

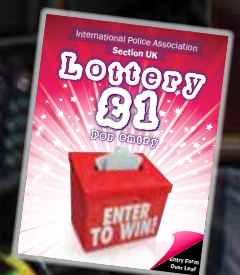
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## Please update your contact details

You should all have now received 2016 Membership card and Police World Magazine sent out in January.

We have had many returned to us, due to members' addresses not being updated.

Please can you make sure your details are up to date? If you would rather not receive the magazine, but read it online please let us know and we can sort that out very easily.

For those members worried about receiving the Magazine from us in January, can I reassure you that there are no references to the IPA or Police on the cover we use to post them in.

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Arthur Troop Scholarships are awarded annually and at least one will be granted to each continent in which we have member sections – Africa, America, Asia, Australasia and Europe.

The application form is available in all official IPA languages on the IPA international website [www.ipa-iac.org](http://www.ipa-iac.org)

The international deadline is 31 July 2016. Please get applications in as soon as possible.

**Cathy Key** Member Services Representative

## A plea from the Editor

All the budding photographers out there, please try to use your cameras outside the bar.

Our members travel far and wide, but I am only sent group photographs, often in a bar, or receiving a presentation.

Please let us all see the interesting places you have visited.

**Neil Hallam** Editor

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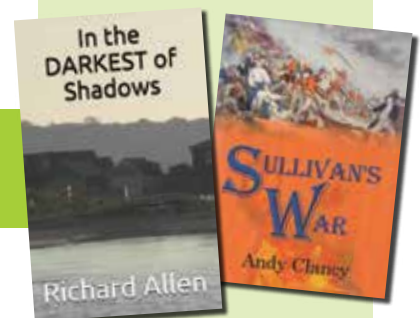
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**What did we get right?**

What would you have done differently?

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# Working on your behalf

**A very warm welcome to the latest edition of Police World which includes the highlights of the National Council Meeting held in Belfast, our main business meeting of the year.**



I am writing this introduction the day after a very hectic NCM which was awash with Irish hospitality.

As I said in my speech to the 180 people who joined us on the Saturday night the matters I wish to address in this

introduction are all about people- the heartbeat of our fantastic Association.

Firstly many congratulations to the two new Vice Presidents who were elected, namely Iain Sirrell and Yvonne McGregor. It was a very competitive election this year. Donna Powell and Sav Kyriakou who missed out this time remain very active in their respective Regions as Chairs and I have no doubt will succeed in the near future.

As we had two new Vice Presidents it meant Mark Kernohan and Ronnie Dukes stood down after nine and six years respectively. Both have been excellent ambassadors for Section UK. I cannot thank both of them enough for their professionalism and service.

I was proud to bestow Presidential awards to Pauline Crozier and Denis Hunt for their exemplary work. Pauline for her dedication in managing the IPA house in St Andrews and Denis for his fantastic hosting and work at the IAWP conference in Cardiff last August.

Another Presidential award went to Jane Nield from Three Region for reaching one hundred years of age and over sixty two years IPA service. The award will be presented by Regional colleagues on my behalf to Jane. Honorary awards are the most prestigious honour

we can give to a member in our Association and this year I was delighted to present two such recognition awards for service to Bob Gunnell, Region Five and Carole Spence, Region Two.

Both have contributed significantly to Iconic Events over the years, a key NEC strategy. Bob for his work on the IPA Trophy Race Day (The Peter Goodwin IPA Memorial Trophy Race) at Donnington and subsequently Mallory Park and Carole for her work and management during the World Police and Fire Games held in Belfast in 2013 and her work in organising numerous NCM's and this years in particular.

Presentations were made to honoured guests and on the Saturday night included Mayor Brian Bloomfield and the Mayoress, Rosalind. The Chief Constable's representative Chief Superintendent Barbara Gray, QPM was presented with a small gift as well and all had a totally enjoyable IPA evening.

Prior to the NCM commencing the National Golf Tournament was played nearby and the winners on home turf were Region Two. Over thirty people took part and I was privileged to present the prizes with Vice President Mark Kernohan to all the winners. (full report next issue)

I am not one for looking back but it is important to reflect and learn so I wish to conclude with what I consider to have been the key highlights over the last twelve months.

These include financial stability, with an increase in budget in 2016 from retention and a small surplus from 2015 to be invested for future international events which the Section secured at last year's World Congress in Cyprus which will enhance our international engagement.

The further three platforms (making six) through the Recruitment and Retention strategy were announced which includes the commencement of the Member Journey and improvements to communications with the website being improved as you read this Police World. The embedding of the business operating model at headquarters and employment of new staff together with the update of all the Directives which guide our Section.

To say the least it has been a busy but productive year and the NEC and I are confident that the journey will continue in making our Section the most VIBRANT Section in the IPA.

I personally thank you for all your support you have given me as President of the last two years and as I enter my last year I look forward to engaging with as many of you as possible.

So until next time, keep having fun and make sure you read web news for what is happening in the association and particularly the member opportunities which are regularly advertised.

#### **Mick Luke**

Proud to be President of Section UK

#### **Date and Venue of Future National Council Meetings**

- **2017 – 3 Region.**  
Karel Simpson's presentation on next year's NCM in Durham included a high quality video. Steeped in history and culture, it is expected that the beautiful location will prove a very popular venue.
- **2018 – 1 Region.**
- **2019 – 5 Region.**
- **2020 – 11 Region.**

# National Council Meeting 2016

The NCM was hosted at the La Mon Hotel, Belfast, between 17th & 19th June. As is the usual format, a meeting of the National Executive Committee (NEC) took place on Friday morning, followed by meetings of the Chairs, Treasurers and Secretaries'. It was a busy weekend hosted and facilitated by volunteers from 2 Region. All delegates were afforded opportunity to play a role in the continuing development of Section UK.



**T**he presence of IPA International President Pierre-Martin Moulin, Denis Dunne President of Section Ireland, May-Britt Rinaldo IEB member and Chair of the Professional Commission, Stephen Crockard, Head of Administration for the IEB, along with 27 IPA members from Sweden, and other guests from Ireland and Netherlands, added an exciting air to the whole weekend. Section Sweden tied in a Friendship Visit to Section UK to coincide with our NCM to develop and enhance aspects of Friendship and Cultural Exchange; an interesting itinerary of activities was arranged for the visitors, with scenic and cultural visits in Belfast and its surrounding environs.

The main meeting of the weekend, the NCM was on Saturday. There was full representation of Section UK, with six NEC members along with three representatives from each of the eleven Regions. Voting strength was full at 39. There were observers from several of the regions, which ensured a full and busy conference room.

## President's Address

This year Mick used 'Nottingham Forest' as the theme for his address, referring to the NEC as his Merry Men. He reflected on the last year and focussed on the future. The Section has recruited and retained new members well in the last two years but there is much still to be done.

Activity and Engagement were key messages and the President reflected with regret on the many IPA Opportunities that no-one responded to, or applied for, during the year. The Members' Journey initiative will focus on that work, with the aim of developing an even spread of activity and engagement across the whole Section. Section UK will host several iconic international IPA events in the coming years; these will be fully planned for in every regard.

## Report by Treasurer Fred Boyd

The Treasurer presented the accounts for the year, highlighting points of particular interest.

- Balance in significant credit. First time for several years.
- Membership fees have increased due to improved retention.
- Significant reduction in outgoings.
- Capital spending occurred due to roof repairs £7,500 and IAC windows at £2,200.
- IPA lottery has been supported bringing income.

## Report by VP Mark Kernohan

VP Kernohan presented his 9th report to National Council. VP Kernohan reminded Council that he was retiring from his post after nine years on the NEC. Mark reported that he has continued to lead on Communications work streams for Section UK, with successes on Police World magazine, the website and Facebook interactions. New arrangements for editing and design issues of the magazine are working well. The website is being updated to improve its look, interface and user experience.

Regrettably the IPA House in Scotland closed on 1st March 2016. This was due to low usage by IPA members.

The national sports strategy was successfully driven with members encouraged to partake in golf, bowling and football. Sports vouchers were presented for best results by IPA members taking part in several PSUK and national sports events.



## Report by VP Ronnie Dukes

This was his final report, after two terms on the NEC. He thanked all in the association for their support.

Ronnie had responsibility for income generation and he thanked all who contributed via online sales and the IPA Lottery.

The International Youth Gathering is a well supported initiative. This year's representatives attending the USA from Section UK are Courtney Connor and Abigail Henderson.

Members' benefit offers continue to be updated and advised via the website and the MMM.

Ronnie advised on the raft of events where he represented Section UK during the last year, which included the House Managers' Meeting in Scotland, the World Congress in Cyprus, a Friendship Week by Central Scotland Branch and the sad duty of attending funerals to represent Section UK.

## Report by VP Sean Hannigan

Sean has attended the Gimborn Kuratorium, where he negotiated better presence for Section UK and English speaking courses. He has since attended and chaired seminars in Gimborn and most importantly has championed input by Section UK members as presenters at Gimborn.

It is a matter of personal success to Sean that he has delivered a UK based seminar on Cyber Crime during the last year.

As NEC liaison to 4 Region, Sean has actively supported the Region, working to deliver an IPA stall in Cardiff, at the International Association Women Police.

Sean worked closely with Mick Luke to present to the College of Policing Chief officer Group, extolling the benefits for modern Police Services of forging close links with the IPA.

