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stories you may
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* Sir David Attenborough
may be 100, but Robin
Hanbury-Tenison, Britain's
greatest living explorer, isn't
far behind. The venue for his
90th-birthday celebrations
on 7th May? Where else but
the Travellers Club.

Prince Michael of Kent, 84
on 4th July, presided over a
gathering of grisly explorers,
gale-buffed mountaineers
and camel riders.

The look was all snow-
white hair, bushy beards,
pinstripes, chalkstripes and
herringbone, a smattering of
cotton, a dash of linen.

No medals, but
multicoloured Penan bead
necklaces for veterans of the
groundbreaking 1977 Mulu
expedition in the rainforests
and caves of Sarawak.

Hanbury-Tenison led
a team of 115 scientists for the
Royal Geographical Society,
that august institution which
championed scientific
exploration and discovery.

That would explain the
blowpipes and darts on
the table, and a menacing
spear or two.

John Hemming, 91,
former RGS director,
hailed Hanbury-Tenison's
irrepressible life of
achievement and adventure.

He completed more



Travellers Club: Robin Hanbury-Tenison, 90 (6th from left)

expeditions than you could
cock a blowpipe at.

And he founded Survival
International, which
campaigns for the rights of
indigenous peoples, as well
as being chief executive of
the Countryside Alliance,
RGS Gold Medallist and
prolific writer.

The Old Un was transfixed
by Stanley Johnson's tales of
the deadly tumbu fly and how
he had explained his swollen,
fly-bitten buttocks to
President Museveni of
Uganda. How to get rid of
them? Easy. Smear Vaseline
liberally over your bottom;
asphyxiates the blighters.

Carriages to bring lunch
to a close? Certainly not.
Longboats at 4pm.