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*Warsop, Meden Vale, & District Branch*

## **NEWSLETTER**

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**W**elcome to the April 2016 newsletter.

### **Drop In**

A big thank you to Cliff Meredith and Doreen Clarke for staffing the 'drop in' on the 1<sup>st</sup> April

Please come and say hello if you are passing. You may even get a cuppa!

### **March meeting**

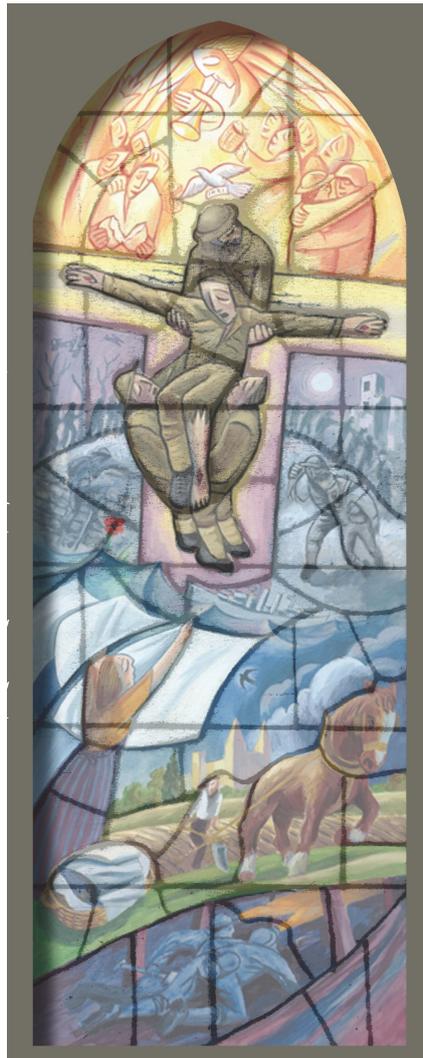
Everyone enjoyed our Presidents talk on the Falklands.

Very interesting and informative, it gave a different perspective to the Falklands War as David had relatives living in Argentina at the time.

### **Southwell Minster New Memorial Window**

Members voted to make a donation of £500 to the new window.

Almost the entire population of working men went to the First



World War, with devastating consequences for themselves and those left behind. The Minster – which was then the Mother Church for two counties – is a fitting place to com-

memorate all those from Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire who served and died.

The project also intends to reflect the impact on the civilian population, in particular on the women who were left to care for families and to maintain life at home. Mynheer's rich and approachable design is in the great tradition of stained glass: it tells a story in every detail, and it is infused with symbolism which points to a deeper meaning – only fully revealed to the attentive and contemplative viewer.

The window, to be situated in the South Quire Aisle, will be a powerful addition to the Minster, adding greatly to the building's significance for the communities it serves. To make this inspiring memorial a reality the organising committee, lead by

the Lord-Lieutenant, needs to raise £100,000.

### **HM The Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration**

As our Royal Charter does not allow us to use branch funds for the above donation, we are holding an afternoon tea on Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> May at The Oaklands, from 2 until 5 pm to mark the occasion of our patron's birthday and to raise funds for the donation.

Tickets are £5 to include food and musical entertainment.

Please invite your family and friends to celebrate with us.

### **Outing**

We are planning a trip to the East Kirkby - Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre - Friday 22nd July.

*Relive A World War Two Bomber Airfield Here At [East Kirkby](#). Experience The Sights And Sounds, Smells and Atmosphere of a bomber airfield. The only place in the country to see a [Lancaster Bomber](#) on an original wartime airfield, and ride in it! (pre book only). Including, original Control Tower, welcoming [NAAFI](#) and an emotionally evoca-*

*tive [Memorial Chapel](#) containing the 848 names of personnel who gave their lives from this airfield.*

*The largest Bomber Command museum in the country!*

Tickets £15 members and £20 non members including travel and entry.

**Birthday Greetings**  
Birthday wishes go to the following members;

Andy Andrews  
John Bell  
Chris Chapman  
Saskia Clarkson  
Wayne Donohue  
Caroline Dooley  
Freda Marples  
Nick Waltz  
Pamela Ward

A very happy birthday to you all.

### **New Members**

After being admonished for not welcoming new members as diligently as I should have, can we wish a big welcome to the following transferees and new members (some not so new now). I apologise to anyone who has not received the official welcome to the branch.

Ann Barnes  
John Hosty  
Sandra Dunne  
Paul Fletcher  
Duncon Mason

Rachel Waltz

We look forward to getting to know you all.

### **Thanks**

I often get asked how 'the new lass' is going on as secretary. I am pleased to report that she is doing brilliantly and is a real asset to the Branch.

Kay looks after our Facebook Page and her updates really 'sell' the branch to the rest of the world, so if you are on facebook like 'The Royal British Legion - Warsop, Meden Vale & District Branch' and share those posts with your friends.

### **Diary**

6<sup>th</sup> May - Drop in 10am until 12 noon Warsop Town Hall

28<sup>th</sup> May - Afternoon tea at The Oaklands. Tickets £5

5th June - Southwell Annual Service of Re-Dedication.

### **Next Meeting**

Our next meeting will be on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> April.

Meetings commence at 7.30pm at The Ex-Servicemen's Club, Carr Lane.

All are welcome to attend.

*Pete*