Sean thanked the IPA HQ staff for their hard work and support and Iain Sirrell for his continued dedication and service to and through the ILDEP programme for professional exchanges.

## Report by Secretary General Pete Connolly

The Secretary General commented upon his first year in post, which was challenging and enjoyable.

Staffing issues had arisen during the year with staff having left the employ of IPA HQ. Staff shortages have been addressed with the recruitment and induction of new staff. Pete thanked Michele Rai for her stalwart service during the period of staff shortage.

Pete advised that two ASC meetings were held during the year. He reminded delegates that all meetings accrue costs for the Association and therefore we must deliver tangible results to provide value for money to our members.

## Debate and Discussion

The majority of the motions put forward, were presented by the National Executive Committee (NEC) and were aimed to regularise the wording of Rules of the Association and dates around annual subscription payments. All of those motions were unanimously carried.

As part of the membership debate, the NEC proposed that an amendment to Rule 2 should state that 'Police Volunteer' should not constitute and fulfil the criteria of 'employed by a Chief Officer' to permit membership of IPA Section UK. This was passed by a majority.

## Other proposals included that:

- Life Membership is not available until 5 consecutive years membership.
- National Council may terminate membership for any person whose service is terminated by a chief officer.

- One signature required on cheques of IPA bank accounts.
- National SIG, committee members to be reimbursed reasonable expenditure for attending SIG meetings.
- National Council chose The Police Roll of Honour Trust as the preferred charity of IPA Section UK.

The ASC's motion to remove the 20 year pin for service in IPA Section UK was debated and passed by a majority.

1 Region proposed that every Regional Committee could have more Branch representatives than central regional committee representatives. This was debated and passed.

3 Region presented a motion that minutes of every Region or Branch committee should be made accessible to every member of that Region or Branch. It was amended to "agreed minutes", debated and passed.

## NEC Elections.

VP's Ronnie Dukes and Mark Kernohan stood down from office after 6 years and 9 years respectively. This created the circumstances for the biggest change on the NCM since 2007, with new representatives moving into the two vacated VP posts. There were 4 candidates for election. The successful candidates were Iain Sirrell and Yvonne McGregor.

## The Macau Experience

Dianne Crockard and Clive Wood made a presentation demonstrating the fantastic opportunity which they achieved, having successfully applied for a 'Return to Members Benefit' in the form of the trip to Macau. Dianne attended as a delegate, Clive as a presenter, both receiving benefit of funding from Section UK on top of the sponsorship by Section Macau. Their experiences exemplified the Professional, Cultural and Friendship strands of IPA.

## Millennium Shield

This was awarded to Region 1 who hosted two Friendship Events during the past year: the Central Scotland Friendship Week and the Tayside Ceilidh Weekend.



## NCM Gala Dinner

During the evening, everyone enjoyed the opportunity to mingle and relax before taking part in the dinner dance. At the Gala Dinner Mick Luke exchanged gifts with Denis Dunne, of Section Ireland and Pierre-Martin Moulin the International President. Mick also presented gifts to the retiring VP's, Ronnie Dukes and Mark Kernohan.

Region 2 organised a raffle with proceeds going to charity. Live entertainment included "The Singing Chef" and music by Back to Back. As they say in Belfast, 'the craic was mighty'.

### Iain Sirrell

Iain Sirrell started his career with the Metropolitan Police in 1988 and currently works in the City of York. He has a broad range of operational policing experience, operating in response, community policing; training; tactical firearms and command and control.

With the support of the UK NEC, he began developing ILDEP [International Learning and Development Exchange Programme], It launched in 2014 and has proved hugely successful with members benefitting from exchanges around the world. He is currently progressing exchanges with Spain, France, South Africa and America.

He developed the concept of Police Educators SIG and with support from Kyle Hardcastle and VP Sean Hannigan they have developed a special interest group that operates alongside ILDEP. This Group is intended to not only take UK policing experience to those unable to experience it through an ILDEP visit, but assist at Gimborn by sharing knowledge and experience in the seminars. It was recognised that many individual members may look to use ILDEP but come up against barriers, whether they be financial or visa related .

He has initiated three iconic events as Regional Secretary including two extremely popular visits to York Races. He also organised the 3 Region AGM, where he was elected as Regional Chair, an honour that comes with oversight responsibility for the development of NCM2017

He has been married to Halina for over twenty years. They have one daughter, Katie, currently studying for A-levels .The have lived in York for 24 years where Iain is based as a Force Incident Manager.

Iain says that “as a VP I will: be accessible to Regions and Branches, listening to the views of committees and members alike to ensure we meet, then exceed, the expectations of members”



### Yvonne McGregor

I feel honoured and excited that Council had the confidence in me to perform the role of Vice President over the next three years.

I would like to thank No 2 Region for the excellent running of the NCM, their hospitality went above and beyond our expectations.

Having served on Branch and Region committees I feel this is a natural progression for me and to use my experiences to further the aims of the IPA. I am very much aware that my role on the NEC will challenge me in many ways and I look forward to it.

Part of my responsibility will be for other Regions within Section UK and this I see as an opportunity to meet and make new friends and essentially listen to your ideas and initiatives and develop them together.

I am very approachable and will make myself available to assist and support Members in any way I can.

A little information about myself: I am 55 years old and married to David, also an IPA Member, who has supported my roles in the IPA and will continue to do so. We have been married for nearly 35 years. My main hobbies are travel and golf. I am Lady Captain at my golf club.

I joined Tayside Police in 1979 and retired in 2011 as an Inspector. My career, in the main, was front line policing in all my ranks. I also spent time in the CID, Custody Suite, Crime Management, Pro Active Units, I was a HOLMES instructor. I was Staff Officer to a Strategic Commander at the G8 Conference at Gleneagles in 2005 and also to the Commander of T in the Park Music Festival at Kinross for 6 years.

I joined the IPA in 1997 for the main reason of staying in the IPA House in Dublin for a city break. In 2001 David and I went round the world and as a result of completing the IPA Travel Forms for various countries, we were met and assisted by IPA Members in Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. I was amazed by the friendship and generosity offered by strangers, who are now friends. My travels continue, as do the number of new IPA friends I have in the four corners of the World. This made me think again about what I gave to the IPA.

Since then I have dedicated time and effort in promoting the IPA in numerous ways and have reaped benefits from friendships across the World. I look forward to working with and for you in the years ahead.

#### Servo per Amikeco

Yvonne



David Moore with Britt Hermansson, Section Sweden



Karin Edvardsson and Maria Engberg, Section Sweden



Tom Crozier with ARV officer

# “I think the plane might be cancelled because of the winds.”

By Chris Pile



**This became a familiar comment to me over my two years policing the Isle of Barra in the Outer Hebrides. The idea came to me in mid-2013 when I was sitting in Oxfangs Police Station in Edinburgh and saw the job advert. I applied, interviewed and on the train home from Inverness HQ got told I was going to Barra. Having never heard of Barra, let alone been to it, I was somewhat excited. I contacted the other Officer on the island, Andy McHardy, and arranged a visit prior to starting.**

“I think the plane might be cancelled because of the winds,” was what he e-mailed me the day before I was due to visit. However, the little 20 seater plane took off from Glasgow airport, with me on it. We landed on the beach runway on one wheel and the other two quickly followed being blown by the wind. I got off the plane and was almost blown over – a soon to be familiar experience.

Weeks passed by and my family and I arrived on the island in late November. Two years were about to begin of a very memorable chapter in our lives.

Policing a small community on a tiny island is like stepping back in time.

Think of Heartbeat or Hamish Macbeth. I spent 6 months building a reputation of being relaxed and fair, which served me exceptionally well in the long run.

I lived in a Police house 5 minutes' walk from the station. Andy lived in a house next to the station. We were both on 24 hour call out and formed a perhaps unlikely friendship over our two years together – he a football mad, moustache clad, traditional highland man, and me, 20 years younger, having grown up in a big city in England, having no interest in football and being a bit of a coffee connoisseur. We mostly worked separate shifts but crossed over about 30% of the time. I cannot recall what we spent two years talking about but I seemed to have gained a great deal of knowledge about Barra FC.

Barra, like any place, has its own issues. People are people wherever you go. Our bread and butter was people found to be drunk and incapable (a hard core group of people who drank whisky like it was water). In my first year we arrested our favourite prisoner 10-15 times. When you consider it was an average of one arrest a month it highlights just how much of a time occupier he was. He insisted on getting blindingly drunk and lying down in the road. With no family to care for him, and the hospital being so small it couldn't take him all the time, he quickly became acquainted with our one cell and enjoyed the prisoner food, which at that time was a take away from the local hotel. Over time I felt sorry for this man and last Christmas found myself leaving him a secret Santa gift in his house.

At the other end of the scale I was also involved in a serious national child sex offender enquiry, which I never would have got to be part of, in uniform, in a city. That was a great benefit of a two person station – a much greater level of responsibility, as the Sergeant was across the sea on the next island up, and the Inspector was on another island even further away. I was a beat officer, a response officer, a scenes of crime officer, negotiator, child protection officer, sexual offences liaison officer,





royal visit liaison officer, licensing officer, firearms enquiry officer, airport officer, events officer, custody officer, road traffic officer, and general advice giver. I soon learnt how to deal with a range of things without any back up. The most valuable skill I learnt – just to relax and know that things will work out. I am convinced that nothing is hard in our job – perhaps just something I've not done before, in which case someone was always a phone call away.

