



# CHEERIOOO



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## FANTASTIC 90<sup>th</sup>

*The 90<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Reunion was an outstanding success. A near record number gathered at Lyneham to celebrate this historic occasion. Eighty two sat down for Dinner and 21 ladies took Supper. There were many prodigals members who all said they wished they had returned to the fold earlier. The 91<sup>st</sup> will be at Lyneham on 7 June 2008; please get it in your diaries now.*

### **Dinner:**

*The following members took dinner :*

David ADAMS	Andy ADAMS	Chris ALCOCK	Dick ARSCOTT	John AUSTIN
Dougie BARR	John BARTRAM	Derek BENDALL	David BENNETT	Jeff BETHRAY
John BOYD	John BRANSBURY	Dave BRAY	Andy CLARK	Peter CROUCH
David CRWYS- WILLIAMS	Bernie DONDEERS	Colin EDWARDS	Bob EVANS	Vic FAULKNER
Jim GATHERER	Colin GOWER	Don GRAHAM	John GREEDY	Harry GRIFFITHS
Mick HOWE	Frank HUDDLESTON	Graham LAURIE	Derek LIDDELL	Tim LILES
Derek LONG	Tony MALLETT	Eric MARSH	Ian MASON	Peter MILES
Chas MORGAN	Dougie MORGAN	Denny O'BRIAN	Alan PARKER	Stuart PRIEST
Mike RAYSON	Bob RICHARDSON	Terry ROURKE	Jeff SAUNDERS	John SCAMBLER
Mac SIBBALD	Paul SNOOK	Freddie SOWREY	Rusty STEELE-MORGAN	Steve STEVENSON
Ken TEAL	John TRITTON	Bill TURNBULL	George TYLER	Pete WALLINGTON
Pete WALSH	Dick WARD	Bert WEBSTER	Tony WELLER	Des WHITE
Russell WILSON	Keith WILSON			

Geoffrey Tantum	John Casson	<i>Guest of</i>	David BENNETT
SIMON BRAY	JIM BRAY	<i>Guest of</i>	Dave BRAY
Stuart Donders		<i>Guest of</i>	Bernie DONDERS
Ian Laurie	Alan Campbell	<i>Guest of</i>	Graham LAURIE
Cary Sand	Dick Taplin	<i>Guest of</i>	Ian MASON
Paul Morgan		<i>Guest of</i>	Chas MORGAN
Dick Graham	Jerry Marshall	<i>Guest of</i>	Stuart PRIEST
MARK BARNETT		<i>Guest of</i>	Ken TEAL
Stuart Turnbull	Mark Turnbull	<i>Guest of</i>	Bill TURNBULL
Jeremy Ward		<i>Guest of</i>	Dick WARD
Geoffrey Webster	Jonathan Webster	<i>Guest of</i>	Bert WEBSTER
JAMIE WILSON	TIMOTHY WILSON	<i>Guest of</i>	Russell WILSON

## ***Supper:***

### ***The following Ladies took supper :***

Judy Bartram	Mary Crouch	Hilma Gatherer	Sheila Greedy <i>Sarah Greedy</i>	Jennifer
Adrienne Howe	Sylvia Huddleston	Jean Liles	Gwen Miles	Muriel Morgan <i>Audrey Ursel</i>
Chris Morgan	Rosemary Rayson	Olga Saunders	Edit Scambler	Maggie Sibbald
Sylvia Teal <i>Melanie Barnett</i>	Caroline Wilson <i>Sophie Assal</i>			

## ***Benefactors:***

### ***The following members kindly made donations:***

Andy ADAMS	David ADAMS	Dick ARSCOTT	Dougie BARR	Derek BENDALL
Sam BOOKER	John BOYD	Chris CARRINGTON	David CARTER	Harry CHAMBERS
Keith CHAPMAN	Barrie CHEVERTON	Dennis CONSTABLE	Peter CROUCH	Ian DOW
Bob EVANS	Taff EVANS	Geoff GANDER	Iris GIFKINS	Mark GILSON
John GREEDY	Harry GRIFFITHS	Mick HOWE	Mike KEMP	George KIRK

