



# *Qualitas Non Quantitas*

*95<sup>th</sup> Entry Halton Apprentices*

## *Newsletter*

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### *Post Reunion 2015*

Saturday 16th May 2015 marked the date of the reunion favouring 55 years from Attestation and, being May, we all enjoyed better weather, except for the rain on Monday 18th as the hangers-on were leaving for home. Style and format was the same as last time with everyone being responsible for their own bills etc.

Mike & Marian Storey have done a great job in organising this 2015 event despite being absorbed in searching for and executing a major house move at the same time. (is there a minor house move?)

Thirty four diners sat down for dinner and our designated Waitress, Sammie, and her colleagues did a most efficient job the whole evening ensuring everyone was served the meals previously ordered with little fuss and a ready smile in place, well done, Girls. (A complementary message has been sent to The Bell, emphasising the girls efficiencies')

A lot of people made the event into a long weekend, choosing to stay for three nights including Friday to Monday morning, which enhanced the enjoyment.

Tony Bradley has volunteered to look into arranging something on similar lines for next year, 2016, and already his investigations are gathering pace; more details will follow when available.

As always, our widowed ladies are most especially welcome and should be encouraged to join us. If you know them, please encourage them.

#### **Email Messages**

After getting home Mike sent out the following message which generated several replies:

*Hi folks, Hope everyone had a safe and uneventful journey home despite the bad weather. Just like to say thanks again to you all for making the effort to come to the Reunion. I hope you all enjoyed yourselves. I know Marian & I did. It was a great weekend. Hope to see you all next year.*

Best regards, Mike & Marian Story

*Enjoyed it (Sent from my phone)*

Bob Harris & Jo

*Super weekend, thank you all very much. Just had a Skype call from Pete Micklewood in Cape Town, he and Marlene send their best regards to everyone and are tempted for next year.*

Best wishes, Geoff Cummins

*Enjoyed the reunion, hopefully will see you all again next year, where ever it might be held. Thanks again Mike for the organising.*

Cheers, Roy & June Jacobs

*Warmer 'down under' (Sent from my phone)*

Bob Harris & Jo

*Thanks for everything you did Mike, super weekend and great to see everyone. Thanks to Tony for offering to arrange next year's bash. See you all then if not before.*

B rgds, Tony & Ann Eve

*Mike, We would like to add our thanks for all you did to try to make the weekend successful. It was a shame the venue didn't have a lounge area where we could have retired to reminisce. I enjoyed meeting up with you all again and I hope my CRAFT moments, which are becoming more frequent, didn't cause me to embarrass myself too often. Yes, the return journey was pretty awful but we survived. (can't remember a flipping thing for those who are wondering)*

Regards and best wishes, Martin and Denise Kirby

*Hi Mike, Phew! So glad nearly everyone recognised me! Thanks Mike for a great weekend, just wished it could have gone on longer, and I hope that says it all. Might get a chance see you in Mansfield when next up there. Take care and Best wishes to you and Marian.*

Liz and Errol MacBean

*Thanks Mike for all the organising and special thanks to all the folk who turned up to make it such a special weekend. We thoroughly enjoyed your company as ever, so thanks to one and all. Una and I look forward to seeing you all again next time.*

All the Best, Johnny & Una Johnson

*Hi Mike, Many thanks for organising the week-end. It was good to see so many after such a long time. Christine and I greatly enjoyed the dinner. Hope to see you and everyone else again next year. Take care.*

Regards, Dimitri & Christine Diamandopoulos

Sadly, the "In Memoriam" list is growing. As and when we hear of the passing of our colleagues, their names are added for future remembrance.

## *In Memoriam*

*Colleagues and Friends who are known to have passed on.  
Always in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Michael McColl Young*

*Roland Bath*

*Keith Burdass*

*Clive Wilson*

*Rod Pritchard*

*Jerry Padgen*

*Colin Pollard*

*Bob Jupp*

*Mike Thatcher*

*Mike Frankling*

*Bob Horsham*

*Glyn Bolderson*

*Chris Harris*

*Mike Chambers*

*Steve Urwin-Mann*

*Reg Apps*

*John Swash*

*Mike Gay*

*Frank Firth*

*Mike Crooks*

## *Absent Friends*

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