

NEWSLETTER



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THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED POLICE OFFICERS



CHAIRMAN'S CHAT



Hello and welcome to the latest NARPO Derbyshire Branch Newsletter. Well, it finally seems that things are getting a bit back to normal, although the number of Covid cases is still

very high. We have managed to hold a number of activities over the last few months – an encouraging sign.

We had a very successful social evening at Hayfield back in June, when about fifty NARPO members, many of whom had not been to a NARPO social event for a long time, enjoyed a nice buffet, some entertainment and best of all a long chat with friends they had not seen for many years. We repeated this exercise with a long delayed social evening at The Riverside Club at Chesterfield in September. We are doing all we can to make sure that we have a presence in all areas of the county.

As well as the social events we have also had a resumption of the coach trips, with Stratford upon Avon, The Royal Armouries at Leeds, London, the RHS Gardens at Bridgewater and to Coventry. Take up of these trips has been much lower this year than has been the case in previous years. We will need to look into the future of these trips over coming months as coach hire is very expensive if there is little or no demand for them.

At the start of this year's national conference on Thursday, 8th September the National President had the unenviable task of announcing the passing of Her Majesty The Queen earlier that day. After discussing the situation, The National Executive Committee came to the conclusion that it would not be appropriate for the conference to go ahead. No business was discussed.

A variety of Branch activities will be taking place over the next few months, including a recruitment social at Hayfield and I look forward to meeting as many members as possible. In the meantime, please remember that the Branch committee is in place to serve your interests. Your health, wellbeing and welfare are important to us. If you feel we can be of assistance to you or a colleague then please don't hesitate to let me know.

David Ashley

Updates from the Secretary

We appear to be coming out of the Pandemic with the Covid winter booster, together with the 'Flu' jab being rolled out. Have you had yours?

Following the death of HRH Queen Elizabeth on the 8th September, 2022, the NEC decided to cancel the Conference, which was a shame as all members were already at the Conference venue. However, members and guests came together at the Conference on Friday morning to pay their respects and exchange memories of Her Majesty.

The Branch has been busy organising coach trips and socials. The coach trips haven't been running at full capacity, which is a shame because they only cost £5. We may have to consider raising the cost to reflect the dwindling numbers. I hope you take advantage of joining us next year. Please give us your suggestions as to where to visit.

The Socials/Meals have been well attended. You will have noticed that the Christmas Lunch has been moved from Lumb Farm to Morley Hayes, as it was felt that their service was letting us and themselves down. You will also notice that we have entitled it our Branch 75th Anniversary and Christmas Lunch.

At our last Branch meeting in July, Chair, Dave Ashley pointed out that it was our 75th Anniversary. NARPO was in fact formed in 1919 but it didn't form in Derbyshire until 1947. Dave and myself together with our wives, celebrated the Centenary at the Tower of London in the presence of our then patron, HRH Princess Anne. If you recall, our Branch celebrated the Centenary at Chatsworth House with a Gala Dinner, which went down very well. We cannot replicate that great evening and due to time constraints, we decided that we would incorporate it with socials/meals that we have already organised. The Burning Man Exhibition and walk at Chatsworth House organised by Ivan Taylor followed by lunch at the Garden Centre on the 28th September attracted 46 members.

The following events have also been organised:

4th November, 2022, get-together for those in B Division thinking of joining NARPO organised by Dave Ashley and Barry Doyle (See website)

13th November, 2022, Sunday Lunch at Mickleover Golf Club organised by Ian Louch. (Please see back page for booking form)

7th December, 2022 75th Anniversary and Christmas Lunch at Morley Hayes Golf Club. (See Page 5 for booking form)

For those who do not use cheques, you can pay by 'bacs'. Our Bank details are as follows: National Westminster Bank Plc., Branch sort code: 60-14-15 Branch Account No. 80597408. 19 Dale Road, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4 3YA. Just make sure you put your name down to identify the payment. This goes for all payments to NARPO

Coach Trips.

During 2022 we organised trips to Stratford upon Avon, The Royal Armouries at Leeds, London, RHS Gardens at Bridgewater, Salford and Coventry. All for £5 each with widows free. As mentioned most were only about half full, apart from the RHS Gardens. We do this for the benefit of members and not to make a profit. Even if they were full, we would run at a loss. We could do with suggestions as to places you would like to visit.

