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Welcome

Welcome to your December issue of Pension News, the magazine for Pearl pensioners.

It's hard to believe we're so close to Christmas again – even though the weather will do its best to remind us! This issue we have a mixture of your news and happy memories, and a few warm tributes to colleagues who are sadly no longer with us.

We often find that pictures are few and far between when the contributions come to us – please remember that all contributions are welcome, so if you're a keen photographer, or a dab hand at writing quizzes or puzzles, they would be greatly appreciated and, I'm sure, gladly received by your fellow pensioners.

As always, the Diary of Events is printed on the back cover of your magazine, so you can keep up to date with what's on in your area, and if you don't belong to one of the groups, why not consider joining? Contact information for each group is also printed on this page.

Have a fantastic festive season!

Editor

Please note

December pensions will be paid on 22 December 2010

Old Bear does exist!

In your June 2010 issue of Pension News, Alan Cook seems to suggest that 'Holborn Bear' might have been a fictitious creation of David Oliver's imagination. To correct this, here is a photograph of Holborn Bear at the Teddy Bear's Picnic on the occasion of the 25,000th celebration of the Parent Care Charity.

As District Agent for Stowmarket in Suffolk F16/2 for 30 years, I sold the 25,000th Parent Care Policy to Mrs Marianne Chapple for her son Matthew and, at Chief Office invitation, accompanied her and her son to a Teddy Bear's Picnic at CO Holborn, London.

DG Bannister



Thanks for the memories

How refreshing it was to read Alan Cook's brilliant article headed '10th Old Pearl Reunion' published in the June edition of Pension News. The event itself and the most interesting report of the function epitomises the enthusiasm and camaraderie of the Old Pearl family – it obviously does still exist! What a great pity that the March reunion had to be the last of its kind, although many of our Divisional, Chief Office and Peterborough pensioners' organisations continue to flourish in terms of get-togethers.

I would personally like to convey my heartiest congratulations to David and Barbara Oliver for having organised and hosted ten such special events, and in doing so, maintaining that closely-knit friendship our pensioners have got used to; pensioners who thoroughly enjoyed their time at Pearl Assurance during which they established so many very good friends – that's why these events are so well supported. David's own hard work, enthusiasm and energy did the rest. What great times!

Colin Jeffryes

Old Holborn days remembered

My husband John and I decided to go on a trip down memory lane with friends in London on Monday 2 August. It was exactly 39 years to the day that I started to 'Face the Future with Pearl Assurance' at 252. To mark the occasion I insisted we met there for coffee in the Pearl restaurant. Accompanying us was my favourite brown leather shoulder bag with a stirrup catch, which I proudly carried that day in 1971.

I have such happy memories of my time at High Holborn and all those special thoughts came flooding back as we sat not far from my old desk in the Cash Department. Coffee was brought to us just as the Dining Club ladies did every morning – the only difference, it wasnt free this time. In fact, four quite ordinary coffees cost £25 - nearly half of my first Pearl pay of £54!

Still, it was a real treat to be there again. The old place was looking really lovely and we really enjoyed looking around.

We then popped along to 220 High Holborn, the Midland Bank branch used by so many and where John had worked. His old desk was now the salad counter at Sainsbury's!

We then enjoyed our day as proper tourists, visiting many





NPI news

We have had pub lunches in the locality but, in what was otherwise a quiet summer, we have just had what was intended to be a trip to Canterbury and the East Kent coast. Well, we had that, but it turned into a celebration of Geoff's birthday!



For those who have not been following the NPI news updates over the years, Geoff is the chap who drives our coach on our various trips. He is now as much part of the group as

everyone else; more so, perhaps,

because he always gets the best seat on the coach. He has been driving us for about 15 years now, and his birthday coincided with the day of the Canterbury trip, so we couldn't let it pass without comment. Stan had suggested that, if we made a contribution, we could buy him a little something. Geoff is a train buff so it was appropriate that

he was given one of a limited edition of prints of the Golden Arrow by Terence Cuneo, signed by the artist, and a 1,000-piece jigsaw of a train.

By the time you read this we shall have had a repeat visit to the 2012 Olympic venue. The previous visit was such a success that it was decided to repeat the trip.

On a sadder note, we learnt of the death of David Allin in early September, and many familiar faces attended his funeral.

