



# Noah's ARC Committee meeting at the Imperial Hotel Blackpool

18 March 2017

## Committee Members in attendance

- Paul Baker - Chairman
- Peter Farrell - Vice Chairman
- Julie Schofield - Raffle and Menu
- Rachel Walker - Shop
- Darren Walker – Shop and Website

## Committee members unable to attend

- Paul Wigmore
- Wayne Hurst
- Frank Smith

## Hotel Members in attendance

- Imperial Hotel Events Manager - Alison Gilmore (General manager)

## Minutes

The Committee met at the Imperial Hotel on the 18 March 2017 to discuss the forthcoming Reunion on the 28, 29 April 2017.

The meeting started at 12:30hrs with the Hotels General Manager confirming the following details:

- The chairman announced that this year's entertainment has been paid in full as of 17 March 2017.
- Residents are guaranteed their rooms from 3pm on their day of arrival. If the room becomes available sooner it will be made available to guests.

- Location of the Noah's ARC shop, Silent Auction and Gurkha stand was discussed and will be in the Lewy Room.

### **Shop is planned to be open as follows:**

- Friday 15:00 - 17:00 (TBC)
- Saturday 10:00 - 12:00 and 15:00 - 17:00 (TBC)
- Location of the tombola for Friday was discussed.
- A Television was requested for the Saturday so members could watch the game in the hotel should they wish to do so. This is being requested and the hotel will get back to the committee once they have an answer.
- Lancastrian suite will be where both days events will be held.
- Floor layout will be laid as 2016 Reunion.
- The committee discussed the Tombola and Silent auction prizes.
- Table dressing was discussed amongst the hotel management and the committee.

### **1. Thursday:**

- a. Noah's ARC members will start arriving on Thursday.
- b. Members are requested to request a meal time on arrival
- c. Discount bar prices will be 15% for all members, please state you are Noah's ARC to get the discount allocated when ordering you drinks.

### **2. Friday:**

- a. Noah's ARC members continuing to arrive on Friday
- b. DJ playing (provided by the hotel) 19:00 - 20:00
- c. ABBA tribute band 20:00 - 20:45
- d. Buffet start 20:45 - 22:30
- e. ABBA tribute band 21:30 - 22:15
- f. DJ plays until Close
- g. 2 Bars in the Lancastrian Suite
- h. Tombola will be held on Friday night
- i. Theme night is a 70's night
- j. The committee invited the hotel staff to participate in the 70's theme night should they wish to do so.

### **3. Saturday:**

- Breakfast 08:00 - 10:30 in the Palm Court room the Lancastrian room used as overflow
- Band will be provided a room to practice if required
- No seating plan – members will choose their own seat on the night
- Bar in the Imperial Arms and waiter service

## **Order of Events:**

18:20 - Drum Roll  
18:30 - Fanfare called  
18:45 – Chairman's address / others?  
19:00 - Absent friend's / Last Post / Toast  
19:10 - 20:30 Meal / Coffee  
20:30 - Entertainment  
21:00 - Annual Draw  
21:00 - Silent auction closes

## **Menu:**

Number of Vegan and Vegetarians attending?

- i. It was explained that a request was put out to members asking that they inform the committee should they require such an option, as far as the committee is aware we only have 10 requests to date. **If further requests are made the hotel would be informed straight away.**

## **Dates 2018 Reunion: 19 - 21 April 2018**

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The changeover of Chairman was the final discussion of the day. The handover will be over the three days of the reunion when time allows. The new Chairman and Vice Chairman will be as follows:

**Chairman:** Peter Farrell

**Vice Chairman:** Frank Smith

The rest of the committee will be named later.

The new handover will be completed on the 29<sup>th</sup> and Peter will assume the role of Chairman from May 01<sup>st</sup> 2017.

The meeting was concluded at 14:30hrs.