

President's Christmas Letter

Dear Fellow Centurions

Sadly, we have suffered another year like 2020. I hope all Centurions and their families have stayed safe.

Unfortunately, our 100 miles, due to take place at Southend, was cancelled, a decision that had a mixed reception. All is booked for Middlesbrough in 2022, which you can read all about in the Captain's newsletter. My thanks to David Jones C987 and Martin Fisher C788 who instigated the event with a visit to the Middlesbrough village. I hope that as many Centurions as possible will be able to support the event in some capacity. As I write, we have entries coming in which is brilliant.

Some events have begun over the last few months and Centurions have been out either taking part or in an official capacity. Ron Wallwork C893 has organized a virtual Enfield league, lets hope in the New Year more Centurions will appear on the road.

Many thanks to the committee for their work during the year and attending our zoom meetings. Our Captain Martin Fisher C788, Treasurer Richard Cole C928, Secretary Sue Clements C950, Social Walks Steve Kemp C1075, Merchandise Officer Chris Flint C849, Carl Lawton C750, David Jones C987 and Eric Horwill C390. This year we also welcomed to the committee Ian Richards C1064 and Richard McChesney C1131 and I thank them for their support.

I send my good wishes to our Dutch and Belgian brethren and hope that we will be able to meet up in 2022.

My congratulations go to Joe Hardy C981 who was elected President of Lancashire Walking Club.

Unfortunately, our Secretary Sue Clements wishes to stand down at our next AGM and I thank her personally for all the work she has done for the Centurions over some difficult years.

Our AGM will be over zoom on Saturday 22nd January 2022 and I hope to see as many of you as possible in attendance.

Finally, may I wish you the very best for the Festive season and hope you all stay safe in the coming year.

Please follow the long tradition of raising your glass at 2pm on Christmas Day to toast 'The Centurions'.

Pam Ficken C934