



NARPO Bulletin (Merseyside Branch)

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FROM THE CHAIR

Well I suppose the winter has not been too bad overall or at least not in the Merseyside area. I realise that in starting with the weather I have been stating what it has been like locally and forgetting that we have members all over the UK and indeed the World. No doubt with many variations of our local Merseyside weather.

This is of course the first bulletin of 2019, a year which marks a landmark in the history of NARPO. Formed in 1919 will mean we will be celebrating its 100th year of service to its members. The Branch will be highlighting this in various ways, the details of which appear in other sections of this bulletin. You will have had details already of the Luncheon at the Liner Hotel in July, indeed on the actual date of the NARPO formation., and as I write this the take up has been exceptional. It only seems yesterday that your committee set up a working group to look how we should commemorate such a unique occasion. The event will be the culmination of their hard work. They are deserving of a big thank you from the Branch.

The ethos of NARPO still remains the same now as it was when created i.e. Welfare and Pensions. Whilst they remain are day to day activity, I would also like to remind you of the many other benefits that the modern NARPO offers to its members. Have a visit to the HQ web site www.Narpo.org and the Members Services they now offer <https://www.narpo.org/leisure/>. They are varied and increasing. You may find one that is for you and which saves you money. Equally the site contains a wealth of valuable information about pensions and a variance of life topics.

In March I once again presented the NARPO award at the Volunteer Cadet Awards. This award is presented to the Cadet(s) who has/have demonstrated the most progress over the course of the programme. As ever, this remains an exceptionally rewarding evening and one we should be proud to support. This year the award went to Cadets Muhit Ahmed, Aimee Lamont and Callum Boyle.



By popular demand the afternoon tea events will be continuing, and another Professional evening is being planned although will not now be until the Autumn. The new venture for the Branch of a visit to the Edinburgh Tattoo has also proved popular and as I write the coach is all but full.

Whilst we have no problem recruiting members to NARPO who retire at or around their normal retirement date NARPO does have difficulty reminding those who retired early, but are entitled to a police pension, that they can be a member of NARPO now. They do not have to wait for what would have been their normal retirement date. Do you know someone who that may apply too? If you do, then please speak to them or to our secretary.

A reminder that the Annual General Meeting will be held on the 8th May at the Liner Hotel in Liverpool. We get great support each year, but we can still accommodate more of you. If you have not been before then why not give it a try.

I mention this in most bulletins in some way or other. To function we need a full committee and executive officers. Each year I ask for volunteers but the response, especially from our younger pensioners, is not good. Your current committee does a great job on your behalf, but we do get older and sadly at times circumstances demand that we cannot continue. The committee should reflect the age span of our membership and of course the generation and era of policing to which belonged Your Branch forward planning is succeeding in spreading the administrative workload and ensuring the administration uses the latest by digital means. In April you will receive formal notification of the AGM which will contain a request for nominations to the committee. Please give serious thought to putting yourself forward. If you wish to know more then please contact myself or our secretary, Eddie.

As ever please be safe, be careful and remember we remain committed to keeping this Branch at the forefront of NARPO.

Malcolm Parry
Chairman

EDDIE-TORIAL

Well, Spring has certainly sprung. What a balmy February! Clocks go forward this month and holidays on the horizon. Before holidays though is the A.G.M. at The Liner Hotel in Liverpool on Wednesday 8th May at 7.00pm. We hope to have a substantial attendance.

The **BIG** day gets nearer and nearer. Thursday 25th July 2019 also at the Liner Hotel – the NARPO Centenary Celebration Luncheon. The sub-committee, of which I am proud to be a part, continue to work tirelessly to make this event a great success. At the time of writing there are still a small number of places available. If you would like to attend, please contact me telephone **0151 958 9922** or secretary@narpo-merseyside.org.uk.

Also, as part of the Centenary Celebration, there is yet another Afternoon Tea organised. Full details can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

The Reverend Peter Deary who was in charge of the NARPO funeral drape and its associated articles for the north of Merseyside has stood down and passed the responsibility over to Christine and Stewart Parkinson. Peter's contribution has been titanic and we thank him for this and wish him the best for the future.

The summer edition will be published in June. Articles or items for publication are always welcome.

Widows Draw – February 2019

Jean Kirby, Kathleen Wade, Catherine Hyde-Price, Lillian Frodsham, Patricia Woolley, Carol Stokes, June Jones, Pamela Tinnion, Elaine Kavanagh, Christine Edwards, Mavis Downes, Nora Fanning, Marjorie Foulkes, Kay Green, Marjorie Hayes, Violet Herbert, Ellen Holland, Grace Jones, Joan Jones, Sylvia Magoolaghan, Patricia O'Toole, Beryl Robinson, Doris Thwaites, Laura Palin, Carol Kemp



CENTENARY CELEBRATION STARTS HERE!



AFTERNOON TEA WITH THE CHIEF!

The Centenary Celebrations get under way on Wednesday 15th May 2019 at 2.00pm. Riversdale is the venue and tickets have been frozen at £6.00 each.

Merseyside Chief Constable Andy Cooke QPM will launch the Centenary Celebrations with the cutting of a specially commissioned cake.

