

12 October 2009.

Dear David,

First I must thank you for a simply splendid occasion over the weekend. You must be pleased with the way it all went. What a very fitting way to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Services Branch.

All the hard work put in by yourself and your Committee of Pete O'Callaghan, Mick Johnson and Dave Ormsby was recognised and much appreciated by everyone that I spoke to — and I would be grateful if you would pass on my personal congratulations on to them all.

I also very much appreciated the magnificent walking stick — and particularly so because you made it yourself! Jean says I have no excuse now not to go for a walk each day! Thank you very much.

Jean and I thoroughly enjoyed our visit to you all and meeting up with so many colleagues from the past Dover days. And again, I must thank you, for all the detailed arrangements you made for us — a lovely room with a superb vista and lovely flowers and fruit on arrival. I feel very guilty at not being allowed to settle the bill!

I hope this letter does not take too long to arrive as am sending it with my promised water colour of Upper Rocks via parcel post and possible postal strikes! In any event, it embodies our very sincere thanks.

for a most enjoyable visit and particularly the excellent dinner in the magnificent and historic Dover Town Hall.

I and I much appreciated the kind thoughts that lay behind your invitation for the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. It was a great honour to attend and we both thank you very much.

With our best wishes to you and your family and of course to the Branch.

Here's to the 20<sup>th</sup>!

Yours sincerely

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