



# NARPO Bulletin (Merseyside Branch)



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## The Chairman's Column

Hi All. I hope the summer has been good to you. Well as you can see I have been re-elected as your Chair for another year. It remains a pleasure to serve you once again. Frank Richardson did not seek re-election as Vice Chair and Robin McGrath was elected in his place. Dave Anderton remains your Secretary, Frank Kite your Treasurer and Colin Lewis your Assistant Secretary. I would like to thank Frank Richardson for all his hard work in co-ordinating all our research into the needs of the Branch and how we should go forward.

Linked to this is the need to have a proper line of succession for the executive posts. This is vital to ensure that the Branch can continue to serve the future membership. This is not an easy task as many of you will know from membership of other organisations. Members do not wish or have time to take on such roles, particularly that of the Secretary. Many NARPO branches around the country are, or have had, difficulties filling such roles. Remember, if no one stands for such roles then that branch will fold. In some cases spouses of members have come to the rescue. If you have just retired and would like to help us on the committee then please contact the secretary. Robin McGrath and Colin Lewis will lead on how our branch should move forward to ensure we do not meet those difficulties.

Ironically, if the new rules are passed at the forthcoming conference in September then spouses will no longer be full members and therefore debarred from serving as committee members and performing one of the executive roles. Indeed that is the next major event for NARPO nationally.

The conference will be at Southport on Friday 4 September. I mentioned in the last bulletin the main issue would be the motion to update the Rules and in particular the issues surrounding spouses and widows only being eligible for associate membership. Your Branch submitted an amendment to the motion to allow spouses and widows to

### MERSEYSIDE NARPO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

7.30 p.m.  
Wednesday  
11 May 2016

Liner Hotel  
Lord Nelson Street  
Liverpool L3 5QB

be full members. We are not alone in seeking to have the membership rule amended albeit differences do apply in respect of how it should be achieved. If you wish to have a look at the NARPO Annual Report, motions etc. then go to - <http://www.narpo.org.uk/index.php/conference-and-annual-reports.html>

Unfortunately this bulletin goes to press prior to the conference so I am not able to update you as I mentioned in the last bulletin.

As you can see from the insert we

are remaining at the Liner Hotel for our 2016 Annual General Meeting. The feedback we received was the best we have had for an AGM. Please put the date in your diary.

One new idea we are looking at for the coming year is the holding of a seminar in partnership with Merseyside Police. The theme would be 'How it was done in our day and how is it done today', for example, the specialist topic could be communications and computers. You can imagine the differences we would see when you consider our timeline of policing. Currently I am talking with Merseyside Police as to its feasibility and how it can best be achieved. This would involve questions such as topic and location. If we can proceed then we will conclude with a buffet and hopefully hold it before the end of the year. What do you think of the idea?

You will have noted over the years I have been writing my column I have asked for feedback on a range of matters. To date that feedback has been somewhat lacking. Remember this is your Branch and we can only improve with your help.

*Malcolm Parry*  
Chairman

### Moving House?

Up-to-date records are essential so that you can have your NARPO News and Branch Bulletin posted to you at home. If you're moving house, just fill in the form below, cut it out and post it to:

David Anderton, 15 Childwall Park Avenue, Liverpool, L16 0JE.

Full Name ..... Pension No. ....

New Address .....

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..... Post Code .....

Telephone ..... Mobile .....

e-mail .....



## Letters



### Career Coaching

I am an ex member of Merseyside Police staff with 26 years service under my belt. I spent the last ten years in a police training officer role and, in 2013, faced with all the cutbacks, I decided to take redundancy to set up as a self employed career and life coach. I hold Certificates and Diplomas in teaching, personal development coaching and also career coaching and, since I set up my business in May 2014, I have been delivering presentations on 'How to Market Yourself for Future Employment' on the police pre-retirement courses in both Merseyside and Lancashire through a company called True Bearing Ltd.

I also am working with private clients, in particular targeting ex public sector workers who are leaving their organisations after long service to take an early retirement or through redundancy (a bit like me really!). I have some police officer clients but I am currently trying to market my services more widely and so my reason for writing was to enquire whether I could advertise my services somehow through the NARPO organisation. I have recently launched my website [www.lindamegrathcoaching.com](http://www.lindamegrathcoaching.com) and the services I can offer include the following: CV Writing; Covering Letters; Career Change Coaching Sessions; Interview Skills and Preparation.

