTIES</b>	
1. Body surface normally covered with film of powder and paint	
2. Boils at absolutely nothing – freezes for no apparent reason	
3. Found in various grades ranging from virgin material to common ore	
<b>CHEMICAL PROPERTIES</b>	
1. Reacts well to gold, platinum and all precious stones	
2. Explodes spontaneously without reason or warning	
3. The most powerful money reducing agent known to man	
<b>COMMON USE</b>	
1. Highly ornamental, especially in sports cars	
2. Can greatly aid relaxation	
3. Can be a very effective cleaning agent	
<b>HAZARDS</b>	
1. Turns green when placed alongside a superior specimen	
2. Possession of more than one is possible but specimens must never make eye contact	

## *Snails R Us accused of cruelty*

*after photo reveals snails kept 3 days march from lettuce lunch*

