

## Connecting:

### Visits, Gatherings, Mini Reunions & even a Wedding!



August 2005 - Arthur "Charlie" Charles meets up with John "Bungy" Williams after 20 years - Yes they are both drinking orange juice!



Hull 2005

04 September 2005 - Another contact made after 19 years. Arthur and Colin meet up with Denis Benson near Beverley. In the photo L to R are Gill, Arthur, Denis, Karen, Colin and Jean. A meal was taken at "The Ketch" nearby.

## The Wedding 18th May 2007



18 May 2007 at Solihull..... From L to R Colin Brenchley, Jean Brenchley nee Jeffery, Val & Phil Gillett, Liz Wright nee Watts, Mike (Shiner) Wright, Celia Clarke nee Purvis and Don Clarke.



The Cloudobserving contingent at Phil & Val's Wedding. All pictured in the group had served at Northwood, six in the Met branch and Don as a Civilian shift engineer who was based in an office along the corridor from the Weather Centre. Phil had expertly timed his wedding so that the walk from the Registry Office to the Hotel was accompanied by a slight rain shower!

## Guildford



23 June 2007 at Guildford. After 41 years Marvis Pritchard (on the left) meets up with Elaine Lidgate (nee Webber). Both had joined the WRNS as Meteorological Observers on 28 September 1965 and became very good friends during training, then for various reasons lost touch. They met again after establishing contact through cloudobservers. Also getting in on the act is Mavis's cat "Tigger"!

## BBQ



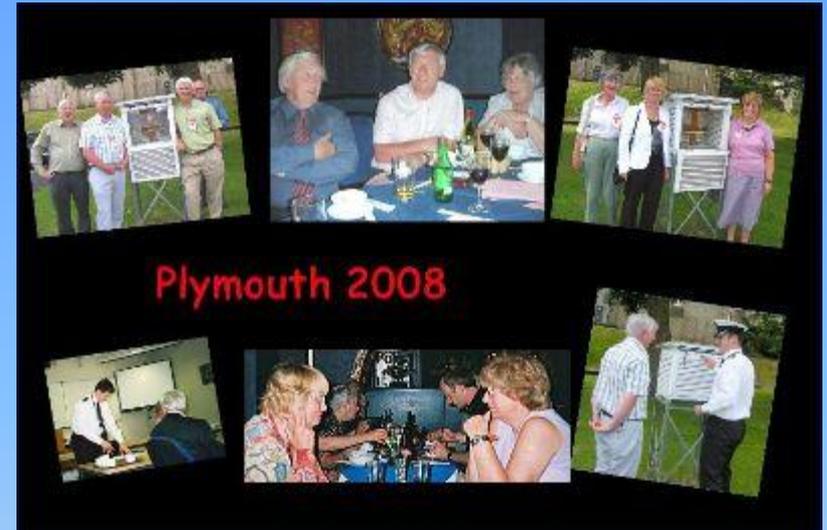
26 August 2007 - Phil arranged a BBQ as a house warming party which also happened to be his birthday. The pictures shows L to R Phil Gillett, Colin Brenchley and Ashley Price.

## Bude 2007



October 2007 - A mini reunion was organised by Bungy in Bude - seen around the table enjoying a meal at The Inn on the Green are Peter and Mairi Squibb, Arthur and Gill Charles, Jean Brenchley, Cynthia Bagnall, Colin Brenchley and John Williams.

## Plymouth 2008 - the latest Met School



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## York 2008



Wrens at York 30 August 2008 from left to right - Margaret Medland nee Cordingley, Sue Single nee Mills, Dot Ball nee Pilcher, Alison Mathieson and Linda McSween nee Hewitt.



Wrens Reunion at York 30 August 2008. Ruth Beach nee Moore, Liz Deley nee Wharton, Kathy Donaldson nee Dover, Jacky Manser nee Dyer, Chris Evans nee Stamp. These pictures were sent in by Liz Deley.

## Down Under



Reunion Down Under - After 31 years, whilst on holiday in Tasmania, Ashley Price made a stop over in Brisbane in November 2008 to meet up with Chris "Jan" Robinson and his wife Faye. Ashley and Jan served together at the Met School, on board Ark Royal and at AFNorth in Oslo.



Reunion Down Under May 2009 - Gill Lamprey, who now lives in Rotorua, New Zealand, met up with Liz Deley who was on her travels. Gill and Liz had both worked as Senior Rate instructors at the RNSOMO in the 70's.

## Royal Garden Party 9th July 2009



**Fly Navy 100 Anniversary Tea** - Photographed leaving Buckingham Palace are John and Meryl Coulter nee Williams, Grahame and Pam Shadbolt nee Holmes, Ashley Price along with Gill and Arthur Charles. Pauline Webster also attended the tea. The happy crew then repaired to a local Pub to complete a wonderful day.

## Summer 2009



Peter Claridge and George Clevett had a mini re-union and forwarded this picture.

## September 2009



Andy Hales meets up with Arthur Charles.

## October 2009



Meg Larvin and Ken Ashton met up on board HMS Illustrious during the ship's visit to Liverpool, part of the Fly Navy 100 celebrations.

## June 2010



Tanking with Tanky!  
Globetrotting Ashley Price meets up with John 'Tanky' Williams in Bude for a chat and a pint. June 2010.

2<sup>nd</sup> June 2011



Colin Brenchley & Arthur Charles get together for a "Singapore Night" Jean provided an excellent Nasi Goreng complete with fried egg on top plus standard issue Tiger beer.

# January 2013 - Worksop



Grub Up!

L-R going round the table:  
Colin Brenchley,  
Phil Gillett,  
Val Gillett,  
Gill Charles,  
Jean Brenchley,  
Ashley Price.



The Arty bit.



Depth of Snow or is it Rime?

More Arty stuff.





L - R Gill (TSB) Charles,  
Colin Brenchley,  
Jean Brenchley,  
Phil Gillett,  
Val Gillett,  
Ashley Price.

The Observers pose with a fake  
Sunshine Recorder.



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