



NARPO Bulletin (Merseyside Branch)

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Autumn 2016



FROM THE CHAIR



Hi All,

I hope you were able to enjoy the summer which I suppose in the scope of things was not too bad.

At our Committee meeting in June I was re-elected as Chair, with Robin McGrath Vice Chair, Dave Anderton Secretary, Frank Kite Treasurer and Colin Lewis Assistant Secretary.

Succession planning remains a priority and we continue to seek members who would be willing to take on these roles in the future. As I have said before we need members filling these posts otherwise we will be without a branch. What we are currently doing is identifying how we can reduce the burden of workload for the secretary. Options include the extended use of technology and considering more assistants to deal with specific areas of responsibility. We are also looking at our current membership database to ensure it meets all our needs and that on a transfer of roles or in emergencies information is available to the appropriate authorised person. The difficulties in getting members to take on such roles are not unique to our branch or indeed to NARPO. You are probably aware of similar situations which exist in organisations of which you are or have been a member. The branch has over 3000 members and I am sure that someone within that number is really interested but has just not got around to letting us know. So please do think about it and contact me for further information or just for a chat on what may be involved.

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This Bulletin like the last one has been rescheduled so that we can report on significant events within a short time after their conclusion. In the case of the last one it was to report on the AGM and this one so we can report on conference.

The 2016 Annual Conference was held on September 9th in Torquay. As usual the Branch sent delegates. This was the first conference for the new CEO, Steve Edwards. His review of the year was comprehensive and encouraging. Simon Weston CBE, OBE, was the guest speaker. He was enlightening, motivating and moving. He showed videos of himself as a young soldier before the explosion and the outcomes that followed. This was followed by a debate entitled 'The Silver Economy' which was once again facilitated by John Stapleton. The good news is that we are living longer and that will continue. It also highlighted that many big brands are targeting us with adverts starring people like Helen Mirren. They realise that they need to tap into the market we now provide. In the afternoon session the President, Ian Potter gave his Presidential address This was followed by a presentation on Later Life Ambitions in which Laura Blake (Connect PA) summarised progress to date.

The motions followed. Motion one dealt with a reduction of the precept from 40% to 30%. Your branch opposed this motion on the grounds that with the increasing complexity of pensions and welfare issues it was essential that HQ had the funds to seek out specialist assistance. The motion was lost.

Motion 2 advocated the attendance on one member of each branch to be funded from National Funds. This motion and its amendment were lost although your committee supported the amendment which meant it would have been 'means tested' to ensure only branches that had a genuine need would get a free place. **What it did highlight is the need for many smaller branches to merge.**

Motion 3 dealt with the national database Supersleuth and asked for it to be brought up to date in line with what your own branch is already researching. This was carried with a 96% vote in favour. This year we were all issued with palmlets as a trial to register our votes hence the percentage figure. If you wish more detail on what happened at conference then go onto the NARPO web site.

The Branch AGM for 2017 will be held again at the Liner Hotel on Wednesday 10th May at 7.30pm Please put in your diary as you will be most welcome.

Our support for the Volunteer Cadet scheme will continue and members will be involved in various aspects of the scheme. I am currently in consultation with Police HQ to arrange another 'Professional Night' probably in late November. Details will be circulated in due course. If you have any ideas of a topic then please let me know.

On the 4th September I had the pleasure, on your behalf, to present a bouquet, to Mrs Edith Bond on the occasion of her 100th birthday. This was a very pleasant occasion which was also attended by the Lord Mayor and the Chief Constable.

As ever as winter approaches please take care and be safe.

Remember this is your branch and we can only improve with your help. Please do let us know what you think by contacting either myself or the secretary.

Malcolm Parry

(Chairman)

EDDIE-TORIAL

Welcome to the autumn edition, a little later than usual but held back to include the National NARPO Conference report.

Although feedback on my first edition has been generally positive I am looking to improve in all aspects and any suggestions or contributions would be welcomed.

Roughly 20 members have opted to receive the Bulletin via e-mail. This is a little disappointing as electronic-mail is undoubtedly the future, is less hassle, more cost effective, and removes the need to condense items to fit into the current booklet format. If you would like to opt for e-mail please contact me editor@narpo-merseyside.org.uk.

