



KNOTT THE 9 O'CLOCK NEWS

Gordon Knott - Chairman 2019/2020



Knott's Rambling - May 2019

First month and we are in the local paper, the Daily Echo. Thanks to Sue T, Juliette, their Interruption at the AGM and our Press & Publicity Officer, John Adams. John has set the bar high for the year.

The Round Table Family do wonderful work in the community and this month I saw how it is appreciated. I took the Chairman's Chain to have Keith's Bar added. The gentleman in the shop would take no payments. I insisted, he refused. Pointing to the Chairman's Chain he said "you and your Club do a lot for charity" and this was his way to say thanks. The work we do is recognised and appreciated. Gentlemen, Ladies of Tangent, congratulations, well done to all of us.

Richard D, Ian and I arranged an Interruption. Tangent had their AGM, Sue Treleaven was handing the Chair over to Anne Dyson. We could not let the evening pass without an Interruption. The three of us met early, we had the Interruption to plan. Ian arrived with his ukulele. I was concerned, I had flashbacks to Ringwood's Got Talent. My concerns were unfounded, we Interrupted, I presented the bouquet of flowers to Anne, Ian and Richard carried their ukuleles. Interruption over, it was time for more fellowship, at the bar.

During the month we had our first social event. This was organised by the outgoing Social Team headed up by Peter Lomax. It was a Vinyl Night, a lovely idea. We had a great night, a night of music, fun, fellowship and challenges, which only added to our evening.

My first full Club meeting in the Chair and I had the pleasure to induct a new member, Chris Saltrick. Chris did his Tabling with Ringwood and now we welcome him to Ringwood & District Ex-Tablers Club. We also presented a cheque to The Parkinson's UK East Dorset Branch, while Photographer Ian clambered over the furniture, it was necessary, he said, to get the perfect picture. The donation being possible from Gerald Carter's hard work creating/selling the Christmas Card during Keith's year. We already have £10.00 from the April raffle in the Christmas Card Fund for this year. The prize, a bottle of Black Stump was won by Richard Dyson.

I attended an Area meeting of 41 Club Chairman. This was a get to know our neighbouring Clubs, to share ideas and promote

Recent 41 Meeting Photos



fellowship. The meeting was well attended and productive. We have a follow-up meeting on the 15th July which will include an invite to all Vice-Chairman.

Gentlemen, I've enjoyed my first month and look forward to seeing you all on Club Night.

Gordon



TANGENT IN PARALLEL



**Anne Dyson - Tangent Chair
2019/2020**

I was honoured to be presented with the Chairman's chain of office at our 2019 AGM. Thank you for all the cards and phone calls wishing me well for the next year, and for the many offers of help. It was lovely to be given a bouquet of flowers and to be welcomed into my new office by 3 handsome gents from 41 Club, Gordon, Ian and my hubbie Richard.



I am very lucky to have a great team of ladies supporting me in the key roles.

We have had our first committee meeting which was very productive – lots of great ideas for the year are now being planned. We'll let you know details by email and through these columns. I'm planning to meet regularly with Gordon

(41 Club chairman) so that whilst

we are planning events for Tangent ladies, we also keep the 'gents' in our 'parallel club' in mind.



I'm looking forward to a year of friendship and fun. I'm planning to extend invitations to neighbouring Tangent Clubs to join us through the year.

We have a very interesting speaker for next meeting on Wednesday 8 May, talking to us about Elvis Presley. I'd love to

see a good turn-out for the meeting, and hopefully a few ladies that haven't been able to join us for

a while. Please don't forget to let Sara have apologies/bookings for the meeting by 8.00pm on Sunday 5 May sands.merrett@btinternet.com or 02380 766656.

On the 14 May there will be a 2 hour walk around Southbourne. Meet at Costa Coffee at 10.50. Bookings to Caroline Gill carolinegill1@yahoo.co.uk or 01425 473642.

Tangent is your Club, so please let us know if there is anything that you would like the committee to try and arrange this year. If it's something that quite a few members would enjoy and it's feasible then we'll do our best. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at some point during the year.

PICTURE POST

PHOTOGRAPH COMPETITION 2019/2020

This year's competition is in 2 parts:

PART ONE

Entries are invited for the **Club Christmas Card** and should be sent to Richard Carter. Photographs may have been taken at any time and must be in **LANDSCAPE**. Please enter from the launch date in May to the Club meeting on 15th October 2019.

Each Club or Tangent member may enter up to **one photo per month** from May 2019 to October 15th 2019 inclusive. That means a maximum total of 6 entries per member during the period of the competition.

The Judge for this part of the competition will be Gerald Carter.

PART TWO

Entries are invited for the **Photo the Year** and should be sent to Richard Carter. The photographs must be directly related to Club events, meetings etc and taken during the current Chairman's year.

Each Club or Tangent member may enter up to **one photo per month** from May 2019 to the Club meeting on 18th February 2020 inclusive. That means a maximum total of 10 entries per member during the period of the competition.

The Judge for this part of the competition will be Chairman Gordon Knott.

Entries for both parts of the competition should be submitted in digital format by email. The Photo must include the name of the photographer and a Title for the photo. Any prints chosen for display at Club meetings, including at the final presentation, should be provided by the entrant in 6" x 8" size (152mm x 203mm).

Xmas Card Donation to Parkinson's UK East Dorset Branch

At the last Club meeting, chairman Gordon presented a cheque for £450 to David Beardow, Treasurer of Parkinson's UK East Dorset Branch as reported in the minutes.

