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## Adams Amble



Chairman's  
Column

I was invited to attend Ringwood Round Table's AGM, a great evening held, of course, in the expected style that one expects, at no other venue than the Ringwood Brewery.

The highly charged fun AGM had as guests Bournemouth Round Table, and six Ex-Tablers to witness the great evening. We can really be very proud of them, and their great achievements. They have a great esprit de corps, while having a full calendar establishing a great Community spirit that indeed raises very commendable sums for charity.

We agreed at the last 41 club night to give £100 from our club funds to boost their existing Ukraine appeal. They also will appreciate our help on such future events they are planning, such as the Soap Box Derby Race Day.

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*"to give £100 from Club finds..."*

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I also have attended, uninvited, but with cards and bottles in hand, Tangent's AGM, and thanked, on the clubs behalf, Caroline, for serving Tangent so well and admirably for such a trying two years, and assured her that we, as a club were always there for her and her father, Jeff Wickens.

I also congratulated Siân-Elen, Tangents new chair, and wished her a good, enjoyable year ahead. You possibly see a connection: the clue is in my middle name - That holy land Wales is certainly a great influencer in our two clubs!

We have already planned two very important and special days for this new alliance!!

Platinum Jubilee celebratory drinks for Her Majesty the Queen, and of course our joint 'At Home', with live music, food, and lively surroundings!

See you all soon,  
John Huw



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# Tangent Tweets

## Welcome to a New Tangent Year...



Welcome to a new Tangent year - a huge thank you to Caroline and her committee for leading us through the last two, often difficult, years with fun and fellowship.

The 2022 AGM was held at the Old Beams - our new venue. John Adams(41 Club Chairman) appeared thanking Caroline and wishing me good luck for the coming year. He gave us both bottles of his own vintage wine. I have yet to ask John if he drew the amazing cartoon style label on the bottle. John also produced a Welsh flag, as we both have Welsh connections, but I resisted singing the National Anthem, saving that for another occasion! For anyone who was unable to attend the AGM and for 41 Club members this year's committee are as follows - read carefully as I may test you on the spelling of my name!

- CHAIRMAN: Siân-Elen Fernyhough
- VICE CHAIRMAN: vacant
- PAST CHAIRMAN: Caroline Gill
- SECRETARY: Tricia Kean
- TREASURER: Anne Dyson
- SPEAKERS' SECRETARY: Sue Smethers
- SOCIAL: Marion Miller  
Lynne Mursell  
Julie Parke
- MEALS SECRETARY: Lindy Quint
- WELFARE: Jenny Stockdale

Hopefully a volunteer for Vice Chairman will emerge over the year - it may need bribery!



*"a good sign for the rest of the year..."*

### Useful Dates

17th May Hillier Gardens  
Contact Lynne Mursell for details

5th June Jubilee Celebration  
The Old Manse, Ripley. 4pm- 6pm

24th June Chairman's at Home  
Further details at a later date

The first Tea, Cake and Nostalgia afternoon has successfully taken place with two more planned (9<sup>th</sup> May and 25<sup>th</sup> May). Please contact me if you wish for more details.

Caroline and myself formed a team, with four others, for a 41 Club Quiz night. It was great fun and we learnt a lot, especially about which country eats the most chocolate per person and much to our delight we won the event - a good sign for the rest of the year.



By the time you read this a group of us will have visited Walhampton (an 18<sup>th</sup> century landscaped garden) as part of the National Garden Scheme. Thank you Social team for organising this. They have also organised a visit to Hillier Gardens and a 2023 Theatre visit. In addition for anyone not involved in any Jubilee Celebrations, who wishes to acknowledge Her Majesty the Queen's amazing reign, please join me at my home on 5<sup>th</sup> June to celebrate.

Our next meeting is at the Old Beams on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May with a talk entitled 'Mrs Muddell's Millinery'. Any of you, like me, who have hats in upstairs cupboards will appreciate this! Jean Phelps has kindly stepped in to take bookings and apologies for the event.

Yours in continued friendship,  
Siân-Elen Fernyhough



See all of Lesley's AGM photos at:  
[www.ringwood-extablers.org](http://www.ringwood-extablers.org)



33 Round Tablers and Ex Tablers gathered for a memorable evening at the Ringwood Brewery hosted by Ringwood Chairmen James Marley and 23 of the 29 members that now make up our neonatal Ringwood Round Table. From a mere handful of members a couple of years back Ringwood Table has seen membership blossom and they have generated a contagious spirit that was exciting to be near.