Part of the uniqueness of our location (5 hours by ferry to Oban or a once a day flight to Glasgow) was what to do if we had a custody for court. This involved getting a prisoner from Barra, over the sea to Uist, up through Uist, and then over the sea to Harris and Lewis where they would be presented before Stornoway Sheriff Court. A custody could quite easily mean a 20 hour shift, if the arrest occurred after the last ferry of the day in the late afternoon. This meant a huge part of the job there was keeping people calm and onside. Andy and I could often be found snoozing in the Police car on the ferry back from Uist after transferring a prisoner. Ultimately, they would return to Barra and I would see them in the one food shop on the island the next week, or they'd be related to the plumber, or postman, or nursery worker that worked with my child. The whole job in Barra was about keeping the balance, being fair, using discretion, and doing a good job.

Two years passed and it was time to return to the mainland. Being the Police Officer's family in a tiny community is not the easiest. People are kind and sincere but they could never really be seen to befriend the Police's family, as ultimately it would appear they

were taking sides. There were always exceptions however and I will never forget a shepherd called Jimmy, 20 years my senior, who befriended me and welcomed me into his world. I ended up helping him with his sheep in the hills and had many an interesting conversation with a man who had never lived anywhere but Barra. Jimmy will never read this but I am grateful for his friendship.

I will treasure the memories Barra has given me and hopefully will one day return to reminisce and remember.



## VII International Uniformed services

# Football tournament of 2nd Lt Andzej Struj

for the Police Commander in Chief's cup.

By **Andre Bak**, Nottinghamshire Branch

**This was a two day tournament held on 11th & 12th February 2016 in Warsaw, Poland in memory of a murdered Police Officer.**



Action shot showing Simon in the foreground with Lucasz behind and Graham to the right.

**Section UK entered this indoor 5-a-side tournament** with players from around the United Kingdom.

Our team consisted of 10 players as shown in the above photograph.

Players from left to right starting at the rear.

**Olivind Merrygold** – Nottinghamshire Branch member and a serving officer with Notts Police.

**Michael Luke** – President of IPA Section UK, Nottinghamshire IPA Branch member and a retired Notts officer.

**Michael Sharples** – Manchester Branch member and a serving officer with Greater Manchester.

**Remy Luke** – Son of Michael Luke.

**Graham Philson** – Belfast IPA Branch member and a serving officer with Police Service Northern Ireland.

**Neil Brand** – Hertfordshire Branch member and a Special Constable with Hertfordshire Police.

**Nathan Robinson** – Nottinghamshire Branch member and a serving officer with Notts Police.

**André Bak** – Nottinghamshire Branch Treasurer, Region 5 Vice Chair and a serving officer with Notts Police.

**Simon Crane** – Nottinghamshire Branch member and a serving officer with Nottinghamshire Police.

**Lukasz Adamczyk** – Belfast Branch member and a serving officer with Police Service Northern Ireland.

Travel arrangements all in place so all the UK players would be in Warsaw on 10th February.

Six team members from Nottinghamshire had made the same travel arrangements or so we thought we had until Nathan contacted Simon on the morning of travel and discovered he had booked the wrong flight out to Poland. He had booked the 0855 hrs from Stanstead instead of 1155 hrs. He had to get his skates on and drove down to Stanstead on his own, yes you guessed right he missed his flight by 10 minutes.

Nathan had to then wait until 1130 hrs to see if he could get a seat on our flight and he succeeded. What a relief as he had all the kit.

On arrival in Warsaw we were met by our host Tomasz Miciukiewicz and transported to our hotel and then onto the opening ceremony.

Brass band present and dignitaries from the Polish Police Service we walked in behind the Union Jack.

Food and drinks provided before travelling back to our hotels in what turned out to be a very snowy evening.

**Day 2** Our group had to be up for 0600 hrs for a fast breakfast as we were collected from our hotels at 0650 hrs by coach and onwards to our sports halls for the football tournament.

Every game started like this - walking into middle and shaking hands etc with the other team and referee and linesmen.

Section UK was in Group D which had 7 teams. Only the top 4 teams on points would go through to the next day's games.

We had the first game of the day at 0820 hrs and were playing Department of Intelligence and Patrol MPHQ.

What a game we came off feeling great after winning 3-1. Goals scored by Lucasz / Simon and Nathan.

**Second game** was played at 0905 hrs against Bosnia and Montenegro and they whooped us 5-0.

**Third game** was played at 1005 hrs against Police Commander in Chiefs representation and we lost this one 3-0.

**Fourth game** was played at 1050 hrs and we went all out to win 1-0 against Voivodship Police HQ Krakow. Simon scoring in this game and Nathan received a yellow card.

**Fifth game** was played at 1135 hrs and we lost to Voivodship Police HQ in Olsztyn 3-0.

**Sixth game** was played at 1250 hrs and we lost to Armed Forces Warsaw Garrison HQ 6-0.

Section UK played well but lost out to some experienced and better teams.

We were hosted at a restaurant with a meal, where the restaurant manager brought out the Vodka in typical Polish hospitality.

**Day 3** was a rest day for us as we had been knocked out of the tournament but our hosts arranged for us to visit Warsaw in the morning before returning to the Finals sports hall.

There we watched the men's play offs, women's final and men's final, it was an exciting end to the football tournament.

The men's finalists were Bosnia V Bydgoszcz with Bydgoszcz winning 1-0 by scoring in the closing few seconds of extra time.

**The awards ceremony was the closure to the football tournament.**



Action shot showing Nathan take a fall. You can see Graham behind and some of the team in the background on the sidelines.



Some of the team in front of one of the few remaining ghetto walls left in the city.



# South East Essex Branch

# Visit to The Somme

By Steve Hunt - 10 Region Secretary

In March 2016 thirteen members set off for a re-visit to The Somme in France for a visit to the WW1 monuments, battle-sites and cemeteries. A couple of 'new faces' in new IPA member Ali Rauf and 'veteran' Mick Hollis joined regular attendees on the journey to the base-camp, a large old house in a hamlet not far from Albert the nearest reasonably sized town. In this part of very rural France it is so quiet that most days seem to be Sunday.



Once again intrepid tour guide Ian Rayner provided his excellent knowledge of the area's history and sites that we visited.

As usual the weather kept us on our toes and on a couple of mornings we woke up to a covering of light snow, which luckily disappeared by mid-morning. Because of previous visits to the area a well organised and professional service was provide to the group with a great mix of both history sites and visits to recognised eating and drinking establishments to recover for the damp and blustery French weather!

French lifestyle and customs needed much planning ahead to arrange meals inside their restrictive trading hours particularly on Sundays where most places are closed.

Welcome 'de- briefs' at The Three Pigeons pub in Albert allowed members to catch up 'Servo per Amikeco' style. Pierre the host, who speaks excellent English looked after us very well.

The height of the visit was the laying of a wreath at the Thiepval Memorial, the Largest British War Memorial in the World. Four Essex Police Officers are named on the memorial so a wreath was laid in memory of all Essex Officers who were killed during WW1. Ian Rayner was resplendent in his ex-Guardsman attire along with ex-Royal Marine Phil Parker who wore his beret and others gave their police medals an airing.



# The Newfoundlanders & the Somme.

Information and photographs from **Graham Buxton**  
Nottinghamshire Branch

Newfoundland Memorial Park was purchased by the Dominion of Newfoundland after the First World War. It was named after the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, which had provided one battalion of 800 men to serve with the British and Commonwealth Armies.

Now part of Canada, Newfoundland was at the time a British colony, and the Regiment troops actually raised their own funds to get to France, where most of them died.

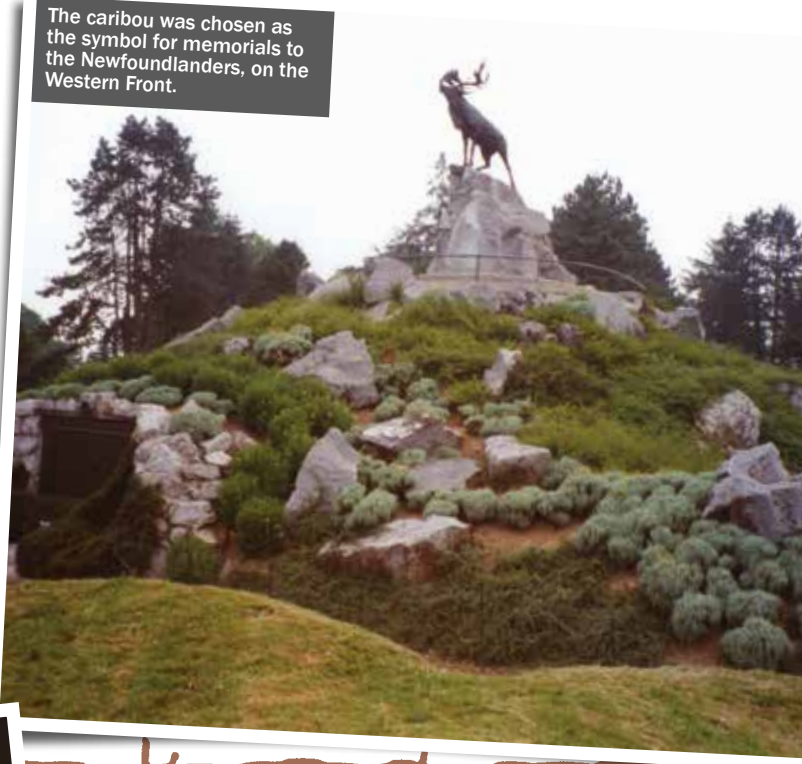
Its tragic part in the action of 1st July 1916 is remembered through this memorial park.

