

Ditchcrawler 80th Birthday Souvenir

Autumn 2023



THE NCCC IS EIGHTY YEARS OLD !





Chris Potter addresses everyone during the unveiling of the commemorative stone, thanking our club member Ian Spooner for his efforts.



Earlier this year, over several weeks, and often 'braving the elements', Ian a qualified stone mason painstakingly fashioned a rectangular rebate in the stone block making use of his hand tools. The 80th Anniversary tablet was inserted subsequently wherein the lettering is inlaid with gold leaf.

Ian's earlier stonemasonry work for the Club's 70th Anniversary, which is located close to the site of the former Sea Scout hut where the Club was founded during 1943.





Ian responds to a vote of thanks whilst Chris watches on



Ian and his wife Mo take 'centre stage' and enjoy the occasion!



Longstanding Club members Bob, Eric, Kath, and Bet enjoy the occasion!



Barbara, Brian and 'AWCC veteran' Roland, all enjoying themselves!



Pam, Ruth, Val, and Gill



Ruth and Gill

Our function would not have been possible without our catering girls all of whom worked hard in our kitchen to prepare our 'Afternoon Teas' during a very warm afternoon!



The Trad Jazz Band strikes up to offer some entertainment during 'Afternoon Tea'



Our good friends From Stoke on Trent Boat Club, who made the short 'overland' trip to join our celebrations were kind enough to donate this rather splendid 'memento' which was presented by their Commodore Lee shown below with the NCCC Commodore John.











Leanne (SoTBC Membership Secretary) and Lee (SoTBC Commodore)



Rachel (SoTBC Rear Commodore/Social Secretary) and Fob (SoTBC Harbourmaster)











The Trad Jazz Band 'Go for It'!



Union Chapel Jazz Band Vocalist Beth Bishop, you saw her here first!







Old Friends reunited! Pamela, Erica, and John



Thanks to all who took these photographs, during a very warm afternoon! - John Suggitt 20th September 2023