

The Link



Spring Newsletter 2025

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EDITOR'S WORD

A warm welcome to a new year, Happy New Year to you all.

We are starting off with plans for so many events throughout the coming year, all great value! Don't forget to bring a friend to our coffee mornings or lunches or they can perhaps join us as a member. New applicants are always welcome you can contact me direct for more details or visit our website for the application form. See website details above.

Also, on our website you can find out more about our Barclaycard Campus events, all previous issues of The Link, plus contact details for Willis Tower Watson, Bank Workers Charity and much more.

Christine Graham

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the first edition of The Link for 2025. I hope you are keeping warm as we go through a period of low temperatures and short dark days. Better is yet to come though and that includes an excellent range of events developed, for you, by our amazing Committee. You will find details of some of these in this edition and others will follow later in the year.

The AGM will take place in April, and you will find details in the following pages along with summaries of our various activities during 2024. As you know the AGM takes place after our Spring lunch and we hope that you'll be able to stay on for the formal stuff which won't take long and, of course, the raffle will then be drawn!

I hope to see you at the AGM and at other events this year.

My best wishes to you and your families.'

Roger Alexander

COFFEE MORNINGS 2025

March 20th Guide Dogs Jean Ridley

Our ex colleague Jean Ridley is the Northampton Branch co-ordinator for Guide Dogs. Jean will be accompanied by a volunteer puppy raiser, Linda Whitwell, who will talk about her work as a puppy raiser. Also Jane Thompson, a guide dog owner, who will explain the benefits of having a guide dog. All three are registered speakers for Guide Dogs. Both Linda and Jane will be accompanied by dogs.

The room we will use is the Hertford Suite 1 which will be open to us from 9.45 with tea, coffee and biscuits. Please help yourselves to refills. The talk will commence at 10.30 followed by the raffle.

There is no charge, and members are welcome to bring a guest with them. If you come by car, please remember to key in your car registration number to avoid receiving a fine.

I look forward to seeing you. Pat Smith

Future dates for your diary:

May 15th, Rob Kendall: Rennie Mackintosh & 78 Derngate.

July 17th, Alaric Neville: Phipps Brewery

Sept 11th, Doug Goddard: Northampton Through Time

Nov 20th To be advised



CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT THE MECURE HOTEL NORTHAMPTON



The raffle prizes at the Christmas Lunch 2024 and the tables ahead of 225 members taking their seats



Lunch Note

The 2024 Christmas lunch at the Mercure Hotel brought colleagues and friends together again. This year the attendance was 225 members and guests, the most attendance for lunch since 2015.

It was a very happy and festive occasion as the hotel staff worked hard to make sure the event was enjoyed by all of us.

Roger welcomed our special guests, Peter and Judy Ellwood, Richard Reay-Smith, and Alan and Karen Atkinson. Our president Marc Pettican joined us for lunch. He announced he was leaving the organization at the end of the year. We are sorry to see him go but the club wished him all the very best for the future. Marc gave us an outline of the business as it stands, in good hands and with an exciting future for the brand in the world of finance.

The lunch was of a very high standard, the food was excellent, the tables were festive and the service was very good in spite of such large numbers to serve. All diners were given a complimentary glass of wine or a soft drink and club members were given a bottle of wine.

Once again Carol organized a fabulous raffle, with so many prizes, including 4 vouchers to the value of £50.00 each. Each person was given a free raffle ticket instead of the usual opportunity to purchase multiple raffle tickets. The committee thought this was a fair way to give more opportunity of being lucky. Feedback regarding this change was positive and supportive - thank you.

The committee were pleased to welcome our new members and new associate members for the first time. We hope to see you again in 2025, not only at Christmas but at one of the other 3 lunches held throughout the year. It is also hoped that many of our club members who have never attended a lunch will be encouraged to join us. You will be given a warm welcome.

The committee is always happy to receive feedback regarding any aspect of the clubs' activities so please feel free to make contact any of us with your thoughts.

On behalf of the committee, best wishes for a happy and healthy 2025. See you soon!