As well as family members, there was a very good turn out of NPI members and it was a time for reminiscing, including many memories of David, most of them repeatable but not all!

Paul Marsh

18 years of reunions for NPI managers



NPI managers who retired together held their 18th reunion recently at Alderly Edge Hotel, and the event was beautifully organised by Brenda Fairweather.

The group have met each year since 1993 at different locations around the country, being organised each year by the local retired manager. Next year's October date and hotel are already booked!

Peter Savage

Standing (left to right): Peter Savage, Malcom Crane, Peter Ind, Carole Mellor, Maxine Ind, Bryan Caset, Sue Casey, Hazel Savage, Trish Spruce and Bob Spruce. Seated (left to right): Muriel Crane, Sarah Bookey, Patrick Bookey, Brenda Fairweather, Don Robson and Julia Robson

Bristol Division update

A group of us had a very enjoyable day out on 30 June. After an early start, we stopped at the Withan (Wiltshire) for morning coffee and then we went on to the Beaulieu Motor Museum House and Gardens. The weather was perfect and the company, as usual, was excellent and everyone enjoyed the day out.

A very special thank you to Bill Foord for arranging this lovely summer day out for us

Gerald Horseman – Secretary, P Division

AMP Croydon get-together

A luncheon will be held at Croydon Bowls Club Monday 11 April 2011, 12.30pm for 1pm start. Sue Graham will be contacting you in the New Year with further details.

Peterborough Club news

The Peterborough Club has had another rewarding and successful summer and attention is now being focussed on the 25th anniversary celebration luncheon due to take place in February 2011. The club is keen for anybody associated with the Pearl, especially in Peterborough, to take the opportunity to come along and enjoy the occasion.

Regrettably the club lost Lilian Palmer in July but happily membership has remained very stable and we welcomed Derek Lewin as a new member.

The activities have been a smash hit with full house signs going up for the visits to the Houses of Parliament, Chatham Naval Dockyard museum and a trip down the river Orwell on a restored Thames Sailing Barge.

Other outings has been to Sandringham and the Tolthorpe Shakespeare outdoor theatre on a gloriously sunny summer evening. Perfect for the picnics and wine!

The Snooker section has had to move venues when its original hosts declared they shouldn't be open – the Pearl had been attending for the last umpteen years on a Monday morning.

The walkers have enjoyed a really mixed bag of weather conditions on their monthly strolls around the Cambridgeshire and Rutland countrysides, but at least the pub lunches afterwards have compensated for any inclemency.

The monthly meetings in the summer do not have a speaker, but attendances have remained exceptionally good

with over 40 members coming along each time to the village hall in Alwalton.

The club was delighted to send greetings and flowers to John and Joan Horsfield, celebrating their golden wedding anniversary in July, and in June our oldest member, Gilbert Davey, celebrated his 97th birthday.

The winter season of speakers began in October with a presentation on Rockingham Castle and its occupants past and present. The picture below shows some of the 55 members about to start a tour of the Palace of Westminster.

Tony King



Get your money's worth this Christmas

Each year, more and more of us choose to shop online for our Christmas presents – whether to avoid the crowds, the unpredictable weather, or simply because we like the convenience!

Before you click on the 'buy' button, you might like to look at a few of these free sites to check for possible discounts, offers and even comparative prices from other retailers.

My Voucher Codes:

www.myvouchercodes.co.uk

A year-round price discount website which publishes details of offers from a number of retailers, with a large

range of categories to choose from. Voucher codes are given on the site, for you to use when placing your order.

Pricerunner:

www.pricerunner.co.uk

This comparison website will help you to find the best deals on a range of items, from household goods, clothing and luxury items through to holidays, insurance and financial services.

Offer of the Day:

www.offeroftheday.co.uk

A list of special offers appears daily on this site, or you can shop by retailer using the list supplied on the site's homepage.

Hot UK Deals:

www.hotukdeals.com

With its own forums, this site relies on user reports and reviews of current offers in the UK, and allows registered users to vote for how 'hot' a deal is, which then appears in a list of the day's 'hottest' offers.





Useful information

There has been much written in the press about pensions reforms recently, not least with the delivery of the Spending Review which took place in October.