Newfoundland purchased this land in 1921, and first it and then the Canadian government (after 1949) have maintained it since as a memorial. It was officially opened in 1925, by Earl Haig. In 1997 it was designated a Canadian National Historic Site. The statue of the Caribou was chosen for the Memorial, as it was the symbol of the Newfoundland Regiment.

There is a great deal to see within the park, including memorials and cemeteries as well as the preserved trench lines.

There is also a visitor's centre with information on the Newfoundlanders and also a shop and toilets.

The caribou was chosen as the symbol for memorials to the Newfoundlanders, on the Western Front.



## The Battle of the Somme

Fought between July and November 1916 was one of the defining events of the First World War.

The Somme offensive was planned as the major Allied effort on the Western Front for 1916, but the start of a desperate battle between French and German forces at Verdun meant that the British Army assumed the main role.

After an intense, week-long artillery bombardment of German positions, the infantry began their advance at 7.30am on the clear midsummer's morning of 1 July 1916.

While there were some gains to the south, in the north the attacking troops struggled to overcome formidable defences, many of which had survived the artillery barrage. By the end of the first day, some 57,000 Commonwealth and 2,000 French soldiers had become casualties – more than 19,000 of whom had been killed.

The offensive continued over the following months, and men from every part of Britain and across the Empire took part. Both sides committed huge quantities of manpower and munitions to the struggle. When the offensive was halted in November, more than 1,000,000 Commonwealth, French and German soldiers had been wounded, captured, or killed.



## The CWGC Thiepval Memorial

- Commemorating the dead

Today, the cemeteries and memorials built and cared for by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) portray the human cost of the battle.

Some 150,000 Commonwealth servicemen lie buried in 250 military and 150 civilian cemeteries on the Somme. More than 100,000 more were never found or identified. They are not forgotten, but are remembered by name on six memorials to the missing for those whose graves are not known.

The Thiepval Memorial is the largest Commonwealth war memorial in the world. The 45 metre high monument stands on a ridge just south of Thiepval village – a heavily fortified German position on the Somme front in 1916. The brick superstructure has 16 stone piers. Each pier has panelled faces and on those panels are inscribed the names of the dead.

A commemorative event is held every year at the Commonwealth War Graves Commission's Thiepval Memorial, organised by The Royal British Legion and the British Embassy, Paris, but in 2016 the UK and French Governments will host a significantly larger event.

Due to the high public demand and the limited capacity at the site, the event will be accessible by ticket only. Tickets for the event were distributed via a public ballot.

In addition to the event at Thiepval, the French are making plans to broadcast the event live to large screens in a number of towns across the Somme region, so that as many people as possible can see the event and participate, including those who are unsuccessful in the ballot.

There will also be a wide programme of events taking place in both the UK and France, which the public can participate in to mark both the 1st July and the 141 day duration of the battle.



# Bravery Awards

## William Garnett Cup - Lancashire Bravery Award

**PCs Cox, Brown, Edwards, Pointer and Blackburn are commended for their rescue of a woman who attempted to take her own life by jumping into the River Darwen on the night of 20th December 2015. Rebecca Gould was suffering from depression due to recent family bereavements.**

**A**t 2300 hours, the officers responded to Rebecca threatening to jump into the River. PC Cox found her sitting on a small ledge above the river.

PCs Cox, Edwards, Brown, Pointer and Blackburn all attended the incident. PC Cox initiated negotiations with Rebecca until a duty negotiator and a paramedic arrived. Both of whom attempted to speak to Rebecca. Without warning, she jumped into the fast flowing river but managed to cling onto some bushes. Officers threw a lifeline, held by PC Brown, however, they could see that she was struggling to keep hold of the line, kept going under the water and was losing her grip.

PC Pointer and PC Blackburn arrived with a further lifeline that PC Cox tied around his back. This was initially held by PC Edwards and Cox cautiously walked down the embankment into the water, where he took hold of Rebecca. PC Edwards saw that PC Cox needed support and handed the officer's lifeline to PCs Pointer and Blackburn who wrapped the lifeline around their waists and supported the officer on the rope, wedging themselves to a fence. PC Edwards entered the river to support PC Cox, while both officers held onto Rebecca whilst Fire Service set up a rope rescue system and were able to lift Rebecca to safety.

PC Edwards contracted a chest infection which lead to his right lung collapsing and was hospitalised for 5 days.

All five officers showed tremendous bravery and without their efforts this emotionally vulnerable female would likely have gone under the water and lost her life.

Due to the heavy rain and flooding, the river was fast flowing, swollen and extremely dangerous. The officers showed bravery in entering the water, only one of whom was secured with only a thin life line.

Rachel Baines, Chair of Lancashire Police Federation; said "These five officers showed tremendous bravery under extremely difficult and dangerous circumstances. They put themselves at great personal risk and should be proud of their actions that day".

Chief Constable Finnigan stated "The William Garnett Cup is awarded by the Constabulary annually to the police officer(s) who perform the most gallant deed of the year, in the highest traditions of the service.

I feel extremely proud, as Chief Constable, that PCs Cox, Edwards, Pointer, Blackburn and Brown represent the very best of our many outstanding police officers and police staff in Lancashire Constabulary, of whom we are immensely proud".



## It's award number three for Nottinghamshire Inspector James Oliver



James has been hailed a hero by the Mansfield and Ashfield community for saving the life of a woman from the River Trent. He fought his way through the current to the drowning woman in the early hours of Sunday 31 August 2014.

After 20 minutes battling the swell and providing CPR in the water he was able to bring her to safety.

The open water swimmer has already taken home a Chief Constable's Commendation and a Police Bravery Award for his efforts that night. This time it was the Outstanding Bravery Award at the **Chad** (Local newspaper) **Pride Awards**.

The dad-of-two attended the event with his own father at the John Fretwell Centre, in Mansfield, on Thursday 28 April 2016.

The award was sponsored by The Mercian Regiment and presented to James by Captain Lloyd Watts.

James, who has just returned to work after the birth of his second child, son Jackson, said: "I swim the Trent quite a lot and had I planned to go for a swim that night I wouldn't have gone in due to the strength of the current.

"I thought I was going in to retrieve a body but I just kept telling myself 'you never know'".



Ravi trying to help Chuck to get his guitar in tune



Sergeant Robert (Bob) Morley from the Planning and Analysis Unit



Gurmit with the recruitment officer

# Meet me in St Louis

## Gurmit Kaur visits the Missouri Sheriffs

**In March 2016 whilst on vacation I visited St Louis County Police Department. Bob Schule a retired Trooper of Missouri State currently working for the FBI, coordinated my visit with the St Louis County Police.**



**T**he day started bright and early where Sergeant John Wall on his way from home picked me up from Chicago Heights.

With my note book readily in hand, I made copious notes on his comprehensive brief on the geographical breakdown on the area followed by how the American police management and borough structure worked.

Then I had my official welcome to St Louis Police by being introduced to the Chief of Police Colonel Jon Belmar, Deputy Chief Colonel Ken Cox and an ex- Essex officer Sean Murphy, now an American police officer for the past 10 years. We had the opportunity to compare working practices and how we all face the same challenges of recruitment, retention and promotion for BME officers. As thank you from Nottinghamshire Police in allowing me to spend time with the officers and learn about the American style of Policing and engaging with community, I handed a gift on behalf of Nottinghamshire Police to the Chief. To my surprise he gave me a gift-the Chief's hat and I had the chance to sit behind his desk. Wow! I felt like a Chief!

The chief spoke of the Policing response surrounding the death of Michael Brown in Ferguson Missouri where he was shot by a Ferguson officer. Their innovative approach to build bridges and improve dialogue with the local community was by setting up a fairly new network meeting UCAN (United Community Action Network). The aim is to get all partners and community members to work together. By bringing the groups together they are able to

discuss and educate one another on important community issues affecting the communities.

The highlight of my visit was my knowledge and experience being imparted to a very keen Sergeant Bob Morley from the Planning and Analysis Unit . I was re-living my days as a Neighbourhood Policing Inspector where I worked just over 6 years in a vibrant diverse community that I grew up in-Forest Fields/Hyson Green.

Working in my current role as Community Cohesion Inspector alongside Nottingham City Council. I was able to explain to John how our council colleagues work closely within a Police Station environment and the great benefits in sharing resources.

Sergeant Driemeier, the property control supervisor gave me a tour around their brand new headquarters for the Missouri State of Highway Patrol, Weldon Spring. I even took a sneaky opportunity to shoot at the shooting range. Using Bob's Glock (the last time I used a hand gun was back in the 80's where I used to attend the local shooting club). Not bad after 25 years!!

it was not all work. With the family we went to St Louis Zoo of 90 acres of Forest Park and is the home to 560 species of animals, meeting the Polar Bears and my husband's favourite animal the elephants were few of the animals we saw.

One of the 10 great streets in America, was the The Loop Delmar with unique collections of shops, boutiques, live music and galleries. The highlight of the loop was having a photo with

the eight foot father of Rock & Roll Chuck Berry Statue! Actually it was my husband's icon as I am not musically minded.