The energy of the evening started from the moment we all gathered for a pint of Razor Back and the large group photo outside with our Chairman John nicely placed centre stage. On the night John was joined by a handful of involved 41ers including John Kennedy, David Phelps, Richard Blackiston, Ian Stockdale and Tim Airey.

The meeting was beautifully organised with an excellent set of AV explaining Club history and the range of activities that have enable them to raise in excess of £16,000 this year for good causes.

Just like the old Round Table days there was plenty of repartee and badgering and felons were made to consume a large intact pickled egg in a glass awash with chilli vodka...and they did....they did!!!

Incoming Chairman Simon Walford promised to do his level best to sustain the momentum within the Club and to build even further on the reputation of Ringwood Table in the local community.

No dinner but at half time we all ate from a massive board of exotic cheeses and biscuits accompanied by a glass or two of port. Excellent.



*"raised in excess of £16,000 this year.."*



Our plinth mounted horn trophy, created during Bob's year, and named the Jimmie Gordon Tabler of the Year award was presented by outgoing Chairman James



Marley to Hon Sec Charlie Field. Charlie had taken on the role at short notice throwing himself into all Club projects and being an extraordinary example to all of the amazing things Round Table members do for the local community.

Not surprisingly Charlie filled the 1litre horn with Ringwood's finest and downed it in one!!

Our Presidents Jewel last worn by our very own David Phelps in 2007, was presented by David to Phil Hoyle who has been a key driver, devotee and inspiration in the rebirth of Ringwood Round Table and bringing it to where it is now. He received a standing ovation.

A group of Round Tablers from Bournemouth Club

attended and were impressed, even stunned, with the startling growth and activity level of The Ringwood Club.

Our Chairman John addressed and congratulated the membership and was himself presented with a fine bottle of port. This had to be passed on to our past Chairman Bob in recognition of the great work he did in supporting Round Table in his year. The port has not been shared yet I believe.!!!

So much more than a social club, the membership of Ringwood and District Round Table, including the incorrigible Phil Hoyle have driven the Club forward, through the pandemic, to proudly become a locally and nationally recognised "Doing" organisation.

Congrats to all involved.

Notes from your Welfare Officer Ian.  
(he is feeling better now!!)

## Ringwood & District Round Table have a New President

The President's Chain,



last worn in 2007  
by David Phelps



presents The Chain to  
Phil Hoyle,  
newly elected President of  
Ringwood & District  
Round Table.

Hmmm !  
Impressive Chain



## 41 Club National Conference 76th Annual General Meeting



Overview from National Councilor Richard Dyson

Despite the stop/start Covid challenges of the past couple of years, seriously delaying Conference, we finally got underway. Duncan Kennedy and his team worked tirelessly to overcome the many challenges.



They gave us a very warm Welsh welcome followed by a superb 3 days of fun, fellowship and friendship, when we all were able to renew friendships and forge new.

Much Association business was conducted during the period, making progress for the benefit of the membership. Officers came and went, according to the rules, finances were scrutinised, and future policies were adopted.

Full detail of the Conference will appear in forthcoming newsletters, 41 Club magazines and on the website, but the following detail will serve to summarise the main discussions:

### AGM Summary:

- 106 voting delegates were present at the AGM, with a further 39 proxy voters, totalling 145 eligible to vote. In addition, several members were able to access recorded proceedings. This number was greater than in recent years
- The meeting was well conducted, and lasted 5 hours, and yes, the paint did dry!
- Membership stands in excess of 13,000, comparing with Round Table's 3,000
- More than 30 new 41 clubs have been formed in the past 3 years, 7 of which are in Scotland, more on the way, but there have been 9 disaffiliations, most of which are linked with members' advancing years
- Each officer's report was accepted and appears on the web site
- Officer elections:
  - ◆ President Jim Conway
  - ◆ Vice President Steve James
  - ◆ National Secretary Bernard Elwyn
  - ◆ National Treasurer Kevin Lovett
  - ◆ National Membership Officer, election took place, Peter McBride appointed
  - ◆ National Fellowship Officer Kelly Clarke
  - ◆ National Communication and IT Officer Don Mullane
  - ◆ National Councillor Liaison Officer Wynn Parry
  - ◆ International Relations Officer Andrew Ventress
  - ◆ Honorary Webmaster Mark House
  - ◆ Honorary Solicitor David Smith
  - ◆ Immediate Past President Peter Good

See Richard's full overview at:  
[www.ringwood-extablers.org](http://www.ringwood-extablers.org)



We have a *provisional* date **Tuesday July 12th**

for another glorious cruise from Poole up the river Frome to Wareham, a supper delivered on route, returning with a romantic Full moon.



