

HiARA July report.

Following our committee meeting, it was agreed to reopen our HiARA meetings from Friday July 23. As a result of this, newsletters will be available at main meetings from then on and we will not be sending out any further emailed copies. It has proved quite useful during the pandemic as a way of keeping in touch but once meetings start up, it will not be necessary. Copies will still be posted on the HiARA website.

We will have Nomination forms for the committee available at meetings, these should be completed as per the instructions and sent back to me by September 10<sup>th</sup> and new committee announced at the September 24 interim Annual General Meeting. There are 3 vacancies to fill. As we have mentioned before it is important to have a full committee in place to ensure the longevity of the club. In September, Ian will be updating on the club's financial position and subscription rates.

We will also be setting up and new "table and chair" rota. This system worked well in the past, but requires updating. Nothing much involved, a degree of physical fitness and able to arrive earlier on the main meeting dates, socials etc and slightly later leaving the hall. The more applicants we get the less dates you will be issued with.

As regards Covid precautions, the wearing of face coverings will be at your discretion and we recommend the hand sanitizers provided are used.

As the year moves on, we will be making enquiries about a coach trip day out, more news on that soon. However, full payment will be required at the time of booking.

Meanwhile, you should have received a call from a committee member informing you of the reopening and we do hope we have a good response on July 23. Just tea/coffee and biscuits and a catch up chat. The meeting on August 27 may have something different, we are working on that.

All that's left for me is to dust off the HiARA gavel.