



# ROYAL NAVAL PATROL SERVICE ASSOCIATION

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Reunion 2016

## NEW REUNION DINNER VENUE!!

Before I really get into the newsletter, it is important that you make a note of the new venue for the Friday evening reunion dinner which is now at the **Hotel Victoria**, Kirkley Cliff Rd, Lowestoft NR33 0BZ Tel: 01502 574433 or [info@thehotelvictoria.co.uk](mailto:info@thehotelvictoria.co.uk) This hotel is on the same road as the Hatfield and just 700yds further south. They have a car park and on road parking. For those staying at the Kitchener Holiday Centre, it is just up the road to the right, also access for the less agile is a lot easier.

So, the programme for the reunion is -

1. Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October, the AGM will be held at the same venue as last year, Studio Theatre in Sparrows Nest Gardens at 13.30. This is the old theatre box office and is next to the new Italian Restaurant at the bottom of the park.
2. The annual Dinner will also be held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> at the new venue of **Hotel Victoria**, Lowestoft, 6.00 for 7.00 and the cost will be £25 per head which is a very slight increase but as it is the first increase since 2007 I do not think this is too bad. There will be no organised transport but there is a car park plus street parking. See booking form at the end of the newsletter to make your menu choice and please get it back to us early as preference will be given to RNPS veterans.
3. The service of remembrance will be at 11.00 on Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. (muster 10.45) in Belle Vue Park.
4. The reunion will end after the service on Saturday in Sparrows Nest Gardens with "Sunset" outside the museum by the mast. There will be no march down from the memorial, we will just re-gather when everyone has had a chance to make their way down to the Nest and get their second wind.

In the Sparrows Nest Gardens both the Martello Cafe and Giardino, the Italian restaurant and bar, will be open during the day – and in Giardino they serve rum! - so you know where to find me. It is an ideal place to sit and swing the lamp and imagine you are once again a young matelot on a run ashore.

### Wreaths for reunion

If anyone would like a poppy wreath ordered for laying at the service on the Saturday could they please let us know as soon as possible so we can get them ordered and badged with the RNPSA badge or one of your choice.

### Future of dinner

Our request in the last newsletter for a feedback form to be completed regarding the future and format of the reunions/dinners resulted in only about a dozen replies which is only about 2% of the newsletters we send out. Replies were mixed in their views but those in favour of keeping the Friday dinner were quite adamant and forthright.

### Draw books

If you live in the UK and have indicated to HQ that you wish to receive the annual reunion draw books then there will be 5 books included with this Newsletter. The cost is £1 per book and the counterfoils, money and any unsold tickets should be sent back to the Secretary as soon as possible. It has always been Association policy that the annual reunion is funded from the sale of the draw books and does not draw on our general funds, with this in mind and our slowly decreasing number of members, please do your best to sell / buy the tickets to help the Association. All counterfoils and money and any unsold

books should be returned to us at "The Nest" as soon as possible but **no later than 30<sup>th</sup> September**. Extra books can be obtained from the "Nest".

### Disabled access to Museum

In the last Newsletter we mentioned that a lift was to be installed for access to our upstairs museum and we showed a representative photograph, well we can go one better this time for here is a photograph of the actual lift in situ. We are in the process of arranging with the family of the Shipmate who left us the bequest for a suitable time and date to attend an official opening and dedication of the lift when also a plaque will be unveiled next to the lift marking the occasion. We also hope to get "a celebrity" to perform the opening and hopefully the press and television. This is a great addition to our facilities and one that is already showing its benefit as Chairman John Street and Vice Chairman Charlie Harris use it every time they come to the office. The lift is big enough to take a wheelchair and carer and so we hope to see it put to good use at the reunion. We have also installed CCTV in the area of the lift and this records all comings and goings 24 hrs a day.



### Perhaps this is what made you join up?

**R.N. PATROL SERVICE**

Fishermen played a big part in winning the last war, this is your chance to lend a hand to win this one.

**WANTED**—Fishermen and those with similar qualifications are required for Minesweeping and other patrol duties, as SEAMEN, ENGINEERS, STOKERS, COOKS and STEWARDS. Naval Pay and Allowances, Free Uniform, Good Food, Marriage and Children's Allowances.

