



Ribble Cruising Club

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Colin Harper R.I.P. 23rd March 2017

It is with profound sadness that I have to inform you all that our friend and colleague Colin Harper passed away in Blackpool Victoria Hospital early to-day 23th March. Colin suffered a major heart attack 5 weeks ago, which was untreatable.

Colin, and his late wife Kath, joined RCC in 1975 and they immediately contributed to the club in many ways. Colin was an Officer in the late 70.' & became our commodore in 1981. In the following 35 years he has served on Main Committee for many of them, Bar & Social Committees for 10 years & He was our Membership Secretary for 15 years .

Colin will probably be most remembered for his service to our Clubhouse being Fabric Committee Chairman . He contributed significantly to the clubhouse refurbishment in 2008 and the maintenance ever since. Rarely a day passed that he did not go into the club to speak with the cleaner or set the heating or attend to those little unseen jobs



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which we all took for granted and he will be very much missed.

For many years he sailed with the late Duncan Kember and Gerry Short but he started out like many others with a Sihouette 'Spindrift'. He followed that with a Fregate 27 which he built from a Hull & Deck in his back garden where it dominated the rear aspect until being craned out over the house & removed to our Dock.

With his late wife Kath he was a regular Friday nighter, indeed he was in the club the night before his attack, and always active at social events. Above all he was always willing to help in any way he could. He leaves two sons Steven and Tim and our thoughts are with them at this must very sad time. I have extended our deepest condolences to Colin's family. Colin's funeral will be held at 2pm on Friday 7th April Lytham Park Crematorium, Regent ave., Lytham St Annes FY8 4AB.



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