

*Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year*



*To all Sutton Park Probus Members
their Wives\Partners and Families*

Events and Activities from January to May 2013

Thursday 10th January

Lunch - Birmingham College of Food
Cost. £14 per person
Coordinator Brian Mallett

Thursday 17th January

Long Walk led by David Rooke
Meet at Roy's 9.00 am to car share

Thursday 24th January

**Pompeii - the Nice and the Naughty
from 2000 Years Ago**
John Reedy

Vote of Thanks: Ernest Williams
Newsletter Report: John Cheal

Kitchen Rota: Barry Gill

Peter Gray, Barry Parsonage
Peter Prime, Derek Smith

Thursday 31st January

Short Walk led by Brian Spencer
(Buck's Fizz)

Thursday 7th February

Long Walk led by Geoff Silvester
Meet at Roy's 9.00 am to car share

Thursday 14th February

Skittles Evening

Organisers: Jim Bailey & Mike Gospel

Thursday 28th February

**A Potted History of the 20th Century
(Part 1) Martin Harrison**

Vote of Thanks: Tim Daly
Newsletter Report: Neil Crabb

Kitchen Rota: Alf Dineen

Mike Gospel, Ian Scholes
David Wallis, Peter Weston

Monday 11th March

Long Walk led by Dennis Rose
Direct or meet at Roy's 9.00 am

Thursday 14th March

Garrick Theatre Backstage Tour
Coordinator - David Rooke

Thursday 21st March

Short Walk led by Roy Willson

Thursday 28th March

**A Potted History of the 20th Century
(Part 2) Martin Harrison**

Vote of Thanks: Alf Dineen
Newsletter Report: Roy Galloway

Kitchen Rota: Ray Clark

Neil Crabb, Tim Daly
Brian Mallett

Thursday 4th April

Long Walk led by Rod Crowley
Direct or meet at Roy's at 9.30 am

Thursday 11th April

Short walk led by Roy Willson

Thursday 18th April

Highbury Theatre and Buffet
Coordinator - David Rooke

Thursday 25th April

Annual General Meeting
Newsletter Report - Peter Weston

Kitchen Rota: Roy Galloway

Brian Harbourne, Brian Senior
Ivor Wesley

Thursday 2 May

Long Walk led by Graham Jones
Meet at Roy's 9.30 am to car share

Thursday 9th May

Alrewas Arboretum
Coordinator - John Cheal

Thursday 16th May

Short Walk led by Roy Willson

President's Christmas and New Year Greetings

May I bring you my sincerest good wishes for the Festive Season, and hope that you will allow me to reflect upon the fortunes of our Club since I became President in April ?

The Club continues to flourish, as it has done now for the past several years, with a great bonhomie amongst the Members, and fantastic support from our ladies. My first task, as I saw it, last April, was to secure the future of the Club. There was a perceived need to ensure that we rejuvenate the Club, so that the fresh ideas, energy, and enthusiasm brought in by new members would help to motivate us all to sustain the Club in this it's fifteenth year. The work of the new Membership and Welfare Committee has been instrumental in furthering this aim. The Committee under the chairmanship of Rod Crowley are to be congratulated on their efforts.

The social programme under the baton of Chairman David Rooke has continued to delight a high proportion of the Membership, with varied events each month, all being well attended and extolled upon by the participants. We continue to mount autumn and spring breaks to many new places, which speaks volumes for the amount of effort put in by our creative members.

Collectively a very significant proportion of the Membership takes an active role in the management of some part of the Club, and the officers will continue to encourage this important aspect of being a club member to aspiring new entrants. A big thank you to all members who give of there time so willingly to ensure the continuing success of this great Club.

I look forward to the continuing enjoyment of my year in office, and wish all Members their friends and families a very pleasant, peaceful and healthy New Year.

Brian Spencer, President