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.

Please email - HQ.CentralSupport@Derbyshire.Police.UK 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 www.derbyshirebenevolenttrust.com for more details; contact lan Godfrey at ian@derbyshirebenevolenttrust.com 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 £22-32 which is payable in January, 2023. 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 alter 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.Anne Gibbs widow of C/Supt David Gibbs.

Pc (113) Michael Christopher Winchurch Sgt (416) Kenneth William Clarke

Mrs. Jennifer Ann Keeton wife of ex Supt Ted Keeton.

D/Sqt (137) Gordon Harold Stephenson. Mrs. Margaret Barker widow of Pc Cliff Barker.

Mrs. Shirley Barker widow of Pc Ray Barker.

Pc (1123) Stephen Wain.

Mrs. Barbara May Fenwick widow of C/Supt Anthony Nicholas Fairfax Fenwick.

C/Insp Brian Wall

Pc (1408) Robert Thomas Glover.

Mrs. Rosemary Goodwin Cresswell widow of Sqt (1) Ted Cresswell.

D/Sqt (577) Philip Francis James Greatorex.

Pc (1326) Michael John Dudley.

Sgt (970) Dennis Arthur Skelton

Mrs. Cheryl Wagstaffe (Rush) widow of Sqt (1033) Brian Rush

Pc (196) Bernard Bonser

Mrs. Anne Colpus wife of ex C/Insp Ivor Colpus.

Mrs. Maragaret Elizabeth Whitworth wife of

ex C/Insp Peter Whitworth. Insp (54) Brian Edward Green

Pc (1079) Basil Albert Maskery

NARPO 75th Anniversary and Christmas Luncheon

Wednesday 7th December, 2022 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 at 12.30pm. for 1pm.

The cost will be £30-00 for members, £36-00 for non-members, widow members free of charge. If you wish to attend, please complete and send the slip below with your menu, seating choice and remittance to Gordon Lambourn (please No later than Monday, 14th November, 2022. Or pay by 'bacs'. (See details overleaf)

MENU

Leek and onion soup, crème fraiche, chive oil **v**Potted smoked mackerel and horseradish pâté, pickled beetroot, sourdough

Warm goat's cheese, walnuts, spiced pear chutney

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Traditional roast British turkey, chipolata sausage wrapped in bacon, lemon, ciabatta and oregano stuffing

Fillet of gilthead bream, crushed potatoes, lemon butter sauce, crispy caper crumb Cauliflower steak, vegan nduja, Beluga lentils **v**Served with a selection of seasonal vegetables

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Matthew Walker's traditional Christmas pudding, rum sauce Chocolate and salted caramel tart, caramelised hazelnuts, vanilla cream **v** A slate of British cheeses served with assorted cheese crackers, grapes and celery

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Freshly made coffee or tea with warm mince pies

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	Lunch and enclose a cheque made payable to Contact tel. no
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 13th November 2022 at 12.30pm for 1pm at Mickleover Golf Club, Uttoxeter Road, Derby DE3 9AD.

Main Course

Roast English Beef, Yorkshire Pudding and Rich Roast Gravy
Grilled Salmon fillet, Courgette Ribbons & Prawn Butter Sauce
Baked Stuffed Chicken Supreme with Smoked Cheese with a Chorizo Tomato sauce

Mixed Vegetable Wellington with a Red Pepper Sauce

All served with fresh vegetables and potatoes

Desserts

Deep Filled Apple Pie with Lashings of Hot Custard

Citrus Tart with Mixed Berry Compote & Raspberry Sauce

Toffee and Vanilla Cheesecake with Toffee Sauce

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Tea, Coffee with Dinner Mints

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Those wishing to attend should contact Derbyshire NARPO Vice Chair Ian Louch tel: 01332 518623 with their menu choices and details of any other members that they would wish to sit with on their table. This year can you please forward a payment for £5 per person, preferably by **Bacs.**

Bank details as follows: Natwest Bank, Branch sort code: 60-14-15 Branch Account No. 80597408. Just make sure you put your name down to identify the payee attending, to secure a place.

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