

Royal Naval Writers' Association

Newsletter – MAY 2018

(Important Enclosures **)**

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RNWA Committee - Front standing Mike Moncur & seated Colin Hughes, with Les Heyhoe & Pat Prior onboard HMS QE 28/4.

Foreword from the President

Dear Members,
We have a lot to cover in this one-month earlier edition newsletter, so I will be brief; I made a fatal mistake in the last newsletter mentioning the weather, whereupon the "Beast from the East" appeared and sent us all back indoors again. I will say no more other than to ask you to read the article on GDPR 2018 carefully and *reply*. It would be nice if this stopped spam but like all legislation only causes problems for those who do not exploit the vulnerable. Even then I have my doubts!!

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The usual format, style and content of the newsletter on this occasion is different to emphasise on the front page the importance of the following subject:-

(GDPR) General Data Protection Regulation

What is it, how does it affect the RNWA and *you!*?

There are numerous papers and explanations on this subject so to summarise GDPR in a limited space the topics have been carefully selected so here goes:-

"The aim of the GDPR is to protect all EU citizens (and those outside the EU dealing with an EU co. or organisation) from privacy and data breaches in an increasingly data-driven world that is vastly different from the time in which the 1995 directive was established. Although the key principles of data privacy still hold true to the previous directive, many changes have been proposed to the regulatory policies; the key points of the GDPR as well as information on

the impacts it will have on are as follows: -

***Consent ***

The conditions for consent have been strengthened, and organisations will no longer be able to use long illegible terms and conditions full of legalese, as the request for consent must be given in an intelligible and easily accessible form, with the purpose for data processing attached to that consent. Consent must be clear and distinguishable from other matters and provided in an intelligible and easily accessible form, using clear and plain language. It must be as easy to withdraw consent as it is to give it.

Data Subject Rights inc:-

Right To Access
Right To Be Forgotten
Data Portability
Privacy By Design
Breach Notification

All the above and more explained in full on the RNWA's website.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR SIGNED CONSENT FORM

**Les Heyhoe BCav
Acting RNWA
GDPR DPO / Controller**

“Crossed The Bar”

Since the last March Newsletter of one, an additional two members have ‘CTB’ making it 3 to-date in 2018 (*no more please*): -

Doug Macaulay 07/03/18
of Chichester W. Sussex

Alan Hawking 28/03/18
of Peverell, Plymouth

As is the tradition of the RNWA a minute’s silence is held prior to the Committee meetings to honour and remember them and all ‘Crossings’ rementioned at the AGM.

Treasurer’s Report

As at 30th April 2018 the balance of accounts was £5,621.49. This is an enhanced amount due to receipt of payments in respect of the 12th October RNWA Reunion Dinner which currently has received £1,285.00 of payments. The total held has also been boosted by the net profit income of the 2018 Grand National Draw. No large expenditures are anticipated other than the dinner and the usual cost of printing and postage for current and future newsletters.

**131st Reunion Dinner
Friday 12th October at
Royal Beach Hotel
Southsea **REMINDER****



Closing Date for forms is Friday 21st September’18 - See Website for info!

Grand National 2018

Congratulations member John Miller of Greenhithe Kent who was the 62nd of 73 predeclared runners to be drawn out with ticket no. 1892 to have co-favourite @ 8/1 “Tiger Roll” win £200.00 for him – well done John £60 for 2nd awarded to Sophie Brown of Gosport £40 for 3rd to Doug Sparks of Australia and £20 for 4th to Bob Muir of Spain with a further 8 persons collecting £10 for their horse and jockey passing the post.

For the remaining 61 owners and their horses and what happened to them i.e. non-runners, where they fell, were unseated or pulled-up is detailed on the RNWA’s website. If you were not notified prior to the event you were unfortunate not to have been drawn, sorry better luck in 2019. Thanks to your support, a net profit of £900 was raised BZ!

HMS Queen Elizabeth

In conjunction with the invitation to the (RHC) Royal Hospital Chelsea Pensioners, the RNWA Committee were invited onboard 28th April by QE crew members, co-hosts RNWA Members WO1 Wtr Lee ‘Rattler’ Morgan (DEPCO) & CPO Wtr Dave Britchford. A full write-up, accompanied by pictures will be placed in the next newsletter but in the meantime placed on the website.



FREE Ipad Available

No catch, a genuine offer to RNWA members made through an initiative of the RNA (you do not need to be a member) and funded by the Aged Veterans Fund. Initial 1st steps to qualify, aged over 65, ex-RN or RM (also available to Widows) and do not have regular, personal access to the internet. Qualify? Then to obtain a simple one page application form, see the website or contact the Secretary.

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