

NEWS FROM ALDERSHOT BRANCH 105

Hello and welcome to all our members in the Aldershot branch.

To start on a sad note, a longstanding member of the NFOP, Joy Savage, passed away in July. Joy started work at the tender age of 14 and became the no.1 Telephonist at the Aldershot Exchange. Rest in peace Joy.

At the time of writing this it is the end of July and being fond of most sports, I am currently enjoying the Olympic games from Paris. One thing that never surprises me is the different events that are included each time, this year it's Break Dancing, is that seriously a sport or just a lifestyle. Out of interest, I looked back over 120 years to see what other unusual events have taken place these include; Aeronautics and Gliding in 1936, Kite Flying, Life Saving and Pigeon Racing in 1900, Art competitions from 1912 to 1948 (which only stopped because most of the entrants were professionals) and more recently Chess. So don't be surprised if at the next games, we may have such events as Origami (paper folding), Belly Dancing and Men's Synchronised Swimming (including heavy make-up), perhaps I'm just getting old and not understanding modern trends.

To anyone who has taken or going to take a holiday this summer, I trust you've had or will have a lovely time

Here are some one liners I've heard in the past;

1. My wife is brassed off with me because I spend so much time studying astronomy. What planet is she on?
2. It takes a lot of balls to play golf the way I do.
3. Receptionist- "Doctor there's a caller on line one says he's invisible".
Doctor- "Tell him, I can't see him right now."
4. I was driving home one day when a police officer pulled me over and knocked on my window. I said "Just a minute I'm on the phone".

David Williams