**Linda McGrath**

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### Services of Beauty Therapist

I retired from Merseyside Police earlier this year and I am a qualified Beauty Therapist. I am starting a new mobile beauty service in and around the Ormskirk/ Lydiate/ Maghull/ Aintree areas (within approx. a 10 mile radius). Treatments include nails, manicures, pedicures, facials, Sienna X spray tanning and tinting.

I have a few special offers at the moment: Gel polish on fingers or toes - only £7.00; Sienna X full body spray tan - only £9.00; eyelash and eyebrow tint - only £9.00. Pamper packages also available.

Please contact me for more information.

**Diane Prosser** - 07525 409527

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### Bill Coady - Step Out for Stroke 2015

The sponsored walk in aid of the Stroke Association took place on Saturday 9 May and Bill took part ably assisted by Terry Kelly. Bill managed to walk further than he had in previous years. As a result Bill's ex-colleagues who were generous in their sponsorship, the sum of £756.00 was raised and this will be donated to the local branch of the Stroke Association thereby ensuring that Bill will directly benefit from the monies raised. Because a number of the sponsors agreed to register for Gift Aid, a further 20% will be added to the total.



Bill Coady and Terry Kelly

On behalf of Bill and Pauline, I would like to express my appreciation to all those who contributed and helped to raise such a large amount. I know the effect the contributions have on Bill and it helps his morale and well being to know he is not forgotten. Many thanks.

**Alec Larsen - Aughton, Ormskirk**

### Letter from the Chairman of the Merseyside Life After Stroke Voluntary Group

Dear Bill,

I am writing on behalf of the Merseyside Life After Stroke Voluntary Group, to thank you for your fantastic donation of **£936.00**, raised as part of **Step Out for Stroke 2015**. Thank you, this is very generous. Your support is very much appreciated.

The Stroke Association is the only UK charity concerned with combating stroke in people of all ages. Your support will help us achieve our vision of a world where there are fewer strokes and all those touched by a stroke get the much needed help and support they need.

Our work relies heavily on the generosity of our supporters - without you we could do very little. Whether we are providing support through our Life After Stroke or information services, funding pioneering research, campaigning or providing Life After Stroke Grants to help improve the quality of life for stroke survivors, we rely upon voluntary income to help fund these activities.

The money you have raised will make a real difference to those affected by stroke in the **Merseyside** area.

Please accept our warmest thanks for the support you have provided - we greatly appreciate it.

**Ian Collins**

**Chairman - Merseyside Life After Stroke Group**

### Royal Hospital Chelsea

I have achieved my latest ambition and I am writing to you as an In-Pensioner at the Royal Hospital in Chelsea. I have a room to myself with a view of the skyline of Westminster, including the London Eye. Separate to the main room is a study in which my computer and printer and trouser press are kept. Then there is my wet room with two showers, wash basin and toilet. We have three substantial meals per day each with a menu to choose from. It is an easy going life and not in any way regimental. We can walk out in plain clothes after 2.00 p.m. There are plenty of activities on offer that you can choose or not choose to take part in. I am perfectly satisfied with my new life style and I would definitely recommend it to any widowed member of NARPO aged over 65 years with Army Service.

**Bob Leece - Chelsea**



### LIVERPOOL CITY POLICE 'D' DIVISION AT ROSE HILL

The next reunion of members of Liverpool City Police at 'D' Division, Rose Hill Bridewell will be held at Riversdale Police Club, Riversdale Road, Liverpool L19 3QN at 1.00 p.m. on **Friday 2 October 2015**.

Those on my mailing list will be notified in early September but if there are any other members of the Division, who have not yet attended, please contact:

**Charlie Wass**

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### GUNKSNIFFERS' MEETING

The next meeting for past and present 'two wheeled' Traffic Officers will take place at Riversdale Police Club at 12.30 p.m. on **Wednesday 21 October 2015**. Send cheque for £6.00 made out to 'Dave Graney' at 93 Church Road, Woolton, Liverpool L25 6DB. Some select 'heater men' may apply. Late entries may be refused.