Following the review, it was decided that the following benefits for pensioners would remain in place:

- free bus passes
- free eye tests
- free prescriptions
- free TV licences

Furthermore, Winter Fuel Payments will remain as budgeted for by the previous government, with the temporary increase in Cold Weather Payments being made permanent.

Are you entitled?

There are several useful tools on the internet which can help you to check your entitlement to benefit.

The government's Benefits Adviser is an interactive tool which lets you enter information about your income and outgoings, as well as your personal circumstances (i.e. whether you have children, and whether you are working and/or claiming a pension) which it then uses to assess whether you are eligible for any benefit. Visit www.direct.gov.uk and you will see the link for the Benefits Adviser under the 'Money, tax and benefits' heading (on the homepage).

Similarly, the website **www.turn2us.org.uk** provides a calculator and also includes a 'grants search' section, using a database of over 3,500 charitable funds offering welfare and educational grants.

Pension Credit

Complex changes have been announced for the Pension Credit system, which may result in a cut in retirement income for around one in six pensioners.

The current Pension Credit benefit is made up of two elements, namely Guarantee Credit and Savings Credit. Savings Credit is aimed at rewarding those who have made some provision for their own retirement, whether through a personal or occupational pension, or with savings. The Savings Credit element is presently worth £20.52 a week

for a single person, and £27.09 for couples, and these figures generally rise each year to reflect increases in the cost of living. However, the Chancellor is now planning to freeze these rates for four years, from 2011.

You can check your entitlement to Pension Credit online or by calling the **Pension Credit helpline** on **0800 99 1234**.

Full details of the government's Spending Review can be found on their website at **www.direct.gov.uk**.

State Pension age changes

The previous government implemented a system whereby the women's State Pension age would rise to age 65, in line with the State Pension age for men. This was to be a phased increase. However, since that decision was taken, the coalition government elected in May of this year have proposed to speed up the increase, so that the women's State Pension age will reach 65 by April 2018 at the latest.

In addition to this, the overall State Pension age will increase to 66 years (for men and women) by April 2020.

A State Pension age calculator and some information on the new proposals is available online at **www.direct.gov.uk**.

Staying safe

With increased security in our homes and cars, fraudsters are having to find more inventive ways of parting us from our property or cash.

from scammers

Several email scams are currently in circulation, and some are particularly clever – who wouldn't want a rebate from Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs if offered! Here are some points to consider if you receive an email from an unknown source, or which arouses your suspicion:

- **1.** The email address of the sender. Spammers and fraudsters tend to send from randomized addresses to avoid being caught. If the email address is a set of numbers or letters, and has no obvious connection with the organisation who claim to have sent it, then it is likely to be a fake.
- **2.** Were you expecting to hear from the sender? A number of emails purporting to be from courier companies are being sent out to notify of a parcel which is due to be delivered but which hasn't had sufficient postage paid. If this were a genuine case, you would usually receive a card from the company to explain the situation, or a phone call if the sender included your number. NEVER respond to anything with your payment details without first checking the authenticity of the email.

3. Have you entered any competitions, or completed any surveys? If not, ask yourself – how could you have won? This is a popular method of contact, and scammers will ask you to send money to 'validate' your entry, or to cover postage or other associated fees. This often escalates, with several requests for payment; once a victim begins to send money, they become more heavily targeted.

Scammers may also contact you by telephone, or in writing. You can reduce the number of unsolicited calls and letters yourself, by registering with the Telephone Preference Service (TPS) for calls, and the Mailing Preference Service (MPS) for posted items. Both of these services are free of charge (see details below). Services such as caller ID and blocking of withheld numbers are also available from some service providers – ask your provider for more details.

If you suspect a scam, you can call **Consumer Direct** for advice on **08454 04 05 06** (local rate call charges apply), or you can visit their website at **www.consumerdirect.gov.uk**.

Telephone Preference Service

Tel: 020 7323 4226





The first Einion Holland Golf Tournament Committee, Hawkstone Park Golf Club, 1980. Left to right: Brian Mann, Peter Harvey, Company Chairman Freddie Garner, John Plested, Einion Holland, John Bishop, Roy Fogg and Alan Westmore.

In memoriam

Alan Westmore

Sadly we have to report upon the recent death of Alan Westmore. Alan reached the age of 90 only last November and he and wife Molly celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary a few months earlier.