Leona

LUNCHES

Please return the form below together with your cheque to: Leona Johnson, 3 Well Yard, Northampton, NN2 6QX **no later** than
Thursday 20th March 2025

APRIL LUNCH – THURSDAY 17TH APRIL 2025

The lunch will be held at the Mercure Northampton, Silver Street, Northampton NN1 2TA. The bar will be open at 11.45 for lunch at 12.40pm. The cost will be **£15 for members in categories 1-4 and £26.50 for category 5 members** (see below for categories). Members may nominate ONE person or couple they wish to sit near to. It must be stressed that this cannot be guaranteed. Members' requests will be noted as far as possible and all seats will be allocated. A table seating plan will be available in the foyer before the lunch. A member can take ONE guest. **NB:** No acknowledgements will be sent out. If you are unable to attend the lunch once booked, no refund will be available.

Menu

Main

Slow Roasted Shoulder of Pork, Garlic & Herb Roasted New Potatoes, Glazed Carrots & Green Beans, Tarragon & Apple Jus

Vegetarian Option

Slow Roasted Cherry Tomato, Goats Cheese & Basil Frittata, Glazed Monterey Jack Cheese, Garlic & Herb Roasted New Potatoes, Carrots & Green Beans, Pesto Cream

Dessert

Chocolate Profiteroles with Chocolate Sauce

Coffee or Tea with Mints

Any special requests such as vegetarian, gluten free etc. can be catered for if ordered at the time of making the application.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

PENSIONER MEMBERS

1. Those in receipt of a Barclays UKRF pension, which was taken either at retirement from active service with Barclays; on Flexible Retirement; or on the grounds of ill health.
2. Former Barclays staff aged 50 or over, with a minimum of 15 years' service, who are in receipt of a Barclays UKRF deferred pension.
3. Those in receipt of a widow's, widower's or partner's pension from the UKRF in respect of a pensioner who qualified for Club membership under 1 or 2 above.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

4. A spouse or partner of a Pensioner Member.
5. Former Barclays colleagues and their spouses or partners, who are not Pensioner Members.



Lunch – Northampton Town Centre Hotel, Thursday 17th April 2025

Name of Member (please print) _____

Name of Guest (please print) _____

Categories 1-4 - I enclose cheque for £_____ (£30 for myself/guest, £15 for myself only).

Category 5 - I enclose cheque for £_____ (£53 for myself/guest, £26.50 for myself only).

Please make cheques payable to Barclays Bank (Barclaycard) Pensioners Club. NB Cheques will be presented at least 3 weeks before the lunch

If this is your first attendance at a club function, please tick _____

I wish to be seated next to: _____

Any Dietary Requirements: _____

AGM Chairmans Message

I think it's appropriate to say that 2024 was an excellent year for the Retirement Club. As I have commented on several occasions, as a Committee, we were concerned at the net loss of members over a short period of time. After a great deal of work, we decided to change the Constitution at the last AGM with the introduction of a new category of Associate Membership. Thanks for your support at that AGM in endorsing the Committee's recommendation. It was appreciated and I am delighted to advise you that we have reversed the trend and the club's membership is now progressing towards 1000. A special welcome to our new Associate Members who we hope to see at various events this year.

You may recall that we were keen to recruit more volunteers for the Committee at our last AGM. I am really pleased to say that we had a great response and will be seeking your approval for another minor change to the Constitution to enable us to expand the Committee. We need to expand the team for a variety of reasons including key man cover, workload, new roles and to garner some fresh ideas. Thank you in advance for your support.

We had a full calendar of events last year. Our Coffee Mornings continue to be well supported and are an excellent way of meeting friends and colleagues. The topics covered are always interesting, but some stand out, such as the Psychic, Gina Batt, who had everyone on the edge of their chairs. You didn't have to be a believer to have enjoyed a most interesting and entertaining presentation. Another speaker worthy of mention was Dave Askew who is an ex-Barclays employee having worked in the UK and Africa. He has now settled down in Northampton and is active in organising walks for all ages and abilities for free. I know that a number of those present learnt a lot about the County from his speech and said they would like to join one of his walks.

As in previous years we held several lunches which were all well attended. The highlight was clearly the Christmas Lunch which was attended by 225 members and guests. This is the most we have seen since 2015, and we hope those of you who were there had an enjoyable time. We invited 2 of our ex-CEOs ie Peter Ellwood and Richard Reay-Smith. I was fortunate enough to work for both these gentlemen and it was good to see them both in good spirits. Marc Pettican, our President, was also present for what will be his last hurrah. He spoke briefly and confirmed that he was about to leave the bank so will have to stand down as President. A big loss to the bank and to our Club.

