



# **The Royal British Legion**



## **Market Harborough**

# ***In Touch***

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The monthly newsletter (founded 1996) of the Market Harborough Branch  
(BR0106) of the Royal British Legion.

**‘Shoulder to Shoulder  
With All Who Serve’**

**Next Monthly Branch Meeting  
Wednesday  
14 November**

Function Room, Conservative Club, Fairfield Rd, Market Harborough  
7-30pm

## **Branch News Subscriptions**

Were due on 1 October. The branch subscription is held at £2 and the Annual National Membership fee has risen by only £1. Please pay your subs (£15) to Myra Grewcock, 8 Holdenby Close, MH, LE16 8JE as soon as possible. If you don't yet pay by direct debit please consider doing so, it is so much easier for everyone.

## **County Festival of Remembrance**

This takes place on Saturday 3 November in the De Montfort Hall at 7pm.

The entertainment this year is provided by the Band of the Royal Marines, Lymstone.

Tickets are £14 and John Morley is seeking to provide a small coach for transport which will probably cost about £6 p/person.

Numbers are required urgently so if you have not signed the list at the Branch meeting, please contact John on MH 419714 or by email at [revjmorley@talktalk.net](mailto:revjmorley@talktalk.net)

## **Remembrance Activities**

### **Monday 5 November**

Set up the Garden of Remembrance 0830. Volunteers needed.

### **Sunday 11 November**

Wreath Laying Welland Park 0830. Parade assembles 0915 Tesco car park. Church service commences 1000. If you are not parading please be seated in church by 0930.

After the service the wreath laying will take place at the Memorial with

Last Post sounding at 1100. There will be no maroons this year.

### **Monday 12 November**

Removal of Garden of Remembrance 0830. Volunteers needed.

### **Saturday 17 November**

Branch Remembrance Concert 1930 at the Baptist Church, Coventry Road. Please support us all proceeds go to the Poppy Appeal.

## **Peaker Park Cocktail Party**

Join resident Legion members for an informal meeting and cocktails 1800 to 1930 on Wed 24 October. Please let Betty Ramsey know if you wish to attend.

## **Presentations**

John Cox was presented with a Branch Certificate of Appreciation for the work he has done as Branch Standard and Deputy Standard Bearer. The Chairman thanked John for his work, commenting, with tongue in cheek and a smile, that he expected him to continue the other things that he does so well for the Branch.

Poppy Collectors were presented with certificates by the President - more details next month.

## **Welfare**

If you are aware of any one who qualifies for, and who may benefit from, the Royal British Legion welfare services please contact

**Betty Ramsay**  
**01858 434923**

## AGM

Please do not forget to send in your nomination forms for the various posts on the Committee.

We are still looking for someone to take on the organising of the branch social team, someone to take over as editor of *In Touch* and someone to act as recruitment officer, or just be a member of the Committee.

Please take one step forward, and never mind what you were taught, to 'never volunteer'.

### **The MOD reported the following soldiers killed in Afghanistan.**

L Cpl Duane Groom aged 32 from Fiji of 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards killed on 14 September

Sergeant Gareth Thursby aged 29 from Skipton and Private Thomas Wroe aged 18 from Huddersfield both of 3rd Battalion Yorkshire Regiment, killed by rogue Afghan local policeman on 15 September

Sergeant Jonathan Kups aged 38 from Nuneaton of REME died on 21 September

Captain James Townley aged 29 from Tunbridge Wells of the Corps of Royal Engineers, died of wounds on 21 September.

Captain Carl Manley aged 41 of the Royal Marines died on 24 September from what are believed natural causes



Tuesday 6 November

Reservations before 30 October to Les Moore 01858 463112.

**All cancellations** phone the Angel 01858 462702 before 10am on the day before the meal, otherwise you will be charged for the meal

#### **Menu**

*Individual Steak & kidney pudding, mashed potato and marrow fat peas*

*Chicken strips in a Mushroom & bacon sauce, Vegetable curry, timbale of rice & Nan bread*

#### **Sweet**

*Chocolate crunch torte, clotted cream ice cream*

*Fresh fruit salad & fruit sorbet  
Spotted Dick & creamy custard  
Coffee and mints*

**£8-50 - pay on the day  
Meet in the bar at noon**

## What's Going On?

### Forthcoming Events

- 27 Oct Poppy Launch 11 am  
3 Nov Festival of Remembrance. De Montfort Hall. Transport to be arranged for those who need it.
- 5 Nov Remembrance Garden to be set up.
- 10 Nov Swing Night by Harbourough Musical Theatre Welland Park at 1930. 40s/50s theme, dancing singing, buffet. £15. Profits shared with RBL
- 11 Nov Remembrance Day  
12 Nov Remembrance Garden to be taken down
- 14 Nov Branch AGM  
17 Nov Branch Remembrance Concert 1930 at the Baptist Church, tickets from usual places
- Dec 13 **NOTE** - revised date for the Branch Meeting. Conservative Club not available on the 12th
- Dec Lunch There is no Tuesday lunch in December. The 'Christmas' lunch will be held on 8th January. Meet at 12 for 1230 cost £12.50.

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