

Programme for the Next 12 Months

All meetings are held on Thursdays, at **12:30 for 1:00**, at Pyecombe Golf Club, off A273, Pyecombe Hill, unless otherwise stated*

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| 19 Oct 2023 | Colin Bostock -Smith | A Life in Comedy |
| 16 Nov 2023 | Bill MacNaught | Barnes Wallis |
| 21 Dec 2023 | Christmas Lunch with Ladies, Eaton & Webb Musical Duo | |
| 18 Jan 2024 | Neil Sadler | Almost Death in paradise |
| 15 Feb 2024 | Peter Griffithjhs | A lifetime in Aviation (Part 2) |
| 21 Mar 2024 | AGM, + Gillian Halcrow | A History of Food, Drink and Table Manners |
| 18 Apr 2024 | Chris Green | Brunel's Kingdom |
| 16 May 2024 | David Bickerton | The pursuit and sinking of the Bismark |
| 20 Jun 2024 | Peter Allen | The greatest movies never made |
| 18 Jul 2024 | Neil Nixon | Beatles myths and legends |
| 15 Aug 2024 | Lunch with Ladies | TBA |
| 19 Sep 2024 | Ian Currie | Droughts, Deluges and Dust Devils |

Apologies for absence arrangements have changed, see notes above. Apologies after the deadline will result in the cost of the meal being charged. Apologies for meals at Pyecombe should be sent to Peter Kirk on peterkirk@btinternet.com or by phone to 01273-843 227

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Chairman's Message

Dear Gentlemen

I'm sure you all enjoyed Alan Chalmers' second talk on "Behind the Scenes at Wimbledon" which was delivered in Alan's typically amusing and not too PC style. I was watching Derek Carr-Hill's face during the talk – he appeared enthralled by it all and especially given his own Wimbledon experience as a player.

The pool phase is now over at the Rugby World Cup in France. Hosts France beat three-time champions New Zealand in the tournament opener but both teams have made it to the quarter-finals. Reigning champions South Africa were beaten by Ireland in a thrilling match, but the Springboks won their other three games to qualify alongside the Six Nations Grand Slam winners. The upshot is mouth-watering ties between France and South Africa and Ireland and New Zealand. Fiji joined Wales in the last eight despite suffering a shock defeat to Portugal (great game though). England edged out Samoa (but only just) with Argentina defeating Japan to join England in the knockout stages. Next Saturday and Sunday we'll see Wales play Argentina (any Welsh-speakers in that team I wonder?), Ireland will play New Zealand, England will play Fiji and France will be up against the Springboks. It probably won't come as much of a surprise if England loses to Fiji's somewhat unconventional and innovative style of rugby. The final will be held on 28th October – Ireland vs France perhaps? Get a good stock of your favourite tippie in for the weekends.

Sincere thanks to John Bannister who has arranged our speakers through to the end of 2024. We are very aware that good speakers and interesting topics are a key attraction for members, both prospective and current and welcome your feedback and suggestions. We were sorry to hear about Peter Wilson's fall in the car park at our September meeting and sincerely hope he recovers well. Our thanks go to Chris Nutley for accompanying Peter to the hospital in the ambulance.

We hope that many members will be joining us for lunch on 19th October when Colin Bostock -Smith will talk about "A Life in Comedy" which I'm sure will be a laughing matter.

As always, stay safe and stay well.
Chris Davies

Duties for 19th October

Speaker Host - Gordon Gosling
Grace - Eddie Borrill
Vote of Thanks - The Chairman

Lunch on 19th October

Mains Lamb Shank or Baked Cod Fillet
Desserts Seasonal Fruit Crumble or Cheese & Biscuits

Lunch on 16th November

Starters Individual Baked Camembert or Tomato, Mozzarella, Basil on Toast

Mains Steak and Ale Pie or Herb Crusted Fillet of Salmon

Allergies:

Please remember that if you, or your partner in the case of a lunch with our ladies, have a food allergy let Peter Kirk know when ordering your meal. Peter will then inform Pyecombe Golf Club. Peter advises that this has happened on several occasions and works well.

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Executive Committee

Will meet at 11:45 at Pyecombe Golf Club on Thursday, 19th October 2023

Ladies' Lunches

The next Ladies' Lunch will be on 19 October at the Thatched Inn, Keymer 12:15pm for 12.30pm. Would those ladies wishing to come please let Moyra Crouch know by Monday 16 October either by telephone No 01444 233492 or email moyra.crouch@btinternet.com.

Editor's Spot:

All contributions to terry.harper@btinternet.com will be welcome.

Wimbledon, Part 2

Alan Chalmers made a return visit to the Club in September, to regale us with yet more stories about Wimbledon. He started where he had left off, in 1987, the era of Pat Cash and Martina Navratilova. He also told us of some memorable events, like the fact that in 1931, Sidney Wood won the title in a walkover, the only time that has occurred. Frank Shields had to withdraw from the final because of an injury.

50 years later, in 1981, Andre Agassi would marry Frank Shield's daughter.

The first Grand Slam was in 1951, when Frank Sedgeman won 4 Major competitions in the calendar year.

Three returning champions have lost in the first round in the following year.:Manuel Santana, Stefanie Graf and Leyton Hewitt

He reminded us of memorable occasions when rain stopped play, particularly Cliff Richards' impromptu performance in 1996, with a backing group of former champions, including Martina Navratilova and Pam Shriver.

He has promised to come back again sometime with more revelations.

