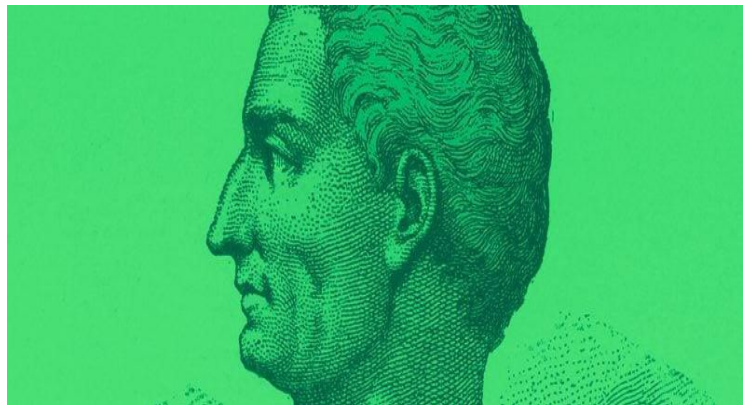




Did you know that July was named after the Roman Emperor, Julius Caesar, following his death? (Of course you did). If it hadn't been we would now be entering the month of Quintillis which sounds quite exotic. Caesar is also responsible for the Julian Calendar and its 365 day year, except for Leap Years with one day extra. (Don't ask me to explain).



I can't believe we are already more than half-way through another year in spite of all the fun and laughter caused by Brexit, the Pandemic, the Ukraine war, the Queen's jolly Jubilee, Boris's antics and the rising cost of living. Where will it all end? They say that time is a great healer. Just wish I could find the fast-forward button, don't you? But not the backspace.

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What's on at Arundel Proboscis Club this month? Why not cheer yourself up and be sure to attend the two club events happening in July, to meet old friends and perhaps new ones too? The more the merrier!

July Pub Lunch – Thursday 14th at The Arun View, Littlehampton. The menu has been circulated so make your choices, let David Tippett know, and we'll see you there.

July Regular Meeting – Thursday 28th We will have a speaker from the Tangmere Military Aviation Museum. We must not refer to it as RAF Tangmere nowadays but that's what it will always be in my book. It's a fascinating place and there's so much to be told, so do attend.

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Wife. " If I died tomorrow, would you marry again?" Husband. "Certainly not "

W. "Why not? I thought you liked being married". H. "OK, OK. I would marry again "

W. "You would?" (With a hurt look). "Would you live in our house?". H. "Sure. It's a lovely house". W. "Would you both sleep in our bed?" H. "Where else would we sleep?" W. "Would you let her drive my car?" H. "Sure. It's almost new". W. "Would you replace my pictures with hers?" H. "That would seem the right thing to do". W. "Would you give her my jewellery?" H. "No. I'm sure she'd want her own". W. "Would you take her golfing with you?" H. "Yes. Those are always good times". W. "Would she use my clubs?" H. "No. Definitely not".

W. "Why not?" H. "She's left-handed. W. Silence. H. "Damn".

During the war my mother put hot food on the table every day. It didn't seem to matter that we didn't have a tablecloth, dishes, bowls, trays, plates or cutlery, just a table.

Twenty-three members enjoyed an excellent Pub Lunch at the Squire and Horse, Bury on 9th June but, sadly, one member had to be asked to leave for insisting on eating his Pavlova without using any cutlery. Honestly, some people. This was the club's first visit to a delightful hostelry, but it may be our last. However, I've profusely apologised to the pub management in the hope that we may be allowed back.



A useful note from a friend of mine. (Sorry if I'm preaching to the choir and you know this already).

"I read all my books on a Kindle these days. I have a council library card which allows me to read any books in the various council libraries for free (and on a tablet or phone etc). Are your Probus folk aware they can read free from their libraries? (Also, magazines and audio stuff)."

Note from Arundel Library. As a Member, you can download e-books etc. If you go onto West Sussex library services it tells you what's available.



www.westsussex.gov.uk/libraries/elibrary-electronic-library

A penguin went into a bar and asked the barman "Have you seen my brother?" "What does he look like?" asked the barman. Credit BC

"Your call is very important to us.....Please enjoy this forty minute flute solo"

A man witnessed an elephant stealing from a jeweller's shop. It smashed the window and hoovered up all the items in the window with its trunk. "Was it an African or Indian elephant?" asked the policeman. "African elephants have much larger ears than Indian", he added, helpfully. "I don't know", said the witness. "It was wearing a mask over its head". Credit BC

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Jubilee notes. At Trooping the Colour, on Horseguards Parade last month, it was said there was an air of summer about London.

With that number of horses involved, surely there was an air of something else clearly evident.

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A member has suggested that it may be helpful to anyone planning a Pub Lunch to list the places we have been to in the last few years. Which was your favourite and where have I omitted from this random List? Where would you like to return, and where never again?

