

NOTES FROM A MEETING OF THE CROMWELL PROBUS (LUNCHEON) CLUB STEERING GROUP ON 14 JUN 22

1. The Meeting was opened by Peter B at 1000 prompt so business could be conducted in time for him to attend the Falklands 40th Memorial outside the Town at 1100 hrs.
2. In Attendance: Peter baker(Chair); Gordon Steptoe, Ros Townsend, Chris Leah, Dave Mack (Admin) with Apologies from Roger Bruce.
3. Disposal of Assets. Peter informed that the Collars, Block & gavel were awaiting collection by the Norris Museum and the Lectern had been delivered to the St Ives Rotary from whence it came. He also disclosed the names of the recipients of the Bowling Club pin and Cup that would be presented at the Jubilee Lunch on 16th.
4. Internet Banking. Dave reported progress inasmuch as Gordon had been sent forms to register and that he (Dave) now needed to become a full signatory to manage the account properly. However, Dave agreed that he would not be a signatory on any payment that involved reimbursing him for SG-authorised ad-hoc expenses that are made to reduce the number of cheques the Club uses for its Free banking.
5. Jubilee Lunch – Seating allocation per table - Dave explained that, despite the Club's policy of not allocating / reserving seats (not even with napkins) so diners mingle, he had received 3 requests for a large number of first-time guests to be seated with their inviting members . Consequently, to accommodate these multiple requests on this special 1-off occasion he had decided to allocate everyone to tables. The SG approved this , 1-off, but, in future, hoped everyone would sort out their own seating on entering the dining room.
6. Hosts/Speakers. In June the host is Peter Baker with a Royal encounter and with an additional speaker, Gordon Steptoe also with a Royal Story. In August, Doreen Steptoe – our first lady host/speaker - has volunteered to enthral us; and in August, for the 1st Anniversary of the Phoenix Lunches, Dave Mack has offered his services to outline our progress and aspirations with each of the SG being invited to 'talk' as part of that history. Chris Leah has agreed to be the Host/Speaker in September. Any volunteers for Oct/Nov 22?
7. Future Menus. Maria has provided a comprehensive set of menus for each month up till December for the SG to peruse, agree or discuss with her though the Chair/Admin 2 months ahead. To be added to the Agenda each month for any observations/issues for the menu 2 months ahead.
8. 1-off Collection for Ukrainian Refugee Children attending Thorndown School. Peter explained that the proceeds of the collection at the Jubilee Lunch will be used primarily to help make the children feel integrated. The SG agreed that there was no objection either to the proceeds being used to help offset the expenses of the mothers of these children to accompany them on school trips if other parents were also included.
9. AOB. Dave reminded members that FREE tickets were still available for the RAF Wyton Armed Forces Day on 25 Jun 22. Tickets/details found when you Google 'RAF Wyton Armed Forces Day' or with the link:
www.armedforcesday.org.uk/event/raf-wyton-armed-forces-day/

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