July 2019 signals the centenary of NARPO and already plans are in hand to mark this event with a grand celebration. A sub-committee consisting of Julian Dearden, Frank Richardson, Frank Kite and myself has been set up to explore possibilities. It is envisaged that this will take the form of a luncheon at a city centre venue. There will be a small charge dependent on the numbers attending. Although it seems a long time until 2019 this is not the case in the function-arranging world and it would be a great help to the sub-committee if members could at this stage express their interest by e-mail editor@narpo-merseyside.org.uk or text 07954 150627 in order to gauge numbers wishing to attend.

Meanwhile, enjoy this edition. The Christmas cards, sweets, and toys are already in the shops and "Strictly Come Dancing" has returned to our T.V. screens! Next edition will be in December.

MOUNTED DEPARTMENT REUNION

Merseyside Mounted Police will reach a milestone in October 2016 when it will be 130 years old, the oldest Provincial Mounted Department outside London. In the current climate its future is not assured or secured.

I am hoping to organise a Mounted Department Reunion to which all serving and retired Mounted Officers and Civilian staff are cordially invited.

I have reserved the Police Club, Riversdale, for Friday October 14th 2016. I would appreciate it if colleagues make contact with me to advise their intentions to attend and if they would like a buffet or refreshments at extra cost.



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and keep up to date on NARPO
activities and matters of interest.

90 Not Out.....



NARPO member John Edwards celebrated his 90th birthday on July 27th 2016 and the day before was the guest of a few of his "old charges " who entertained him to lunch in Liverpool city centre. Formerly Con. 112 'A' based at Hatton Garden, John was very familiar with the centre of Liverpool, before being posted to the Training School, Mather Avenue as Acting Sergeant in 1957 and took on the role of Drill Sergeant to the then flourishing contingent of Cadets.

John progressed through the ranks eventually retiring as a Superintendent but his knowledge and familiarity with the history and geography of Liverpool was not wasted as he then pursued an active role as a Blue Badge Guide.

John has always held a special place in the hearts of the young men he nurtured half a century and more ago and is a much-loved and respected guest at the cadet reunions (August 1956 plus vintage) held each year.

Not everybody was able to, but John was left in little doubt regarding the widespread depth of feeling towards him as we celebrated this very special occasion.

MOVING HOUSE?
Please inform Dave Anderton

Via "snail mail"
15 Childwall Park Avenue
Liverpool L16 0JE

Via e-mail
secretary@narpo-merseyside.org.uk

100 NOT OUT.....

Edith Alice Bond hit a century of birthdays on Sunday 4th September 2016 and Merseyside Branch representatives were present at her special party together with Lord Mayor of Liverpool Councillor Roz Gladden and Andy Cooke QPM, Chief Constable of Merseyside Police.



Merseyside Chair Malcolm Parry presents a bouquet of flowers to Edith Bond. Mrs. Bond with Chief Constable Andy Cooke and Councillor Roz Gladden
(A full report will appear in a forthcoming edition of NARPO News)

Shoulder to Shoulder



Poppy Appeal 2016

October/November is a busy time for us in the Royal British Legion when the **Poppy Appeal** is in full swing and we will be selling Poppies from 29th October until 11th November 2016. We will be delivering over 200 Poppy boxes across Crosby, Blundellsands, Waterloo and Seaforth. We also sell Poppies in Sainsbury's (Crosby), Aldi (Thornton) and Tesco (Litherland).



I am asking for support during this period in order to help the Legion support our veterans and serving military and their families. NARPO members can support us by volunteering their time for a few hours to resource our stands in the above stores. Crosby RBL is in Moor Lane, Crosby on the pedestrianised area and will be fully staffed from 26th October until 15th November. I will have a roster for each of the three stores.



So please call me and support the Royal British Legion in their important work and give a little of your time. ALL are most welcome.

Please contact me on 07881 671567 or email me at crosbylegion@hotmail.com I look forward to hearing from you.

Come and join us!

Robin McGrath

Poppy Appeal Organiser - Crosby RBL.



