



We send her Majesty our warmest congratulations on her Platinum Jubilee, having reined for seventy years.

Her Majesty, The Queen, has become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, that's seventy years of service, having acceded to the throne on 6th February 1952 when Her Majesty was 25 years old.

I believe Her Majesty has lived longer than every current member of Arundel Probos Club - which she is now allowed to join.

Perhaps a telegram of congratulations and a polite invitation are appropriate.

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### What's on at Arundel Probos Club this month?

- **Pub Lunch** Thursday 9th June – Squire and Horses, Bury (reminder below)
- **Monthly Meeting** – Thursday 23rd June. Talk by Mike Charman, Chairman, Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance Trust. Bring a partner, friend, new recruit and do stay for lunch.

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Twenty-four members, partners and friends enjoyed the May Pub Lunch at the Ship and Anchor, Ford, in lovely weather, thanks to VP David Feist. Nice one David.

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### Arundel Probos joins other clubs on trip to Beaulieu - Richard reports.

It was a great day out, especially the motor museum, which is within an old garage that my brother designed and put together. The Secret Army Museum showed the courage of volunteers from all walks of life, and many were women. Unfortunately, many died in the line of duty.

I enjoyed the company of my friends from Arundel and other clubs.



Our thoughts are with President Barry who continues to be *hors de combat* following major ankle surgery recently. No jokes from me this time as having your leg up and in plaster can be extremely painful. We wish you a speedy recovery, Barry and look forward to seeing you again very soon.

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I have never called her stupid but when I asked her to spell Orange and she said, "the fruit or the colour?" I began to wonder. She then said, "Nothing rhymes with orange". I said, "No, it doesn't".

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### Congratulations Mike!

Mike Gammon, who recently turned 90, keeps fit by playing golf and orienteering. Having given up all hope of winning at golf, his hopes have turned to orienteering where he has developed a winning strategy, keep going until everyone else has retired or fallen off their perch. This worked well at the recent two-day JK Orienteering Championships held in South Wales when he became the Over 90s UK British champ. How many in his field? Three. Much easier than being 21 years old where there were over 160 in the field, says Mike.

See? The strategy works!

Well done, Mike. You put the rest of us to shame. My money is on you to win the Over 100s in due course.

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**Brian Arthur** has reminded me how funny Barry Cryer was with his alternative dictionary definitions and here is one of the best, followed by a few more :-

Insolent - Falling off the Isle of Wight ferry

Property – Decent cuppa

Khaki – Device for starting car

Notable – Restaurant full

Overrate – Nine

Ketchup – Posh word for drawing level

Granary – Old folk's home

Intense – outdoor camping

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**John Walton** has forwarded this sound advice from a Japanese Doctor: . **ありがとう** John.

**Q.** Doctor, I've heard that cardiovascular exercise can prolong life. Is that true? **A.** Heart only good for so many beats then that's it. Don't waste on exercise. Everything wear out eventually. Speeding up heart not make you live longer. You don't extend life of car by driving faster. Want to live longer - take nap.

**Q.** Should I reduce my alcohol intake? **A.** Oh no. Wine made from fruit. Fruit very good. Brandy distilled wine. That mean they take water out of fruity bit so you get even more of goodness that way. Beer from grain very good too.

**Q.** What are some of the advantages of participating in a regular exercise programme? **A.** Can't think of any.

**Q.** Aren't fried foods bad for you? **A.** YOU NOT LISTENING. Food friend in vegetable oil. How getting more vegetable be bad?

**Q.** Is chocolate bad for me? **A.** You crazy? Cocoa bean. Another vegetable. It best feel-good food.

**Q.** Is swimming good for your figure? **A.** Explain whale to me.

**Q.** Is getting in shape important for my lifestyle? **A.** "Round" is shape.

Well, I hope this has cleared up any misconceptions you may have had about food and diets. And remember,

1. Japanese eat very little fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than Brits.
2. Mexicans eat a lot of fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than Brits.
3. Chinese drink very little red wine and have fewer heart attacks than Brits.
4. Italians drink a lot of red wine and have fewer heart attacks than Brits.
5. Germans eat a lot of fat, drink a lot of beer and suffer fewer heart attacks than Brits.