Alan was hugely popular at Chief Office in many ways but was also a valuable link for Field Staff who always appreciated the help Alan afforded them.

Alan retired from the position of Marketing & Sales Controller some 27 years ago, since when he enjoyed time with his family and playing golf. He was also proud of the fact that he missed only one Pearl Pensioners' Reunion.

We extend our sympathy to his widow Molly, to son Geoff and all the family on their sad loss.

Peter Harvey, Retired District Manager (Welwyn Garden City) has written to us to share his memories of working with Alan:

I first met Alan Westmore in April 1962. I had been recommended by my Divisional Manager Harold Ellis for promotion to Assistant Manager at Watford. I arrived at 252 High Holborn and, having reported to the main desk in the hall, was told to take a seat. A young lady approached me and said "Mr Harvey, please follow me". I felt a bit like Pip in Great Expectations, when Stella said "Come on boy! Hurry up, we can't keep Miss Haversham waiting."

We went up the magnificent marble staircase and eventually arrived at the office of Mr Westmore, who greeted me warmly, and explained the programme of my visits to various departments. I won't bore you with the details, other than to say that when I finally arrived back at Mr Westmore's room around 3.30pm, I must have looked a little shattered. "Come in dear boy - heavy day?," he asked me. "Yes, it was a bit of an ordeal," I replied. He immediately responded by tidying his desk and saying "Come on, let's get out of here. I'm sure you could do with a cup of tea,"

and he promptly took me over the road to a cafe, where we chatted for around 20 minutes or so, and I went home feeling relaxed and happy. I shall go to my grave remembering that deed of kindness.

I next met Alan when I was called to Chief Office to discuss the possibilities of a National Golf Tournament following a letter I had sent to the then General Manager Einion Holland.

Roy Fogg (DM Ellesmere Port), Alan and I spent a morning roughing out how we felt the tournament should run, and this Alan submitted to the Company, and so the Einion Holland Golf Tournament was born. We were joined by Brian Mann, John Plested and later Mike Wall took over from John. Max Mauchline became Chairman when Alan retired and when Max went David Davies took the chair.

I played golf socially with Alan, both at his club, Puttenham (where, by the way, he was a member for 65 years) and at my home club Northwood, and at Seaford where Einion held a two-day social golf meeting. I was lucky enough to meet his wife Molly on a couple of occasions.

Alan was a gentle giant, with a warm, sincere personality.

A lovely man.

V Division

We would like to send our condolences to the family of Ralph Oddy, former Secretary V Division, who sadly died on 7 September. Despite poor health Ralph was keen to continue as Secretary and his hard work over the many years as Secretary is greatly appreciated.

Ralph's replacement is Ian McHarrie. Unfortunately some of the V & H member details Ian has inherited are out of date so, if you are a member of this division, have not been contacted recently and would like to meet up, please ring Ian on 01352 759997.

Pearl Group Staff Pension Scheme

Retirements

DECEMBER 2010

Best wishes to those members who have recently retired from the Pearl Group **Staff Pension Scheme.**

Pearl Miss PM Barker Mr BJ Beadle Mr NJ Bennett Mrs CS Bottriell Mr PF Bowring Mr T Brand Mrs CA Bremner Mrs SG Briggs Mrs EJC Brown Mrs J Burgess Mr S Burkinshaw Mrs CL Buss Mrs M Caudwell Mr D Clarke Mr TH Clayton Mr MA Copping Mrs LR Cross Mr R Cunningham Mr C Deakin Mr T Dew Mr S Dower Mr RAJ Downe Mr DC Etheridae Mr A Evans Mrs JB Fletcher Ms JM Hall Mr PR Hardy Mr BA Harris Mrs CM Harris Mrs SM Hutchison Miss AM Iddon Mrs J Iffla Mr WT James Mr I Johnstone Mr GWA Launder Mrs SJ Mackenzie

