



BRIGHTON & DISTRICT NEWS LETTER JUNE 2009



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LATEST EDITION OF PATROL IS NOW ON LINE

SSAFA

Volunteers needed for The Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen & Families Association in Worthing and District. When I worked for the above charity I recruited many volunteers through National NARPO. Now retired I recruit for our Branch in Sussex. SSAFA throughout the UK have well over 1000 retired Police Officers doing voluntary work for us. So we know that a retired Police officer likes our unique work. We are a welfare charity looking after the Armed Forces and the ex-Armed Forces and their families. Over 50,000 call on us every year, both in the UK and Overseas. The volunteers obtain over £20 million every year for the clients from a variety of Civilian and Military charities. Thank you for taking time to read my appeal. Mrs Ann Needle, MBE can be contacted at mailto:peterbragg1@btinternet.com

Flower Festival

There is a Flower Festival at St Laurence Church, Falmer (by the pond) on Saturday 27th June and Sunday 28th June. A beautiful setting and a nice place to visit and you have the chance to vote for your favourite arrangement. Refreshments and stalls in Village Hall, all welcome!

The Sussex Police Choir

Brian Belton and Terry Morford are thinking of organising a re-union to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Sussex Police Choir. If you were a member of the choir at any time and would be interested in attending such an event please contact Terry on 01825 768524.

Cenotaph Parade 2009

Any volunteers to represent our Branch? If so please contact our Secretary Peter Burrows. The Royal British Legion will as usual be organising the Ex-Service and Civilian Contingents attending the Parade and Service at the Cenotaph, Whitehall, on Remembrance Sunday, 8th

November 2009. As last year, NARPO nationally have been invited to send a contingent and have been allocated a total of Forty Eight (48) tickets, to take part in this unique national event, in the heart of London.

On a first come, first served basis, NARPO are now taking applications from Branches, to take part in the Parade and Service. Most years NARPO have had a 100% turnout on the day, with no last minute cancellations. We are limited to a maximum of five places. Any travelling or ancillary costs incurred by members, will have to be met by individuals and the branch. For those attending, members will assemble not later than 10.00am in Whitehall, at the marker board allocated to NARPO. Members will be representing NARPO and should be prepared to accept that they should dress appropriately and similarly.

Members should be aware of the physical demands of standing in Whitehall for at least one hour and then marching for a distance of at least one and a half miles, possibly in inclement weather. They should also be aware of the tight security measures, which will be in place on the day. These arrangements are subject to change and further detailed information will be circulated to those members selected to attend together with the tickets for the event nearer the time. It should be noted that the tickets for the parade, issued by the Royal British Legion, are not normally circulated until late October.

And finally

My wife and I were sitting at a table at my high school reunion, and I kept staring at a drunken lady swigging her drink as she sat alone at a nearby table. My wife asked, 'Do you know her?' "Yes", I sighed, "She's my old girlfriend I understand she took to drinking right after we split up those many years ago, and I hear she hasn't been sober since".

(Turn over the punch line is worth it!)

"My God!" says my wife, "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?"

Social

BEECHWOOD BEAUTY BOAT TRIP

Thursday 18th June 2009.

This is a new trip for us but is very popular and reasonably priced for a full day. Leave Brighton Marina 8.15am Black Lion 8.30am and travel to Marlow with comfort stop on route arriving at Marlow approx 11.15am for coffee and a browse. Then continue by coach with a guide on board to Henley for Lunch and a stroll, after lunch continue by coach with guide to Cookham where we board our pleasure cruiser at 4pm and travel up stream through the Chiltern Hills. This is 'Wind in the Willows' and '3 Men in a Boat' country. There is a bar on board the pleasure cruiser which serves hot and cold drinks. We arrive back in Marlow approx 6pm to return to Brighton by Coach arriving approx 9pm. Cost £27 per head (this does not include drinks and lunch!) this is not subsidised so guests are welcome.

For further information go to www.cityandvillagetours.com and look for Beechwood Beauty Boat Trip.

THERE ARE STILL A FEW PLACES LEFT SO PLEASE HURRY IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!

Social Booking Slip

To: **Mr D Walker, 1 The Meads, Coldean, Brighton, BN1 9BA Tel: 01273 688456**

(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.

Obituaries

Eric Noble aged 73 yrs. Eric died on 1st May after a long illness. Eric was a member of the former Brighton Borough Force, where he served on uniform patrol for most of his service.

Ted (Tiny) Hylands aged 84 years died on 22nd May in hospital. Although he served all his service in East Sussex, most if not all at Seaford, he will be remembered by many officers who passed through that station at some stage of their service, for his humour and his huge size.