**Conclusion.** Eat and drink what you like. Speaking English is apparently what kills you.

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**The June Pub Lunch is on Thursday 9th June at a new venue for the club, but you may have been there already. The Squire and Horse, at the bottom of Bury Hill, just north of Arundel, has a good reputation for its mid-week lunches and we have been fortunate to secure most of the restaurant area for our lunch on the day we wanted. There is ample car parking space but fill a car if you can.**

**You may have booked already but, if not, there's still just time to let me know. Friday 3rd June is the absolute deadline. I need to know how many diners and their menu choices.**

**The lunch will cost £20 per head and a staff gratuity may be left on your table, at your discretion. The Chef has produced attractive menu choices, which are shown below, so please let me know your preferences very soon. 01903 882127 [bobtanner1809@gmail.com](mailto:bobtanner1809@gmail.com) Payment by BACS Probus A/C No 10642681 Sort code 20-20-62**

**Please mark all payments for June Pub Lunch**

**MAINS** Roast of the day with Yorkshire pudding / Steak & Kidney pudding encased in pastry Calves Liver on creamy mash with a red wine jus / Haddock Fillet with a herb crust on creamy mash with a white wine cream sauce/ Pea and halloumi fritters served with tzatziki and grilled tomatoes **NOTE.** Vegetables are included with mains, as appropriate

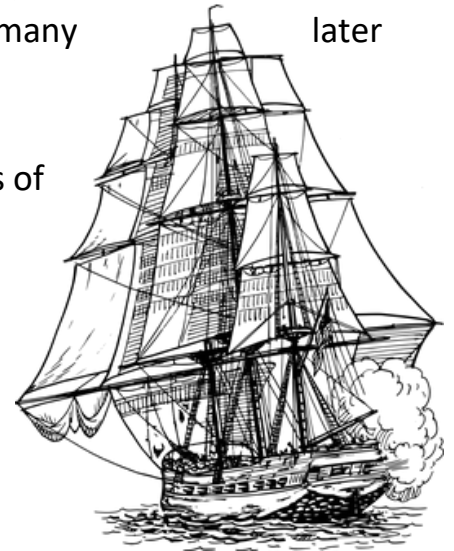
**DESSERTS** Pavlova with fresh berries and passion fruit coulis/ Vanilla cream Brulee with a compote/White Chocolate and Baileys cheesecake served with honey ice-cream/ 2 scoops of home-made ice-cream

**We now have members willing to organise the July and August Pub Lunches so all is well, for the time being.**



**"Grab your bread roll. It's in my pocket."**

**And, if you're reading this on 1<sup>st</sup> June**, you might like to think about a famous naval battle called "The Glorious First of June" which took place in 1794, exactly 228 years ago today. It's named after the date because it took place four hundred miles out into the Atlantic, far from any convenient landmark. Revolutionary France had executed Louis XVI on 21<sup>st</sup> January 1793, and declared war on Britain and Holland on 1<sup>st</sup> February, and although part of a Coalition, Britain fought the war its own way, with ambitions of its own. Besides seeking to destroy French warships, Britain's Royal Navy subjected France to a maritime blockade so that France could neither export manufactures, import food from abroad, nor send troops to defend its overseas 'possessions', (many later captured by the British). To make things worse, a series of bad harvests made food in France scarce and expensive. A French Admiral, Villaret-Joyeuse was sent out from Brest with 26 ships of the line to protect an inbound fleet of 117 merchant ships, including many bringing vital grain from America's Chesapeake Bay. Britain's Admiral Lord Howe was sent out with 25 warships to stop him. Intending to break through the line of French warships, Howe's ship, HMS *Queen Charlotte* fired broadsides into Villaret's *Montagne* and the French *Jacobin* at the same time, shattering both. Six French warships were captured and a seventh, the *Vengeur du Peuple* was sunk, and in Britain, the battle was greeted as a famous victory. But, what if the British fleet had concentrated on destroying the grain ships which later reached Brest safely? Would the Revolutionary Government have lost what popularity it had with a starving French population, or sought an earlier peace without the need for Trafalgar or Waterloo, or Napoleon's invasion of Russia in 1812? Thanks to **Brian Arthur**, our own Naval Historian.



