



HORSHAM CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

June 2019

Chairman's Newsletter Comment, Adrian M Lee



Welcome to the inaugural HCA newsletter which we plan to mail out quarterly updating our members on Association activities and developments, news of upcoming social events and any other relevant information.

In this first newsletter, let me tell you about the fantastic outcome of our very successful Annual Dinner held on Thursday 16 May at Slinfold Golf and Country Club. Our guest of honour was the Home Secretary, the Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP who gave us an excellent speech on the state of British politics and took questions from members. The Dinner was hugely enjoyed by all those in attendance and raised just under £2,000 which is a record amount of money for the Association from an Annual Dinner. In future, we will be holding our Annual Dinners in the summer.

We have also recently held our inaugural Patrons Club dinner of 2019 in London. This time our guest of honour was the Attorney General, the Rt Hon Geoffrey Cox QC MP. His speech was a real *tour de force* of the complexities of our Brexit negotiations and members were delighted to have been provided with such informed insight from such a senior source. The Attorney General answered questions from members. For those interested in joining the Patrons Club, please contact Karen in Gough House. The date of the next Patrons Club dinner is shown in the Events section below.

Membership of the Conservative Party allows us to choose the next Leader of our Party and therefore the next Prime Minister. To remind members, the process is that nominations close in the week of 10 June. At the time of writing, 12 candidates have declared. Once nominations close, Conservative MPs hold a series of votes where, at each vote, the candidate polling the fewest votes is eliminated. This continues until only two remain which the Party hopes to conclude by the end of June. Thereafter, there will be a series of hustings around the UK, followed by postal ballot of all qualifying Party members. The result will be announced before Parliament rises for the summer.

Finally, please stay informed with Association news via our website at www.horshamconservatives.com It is now maintained up to date on a regular basis and is the primary method for the dissemination of information to all our members!

HCA Future Dates

6th September 2019	Executive Council Meeting, Gough House Notices will be sent to qualifying Executive Council members.
20th March 2020	AGM, Drill Hall, Horsham

Up and Coming Social Events

HCA has an excellent history of hosting great social events and we want to ensure future events are advertised to our membership and beyond.

Encouraging others to join our Association is an important element to social events as well as meeting old friends and making new ones in a convivial atmosphere.

One great way of linking events is our rejuvenated website, here you will see not just forthcoming social events but also updates on Twitter and important local political news.

Get involved is the message, we want to see more of you enjoying some of the benefits of being an Association member. Event flyers are at the bottom of this newsletter, display on your home pinboard, invite friends and neighbours, don't be shy.

Pimms O'Clock 28th June

Slinfold Conservative Branch has pleasure inviting you to a Pimms/Wine and Nibbles event.

Tickets are £10 per person, ideally purchased in advance from

Tricia Youtan (Secretary) on 01403 790669 / 07771 632650 / Email patriciayoutan@aol.com



Quiz Night

5th July



Crawley Down, Turners Hill and Copthorne Branch are hosting their annual Quiz Night at The Ark, Mount Lane, Turners Hill. Tickets are £12/head including fish&chip supper and are available from Richard Scott on 01293 883314.

Patrons Club Dinner 17th July 2019 from 1930 hrs

Members interested in joining the Patrons Club should, in the first instance, contact the office at Gough House on 01403 24200 or email office@horshamconservatives.com

Garden Party 20th July

Holbrook Branch will be holding a Garden Party with fizz, strawberries and scones.

Tickets can be purchased from Peter Burgess on petermburgess@hotmail.co.uk or 01403 273533.



Wine Tasting

29th September



A date for your diary.....Warnham Branch will be hosting a Wine Tasting evening. Further details to follow.



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