A quick apology at this point. Unfortunately, we had some issues with the quality of service at a couple of Coffee Mornings and lunches. The food at one lunch was way below the quality which we expect. As you will know the hotel changed hands last year and the new owners of the Mercure Hotel, Accor, were making fundamental changes to the hotel. That is no excuse though and the Management team at the hotel accepted our comments gracefully and, as I hope you will agree, their service, food quality and support for the Christmas lunch was excellent.

There was a full calendar of coach outings which were all well attended. We visited Swindon Shopping Village, Stamford, Sandringham Flower Show as well as Salisbury Cathedral. However, we don't just look for options for places beginning with 'S' and in November members had an excellent (and cheap) visit to London for shopping and sightseeing. The driver of our coach also took us for a tour of the Christmas Lights on the way home! Finally, in December, it was Winchester for their Christmas Market and an opportunity to visit another cathedral. We are always keen to hear suggestions for other outings so if you have any ideas please talk to one of the Committee.

We had an exciting trip to the theatre locally when the scenery crashed, and the performance had to be cancelled! Other trips were more successful. Local cricket and football teams were well supported throughout the year. Just a little ironic that we had taken the decision not to purchase tickets for the Saints, due to lack of demand, in the season that they won the Premiership! C'est la vie!

We have developed an excellent relationship with the Barclays Hub at Brackmills during the last few months. As a result, members have enjoyed sharing activities in the Street, such as shopping opportunities, and elsewhere on site for a Carol Concert, with lunch provided, and the Remembrance Day celebration. We aim to develop these opportunities further during 2025.

We are looking forward to reaching 1000 members this year. Perhaps more importantly we are very keen to increase the number of active members. We provide an extensive range of events that we hope appeals to you all but last year only 242 members were 'active' ie attended one or more of the events. We are only too aware that there are many valid reasons why some of you can't join us for the various events. However, we would be delighted to see you if you are able to join us.

Finally, and importantly, please join me in thanking the Committee who once again this year have worked extremely hard and diligently to provide you with an extensive programme of events. They are all volunteers and give a lot of time to ensure you can avail yourselves of one (or more) of the events available throughout the year.

Take care, stay safe, and thank you

Roger Alexander Chairman

BARCLAYCARD PENSIONERS CLUB OUTINGS AND TRIPS - 2024

Our first trip in February saw us off to Swindon Shopping Village - full of designer branded shops - still quite expensive, but for those who were not shopping a visit to the Railway Museum, lots of nostalgia for steam trains.

April was market day in Stamford and some of us walked round the town with an excellent, amusing Blue Badge Guide showing us the historic buildings and giving us the town's interesting history.

In July it was to Norfolk and the Sandringham Flower Show, usually King Charles is there, but I wasn't on that trip so I can't be sure!

September was a visit to Salisbury, again market day but the highlight was the magnificent Cathedral, well worth the £12 entry fee - I even got some Christmas cards there.

November we had a shopping/sightseeing trip to London and our driver took us for a tour of the Christmas lights on the way home.

Finally, December took us to Winchester Christmas Market with over 100 chalet style stalls, plus some were able to visit another Cathedral.

Coach prices have increased again but our trips are subsidised by the club and continue to be excellent value so look out for details of 2025 trips in editions of The Link Newsletter.

Thank-you for your support.

Cindy and Janet

TRIP INVITE: IDEAL HOME EXHIBITION, OLYMPIA**FRIDAY, 28th MARCH 2025****£20 for Members in categories 1 – 3 and £23 for categories 4 - 5 Associate Members**

The Ideal Home Show is the world's longest running exhibition, founded in 1908. Featuring the latest in inspiring ideas for your home with over 600 companies, the latest technology and free talks from a team of experts.

The coach will leave Christchurch Road (Abington Park end) at **8.30am** and Sixfields (road in front of Bella Italia car park) at **8.55am**
Please indicate at which pick up point you will be waiting.

Return – leaving Olympia at **4.00pm**.

For parking at Sixfields please visit www.yourparkingspace.co.uk

NB: No acknowledgements will be sent out. Once booked, if you are unable to make the trip, no refund will be given. If you are interested, please complete the attached response slip and return it to me by **Friday, 7th March**, together with your cheque, made payable to: **Barclays Bank (Barclaycard) Pensioners' Club**.

Janet Holt

Mobile (for use on the day) 07762 701 985

Janet Holt, 3 Hall Close, Duston, Northampton, NN5 6EU

IDEAL HOME EXHIBITION, OLYMPIA – 28th MARCH 2025

Please reserveplaces as listed below: **£20** or **£23** dependent on the category of each person attending.

