



NEWENT & DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD via ZOOM

TUESDAY 8 JUNE 2021 @10.30

Chairman: The chairman welcomed members to the meeting, in particular Colin Chave after a short absence.

Apologies: Mike Warburton, Peter Hines, Roger Beard

Minutes of last meeting: 25 May previously displayed on the club website

Matters Arising: None

Finance: Jim had written a reminder to members who had not yet paid their subscriptions. He said the current statement of accounts are on the club website. The chairman said that it was important that members paid their subscriptions as this was the clubs only income.

Speakers Secretary: Fraser said that the speakers have been booked up until March next year. Depending as to when we return to normal meetings, he might have to make a few alterations to facilitate non-Zoom speakers.

Webmaster: Ray said that the technical team had carried out tests at Gorsley Village Hall on the audio equipment, but found two of the speakers were not working. A member of Gorsley's technical team is going to look into it. Ray said that we will need to purchase some additional cables to link in with the hall equipment. This expenditure has been approved.

AOB: Chairman asked if anyone knew of any members being ill, there were none, which was good news.

Speaker: Ray Stockall – The History of the Post Code

Ray gave a fascinating insight into the origins of the Post Code and talked about his personal experiences in the Post Office, and how the increase in mail required a more efficient method of sorting. What is interesting is the fact that the amount of mail is decreasing, obviously as a result of the use of email and social media. But on the plus side, the amount of parcel, has increased hugely, again due to people ordering items on line. A very interesting presentation.

Birthdays: John Martin, Trevor Knight and Colin Chave. Followed by Frasers usual story.

Next Meeting: 22 JUNE 2021

Speaker: John Weeden – RAF Courts Martial and Boards of Inquiries.

