

NEWSLETTER

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Margaret Nancy Peach 1934 – 2013

I know I can say that all of our 'group' were truly saddened to receive the news of Margaret's passing. She was a lovely lady with always a cheery word, even at the last of our gatherings that she was able to attend. Margaret was always ready with the teapot and even sandwiches on our return from one of our outings.

Margaret would have been proud and amused to hear that at my last conversation with Tony he had managed to cook himself an edible mixed grill.

Tony and Margaret married in 1951, 6 months after meeting. Tony was on leave from the Navy and Margaret was working in Howells the Chemist in Swindon.

After marrying Tony was stationed at various Naval Air Stations in Scotland, where they lived in married quarters. Margaret worked for House of Fraser in Glasgow until Tony was drafted on board ship when she returned to Swindon.

On Tony's leaving the Navy they set up home in Swindon where their daughter Jayne was born in 1956.

Margaret took up a career in nursing shortly after in the Casualty Department at the Princess Margaret Hospital. She trained as

an S.E.N. in the mentally handicapped division working at Pewsey Hospital and later at Burderop Hospital which she enjoyed,

On leaving nursing, Margaret became a home carer in the community, mostly with the elderly and at that time her transport in the village was her trusty bicycle but all this was brought to an end when Margaret had to retire due to the onset of osteoarthritis.

After several hip and knee replacements Margaret's mobility became limited, butr she enjoyed family get-togethers and especially with the grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Margaret also enjoyed accompanying Tony to ROC and ROCA functions where she met and enjoyed the company of many friends, to whom she was very grateful for their help and support due to her lack of mobility.

Tony and family would like to thank everyone for their kind messages of condolence and for attending Margaret's Funeral. The donations received totalled £422.00.

23rd Feb

Was Gary's Coffee Morning at the British Legion in Great Bedwyn and £150.00 was raised towards 'group' funds.

23rd March

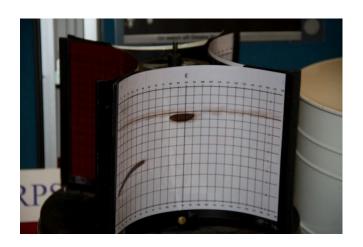
This was Gary's ROC themed exhibition at the Gt Bedwyn British Legion. Due to bad weather attendance was not what it could have been , which was a shame as this was, I think, one of Gary's better efforts. Even so a 'profit of £100.00 was made.



















24th March

This was the wife and I's first weekend away of the season (just to check motorhome systems working ok) Camping and Caravan Club Site at Devizes (right against the canal)

Bitterly cold but nice site and good walking along towpath.



Foxhangers



'Millie' with the 'Boss' and girls.

12th April

This was Maurice's Dinner at the Bell Lacock which was attended by 30 members and friends. A Great Meal as usual. No Pics I'm afraid.

19th April

Wife and I to Lynton in Devon for long weekend. Great area and Site.



Woody Bay with Lee Abbey in Foreground



Bristol Channel April sunset

17th April

Monday Gang Stuff.

This pic received from our chairman.



Apparently the guy chatting is boring (two asleep) but our chairman was forced to pay attention having devoured the guy's steak.

6th May

Apparently there are some dodgy characters in Gt Bedwyn (besides Gary) he and June have a sniper set up and on the water patrols.





4th - 6th May

This was Didcot Rlwy Centre Steam Gala weekend. Enjoyed by all pictured.







8th May

Picture from Brian trying to say that the missing gateaux from the platter is in his grandson, but I think I can see it.



Obituary

Ian Hogg, formerly of Amesbury Post and for a short time NRC 11 has passed away. The funeral was at Amesbury Church today 7th.

Dates for Diary

23rd June – 14 Gp ROCA AGM

 $\mathbf{27}^{\text{th}}$ June – ROCA visit to Chichester Planetarium

9th July Canal Trip.

21st July – LMA Flying at Cosford

27th **July** – ROCA Pub Lunch/Picnic and guided walk around Stoney Cross Airfield.

24th August Gary's BBQ

14th September – ROCA Day of Steam on the Isle of Wight

Any further suggestions for trips out to be presented to meeting on 14th at Wagon and Horses.