Please make cheques payable to **Barclays Bank (Barclaycard) Pensioners' Club**

PLEASE PRINT IN CAPITALS NAME OF MEMBER OR GUEST
Cat 1-3 £20 PENSIONER MEMBER NAME:
£20 GUEST NAME:
Cat 4-5 £23 ASSOCIATE MEMBER NAME:
£23 GUEST NAME:

MOBILE TELEPHONE NUMBER: (in case contact needed on the day).....

PICK UP POINT: (Please tick) **Christchurch Road**.....**Sixfields**.....

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AGM 2025 NOTICE

BARCLAYS BANK (BARCLAYCARD) RETIREMENT CLUB NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of members of Barclays Bank (Barclaycard) Retirement Club will be held at the Mecure Hotel (Accor), Silver Street, Northampton on the afternoon of Thursday 17th April 2025 immediately following the lunch notified separately. The time of the start of the meeting should be approximately 2.00 pm.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the fortieth Annual General Meeting of Members held on 18th April 2024. (Copies available at the meeting or by request)
2. Chairman's report
3. Amendment for the Constitution (to elect 16 Members instead of 12 for the Committee)
Existing Constitution- **'The Committee shall be managed by a Committee consisting of the Honorary Officers (excluding the President and Vice President(s)) and up to 16 (12) members elected at the Annual General Meeting.'**
4. Adoption of the Accounts
5. To elect a President
6. To elect the following Officials

Chairman	Roger Alexander
Secretary	Sandra Russell
Treasurer	Richard Miller
Auditor	Pete Capon

And to elect the following Committee Members

Cindy Antel	Leona Johnson
Carol Bell	Carol Mayhook
Aileen Breay	Pat Smith
Christine Graham	Derek Vance
Bob Hancox	Graham Wheeler
Pauline Hodgson	
Janet Holt	

Nominations duly proposed and seconded, to appoint a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and up to sixteen Committee Members ARE REQUIRED TO REACH THE SECRETARY BY 28th March 2025 to allow for proxy voting.

Sandra Russell
Honorary Secretary

BARCLAYS BANK (BARCLAYCARD) RETIREMENT CLUB
ELECTION OF OFFICERS – NOMINATION FORM

To reach the Secretary at the address given below by 28th March 2025

NOMINEE NAME IN BLOCK CAPITALS _____

I am willing to offer myself for election to the position of: _____

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE: _____

PROPOSER NAME IN BLOCK CAPITALS: _____

SIGNATURE OF PROPOSER: _____

SECONDER NAME IN BLOCK CAPITALS: _____

SIGNATURE OF SECONDER: _____

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SECONDER NAME IN BLOCK CAPITALS: _____

SIGNATURE OF SECONDER: _____

MRS S. K. RUSSELL, SECRETARY, BARCLAYS BANK (BARCLAYCARD) RETIREMENT CLUB, 7
ASHMORE, LONG BUCKBY, NORTHAMPTON, NN6 7RT.

BARCLAYS BANK (BARCLAYCARD) RETIREMENT CLUB

PROXY VOTING FORM

I being a member of the Barclays Bank (Barclaycard) Retirement Club, hereby appoint the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting of the Club held on Thursday 17th April 2025, and at any adjournment thereof, as my proxy to vote for me and on my behalf in the respect of the Resolutions referred to in the Notice of Meeting. I wish my proxy to vote as indicated.

RESOLUTION

Please tick as appropriate:-

For

Against

1. To receive the Minutes of the 2024 AGM, Chairman's report and adopt the Accounts _____
2. Amendment for the Constitution (to elect 16 members instead of 12 for the Committee)
Existing Constitution-'The Committee shall be managed by a Committee of the Honorary Officers (excluding the President and Vice President(s)) and up to (12) members elected at the Annual General Meeting.'

