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Message from the Chairman

Dear Members,

This latest Club year has proven to be the busiest that I can remember!

The new Gallery has now been completed and extensive internal renovation has also been necessary. The Reading Room has been redecorated and the furniture re-upholstered or replaced. The cyclical external redecoration works are scheduled to be carried out in the near future.

This year has also seen our Manager, Graham Martin, complete 20 years service with the Club. I seem to recall most everyone over-imbibing given the 1992 prices available on Saturday March 24th. Oh Yes! See page two for further details.

This year the AGM will take place on Wednesday 16th May. New Committee Members are required so why not put yourself forward? The Club cannot fully function without its "Boiler Room."

In closing, I would once again like to thank Graham Martin for his superb efforts over the past twelve months. Well done that man!

Finally, I look forward to seeing many of you in the forthcoming weeks leading up to the AGM.

Many thanks for your continued Membership.

Pete (Kosh) Kosciolk
Chairman

Open

Monday - Thursday 11am - 3pm and 5.30pm - 11pm
Friday and Saturday 11am - 11pm and Sunday 12 noon - 10.30pm

Club Matters

Annual General Meeting

The Club AGM this year will be on **Wednesday 16th May** in the Lecture Hall.

This is the time new Committee Members are elected so if you would like to help with the running of the Club, please put your name forward on the list of nominees posted on the notice board. To be eligible you must have been a Member for twelve months with your subscriptions up to date.

Some Committee Members will be expected to join the Social and Games Sub-Committee to help organise the various Club functions and sale of weekly raffle tickets. If you believe you have the interest to be an active member of the Club Committee then please come and join us.

Two Decades on and Still Smiling



During his 20 year tenure Graham has helped transform the Club to the thriving establishment it is today. From Rutlish School he joined the WVC on the 24th March 1992 and two years later took on the role of Club Manager.

Twenty years on Graham still performs his duties in a professional and efficient manner and still finds time to enjoy "the craic" with his always thirsty clientele.

The 24th March 2012 was a fitting tribute to a loyal and much appreciated bastion of the WVC.

We look forward to Graham's 30th!

Your Feedback Always Welcome

The Club will always endeavour to do the best by its Members.

Should you, however, have any comments, ideas or suggestions of how we might improve things, please enter them in the Club Suggestion Book for review by the Committee at its monthly meetings.

All of us, after all, only want the best for the Club and its Members!

Social Events



The first social event for this year, '**Music and Margaritas**', took place on Sunday 29th January and featured singer guitarist **Geoff Haves**. Now the Margaritas served up by Graham Martin might have had a lot to do with it but Geoff soon had everybody joining in the singing with his choice of songs.

The Jazz trio **Déjà Vu** were back by popular demand between 2pm and 5pm on Thursday 16th February for an '**Afternoon of Jazz**'. There was a light buffet on hand as well as the guest ale Ruddles Best. We will be putting on another Jazz Afternoon later in the year so keep an eye out for details.



Wine tasting was the order of the day for a '**Taste of France**' on Saturday 10th March. This sell out event was presented by William from Nicolas the French wine specialist in the Ridgway. Five wines were put forward to taste with an informative description on each provided by William. A platter of French cheeses and pâté half way through the evening helped to soak up the wine.

For the **St George's Celebration** on Saturday 21st April we had an '**Old Time Music Hall**' show in the Hall performed by a group of singers from the Wimbledon Light Opera Society. The evening included a Sausage and Mash supper.

Look out for the next event a '**Jubilee Club Party Night**' which will be held in the Bar on Saturday 2nd June.



New teams are always welcome for the **Quiz Night** held on the third Thursday each month in the Reading Room.

Why not get a team together, think of a name and enter on the sheet which is on the notice board in the hallway.

Social Calendar



Coming Events

Saturday 2nd June - Jubilee Club Party in the Bar

Sunday 24th June - Day Trip to Brighton

Saturday 21st July - Seafood Night

Sunday 12th August - Music Night in the Bar

Saturday 15th September - Food / Drink Night in the Bar

Fri 28th Sept - Mon 1st Oct - Weekend Away to Isle of Wight

Thursday 4th October - Jazz Afternoon in the Bar

Saturday 20th October - Annual Dance

Sunday 25th November - Club Dinner

Thursday 13th December - Christmas Concert

Monday 31st December - New Year's Eve Celebrations

Keep an eye on the notice boards or website for details

Quiz Night

(Third Thursday of the Month)

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