

## Northwest Lancashire and Cumbria Newsletter

Dear member,

31st January 2020.

I remember that at this time last year my garden was under 3 inches of snow – not so this year because although there has been more than enough rain it has been, on the whole, quite a mild winter in central Lancashire and I hope it stays that way.

May I thank all of you who have responded to my reminder that your annual subscriptions were due by either sending cheques to me to pass on to National Office, renewing online or by standing order.

In future reminders about subscription renewals will come from National Office. They have implemented a different system to the one we had. Anyone who has been a member for some time will still have their renewal date as the 1st January but for more recent members renewals will become due on the anniversary date of their joining – but reminders will be sent.

I have to pass on some sad news that one of our long-standing members, Mick Walsh, passed away shortly before Christmas. Mick joined IA following his operation in 1979 (some 40 years ago) and many of you will remember him from our meetings in Preston as he was, for a very long time, a trustee/committee member when we were an autonomous Charity.

I have arranged for our next members' meeting to be held on **Saturday 4th April** and again it will be held at our new venue at the Tanterton Village Centre, Kidsgrove, Ingol, Preston, PR2 7BX and will start at 1.30pm.

There will be several representatives from the appliance manufacturers present so that you can get up to date with any new products they have released. Light refreshments will be available and we will hold our usual raffle – which is now free to enter.

Although not yet organised I am hoping that we will have a speaker too.

Coloplast have advised me that they are holding two meetings in early June – one at the Castle Green Hotel, Castle Lane, Kendal in the afternoon of Monday 1st June and one at the Holiday Inn, Caton Road, Lancaster in the morning of Tuesday 2nd June – if these are conveniently placed for you please note the dates in your diary. I will be circulating in due course, on behalf of Coloplast, invites to those who I think might live locally enough to attend. I look forward to meeting some of you there who are unable to get to our meeting in Preston.

Yours sincerely,

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