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Make it November again in Torquay with Dorset Branch!

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Dorset Branch are organizing a 3 day break at the Balmoral Hotel in Torquay Monday 3rd to Thursday 6th November 1997 A charge of about £ 75.00 per person will provide a cream tea on arrival, D B&B and lunch on the day of departure. The rooms are all en suite with colour television, tea/coffee making facilities and telephone.

Requests for reservations should be sent to Les Ashplant (Address below) with a

£15.00 per head deposit, payable to 'CERSA Dorset' The Branch pays the deposits to the Hotel and the Guests pay the balance direct to the hotel at the end of their stay. A splendid break in preparation for Christmas!

Although for northerners it's a long way I went last year and can thoroughly recommend it. Paul (ed)

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..tremendous value !!!!..”



CERSA Branch Events for Summer 1997

JOHN Wright Secretary of London Area (HQ) Cersa welcomes **ALL** to take part in the London Area Summer Programme. CEMARS also extend an invitation to their events as do East Midlands.. If other Secretaries would like to publicize their activities then let me have your programme details and who is the event contact. Remember the deadline for 'Portcullis' circulation is around about the 10th of the preceding month The remainder of 1997 will probably see September & DECEMBER issues, **unless there is any special need. (NOTE ALL THE LONDON EVENTS IN THE**

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Circulation of this Newsletter is to all subscribing retired members of the C&E Sports Club, who are entitled to participate in C&E Sports Club events. It is also included with copies of the "Portcullis", which are distributed to retired staff by post. How do you get yours???????

Romance on the South Coast



Congratulations to PETER Bown and his bride MONICA married on July 4th Independence Day. Monica & Peter met through their activities with the Dorset CERSA Group.



On 6th August there is to be a visit to Kenwood House and Park led by Frances Byrne (0181 3488517) Meet 1115 @ Golders Green Tube Stn (Northern Line) Lunch at the Spaniards Pub. FOR later events contact John Wright Tel 01727 845535

CEMARS Events

Tuesday 12th August visit to Jodhrell Bank Space Centre. Meet at Red Lion @ Goostrey 1200 for lunch and then to the Centre for 2.00 start. (Contact George Bennett 01457 873095)

Thursday 4th September Visit to John Rylands Library Manchester (inc Exhibition of the Churchill Papers) 1015 a.m. (Contact Mar Todd 0161 969 3143)

East Midlands Events.

July /Aug Visit to EMA Dog Handlers. Date to be arranged.

22nd September visit to Albert Dock Liverpool incl National C&E Museum. (Contact for both events Roy Thornhill 0115 9663783)

The BOND is not exclusively for Federation of Customs and Excise Retired Staff Associations but exists to promote and inform all retired. All retired activities, particularly those organised with the C&E Sports and its Branches are eligible for publication. Script to the Editors:- Norman Aspey / Paul Houghton Joint Editors C/o 1 Lawn Ave Allestree Derby (E-mail:- pjhregarsd@btinternet.com)



Golf and Fishing for the Summer of 1997

Fly fishing at Rutland Water in May saw a large representation from the ranks of the retired, with competitors coming from as far afield as London and Scotland. The journey south saw success for at least two 'Scotch' Teams, with Dundee and Scotland North East taking 2nd and 3rd Team Awards respectively. The next fishing event is the Coarse Angling Comp @ Gold Valley Lakes Farnham 25th July. Good luck.

Golf is also attracting many retired into C&E Sports Club Events. In the National Match Play K.O. between Sheffield B & Manchester B at Hazel Grove recently Hugh O'Neil achieved a remarkable 'half' playing his second shot at the short 9th from above his head with a putter his tee shot had lodged high in a holly bush. Any other stories out there? Ed

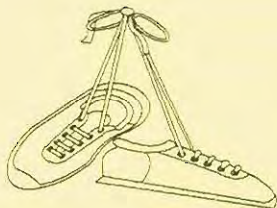
Federation of Cersas Annual General Meeting.

The AGM was held in the Conference Room, HMC&E New Kings Beam House 22, Upper ground London SE1 9PJ on Thursday 15th May 1997 @ 2.00pm. Normal AGM business was transacted and the meeting was addressed by both Commissioner Sandy Russell and a rep of the C & E Family Fund. Apart from reps from the constituent Cersas attendance was minimal. The date and Venue for 1998 was left open in the absence of a volunteering Events Organiser. Any Branch or individual wishing to offer should contact Ron Sanders (address opposite)

Glasgow LUNCH CLUB

Jim Howie Organiser of the Glasgow and surrounding Areas Lunch Club writes to invite interested staff to contact him. The monthly lunches are at SLOANS RESTAURANT ARGYLL ARCADE GLASGOW with every third month at a local hotel accompanied by spouses. Jim's address is :-

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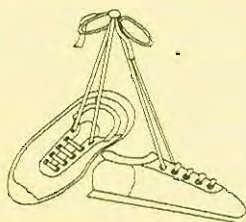


NATIONAL SPORTS DAY @ LOUGHBOROUGH.

This year's Departmental Sports Day is to be held at Loughborough on Thursday 10th of July. Requests for support (COMPETITORS & SPECTATORS) with travelling from C&E

Sports Club members and for assistance with Green Fees for the Golfers and any other entry fees, should be made to the Treasurer. In view of the numbers involved support for overnight accommodation is not likely to be possible.

There is no special CERSA tent this year but the bars and trackside facilities will no doubt offer many opportunities for meeting colleagues retired and working. Look out for Gordon Hodson running in the Vets events in the CERSA vest!!!!!!



Treasurer's note.

Whilst the Federation continues to operate as a Branch of the C&E Sports Club the Federation Treasurer receives funds from the C&E Sports Club. These are, as with any other Branch, to help organise events and to support retired members of the C&E Sports Club taking part in Club events. Within the constraints of the monies available **support** will be given for travelling at cheapest public transport option and/or @ £0.083 per mile for private car usage, competition entry fees, and overnight accommodation.

The Associations

An updated supplement is attached to this edition giving details of our existing affiliated CERSA's and the Officers for 1997/98. This may be of use to some of our readers seeking a CERSA in their area. Will Secretaries advise if amendments are required please and I will note in the September or October edition **EDITOR**

Useful CERSA Contacts



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