



# NARPO Bulletin (Merseyside Branch)

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## FROM THE CHAIR

I hope the recent mild weather and that extra daylight is proving helpful to you.

Since the last bulletin we have supported the Volunteer Cadet Final Ceremony, held our fourth Professional Evening and held our AGM.

It was my pleasure to attend the Cadets Final Ceremony in March to present Cadets with the NARPO award on your behalf. The NARPO award is presented to those who have demonstrated the most progress over the course of the programme. This year four Cadets were recipients. A new group of Volunteer Cadets will start their year of adventure in the next few months. Eddie Davies will as ever take a key role in their programme. The night is always a wonderful event and it so rewarding to accept the personal thanks of so many Cadets. They really do appreciate our involvement.

At the end of March we held our fourth Professional Night at Police HQ. Attendance was as ever excellent with over 50 members present. This time the topic was 'Firearms in today's policing'. Inspector Ian Shuttleworth provided members with an enlightening and enjoyable presentation. He was assisted by two Armed Response Officers who were able to show and allow members to handle different firearms and experience the weight of the body armour. Rest assured the firearms were not loaded! An enjoyable hot pot supper followed this excellent presentation. Once again without exception the evening was enjoyed by those present and thanks to all members who personally thanked me by email. It is very much appreciated. It is hoped that a further such event on a topic to be decided will be held later in the year. If you have any suggestions as to a topic please let me know soonest.

In May the Annual General Meeting was held again at the Liner Hotel in Liverpool. It is so pleasing to see so many members attending. We are so lucky to get such support. The Chief Constable, Andy Cooke, and Peter Singleton were our guests. The Chief Constable gave an interesting update on what is happening within the force. Finance, the new building programme to replace HQ's, neighbourhood policing remains a priority and the importance of keeping contact with young people were the key elements. Peter updated members on the opening of the new extensions to St Michaels Lodge at Langho and the current issues.



Charlie Wass has now retired from the committee after a long period as a very active member. No doubt some of you will be grateful for his help over the years. In recognition for this hard work and commitment the Chief Constable presented him with a certificate of NARPO Life Membership. We wish Charlie and Mavis good health for the future. Former Inspector Colin Lewis from Community Services was elected to replace Charlie on the committee. All the remaining members were re-elected. The meeting ended with a presentation about Wills and Power of Attorney by representatives from Harvey Howell solicitors. Following the meeting members enjoyed an excellent hot pot supper and by apple pie. Without doubt this venue remains very popular.

The Annual Conference will this year be held in Scarborough Your branch will be represented and at the moment the only thing I can report is that the NEC are bringing the draft rules back to conference. Under the proposals spouses and widows will qualify as members but only retirees will be full members. Feedback on the Conference will appear in the next edition of the bulletin. Updates on the proposed rules will be circulated as and when we get further information.

We continue to review of the executive roles of the Branch and we hope to have members shadowing current executive members to ensure we maintain continuity in the event of any changes.

A provisional date has now been booked for a luncheon at the Liner in July 2019 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of NARPO. The finer details are still being finalised and we would still welcome any suggestions as to its format.

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

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e-mail please send address to  
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*Malcolm Parry*  
Chairman

## EDDIE-TORIAL

Recently I had occasion to spend a week at the Police Treatment Centre, Harrogate. The whole set-up is outstanding from food and accommodation through to treatment and care during which I had my first experience of acupuncture. Nothing was too much trouble for the delightful staff headed by my "New Best Friend" the C.E.O. Colonel Patrick Cairns. O.K., I have listened to the arguments from retired officers that they had contributed throughout their service but for the equivalent of 65p per week (the cost of one edition of the Daily Mail) the facility is there should members ever need it.

Julian Dearden, Frank Richardson and I continue to plan for the Centenary Luncheon in 2019. The date has been set as Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July at the Liner Hotel. We realise that it is too early for members to make a firm commitment but if anybody has any ideas we would be pleased to hear them.



I came across this photo recently when having a "clear-out." That's me second from right on the front row as Class Instructor. The Chief Inspector is Brian West and the Superintendent is Dave Callister, both Merseysiders. This was circa May 1987. The student Constables in the picture must be about to or have retired. Anyone put a name to any of the faces?

Have a great summer and as the song goes "See You In September."

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## Liverpool City Police 'D' Divisional Reunion 2017

The next re-union of ex members of 'D' Division at Rose Hill Bridewell will be held at 12.30 for 1.00pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at Riversdale Police Club, Riversdale Road, Liverpool L19 3QN. At this reunion, we will be celebrating (?) the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the break-up of the Division on amalgamation with Bootle Borough.

Those on the mailing list will be notified in early September but if there are any other former members of the Division, both uniform and CID, or former members of Liverpool City Police Women's Section who were 'attached' to Rose Hill and who wish to attend, please contact Charlie Wass at:

[charlie.cwass@talktalk.net](mailto:charlie.cwass@talktalk.net) or 01704 831294

## MERSEYSIDE POLICE CADETS FINAL CEREMONY



This Ceremony marks the completion of the Cadet 12 month programme. Cadets and their families together with the sponsors, VIP's and invited guests enjoy a wonderful night. During the evening Cadets summarised their extensive activities during the year and conclude with the awards presentation. The NARPO award is sponsored by the Merseyside Branch and is presented to the Cadet(s) who have demonstrated the most progress over the course of the programme. This year four Cadets received the award. They were Cadet Millie Keegan, Cadet Chantelle White, Cadet Maria Shamim and Cadet Morgan Soul. In the photograph the Chair of the Merseyside Branch Malcolm Parry presents the first of the awards to Cadet Millie Keegan.

