



NEWSLETTER No 3 of 2016

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GREETINGS

To start with may I wish all who read this newsletter or visit our website, a very Happy Christmas and a very good 2017, Healthy and Prosperous.

This letter will of necessity be short as there is very little action in the Association, or contact from me, at this time of the year. There are a number of members and/or their wives who are not well and this can only be expected at our ages. Our especial good wishes go to them. I do not name them to maintain their privacy.

I note that O.S.P.A. is to be wound up next year as a result of there being too few members to sustain it. Personally I think that over the years O.S.P.A. has done a splendid job in representing retired overseas pensioners but it was inevitable that it would reach the point where it could not carry on.

I have often felt that the same applies to our own Association but whenever I raise the question at our annual Reunions, there is an overwhelming determination to carry on until "the last man switches out the light!"

I must now come to the sad part of the newsletter.

VALE

Dennis Callow, whom many of you will remember, died in Outdshoorn earlier this year aged 83 years. I have no other information about him.

Ron Harvey who joined the NP from the Nottinghamshire Constabulary in 1961 also passed away this year. He was 73 years old. I have no other information about Ron but no doubt some of you will remember him.

After a long illness **Mary Dennison** wife of **Jon**, died on 14th August. Had she lived until October they would have been married for fifty six years.

I was also advised, some time after the event, of the death of **Alan Kerr** whom I am sure many of you remember. Again, I have no further information.

Finally I was advised of the death on 30th September of **Peter Hewitt** who joined the NP in 1959 having served previously in Kenya and Cyprus.

Where possible I offered condolences from the Association to the families concerned.

REUNION 2017

May I remind you that our reunion next year will again take place at the Holiday Inn in Coventry on Thursday 13th July and I will be sending out the usual notification at the end of January.

WEBSITE – WWW.NYPOL.COM

I do not want to let the opportunity to pass without thanking and praising Terry Young for the excellent work he does maintaining our website. It is successful in that for those who do visit it, it keeps members and others up to date with our activities and the proof of the pudding is in the eating in that some months we have over a thousand people visiting the website, from many countries around the world. Well done **Terry** and thank you.

OLD FRIENDS

As I mentioned earlier, there is not a lot of activity at this time of the year but I have maintained contact, by various means, telephone, Skype, letters, etc, with the following who are mainly in reasonable or good health,

Tony Drynan, John Clements, John Wilkes, Eric Bult, Paddy Chevallier, Mike Harper, Ken Wilkinson, Trevor and Betty Gwyer, Mary Brill, Allan Dew, Kevin McCann, Geoff Acton, Norman Anderson and Bronwen Renno. There are probably others whom I cannot bring to mind at the moment but it is always good to hear from old friends, especially when they still enjoy good health.

LIFE AND WORK IN NYASALAND VOL.5

Colin Baker has produced a fifth volume in this series and once more I can highly recommend it. Details of how to obtain it are given on the website and anybody who does not have access to the internet can obtain the details from me.

Once more, Elizabeth and I wish you all the very best for the festive season and 2017.

Regards

Christopher Bean