Bob's house is a museum with memorabilia going back in time. Every room was full of history across many decades. Amazingly Bob has collected over 11,000 items across the world mainly from Great Britain. Bob has almost completed his Police badge collection of the 43 forces in UK. He needs your help in completing his collection. He is missing Police badges from Cambridgeshire, Durham, Gloucestershire, Gwent, South Wales, Suffolk & Wilshire If you have a spare badge to send him, he will be eternally grateful. Please help him! He even offers you a spare room whilst you are on your travels in St Louis.



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# PD Rebus, a Nottinghamshire police dog recently died during an incident in Nottingham.

**German Shepherd, Belgian Shepherd-cross Rebus was assisting in an authorised pursuit in the early hours of Wednesday 18 May 2016, after an incident in Carlton Road.**

The four-year-old was sent after the suspects following a T-PAC deployment on the Colwick Loop Road at around 3am. It was then he was struck by a 4x4 police vehicle.

Rebus was given emergency care at the scene but sadly died of his injuries. His handler was by his side.

Chief Inspector Andy Hall, of EMOpSS (East Midlands Operational Support Services), said: "This incident is being fully and actively reviewed, and we await the findings. I take the view at this time that it appears to have been a tragic accident.

"I would like to acknowledge and commend the care given to Rebus in his time of need. Not only did an officer provide CPR at the scene, a number of members of the public offered their assistance. A valued police dog and a loyal companion, Rebus certainly would have known he was loved.

"Our colleague is devastated and the officer who was driving the vehicle is understandably distressed. They are being supported by their team and they in turn are being supported by their associates.

"The ripples of Rebus' death will travel wide, including to those monitoring the incident from the Control Room, throughout the Dog Section and those involved in his training.

"Rebus was not only a fine police dog, he was a member of our policing family. His impeccable service was acknowledged at a memorial, in which DCC Sue Fish lay a wreath in his honour."

His first walker, who looked after him as a puppy, was given the chance to say goodbye before Rebus was buried. He rests with a piece of a Pampas grass, which he took great pleasure in destroying.

Rebus joined us, with litter mate Nibbles, as a pup in July 2012. In his four years' service he has been responsible for the detaining of numerous suspects. Since the launch of EMOpSS in May last year he has attended 313 incidents.

Most notably last September he located a suspect who was armed with a knife in a drainage ditch. The man was suspected of threatening an Arnold family in their home.

Despite these sad events, three teenagers were arrested on suspicion of theft. They remain in police custody for questioning.



“**Rebus ...was a member of our policing family**”

## Dutch police officers who took a whistle stop tour of Notts Police have taken some of our working practices back home.



**The Force's use of CCTV and Body Worn Camera stood out to our visitors who will take what they learnt back to Assen in Holland – famous for being home to the Dutch TT Race.**

During the visit on Tuesday 12 January, two police officers and two representatives from Assen's City Hall were shown around with a presentation from PS Chris Brentnall. They then visited the control room and took an in-depth look at demand management with Insp Dave Wilkes.

After lunch with the Mayor Jackie Morris, Neil Harvey gave a tour of the CCTV Control Room at Nottingham, before the party visited Central Police Station to meet C/Supt Manley, Supt Anthill and Head of Community Protection at the city council Andrew Errington.

Later, they attended a football briefing delivered by PC Sleigh ahead of the Forest V Birmingham match, then a further intelligence briefing.

Now officers from Notts will be carefully selected to visit Assen in June this year where they will help police the Dutch TT Race.

Insp John Lees who led the tour said: "The visit was really successful and we have some very positive feedback about the way in which we police large events and use Body Worn Cameras."

## Rochdale branch goes the extra mile

Neil Baldwin

We all know that IPA Members go the extra mile in support of each other but Rochdale Branch went 614.4 miles to deliver a certificate to Alan Ogden who has been a member since 1958 and had joined Rochdale Branch following the closure of Stockport.



Frank Pearson who was a founding member of the Branch, and his wife Margaret, volunteered to take and present the 50 year certificate to Alan whilst on holiday in the Shetland Isles.

They plan to be back for his 60th certificate in 2018 or it could be a Branch trip! As Frank says, "The Shetland Isles are beautiful and the people so welcoming and friendly"

## Region 1 (Scotland) gets a new Publicity Officer

I have recently been appointed the Regional Publicity Officer for Region 1. As such I am in the process of arranging meetings with Police Scotland Force Executive to positively develop our relationship with the force. I currently have a meeting with the Career Development Manager on 21st April at the Scottish Police College.

Yours in Friendship  
Graeme Young



## Memories of John Morgan

The group photo was taken on an IPA friendship visit to the police in Mannheim, Germany. The group was mainly from the Birmingham City Police, as it was then, it was taken in Heidelberg, I think about the end of the 60's.

What I can say is the hospitality received from the Mannheim Police was outstanding. I am standing second row 6th from the right, next to the blonde. In front of me is (HBG) Billy Glastonberry and his wife Anne. Top left is Billy Briggs and his wife Christine.

The second picture is of a banner given to us when we did an IPA visit to Benidorm.

We were met by the Chief of Police from Benidorm, now that was a character and half?

I remember with us was Mick Turner and George Murrey. (PC's from E Div Birmingham City).



## Poland: motorcyclists and police officers together

Police traffic officers from Wodzislaw (Slaskie region) took part in a road safety initiative recently. The initiative was directed at car drivers, encouraging them to "Look in the mirrors – motorcyclists are everywhere".

Officers stopped vehicles, and motorcyclists appealed to drivers about paying more attention on the roads. Motorcyclists offered some gifts for drivers who supported the action.

Motorcycle numbers are growing every year in Poland, but safety remains a concern. Riders complain that other vehicle drivers do not look too often in mirrors, which can of course spell danger for the two-wheel drivers. The main aim of this action was raising awareness, leading to better understanding, better mutual respect and to better safety on the roads.



## 10 Region of Section UK International Police Association (IPA) will be holding its 2016 Clay Pigeon Shoot, Sunday 25 September, at Grahams Clay Shoot on Flambirds Farm in Purleigh, Essex.

**The shoot is owned by local ex-PC Graham Ferris and is very competitively priced at £35 for 10 Region IPA members and just £40 for non-members - this includes include all guns, 50 clays plus prizes and a BBQ bun meal + unlimited tea / coffee...!**

The event is located obviously in a rural location but has toilets etc. sensible footwear is required dependant on the weather. Experienced instructors will supervise the shoot and ensure safety at all time. All levels of experience and ages including novices are most welcome. Starting around lunchtime and lasting a couple of hours this is an IPA event with a difference – in the spirit of friendship!

The event winner will be presented with the 'Dave Ross Trophy' in memory of Dave, an IPA member and keen 'Clay Shooter' who suddenly passed away in 2012.

Please register your interest with Steve Hunt and make a note in your diaries - this is an event not to be missed!

Contact: [10region@ipa-uk.org](mailto:10region@ipa-uk.org)

**Steve Hunt** 10 Region Secretary



# Nottinghamshire Police were recently involved with a number of activities to show their support and promote Deaf Awareness week.

## The events included:

- A multi-agency partnership information event at Nottinghamshire Deaf Society designed to increase understanding of rights to access health and care services. To support this event, a video was showcased promoting the work of the Street Triage Team with British Sign Language (BSL) interpretation.
- At the end of the week, we attended Mansfield Deaf Centre during their social evening to talk to the members. Local PCSO's Craig Moore and Stevie Willets were accompanied by PCSO Laura Cooper, who conducts beat surgeries at the Nottingham Deaf Centre.
- This month we said a fond farewell to Gloria Pullen, who has been a great supporter for Nottinghamshire Police over many years, giving hours of voluntary time to advise and assist us to improve our understanding and contact with the Deaf community.



Gloria is Deaf and has been involved in work between Nottinghamshire Police and our Deaf community for many years. She was thanked by all, including Chief Constable Chris Eyre who personally thanked her for all the hard work, dedication and support she has provided.



## Bahamas Cruise

by **Leslie Davidson** – Northern Ireland

**During a well-earned, post retirement Caribbean cruise, Leslie Davidson's ship visited the Bahamas.**

During his trip ashore, he had the pleasure of meeting the Commissioner of Bahamas Police, Mr Ellison Greenslade.

The Commissioner sends his regards to all the people of Northern Ireland.



# IPA Leicestershire – Snowdrop Walk in the grounds of Launde Abbey

by **Fred Rankin**, Publicity Officer

**Launde Abbey is a stunning Christian Retreat House and Conference Centre in the heart of England. It is offered to the whole church and the wider community through the generous support of the Church of England Dioceses of Leicester and Peterborough, and every year welcomes thousands of visitors to a unique experience of warm hospitality and deep spirituality.**



Originally an Augustinian priory which was built between 1119 and 1125 by Richard Bassett, at the Dissolution it passed to Thomas Cromwell, who built a mansion on the ruins.

Set in beautiful parkland of 450 acres on the borders of Leicestershire and Rutland, the Abbey is well known for its abundance of snowdrops and other early spring plants.

Members of IPA Leicestershire Branch enjoyed a crisp, sunny winter's afternoon walk following the waymarked trail around the grounds, followed by a welcome tea and scone afterwards.

At various locations around the trail are a variety of crosses made out of different materials and designs.

