



# The Cartier Chronicle

## The One to watch!



"Adaptability enforces creativity, and creativity is adaptability." Pearl Zhu.

Congratulations to all of you for the creativity in the present situation. From the daily humour, to Zoom, WhatsApp and plenty in the wings, so watch out for the Anderson Lockdown Productions and the Social (not to say 'constant') Gardener.



(Look out for next month's edition where expert gardener 'Mr Dibber' will give you tips and advice...Ed)

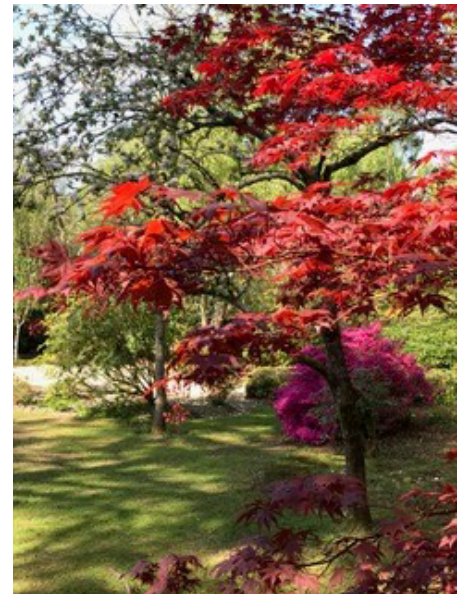
Our next Club meeting will be as scheduled on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 4.30pm when we will hold our AGM. We have been encouraged to do this by National and I am delighted to say that 41 Club National President Peter Good will join us. Details will be sent out in the next couple of weeks. Please join the meeting if you can.

Well done to John Adams for his piping at Lymington Hospital for the Thursday evening 'clap' to thank hospital and key workers. He was invited to do so by the Police and the Coastguard who were also present.

My thanks to all of you who are involved in the PODs. I know that you are keeping in contact with each other in various ways and the main aim of the PODs is to ensure that every one of our members in both Ex-Table and Tangent is kept in personal touch and involved as much as they wish to be in what we are doing.

Our garden has become something of a sanctuary this Spring and I guess it must be the same for many of you. Is it that the colours are brighter this year or is it just that we have more time to appreciate them? (Or Susie's tender loving care?...Ed)

Stay well and very best wishes to you all. Richard



### Dates for your Diary

**5th May** Tangent's Tour of Sue's garden  
**7th May** Lomax Waitrose delivery!!  
**19th May** Club AGM on Zoom

### Hair Today Gone Tomorrow update



You are all either very shy, have a partner who can cut hair, have some good hair clippers or just have long hair right now! Where are your efforts?

So we phoned Liz Fraser for some great advice before we finally plucked up courage to cut each other's hair. I was the first victim and it was going reasonably well until the hair clippers failed halfway through and Ann resorted to scissors. However, as you can see from the 'before and after' photos, the outcome was very acceptable.

I am not showing you the photos of Ann's hair. Liz was very complimentary about the way I cut Ann's fringe.

But that was all!!



Jeff Wickens has sent you out a reminder of the stay at home street party. I understand that some of you already have plans afoot so please take some photos for the next edition. Thanks. Ed

## Information Page

### RING-BINDERS & MAGAZINE FILES NEEDING A NEW HOME



We've cleared our home offices during lock-down and now have a large supply of spare, good condition ring-binders and magazine files of various sizes and colours. We don't want any cash to exchange hands, they are free to anybody that can give them a good home! If you would like any, just 1 or lots, please contact Richard or Anne Dyson; we'll drop them on your doorstep if in the Ringwood area, or

keep them for when we meet again!!

### JOHN HUMPHREYS

Having moved to Christchurch five years ago John has been attending Christchurch 41 Club regularly and, apart from seeing him at our Ladies' Night, he has not come to our meetings. John has therefore decided to resign his membership of our Club. This is disappointing but understandable and I'm sure we will keep in touch with John into the future.