We leave Poole at 18.00 hrs one hour ashore in Wareham returning at approximately 21.30hrs.

Cost expected to be about £20pp. Dependant on the price of fish, and numbers coming.

For now please note the date .....

*Mike Callaghan (Social)*

**Have you ever been near a Frogham Camping event in the past?  
YES.**

**Then do it again, with your family, on  
Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup> 2022**



**We are celebrating 50 Years of Frogham Camping 1972 - 2022**

Frogham campers will be spending a long weekend in their original field, behind the Foresters Pub, at Frogham with all its fond memories and Newcastle Brown Ale

To commemorate this aged milestone, we invite you to join our

**Frogham Reunion Day on SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE  
from 10.30am to 4pm**

**Food, drink, BBQ, games, friends, grand children, flushing toilets and memories**

Please let Hon Sec Ian know if you would like to join in.

Email [ian@isosco.com](mailto:ian@isosco.com) or 01425 838826

N.B. FAG (Frogham Adventure Group) holds the English Nature Exemption Certificate no. 103

## Lashings—Friday 5th August

This year's Lashings is at Wimborne Cricket Club. Our friend, John, has again kindly donated some free tickets which will reduce the cost of a table. Based on a bronze table of 10, at a normal total amount £600, John's donated tickets will lower the price for a further 9 attendees to around £34 each (normally £60). This is really great value for a superb day out, but please be prepared for an additional amount during the day. There are currently 4 places remaining on the table at this reduced cost. Places will be allocated on first come basis so please register any interest with me by email. I wish to go ahead as soon as possible to book the number of places we plan to have so please let me know asap.

John Kennedy



**THE ENTERTAINERS ARE COMING TO TOWN!**  
FRIDAY 5TH AUGUST 2022 | GATES OPEN 2PM MATCH | STARTS 4PM

**BOURNE LIFTS INVITATIONAL XI  
VS LASHINGS WORLD XI**

WIMBORNE CRICKET CLUB, KING STREET, WIMBORNE BH21 1DY

2022 LASHINGS SQUAD INCLUDES: OWAIS SHAH, JOHN EMBUREY, CHRIS LEWIS, HUGO HAMMOND AND MANY MORE.

SPECIAL GUESTS HENRY BLOFELD & SIR GORDON GREENIDGE





Spectator Match Entry: £3 per adult (18 and over) £1 per child (under 18)  
Car Parking: £10 (including match entry tickets for 2 people)

**CORPORATE PACKAGES AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:**

Bronze package (table of 10) £500.00  
Silver package (table of 8 with 2 Lashings players) £700.00  
Gold package (table of 8 hosted by one of our "national guests") £900.00

Book now: [events@lashingsworld.com](mailto:events@lashingsworld.com) / Call 07846 947397



## Message From The Honorary Treasurer

### Reminder: Subs Now Due

Subs are now due and remain at only £30.00 for prompt payment.

Thanks to everyone who has already paid but those who are yet to pay can you make a bank transfer as soon as possible to:

Ringwood Ex Tablers Club  
Sort Code: 54-30-45  
A/C Number: 14033003

Please quote your name as the reference.

Steve Mursell  
Honorary Treasurer

## Weather Watch

Sponsored by Cartier Chronicle  
Peter's First Magazine

### Sunset over Poole Harbour



## Peter Awarded "National Editor's Award"

Immediate Past Editor is still making the news. At the 76th National AGM Peter was awarded "National Editor" for publishing our magazine "Merretttable Times".

Recognition well deserved. Peter published an enjoyable, easy read, informative, humorous magazine over the trying CoVid times.

At our April Club meeting National Councillor Richard Dyson



proudly presented Peter with the Award.

