

## ALLARA 10 Pin Bowling May 2022

7 turned up for the May's session and some very mixed scores but I think it fair to say we all enjoyed the bowling. The good news is that the cost will remain at £9 for the time being as we are being charged at 'League (competition) rates. The downside is that there is no free tea/coffee. One other benefit is that you will be offered a 'discount' card that will entitle you to 10% off food and drink so don't forget to get your card from the front desk when you next bowl. Now to the scores.

For the first game Phil managed a respectable 125 with Brian taking second position with 113 pins. Brian took the second game with 126 pins whilst Ian took second place with 113 pins. For the third game Phil came back fighting and won on 124 pins with Brian taking second with 110 pins.

Please note that our next game is booked for Friday the 1 July as there are 60+ school children who have booked for the last Friday of the month (how dare they!). Hope to see you at the next session.

*Ian B*

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## Ramblers June Walk

A beautiful start to the day brought sunshine and warm weather. Eighteen of us met at The Bell public house for our monthly walk, three of which joined John Doe for the short walk. We set off at ten o'clock by crossing the road and entering orchards of pears and apples, these are quite extensive and stretch as far as the river. On the way we pass farm workers accommodation namely a mobile home site for housing migrant workers obviously not so well occupied these days.

Onward past the farmyard and down to the river joining it at Hartlake Bridge where we stopped for a while and looked at the memorial plaque remembering the thirty hop pickers who died in the tragic accident on the old wooden bridge.

We followed the river towards Yalding until meeting the short walkers at the Lock and footbridge as this is about halfway round. We stopped for a while to take in the scenery, before crossing the river and carrying on our journey through wild flower meadows to another footbridge across the Medway.

We crossed back over and into fields housing sheep and lambs. These fields run parallel with hop fields which at this time of the year are about halfway up the bines before being picked in the Autumn.

Most of the journey back was across farmland with young crops of different vegetables, except for the last part which was on the road back to the pub, this is when it started to spit with rain.

The meal at the end of our walk was at The Man of Kent in East Peckham which was served very hot and promptly. All in all a lovely walk.

Thanks must go to the management of The Bell for letting us use their car park for the walk. *Roly*

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## Did You Know?

There is an old Hotel/Pub in Marble Arch, London, which used to have a gallows adjacent to it. Prisoners were taken to the gallows (after a fair trial of course) to be hanged. The horse drawn dray, carrying the prisoner, was accompanied by an armed guard who would stop the dray outside the pub and ask the prisoner if he would like 'ONE LAST DRINK?' If he said YES, it was referred to as 'ONE FOR THE ROAD' If he declined, that prisoner was said to be 'ON THE WAGON'

The honeybee kills more people worldwide than all the poisonous snakes combined.

*B.D*

# Allara News



THE NEWSLETTER OF ALLINGTON ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

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## Committee Notices

As there are no suitable dates available, the committee have decided that there will be no Strawberry Tea this year.

The annual subscription of £15 is now due, and I think we all agree that this represents great value.

The three charities supported this year will be Heart of Kent Hospice, Kent Association for the Blind and Crossroads.

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## Allara Lunch Club

On the 26th May 2022, 20 members enjoyed another get together for our monthly pub lunch. There was a problem with staff shortages but the food when it did arrive was very good.

Our next lunch will be Thursday 30th June 2022. Same time same place with the added instructions of pre-ordering meal choices before that date.

Please don't forget to let me know if you are unable to join us. See you there.

*Marjorie. 01622 752593.*

## Some Happenings In June

1st 1926 Marilyn Monroe Born

4th 1913 Suffragette Emily Davison fell under the King's Horse at the Derby

6th 1930 Clarence Birdseye produces the first frozen peas

7th 1940 Tom Jones, (Thomas Woodward) is born in Wales.

14th 1834 Sandpaper is invented by I Fisher Jnr.

15th 1919 Allcock & Brown fly Atlantic non-stop

16th 1903 Henry Ford forms Ford Motor Company

22nd 1987 Fred Astaire dies

23rd 1911 Coronation of George V

24th 2010 Julia Gillard sworn in as Australia's first woman Prime Minister

25th 1900 Lord Louis Mountbatten born.