Free travel to your home twice a year.

**ENGAGEMENT FOR DURATION OF THE WAR**

APPLY AT ONCE to your nearest Registrar, R.N.R., at the Mercantile Marine Office or Custom House.

*Help to keep the Seas of Britain Free!*

I found this on an on-line auction site and purchased it, it is an original advert from a wartime publication. I had to chuckle about some of the wording:- "Good Food" – not what some of you have been telling me! "Free travel to your home twice a year" – again not what some of you have been saying. That's funny, my father spent a year in Gib and did not get home! "Keep the seas of Britain free" – No mention of drafts to such places as South Africa etc!!

I am not sure how such an advert would stand up in this day and age with the Trade descriptions act and people issuing law suits at the drop of a hat.

### Follow up to Newsletter 78

In Newsletter No. 78 there was an article "Reaching back in time" about S/M Jeff Palmer's time in the USA and the subsequent discovery of his wartime contacts made by Richard Eagles. This story was subsequently picked up by American television station WNCN North Carolina News. The story they put together and the filmed interview can be seen on-line at -

<http://wncn.com/2016/03/01/wwii-british-sailor-reconnects-with-cary-family-after-7-decades/>

### Légion d'honneur

Four heroic Walsall veterans have been honoured with France's highest military honour for the part they played in the D Day Landings and their support in liberating the country during World War Two. Awarded by the French Ministry of State for Veterans, the Légion d'honneur recognises "tremendous individual effort during wartime." The recipients displayed immense sacrifices and bravery, going above and beyond to protect the country and other nations. Walsall now has four more heroes from the borough to be proud of after they were given their fully deserved honours. Arthur Utley, Bernard Benson, **Simeon Mayou** and George Stokes received their medals with letters of thanks from the French Ambassador and were honoured at a special ceremony hosted by Mayor of Walsall, Councillor Angela Underhill and Robert Mille, Consul Honoraire de France on Tuesday.

Veteran **Sim Mayou**, a former Liberal Democrat Pelsall Councillor between 2000 and 2004, served as a radar operator in the **Royal Naval Patrol Service**. He was protecting the North Atlantic convoys from mines, u-boats and air bombardment in 1942. The 94-year-old was also on board the first wave of ships providing support during the D-Day landings in 1944.



S/M Sim Mayou with his Légion d'honneur

He proudly said: "I have always given 101 per cent to everything I have done during my life and this includes my war service when my role was to protect the ships and servicemen bringing vital supplies from America to England and later during the Allied invasions. The D Day Landings are historic for good reason. They were pivotal in the change of direction that the war took. "I'm a great believer in giving everything and many of my serving colleagues did exactly that. I was lucky enough to come back but today is a proud day for all of us veterans. I know that we are all absolutely delighted that France is honouring us with this special military medal. For me this is yet another amazing adventure in what has been a wonderful life."

A proud Walsall Mayor, Cllr Angela Underhill, said of the heroes; "We are incredibly proud of these very special men. The award is recognition of their sacrifices and the bravery shown in the face of extreme danger to protect us and other nations during the war."

We have also been told of another of our members who has received the Légion d'honneur, Harry Marrington of the Portsmouth Branch and previously their Standard Bearer. Tony Brett sent me details as follows – This photograph appeared in the Portsmouth Evening News. The photo shows Harry at home with his medals and Légion d'honneur. The latter was presented to him recently at the D Day Museum. I managed to Contact Harry and had a longish Chat with him and am making arrangements to take him out for a meal somewhere, he lives within a mile of me. Harry can't go very far without his Electric Chair (as he calls it) He thinks he is only one of two ex RNPS members in the Area, Eddie Wallace being the other. I thought he said that he was serving on the Lavinia at the time of D Day but he also served on a BYMS 2233 and an MMS 5283 and an MFV, Complete with sail.....



Harry in reflective mood

Another RNPS recipient of the Légion d'honneur we have been told about is George Smith from Cumbria and a copy of the letter he and all recipients received is shown here and you can see that not only do you get the award but also the rank of "Chevalier".