Mrs R Martin

Mr AT Moore

Mr J Moore

Croydon Orton Longueville, Peterborough Crediton, Devon Bembridge, Isle Of Wight Hazlemere, High Wycombe Calne, Wiltshire Deeping St James, Peterborough Southborough, Kent **Dumfries** Castle Donington, Derbyshire Sheffield, South Yorkshire Guildford, Surrey Tavistock, Devon Hook, Hampshire Newmarket, Suffolk Alpington, Norwich Alicante, Spain Stanstead Abbotts, Ware Ashton Under Lyne, Lancashire Hull. Northumberside Chatham, Kent Eye, Suffolk France Nailsea, Bristol New Malden, Surrey Isham, Kettering Gedling, Nottingham Portland, Dorset Deeside, Clwyd Kirkcaldy, Fife Blackley, Manchester Gargunnock Worksop, Nottinghamshire West Kilbride Margate, Kent Nr Barnstaple, Devon Dagenham, Essex

High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire

Dereham, Maryport

Mr G Morgan-Jones Holyhead, Gwynedd Mrs VG Morris Allestree, Derby Mr D Nye Ealing, London Mr AT Oldham Grimsby, North East Lincolnshire Mr S Parrott London Mr J Peacock Slough, Buckinghamshire Mr D Perera Sandhurst, Berkshire Mr GA Playle Chorley, Lancashire Miss JM Ranson Horsham, West Sussex Mr GC Reeves Stone, Staffordshire Mr SL Rosam Bourne, Lincolnshire Mr J R Smith Horley, Surrey Mr LA Stares Northampton Ellesmere Port, Cheshire Mr WJ Stott Mrs RJ Sturman Chingford, Essex Mr R D Vincent Swanley, Kent Mr BRJ White Frome, Somerset Mr G Wilkinson Liversedge, Yorkshire Mr A Young Kirkcaldy, Fife

London Life

Mr A Arbaney Freshford, Bath Mr AG Burgess North Nibley, Dursley Mr AR Cleaver Taunton, Somerset Mr DC Dixon Southport Mrs JA Erskine Croydon Mrs JC Fenton **Bristol** Mrs EJ Keehn Isle Of Wight Mrs CA Medley London Ms JL Phillips Askham Richard, York Mrs DM Reddington Epsom, Surrey

NPI

Mr DC Coppin Eastbourne, Sussex Mrs JM Ireland Dinas, Powys Mrs K Pritchard Little Bookham, Surrey

In addition to those listed above, there have been 76 early retirements from Pearl, 2 from London Life and 4 from NPI.



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Obituaries

Pearl Group Staff Pension Scheme



Pearl		
Name Address		Age
Mrs EK Arber	Cranleigh, Surrey	90
Mr R Banyer	Enfield, Middlesex	
Mr DEC Bathurst	Kings Langley, Hertfordshire	
Mr AB Bell	Garforth, Leeds	83
Mrs LR Bird	Poole, Dorset	100
Mrs MB Broodbank	Sevenoaks, Kent	95
Mr R Buckham	Whitburn, Tyne And Wear	83
Mrs SC Burton	Ledbury, Herefordshire	87
Mr E Clark	Pasadena, Australia	93
Mrs HE Claydon	Crawley, West Sussex	89
Mrs BJ Collins	Totton, Southampton	92
Mrs DEE Coomber	Newent, Gloucestershire	83
Mrs AE Copestake	Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire	83
Mrs E Daws	Grimsby, North East Lincs	77
Mr NC Du Casse	Windlesham, Surrey	88
Mr MJ Duckfield	Milford Haven, Dyfed	63

Mr DJ Duffy	Woodston, Peterborough	69
Mrs E Eaton	Rotherham, South Yorkshire	98
Mr JH Eves	Worksop, Nottinghamshire	85
Mrs E Fairhurst	Billinge, Wigan	100
Mrs BM Farmer	Ilkeston, Derbyshire	86
Mr J Farrell	Golborne, Lancashire	84
Mr JM Feeley	Beeston, Nottingham	74
Mr LJ Fogg	Weston Super Mare	83
Mrs C Fox	Sheffield, South Yorkshire	64
Mr GP Francis	Neath, West Glamorgan	80
Mrs DMJ French	Plymouth, Devon	91
Mrs M Frostick	Witham, Essex	74
Mrs EW Gellan	Rothesay, Bute	90
Mr R Gray	Newfield, Carlisle	82
Mr HT Harding	London	100
Mrs BM Harvey	Stamford, Lincolnshire	86
Mr LS Heather	Portsmouth, Hampshire	92
Mrs GM Hibbard	Huddersfield, West Yorkshire	98