## York Races by Iain Sirrell

**Our annual Regional outing to York Races was a huge success again this year. Such was the interest that it was necessary to merge two executive boxes at York Racecourse to accommodate us all. The views were just as spectacular as they were at last year's event, enabling one of the group to watch his five winners romp home!!**

It was a great social opportunity and a chance for members and their partners to attend in style and without fear of the occasional soaking from the occasional heavy shower. The event hosted members from Ludwigsburg in Germany attending as guests of the Region. This was the first trip to a racing event for many of them, yet they soon got to grips with the betting and managed a number of winners. They were encouraged by the successes displayed by Chris Charlton [Scarborough Branch] who managed to get excited by at least one 50p each-way bet. Iain Sirrell [3 Region Chair] who organised the event, even had time to plan in some team betting events for some added excitement.

Unfortunately, the size of the boxes limited numbers able to attend. However, a repeat booking has already been welcomed by the Racecourse.

For those thinking of attending next year, here is some testimony from those able to attend.

*'Just returned from incredible weekend at York Races courtesy of 3 Region IPA: we hadn't been to an IPA event before but it was such a great bunch of folks and such a fantastic day we will certainly look out for more! Book us in for next year's box please! Thank you to everyone.'* The Lewis (60th Birthday) Party.

*'Another huge success. We had a great afternoon.'* The Browns of York  
*'Just a quick email to say thank you for organising the Race Day at York. It wasn't very beneficial to us financially, but it was in other ways, as we met some lovely people and had a great day.'* The Chafer party

# Devon Branch in the dark – to infinity and beyond.

**Graham Bulford**, Branch Secretary

**It's not easy to meet Branch members in the dark! Our visit to the Norman Lockyer Observatory tempted Mike & Linda Slade, Roy & Margaret Faulkner, Jeff & Jo Hayes to join Sue & myself on the evening of St George's Day, to gaze at the stars in South Devon.**

One of our members, Dave Hutchinson, works as a volunteer at the observatory and is taking a degree in astronomy, trying no doubt to acquire the deep 'geek-like' knowledge that our fascinating lecturers were able to impart.

We were treated to a wonderful show in the theatre about the Lyrids Meteor Shower, gazed in awe at the ceiling of the planetarium (original equipment from the London Planetarium), identified various constellations and planets and watched the sky revolve from dusk to dawn - in quick time of course!

It was then time to visit the technical building where their radio astronomy appears on numerous screens around the room and feeds into the national picture. We saw fascinating solar flares reaching for the earth and causing beautiful northern lights (aurora borealis) as it burns the atmosphere. They track various satellites and even see planes taking off from Charles de Gaulle airport.

The last part of the visit was to three of the five telescopes, the Kensington, Victoria and the Mond which houses the historically famous 6¼-inch Lockyer refractor telescope which the astronomer Norman Lockyer used to discover helium. We were looking at Jupiter and could clearly see three moons and the colourful stripes across it.

The observatory is a mile inland from the sea, looks to the South over Sidmouth and is blessed with a clean dark sky. Well worth a visit if you dress warmly and are happy not to be able to see who is standing next to you - not the easiest way to meet fellow IPA members but certainly worth a try!



The Norman Lockyer Observatory





# 10 Region IPA Annual Golf Tournament 2016.

From **Steve Hunt**, 10 Region Secretary

**A 'handpicked' glorious rain free day with continuous sun and a brisk sea breeze greeted the 30 IPA members and friends who gathered at one of the country's most established and famous golf clubs; Frinton at Frinton-on-sea, in Essex for 10 Region's annual golf tournament.**

The event allows old and new friends to catch up as well as 'lock horns' on this demanding course. The event had both new and regular players who started after hot coffee and bacon rolls kindly served by Hannah from the club staff.

Several hours later the competitors made their weary way into the restaurant to enjoy a substantial meal of ham off the bone, egg plus the biggest chips you have ever seen!

After refreshments 10 Region Chair Steve Jennings presented the prizes and the winners were as follows;

'Nearest the pin' – 8 – Darren Coyle

'Nearest the pin' – 12 - Andy Totham

2nd place for highest individual score – Terry Whitlock – 35 points

1st place for highest individual score – Terence Mullins – 41 points

2nd place for highest team score effort – Barnie McKenzie, Tony MacDonnell and Terry Whitlock

1st place for the highest team score effort – Terrence Mullins, Dean Coyle, Stuart Miller, and Darren Cowell.

**Two new members were signed up as a result of this day.**



# The Met Office

**Graham Bulford** Devon Branch Secretary

What a stunning place we discovered when the Devon Branch visited the Met Office at Exeter; all steel and glass with tight security it looked like something from the future with a wow factor inside and out. You may remember the office moved to Exeter from Bracknell in 2003 but has forecasting centres and weather stations at universities, army, navy and RAF bases, airports, observatories, weather balloons and satellites that provide a world wide coverage.

They also encourage information from thousands of volunteer weather watchers. Where does all that information go? Into an amazing computer, the water cooled CRAY XC40 that can compute at 16 petaflops! Ok, what on earth is that? Well, it computes 16 thousand trillion floating operations per second. And they have two - for back up of course and are currently building another one. Mind boggling! They have pioneered a method to collect and compute all these readings to give a high degree of accuracy today. This information is invaluable to the organisations that buy it - hence the business potential. It serves radio and TV with local and national forecasts and weather warnings, provides a shipping forecast, flood and seasonal forecasts, air quality and even volcanic ash to the aircraft industry. Insurance companies need to know and even major stores predict their sales items from weather forecasts. Devon Branch members have been waiting for a long time to get this open day slot and celebrated afterwards with a visit to the Barn Owl next door for a swift half (or was it a slow pint?), then adjourned to make a day of it to Marco's New York Italian restaurant nearby to round off a perfect day.



# New Police Charity

Cornwall Police officers are assisting Superintendent Ian DRUMMOND-SMITH (the visionary behind the project) to create a new Police charity.

This ambitious proposal has been agreed by the Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall Police and the Police federation and has a designated committee overseeing the process.

This new Cornwall based charity is called KRESLU (Cornish word for Police) and its aims are to:

- Support the entire "Police family" in the Duchy. (Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly) which includes Police Officers, Special Constables, Police staff including PCSOs and Detention Officers.
- To support anyone from the above mentioned group who has been injured (either Physically or psychologically) in the execution of their duty ANYWHERE in the world.
- To support the Police family based outside of Cornwall who are injured in the execution of their duty within Cornwall or the Isles of Scilly would also be eligible for assistance.
- Crucially (perhaps) is officers do not need to be a member and there are no subscription fees to pay.

An example of an hypothetical scenario where KRESLU would hope to offer assistance would be:

- A Cornwall based Officer who (on or off duty) whilst in London (for example) is injured intervening in an incident (for example a street robbery).
- A London based Officer who (on or off duty) whilst in Cornwall is injured whilst intervening in an incident (for example apprehending a suspect).

Finally, in a bid to create some revenue for this new charity we are to hold a summer ball on 17th September 2016.

# The Fair Arm of the Law

2015 celebrated the centenary of the British Policewomen and last year a number of conferences were held around the Force area to commemorate that significant anniversary.

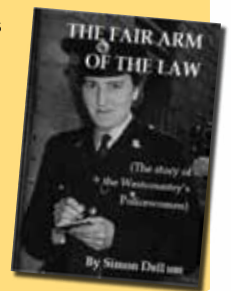
Simon Dell was invited by the Women in Policing Network to give some historical presentations about the creation of the policewomen. His new book "The Fair Arm of the Law" is now published and available for purchase. "This is the story of the Westcountry's Policewomen – a story which is impossible to tell without looking at the remarkable national picture which was born from the Suffragette Movement and the first paid policewomen of 1915.

This small account celebrates that century and the women who changed the history of the police service for ever."

Copies are available from Simon's website at

[www.simondell.co.uk](http://www.simondell.co.uk)

priced at £7.99 inc p&p.



## KRESLU POLICE CHARITY

*Cordially invites you to our*

# Summer Charity Ball

17<sup>th</sup> September 2016,

7pm - late

China Fleet Club, Saltash

Includes three course dinner, music, auction & raffle.

Black tie.

£35 per person. Proceeds to Kreslu Police Charity delivering support to injured police officers, staff & volunteers in Cornwall

Limited places ! Tickets & information from PC 6541 Helen Taylor via email or 07583 143975. £20 deposit.

[www.facebook.com/kreslupolicecharity](http://www.facebook.com/kreslupolicecharity)

@kreslu

# In the Darkest of Shadows

In the Darkest of Shadows by Richard Allen, is the fourth in the Superintendent Mark Faraday Collection, which finds Faraday, together with DCI Kay Yin, investigating one body with two identities, where deception and duplicity are common place and truth an inconvenience and an illusion.





# Normandy recruitment drive...

**They say a police officer is never off duty and it seems the same applies to IPA members.**

Ayrshire Branch member Peter Jeal, a former Met and Northants Special Constable, has taken the IPA recruitment drive to heart. During a recent holiday in Normandy, he got talking to local Municipal Police officers in Caen and extolled the many virtues and advantages of IPA membership.

Peter is also currently assisting the Ayrshire branch with recruitment back home in Dumfries & Galloway with a view to eventually re-establishing an active branch there.