The Légion d'honneur

I am sure there are more RNPS men who have received the Légion d'honneur or if not deserve to receive it and would therefore urge them or their family to look further into this so that

AMBASSADE DE FRANCE  
LONDRES

L'AMBASSADEUR  
No 2015 - 929481

17 November 2015

Dear Mr Smith

I have the pleasure of informing you that the President of the Republic has appointed you to the rank of *Chevalier* in the *Ordre national de la Légion d'honneur*.

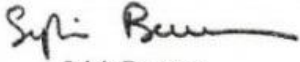
I offer you my warmest congratulations on this high honour in recognition of your acknowledged military engagement and your steadfast involvement in the Liberation of France during the Second World War.

As we contemplate this Europe of peace, we must never forget the heroes like you, who came from Britain and the Commonwealth to begin the liberation of Europe by liberating France. We owe our freedom and security to your dedication, because you were ready to risk your life.

I am happy to enclose your insignia of *Chevalier de la Légion d'honneur* and once again extend to you my heartfelt congratulations.

Since a large number of decorations has to be awarded between now and the end of this year, I shall be unable to present this honour personally to every single veteran. However, if you would like an award ceremony to be organized for you, I invite you to contact your region's French Honorary Consul, who has been informed and is at your disposal. The Honorary Consuls' contact details are enclosed with this letter.

Yours sincerely,

  
 Sylvie Bermann

they can also have this honour bestowed upon them. Details of how to apply are on the UK Government web site at :-

[www.gov.uk/government/publications/d-day-70-application-form-for-award-of-the-legion-dhonneur](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/d-day-70-application-form-for-award-of-the-legion-dhonneur)

### Subscriptions to HQ

This applies to **ALL** categories of membership. In the past local branches of our Association used to send donations to HQ in lieu of subscriptions as members paid their dues direct to their local branch. With most of our branches now closed due to falling membership and only meeting up for comradeship it has become apparent that not all members have transferred their membership to the HQ roll. The office have been painstakingly going through the records trying to reconcile the membership list against subscriptions received and it has shown that there are quite a lot who have, apparently, not paid for a couple of years or more. Could we respectfully ask you all to check your membership books to see that it shows an up to date stamp of paid subscription.

There may be cases where people have crossed the bar and we have not been notified or they have moved house and similarly we have not been notified. We do get some returned mail from the Post Office but there are quite probably instances where mail is going to an old address and the occupants are not forwarding on the mail so if you are aware of anyone you know who may fall into one of these categories we would appreciate being notified. It costs the Association a minimum of £1.75 per member just to send out the newsletters. Any member can check the state of his or her subscription by contacting the "Nest". If, after the reunion, there are still some who appear not to have paid for some time then we will, regrettably, have to make the decision to remove them from the membership list.

Can you please note that the current subscription rate is **£8 for Served Members** (formerly known as Members) and **£10 for Members** (formerly known as Associate Members) and could you also please make sure you send in your membership book and SAE with your subscription so that your renewal can be accurately recorded and accounted for. The subscription year runs from January but subscriptions can be paid at anytime.

### RNPS Memorial, National Memorial Arboretum

There will be a small service at our memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum at Alrewas, Staffordshire on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August. This will be smaller than previous years and there will be no organised meal afterwards although anyone attending can take advantage of the on-site catering facilities.

For more details contact Midlands Branch Secretary, Arthur Young Tel: 01386 561065 or Chairman, Tom Colleran, 6 Tamar Drive, Walmley, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands B76 8YT. Tel: 01213515317 or email [tomcolleran@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tomcolleran@hotmail.co.uk)

### Origins of the National Memorial Arboretum

The origins of the Arboretum can be traced back to a visit to Arlington Cemetery and the National Arboretum in Washington, DC, in 1988 by founder David Childs, a former Royal Navy Commander. He had the idea that such concepts could be introduced to the UK to provide a meaningful memorial to those who have served. David Childs was greatly supported by Group Captain Sir Leonard Cheshire VC OM DSO & 2 bars, DFC, who was concerned about future Remembrance and became influential in the concept of the Arboretum. The amphitheatre at the Arboretum is dedicated to his memory.

