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Warsop, Meden Vale, & District Branch

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Welcome to the June 2017 newsletter.

Thank you to everyone who came to the May meeting, the minutes have been circulated but if you still require another copy please feel free to get in touch. It was a fantastic meeting with lots on the agenda, and we were overjoyed to learn that Tom and Marion raised a huge £380 in total from their wonderful social night. Thank you to everyone who was a part of it. Our June meeting is not far away so please let me know if there are any apologies or anything you wish to add to the agenda. Aside from that, I wish you all a pleasant month with hopefully plenty of sunshine.

ANNUAL RALLY AND SERVICE OF REDEDICATION

A reminder that Sunday 4th June brings our annual rally and service of re-dedication. Due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the County Parades and Ceremonial Committee, the Parade planned for the Annual Rally and Service of Dedication at Southwell Minster will no longer be taking place. Standards

present at the event will instead provide a guard of honour for the attendees. Although it is disappointing to have to announce this, we do hope that everyone attending the event will enjoy the day. This will still take place on Sunday 4th June 2017, with timings as 18:00 to arrive and a 18:30 prompt start. We still hope to see you at the Service of Dedication at Southwell Minster.

MANSFIELD ARMED FORCES DAY

Mansfield's Armed Forces Day will take part on Sunday 25th of June 2017 and will comprise of two elements; a parade and a stall in the market square. The parade will start at 10am from Buttercross near Westgate, and anyone is welcome to attend and take part in this part of the day, with Jason going along with our branch standard. Merchandise will be available to purchase and all funds raised will be going to the central Poppy Appeal fund. There will be a Hurricane fly past at 11:50am, children's activities and army vehi-

cles, as well as a 1940's trio band called The Cherry Belle's. It should be a fantastic day and we hope it will be well supported.

WARSOP CARNIVAL

Warsop carnival will be held on Sunday 2nd July 2017 this year, and I'm pleased that our stall has been booked. You can aid the success of this day in one of two ways; Help - Helpers will be needed to set up from 8am and throughout the day on the stall. A rota will be drawn up to make sure we have sufficient cover at all times, so please let us know if there is a specific time you prefer to help out or whether you can stay for the duration.

Donate Tombola Prizes - Tombola prizes are desperately needed, so if you can donate anything, please bring them to the next meeting or contact someone from the branch who will arrange to get there from you. This is greatly appreciated by everybody.

PUB QUIZ

On Friday 21st July, the branch will be doing the Royal British Legion pub quiz. We will meet at 7pm at The Plough Inn for a

7:30pm prompt start, and pie and pea supper will be provided and a cost of £3 each. If you wish to book a place, please let us know your numbers by the July meeting at the very latest so that we can pass this information on.

NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARBORETUM TRIP

Since Summer is now upon us, we are now planning our first branch trip of the year. The trip to the National Memorial Arboretum will take place on Wednesday 26th July with the bus leaving Burns Lane at 9am. This trip will be £8 for members and £10 for non-members, with any profits made going towards our fund to donate a bench to the NMA. Final numbers and the money need to be in by the July meeting, so please let us know as soon as possible if you are interested in going.

PASSCHENDAELE

During the Battle of Passchendaele, an estimated 245,000 allied and 215,000 German casualties (dead, wounded or missing) fell after approximately 100 days of heavy fighting for a movement of the front line of only 8 kilometres. To mark the centenary of this event, on the 31st of July the branch will be partaking in a small wreath laying service at Warsop Cenotaph at 11:00, followed by a small memorial at Warsop Vale. All are welcome to attend and our Branch President Col. David Sneath will be lying the wreath.

In addition, the centenary Passchendaele pins are now available but the

branch is limited to only 50! They are going quick so please get in there fast if you want one.

OAKLANDS AFTER-NOON TEA

We are hosting another Oakland's afternoon tea which will be used to raise money for our bench donation to the NMA. This will be held on Sunday 13th of August 2017 starting at 14:00 at The Oakland's, Warsop. It is £6 per person and if you are interested please give your names and money to either Elaine, Pete or Cliff. We are also in need of volunteers to help out with catering on the day, so please let us know if you are free.

JUNE BIRTHDAY'S

On behalf of the entire branch I would like to wish the following people a very Happy Birthday:

William Brown
Tim Brown
Elizabeth Corcoran
Tracey Fairlamb
Paul Fletcher
Elaine Hopkins
Liam Mcrell
Dorothy Pickard
David Sneath
Betty Trinder
Ray White

The Happiest of June birthday's to all of you!

DIARY DATES

Every Saturday - Vet's Breakfast at The Plough Inn from 10-12
Friday 2nd June - Warsop Pop-In Service at Warsop Town Hall
Sunday 4th June - Annual Rally and Service of Rededication
Monday 12th June - Monthly Branch Meeting at Warsop Ex-

Serviceman's Club
Sunday 25th June - Mansfield Armed Forces Day
Sunday 2nd July - Warsop Carnival
Friday 21st July - Pub Quiz at The Plough Inn
Wednesday 26th July - Branch Trip to NMA
Monday 31st July - Passchendaele Memorial Service
Sunday 13th August - Oaklands Afternoon Tea

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