



As Mad as a March Hare, some say, but who would kill and chase these beautiful, intelligent creatures with dogs on the South Downs, just north of Arundel? Man's cruelty knows no bounds.

Hares are smart and fast and often outrun their pursuers, but not always.

The RSPCA is involved nationally in an increasing number of cases that include hare coursing, badger baiting and even cock fighting involving millions of pounds of betting fraud, tax evasion and even weapons, and all this in 2023.

What a cheerful way to start another APT. Support the RSPCA if you can.



What's happening this month, March?

Thursday 9th March Pub Lunch at Worthing Indoor Bowls Club. 1, Field Place, The Boulevard, Worthing. BN13 1NP

You may have booked already but, if not, here are the details again. Don't delay. Book today!

Please advise Charlie of your attendance and menu choices by e-mail to cfmeggs@outlook.com or Phone 01903 368 941 and please pay by BACS into Arundel Proboscis Club - Business Account A/C No 1064268 Sort code 20-20-62. **Mark payment MarPublunch.** £20 per head, including coffee.

MAIN COURSE

- Roast leg of lamb with suet crust and redcurrant gravy
- Chicken breast in white wine and tarragon sauce
- Seabass fillet in bonne femme sauce

ALL SERVED WITH ROAST POTATOES AND FRESH VEGETABLES

DESSERTS

- Toffee and pecan meringue roulade with ice cream and caramel sauce
- Lemon tart, fresh raspberries, lemon sauce and ice cream
- Homemade Bakewell tart and custard
- Mini cheese-board , crackers and onion chutney

ANY VEGETARIANS AND GLUTEN FREE WE CAN CATER FOR - JUST ASK

Thursday 23rd March Regular Club Meeting, White Swan Hotel.

Speaker. Pam Goodall, the "Lady on a Bike". Lunch as usual £18 Menu to follow

A Flyer will also follow, telling you about this remarkable lady whose story is fascinating.

Her to Him I notice you haven't been playing golf lately.
Him to Her I haven't anyone to play with.
Her to Him What about David Tippett?
Him to Her Would you play golf with someone who cheats, moves the ball and marks a better score?
Her to Him Certainly not.
Him to Her Neither will David.

The Arun View Pub did us proud again at our pub lunch on 9th February. Twenty four of us enjoyed a tasty meal as we watched the tide come in on the River Arun. It was good to have Tony Reynolds and Joe Hayes with us again. Thanks to David Tippett for organising.

Tim Jowitt told us about Living in France at our last meeting on 23rd February. I wish I had known all that Tim told us before buying our place in Normandy about twenty years ago. There was so much useful information and useful anecdotes etc. I learnt it the hard way but, as Tim said, he would do it all again for sure and so would I. No regrets at all. Vive la France et merci Tim!

The meeting was very well attended and most stayed for lunch. We welcomed a potential new, lady, member, Linda Bridge and guest Pam Bansted from Arundel. Brenda Jowitt was also present to give moral support to Tim.

A snail bought a car in France. The salesman was surprised that the snail chose the fastest car available. He was even more surprised when the snail asked for a large letter S to be painted on each side of the car.

“Why do you need that?” he asked. The snail replied “I want people to say, look at that S car go!”

How did you do in the Quiz last month? Here are the answers:-

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| 1. Ford | 19. Escort |
| 2. Jaguar | 20. Mazda |
| 3. Dat sun | 21. Cavalier |
| 4. Seat (Sit!) | 22. Metro |
| 5. Lotus | 23. Spitfire |
| 6. Audi | 24. Sunbeam |
| 7. Reliant | 25. Estate |
| 8. Triumph | 26. Spider |
| 9. Fiesta | 27. Marina |
| 10. Princess | 28. Morris minor |
| 11. Mini | 29. Mustang |
| 12. Robin | 30. Renault (Wren halt!) |
| 13. Polo | 31. Humber |
| 14. Hillman | 32. Allegro |
| 15. Alpine | 33. Midgit |
| 16. Capri | 34. Wolsley |
| 17. Avenger | 35. Sapphire |
| 18. Rover. | 36. Golf |
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I accidentally handed my wife a glue stick instead of lipstick. She's still not talking to me.

What's the point of this Arundel road sign ? Children never do what they're told to do.



I may be tempting fate but the local weather so far this year has not been too bad. Frosty nights then bright sunshine from cloudless skies. Then a few cloudy days before more sun. In fact, it's been a pretty good winter to date with not a single named storm. Last year there were four by now. Storm Otto never got close in February. Spring is coming much earlier. However, another long drought is already beginning to threaten drinking water reserves.

Do you remember Saturday morning pictures, and can you still sing this?

*We are the boys and girls well known as, minors of the ABC
We like to laugh and have a sing-song; just a happy crowd are we.
And every Saturday we line up to see the films we like; we laugh aloud
with glee. We're all pals together; we're minors of the ABC*



In about 1952, my friends and I were queuing in the rain one Saturday morning to go to the flicks at The Embassy, North Harrow. A local bully was deliberately splashing puddles and soaking us kids in the queue. He stepped over a barrier near some roadworks nearby where there was a huge puddle and he thought he would make us even wetter.

Unfortunately for him, the large puddle filled a deep hole and said bully disappeared into it before being pulled out by the cinema's doorman. We all that was very funny as bully got his comeuppance. I wonder where he is now. Politician? Policeman?

I saw a dog shopping in Tesco's. It was pushing a trolley with a purse in its mouth with which it paid for its groceries.