### 2020 Subscriptions now Due - pay Now and Save!

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Your Subs for this year are now due and are excellent value at just **£35** if paid before the end of June, rising to £42 if paid after this date.

In these strange times, if at all possible, please pay your £35 by Bank Transfer to the Club's Natwest a/c - Sort Code 54-30-45 a/c No 14033003. Alternatively you can post a cheque payable to "Ringwood Ex Tablers Club", to 3 Holly Grove, Verwood, BH31 6XA.

Thank-you to everyone who has already paid, stay safe & keep well.

**Andrew Green**

### Chairmen Hoyle x 3!!

On Tuesday 8th April my son Chris (Marlow RT) and I had the honour of being present at the very first meeting of Ringwood and Verwood Table via Zoom. Phil was elected Chairman and the club is now Chartered. If you know someone under 45 and suitable for RT membership then please let Phil know.

So that makes three Chairman Hoyle!!

Phil and Sarah are working their socks off to keep the London Tavern going. He is delivering meals directly to homes of NHS frontline staff over weekends. Last Sunday he delivered about 120 Sunday roasts. Please join and share his Facebook page which is The London Tavern. Cheers *Graham H*

*(Chairman Richard sent us all an email (29th April) about this venture and how you can donate if you wish. Ed)*

### Some more useful tips from Richard and Anne

We have been using local enterprising businesses who are offering on-line or phone ordering and thought it worth sharing those that we have found to be good. We appreciate that many Ringwood 41 Club & Tangent members have also found excellent local services; is it a good idea for us all to share contacts? *(Ed....Yes please, see mine below!)*

Here's our experience:

Local Meat – New Pastures Wholesale Butchers, Fordingbridge. Free delivery. Phone Order 01425 650888

Bedding plants & hanging baskets – Baskets & Blooms, West Parley/Stuckton. Free delivery. On-line shop open once a week on their Facebook page.

Shrubs, herbaceous plants, seeds – Hilliers Garden Centre – [www.hillieronline.co.uk](http://www.hillieronline.co.uk). Free delivery but takes a couple of weeks

Potted Phalaenopsis Orchids – 4 for £20 from Bournemouth based 'Love Orchids'. Free local delivery, may take 8-10 days. [www.loveorchids.co.uk](http://www.loveorchids.co.uk)

Fencing supplies, compost, shrubs, bedding plants – landscape gardener & fencer D Bryant. Free local delivery. [www.dbryant.biz](http://www.dbryant.biz)

and Richard's new 'best friend' Screwfix!! Not a local business but free next day delivery and lots of stock.

And my (Ed) sharing suggestion if you like a good curry delivered to your door.....Curry Garden in Ringwood is open online for business. [www.currygarden.com](http://www.currygarden.com)

Pre order online stating menu requirements and preferred time and they will phone you for payment just before delivery. We tried it last Saturday. Excellent! Almost like going out for a meal!!

Helpful  
Tips



## Caroline's Corner



And so it was that 2020 saw an unprecedented start to the Tangent year... the Covid-19 restrictions on social gatherings meant that for the first time in our history the AGM could not be held in traditional form. Did that deter the ladies of Ringwood Tangent? Of course not. Ideas were discussed, solutions found and our AGM was held via Zoom!

31 ladies joined our virtual AGM with outgoing chairman Anne successfully managing to complete her year and pass the chain of office to me. Somehow the transportation process altered the precious metals of Anne's chain to today's sought after commodities, pasta and toilet roll! But at least it went well with the new social attire – smart tops and pyjama bottoms.



With social outings off the agenda for a while, the new year will need to focus on social media and on line events to keep us together and entertained, but rest assured our social committee, often in conjunction with the 41 Club committee will be working hard to bring us some exciting events to look forward to.