The then Prime Minister, John Major, launched the appeal to create the Arboretum in November 1994. At this stage there was no land or money for the project but this quickly changed when Redland Aggregates (now Lafarge Tarmac) generously gifted 82 acres of reclaimed gravel, working alongside the banks of the River Tame. This generous gift has now been extended by a further 70 acres, which includes the island in the River Tame.

The Arboretum was officially opened by Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Kent on 16 May 2001 where our National Standard was paraded at the opening ceremony and afterwards at the HMS Pearl tree for inspection by Her Royal Highness.

The design was carefully conceived to provide both a space for peaceful contemplation and a living and growing environment for an assortment of trees and wildlife. Family members, friends and comrades can come and remember loved ones in a tranquil setting.

Located in the heart of the nation, with over 40,000 maturing trees (many of which are dedicated) and over 300 significant memorials, the National Memorial Arboretum is a beautiful and lasting tribute to those who served their country or who have died in conflict.

The arboretum is situated just off the A38 and has grown immensely over the years and to do it justice it is a days visit. The Alrewas Royal British Legion club is just on the A38 and worth a visit while you are there. For more details of opening times etc. Email [arbclub@gmail.com](mailto:arbclub@gmail.com)

## Queenborough

This annual parade and service to commemorate HMS Wildfire III will be on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September with all the usual times and places as per previous years. They always treat us very well when we go there and some members travel quite a long way for what has become a firm fixture on our calendar. Their HMS Wildfire museum will also be open and is well worth a visit. The program of events is as follows:

13:30 Parade muster, outside The Holy Trinity Church, High Street, Queenborough.

13:45 Parade march off.

14:00 Memorial Service in Queenborough Park.

14:30 Parade and march past, with salute taken outside the Guildhall.

Following this there will be a reception at the Queenborough Social Club, North Road, just near the park where the service is. For further details contact Janet Flew at 01795229338 or [janetflew@timetalk.co.uk](mailto:janetflew@timetalk.co.uk)

## Memories of a "Sparrow"

I have been contacted by Graham Starr who's father-in-law Ted Dacombe, who lives in Weymouth, served in the RNPS. Graham, during a conversation with Ted, made the following notes which he has submitted for your enjoyment and which may spur others to do something similar.

Results of interview with Graham Starr (son in law) On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015:

Ted was born on the 29<sup>th</sup> September 1924, he joined the RNPS in March 1942, aged 17½ yrs old. He had been previously employed in a baking business which supplied bread to troops billeted at Blandford Camp, Dorset. He was demobbed at Lowestoft in 1946.

He travelled to Billy Butlin's Skegness Holiday Camp in March 1942 and recalls being delayed in arrival through missing his train connection on a very cold day at Thoresby station. A number of the volunteers slept in the waiting room. On arrival at Butlins, potential cooks from the crew members were sent to the galley and were engaged in 3 months washing up!

Ted Dacombe, having experience in the baking trade, was selected to undergo training at the Lowestoft School of Cookery from September 1942. He found that there were civilian trainers and they were all female. One of them "took a fancy to him" and recognised that he had cooking skills. He enjoyed the training and became a Leading Cook after 6 months of training based with the Royal Navy.



*Ted Dacombe*

He commenced with MMS 3 and joined the converted trawler Dalmatia. There were 30 crew on board and Ted's duty was to provide 3 meals per day for a crew of 30 (90 meals a day!) The ship came under fire during minesweeping and witnessed American battleships bombard the mass concrete German fortifications at Calais. American battleships advised: "Get Out of Here."

The ship was moored at Portland Harbour when the American troops from Slapton Sands were strafed in Lyme Bay off Chesil Bank. The following day some of the dead troops were pulled from the sea by the crew. Ted describes the times as horrific.

The ship was minesweeping off of the Normandy beaches on the evening of June 5<sup>th</sup> 1944 and Ted witnessed the landing crafts of the British Army approaching during the night. A British plane crashed into the Channel and some of the badly injured crew were rescued.

In June 1945 at the finish of the War in Europe, Ted returned back to Lowestoft for "Foreign Leave" and returned home. In September 1945 he was posted to Swansea docks in order to crew a BYMS (one of approx 8 British Yard Mine Sweepers on lease from USA) back to the USA. The route of return was via Gibraltar, Malta (The Gut!), Suez Canal, Alexandria, Bombay, Colombo, Singapore, Philippines & USA. 6 broke down en route, only 2 of the BYMS gained Singapore; one of them was his BYMS! Having made the dock, the other BYMS collided with her and both were scrapped! His return to U.K. was provisioned by transport ship Ocean - a converted aircraft carrier.

