

George James Barriball

Jim Barriball went aloft on 27th September at the age of 93. He had joined the Club as a Messmate in September 1965 and was our second most senior member.

He started his working life as an electrical apprentice for Southampton Tramway Corporation and then went to sea with Royal Mail Lines as an electrician rising to the rank of Chief Electrical Officer. In 1955 he married his long term sweetheart, came ashore and joined Siemens as a service engineer in the docks, becoming Service Manager for the South Coast Division.

He left Siemens to set up his own company, Ship Shore Services, where he remained until his retirement at 70.

He was treasurer of the Port of Southampton Club for 22

years and was also involved in the organisation of reunion dinners for Royal Mail Lines.

Jim served the SMMC as a Harpooner from 2000 -2003 and towards the end of his life his eyesight failed. Undeterred, he would say, "I've only lost my sight, not my brains!"

Our condolences to his wife Mary and their daughter Joanne.

