

# The Royal British Legion

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*Warsop, Meden Vale & District  
Branch*

**NEWSLETTER**



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Congratulations go to the members of Warsop, Meden Vale & District Branch after they took three cups at the County Conference, held at Bilsthorpe. We now have over 100 members so fall into the 'large branch' category. The three awards were the 'Efficiency Cup', awarded for timely and accurate submission of Legion documentation to County, The 'Membership Cup' for the greatest percentage increase in member numbers over a three year period, and the Poppy Appeal Shield, awarded for the greatest percentage increase in money collected for the Poppy Appeal. I would like to give my personal thanks to those that made this possible, i.e. those who raised money for the Poppy Appeal and to those who have signed up new members.

Annual Parade and Service of Rededication - Southwell  
10th June, early evening, this is one of the main events in the County Calendar and it is proposed to hire a bus if sufficient numbers want to go. (Cost £3/person) Please let me know. It is a great event with a military band providing the music.

Concerts

We have some fantastic concerts on offer this year, which we all need to

give our support to as they are raising money for the branch.

They kick off on the 24 March with a Rock and Roll night organised by Reg Atkins. The profits are being split between Warsop Rotary and our Branch. Tickets are £10 available from Elaine and it will be at the Ex-**Servicemen's** Club on Carr Lane.

Rotarian Keith Clayton and the other members of Warsop Rotary have again invited the Band of the RAF Regiment to the Fretwell Centre on the 20th April. All proceeds to our Poppy Appeal. Again, a top notch military band who just get better and better. Tickets £10 (TBC).

**Again with Keith's** help, we are inviting Notts Police Band to entertain us at Warsop Church (TBC) on the 27th October 2012.

Camaraderie is at the heart of the Legion, but you have to come along to join in!

Kabul Orphanage appeal

Gordon Bell has received a plea for help

from Afghanistan. Soldiers had become aware of young children made orphans **by IED's and having** nothing but the rags they were clothed in. They are requesting anything from clothes to toys for the children in the orphanage whose ages range from babies to teenagers. We have already sent 10 boxes of essential items. Please let Elaine have any donations.

December Meeting  
Member Alan Hill entertained us with a sing-a-long which was enjoyed by all.

Birthday Greetings  
Birthday wishes go to the following members;

Leonard Appleby  
Mrs. J. Carter  
Alan Hill  
Doug Holmes  
Craig Moore  
Jeanette Nicholson  
Kevin Usher  
John Wood

A very happy birthday to you all.

#### New Members

This month we welcome two new members, Joyce and Alan Measures.

We welcome you both to the branch.

Get Well Wishes  
Our thoughts are with a number of members who have recently been ill.

George Humphries  
Barbara and Jan Lubieniecki  
Alan Warsop  
Alan Mallatratt  
Barbara Weicorek  
Charlie Baker  
I am sure they would welcome a visit.

#### Diary Dates

March

24 Rock & Roll Concert, Ex-**Servicemen's** Club. Tickets £10

April

20 Band of the RAF Regiment, Fretwell Centre

June

30 Armed Forces Weekend

September

29 Gala Concert Nottingham

October

27 Notts police Band Concert, Warsop Church (TBC)

November

11 Remembrance Sunday

Next Meeting

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February  
- Doors open 7.30pm.