Ted landed at Southampton in 1946 and travelled to Lowestoft for Demob. Not all crews were demobbed! He last saw his friend, Milne, who had saved his rationed cigarettes (ticklers) for his Dad!

## Memories of another "Sparrow"

S/M O'Regan from Nottingham has sent me one of his memories to share with you.

An unusual task for MMS 61 based at New Haven, Sussex. As Stoker 1 Diesel on MMS 61 before and after the D Day landings we were taken off sweeping duties.

The double L drum cable was removed from the after deck and in its place was built a huge wooden circle, incorporated inside the circle a vast range of lighting was installed. We all were full of anticipation as to what it all meant.

Of course at the same time 'Hitler' had released his V1 flying bomb of which the majority would fall on London. Incidentally over 800 fell on Sussex, causing casualties and structural damage.

The majority of V1s passed over a focal point off Boulogne. Our task was steam over there and when darkness fell we dropped anchor and switched the power lights on creating a vast circle of light in the night sky and the V1s passed through the light thereby enabling the night fighters to shoot them down. It was a tricky situation for us as Boulogne was still in German hands and we were just a few miles off the coast. We carried on for some time and then returned to base and back to minesweeping. We never heard any more about the operation and I've not known whether it was a success or not. Anybody still out there who can remember?

Skipper of MMS 61: Lt Cdr Norman Hannsen

Jimmy 1: Lt Randall

A wonderful crew, a fine ship.

T.J. O'Regan Stocker 1

Ex MMS 43, MMS 61, MMS 238, LST 315 paid off in Manila.

### Reward for bravery

S/M Samuel Fletcher from Bury has sent me this account of an incident that happened in 1941.

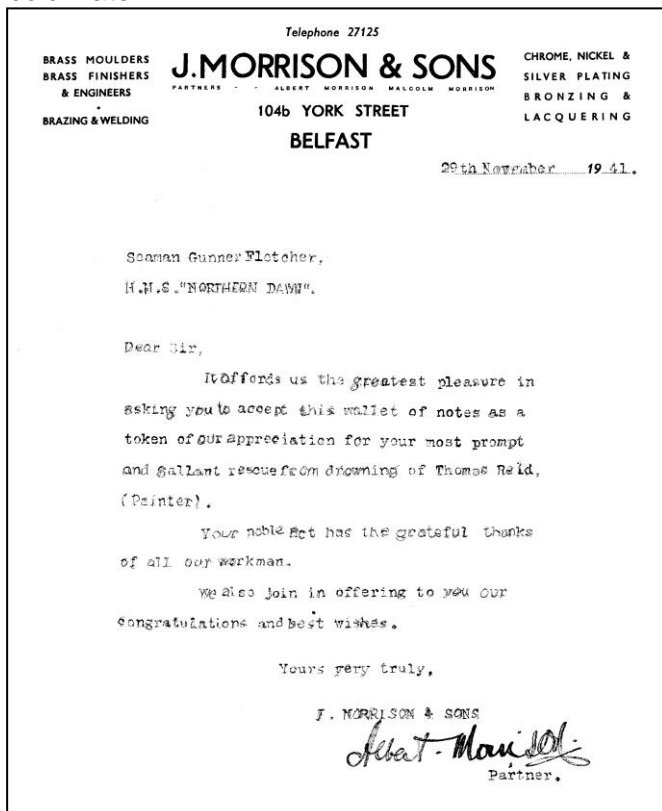
I was a crew member of the asdic trawler HMS Northern Dawn. Our base was Londonderry, NI. We were part of an escort group on North Atlantic Convoys. The ship had just had a refit in Belfast. It was moored at the quayside and the workmen had just finished and were going home. It was about 6 pm. The crew had just finished the evening meal and gone down to the mess deck.

