

**NEWSLETTER** 

# DERBYSHIRE BRANCH 03/23 OCTOBER, 2023.



## THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED POLICE OFFICERS



# CHAIRMAN'S CHAT



Hello and welcome to another edition of the NARPO Derbyshire Branch Newsletter. Looking out of the window on a cold and dreary late September afternoon it seems that autumn has arrived, albeit you could be forgiven for thinking that we haven't had summer yet.

NARPO activities have been going on as normal over the last few months with the National Conference taking place at Blackpool on  $8^{th}$  September, when conference voted overwhelmingly to take steps for NARPO to become an Incorporated Organisation. There has been a lot of talk about this and work done over the last twelve months but at the end of the day it is a sensible step to take. It will make very little difference to the way the organisation is run – you probably won't notice any difference. The major change is that it will provide financial protection for all members, particularly National and Branch committee members. As the law stands at present and / all members could be sued by someone for a wrongdoing by a Branch or by the national organisation, with no limit on how much they could be obliged to pay. Becoming Incorporated would limit this liability to just £1. It is the route that many similar organisations have taken.

Locally we have continued with our usual range of social activities with a coach trip to the beautiful city of York on 19th July and with social evenings at Buxton on 28<sup>th</sup> July and at Chesterfield on 14<sup>th</sup> September. Raffles were held at both social evenings, raising £123.00 at Buxton for Blythe House at Chapel en le Frith and £137 at Chesterfield that went to Ashgate Hospice.

The welfare of members has continued to be an issue that we take seriously and over recent weeks members of the committee have received information about several members who for various reasons have been struggling to cope. Appropriate action has been taken in these cases to provide whatever help and support we can.

Following the appeal in the last Newsletter a small number of members have come forward to say they would like to assist with this issue if they can. I hope to get them together in the near future to agree a plan of action.

**David Ashley** 

## **Updates from the Secretary**

The Branch has been busy organising coach trips and socials. The coach trips have not been running at full capacity, which is a shame because they only cost £10. I hope you can take advantage and join us next year. We are open to suggestions as where to visit. The Socials/Meals have been well attended, from the May Luncheon at Morley Hayes to Socials at Buxton and Chesterfield. Monies raised from raffles at the Socials went to Blythe House, Chapel en le Frith and Ashgate Hospice, Chesterfield.

Three members of the Branch Committee have stood down this year. namely Tony Roddis, Gordon Lambourn and Ron Taylor. We would like to thank them on your behalf for the years of organising events for your benefit. We normally purchase a small gift but they have all suggested that we donate monies in lieu to Ashgate Hospice. Thank you all, for thinking of others.

The following are the last events this year:

12<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, Sunday Lunch at Mickleover Golf Club organised by lan Louch at louchy@ntlworld.com (Please see back page for booking form) This event is full at the time of going to print.

6<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 Christmas Luncheon at Morley Hayes Golf Club. (See Page 5 for booking form)

For those who do not use cheques, you can pay by 'bacs'. Bank details are as follows: NatWest Bank, Branch sort code: 60-14-15 Branch Account No. 80597408. Please make sure you put your name down to identify the payment. This goes for all payments to NARPO

## Coach Trips.

During 2023 we organised trips to the RHS Garden at Harlow Carr, Harrogate and York City Centre. We could do with suggestions as to places you would like to visit.



RHS Garden, Harlow Carr – Julia, Margaret and Elizabeth enjoying the gardens.



York Minster taken from the Marks and Spencers Café. Treasurers House - National Trust

## **Sports Club**

Corporate tickets are available to a variety of venues for members only. Details are on our 'useful Info' of the website or by telephoning during hours to HQ Reception, dial 101 and ask for reception.

To book the tickets please email - <u>HQ.CentralSupport@Derbyshire.Police.UK</u> Tickets can be booked out up to 60 days in advance. You will need to show that you are a member when collecting tickets, e.g; If you are still in the Lottery, it will show on your pension slip that monies are being taken out. You also have to be present at the venue, so you will have to accompany the children and grandchildren!

## **Derbyshire Benevolent Society**

The object of the Trust is **"To provide and permit welfare and benevolent facilities for members and their families**". All retired officers and staff of Derbyshire Constabulary are entitled to use the services and facilities of the Trust, most are free to members. Unfortunately, a lot of retired members, whether in NARPO or not, suffer from problems caused by bereavement, financial, loneliness or the strains of the 'job'. Check the DBT website at <u>www.derbyshirebenevolenttrust.com</u> for more details; contact Ian Godfrey at <u>ian@derbyshirebenevolenttrust.com</u> or if you are not on the internet, phone Sean who will pass on your details.