26th 1909 The Victoria & Albert Museum opens

27th 1967 Barclays bank introduce first cash dispensing machine

30th 1997 The British flag was lowered over Hong Kong for the last time, as the colony was returned to China.

*B.D.*

ALLARA COMMITTEE MEMBERS

**Chair:** Philip Puttifer 686305  
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**Kentara:** Gerry Waters 671691  
**Newsletter:** Colin Lester 717511  
**Speakers:** Diane Lefevre 756326  
**General Asst. Rosemary Kitney**  
**Hall Booking** Kathy Ribiero  
**Meet & Greet:** Betty Douglas 753424

INFORMATION

Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 2pm to 4pm  
**Monthly Meeting**  
There were 94 members + 2 new members & 1 visitor attending the May meeting  
**Suggestion Box**  
Tip Tree Jam Factory  
Scotney Castle  
Heaver Castle  
Mystery Tours  
All suggestions are recorded and kept for future consideration by the committee.

SPEAKER PROGRAMME

June  
Ian Porter  
**Nursing History**

July  
Richard Griffiths  
**Bodyguard To The Queen**

Allara Activities

Tai Chi

Every Monday 11.30 to 12.30 - £5.00  
Contact: Christine 677629

Keep Fit

Under Review  
Contact: Myra 756475

Art Group

Every Monday 1.30 to 4.00 - £3.00  
Contact: Betty 753424

Rambling

1st Tuesday in month 10.00 - FOC  
Contact: Roly 677629 or Ian 750480

Kurling

2nd & 4th Mondays in month  
2.00 to 4.00 - £3.00  
(Inc. Tea/coffee & cake)  
Contact: Philip 686305 or Colin 717511

Ten Pin Bowling

Last Friday in month 11 to 2 - £9.00  
(3 games)  
Contact: Brian 759796

Lunch Club

Contact Marjorie 01622 752593

Kentara Activities

Line Dancing

Every Monday  
Beginners 12.45 to 1.45 - £3  
Advanced 2 to 4 - £3.50

Kentara Diary Dates

August 25  
**Short Mat Bowls Comp.** Ditton C.C  
October 20  
**Race Afternoon** “ “  
October 28 +  
**Thanksgiving Service -**  
Rochester CathedraL

Allara First Aider

Audrey Boston 695466  
Kent Community Warden Service  
Dawn Riach-Brown 0777 3397125

Moral Story

The teacher gave her fifth-grade class an assignment: Get their parents to tell them a story with a moral at the end. The next day, the kids came back and, one by one, began to tell their stories. There were all the regular stuff: spilled milk and pennies saved. But then the teacher realized, much to her dismay, that only Janie was left. "Janie," she asked, "do you have a story to share?" "Yes ma'am. My daddy told me a story about my mummy. She was a Marine pilot in Syria, and her plane got hit. She had to bail out over enemy territory, and all she had were a flask of whiskey, a pistol, and a survival knife. She drank the whiskey on the way down in case the bottle broke, and her parachute landed her right in the middle of 20 ISIS troops. She shot 15 of them with the pistol, until she ran out of bullets, killed four more with the knife, till the blade broke, and then she killed the last ISIS fighter with her bare hands. "Good heavens,' said the horrified teacher. 'What did your daddy tell you was the moral to this horrible story?" "Stay away from mummy when she's been drinking."

M.S.

The First Apple

A woman ran a red traffic light and crashed into a man's car. Both of their cars are demolished, but amazingly neither of them was hurt. After they crawled out of their cars, the woman said; "Wow, just look at our cars! There's nothing left, but fortunately we are unhurt. This must be a sign from God that we should meet and be friends and live together in peace for the rest of our days." The man replied, "I agree with you completely. This must be a sign from God! The woman continued, "And look at this, here's another miracle. My car is completely demolished, but my bottle of 75-year-old scotch didn't break. Surely God meant for us to drink this vintage delicacy and celebrate our good fortune." Then she handed the bottle to the man. The man nods his head in agreement, opened it, drank half the bottle, and then handed it back to the woman. The woman took the bottle, immediately put the cap back on, and handed it back to the man. The man asks, "Aren't you having any?" She replies, "Nah. I think I'll just wait for the police." Many years ago, Adam ate the apple. Men will never learn! M.S.