



December 2018



Area Rep's Christmas Message



This time last year we had already had some snow. In contrast, we still have some geraniums in bloom in the garden. Hopefully you will not be driven too by Brexit and politics over the festive period!!!

With best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Healthy New Year.

Doug



There is not a lot going on at this time of year except two eating events!



Mince Pie night was very successful with twenty two people enjoying plenty of nibbles. I think that there was so much there that I even took four of my home made mince pies back with me, mind you they didn't last very long the next day when our son popped in. It was really good to welcome Harry Gomez, one of our ex members and the designer of our Club Logo.



Christmas Dinner 8th December

I had no idea that Hertford on a Saturday evening was so busy until we tried to park in the multi storey car park. We kept going up before finding a space near the end of level C, which I think is where most of us were. Barb said they were on the one above that. Fourteen of us were booked for dinner at the Salisbury Arms, where we had been once before on a very cold evening several years ago. It was pretty hectic in the bar area but we were upstairs, where it was a lot quieter. In retrospect, I think the room could have done with a Christmas tree and a bit of background Christmas music. We had one table of eight and one of six. As part of the group of six, I think we found that the food was good and most plates were cleared. It was so pleasant to sit and chat to our table companions, unlike last year where it was difficult to hear even the person opposite. Hopefully everybody enjoyed it, which we will no doubt find out in January when we meet again.



As they have done for a few years now, Alan and Barbara will be helping out at a Christmas Dinner for about 150 old people, so when you are busy preparing your veg on Christmas morning, think how many Alan will be cooking. Barb will be looking after one particular table, making sure they have everything they need. Well done.