*(And haven't they been inventive! Well done Ladies! Ed)*

Stay well everyone

### **Stop Press !!**

Tuesday May 5th 4.30pm...Virtual tour of Sue Treleaven's garden on Zoom

Yours in continued friendship

Caroline

### ***Thoughts from the Hill on being locked in by a couple that only go out for exercise in the woods.***

So here we are all being really busy and doing all sorts of new interesting and challenging stuff like Zoom, making jigsaw puzzles for grand kids, growing tender plants we would never normally consider, foraging for wild food on our walk, etc.

On the other hand we have stopped (or severely reduced doing) using a lot of stuff as a result of our lockdown.

Consider for example:

The car, covered in pollen, and full of expensive fuel. Donald is giving it away!

Handbags.....they just hang on their hooks...waiting to be taken out for dinner, clothes shopping, hairdresser, coffee with girls and classes at Greyfriars.

Our back gate that would normally open for the short walk to either the London Tavern or the Cornerways Surgery. Both off bounds now.

Saddest is our guest room dedicated to the Grandkids...all dressing up stuff and toys neat, really neat and we would prefer it to be untidy.

But not long now!!!!!!

The Optimists in Poulner  
**Ian and Jenny**

PS Would you like recipes for Nettle Soup and Horse Radish Leaf Crisps...delicious!



Here is another article about memories of our Round Table days. Following on from Chris Treleaven's excellent piece, I asked Will Parke for a contribution as like Chris, he started his tabling away from Ringwood. More contributions are welcome. Thanks Will. Ed

## **EARLY DAYS IN ROUND TABLE** **BY WILL PARKE**

From a farming background about 5 miles west of Wimborne I then attended the Royal Agricultural College in Cirencester 1968 - 1971.

I first came across Round Table while working as a recently qualified Land Agent in Cupar, the county town of Fife on the east coast of Scotland, 1971 - 74. My boss managed the estates of clients of a firm of solicitors as well as his own clients. In those days, solicitors tried to manage such estates, usually with a lawyer's approach to things, but the more astute firms engaged proper Land Agents instead. In addition, there were very few Estate Agents in Scotland and none in Cupar. My boss opened the very first in his own 'shop' on the High Street just as the North Sea oil boom started. Good move, what!

One of the junior partners at the solicitors was a Round Tabler and he explained what it was all about. We were about to set off back to England so I did not follow up the idea.

The next move was in the summer of 1974 to north Warwickshire where I joined a Land Agent managing two separately owned private estates. He was based on the larger one of some 10,000 acres and I on the smaller one of 5,000 acres on the edge of Nuneaton.

One of the tenants was a Tabler and he introduced me to Bedworth Round Table which I joined in 1976.

Bedworth is a small industrial town between Nuneaton and north Coventry. Coal mining and brick/tile manufacturing had ceased by then, so the town was struggling to re-invent itself. However, metal-bashing in Coventry and the surrounding towns was still very active.

Bedworth RT played a modest part in community life with annual carnival floats, some of which were built on our drive as I had access to the estate's lorry, building annual bonfires and selling hotdogs at it, organising a half marathon around the local Miners' Welfare Park, tin rattling, sponsored walks and manning a water stall for the Bedworth Marathon on a couple of occasions.

The Area events that I can remember were pub games against the Tables in Rugby, Kenilworth and Coventry and twice entering a soap box in the Area Soap Box Derby in Melbourne Park about 7 miles south of Derby itself.

I was part of a team of drivers taking National President Peter Bell to an Area event at the Everton FC ground in Liverpool where I was allowed to touch, but not hold aloft, the FA Cup.

Highlights were playing Tiddly-Winks half-way up Snowdon in April 1983 and again in April 1984. Two nights in the Victoria Hotel in Llanberis and trudging up this hillock, a quick Tiddle-Wink, then on to the top. About 60 or 70 RT's from our Area attended; most made it to the top.

On the social side, the usual joint events with Ladies Circle, of which Julie was a member. Annual cricket matches against a local village team, canal trips and parties for any reason or none at all.