## **Gentle Reminder - Subscriptions**

For all those members who pay by Standing Order or by cheque, please note that the Annual Subscription is £26-28 which is payable in January, 2024. Over the years the subscription has risen in line with the Consumer Price Index (CPI). I always show the increase in the Annual Report however, but many have failed to alter the amount with their Bank and it seems petty to ask members for the increase which usually is only pence. Now it is in pounds, so please contact your bank and update the subscription fee.

Sean Murphy - Secretary

## Obituary

### To the families, relatives and friends of our retired and serving colleagues who have passed away since the Annual Report, we extend our sympathies and support. May all who have departed rest in peace.

Mrs Glenys Margaret Draycott wife of Pc (47) John Draycott Pc (207) Roy Harbour Sgt (539) John Duffy Mrs. Maureen 'Mo' Nicholls wife of ex D/Supt Jess Nicholls Mrs Linday Ann Batterham widow of PC (184) Don Batterham Insp (952) Antony 'Tony' Charles Eyre Pc (546) Duncan Robertson Mrs. Margaret Neville wife of ex Pc (877) Anthony 'Tony' Neville Mrs. Stephanie Egan widow of Sgt Tony Egan Pc (1200) Stephen John Kirk Mrs. Susan Storrow wife of ex Pc (1411) Ivan Storrow Mrs. Betty Bailey widow of D/C/Supt Duncan Bailey D/Supt (174) Jess Nicholls Mrs. Joyce Muriel Cremin wife of ex Sgt (937) John Cremin Pc Grahame Hibbert Pc (1314) Maxwell John Fullerton Barn

## **NARPO Christmas Luncheon**

## Wednesday 6th December, 2023 12.30p for 1pm.

The Branch Christmas Lunch will be held at Morley Hayes Golf Club, Main Road, Morley, Derbyshire, DE7 6DG in the Granary Loft and Mill Room. The cost will be £32-00 for members, £38-50 for nonmembers, widow members free of charge. If you wish to attend, please complete and send the slip below with your menu and seating choice and remittance to or pay by 'bacs'. No later than the 27<sup>th</sup> November to Dave Ashley, (See details overleaf)

## **STARTER**

Sweet potato and butternut squash soup, toasted pumpkin seeds, sage oil v Salmon gravlax, sour cream, pickled red cabbage Baked camembert with rosemary, garlic and honey, sour dough, red onion chutney v

## **MAIN COURSE**

Traditional roast British turkey, chipolata sausage wrapped in bacon, sage and onion stuffing Fillet of gilthead bream, crushed potatoes, lemon butter sauce, crispy caper crumb Celeriac steak, blue cheese, apple fondants, shallot jam v

Served with a selection of seasonal vegetables and potatoes

## PUDDING

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I/We will be attending the above Branch Lu Derbyshire NARPO £	
Name 1	Name 2
Menu choice.	
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If possible, I would like to sit with	

(Every effort will be made to seat you with your friends. Early application is advisable.)

## **Derbyshire Narpo – Sunday Lunch**

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 12.30pm for 1pm at Mickleover Golf Club, Uttoxeter Road, Derby DE3 9AD.

## Main Course

Slow cooked blade of beef with silver skin onion, bacon & pepper sauce.

Grilled fillet of seabass, baked ratatouille finished with a tomato & chive sauce.

Oven baked chicken supreme with a wild mushroom, madeira & cream sauce.

Baked stuffed pepper with roast vegetables & red pepper sauce.

All served with fresh vegetables and potatoes

## Desserts

Mixed fruit crumble with creamy custard

Citrus tart with mixed berry compote & raspberry sauce

Milk & dark Chocolate cheesecake with sorbet

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Tea, Coffee, de-cafe with Dinner Mints

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This event is now full. Those who have already confirmed that they would like to attend should contact Derbyshire NARPO Vice Chair Ian Louch at <u>louchy@ntlworld.com</u> or by phone at 01332 518623 with their menu choices. Preferred payment for the £5 cost of this event is by Bank Transfer to our account: NatWest Bank, Branch sort code: 60-14-15 Branch Account No. 80597408. Could you please make sure you put your name down to identify the payee attending. Payment can also be made by cheque made payable to Derbyshire NARPO.

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