**Dave Graney**

[davidgraney@talktalk.net](mailto:davidgraney@talktalk.net)

### North West Police Benevolent Fund Counselling Service

The North West Police Benevolent Fund is pleased to announce a new service available to our members.

Many enquiries have been made in relation to counselling and the Trustees of the Benevolent Fund have listened to those requests and this service is now available at St Michael's Lodge. The application process will be on a self-referral basis only direct to the Counsellor at St Michael's Lodge to maintain a high level of confidentiality.

Completed application forms should be returned:

**by post to -**

Amanda Lloyd  
St. Michael's Lodge  
Northcote Road  
Langho

Blackburn BB6 8BG

(marked Private and Confidential)

or **email to -**

[amandalloyd.couns@outlook.com](mailto:amandalloyd.couns@outlook.com)

**Jackie Smithies**

**Secretary**

**N.W.P.B.F**

### Important Changes to Grants from the Police Dependants' Trust

The Police Dependants' Trust (PDT) has provided financial support to thousands of police officers and their families, in the event of those officers being killed or injured on duty. I am writing to explain the changes we are making to our grants and to request your help in communicating these changes to the retired officers you represent.

Since the PDT was founded in 1966 there have been many changes to the state welfare system, health and social care, and of course welfare provision within the police service. As the Trust approaches its 50th anniversary we are considering how we can provide the most appropriate support to police officers and their families in the event of an officer being killed or injured on duty.

#### What is changing?

The first step has been to look closely at the grants we currently offer:

- Applications from dependants of officers killed or injured on duty will now be assessed against the Minimum Income Standards defined by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation. In the majority of cases this scale is equal to or more generous than the income scales previously used by the Trust. You can read more by visiting [www.minimumincomestandard.org.uk](http://www.minimumincomestandard.org.uk).
- Officers injured on duty in the line of their police work will also be eligible to apply for support in the event they are reduced to half pay/no pay.
- Greater account will be taken of the additional costs of living with a disability.
- Grants will continue to be issued on a needs basis, but instead of providing fixed sums, grants will be made for specific items or costs.

Over the last three years we have helped 38 serving/retired officers/families in Merseyside. The change we have outlined will allow us to help more officers and families and mean we can make more of a lasting difference. Just as importantly, it enables us to take account of recent changes to the benefits system, as well as issues around income tax; it's important our grants don't inadvertently disadvantage people in receipt of benefits, for example.

Another important change that we feel will help us to provide a more personal service to officers and their families is the decision to allow applications to be made directly to the Trust. We are very grateful to those of you who have assisted us with applications over the years, however, we do appreciate the constraints on your time. While there may be occasions when we need information from you in order to deal with an application, we are now in a position to handle all initial enquiries, applications and grant payments.

I hope this information is of use to you and I thank you for your continued support.