Following a meeting with the Divisional Commander in Dumfries recently, Police Scotland have offered the branch a liaison officer to facilitate the promotion of the IPA to serving officers throughout V Division.

The Ayrshire branch, which currently takes in Dumfries and Galloway, has been offered similar facilities by the Divisional Commander for U Division.

The branch, whose Chair is former Section UK President Bill Petherick, is currently developing a membership strategy including targeted promotional materials and a revamp of the branch website which will include mobile device compatibility. The finalised strategy will be launched at an event in Irvine in August.



Peter pictured with French Police Officers in Caen.

# The Golf Battle Continues in Scotland

**Yvonne McGregor**

**Thursday, 5 May, 2016 saw golfers from No 1 Region, Scotland and No 2 Region, Northern Ireland meet at Crieff Golf Club for the annual Stanley Hanna Golf Competition.**

This was 34th year of the competition - the longest running IPA inter region competition in the world. Currently standing at - 2 Region 20 wins, 1 Region 14 wins.

No 2 Region brought the trophy and 11 players across for the game, while 14 players represented No 1 Region. It was great to see new faces on each team, this is encouraging.

After meeting old and new friends over coffee and bacon rolls the players set out onto the well maintained course. Stroke play and Stableford was the order of the day.

Everyone had a great day, even if their golf was not up to scratch.

A special guest, Owe Nordin, an IPA Member from Sweden, who was visiting nearby joined us for a meal. Owe is a regular visitor to Scotland and has attended the Tayside Friendship Ceilidh Weekend every year and will be back over in February, 2017.

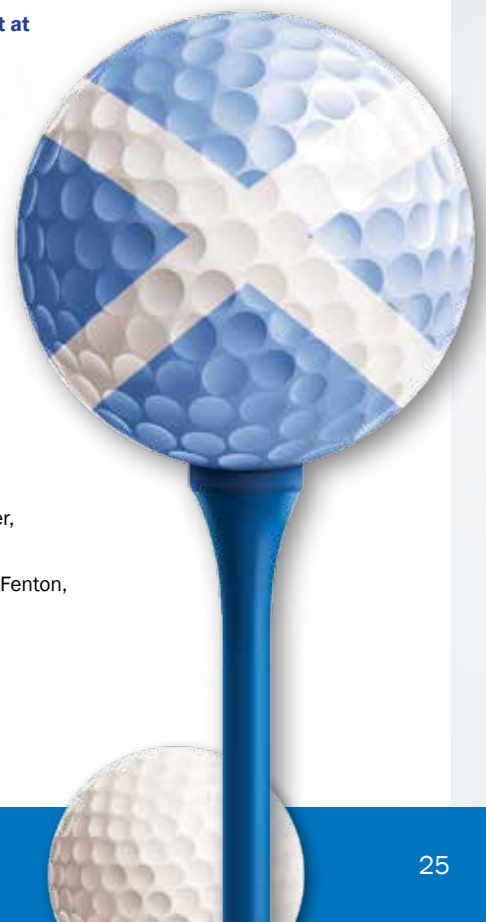
Northern Ireland Team Captain, Stevie Brown, thanked No 1 Region for hosting the iconic event and the presentation of prizes followed.

No 2 region scored 279 and No1 region scored 263 so Northern Ireland retained the trophy.

The winning team was Stevie Brown, Gary Canavan, Tommy Hutton, Mark Kernohan, Gary Vance, Neil Fraser, Gary Montgomery, Dessie Brown.

Runners up team were Andy Mather, Jim Westwood, David Moffat, Don Sutherland, Ross Mitchell, Graham Fenton, Bob Yuill & Sharon Boath.

Neil Fraser won the Scottish Cup (stroke play) and Stevie Brown won the Ulster Cup (stable ford points).



# Aviation Memories

David King Surrey Branch Secretary

**On Thursday 26th May 2016 24 members from 11 Region visited British Airways Heritage Museum at British Airways Speedbird Centre Headquarters at Heathrow.**

The visit had been arranged by Surrey Member Tony Suter. We met prior to the event at a nearby pub for some lunch and refreshments, however upon arrival we were informed that they had severe staff shortages and that the Chef was off sick with "food poisoning" and that they could not cater for 24 of us. They did suggest another venue. So we all scattered in our various vehicles in all directions to find the venue just like when we had lost contact with a suspect vehicle in the job, some did lose contact but at least we all met up at the RV point at the British Airways Speed Bird centre as arranged (oh the joy of relocating the target and regaining eye ball)

of British Airways from its beginning .The first slide was a welcome to British Airways for the IPA and showed Concorde when it first landed at Heathrow in 1972, The slide had a police vehicle guarding Concorde. One of our members Richard Lock was serving at Heathrow at that time and to the surprise of all present was able to give the registration number etc of the police vehicle. We were also joined at this point by 2 very attractive and new stewardesses from BA who were also interested in the presentation by Jim.



in luxury seats and were served food and drinks on bone china. Imperial Airlines continued to operate out of Croydon Airport right up to the second world war until it became BEA in 1946 when it eventually located to what we now all know as Heathrow, together with the overseas airline BOAC. further amalgamations continued until the airline became British Airways .

We were all enthralled with the slides and items on display at the museum on the way people travelled in the early years of overseas flying including using flying boats to Egypt for example and the luxury sleeping arrangements together with the cooking arrangements for these long haul flights at that time. Jim and Paul's knowledge of flying with British Airways was outstanding. The museum was thoroughly enjoyed by all as well as the magnificent British Airways Speedbird Centre.

An IPA pennant was presented to Paul and Jim as a token of appreciation for such an interesting talk and allowing us to visit the museum and view the wonderful collection. Member Dave Stamp took the opportunity to try out what it is like to fly first class as can be seen in the photo, most probably his and the vast majority of us only time we will get to try out first class, unfortunately though we were not served champagne on this occasion by the 2 stewardesses



Dave Stamp trying out first class

We were welcomed at the Museum by Paul Jarvis the manager and his deputy Jim Davies. Jim gave us an introduction tour and slide show of the 100 year old history of Commercial flying

Jim Davies took us through the beginning of Imperial Airways first commercial flight from London to Paris in 1919, the pilot sat outside in the Dehavilland 9b, whilst the passengers sat

# Competition page

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## Lottery Results

**The winners for March 2016 were:** 1st – (£100) - Keith Wren, Region 3, York;

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**April 2016:** 1st – (£100) - David Imlach Region 1, Glasgow, Lomond & Clyde Branch; 2nd – (£45) - Clive Wood Region 5, Leicestershire Branch; 3rd – (£30) - Steve Palmer Region 8, Cambridgeshire Branch.

**May 2016:** 1st – (£100) - Colin Phipps Region 3, Scarborough Branch; 2nd – (£45) - Martin Peters – Region 9, Hertfordshire & Bedfordshire Branch; 3rd – (£30) - Pete Connolly Region 2, Northern Ireland – Greater Belfast Branch.

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## Puzzles

The prizes for this edition are *Where No Shadows Fall: A GRACE DEN HERDER STORY* by Peter Ritchie . and *Foul Deeds and Suspicious Deaths in the West Riding of Yorkshire* by Vivien Teasdale - details below.

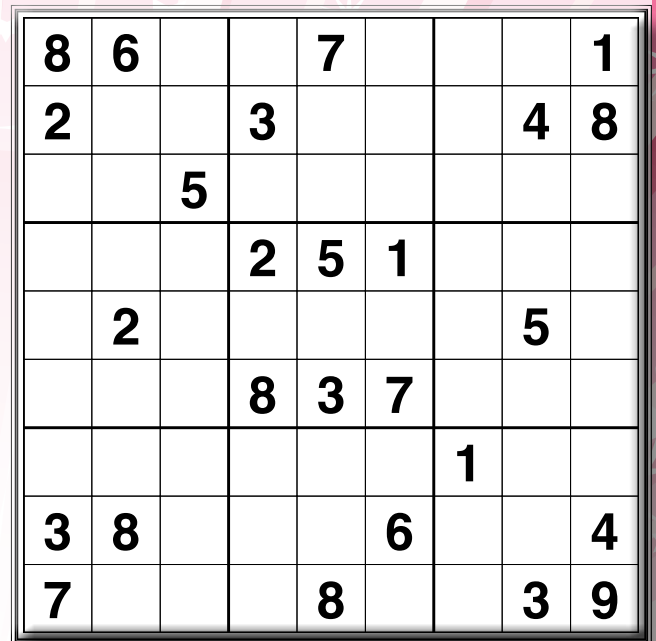
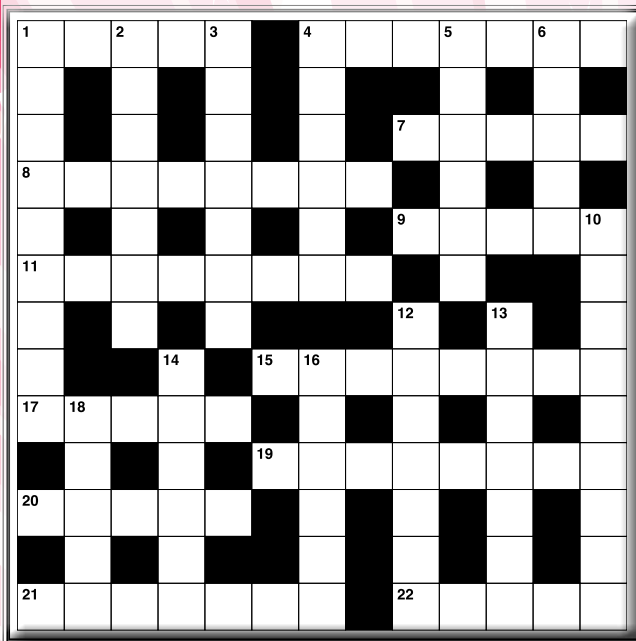
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### Edition 2 Winners:

Congratulations to Tony Randle from Sussex Branch who sent in the winning Sudoku puzzle and William Daniell from Hampshire Branch who completed the crossword successfully.



