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A balding white haired man walked into a jewellery store this past Friday with beautiful blonde young lady. He told the jeweller he was looking for a special ring for his girlfriend. The jeweller looked through his stock and brought out a £5,000 ring. The man said, 'No I'd like to see something more special'. The jeweller went to his special stock and came back with a £40,000. ring, the man said 'We will take it'. The Lady's eyes sparkled and her body trembled with excitement. 'How will you pay asked the Jeweller?' 'By cheque' said the old man. But I know you will need to make sure my cheque is good so I'll write it now and when you have checked with the bank we will pick it up on Monday Afternoon.' On Monday morning, the jeweller angrily phoned the old man and said 'Sir...There no money in that account.'

"I know said the old man...But let me tell you about my weekend."



The Albatross

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Message from the Club Chairman

I was at the RAFA conference at the beginning of May with the Branch Chairman Phil Snelgrove. A number of issues were muted, the status of membership was one that raised a heated debate. HQ would like everyone who is a Branch Associate to become a Full Associate. They stated that Branch Associates are not included in the Head Quarters records and so Head Quarters do not receive any funds from their membership subscriptions. A resolution was passed so all current Branch Associates will have to become Full Associates. The increase in subscriptions will possibly mean some members will not renew. The increase will be from £26.40 to £31.90, just £5.50 or to break that down, ten and a half pence per week, but at least if you do decide to become a Full Associate you will become a statistic on someone's data base. So if you decide to change. We the committee would be very pleased. You our Members make the Club what it is today and we would hate to lose you. *John Leahy* Club Chairman.

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Regular Monthly Events

2nd Wednesday- Aircrew 11 00
 Every Mon - Keep fit 13 30
 Tuesday - Table Tennis 11 00
 Friday - “ “ 11 00
 1st Wed - Coffee Morning 10 30
 2nd Wed - Welcome Group 10 30
 4th Thur - Welcome Walk 09 30
 Meet at Club drive to start of walk lifts can be arranged.
 1st Friday - Quiz Night 19 45
 Bingo Wed see notice board 20 00
 4th Tue Creole Swing Night 20 00
 Check notice board for variations & details of other Activities

Future Events

Fri 16th June is Sussex Day and we will have cream teas from 2.00pm – 4.00pm and from 7.00pm till 11.00 pm there will be a mini beer festival.
Sat 17th June Beer Festival continues all day. Outside there will be a BBQ. “The Other Band” will play outside from 1.30 pm.
Fri 30th June, “Exiles Band” gig

Club Bar Opening Times

Mon-Sat Morning & Lunch time
 11 00 to 14 30.
Evenings 19 00 to 23 00*
Thursday “ 17.00 to 23.00
Sunday PM 12 00 to 14 30
***Closed Sunday Evenings.**

Lunch is served Tuesday to Friday between 12.00 & 1.30 Wednesday is a Roast lunch. See menu for choices.

Sunday Draw is now done by raffle tickets which are on sale on the day. You can put money in an envelope with your name & money, and place that in the box by the Jubilee room stairs for tickets if you are not going to be there on the day of the draw.

in the OPS room. Tickets £5.00.

Sat 22nd July, Roaring 20’s Day The Club will be open all day, Band and BBQ outside.

Sun 30th July Bexhill Motofest Band & BBQ outside.

Sat 19th Aug 7.00pm Club Party, theme is ‘A Day at the Beech,’



A Message from our Membership Secretary

Most members when they have renewed their membership pick up their membership cards from the letter rack by the Club entrance. However some do not. Under the Club rules everyone, (apart from guests) should have their membership cards with them when in the Club. While on the subject of membership, most of you renew your membership before the end of the year, Thank you for that. But some do not remember until the end of March. If they have not renewed by then, I delete them from my records, as not wishing to renew. If they then decide to re-new I have to reinstate them on my records and this is very frustrating and takes time. We try to make everyone receive a renewal notice by the beginning of December. Some people say they have not received them. New members should also collect their cards from the rack. Please make my life easier. *Elizabeth Leahy Membership.*

Speakers Corner 2nd Wednesday of the month

Since the refurbishment of the Ops room we have not had any speakers, but Ed Walker has taken on the task of getting some together for your entertainment. There has never been a talk in August so there is none for August.
14th June. “Four years in an Arab Air Force”, Tony Selmes.
12th July. “For Gallantry and Valour”. Ray Hemming.
13th Sept. “Making Fire”. Ed Walker. *More in next issue..*

Dominoes and Cribbage

Are you interested in playing Dominoes if you are there are some members who are looking for others to join them on Friday evenings. Contact Geoff Weeks or Alan Dickson on Fridays. If you have never played but would like to learn I am sure they both would teach you. If anyone is interested in setting up a group to play cribbage, if you let a member of the Committee know we can then advertise it on the notice board.