We were alerted by some shouting on the upper deck. It was coming from the stern of the ship. Some of us ran to the upper deck and down to the stern. It seemed that one of the workmen had fallen off the gangway into the water. We couldn't see anything – it was pitch black.

There was a formation of timber pylons and the side of the ship was up against them. The side of the ship comes up from the deck about 3'; it is called the gunwale. I climbed up on top.

My intention was to lower myself down one of the pylons. I didn't realise they were slippery.

I started to slip. It was then it happened: I saw a green flash and I must have gone down into the ice cold water.



The letter of thanks from J Morrison & Sons

In the wallet there was a letter from the workplace of the man concerned, thanking me for saving the man's life, and ten one pound notes – a lot of money in those days. Men on the lower deck were poorly paid then.

I still have the wallet and the letter. It is 72 years since it happened. I was 21 years old but I remember it as if it were yesterday.

I have no recollection of that at all. It was like going under anaesthetic. It was instant, I had no idea what happened. When I came back to my conscious mind I was back on board the ship in the wash room sponging myself down with warm water. I was mystified as to what had happened to me. How did I get out of the water and back on board the ship without knowing? I was about to find out more about it.

On going down into the mess deck to put on some dry clothes, the officers' steward said to me "The Captain wants to see you." I went up to his cabin and knocked on the door and was greeted with more mystery.

"Come in, Fletcher. That was a brave thing you did, saving that man from drowning."

I just thought, *What man was that?* I was speechless. He then poured a good measure of gin and said "Get that down you and you will feel a lot better. Then go and get a good night's sleep."

It was sometime the next day the first Lt sent for me and told me that he had got something for me. He said it was a wallet with some money and he would present it to me in front of the crew the next morning at "up spirits".

You will see that we are not getting the enquiries for "Shipmates Corner" that we used to but we are now starting to get "Shipmates Memories" Please keep these coming, not only are they very interesting but it is an important part of history that needs recording.

## REMINDERS

### Wreath laying service

With the help of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (and others) it is now possible to arrange for Poppy Wreaths to be placed on graves in most overseas countries. Badged wreaths are not available under this scheme.

Please make requests for laying at least eight weeks in advance. An annual replacement standing order service is also available. Contact:-

The Poppy Appeal, Royal British Legion Village, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7NX Tel: 01622 717172

### Welfare

Our National Welfare Officer is there to try and help you, she cannot perform miracles but will do her best to address any problems. Bonnie's contact details are - Mrs Bonnie Whisstock, 133 Corton Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk NR32 4PR. Tel. 01502 584555 or via e-mail at [bonnie@theharbour.fsbusiness.co.uk](mailto:bonnie@theharbour.fsbusiness.co.uk)

### Curator

If you are sending anything to the Museum can you please make sure you state if it is on **loan** or a **gift** as it helps with the cataloguing and any future claims to ownership and with photographs please give descriptions and/or names where possible. Our pool of volunteers are gradually making headway with restoring, copying and documenting all the photographs which will hopefully make locating them in the museum much easier.

### Museum visits

For information, the Museum and office are open Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings throughout the year from 09.00 to 12.00. What we do recommend is that if you are travelling some distance that you telephone a few days beforehand to either the office on 01502 586250 or my home on 01502 584555 or 07975623651 (**new No.**) and we can arrange, if necessary, to open up for you at a suitable time.

### Web site

Don't forget, if you have access to a computer, to keep checking the web site connected to our Association which is: [www.rnpsa.co.uk](http://www.rnpsa.co.uk) Keep the odds and ends coming, they all make interesting reading. If you have any items for inclusion in the next Newsletter or comments on this one, please send them to me at, Leo Whisstock, 133 Corton Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk NR32 4PR. Tel. 01502 584555 or you can email them to me at my home email address [rnpsa@theharbour.fsbusiness.co.uk](mailto:rnpsa@theharbour.fsbusiness.co.uk)

If you do not have access to e-mail and you have information on any of the items, then you can pass the information to me (Leo) at the address above.