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The Three Wooseys!

Merseyside Branch believes in the 'Police Family' and will always do whatever it can to support its retention. To that end we support the Merseyside Volunteer Police Cadets scheme together with the newly formed Merseyside Police 'Mini Police.'

The photograph is a true reflection of the 'Police Family'. Taken at the Cadets Final Ceremony Merseyside NARPO Branch member Max Woosey (former Superintendent), his son Martin (Superintendent) and grandson Matthew (Cadet).

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**MOVING HOUSE?**  
Please inform Dave Anderton

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# POLICE TREATMENT CENTRES

(By Patrick Cairns)



Eddie McGrath with Patrick Cairns

During his recent stay at the PTC Harrogate I had a chat to your editor Eddie McGrath and was invited to pen a short article about the PTC. For those of you who have not been to the PTC for a few years, you will see much has changed, but one thing that has remained the same is that we continue to provide class leading treatment for serving and Retired Officers, and the standard of care and treatment is better than ever. As a reminder we have centres in Harrogate, North Yorkshire and Auchterarder in Scotland (near Gleneagles Golf Club). Over the last few years both Centres have been expanded and significantly improved including a new state of the art Health and Fitness complex in Scotland. From the moment you arrive at either Centre, you can't help but be impressed by the gardens and the quality of our accommodation, food, décor and environment, and everything and everyone is dedicated to providing the very best service to our police patients. Our Physiotherapists and Nursing team are exceptional and deliver transformational care and treatment to our patients, leaving them in a better place both physically and mentally. One thing that has changed is if you now want to benefit from a stay at the PTC, you must be a current donor to the Charity. This was one of a range of measures implemented in 2015, to ensure The Charity remains in

financial good health for many years to come. The donation is a very modest sum of 65 pence a week, which I suspect most of you either lose down the back of the sofa without noticing, or put in charity collection tins each week. We continue to value Retired Officers at the PTC, and in 2016 we treated 340 of them. I personally think Retired Officers add to the mix at the PTC, they are great to have as patients in residence; the younger officers enjoy talking to them and listening to their experiences and they, of course, enjoy learning about what is going on within the modern Police service. By becoming a donor, as well as accessing and benefiting from treatment yourself, you know that even if you have no need to come personally, you will be supporting a long standing Police charity, and helping us to support and treat this and future generations of Police Officers. If you want to find out more about what the PTC is doing today, please have a look at our website at the link below, where you will also be able to download Retired Officer donation forms and join the 3000 Retired Officers who have already signed up to donate to the PTC, and benefit from our treatment.

<http://www.thepolicetreatmentcentres.org>

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## WELCOME TO MERSESIDESIDE NARPO

### Full Members

Mr. Ian McBain Bantang, Mr. Derek Ian Bayne, Mrs. Alison Benn, Mr. Michael Stephen Bevin, Mr. Neil Bickley, Mr. Vivian Brady, Mr. Stephen Brougham, Mr. Geoffrey William Cartwright<sup>1</sup>, Mr. David Carver, Mr. Denis Cashen, Mr. James Anthony Clare, Mrs. Annette Clarke-Coyne, Mr. Alex Curry, Mr. Michael Gerard Deary, Mr. Mark Dickinson, Mr. Paul Francis Fearon, Mr. Keith Fleming, Mr. Gerard Gaskell<sup>2</sup>, Mr. Michael Gibbens, Mr. Stephen Thomas Granton, Mr. David Hackett, Mr. Stephen Hall, Mrs. Deborah Elizabeth Hartill, Mr. George Raymond Howard MBE, Mrs. Gaynor Patricia Johnson-Dunn, Mr. David Alan Jones<sup>3</sup>, Mr. David Keegan, Mr. Kevin Kehoe, Miss Janet Kiernan, Mr. Ian McBain, Mr. John Christopher McIlroy, Mr. Alan Scott McNeill, Mr. Stephen Mealing, Mr. Nicholas James Mills, Mr. Glenn Steven Mitchel, Mr. Paul Mounsey, Mrs. Helen Clare Murphy, Mr. George Alfred Pennington, Mr. Steven James Pennington, Mr. David James Rich, Mr. David Skelton, Mr. Robert Slater, Mr. Alan Graham Stewart<sup>3</sup>, Mr. Stephen James Trotter, Mr. Neil Turner, Mr. Robert Viney, Mr. Michael Wild, Mr. Geoff Williams, Mr. Damian Michael Worsley and Mr. Alan Wrigg

<sup>1</sup> Transfer from Wirral Branch  
<sup>2</sup> Transfer from Southport Branch  
<sup>3</sup> Additional member

### Widow Members

Mrs. Myrtle Fleming, Mrs. Mary Rosalie Greenwood, Mrs. Kathleen Ryding and Mrs. Pamela Tinnion

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### BRIDEWELL REVISITED



Officers who served in the old "G" division (Eaton Road, Tuebrook, Old Swan, and Prescot Street) during the period 1970-1980 recently paid a nostalgic visit to Eaton Road Bridewell which, of course, was the Divisional H.Q. The building is now deserted but the memories and characters live long in the memory. The photograph (left) was taken in the yard. Thanks to Charlie Southern who arranged the visit and Peter Marsden for the photograph.