Merseyside NARPO Welcomes New Members

Full

Miss Julie Ashley, Mr. David Banner, Mr. Michael Blennarhassett, Mr. Michael Bowes, Mr. William Brand, Mr. Raymond Mark Burrows, Mr. Anthony Carr, Mrs. Lorna Duckworth, Mr. Ansford Newton Hart, Mr. Steven Higham, Mr. Mark Hillman, Mr. Ronald Michael Jones, Mr. Andrew Large, Mr. Colin Lewis MBE, Mrs. Deborah Mackay, Mr. Philip Maloney, Ms Sue Martin, Mr. Robert Joseph Matthews, Mr. Philip McEwan, Ms Cerrinda McLean, Mrs. Barbara McLoughlin, Mr. Steven Molyneux, Sir Jonathan Michael Murphy QPM, Mr. Christopher Desmond Noonan, Mr. Gerard Francis O'Loughlin, Ms Paula Parker, Mr. Robert Pimblett, Mr. Robert Leslie Rawlinson - (Transfer from Wirral Branch), Mr. Andrew Rooke, Mrs. Ann Rooke, Mr. Mark Ruscoe, Mr. Robin Patrick Wallace Scott, Mr. David Stanton, Mr. Andrew John Turnbull, Mrs. Jayne Wilson-Jones, Mr. Peter Wood, Mrs. Rebecca Worsley and Mr. Neil Robert Worthington

Widows

Mrs. Gillian Bond, Mrs. June Maureen Jones, Mrs. Judith Veronica Mahon, Mrs. Blodwen Ruth Prowting, Mrs. Norma Florence Ralphson and Mrs. Angela Ellen Thomas-Smith,

M.P.S.S.A. LOTTERY WINNERS

May 2016

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| £500 | 15850 | H.J. WAGNER |
| £200 | 13202 | A.S. RAWCLIFFE |
| £200 | 20736 | K.P. LOWE |
| £200 | 99599 | G. CUNCLIFFE |
| £200 | 30702 | P. BAILEY |
| £200 | 2254 | J.A. CRAWFORD |
| £100 | 683956 | B. BURTON |
| £100 | 94608 | P.A. ANDERSON |
| £100 | 89848 | R. ELLISON-TYRER |
| £100 | 14549 | W.N. SKIDMORE |
| £100 | 3526 | A.E. BUTLER |
| £50 | 685098 | J.J. COLLIGAN |
| £50 | 22203 | R.F. LYON |
| £50 | 97866 | T.C. HIGGINS |

June 2016

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| £500 | 23896 | F.E. CARRUTHERS |
| £200 | 14382 | J. THANE |
| £200 | 6230 | M.J. ROWLAND |
| £200 | 19795 | A.M. STEVENS |
| £100 | 25701 | P.L. CLAY |
| £100 | 25354 | M.D. PICKLES |
| £100 | 17617 | K.J. CURRAN |
| £100 | 3013 | V.I. ARANDS |
| £50 | 20322 | S. COTTRELL |

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| £50 | 97841 | R.R. BIRD |
| July 2016 | | |
| £500 | 21874 | M.K. PAPE |
| £200 | 97734 | G.E. HUGHES |
| £200 | 2486 | D. GARTON |
| £200 | 21197 | P.J. GREGORY |
| £200 | 30506 | E.J. MANNION |
| £100 | 81761 | C. TURNER |
| £100 | 11388 | A.J. CALLANDER |
| £50 | 30585 | C.W.R. PENNEY |
| £50 | 18375 | P. BARK |
| £50 | 20348 | A.J. OWENS |
| £50 | 20561 | E.P. NASH |

Federation Charitable Trust Lottery

June 2016

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| £500 | - | Mr. Rollo D Torpey (Pens) |
| £250 | - | Mr. James Byrne (Pens) |
| July 2016 | | |
| £500 | - | Sgt. 4685 Louise Hooley |
| £250 | - | Mrs. Mary Ellen Ellison (Pens) |
| August 2016 | | |
| £500 | - | Mr. James Riley (Pens) |
| £250 | - | Mr. Stuart P. Rimmer (Pens) |

