



National Association of Retired Police Officers

Voice of Retired Police Officers
(Keighley and District Branch – 57)



General Meeting
Keighley Civic Centre, North Street, Keighley
Wednesday, 15 October 2014

Roll Call – Tony Hennigan, John Chambers, Graham Berry, Dave Lonsdale, Peter Corkindale, Joe O'Doherty, Michael Emmer, Brian Russell, Joe Graham, Patrick Rout, Jens Hislop, Chris Allan, Lionel Fletcher, Steve Windle, Peter Taylor, Mick Spencer, Fred Dadswell, Les Scaife, Margaret Elliott, Andy & Peggy Holmes.

Minutes Silence - Remembering all lost colleagues, particularly Dave Winstanley who died in June 2014.

Update on Members who are ill – Scowan Mogg recovering slightly and Brian Holmes has good days and bad.

Apologies – Terry Slocambe, Les Allinson, Ron Harrison, Allan Jacks, Jack & Loraine Davies, Bernard Grundy, Bill Nicholson & Jim McSharry.

Brighton Conference – Tony informed the meeting that he and his wife Marion, together with John & Susan Chambers attended the Conference in September 2014.

There were two motions put to Conference namely: -

(1) Accidental Death Insurance Cover – put forward by the NEC.

This conference agrees to provide £10,000.00 accidental death insurance renewable annually to cover all NARPO members for whom a precept or annual subscription is paid to the national funds, the cost of the insurance cover to be met from national NARPO funds. Currently the cost of such cover would be 73p per member and cover would be worldwide.

After much discussion, the motion was voted upon and defeated by Conference. John & Tony voted against the motion in the belief the Branch would have done likewise.

(2) Amendment to the Web Application Form for Membership of NARPO – put forward by Maidstone and District Branch.

This conference instructs the National Executive of NARPO to amend the current web application form by removing the words: 'I am eligible for membership as outlined in the rules of the association,' and replacing them with a declaration worded as follows: 'I declare that I have not been dismissed from the Police Service or required to resign as the alternative to dismissal.'

After much discussion, the motion was voted upon and defeated by Conference – with the proviso that the rule would be looked at by the Executive and a fresh reading of the motion would be put before Conference next year. Again, John & Tony voted against the motion in the belief the Branch would have done likewise.

Police Widow/Widowers – The question of marriage or co-habiting with their partners was a subject that needs addressing. The rules of the Association will be scrutinized by the NEC and rules will be published next year prior to the 2015 Conference.

Christmas Lunch – will be held at Keighley Civic Centre on Sunday, 30 November 2014 starting at 12.30 p.m. Peter Corkindale supplied a menu (copy attached); the price for food, coffee and wine per table was £19.00 per person. Carol singing accompanied by Jens Hislop's band and entertainment provided by Dave Kilvington had been arranged. The Secretary would post a newsletter to all members outlining the arrangements of the Lunch.

2015 Diaries – were on sale at the meeting and at the Christmas Lunch, priced at £2.50 each.

Future Events – Tony Hennigan suggested Chief Supt. Simon Atkin may give a talk on current ‘policing methods’.

Any other business – Les Scaife pointed out that the Annual Conference had been posted on the website: - <https://supersleuth.narpo.org> and stated over 400 people had logged onto the site during Conference.

He also stated the motions put before Conference were distributed two months prior to the Conference; therefore, they could be discussed at local level and a vote decided. The Keighley delegates (Tony & John) would vote accordingly.

Tony Hennigan argued the two motions were not contentious. He and John had voted in the way that they believed Keighley Branch would have voted. If there was anything contentious in the future, then the Secretary would call a meeting for that motion to be discussed. He believed they were representing the Branch and intelligent enough to vote accordingly. The Meeting was happy with this suggestion.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 8.30 p.m. A pie & pea supper was enjoyed by all. The next function will be the Christmas Lunch.

Proposed **Graham Berry**

Seconded **Dave Lonsdale**

Chairman **Tony Hennigan**

Date **25.2.2015.**