Ian LASCHKE	Eric MARSH	Brian MEINKE	Brian MERRITT	Dougie MORGAN
Alan PARSONS	Jon PLUMLEY	Stuart PRIEST	Mike RAYSON	Bob RICHARDSON
Don ROBERTS	Robbie ROBERTSON	Leslie ROBINS	Steve ROBSON	Keith SAUNDERS
Jock SHAW	Mac SIBBALD	Graeme SMITH	Dennis SOUTHGATE	Rusty S-MORGAN
Tony STEPHENS	Steve STEVENSON	Chris TAYLOR	John TRITTON	Bill TURNBULL
Pete WALSH	Jim WHITE	Russell WILLIAMS	Russell WILSON	Keith WILSON
Lefty WRIGHT				

## ***Regrets:***

***The following members were unable to attend :***

Horst ABROMEIT	Graham BAIRSTOW	Peter BOLEY	Mike BOLTON	Sam BOOKER
Trevor BOOTH	Mike BROOKES	Adrian BROWN	Cyril BURTON	David CARTER
Harry CHAMBERS	Keith CHAPMAN	Barrie CHEVERTON	Dennis CONSTABLE	John DANIELS
Ian DOW	Dave DRAKE	Taff EVANS	Geoff GANDER	Iris GIFKINS
Mark GILSON	Don GRAHAM	Alan GREEN	Ian HAMPTON	John HANRAHAN
Dave HIGGS	Pete HOOD	Terry JOHNSON	Mike KEMP	Eric KING
George KIRK	Ian LASCHKE	Brian LOVE	Brian MEINKE	Brian MERRITT
Richard MILWARD	Kenneth NICHOLS	Denny O'BRIAN	Dave OCTON	Alan PARSONS
Jon PLUMLEY	Arthur PORTER	Don ROBERTS	Robbie ROBERTSON	Leslie ROBINS
Steve ROBSON	Keith SAUNDERS	Jock SHAW	Chris SIERWALD	Graeme SMITH
Dennis SOUTHGATE	Douglas STACEY	Tony STEPHENS	Bob SUTTON	Chris TAYLOR
Neil TREDRAY	Jim WHITE	Russell WILLIAMS	Adam WISE	Lefty WRIGHT

## ***Obituaries:***

***It is with great sadness that we announce the death of:***

Gus APPLEYARD 72-75 *Andover*    Harry ARCHER 46-47 *Dakota*    Victor BUNTING 67-73 *Andover*

Tammy HOWELL ?    *Andover*    Peter WOODHAM 54-57 *Met Jav*

## ***News, Gossip and Scandal:***

### ***Members report:***

- Horst ABROMEIT** Horst wishes all present members and friends a very pleasant evening. May these reunions last for a very long time
- John AUSTIN** John is still flying the B767 and B757 with XL Airways. He hopes to make it until 65 or until it stops being fun!
- John BARTRAM** John is employed by the UK Department for Transport and is still actively involved in aviation. His office is in the British High Commission Singapore, but his region covers the whole of the Far East & Pacific. Not surprisingly, he travels extensively and Judy (the same one after all these years!) often takes the opportunity to go with him. They both fancy retirement and doing what they really want – whatever that is and will it happen soon, but it will involve being near the sea again - who knows? Their sons, Neil and Paul, are now 28 and 26 years old respectively and living in UK.
- Trevor BOOTH** Trevor may be emigrating to Oz soon.
- John BOYD** John is now half way through his 4 year "tour" as a governor at the children's school. He will not, however, stand for re-election!
- Adrian BROWN** Adrian sends best wishes to all.
- Chris CARRINGTON** Chris and Diane are due to return to the UK in July
- George KIRK** George is sorry to have missed the 90th, eyesight and age catching up with him. He wishes all a wonderful time and will be there in spirit.
- Dennis CONSTABLE** Dennis is still scuba diving in the Irish waters. He has recently been appointed as a member of the independent monitoring board for Maguaberry Prison.
- Steve DAY** Steve has been honoured by the ruler of Malaysia and has been made a Darjah Dato' Paduka Tuanku Ja'afar (DPTJ) Kehormat. This means he is like, Sir Steve, so show a little respect once you have got over the idea of Steve being a pillar of society.
- Bernie DONDEERS** Bernie's wife, Barbara, insists that he stay alive until December so that they can get a free TV licence. His other incentive is to stay with it until 2017 to attend the 100th.
- Ian DOW** Ian is still flying for EasyJet on the A319 and is now contracted until 65!!
- Mark GILSON** Mark took a redundancy package in August 06 and is now bored out of his skull. He is "as fat as a maggot" but has cut down on his beer intake - replaced with red wine! Unfortunately, in error, he booked a holiday to Florida over the 46 Reunion. He sends love to the ladies and cuddles to the boys.
- Colin GOWER** Colin's wife Julia, sadly died last August from cancer. She made many friends especially among the ladies and always enjoyed joining them for supper.
- Alan GREEN** Alan is back from France.
- Mike GREENLAND** Mike regrets that due to ill health he cannot realistically expect to attend any future Calls to Arms. He sends regards to all the "boys".
- Dave HIGGS** Dave and Loretta are well with just the usual problems of senior years. Still caravanning Spring and Autumn on the continent and Winter sun in January. He hopes to make the reunion one day and sends best wishes to all of 46.
- Mike KEMP** Mike fractured his knee-cap last September and unfortunately it is taking longer to recover than he anticipated.