**Obituaries
Police Pensioners**

| Died | Name | Age | Rank | Retired |
|---------------|--------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| April | | | | |
| 26 | Graham William Davenport | 69 | Inspector | 2002 |
| 29 | Alan Trevor Hay | 60 | Constable 4674 | 2003 |
| May | | | | |
| 3 | Joseph Evan Greaves | 90 | Con. 894 [Admin of Justice] | 1981 |
| 8 | Walter Francis Kelly | 89 | Con. 309 [Warrant Dept.] | 1977 |
| 17 | Thomas Bernard Hogg | 99 | Inspector [Bootle] | 1973 |
| 17 | Stephen Taylor | 59 | Constable 4546 | 1997 |
| 18 | David Edward Jones | 76 | Sergeant 2204 | 1992 |
| 21 | James Edwards Hands | 90 | Sgt. 869 [St. Anne Street] | 1979 |
| 23 | Charles Roderick Hollis | 79 | Con. [Crown Court Dept.] | 1997 |
| 28 | Stanley Clark | 88 | Sgt. 1350 [Southport] | 1982 |
| 28 | Fred Howarth | 95 | Constable 83 | 1976 |
| June | | | | |
| 3 | William Thomas Turner | 91 | Ch. Supt. [Marsh Lane] | 1984 |
| 5 | Samuel Morton Prowting | 88 | Con. 919 [Traffic Dept.] | 1983 |
| 7 | John Ralphson | 95 | D/Ch. Insp. ['A' Div.] | 1976 |
| 11 | John Webster Bell | 82 | Insp. 1280 [Copperas Hill] | 1986 |
| 15 | Colin Bond | 60 | D/Con. 7337 MSOC Support | 2014 |
| 18 | Terence Dwyer | 62 | D/Constable 6356 | 2008 |
| 22 | Norman Cecil Cairns | 87 | Sergeant 653 [Birkenhead] | 1980 |
| 25 | Kenneth Jackson | 88 | Ch. Insp. [Mounted] | 1980 |
| 27 | Raymond James Trafford | 83 | Con. 1163 [Dog Section] | 1985 |
| July | | | | |
| 6 | Kenneth George Alcock | 81 | D/Sgt. ['A' Division] | 1986 |
| 6 | John Parry Jones | 79 | Supt. [Eaton Road] | 1990 |
| 15 | Robert Brookes | 66 | Sgt. 3383 [Wirral] | 2000 |
| 20 | William Livesey | 94 | Sergeant 266 [St. Helens] | 1977 |
| 22 | Geoffrey Lynn | 91 | Constable | 1977 |
| 24 | John Morgan | 61 | Sergeant 1263 | 2010 |
| 27 | John Ross | 77 | D/Inspector | 1995 |
| 27 | Tony Bailey | 80 | D/Inspector 1651 [St. Helens] | 1990 |
| 29 | Eric Marshall | 83 | Con. 1097 [A. of J., Birkenhead] | 1985 |
| August | | | | |
| 5 | George Smale | 81 | Inspector [Huyton] | 1987 |
| 6 | Michael Edwards | 69 | Constable 2725 | 1993 |
| 15 | Barry Jackson Warbrick | 66 | Constable 3088 | 1977 |
| 15 | H. Hesketh | 89 | Sergeant 247 | 1977 |
| 20 | George Smerdon | 82 | D/Supt. [St. Helens] | 1979 |
| 21 | Derek Soden-Barton | 74 | Con. 2551 [Traffic] | 1993 |
| 22 | Clifford Kellett | 87 | Supt. [Crosby] | 1979 |

Widows

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| April | | | | | |
| 11 | Joan Mary Boyce | 82 | | | |
| May | | | August | | |
| 22 | Joan Cresswell | 91 | 1 | Pamela Ethel Garvey | 78 |
| 24 | Olive Amelia Holland | 95 | 13 | Barbara Townsend | 80 |
| 27 | Ethel May Miller | 100 | 20 | Audrey McKie | 79 |
| | | | 24 | Rita Neilson Marsden | 91 |
| June | | | | | |
| 20 | Marion Leach | 84 | | | |
| July | | | | | |
| 5 | Elma Charlotte Hand | 83 | | | |
| 28 | Joan Boyne | 78 | | | |
| 31 | Elizabeth Hurst | 74 | | | |