I decided to follow it as it walked about a mile to its home with a shopping bag, having transferred the contents of the trolley. It put the shopping bag by its front door and barked for ages until someone let it in.

I had never seen such a clever dog so I knocked on the door to compliment the dog's owner, who replied.

"Clever. It's not clever, it's a stupid dog. That's the third time this week it's forgotten its keys".

Arundel Probus Speaker Programme 2023

March 23	Pam Goodall - Lady on a Bike	April 27	AGM (No speaker)
May 25	Duncan Levin - Antarctic Odyssey	June 22	Brian Arthur - D-day and The Royal Navy
July 27	Hartley Elder - Sussex Blood Bikers	August 24	Angela Macascal - (HSBC) - Fraud
September 28	Ian Goodall - "Glorious Gannets of the Bass Rock"		

This year's programme is nearly complete.

December is Christmas Party time.

Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson went on a camping trip and, after sharing a good meal and a bottle of wine, they retired for the night.

At about 3am, Holmes nudged Watson and asked, "Watson, look up into the sky and tell me what you see?" Watson said, "I see millions of stars."

Holmes asked, "And, what does that tell you?"

Watson replies:-

"Astronomically, it tells me there are millions of galaxies and potentially billions of planets.

Astrologically, it tells me that Saturn is in Leo.

Theologically, it tells me that God is great and we are small and insignificant.

Horologically, it tells me that it's about 3 am.

Meteorologically, it tells me that we will have a beautiful day tomorrow.

And what does it tell you, Holmes?" Holmes retorts, "Someone's stolen our tent."



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Did I read the following signs correctly?

TOILET OUT OF ORDER. PLEASE USE FLOOR BELOW

AFTER TEA BREAK STAFF SHOULD EMPTY THE TEAPOT AND STAND UPSIDE DOWN ON THE DRAINING BOARD

THESE ARE AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINES IN THIS LAUNDRETTE: PLEASE REMOVE ALL YOUR CLOTHES WHEN THE LIGHT GOES OUT

WOULD THE PERSON WHO TOOK THE STEP LADDER YESTERDAY PLEASE BRING IT BACK OR FURTHER STEPS WILL BE TAKEN

IN A SAFARI PARK. ELEPHANTS, PLEASE STAY IN YOUR CAR

FOR ANYONE WHO HAS CHILDREN AND DOESN'T KNOW IT, THERE IS A SPECIAL ROOM ON THE 1ST FLOOR

THE FARMER ALLOWS WALKERS TO CROSS THIS FIELD FOR FREE, BUT THE BULL CHARGES

IF YOU CANNOT READ, THIS LEAFLET WILL TELL YOU HOW TO GET LESSONS

WE CAN REPAIR ANYTHING. (PLEASE KNOCK HARD ON THE DOOR - THE BELL DOESN'T WORK)

Alternatively, PLEASE RING THE KNOCKER



Coming soon to a street near you!

Street golf



Sadly, it's already arrived.

Happy Landings

After a particularly bad landing, the pilot stood by the exit door to apologise to passengers as they left.

Finally, everyone had got off except a little old lady, walking with a cane.

She said, 'Sir, do you mind if I ask you a question?'

'Why, no, Ma'am,' said the pilot.

'Did we land, or were we shot down?'

After a particularly rough landing during thunderstorms in Memphis, a flight attendant on a Northwest flight announced, 'Please take care when opening the overhead compartments because sure as hell everything

has shifted after a landing like that.'

Another flight attendant's comment on a less than perfect landing: 'We ask you to please remain seated as Captain Kangaroo bounces us to the terminal.'

Overheard on an American Airlines flight into Amarillo, Texas on a particularly windy and bumpy day: During the final approach, the Captain was really having to fight it. After an extremely hard landing, the Flight Attendant said, 'Ladies and Gentlemen, welcome to Amarillo Please remain in your seats with your seat belts fastened while the Captain taxis what's left of our airplane to the gate!'

And finally, here's part of a flight attendant's arrival announcement: 'We'd like to thank you folks for flying with us today. And, the next time you get the insane urge to go blasting through the skies in a pressurized metal tube, we hope you'll think of U.S. Airways..'

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What's happening next month, April?

Thursday 13th April. The April Pub Lunch will be at the Squire and Horse, Bury, kindly organised by Richard. This will be our return visit after an enjoyable lunch there last year.

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Menu choices are:-

Mains

Roast Turkey with Yorkshire pudding
Steak & Kidney pudding encased in suet pastry
Haddock Fillet with a herb crust on creamy mash with a white wine cream sauce

Desserts

Pavlova with fresh berries and passion fruit coulis
Vanilla cream Brulee served with a compote.
Millionaire chocolate tart served with caramel ice-cream
2 scoops of home-made ice-cream

Thursday 27th April Annual General Meeting. 11.00 The White Swan Hotel

There's no speaker at the AGM to allow time for reports, elections and discussion with members.

This is an important date in the Probus calendar so do try to attend if possible. The formal business does not take long and then we have time to hear members' comments, ideas, proposals and even constructive criticisms. Don't miss a chance to have your say. This is your club.

The Rules of the AGM are in your Membership Handbook.

The Officers and other Committee members stand down at the AGM but may be re-elected. Other nominations are welcome. A new President and Vice President will be elected.

Do join the new President at lunch after the AGM.

LATE NEWS:

Sussex Police have confirmed that the man who fell from the roof of a Brighton Night Club and sadly died was not a bouncer.

I wish you all you would wish yourself. If that fails, just be satisfied and happy with your lot.

Best wishes, and thanks to contributors. Bob