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A bad hair day for Howard

Hello good readers. It has been so cold that I have just returned from dancing with an eskimo. On a previous occasion, I did briefly mention my visits to James Daniel to have my hair coiffed. I am fortunate that at my great age I still have plenty of hair to do something with. I know that it was of great interest so here is a picture of Master Hairdresser James working on tresses of my hair. The colour is natural; with a little styling here and there and a touch of Harmony I am



then ready for another week. Before I drop off in my four poster I pop a special preparation on my cheeks to prevent aging and away I go. James takes a great deal of care in cutting men's hair and can make the most ordinary mop of hair seem extraordinary. Well worth a visit at 20 High Street Tel. 01473 823616.

It is nice at the weekend to take in a Sunday lunch. I am a great fan of The Orwell Hotel Hamilton Road Felixstowe IP11 7DX Tel. 01394 285511. Frank of course delivers us but as an owner-driver you may need a parking space and those are in abundance. The Westerfield Dining Room is like something from a grand Edwardian House with enormous chandeliers. The grand piano tinkles away; there is a wide choice, linen table cloths smart waiters and waitresses – just my cup of tea. I have recently had shoulder of lamb which was tenderness itself. There is a sweet trolley, hot desserts and a super cheese board. It is very much removed from these modern brash places that seem so popular with the hoi polloi. It was with sadness that I read in the Daily Telegraph that Nursey of Bungay (who were makers of sheepskin garments for generations) had finally ceased trading. Dellboy's famous sheepskin coat had been made by Nursey. I had had a super coat made for Brenda, my mother and many other VIPS were customers. It seems such a shame that all of these great names are disappearing. What a grey world we are becoming.

With the Spring around the corner you may be thinking of selling or buying a property. It pays to be prepared well in advance. Do contact us so that we can ensure that you marshall the requisite information that will be needed for the transaction. The recent changes in the rates of Stamp Duty Land Tax will mean some savings against the old rates for average house prices in the area. Under the old regime, Stamp Duty Land Tax on a price of £300,000 would have been £9,000 and is now £5,000. If you are thinking of a new Will or as Lasting Power of Attorney, please make an appointment to see me.

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