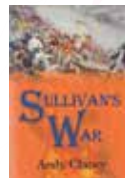
### Across

- 1 - \_\_\_\_ Agassi: former tennis star (5)
- 4 - \_\_\_\_ Bedingfield: musician (7)
- 7 - Bitterly pungent (5)
- 8 - Accepted (8)
- 9 - Fourth month (5)
- 11 - Shows (8)
- 15 - Splashing with water (8)
- 17 - Dark wood (5)
- 19 - Heated exchange of views (8)
- 20 - Savoury meat jelly (5)
- 21 - Modern type of paint (7)
- 22 - Find an answer to (5)

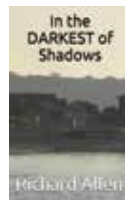
### Down

- 1 - Greek goddess of love (9)
- 2 - Bishop's jurisdiction (7)
- 3 - Ennoble (7)
- 4 - That is to say (6)
- 5 - Consider to be true (6)
- 6 - \_\_\_\_ Klum: supermodel (5)
- 10 - Angular distance east or west (9)
- 12 - Pointless (7)
- 13 - Letter-for-letter; verbatim (7)
- 14 - Distinct being (6)
- 16 - Unit of astronomical length (6)
- 18 - Simple (5)

### About the books



**Sullivan's War** by Andy Clancy. CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform. This is the third in a trilogy. Grace den Herder's life has moved on and while she has found a degree of peace with her family her career move away from the front line is proving more difficult than she thought.



**In the Darkest of Shadows** by Richard Allen. Pen and Sword. Another trawl through the records of dastardly deeds, this time around Yorkshire, taking in the whole of the boundaries of the ancient West Riding, which stretched as far up as Sedbrough in the north-west, just beyond Todmorden in the west, north to Kirkby Malzeard and east to Selby and Goole.

# An excellent example of IPA working at its best

**Richard Pitt and his wife Helen went on a cruise to the USA and Canada. Here is his story of help given to them by IPA members.**

**M**y wife, Helen and I were on board a cruise ship, which suffered an attack by the Norovirus, fortunately my wife and I managed to avoid it. Because of the virus we were refused permission to land in Bermuda and had an extra night's stay in Norfolk, Virginia, a lovely little city. We then visited Baltimore, New York and Newport before arriving in Boston, where we were met by Joe Teta and given an excellent tour. We visited the setting for 'Cheers' at our daughters' request, the USS Constitution and the site of the battle of Bunker Hill. We took a very enjoyable 'Duck' tour of the city on a replica of one of the old WWII DUKW amphibious vehicles, including half an hour on the river. When I mentioned our next stop was in Portland, Maine, Joe phoned a friend and arranged for us to be met.

**Arriving in Portland we were met by Bob McCormack and Dawn Hackett, members of the Blue Knights Motorcycle Club.** We were treated very well and saw the 1812 Cemetery, Paul Revere's statue, Longfellow's House, Fort Edwards Park and the Portland Head Lighthouse, L.L.Bean a massive department store, and a ride on the narrow gauge steam railway. **Next stop was Saint John, New Brunswick where we were 'collected' by Trevor Jones.** We were taken to the Reversing Rapids, a natural phenomenon which varies according to the state of the tides, the

oldest market in Canada, the remains of a hilltop British fort, a visit around the new police station and a drive through beautiful scenery to the little hamlet of St Martins.

**After a day at sea we arrived in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and were met by Rick Irving.** Now, five days into the cruise I had contracted an infection in my neck which resulted in a large swelling. By the time we reached Halifax it was continuing to grow, so Rick took me to see a doctor, who said I should go to the local ER. Here I saw yet another doctor, who decided I should have a CT scan and informed me that I would not be re-joining the ship before it sailed! Here Rick came into his own. He took Helen back to the ship, brought some necessaries back to me, remained with me for the afternoon, his wife Carol delivered a packed lunch for me, and then Rick came back later that night while I was waiting for treatment.

It transpired that the lump was in fact an abscess and I then endured the extreme discomfort of having it drained. I was admitted to a ward for the start of a four day stay (**thank goodness for NARPO travel insurance!**). Rick visited me daily, usually two or three times, he brought me new clothing, took me out for brunch and to see the sights when I managed to get a four hour 'pass' from the doctor on the Saturday afternoon and collected me when I was released on the Sunday. He had brought me daily snacks to



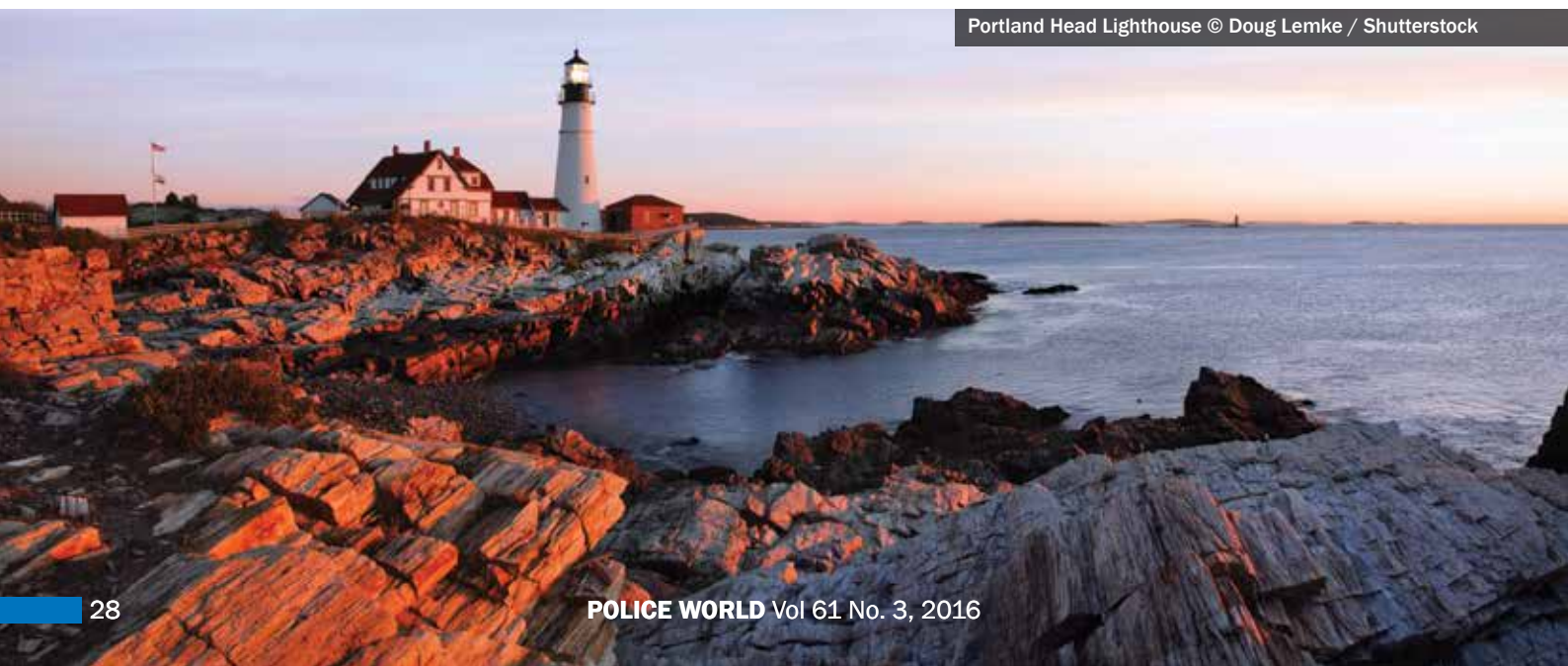
Rick Irving (left) and Richard Pitt in Halifax.

supplement the hospital food during my stay and then on my release he took me to a pharmacy to fill my prescription, he took me home, where I met Carol, his wife and then took me out on an evening trip to Peggy's Cove and for a meal on the way back to his house, where I enjoyed their hospitality for the night. With his help I booked a flight online for my return from Halifax to Cork overnight on the Monday. He took me out before my flight and provided me with more clothing and a travel holdall and finally took me to the airport. Despite my efforts he would not allow me to pay for anything and without his assistance and local knowledge my enforced stay in Halifax would have been extremely traumatic.

**Meanwhile, while I was languishing in my hospital bed my wife visited our last port of call, St. John's, Newfoundland where she was met by Helen Escott and Felicity Ryan.** These ladies had planned a full itinerary and Helen was treated to visits to all the local sights. She was taken round the police station and had her photograph taken with an officer in full uniform and by all accounts the three ladies had a whale of a time.

I managed to return to the ship for the last couple of days when it docked just outside Cork at Ringaskiddy and ended an 'interesting' cruise at Southampton two days later.

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