

One of the oddest brotherhoods in Britain is the Winkle Club of Hastings.. It was founded, in 1890, by Old Town fishermen to raise funds for charity. To-day, they enrolled their most famous member, Sir Winston Churchill - who received a golden winkle, (the Club's symbol) from the Secretary, Mr Bunk Harfey. /

Already, a proud member, Field Marshal Lord Montgomery watched the ceremony.

On receiving his membership card, Sir Winston was warned that, when challenged, he must either produce his winkle or pay a fine. / SOUND

During the day, a procession of Civic Leaders of the Confederation of Cinque Ports to the White Rock Pavilion, was the prelude to another presentation to Sir Winston - this time in his capacity as Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports. /

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The presentation was a portrait of Sir Winston in his Lord Warden's uniform - a symbol of those momentous war-years when the Cinque Ports stood on guard - in the front line of our defence. /