# Obituaries

## Police Pensioners

<u>Died</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Retired</u>
<b>November</b>				
22	Jeffrey Alan Morrish	73	D/Constable	1992
<b>December</b>				
2	Iorwerth Mon Williams	75	Chief Inspector [Speke]	1996
<b>February</b>				
5	Eric William Stewart	72	Sergeant 2277 [Prescot]	1998
11	Francis Alfred Wareing	88	D/Constable [CIS]	1977
19	Edward Francis Tinnion	73	Sergeant 2040 [HQ]	1992
20	Kenneth Andrew Forshaw	83	D/Superintendent [HQ]	1988
20	Harry Ryding	90	Superintendent [Belle Vale]	1985
22	David Sutherland	87	D/Supt. [Knowsley]	1974
23	Olive Chesworth	75	Constable 3626 'A'	1974
26	Gordon Bates	93	D/Sgt. 462 [MerCro]	1976
27	Andrew John Dunn	62	Sergeant 5154 [Southport]	2001
<b>March</b>				
25	Patrick Joseph Farrell	87	Constable 654	1980
<b>April</b>				
5	Peter Albert Robertson	67	Constable 'A' Division	n/a
8	Beverley Whitehead	57	Con. 6031 [Walton Lane]	1999
<b>May</b>				
6	Philemon George Tarleton	89	Con. [Crown Court Dept.]	1980
7	William Henry Bowden	72	Constable 2486'T'	1995

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## Obituaries (Widows)

## Widows and Widowers Draw

<u>Died</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
<b>January</b>		
22	Ethel Elizabeth Davies	86
<b>February</b>		
1	Janet Catherine Doust	94
13	Alvina Marguerite Wood	90
27	Dorothy Johnson	90
<b>March</b>		
15	Joan Williams	78
15	Georgina Kilshaw	67
17	Nina Davies	90
<b>April</b>		
12	Elizabeth Stewart	84
13	Doris Waugh	83
23	Mary Winifred Mortimer	93
26	Joycelyne Hill	90
28	Ella Sewell	86

### February 2017

Mrs. Lisita Baker, Mrs. Florence Mary Blackburn, Mrs. Catherine Shaw Bland, Mrs. Christine Burrell, Mrs. Margaret Rose Dagger, Mrs. Nina Davies, Mrs. Beatrice Edna Edge, Mrs. Jean Edwards, Mrs. Kathleen Mary Fairclough, Mrs. Patricia Forster, Mrs. Alltwena Grice, Mrs. Doreen Mary Hayes, Mrs. Zena Howard, Mrs. Marie Kitto, Mrs. Lilian Jean Mitchell, Mrs. Christina Mitchell, Mrs. Ann Morrish, Mrs. Margaret Mossman, Mrs. Joyce Teresa Phillips, Mrs. Evelyn Jeanette Potter, Mrs. Susan Roberts, Mrs. Ella Sewell, Mrs. Ann Shannon and Mrs. Anne Frances Walker

### April 2017

Mrs. Eva Eileen Axon, Mrs. Jacqueline Winifred Baxter, Mrs. Patricia Florence Beaumont, Mrs. Rosemary Bruce, Mrs. Nora R. Bryden, Mrs. Margaret Cannell, Mrs. Florence Evelyn Carruthers, Mrs. Marian Ann Case, Mrs. Elizabeth Jean Cooke, Mrs. Margaret Crawford, Mrs. Joyce Dobinson-Taylor, Mrs. Freda Flynn, Mrs. Elsie M. Follett, Mrs. Irene Edith Gibson, Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Glynn, Mrs. Anastasia Goulding, Mrs. Pamela Higgins, Mrs. Buddug Margaret Jones, Mrs. Pauline Kavanagh, Mrs. Maureen Kefford, Mrs. May Moneypenny, Mrs. Florence May Owens, Mrs. Eunice Soden-Barton, Mrs. Christine Wallard and Mrs. Elaine Ann Wood

## Merseyside Police Comrades Association

Some 65 years after it came into existence, the "Comrades" was brought to a dignified end at the Annual General Meeting on 8th May 2017. At the meeting it was unanimously agreed that the Association be dissolved and any residual funds be donated to the North West Police Benevolent Fund. They have now received a cheque for £8000 and arrangements have been made to terminate all subscriptions paid by serving and retired officers.

The Chairman, Lew May, sends best wishes and thanks everyone who has contributed its success over the years.

### MERSEYSIDE NARPO WEB SITE

Don't forget to visit the Merseyside  
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and keep up to date on NARPO  
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