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A very Merry Christmas from your Committee to all members, friends and families, wherever they are. It will not be a normal Christmas as we remain living under tight restrictions after a year of many challenges but have fun if you can and a Happy and Healthy New Year. Things can only get better in 2021.

Meanwhile, the Royal Mint has released its design for a new 50p coin.



You're nuts



and you look good



and you're crackers



enough not to eat !

I imagine that, like me, you have missed our Speakers' programme this year as the regular monthly talk is perhaps the highlight of club meetings. We have had some excellent talks in recent years and I wonder how many you can recall!

What did these 6 speakers talk about AND who gave us these 6 named talks?

There are six of each. (Answers below)

Phil Mead from Bognor Regis

Brian Freland

Alastair Rooney

Sue and Clive Fennell

Sue Hepburn

P C Lemm

"Riding for the Disabled"
amusing the Goats"

"Feeding the Sheep and

"Winning is not the main thing. It's the only thing"

"Managing the Norfolk Estate"

"Memoirs of a Sanitary Inspector"

"The National Memorial Arboretum"



Our President, Chris "Darth Vader" Mayhew, (his word) laid a wreath on behalf of the club at the Arundel War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday. He's a very good man, is Chris. Well done and thank you, Mr. P.

Before the recent lockdown, a wife and her husband got separated while out Christmas shopping so she called him on her mobile "Where are you? You know we've lots to do". "She got excited when he replied. "You remember when we last came shopping together, we stopped and looked in the window of that jewellers in Church Street? You know, where you admired that beautiful diamond-encrusted eternity ring - which is still in the window?" "Yes, I do, darling" she replied, with pulse racing. "Well", he said. "I'm in the bar next door".



Mother Christmas shouts to Father Christmas, just as he is leaving on his deliveries. "I hope it doesn't rain-dear".

Can you name "the other reindeer?" Answer below.

What is the most common Christmas whine? But I don't like Brussel Sprouts."

ZOOM To all members. Please let the committee know if you would like to participate in an Arundel Probus Club trial Zoom meeting. Is there anyone willing to help organise this, if there is sufficient interest? Some Committee members have been zooming with the Cambridge Granta Probus Club which was – interesting. Three of us will be joining their zoom Quiz later this month. Inform bobtanner1809@gmail.com if you would participate or can help. Thanks

Seen on the back of a motorcyclist's jacket as he roared passed me on the motorway. "If you can read this, my wife has fallen off".

My young grandson asked me how old I was and I told him 80. He was quiet for a moment, and then asked, "Grandpa, did you start at 1?"

Notices in the lobby of a Moscow Hotel, across the road from a Russian Orthodox Monastery:

YOU ARE WELCOME TO VISIT THE CEMETERY, WHERE FAMOUS RUSSIAN AND SOVIET COMPOSERS, ARTISTS AND WRITERS ARE BURIED DAILY EXCEPT THURSDAY.

PERSONS ARE PROHIBITED FROM PICKING FLOWERS FROM ANY BUT THEIR OWN GRAVES.



I rely on you
like a Skoda needs suspension
like the aged need a pension
like a trampoline needs tension
like a bungee jump needs apprehension

I rely on you
like a camera needs a shutter
like a gambler needs a flutter
like a golfer needs a putter
like a buttered scone involves some butter

I rely on you
like a handyman needs pliers
like an auctioneer needs buyers
like a laundromat needs driers
like The Good Life needed Richard Briers

I rely on you
like a water vole needs water
like a brick outhouse needs mortar
like a lemming to the slaughter
Ryan's just Ryan without his daughter

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Now let's have a moment of silence for all those stuck in a traffic jam while driving to their gym to ride stationary bicycles

If an apple a day keeps the Doctor away, what does a pear do at night?

Students in an advanced Biology class were taking their mid-term exam. The last question was, 'Name seven advantages of Mother's Milk.'

The question was worth 70 points or none at all. One student, in particular, was quick to think of six advantages.



- 1) It is perfect formula for the child.
- 2) It provides immunity against several diseases.
- 3) It is always the right temperature.
- 4) It is inexpensive.
- 5) It bonds the child to mother, and vice versa.
- 6) It is always available as needed.

Then the student was stuck but, finally, in desperation, just before the bell rang indicating the end of the test, he wrote:

- 7) It comes in two attractive containers and is high enough off the ground the cat can't get it.
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Last January, on a bitterly cold day, a lone Sussex Policeman on patrol saw a motorcyclist stalled by the roadside, miles from anywhere. The biker was wearing heavy protective winter clothing and wearing a full-face helmet to protect from the cold weather. There was snow and ice on the ground.

"What's the problem?" asked the policeman, getting out of his car. "Carb's frozen," was the terse reply.

"I suggest you pee on it. That'll thaw it out." "I'm not doing that," said the biker.



"OK, let me do it for you. I'll show you." The kind policeman unzipped and promptly warmed the carburettor, as promised.

Moments later the bike started and the rider drove off with a grateful thumb in the air.

A few days later, Littlehampton Police Station received a note of thanks from the father of the young motorcyclist. It began: "On behalf of my daughter Jill....."

"Write me a sentence about a public servant," instructed the teacher during a lesson. One young boy wrote: "The fireman came down the ladder pregnant."

The teacher took the lad aside to correct him. "Do you know what pregnant actually means?" she asked. "Yes, I do," said the young boy confidently. "It means carrying a child."



Now, don't tell me you had a dangerous job! Just think about it. How does he paint the underside of the bridge support? Talk about a fall guy.



More interesting names. This is Carol Singer with her friend Christmas Eve

..... this is a silent knight



A man got a text message from his wife saying that she was in casualty. He hurried home and switched on the TV but he couldn't see her in it. He thought she must be mistaken and got more annoyed later when she hadn't returned home as he was starving.





The other Reindeer was called "All of", from the Rudolph song.

"All of, the other Reindeer, used to laugh and call him names....."

I bought a bargain on-line last week; a large turkey. It arrived already plucked and stuffed. Now, all I have to do is kill it.



Yipeeee!



That's the spirit, Doris !

Happy Christmas and Healthy New Year!



How do you gift-wrap a vaccine? The light at the end of the tunnel has been switched back on again. Bob