Mr A Holgate	Wigan, Lancashire	84	Mrs EM Robertson	Tenterden, Kent	77
Mr D Howdon	Scarborough, North Yorkshire	83	Mrs JE Ross	Dingwall, Ross-shire	79
Mrs JE Hudson	Caterham, Surrey	78	Mr R Rowe	Felling, Tyne & Wear	76
Mrs MJL Hughson	Mid-yell, Shetland	90	Mr P Russell	Leeds	78
Mr D Hunter	Kirkintillock, Glasgow	75	Mr DP Sacre	Syston, Nr Grantham	80
Mr F Hutchinson	Nr Rugby, Warwickshire	85	Mr KR Sams	Paignton, Devon	76
Mr RL James	Neath, West Glamorgan	91	Mr ARG Sanders	Cowbridge, South Glamorgan	84
Mrs A Jones	Wolverhampton	56	Mr EW Sharp	Leadgate, Consett	76
Mrs PE Jones	Pontypridd, Midglam	83	Mrs SD Staines	Leigh-on-sea, Essex	87
Mr EH Keenes	Rayleigh, Essex	89	Mrs MD Storer	Cheshunt, Hertfordshire	94
Mr W Keith	Edinburgh	67	Mr RC Sturrock	Coldstream, Berwickshire	76
Mrs N Kennedy	Chesterfield, Derbyshire	82	Mr H Taylor	Higher Brixham, Devon	95
Mr WC Kerr	Victoria, Australia	78	Mr MD Thomas	London	92
Mr J Lackey	Cumbria	83	Mrs ME Thomas	Glynneath, West Glamorgan	83
Mrs JE Lake	Auckland, New Zealand	87	Mr EA Tomes	Manchester	82
Mrs MI Lawer	Liskeard, Cornwall	95	Mr IS Unkles	Ontario, Canada	72
Mrs ED Lupke	Northampton	91	Mr KG Wagstaff	Bournemouth, Dorset	79
Mr SJ Mason	London, London	86	Mr J Wallace	Isle Of Lewis	81
Mrs D Mitchell	Albany, Western Australia	62	Mrs DJ Walton	Northallerton, Yorkshire	78
Miss IE Mitchell	Chichester, West Sussex	88	Mrs S Wataranan	London	86
Mrs N Mitchell	Largs	84	Mr SA Wells	London	90
Mr PT Moorhead	Sale, Cheshire	68	Mr AH Westmore	Godalming, Surrey	90
Mrs JE Moseley	West Vancouver, Canada	95	Mrs LM White	Perton, Wolverhampton	89
Mrs MM Moss	Barnstaple, Devon	78	Mr SV Willetts	Kent	91
Mrs LH Mullings	Lyme Regis, Dorset	88	Mrs VG Williamson	London	89
Mrs AFL Nicholls	Broadstairs, Kent	91	Mrs DM Wilson	Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire	88
Mr RH Oddy	Bridgnorth, Shropshire	84	Mrs MA Winter	Queensland, Australia	55
Mr RG Paine	South Ockendon, Essex	73	Mr RH Woodward	Leicestershire	83
Mrs C Parfitt	Nr Aberdare, Mid Glamorgan	60	Mrs IM Woolley	Kettering, Northampshire	94
Mr GF Parles	Leadenham, Lincoln	82			
Mrs E Phillips	Pontyclun	97	London Life		
Mrs CL Pickard	Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire	82	Mr M Cavaliero	London	81
Mr RAE Pink	Putney	83			
Mrs M Place	Colwick, Nottingham	87	NPI		
Mr SG Pounder	Llandudno, Gwynedd	78	Mr DT Allin	St Leonards On Sea, East Sussex	85
Mr CJ Powell	Pontypool, Gwent	76	Mrs MD Kingston	Tunbridge Wells, Kent	85
Miss KM Reaney	Harlow, Essex	88	Mrs DM Neal	Tunbridge Wells, Kent	72
Mr GJ Rees	Merthyr Tydfil, Glamorgan	55	Mr MLC Wood	Lympsham, Somerset	76
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Diary of events

Many of the old Pearl 'divisions' have Pensioner Associations. Look below for events coming up in your area and the person to contact for more information.