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| Ship and Anchor, Ford | Angmering Manor | Arun View, Littlehampton | The Gribble, Oving |
| The Fox, Patching | Worthing Indoor Bowls Club | The Elmer, Elmer | The Beresford, Middleton |
| Northbrook College | The Lamb, Angmering | The Sportsman, Amberley | The George, Burpham |
| The Black Horse (or Dog) | Clymping - now closed | Middleton Sports Club | Highdown Hotel, Ferring |
| Six Bells, Lyminster | The Henty Arms, Ferring | Squire and Horse, Bury | The Old Tollgate Hotel, Bramber |
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OWLS ARE NOW COMING to VISIT US



There will be a demonstration at our regular monthly meeting on **Thursday 25th August**.

Following earlier disappointment, a new, Arundel-based company is giving us a **Birds of Prey Experience** in our normal meeting room. I am very confident that birds will actually show up this time so do plan to be there and stay for lunch or there could be owls of protest from the Hotel.

Why don't they put more money in ATMs? I went to four different ones this morning and they all said, "Insufficient Funds".

A said to B. I've just bought a very expensive, top of the range, hearing aid. **B replied to A** . How much was it? **A answered to B.** A quarter past four.

There's even a restaurant on the moon now. Great food but no atmosphere.



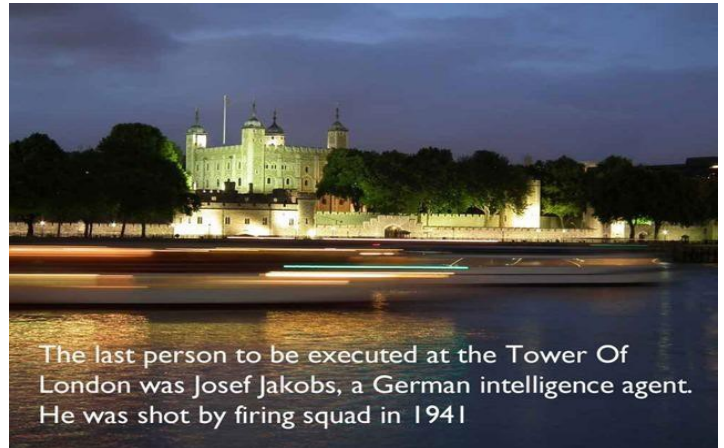
A little old man shuffled into an ice cream parlour and pulled himself slowly, painfully, up onto a stool. After catching his breath, he ordered a banana split.

The waitress asked kindly, 'Crushed nuts?' 'No,' he replied, 'Arthritis.'

Membership Book. Don't forget to let me know of any changes in your situation - for inclusion in the forthcoming Membership Book, particularly if Secretary Richard doesn't have your latest data. I would also prefer to take a new photo of each member as I do not have the originals of most photos in the current, out of date, edition. I hope you won't mind! Smile at the camera please. Bob. 882127

A gentle reminder, gentlemen. If you haven't yet paid your £40 annual sub for 2022/2023, would you kindly do so please? You don't have to attend to remain a member (if unable to attend) but only paid-up members will appear in the new Membership Handbook, unless an Hon Member.





The last person to be executed at the Tower Of London was Josef Jakobs, a German intelligence agent. He was shot by firing squad in 1941

Who would you like to be the next?

Notes from the June meeting. President Barry was still not able to return to the club after a painful few weeks, incapacitated following a significant ankle operation. He hasn't lost his old sparkle and is very keen to get back to normal but that may take a little time yet. Eighteen members attended this meeting, plus five ladies, with all but one staying for lunch. The lunch was well received and was most enjoyable but, unfortunately, the speaker arrived one hour late, a mistake for which he has sincerely apologised. He was also very grateful for the £147.50 total donation to Air Ambulance. Our new Member Dave Pridoux kept the party going until the speaker's arrival and surely must have a spot of his own soon. Thanks Dave.

Thanks also to Vice President David Feist who is standing in while Barry can't! Hooray for Daves.

Our regular monthly talks, or similar, are arranged for the next four months:-

- July - Speaker from Tangmere Military Aviation Museum.
- August – Demonstration. “Hawking About” will give a “Birds of Prey Experience” using four or five birds, including a Barn Owl.
- September – Mike Wearing, a retired Police Officer, on “Policing Peckham”.
- October - Mike Gammon will give a talk on "A Varied Life in the RAF: 8 Different Positions in 20 Years"

Thanks to Mike Gammon for answering the call for more members to give a talk. Who's next?



Warm congratulations to our long-term member and ex-President (2001-2002) Cliff Straw who had a rather significant birthday yesterday. Many Happy Returns Cliff.

What's on at Arundel Probus Club next month?

Thursday 11th August. Stephen and Christine Brocklebank are arranging a Pub Lunch at (to be announced)

Thursday 25th August. Regular meeting at the White Swan Hotel preceded by the Birds of Prey presentation, mentioned above. Do stay for lunch too.

Two goldfish are put in a tank. One says to the other “Do you know how to drive this thing?” Credit BC

An old friend of mine has two dogs called Rolex and Timex. They're watchdogs.

A motorway policeman finally drew level with a speeding motorist and was astounded to see that the driver, a young woman, was actually knitting as she drove.

“Pull over,” yelled the officer through the window. “No. It's a scarf,” replied the woman.

Two young women drove into a garage. (You'd think one of them would have seen it).



Why did they leave them there for so long?



Enough of all this nonsense. Enjoy your summer days as much as you possibly can. See you soon. Bob