From us all, thank you Peter and Congratulations. You as Editor, it was Merretttable Times

RINGWOOD'S MOST TRUSTED NEWSPAPER

Merretttable Times

## Diary

### May

Monday 2nd

May Bank Holiday

Wednesday 4th

40th Anniversary of the sinking of HMS Sheffield

Wednesday 11th

Tangent Meeting, The Old Beams Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

Tuesday 17th

Club Meeting at The Old Beams Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

Tuesday 31st May

Bike Ride: Lymington to Yarmouth & Freshwater Bay

### June

Thu 2nd—Fri 3rd

Spring Bank Holiday / Queens Platinum Jubilee

Sunday 5th

Jubilee Celebration, The Old Manse, Ripley. 4pm- 6pm

Wednesday 9th

Tangent Meeting, The Old Beams 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 Beams Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

### July

Saturday 2nd

National I Forgot Day

Sunday 3rd

British F1 Grand Prix

Sunday 10th

RT's Ringwood Pedal Car Grand Prix

Tuesday 12th

River Cruise—Poole to Wareham

Wednesday 13th

Tangent Meeting, The Old Beams Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

Tuesday 19th

Club Meeting at The Old Beams Inn, 7pm for 7:30pm

Sunday 24th

Chairman's Joint at Home, Hangersley House

Tue 26th—Thu 28th

New Forest & Hampshire County Show

## Last Months Caption Competition



Have you seen my truncheon?  
sent in by John Kennedy

I need arrest!

What did the policeman say to the Lady?

Dirty Dibber drawn into the  
'Inclusion' debate



Guess the  
WORDLE  
in six tries

R	O	U	N	D

Last months  
answer:


This months  
Wordle:  
Each guess must be a  
valid five-  
letter word.  
Answer next  
Issue.

## This Months Caption Competition



Who said what to whom?



Chairman John's new Company Car

## From Our Australian Correspondents In Staffordshire

visiting the National Memorial Arboretum

NATIONAL  
MEMORIAL  
ARBORETUM



Travelling with their “traffic blocker on wheels”, Will and Julie found themselves in Staffordshire. They could have visited Alton Towers but instead of the festival of thrills they headed to the more tranquil National Memorial Arboretum, our site of national remembrance. They were here to honour the fallen, remember our past and pay respect to the British Armed Forces but also, to see the memorials of the Round Table Family.

This year marks 20 years since the NMA was officially opened by HRH The Duchess of Kent on 16<sup>th</sup> May. It was also at this year’s 76<sup>th</sup> National AGM the meeting passed, by a strong majority, to pay a one-off sum for the maintenance of these memorials. Forty years ago, in the Falkland’s War, HMS Sheffield was sunk by an Argentinian missile. In remembrance the HMS Sheffield memorial was unveiled earlier this month.



Thanks to Will and Julie for sharing their photos.



Remembering our Past, Cultivating our Future, click the NMA link below:  
<https://cdn.flipsnack.com/widget/v2/widget.html?hash=vt5rss9zhm>



## Professional Assassin, The Jackal, Seen In Bournemouth

Edward Fox OBE film star, international actor, seen with Ringwood Ex Tablers and Tangent members at St.Peter's Church, Bournemouth.

Edward Fox was in Bournemouth to give an enjoyable informal talk about his career followed by afternoon tea.

He explained he started work at Marks and Spencers, was encouraged by his manager to leave and take up acting. After failing his first audition, he was told he was not going to succeed as an actor!

However, he realised his talent as an actor was justified when an extra told him, at the beginning of the shooting you were an actor playing the General, by the end of the filming, 'You Were The General'



## Guest Publication



### PHANPHARE PHOR PHELPS

January 2015

THE NEWSLETTER OF RINGWOOD & DISTRICT EX-TABLERS' CLUB

#### Diary Dates

Please note the date.  
Who has arranged the speaker.  
Who is going to tell.  
Who is presenting a display at THE

- Friday 1st
- March
- Friday 6th Dorset
- Tuesday 18th is the
- April
- Tuesday 15th there will be a talk
- This covers interesting tales and info

Ringwood & District 41 Club  
Ladies Night, Friday 27th February 2015

Come and join Chairman David for a special Ladies evening. The party begins with reception drinks followed by a 4 course dinner. Joanna Gray & Heart-beat will get you dancing to your favourite tunes and the evening will have a few surprises.  
All this for £38.00 per person and if you would like to stay the night, the hotel is offering a concessionary rate of £109 bed and breakfast for one night or £39 per night for two nights. Come and enjoy your Ladies Night party.

To book your place contact John Salisbury either by telephone or email. [johnsalisbury@pub@ringwood.co.uk](mailto:johnsalisbury@pub@ringwood.co.uk)  
ELMERS COURT HOTEL  
South Baddesley Road, Lyminster SO41 5ZB Tel 0844 879 9060

Read the full version of the Guest Publication, see the photos from the Chairman's 2014 Christmas Party, Read "Will gone native and dressed for the hunt Down Under" at [www.ringwood-extablers.org/guestPublication](http://www.ringwood-extablers.org/guestPublication).