For

Against

3. To elect the President _____

4. To elect the following Officials:

For

Against

Mr. Roger Alexander	-	Chairman	_____
Mrs. Sandra Russell	-	Secretary	_____
Mr. Richard Miller	-	Treasurer	_____
Mr. Pete Capon	-	Auditor	_____

5. To elect up to 16 Committee Members

	For	Against
Cindy Antel	_____	_____
Carol Bell	_____	_____
Aileen Breay	_____	_____
Chris Graham	_____	_____
Bob Hancox	_____	_____
Pauline Hodgson	_____	_____
Janet Holt	_____	_____

	For	Against
Leona Johnson	_____	_____
Carol Mayhook	_____	_____
Pat Smith	_____	_____
Derek Vance	_____	_____
Graham Wheeler	_____	_____

THIS FORM MUST BE IN THE HANDS OF THE SECRETARY BY 28TH MARCH 2025

Members are reminded that the Constitution as it stands at present requires a quorum of 25 members at the AGM and 10% of the members are required to vote either in person or by proxy on any resolution. Please attend if you possibly can, but if you cannot, PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO MRS. S.K. RUSSELL, SECRETARY, BARCLAYS BANK (BARCLAYCARD) RETIREMENT CLUB, 7 ASHMORE LONG BUCKBY, NN6 7RT. Signature

.....Membership Number: _____ (QUOTED ON YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD).

PLEASE DO NOT SEND BACK THIS FORM IF YOU ARE GOING TO THE AGM.

Barclaycard Pensioner Cricket Tickets 2024

I'm pleased that applications have been coming in for the cricket tickets, with requests for the T20 games shown in **Red** on the fixtures table below being the ones in highest demand. There are still some tickets available for most of the T20 games and availability for the CC and MB50 games, especially the women's fixtures, so I'm extending the deadline to the 28th February 2025.

New applicants are very welcome and if you are a regular who has forgotten to send your application over Christmas (as I'm missing a few) then please complete yours & send it to me now.

Please place a tick against any match(s) you would like to attend, this gives you **ONE** ticket so I can spread the allocation to as many members as possible.

If any match is oversubscribed I will hold a draw to allocate the tickets.

Note: This year the Womens T20 Vitality Blast and Metro Bank One Day Cup Women's League Two Fixtures are also included on the form above.

Tickets are open to all members, however full members will be given priority. Associate members will be charged £12.5 per ticket for any tickets allocated to them.

Once all application forms have been received and tickets allocated, I shall contact successful Associate members to advise them of which game/tickets they have been allocated and request a cheque, prior to publishing the full ticket allocation and sending out the tickets.

ALL completed forms must be returned to me by the 28th February 2025

See form on next page and send off to me, as detailed

Many thanks

Aileen

CRICKET TICKET APPLICATION 2025

NAME (Block Capitals)..... Tel No.

ADDRESS:

Return to: Aileen Breay, 88 Station Road, Cogenhoe, NN7 1LU

Date	Visitors	Comp	Tick
4 th /7 th April	Kent	CC	
26 th April	Gloucestershire	MB50 (W)	
3 rd May	Middlesex	MB50 (W)	
9 th /12 th May	Lancashire	CC	
15 th May	Worcestershire Rapids	MB50 (W)	
23 rd /26 th May	Gloucestershire	CC	
1 st June	Leicestershire Foxes	T20 (DH)	
11 th June	Birmingham Bears	T20	
13 th June	Durham	T20	
15 th June	Derby	T20 (W)	
20 th June	Notts Outlaws	T20	
22 nd / 25 th June	Middlesex	CC	
29 th June	Yorkshire	T20 (W)	
4 th July	Lancashire Lightning	T20	
6 th July	Worcester Rapids	T20 (DH)	
11 th July	Derbyshire Falcons	T20	
29 th July/ 1 st Aug	Derbyshire	CC	
8 th August	Yorkshire	MB50	
16 th August	Sussex	MB50 (W)	
17 th August	Sussex	MB50	
21 st August	Kent	MB50	
24 th August	Middlesex	MB50	
25 th August	Yorkshire	MB50 (W)	
8 th /11 th September	Glamorgan	CC	
24 th /27 th September	Leicestershire	CC	

*Key to codes:

CC = Rothesay County Championship 4 Day matches.

MB50 = Metro Bank 50 overs ONE day match, (W) = Women's League Two Fixture

T20 Blast = 20 overs ONE day match, (DH) Double Header = Men's & Women's, (W) = Women's

WELCOME

We welcome our new members **Julie Clayton, Lynda Mortimer, Jane Serembecki, Claire Richardson, Colin Stanbridge, Sally Rawsthorne, Patricia Bowles, Gillian Crossley and Brian Summers**, it's great to have you join us!

Do you know someone who could join us, we would love to hear from them!

