



# Chanctonbury Probus Club

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The year started as before with a remote handover of the Chairmanship from Clive Jones to Ray Gatward.

The Covid restrictions were still in place and the Management Committee and Social Committee worked hard and successfully in setting up a programme of events to meet the available opportunities. Thank you to Ray and all the other committee members for their cheerful dedication and execution of the tasks in hand.



## WALKS

The monthly club walks were able to start up in July with a Walk around Knepp Castle 'Seeing the Storks' followed by The Vineyards of West Chiltington (August), The Lanes of Thakeham and West Chiltington (September),

Outskirts of Horsham (October),

Findon area (November),  
Bramber's two castles and three churches (January),  
Historical views of Ferring and Goring (February) and finishing with the Washington area in April.



## TALKS

**W**e continued the well received Zoom Talks which included 'Electric vehicles and solar energy' by Stuart Arnold (May), 'Vaccines: Policy, Politics, Pandemic – An expert view' by Stuart Carroll (June), 'Trouble with Wasps' by Dr Ian Bedford (July), 'The alpha and omega and the war on the virus' by Stuart Carroll in January.



The Monthly Lunch meetings were resumed, after 17 months, at the Old Tollgate Hotel in August following strict Covid rules. In November there was a talk by Bill McNought on 'Magnus Volk' and in December we enjoyed a Roger Millard Quiz – testing 'those little grey cells'. 'Quirky Inventions' -Doug Eaton in January, in February we were given a most informative talk by Tim Hulbert -'40 Years a Witness' and 'Behind the Walls ' from Peter Nottingham.

## EVENTS

**D**uring the year the Social Committee has pulled all the stops out to provide our members and associates with a very full programme of events. A great achievement considering all the Rules, Laws and Guidelines that **we** had to follow. Well done and thank you to all the individuals who undertook the management of the events. They included:



A visit to Leonardslee Woodland Garden organised by Ted Hooker (May)



A Virtual Wine Tasting session with the Chanctonbury Wine Club organised by Laki Marangos. (June)

A Croquet practice session at Rother Valley CC organised by Clive Jones(June)



Spit Roast at Southlands Barn organised by Ray Gatward (June)



Inter-Probus Club

Croquet between Chanctonbury, Storrington, South Downs and West Chiltington. Clive and Angela Jones sadly lost out in the final.

Organised by Laki Maragos. (July)

A coach trip to the RHS Hampton Court Flower Show organised by Simon Powlson (July)



Summer Ladies Lunch at Tottington Manor House Hotel organised by Valerie Gatward (July)



A coach trip to the Brooklands Museum organised by Peter Comben (August)



A tour and tasting at the Nutbourne Vineyard in West Chiltington organised by Simon Powlson (September)



The Chairman's Invitation Lunch at Southlands Barn, West Chiltington organised by Ray Gatward (October)

Fishbourne Roman Palace organised by Simon Powlson (October)



A visit and tour of Christ's Hospital, Horsham organised by Ray Gatward (November)

A trip to the Biggin Hill Heritage Hangar organised by Laki Marangos (November)



Ten Pin Bowling at Out of Bounds, Rustington organised by John Gilbert (February)

Ladies Spring Lunch at Tottington Manor organised by Valerie Gatward





Curling at Fentons Rink in Kent organised by Simon Powlson (February)



A Skittles Evening organised by Laki Marangos (March)



A talk on Magistrates Courts and the a mock trial in Storrington and Sullington Parish Hall organised by Alan Price (April)



The Annual dinner at West Sussex Golf Club organised by Clive Jones

## GOLF

The Golfers, organised by Simon Powlson, enjoyed rounds at Hill Barn, Spring Hills, Seaford Blatching, Hoebridge and Cottesmore Golf Club this year. John Howard was presented with the Roy Ward trophy at the Club Coffee Morning on the 16th November 2021 by the Chairman Ray Gatward. John won the 2021 golf competition by having the best three round total of 102 points.



## **INITIUM**

We welcomed the following new Members:



Alan Price in August



Tim Healey in September



Stuart Pullen in November



Chris Davis in December



Jim Sanson in April 2022

## **VALETE**

Sadly we lost following Associate Members during the year:

Associate Ron Jones in May

Associate Brian Davis in July

Associate Member Eric Hoffman's wife, Anne in November.

## CLUB OFFICIALS FOR THE YEAR

### **The officers elected for 2020/21 include:-**

- Chairman                                      Ray Gatward
- Vice Chairman                                John Maunder
- Secretary                                        Graham Moss
- Treasurer                                        Stuart Arnold
- Social Committee Chairman                Laki Marangos
- Past Chairman                                 Clive Jones

### **The Social Committee currently is:-**

- Laki Marangos - Chairman
- Simon Powlson
- Alan Jeffs (2021)
- Bruce Tompson
- Alan Price
- Tim Healey

### **Appointed Roles**

- Speaker Secretary— Jeff Ward—Tim Hulbert from January 2022
- Walks Co-ordinator—Ted Fisher
- Coffee Mornings—Ray Gatward
- Welfare—Clive Jones
- Golf—Simon Powlson
- Lunches—Roger Millard
- Media—John Gilbert
- Auditor—Derek Hiscoke
- Website and Journal—Rob Golding and Steve Denham