

## November Lunch

There were moments in the lead up to this month's lunch that I thought it might just be me sitting forlornly looking at the flamingos, as demanding clients, road accidents and various illnesses looked to decimate the guest list. However all came good in the end and a splendid and relaxed lunch was enjoyed by most apart from Fernando Primero of Peter Marino's who only managed a fleeting visit before having to race off for an appointment.



Mark Van Oss

Many of you I hope will be aware of the hirsute funding raising activities for November or Movember as it was rechristened. Many brave souls ignored the ridicule of friends and colleagues and heroically sprouted facial hair. Mark Van Oss was one of these and appeared resplendent in full-face fuzz. He didn't actually appear in the headdress but it seems a shame not share this image with the world.

The rest of us rather sadly had not been so brave and had taken the simpler route of sponsoring those who were. Almost all of the remaining guests are old friends so a very convivial afternoon ensued. Alex Brydon, I have known for at least twenty years if not longer and his infection enthusiasm for all things design related is a welcome asset to any occasion.



Alex Brydon



Peter Sawa

Peter Sawa is similarly enthusiastic about construction and is always engaging company promoting Bouygues in the same elegant way he did for HWA before their demise. Darren Size is another former HWA staff member who has taken that excellent grounding and forged a successful path with his own company Sizebreed. They are flourishing in a difficult market and I look forward to being able to work with him soon.

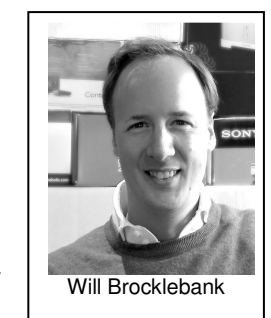


Darren Size



Jonathan Dinnewell

Jonathan Dinnewell has now taken over at Christopher Smallwood with a slight re-branding as Smallwood Architects. He was making a belated appearance at this lunch having been called away at the last minute in September.



Will Brocklebank

That just leaves Will Brocklebank who heads up Face to Face Digital providing home automation systems. Will was suggested by Mark as a suitable guest and in the world of premiere residential design you can't get a much better recommendation than that.

There will now be a short break until February until the next official lunch, but I am sure Jasper and I can be persuaded to consume food and wine if asked between now and then.