

Dear Probians and Ladies,

March 2022

**Peter Jones.** It is so sad that Peter is no longer with us. We will all remember him.

**President.** President Alan is having a procedure in hospital on the day of our next meeting. We trust that all will go well, Alan. Vice-President John Hallett will chair the meeting.

Our **next meeting** will start on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 11.15 a.m. at the Riviera Hotel. As usual, coffee will be served from 10.30 a.m. Please remember that you have to pay £1.50 for this coffee. The meeting will start with any outstanding business followed by the Speaker. If you are not attending, or will not be taking lunch or are bringing a guest, please notify Registrar Derek Diprose on phone number 01202 708593 not later than mid-day on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March. The hotel may well charge for any non-apologies. Please give your cheque for £20 for lunch to Derek on the meeting day.

**Covid.** There are hand sanitising facilities at the main entrance. Please consider wearing a mask when in communal areas. The hotel aims to provide as much fresh air as possible. Touch points are sanitised.

**Speaker.** The speaker this month is Michael Spender, whose talk is entitled “The Poole Museums Service”. Michael was appointed Museum Manager by the Borough of Poole in 2007, Museum and Arts Manager in 2011 and took on the same role for BCP Council when it was formed in 2019. He was appointed Head of Culture in September 2021.

#### **Social Activities.**

Members enjoyed the coffee and lunch organised by Social Secretary Michael on 24th February. The next social event is our President’s Lunch on Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup>. In case you have not yet send in your order form, I am attaching it again. Please post it by 10<sup>th</sup> March or bring it with you to the next meeting. It should be a very enjoyable social occasion.

#### **News of members who are not well**

To my knowledge there are no new reports of ill health.

**March Birthday Boys.** There are no member birthdays in March.

**Widow Ladies.** There were 6 attendees at the lunch on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March. The next one will be on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April, contact Sue or Geoff by Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March (01202 669409).

**Lone Rangers.** What a loss it will be for the Lone Rangers and the rest of us now that Peter is no longer with us. He had taken on as organiser after the death of Bill Bishop. He had arranged lunches in some of the best pubs in our area which were very much enjoyed by the members.

**Thought for the month.** We were not ready for you to leave, dear friend. *Anon.*

*Best wishes, David*