Yours Aye, **The Duty Watch**

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### Obituary for Summer 2016

S/M S Barran	Ipswich	Suffolk	S/M F Jenkins	Stirling	Scotland
S/M R Dyer		South Australia	S/M E Lock	Worthing	Sussex
S/M C G Eastern	Plymouth	Devon	S/M D Little	Huntington	Chester
S/M C McEwen	Worcester Park	Surrey	S/M K Buckle	York	Yorkshire
S/M R Smith	Ugborough	Devon	S/M R Williams	Preston	Lancashire
S/M A Kirkland	Hunstanton	Norfolk	S/M R Williams	Sleaford	Lincolnshire
S/M R Jordan	Romford	Essex	S/M D Keen	Lymington	Hampshire
S/M R Ellis	York	Yorkshire	S/M P Went	Ipswich	Suffolk
S/M R Boyland	Thornaby	Cleveland	S/M S Barker	Gorleston	Norfolk
S/M G Cocker	Harwich	Essex	S/M T Watson	Hastings	Sussex
S/M G Hood	Bradford	Yorkshire	S/M C Stewart	Blackpool	Lancashire
S/M Mrs J Munday	Whitstable	Kent	S/M Mrs R Green	Wroxham	Norfolk

At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them

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**Slops items for sale from HQ (Summer 2016)**

Item / Title	£	Qty	£	Item / Title	£	Qty	£
Lg. Blazer Badge, Gold wire	12.00			RNPS Memorial Post Card	0.10		
Lg. Blazer Badge, Woven	6.50			Sparrows Nest Post Card	0.20		
Small Blazer Badge, Gold wire	8.00						
Jumper / Cap Badges, Woven	4.00			<b>Publications</b>			
Association Crested Tie	12.00			Christmas cards - original	0.50		
RNPSA Ladies head square	7.50			Christmas cards – clean sweep	0.50		
Museum Squiggle pen	1.00			HMS Europa Booklet	2.00		
Museum 4 colour pen	2.00			Dawn Always Breaks	5.00		
RNPSA Museum pen	1.50			Churchill's Pirates Pt.1	5.00		
Lapel Badge, Blue enamel	7.00			Churchill's Pirates Pt.2	4.50		
White Ensign Lapel Badge	3.50			A Brief History of the RNPS	4.00		
White Ensign Car Sticker	0.50			Blue Mariners CD	4.00		
RNPSA Car sticker, coloured	2.00			The Story of the RNPS, 2 CD set	5.00		
RNPSA Bookmark	0.50			Red Diamonds	3.00		
RNPSA Jubilee Mug	3.00						
RNPSA Key rings	1.00			<b>Total</b>	<b>£</b>		
RNPSA Epaulettes (pair)	6.00			P & P Small items	1.25		
RNPSA Colouring Poster	0.30			P & P Large / Heavy items	2.50		
				<b>Total Submitted</b>	<b>£</b>		

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Post Code \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Royal Naval Patrol Service Association, Naval Museum, Sparrows Nest, Lowestoft, Suffolk NR32 1XG

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**BOOKING FORM FOR ANNUAL REUNION DINNER - FRIDAY 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2016**

The dinner will be at the Hotel Victoria, Lowestoft, doors open at 6.00 for 7.00pm

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_ Tel No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

I would like \_\_\_\_ Tickets @ £25.00 each **TOTAL PAYMENT £** \_\_\_\_\_

I would, if possible, like to sit with (please check they are attending) \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate your menu choice for each person **with names** **Name** **Name**

**Starter**  
 Smoked Cheddar & Cauliflower Soup with a Chive Cream .....

Ham Hock, Apple & Walnut Salad .....

Prawn & Crayfish Cocktail with Granary Bread & Tomato Crème Fraiche .....

**Main**

Roast Sirloin of Beef with a baby onion, Tarragon & Button Mushroom Jus .....

Baked Smoked Haddock topped with Welsh Rarebit .....

Puff Pastry Disc topped with Onion Puree, Plum Tomato, Basil & Mozzarella (V).....

All served with seasonal vegetables and potatoes

**Dessert**  
 Vanilla Cheesecake, Berry Compote .....

Glazed Lemon Tart, Raspberry Sorbet .....

Chocolate & Orange Brownie with  
 Vanilla Ice Cream & Citrus Syrup .....

Freshly brewed Tea & Coffee

All bookings with money **MUST** be made before Wed 28<sup>th</sup> September. After this date NO refunds will be made.

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