

NTC News – Aug. 2021

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Cancellation of the 24th September 2021 Annual Dinner.

Regretfully, due to significantly insufficient bookings we have had to cancel the Annual Dinner planned for the 24th September. To have held it would have resulted in a loss on the event of around £600.00. The Annual Dinner Sub-committee reviewed the numbers on 28th July 2021. It was clear that continuing concerns over Corvid transmission and the impact of the so called “pingdemic” on members’ businesses was still prevalent. Consequently, it was considered unlikely we would increase bookings by the 40+ needed to break even.

If you had invited guests to the event please pass on our apologies. The 80th Annual Dinner will now be held on Friday 18th March 2021. We hope by that time members and guests will feel freer to take part raising numbers to the levels we have come to expect.

2021-22 Annual Subscriptions:

Other than for new members who joined after March 2021 your next annual subscription payment is due on the 1st October 2021. The joining fee paid by a new member who joined after March 2021 covers the next year’s subscription.

We are pleased to have been able to hold the annual subscription at the same level as last year i.e.:

- For Personal Members- £25.00, or if 65 years of age and fully retired the amount is £12.50.
- For Corporate Members - £35.00.

Payment can be made by, standing order, which the majority of personal members now do, by cheque, or by online bank transfer.

- Cheques should be made payable to the Norwich Traffic Club and sent to David Baxter, Mill Road Farmhouse, Low Road, North Tuddenham NR20 3AB
- Bank Transfers need to be made to:
Barclays Bank - Account Name – “The Norwich Traffic Club. Sorting Code – 20-62-53. Account Number – 50682829.

If you already pay by standing order, please check that you are paying the correct amount. There are a few members who are paying amounts which were valid before the present level was introduced 5 years ago and few, having passed the retirement age, are overpaying. If you would like to switch from paying by cheque to pay via standing order, please ask the Hon. Secretary for a form. thenorwichtrafficclub@gmail.com.

Invoices:

- Corporate Members will receive an invoice for their subscription in the near future.
- Personal Members who require an invoice should request one a.s.a.p. from David Baxter, Hon. Treasure davidbaxteracct@gmail.com ..

Forthcoming Club Meetings.

The first two monthly meetings of the 2021-22 Season will be held on Wednesday 13th October and Wednesday 10th November. The Christmas Dinner will be held on Friday 10th December 2021. These events will be held at the Mercure Norwich Hotel as usual and the meal price for all three events will be £18.00 per person.

The speaker for the October is Mike Mizen who's subject will be The Victoria Cross. Brian Heard, an ex Senior Forensics Officer for the Met Police and Honk Kong Police, will be the speaker for the November meeting. We still have to make a decision on entertainment for the Christmas Dinner.

Further details including booking arrangements, times and room allocation will be given in the next Newsletter.

We are keeping fingers crossed that by October the pandemic situation and its impact on our lives will have reduced to such an extent we will not have to cancel the event and you will all feel able to attend these meetings with guests. We are doing our best to make the return to 'normal' Club operations as successful as possible. The more members and their guest who take part the more enjoyable each event will be.

Committee Vacancies

In order to bring the Committee up to strength and bring in new experience and ideas we need to fill 3 vacancies. We recognise the difficulty, for those who are running businesses or are employed, can have in getting to the Hotel for a committee meeting at 5.30 pm on the Wednesday of the monthly dinner meeting.

Consequently, the decision has been taken to hold committee meetings, starting at 7.30 pm, on the Wednesday a week before the normal monthly meetings. These will variably be held either using Zoom or in the meeting room of the Red Lion, Eaton. A decision on which venue for a particular month will be decided at the preceding month's committee meeting.

We hope this change makes it easier for any of you, who would like to take an active role in running your Club and helping to direct its future, to come forward and volunteer to fill one of the vacancies. Initially you would join the committee as a Co-opted Member serving until the 2022 A.G.M. At that time, you can put yourself forward for election or simply stand down.

Please consider volunteering. Barry Parnell will only be too pleased to talk to anyone interested and answer any questions or concerns you may have. Just ring him on 07789103154. He is awaiting your call.

Norwich & District Aviation Group BBQ.

The NADAG have given an open invitation for Norwich Traffic Club Members to join them at their annual BBQ.

The event is being held at Shipdham Airfield, Letton Rd, Shipdham, Norfolk IP25 7SB on Sunday 29th August 2021 from 12.00 noon. The BBQ will cost £8.00 per person and flights over Norfolk are available at £10.00 per person. Both the BBQ and Flight fees are payable on the day.

Further details if required are available from Roy West, sales@roysmotorcompany.co.uk Tel: 07979506788, Roy would appreciate knowing if you are going to attend so that they can plan for the numbers to be catered for.

Barry Parnell, Hon. Secretary
On behalf of the Committee