

NTC News – Sep. 2021

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October 2021 Club Meeting:

This, the first meeting of the 2021-22 season, will be held on Wednesday 13th October, from 6.00pm for dinner at 6.45pm

Venue: The Club Room of the Mercure Norwich Hotel. Please note this is a change from our usual room which will be unavailable until at least January 2022. The Club Room does not have its own bar. We will use the Hotels Reception Bar until seated at table (see Covid 19 below).

The Meal: Cost £18.00 per person. The menu will be:

Herby sausage, creamy mash potato, Red Onion gravy, and chef's selection of Vegetables. Followed by Apple Crumble with Vanilla Custard. Tea, Coffee & Mints.

Cheese & Biscuits, if booked in advance, is available as an alternative to the dessert. No additional charge for first 5 orders. £2.50 for each further order.

Guest Speaker: Mike Mizen, an Associated of the Guild of War Graves who's address will be on the Victoria Cross.

Booking: As from this month Nick Barret has taken over responsibility from Barry Parnell for receiving and logging meeting bookings. Please let him have you booking, quoting any guest names and any dietary or cheese & biscuit requirements by email or text no later than Sunday 3rd October 2021. Email -nbarrett1971@gmail.com Tel. 01473 381114.

Payment: As usual payment will be by cash/cheque on the night. However, if you require an invoice for your meal cost you should contact David Baxter, Hon, Treasurer ahead of the meeting – email davidbaxteracct@gmail.com Tel: 07770 343359.

Covid 19: The Committee's primary consideration in planning this year's meetings has been to do our best to look after the health of you, your guests, as well as Hotel staff and guests. To that end and minimise risk of Covid19 transmission:

- We will be using tables capable of seating 10 diners, limiting the number of places to 6 to provide a degree of social distancing.
- Although not legally required, if you are able to, please wear a mask when moving around the Hotel and in the Bar.
- After purchasing your drink in the Bar, please move to the Club Room a.s.a.p. so as to avoid any risk we might cause overcrowding in the Bar impacting on other Hotel guests.

We look forward to seeing as many of you who can attend this meeting. If all attendees could try to bring at least one guest, it would make this the first chance since February 2020, for us to get together, enjoying company and friendship over a meal. This will be a great start to the new season.

It is with great regret we have to accept the resignation of Mike Waters. Mike has been an active member over very many years, However, due to mobility issues has found it more and more difficult to take part in the meetings and events, He now feels further deterioration in his walking ability will preclude any further attendance at meetings. We have passed on our best wishes and will keep him in touch through the newsletter.

2021-22 Annual Subscriptions Reminder:

If you are a Personal Member who does not pay your annual subscription by standing order and have yet to let David Baxter have your cheque or made a bank transfer payment, please do so before the 30th of this month. This will avoid the need to chase payments later this year.

If you require an invoice you should request one. from David Baxter, Hon. Treasure davidbaxteracct@gmail.com a.s.a.p.

As advised last month there has been no increase in the annual subscription which remains at:

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

Standing Order - 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 a 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.

2021 Diary Notes:

Wednesday 10th November 2021 – 6.00pm for 6.45pm, Club Room, Mercure Norwich Hotel.

The guest speaker for this meeting will be Brian Heard. Brian is a retired senior forensic scientist who, worked for the Metropolitan Police. Her was involved in some of the highest profile and most brutal cases in criminal history over the last 38 years. When the Krays were active during the 60s, Brian was in charge of finding which gangs were responsible for which bodies

We hope this talk on Brian’s cases and experienc7es will appeal to a wide number of members and guests.

Friday 10th December 2021 – Christmas Dinner. – 6.00pm for 6.45pm, Club Room, Mercure Norwich Hotel.

Not knowing what Corvid transmission precautions may be in place by government regulation/guidance in December and the impact this may have on attendance numbers or even ability to hold the event, we will not be hiring an entertainer this year. Nevertheless, we hope to make the event as enjoyable and successful as recent years and are working on some other entertainment ideas. Please start thinking about who you want as guests this year and let them know the date. The larger the gathering the more enjoyment for all. This year’s price will be £18.00 per person, the same as for our normal monthly meetings. Further details in next month’s Newsletter.

Barry Parnell
Hon. Secretary