Requests for membership of Barclays Bank (Barclaycard) Retirement Club should be sent in writing or email The Secretary at (secy@barcpen.org.uk) or you can use the form online at www.barcpen.org.uk

Theatre Draw



December draw took place at the Christmas Lunch. The lucky recipients were

Pete Liversedge, Christina Clarke, June Faulkner and Brenda Stobart



January winners were **Christine Graham and Malcolm Ward**

The vouchers can be used at The Royal and Derngate and Northampton Filmhouse



OBITUARIES

We are very sorry to report the deaths of the following members

Our sincere condolences to their families and friends

Dorothy Good, aged 76, died on 31.12.2024 **Peter Stansfield**, aged 93, died on 30.12.2024

Nora Guest, aged 91, died on 27.12.2024 **Bob Cox** passed away on Oct 19th 2024

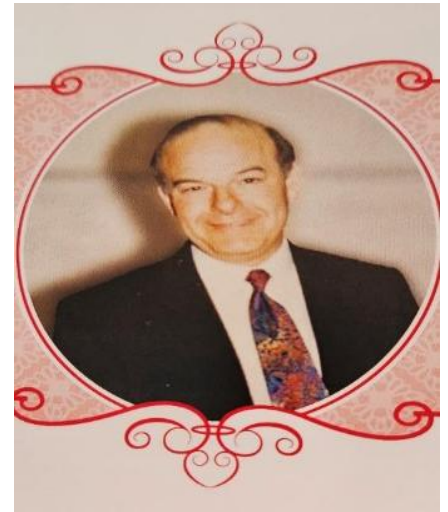
Mike Pepper passed away on Dec 18th 2024 after a fierce battle with Alzheimers. He was 80yrs old. Mike leaves his wife Lynn, daughter Carole and family.

Mike was well known from his days as a manager in Authorisation, where he greatly cared for the wellbeing of the staff. Always willing to listen and help anyone along the way.

Later he went on to work in House Control and Fraud.

After retiring he became a Parish councillor before sadly losing his sight. Lynn devoting her time to help him until he needed care.

Arsenal was his favourite football club where he once played as a young man, the club flag adorned at his funeral held on 23rd January.



Dave French died on 30th November 2024 after a long illness. Dave joined Barclaycard in 1973 and stayed until his retirement. Again a lovely manager from the Authorisation days, his honest and dependable way appreciated by many. Dave worked on projects including Chip and Pin an achievement of which he was deservedly, incredibly proud. 'His crowning glory came when he was Chairman of the National Implementation Committee attended by powerful representatives from the banking and retailing industries. Frustrated with a complete lack of cooperation and progress Dave effectively thumped the table, told them explicitly what Barclays plans were, closed the meeting and told them all to go away and not come back

until they were prepared to do the same - the rest is history.' (words from family eulogy)

Dave was a talented musician and loved playing his guitar. Well known as a regular at the lunches sitting on the 'boys table'. A great guy and a true gent, respected by everyone he met. He leaves his wife Sue, sons Simon and Paul and their families and will be greatly missed.

June Stratton passed away Dec 13th 2024 we were advised of this sad news by her daughter Rhianon. June had been a regular at the lunches and was a lovely lady known for her bright hair colours and wonderful sense of humour. June worked in Auth and Lost and Stolen.

Simon Mitchell passed away Sunday 12th January, his wife Sue advised he passed away peacefully at NGH with her and his family by his side. **The funeral will be at Milton Crem 18th Feb at 12.15pm.** Simon is remembered by past colleagues as cheerful and great to work with.

Mike Jones passed away 25th January after a long illness. Remembered for his humour and being a larger than life character, Mike worked in the NACs team, he was a great salesman and a lovely guy to work for. He leaves his lovely wife Maggie, who with Mike held many happy events over the years, they were truly great hosts.

CHANGE OF DETAILS - HAVE YOU MOVED?

Please remember to advise us when you move to ensure that you receive the Club newsletter and other information, in particular we would need your email address and phone number so we can be sure you receive speedy updates.

When checking details of many of members we find the telephone number is no longer valid or continually rings out. Should you know of any members who may have details that need to be updated please ask them or a family member to contact me or any one of the committee so we can change our information.

Many thanks, Christine Graham, 07753118005

Bank Workers Charity is funded by all banks including Barclays and is for the benefit of current and ex staff, if you need help or advice regarding personal or family problems contact them for discreet and reliable help and advice.

Helpline - 0800 0234 834

Website www.bwcharity.org.uk

Willis Towers Watson deal with all Barclays pension enquiries visit their website or call them:

Email barclaysteam@wtwco.com

Phone 01737 227 567

Post: The Barclays Bank UK Retirement Fund, Sunderland, SR43 4JU

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