<b>Graham LAURIE</b>	Graham has just visited Dick Ward at Exmouth Branch of Aircrew Association. Please join your local branch - they need your support. Graham would even come and speak!!
<b>Tim LILES</b>	Tim is in his 10th year of playing croquet and still enjoying it. (unlike a certain J Prescott!)
<b>Tony MALLETT</b>	Tony is still sailing the part-owned Moody 40 in S. France but trying to sell it, getting a bit old, and also some yacht racing at West Mersea. Now also enjoying a modernised cottage in South Brittany, inland from Vannes and Gulf Morbihan. Fiona equally hale and hearty.
<b>Ian MASON</b>	Ian says that he is still causing chaos at Brize Norton Operations. Those who know him will realise that this is no idle boast!
<b>Brian MEINKE</b>	Brian thought he would be retired by now but the rules have changed so he is still flying with Britannia/Thomsonfly/Tui or whatever they are called today.
<b>Peter MILES</b>	Peter continues as the secretary of Ellesborough Golf Club. Gwen has retired from teaching and now combines playing golf at Whiteleaf Golf Club, with a business, Flowers by Design and being course manager for Bury Lake Young Mariners.
<b>Don ROBERTS</b>	Don sends best wishes to all.
<b>Steve ROBSON</b>	Steve has sold his Spanish house and living in rented prior to moving to New Forest area. He took early retirement but has been working longer hours since. He can now demolish a chimney!
<b>Terry ROURKE</b>	Terry is offering to possibly arrange discounted tickets for anyone considering flying to a Virgin destination. Contact him on 01276 476036.
<b>Freddie SOWREY</b>	Sir Freddie is still going well and getting the 1901 Danacq ready for the London to Brighton in November. He is also working to maintain the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.
<b>Tony STEPHENS</b>	Tony and Roni are now into their 5th year in rural Dorset and are slowly being accepted into the local community and enjoy an active life. Tony still sings in a couple of choirs and is now trying his hand at golf without a great deal of success, but the game provides great walks in some stunning countryside. They live some 15 mins from the A303 and would be delighted to see any old friends travelling to the West Country.
<b>Bob WARD</b>	Bob now tells people how to run their lives via Citizen's Advice and taking 7 long walking holidays this year
<b>Jim WHITE</b>	Jim is back at Loganair flying highlands/islands/Irish routes on the Saab 340. Anyone out there looking for a job? Direct entry captains welcome.
<b>Russell WILLIAMS</b>	Russ sends best wishes to all his old colleagues and friends.
<b>Russell WILSON</b>	Russ has commenced construction of new green retirement complex in West Sussex. Also building luxury villas in Cyprus.
<b>Adam WISE</b>	Adam has been in hospital after a mild stroke but is recovering rapidly.

**Pictures of the 90<sup>th</sup> are on our Reunion Photo Website;**

<http://no46.reunion.pictures.fotopic.net/>

Thanks to Terry Rourke for taking the 90<sup>th</sup> and Andy Clarke for the 89<sup>th</sup>

Remember to visit our Wikipedia page at:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/No.\\_46\\_Squadron\\_RAF](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/No._46_Squadron_RAF)