## The Psychologicals

We have competed every year since 2001 when members hunted under the name Quest4Treasure – a forum where enthusiasts discussed various treasure hunts. In 2004, we became eligible for prizes by being captained by a Logica employee, and by 2007 our numbers had swelled sufficiently to form two teams in friendly competition. The following year the teams were renamed Logicals and Psychologicals and then continued under variations of those names until last year when numbers had dwindled too much and all our Logica members had been lost when it became part of CGI.

Although Q4T membership was dwindling, many of the Logica hunt participants were also members of <u>The Armchair Treasure Hunt Club</u> which was set up in 1992 by Dan James author of many Treasure Hunt books including his famous "Treasure" - the biggest hunt of its time. Following the success of club members winning three Silver Eagles in "The World's Greatest Treasure Hunt" (aka Quest for the Golden Eagle), in 2014 we competed under the name Psychological Eagles. This year we considered amending that to Psychological Beagles, but decided we liked dogs too much.

Our membership now spans the globe giving us 24-hour puzzle solving without too many matchsticks being employed! We are a mix of young and old, working and retired, avid geocachers, map collectors etc., plus some helpful family members. As well as taking part in competitions like Pablo, MUMS and SUMS, throughout the year we write and solve our own hunts including one-day events (next one  $16^{th}$  April in Shrewsbury – all welcome).

Over the years, we have a mixture of success including 3 first places, "Bad Poetry" and "General Zaniness" awards. We also won a "Public Information" award for posting the treasure location on the internet before closing date!