



BRIGHTON & DISTRICT NEWS LETTER MAY 2010



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Web Sites!

Can any one out there recommend a web designer? After many months no years of trying to persuade NARPO to invest in local web sites we have decided to go it alone. That is if we can find someone to design it the way we want it and at the right price. There are countless web designers so it is important that we get the right one and your recommendation could help us do that. If you do know anyone then send me an e-mail to colin.crookes@virginmedia.com. Look forward to hearing from you.

Your committee 2010/11

At our AGM the following people were elected onto your committee:

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| Chairman | Colin Crookes |
| Secretary | Peter Burrows |
| Treasurer | Mike Ormerod |
| Social Secretary | Dennis Walker |
| Committee | Bob Allen |
| | Barbara Grainger |
| | Peter Dacey |
| | Alex Durie |
| | Ian Hodgson |
| | Dave Medhurst |

I would like to thank you all for your support over the last 12 months. I would also like to welcome Dave Medhurst to the committee for the first time.

Vicarage Bowling Club.

Located at the junction of Preston Drove and London Road, the club is having an open evening between 5.00pm and 7.00pm on Monday 17th May. If you would like to try your hand at the game, or just 'suss' us out please come along. Peter Dacey and Dennis Walker will probably be there and maybe others whom you know or vaguely recall. There will be no charge nor pressure to join, we simply invite you to give the game a try and

take it from there. One NARPO member has joined us since the last newsletter!

For more information contact the club secretary Barry Lamper 01273 389649

News Letter

Maybe it is time for a new look Some new ideas ... a fresh approach. So you know what is coming next! Yes is anyone out there prepared to take on the news letter?

Trust me it is not an onerous task and it does provide a vital communication link between our members. You must of course be computer literate. If you are organised and build the news letter throughout the month then an hour a week should do it! Most articles are provided for you although keeping an eye out for anything of interest goes without saying. If you are interested and would like to know more then please don't hesitate to contact your chairman!

September dinner

We will be holding a dinner at West Hove Golf Club in September of this year and it would be cheaper if there was a member present! Anyone who is a member and can help us keep the cost down please contact Dennis Walker.

And finally

My wife and I were sitting out in our back garden, enjoying a glass of wine after a long hard day. A bird flew over and, with perfect aim left a deposit squarely in the middle of my wife's head. She reached up, felt the damage, and shouted: 'Quick, get some toilet paper' 'It wouldn't do any good', I quipped, 'He's miles away by now!'

Social

Garter Ceremony Monday 14th June 2010.

Unfortunately we will not be informed as to whether or not we have been successful in our bid for tickets for this event, until the first week in May(probably as you reads this). Currently we have 36 people who have expressed an interest in going, they will all be contacted by Dennis as soon as he knows the decision, either by E mail or phone, that will include times, cost etc. As we have applied for 53 tickets there is obviously room for other members to attend, should you be interested please contact Dennis and let him know he will then include you on the contact list.

Legal London Wednesday 14th July 2010.

Leave Brighton Marina 8.30am Black Lion 8.45am, Travel to London where we meet our Guide (Victoria) at 11am in the Aldwych, start with coffee. We then visit the Inns of Court and hear of the history, traditions and peculiar practices of English Law. We visit the Elizabethan Middle Temple, where Shakespeare performed, also the Norman Church in the area. Then visit the Royal Courts of Justice, we then have lunch which is a carvery with a vegetarian option. After lunch we have a coach tour to include the Old Bailey, then a stroll through Lincolns Inn , finishing up in Carey Street, the former home of the Bankruptcy Courts for afternoon tea, before departing at 5pm. Return to Brighton approx 7.30pm. Cost £20 per head including the lunch. If you require the vegetarian option please tell Dennis when booking. For further information go to:

www.cityandvillagetours.com

For those who went on the Beechwood River Trip last year (Henley and surrounds) our Guide Victoria is the same lady we had that day, as she is a Barrister by profession so who better to take us round. Although we

Social Booking Slip

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(All cheques to be made payable to 'NARPO Brighton & District Branch')

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Post Code: _____

Telephone No: _____

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I will join the coach at the Marina / Black Lion (Delete as appropriate and make a note for yourself!)

One cheque is Ok for several events. Always check that your cheques have been presented to your bank as this is the only guarantee that Dennis has received it! Cheques are usually banked fortnightly, if in doubt ring Dennis.

are off the coach a good deal the pace is gentle and there are lots of stops along the way.

Events being organised.

Dinner in September, venue, times and cost to be announced probably in June Newsletter. Theatre Trip to see 'We will rock you' in October again details to be announced in due course.

Obituaries

Richard (Dick) Clay, died yesterday. Dick was 88 yrs old he served in the Royal Navy before joining the Brighton County Borough Force at the end of war, and retired in the rank of Chief Inspector. He served in Brighton on uniformed and plain clothes duties, and latterly at the Police Training School at Ashford. He was an active member of the successful Brighton Police First Aid Team and of the Brighton & District Branch of NARPO where he was the Secretary for 12 years.

Ronald Marshall aged 80 years. He leaves a widow Mary. Regrettably we have no other details of his service history.

Walter Weatherly aged 86. He joined West Sussex Constabulary and was posted to Horsham in 1949. He then served at Crawley before being posted to Shoreham in 1964 as coroners officer and scenes of crime officer, he remained as coroners officer until he retired in 1976 when he took up his new post as civilian counter clerk at Steyning Police Station until his retirement from the force. He has been a widower living on his own for several years. There are no children. He has had a local lady, Karen, helping him to manage since suffering a stroke a few years ago.