In the summer of 1984, I moved back to Dorset and started with the Forestry Commission in Lyndhurst as their Land Agent for the New Forest, Ringwood area and the South Downs as far as Arundel and the Isle of Wight.

The inspiration for transferring to Ringwood RT and Circle was the two Carnival Floats by both Clubs separately. If they can do that, then they can do anything and so it proved. Wimborne, Ferndown etc didn't have a chance.

Andrew Johnson introduced me. A couple of years in Ringwood RT, then on to Ex-Table in 1987.



Will



# Ringwood & Verwood Round Table

**An update from Vice Chairman James Merley**

Since our last update in December, a lot has happened for what was Ringwood & District Round Table. We've welcomed the boys from Bournemouth Round Table to a night of Slot Car Racing with Pizza's & Beer in January, went for a Curry with the chaps from Fareham RT in February & founded Round Table Woods in Crow with Colin Andrews of Ringwood Actions for Climate Emergency in March. March 7th will also live on as a big date for us as the date that we were formally re-Chartered as Ringwood & Verwood Round Table to reflect the new membership, and particularly that of our core team.



**ROUND TABLE**

All of this was before lockdown struck & forced us to Adopt, Adapt & Improve how we do things under the "new normal" of social distancing. Since then, we've held a few Zoom Meetings, with Phil Hoyle voted in as Chairman in April, joined by James Marley as new Vice Chairman. We also held a Chairman's Cheese & Wine Night via Zoom, with a brilliant spread of Cheese & Wine delivered to all in need by the team at The London Tavern. We've got more activities lined up for the coming months, and some big ideas in the offing for when we're allowed to get together in the flesh again to show the area what Ringwood & Verwood Round Table can do!

We were also asked by Ringwood Town Council to assist with the town's VE Day 75th Anniversary celebrations in May, but obviously COVID-19 put a stop to the planned Street Party. Instead, we've set up Ringwood's VE Day Heroes on social media & our website, as a way to collect and share photo's of the local men & women who contributed - whether in combat or on the Home Front - to Victory in Europe 75 years ago. If any in Ex-Table have any photo's that they'd like to share, we'd be honoured to celebrate them. To send them in, please email them to [veday@rvroundtable.co.uk](mailto:veday@rvroundtable.co.uk).

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***This is all so very encouraging and reflects the hard graft put in by so many 41 Club members over the past year or more. Particular thanks must go to Gordon Knott, Richard Carter, Richard Blackiston. David Phelps, Mike Fraser and Jim Stride who worked so hard to make this happen. Take a look at their Facebook page too. I would also reiterate what Graham Hoyle says on page 2.....think about your friends who have family living locally and remind them of the fun and community service that RT provides for guys aged up to 45 yrs old. (Ed)***

## Are you getting value from your pods?

The general view is that these are working well with some pods meeting regularly via Zoom, others by phone, some contact via the doorstep (2 metres away!) and also by email with quizzes etc. Are you getting your food supplies ok, do you need help in any way?

Don't be shy.....we are a fellowship club and helping each other is what we do. David Hirst is the overall coordinator, also known as Podiatrist!!



Congratulations to Peter and Margaret Daughtrey who celebrated their Diamond Wedding on April 23rd. Sadly the current restrictions made for a quiet celebration. However, their daughter who lives in Romsey and comes over with food every 2 weeks took them a special meal and they had a glass of champagne in the car park with their daughter 2+ metres away!



Have you visited the Club's website?

<https://www.ringwood-extablers.org>

It isn't complete but it is well on its way thanks to Gordon. I am sure he would welcome any feedback as he currently relaxes in Dublin being fed very well by Angela (so we hear!).

And a beautiful relaxing photo to end this edition of Cartier. Taken by Sue Anderson two years ago on Friars Cliff beach. Thank you Sue.

If you have a photo, perhaps of your garden or a project you've been undertaking during lockdown then please send it to me. I can't promise to publish them all, but I'll try! Ed.

***That's all for now folks!!***