To book for this momentous occasion please contact:

Lorna Lyons – Mobile 07764 255070

lornalyons@hotmail.co.uk

or

Ruth Rowan – 0151 420 5330 Mobile 07900 973056

Ruth.e.rowan@gmail.com

This is bound to be a popular event so book early to avoid disappointment!

EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO

A 2-night excursion has been arranged to the Edinburgh Military Tattoo in August 2019. There are a couple of places available. If interested please contact one of the ladies mentioned above.

Merseyside NARPO Message Board

This message board has been provided as an additional service to our members.

Use is restricted to members of the Merseyside Branch and subject to the terms of service which will need your agreement before registration can proceed.

Members who wish to register for the message board should go to www.merseysidenarpo.com

MOVING HOUSE?

Circumstances Changed?

New e-mail or phone?

Please keep us informed

We need to know!

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HARVEY HOWELL
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Harvey Howell's service to Merseyside NARPO members and their families is to provide legal advice on Wills, Powers of Attorney and such matters – with very competitive and transparent pricing for members.

Take advantage of this free education service by booking a place on the free seminar at 6pm at the Liner Hotel, Liverpool L3 5BQ on Wednesday 17th April 2019 – free pie & pint on arrival. Telephone [0151 928 8597](tel:01519288597).

MERSEYSIDE NARPO WEB SITE

Don't forget to visit the Merseyside
NARPO web site -

www.narpo-merseyside.org.uk

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

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Sandra Riley (widow), Colin Waine, Christine Johnson, Simon Byrne, Julian King, Julie Byrne, Belinda Nelson (widow), Alexander Lezemore, Edith Carron (widow), Andrew McKenna, Michael Young, Thomas Keaton, Alan Barr, Carolyn Calcutt (widow), Jeremy Harris, Tim Mercer, Simon Douch, Bernard Keegan (transfer from Southport), Philip Clarke, Ruth Ryan, Margaret Titterington (widow), Deborah Jane Price, Sean Barcas, Julie Milburn, Stephen Hampson, Maureen O'Hare (widow), Stephen Parry, Andrew Coppell, Alan Lunt, Joanne Purcell, Peter Dalziel, Mark Fagan, Paul Ellison, Steve Taylor

MERSEYSIDE NARPO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

7.00 p.m.

Wednesday

8th May 2019

Liner Hotel

Lord Nelson Street

Liverpool L3 5QB

Merseyside Branch Centenary Luncheon

Thursday 25th July 2019

Liner Hotel, Lord Nelson Street, Liverpool

12.30pm for 1.15pm

Drinks on Arrival

Three Course Luncheon with Wine

Official Photographer & Merseyside Police Band

Tickets £20.00 per person
(Merseyside Branch Member & Spouse/Partner)
(£40.00 each (non-Merseyside Branch))

Obituaries

November 2018

30th James Stanley Sergison Constable 1744"D" 85 years

December 2018

7th John Brian Calcutt Chief Superintendent 74 years

27th Rev. Albert Hodge Sergeant 1832 78 years

January 2019

8th Bernard Joseph Holmes Superintendent 75 years

12th Joseph Edward Griffin Constable 153 86 years

13th James Arthur McLachlan Constable 174 (SOCO) 86 years

23rd Ronald Watson Constable 994 90 years

23rd Howard Bryn Parry Superintendent 71 years

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2nd Ronald Gower Det. Sergeant 79 years

5th Roger Bancroft Brooke Constable 2014 79 years

6th Eric Croston Constable 71"T" 76 years

6th Thomas William Minnery Chief Inspector 77 years

11th Bryan Clements Keating Constable 709 87 years

March 2019

1st David Clark Constable 1206"T" 87 years

9th Alan Williams Sergeant 598 90 years

Widows

December 2018

18th Molly Jenkins (nee Brade) Widow 88 years

January 2019

13th Kathleen Isherwood Widow 88 years

25th Olga Mary McLaughlin Widow 81 years

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4th Leukadia Ward Widow 96 years

BRING BACK WELLS FARGO!

Difficulty has been experienced with Royal Mail deliveries to our office at ABC Business Centre resulting in a letter having to be sent to those members not on e-mail regarding the Centenary Luncheon. This had to be done quickly and I understand that there has been some duplicity. It was probably inevitable given the time-scale.

Royal Mail Investigations are on the case. At the last count in excess of 30 bookings had gone astray

If you are concerned that your booking did not arrive, and you have not had an acknowledgement please get in touch as a matter of urgency.

The conclusion is, of course, that in the modern world it is best to have access to e-mail.

And Finally.....

Recently attended the Merseyside Police Volunteer Cadets Final Ceremony. Within a year these young people have enjoyed many experiences which will stand them in good stead for the future whatever path they decide to take. Some will go on to join "The Job" others will make their way in life in their chosen fields. Whatever the future holds we wish them every success. It would be remiss not to mention NARPO Merseyside member Eddie Davies who has been and continues to be a core part of the scheme.

With the A.G.M. imminent no doubt some of the committee are thinking "should I stay, or should I go?" It would be good if members thought "should I stand and have a go."

Thought of the Day

Cruises are the only thing you buy that make you feel richer!

SEE YOU AT THE A.G.M.