**Gill Scott-Moore**  
Chief Executive

### Merseyside Police Federation Charitable Trust Lottery Recent Winners

#### May 2015

Con. 2036 Sally Leisk	£500
Peter Lynch (Pensioner)	£250

#### June 2015

Robert Collie (Pensioner)	£500
Con 2803 Katie Morrison	£250

#### July 2015

Con 3987 Jamie Preston	£500
Con 6180 Yvonne Paul	£250

### Merseyside Pension Pay Dates

#### 2015

**Tuesday 1 September**

**Thursday 1 October**

**Friday 30 October**

**Tuesday 1 December**

**Thursday 31 December**

#### 2016

**Monday 1 February**

**Tuesday 1 March**

**Friday 1 April**

**Obituaries  
Police Pensioners**

Died	Name	Age	Rank	Retired
<b>May</b>				
17	Peter Barry Edmond	71	Superintendent	1992
27	David Thomas Brown	72	Sgt. 2759 [Bromborough]	1991
29	Brian Rowlands	77	Con. 1559 [Lower Lane]	1984
<b>June</b>				
4	Albert Coleclough	88	Con. 319 [Birkenhead]	1976
9	Reginald Binks	83	Con. 1403 [Eaton Road]	1984
13	Jeffrey Clark	75	Sgt. 1894 [Crown Ct. Dept.]	1992
14	Francis Youell	68	D/Ch. Insp. 2555	2006
14	Kenneth Heyes	83	Sergeant 1133 [Bootle]	1981
28	Malcolm Reston	65	n/a	2000
30	Maureen Walsh	92	D/Sergeant 1048	1979
<b>July</b>				
1	James Ernest Jardine	69	Con. 2614 [Birkenhead]	1996
1	Norman Vincent Davis	86	Con. 298 ['A' Division]	1952
6	Reginald Exley	93	D/Insp. [Westminster Road]	1971
18	David Tanner	67	D/Con. [St. Helens]	1997
20	Raymond Wareham	79	D/Insp. [Garston]	1995
22	Derek East	65	D/Insp. [Copperas Hill]	1995
23	Noel Kavanagh	86	Sergeant 1587	1984
26	Matt Bradley	88	Con. 422 [Juvenile Warrants]	1982
30	Janet Maria Jones	61	Sergeant 5266	2006

**Widows**

Died	Name	Age	Died	Name	Age
<b>May</b>			<b>June</b>		
4	Eileen Smith	78	25	Joyce Davies	86
<b>June</b>			<b>July</b>		
1	Margaret Cameron	79	2	Kathleen Davies	82
6	Lilian Evelyn Fleming	87			

**New Members  
Merseyside NARPO**



A warm welcome is extended to the following new members of the Merseyside Branch:

**Full Members**

Mr. James Mark Alexander Blundell, Mrs. Lorraine Bradley, Mr. Peter Clague, Mr. Edward Dalton, Mr. Mark Hankin, Mr. Ian Hatton, Mr. Philip Raymond Hawson, Mr. Clive Howarth, Mr. Ian Robert Miller, Mr. Keith Morrison, Mr. Paul Needham, Mr. John Pender, Mr. David Robbins, Mr. David Lloyd Sedley and Mr. Allan John Wilks

**Widow Members**

Mrs. Anne Gwyneth Ashton, Mrs Barbara Enid Grisenthwaite, Mrs. Ann Jones, Mrs. Sylvia Mason and Mrs. Lesley Adrienne Smith

**Widows and Widowers Draw  
June 2015**

*Congratulations*

Mrs. Eileen Berry, Mrs. Edith Alice Bond, Mrs. Elizabeth Joan Dean, Mrs. Anne Marie Doyle, Mrs. Dorothy Dyer, Mrs. Egerton, Mrs. Joyce Gaddas, Mrs. Mary Eileen Audrey Gibb, Mrs. Hilary Hall, Mrs. Margaret Hart, Mrs. Anne Heritage, Mrs. Catherine Nicol Phillips Hudson, Mrs. Nora Elizabeth Laird, Mrs. Eileen Lloyd, Mrs. Dorothy Lloyd, Mrs. Isabella Farquharson MacDonald, Mrs. Eileen McAuley, Mrs. Aileen Mary Nuttall, Mrs. Eunice Potter, Mrs. Valerie Pringle, Mrs. Edith Margaret Robinson, Mrs. Pamela Winifred Shipperlee, Mrs. Kathleen Mary Wade, Mrs. Anne Frances Walker and Mrs. Barbara Joan Woolley

**MPS & SA Lottery Winners  
Retired Police Officers  
May - July 2015**

**May 2015**

R.A. Greenwood	15017	£500
F.W. Bargh	23284	£200
M.W. Lester	19365	£200
J.J. Rafferty	1827	£100
R. Paterson	25280	£100
C. Boyd	87818	£100
A.E. Cook	98849	£50
J.L. Gittens	241	£50

**June 2015**

P.J. Gregory	21197	£200
R.M Hamling	17302	£200
R.I. Murray	99045	£100
I.E. Thompson	686419	£100
S.G. Smith	19043	£100
R.A. Morris	29000	£100
R.J. Roberts	688793	£50
M. Judson	32886	£50
P.K. Daniels	21898	£50
L.J. Dutton	30531	£50
D. Pearson	91505	£50

**July 2015**

F. Westwell	8376	£500
N.R. Davies	98732	£200
J. Firkins	23003	£200
E. McGrath	23367	£100
T.A. Metcalfe	1611	£100
J.A. Bennett	85135	£50
T.J. Jenkinson	96777	£50
J.H. Bishop	9242	£50

**Congratulations to all winners.**

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The next Bulletin will be published on **1 December 2015**. Items to arrive by 26 October 2015:

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