A - Bishop's Stortford

John McCarthy - 01277 224297

B - Kent and South East

Mike Howlin – 01843867531 Annual lunch for 2011 (date to be agreed)

C – Southern

Stan Lucas - 01747 853806

5 May 2011 – AGM and Spring lunch 6 October 2011 – Autumn lunch (both held at Mayfair Hotel, Bournemouth (12 noon for 1pm)

CC - Cumbria

Allan Hodgson – 01900 603171 David Green – 01900 824289

8 December 2010 – Christmas lunch 13 April 2011 (provisional date) – Spring lunch (both at Hundith Hill Hotel, Lorton Vale, Cockermouth)

D – Devon, Cornwall, Somerset Mike Wall – 01395 274084

E - South Wales

John Jones - 01267 221113

F – Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire Ray Fradley – 01787 280043

8 December 2010 – Christmas lunch at Dunston Hall, Norwich April 2011 (date to be agreed) – AGM

G – West Midlands

Geoff Barlow - 01922 477018

7 December 2010 – Christmas lunch at Royal Oak, Dudley Port

I – West Yorkshire

Keith Beanlands – 01943 864742

15 December 2010 – Christmas lunch at Ripon Spa Hotel, Ripon, N. Yorkshire

K - Glasgow

Rena Matheson - 0141 339 4629

April 2011 (date to be agreed) – Spring lunch

L - Northern Ireland

Ross Hussey - 02882 244368

M & CC

Brian Mann - 01772 495257

9 December 2010 – Christmas lunch at the 14th century Salmesbury Hall nr Preston

N - Nottingham

Peter Norris – 0115 981 4347 20 April 2011 – Spring lunch

P - Bristol

Gerald Horseman - 01179 865922

2 December 2010 – Christmas lunch at Landsdown Golf Club

S – Durham

Rodney Booth – 01325 355813

7 December 2010 – AGM and Christmas lunch

6 December 2011 – AGM and Christmas lunch (both at The Chilton County Pub & Hotel)

T – Yorkshire, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire

Keith Smith - 0113 2812250

9 December 2010 – Christmas lunch at Holiday Inn Doncaster
6 January 2011 – Pantomime 'Peter Pan' at Lyceum Theatre Sheffield
24 March 2011 – Spring lunch at Holiday Inn Doncaster

V – North & Mid Wales, Shropshire, Chester

Ian McHarrie - 01352 759997

1 December 2010 – Christmas lunch 18 May 2011 – AGM and Spring lunch (both at Plas Hafod Hotel, Gwernymyndd)

X – Northampton

Ray Ridout – 01582 665346

13 April 2011 – Spring lunch 30 November 2011 – Christmas lunch (both at Toby Carvery, Wootton, Northampton)

NPI

Paul Marsh - 01892 655230

16 December 2010 – Christmas lunch 7 October 2011 – Managers reunion at Marquess of Exeter, Lyddington (organiser: Peter Ind)

CROYDON

Robert Rose - 01778 394389

11 April 2011 – Lunch at Croydon Bowls Club (organised by Sue Graham)

LONDON LIFE

Chris Essex - 01225 873878

2011 – lunch reunion in Bristol (date to be agreed)

Pearl Pensioners Club – Peterborough Tony King – 01733 265589

25 February 2011 – 25th Anniversary lunch at Greetham Valley Hotel, Golf & Conference Centre

2nd Thursday in each month (2.30pm)
– Meeting at Alwalton Village Hall
Every Monday (2pm) – Snooker at
Orton Southgate Club
Monthly Music Society

Pearl Chief Office

Ken McAleer, 212 Lynmouth Avenue, Morden, Surrey SM4 4RP

10 May 2011 – AGM

4 October 2011 – Reunion (both taking place at Victory Services Club)

Your contacts

If you have a general query about your pension then you should contact the Scheme Administrators in Peterborough:

Telephone: 01733 393020 Fax: 01733 393049

Email: pearl@firstactuarial.co.uk www.pearlstaffpensionscheme.co.uk For payslip queries contact the Payroll Department: Telephone: 01733 393020

For policy queries, contact the Helpline: Telephone: 0845 882 8121