Following the presentation, David invited me to their Branch meeting on the following Thursday which Delia & I went to. We were made very welcome and David announced to the meeting that he had received the valued donation and indicated how it could be used. He also told them what a warm reception he had received from 41 Club and he asked me to convey his appreciation and grateful thanks to 41 Club.



I would also like to thank Ian Stockdale for all the effort he made to find such a worthwhile beneficiary. As a result I have decided to join that branch. And a big thank you to all who have supported the Card appeal over the years.

Gerald Carter



2019 Subscriptions now Due - Pay Now and Save!

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Excellent value at just **£31** if paid by the end of June rising to £38 if paid after this date.

Pay with your meal at the May Club meeting or post a cheque to Andrew Green - payable to "Ringwood Ex Tablers Club".

Better still, pay by Bank Transfer to the Club's Natwest account

Sort Code 54-30-45 Account No 14033003

Thank-you to everyone who has already paid

Summer Socials

BBQs

The impromptu BBQ's are back! Winter is over!! Summer is on the way!!! We already have some dates in from eager members:



Quint's: Sunday 2nd June at 2.00pm

Kennedy's: Sunday 14th July at 12.30pm

Kean's: Sunday 4th August at 12.30pm

Other dates are possible and if you too would like to host a BBQ

please let me know.

The usual guidelines apply:

1. Host will provide BBQ's
2. Bring own table/chairs (unless advised they will be provided)
3. Bring own food, drinks, crockery & cutlery.
4. Please let me know if you plan to attend – johnjk.kennedy@btinternet.com - 07785 287 668
5. Casual event with shorts encouraged!

John Kennedy

An evening with Professor Alice Roberts.

Regent Centre, Christchurch: Wednesday 9 October 2019 at 7.30pm

We currently have a group of nine 41 Club members attending this evening with one of our favourite TV personalities. There are further tickets available on the Regent Centre website if you would like to join us. Please let me know.

John Kennedy

(NB 41 Club 'Anti-Drool bibs with matching waterproof underwear' are available and recommended to those who are attending this event, given some of the comments about the speaker seen in recent months - Ed).



The Vinyl Extravaganza - Feedback!

What a great evening we had at our Hand-Over Social. A Vinyl Evening organised by Peter Lomax and his Team. We had music, we had fellowship and then more fellowship when the turntable died.



But this is Ringwood & District Ex-Tablers and we won't be beaten by technology never mind how old, that's the technology not our membership. A replacement turntable was summoned only for the belt to perish half way through the next track. But this is Ringwood, so an A Team was quickly formed, they put their heads together while others starting singing "My Old Mans a Dustman".

The music side of the evening was on a downward spiral, fellowship in spades, suggestions in abundance. But the A Team, spurred on by the singing, worked tirelessly to resolve the issue.

👉 **The A Team at 'Work'**

They succeeded. The A Team started streaming music into the hall,

from a phone! Smart. (A smart phone? Ed) While the person who selected the vinyl held up the Cover for all to see, they shared the memories it had for them or those they felt comfortable sharing. Meanwhile, our A Team searched for the track on Amazon Prime, other music streaming software is available, and on cue, streamed the chosen track to our sound system. The evening was back on track.

An evening with everything. We had music, song (nearly), laughter, fun, fellowship, tension, excitement and success. I think all at Vinyl Night had a wonderful evening. To Peter and his team, to The A Team, to the designated drivers, a big thank you.

Gordon

The Knott Konundrum

Bits of fun and frolics



So what was Benny Hill saying to Barbara?



Diary Dates

8 May - Tangent Meeting, St Leonard's - Elvis is alive!

14 May - Tangent walk. See more details in Anne's report

14 May - 41 Council meeting at VC Richard Carter's.

18 May - Fanfare for Spring with Ringwood Rotary

21 May - 41 Club Meeting, St Leonard's

2 June - Impromptu BBQ - details below.

12 June - Tangent Meeting, St Leonard's

18 June - 41 Club Meeting, St Leonard's

22 June - An Irish Night

24-26 June - St Malo Cruise see poster below

30 June - Tangent Social details TBC

5 July - Tennyson Down Walk

10 July - Tangent Meeting NOT at St. Leonard's

14 July - Impromptu BBQ

16 July - 41 Club Meeting

2-3 Aug - BSO Meyrick Park

11 Aug - Anne's 'At Home'

With apologies to the U3A

More Jollies from IPC Keith:

Sail from Portsmouth and enjoy dinner on board and lunch in St Malo

THIS WILL BE A RINGWOOD 41 CUB & TANGENT GROUP JOLLY

This two night gourmet break, gives you the chance to spend a full day in the beautiful walled town of St Malo a delicious 4 course dinner and breakfast on board, plus inclusive Lunch at Café de l'Ouest (pic below) in St Malo

Prices start from only £115* per person return



TRAVEL DATE

Monday 24 June 2019 departure from Portsmouth at 20:15 pm
arriving back in Portsmouth on Wednesday 26 June 2019 at
07:45 am. WE CAN DECIDE ON A CAR-SHARING /PARKING
CAPER IN DUE COURSE !

THREE CONCERT NIGHTS with Keith and Sue at their Home MAY 2019

There will only be nine seats available, for each of the NIGHTS of MAY: 16th: 17th and 20th

Each Concert will begin at 7.30pm (*arrival time from 7.00pm*)

If you would like to book a seat, for the Concert Night of your choice, please email rsvp to

rimbursue@ntlworld.com