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The following extracts are from a book called "**Disorder in the American Courts**" and are things people actually said in court, word for word, taken down and published by court reporters that had the torment of staying calm while the exchanges were taking place.

**ATTORNEY:** She had three children, right? **WITNESS:** Yes. **ATTORNEY:** How many were boys? **WITNESS:** None. **ATTORNEY:** Were there any girls? **WITNESS:** Your Honour, I need a different attorney please.

**ATTORNEY:** Doctor, how many of your autopsies have you performed on dead people? **WITNESS:** All of them. The live ones put up too much of a fight.

**ATTORNEY:** ALL your responses MUST be oral. What school did you go to? **WITNESS:** Oral.

**ATTORNEY:** How was your first marriage terminated? **WITNESS:** By death. **ATTORNEY:** And by whose death was it terminated? **WITNESS:** Take a guess.



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**Ken Liversage** was the much-loved President of Arundel Probus 1994-1995. He had been chief of safety with British Airways and handled the Munich air crash with great distinction. Ken spent much of his life in airplanes of course, as an engineer, and is believed to have been a member of the Royal Aero Society. His wife Dilys (very Welsh) still lives in Arundel by the Cathedral. (Wonderful cook.) Dilys's brother was a nuclear scientist in Vienna and gave us an excellent talk on his work there.

David Sunray was a great friend of Ken (and still is of Dilys) and sent me these notes as well as this amusing piece which passed between them 22 years ago this month. It's still very funny – and true! The Club sends love to Dilys, who will read this.

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**From:** Kenneth Liversage <Kendil@tesco.net>  
**To:** David & Brenda Sunray  
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**Date:** 17 June 2000 11:43  
**Subject:** For your amusement

This is the transcript of an ACTUAL radio conversation of a U.S. naval ship with Canadian authorities off the coast of Newfoundland in October 1995.

Radio conversation released by the Chief of Naval Operations 10/10/95.

**Americans:** Please divert your course 15 degrees to the North to avoid a collision.

**Canadians:** Recommend you divert YOUR course 15 degrees to the South to avoid a collision.

**Americans:** This is the captain of a U.S. Navy ship. I say again, divert YOUR course.

**Canadians:** No. I say again, you divert YOUR course.

**Americans:** THIS IS THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER USS LINCOLN, THE SECOND LARGEST SHIP IN THE UNITED STATES' ATLANTIC FLEET. WE ARE ACCOMPANIED BY THREE DESTROYERS, THREE CRUISERS, AND NUMEROUS SUPPORT VESSELS. I DEMAND THAT YOU CHANGE YOUR COURSE 15 DEGREES NORTH, THAT'S ONE FIVE DEGREES NORTH, OR COUNTERMEASURE WILL BE UNDERTAKEN TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THIS SHIP.

**Canadians:** This is a lighthouse. Your call.

Ken & Dilys

7.6.00

I don't feel old. I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap.

Bob Hope

The price of petrol is so high this year, I've started putting vodka in the lawnmower's tank. Now the grass is coming up half cut.

**What's on next month, July 2022? Advanced notice.**

- **Pub Lunch.** Details of the July Pub Lunch, to be organised by David Tippet on 14<sup>th</sup> July at the Arun View, Littlehampton, will be available soon.
- **Monthly Meeting** - Thursday 28th July. Talk by Education Manager, Tangmere Military Aviation Museum. The White Swan Hotel.



**Late News** 17 members plus 3 ladies attended the May meeting and enjoyed a fun Quizz, organised by our busy VP, David. He was kept busy as President Barry, Secretary Richard and Treasurer Charlie were all absent on the day, for varying reasons. 14 members and the 3 ladies stayed for lunch.

*Best Wishes dear readers. Thanks for your contributions. Can I have some more please? Bob*