

Legion Life

The Newsletter of the Morecambe and Heysham Branch

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Message from the President

Hello – Yes, it's that time of the year again when we all get ready for the annual Remembrance period; time to do our bit and reflect on lost comrades. This year the Sunday falls on the 11th which makes it all the more poignant, lets hope for a fine day and a big turnout.

The hard work has already begun with the Appeal organiser, Jeff Turner, ordering, receiving and organising the poppies. He will need a lot of help so if you do have any spare time to help please ring him on the number at the bottom of this page. The branch was out in force at the Seaside Festival and it was great to see members coming along to help the committee not just to put up the marquee but stay all day to sell tombola tickets and raise awareness amongst the public about the Legion, we also managed to recruit new members – well done all!

The festival saw proper summer weather in Morecambe and we managed to defy the rain when we held our members BBQ in August. Again, members provided help in cooking the food on the new outdoor BBQ at the York Hotel, its first and only use of the Summer. Let's see if we can do better next year?

Finally I hope to see many of you at the Branch AGM which will be held on Sunday 21st Oct at 11pm in the York Hotel. Lunches will be served after the meeting – book now!

All the Best Mike Dennison



Guess Who?

Who is the cheeky LCpl sitting down at the front of this group of Army Chefs pictured in Germany? The answer is found over the page. (Clue – he now grows food)

Legion shine at the Seaside Festival !



The local branch were out in force at the 2012 Seaside Festival in Morecambe at the beginning of September on what turned out to be perhaps the hottest day of the year. Members helped the committee to set up the County marquee and spent the day providing information about the Legion and encouraging people to join the Branch. We also made £300 from the tombola for branch funds. A great effort.

Third Members Meeting Announced

2 pm Saturday 17th Nov at the York Hotel Come along and find out how much we raised for the Poppy Appeal

Cask Ales £2 a pint for members

"Its your chance to have your say"

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Can you spare some time during Oct/Nov – contact Jeff Turner if you would like to help the Poppy Appeal as either a Poppy seller or money counter – or both!!!! All help gratefully received.

Can you see who it is yet?



Yes – its non-other than our Welfare and Membership Secretary, Les Croombs, pictured above outside his allotment shed. "Digging for Victory!!!"

Are you marching on the 11th?

If so why not come and join us in the York afterwards for a free curry or stew lunch. All are welcome and families are too. Also if you are not able to march come along to the York to watch the Remembrance Parade on the TV from Whitehall.

Its always a great afternoon on Remembrance Day and this year we have a fantastic vocalist for your entertainment with Dan Doherty.



Maree (Vice Chair) and Malcolm Brown (Secretary) join members for the BBQ at the August Member's Meeting in the new Jubilee Garden at the York Hotel.



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR THE MORECAMBE & HEYSHAM BRANCH OF THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WILL BE HELD AT 11-00 am SUNDAY 21st OCTOBER 2012 AT THE YORK HOTEL LANCASTER ROAD MORECAMBE

At Last – BBQ weather!!



Legion members Paul De Rome (in the apron) and Taffy Evans flank our Branch President at the new BBQ built for the Jubilee but only used during the members meeting in August. It proved to be a great success and hopefully we can get a few more in next year.



Christmas is coming to the York Hotel

There is plenty going on this Christmas at the York Hotel – your Branch HQ. We can cater for large or small parties and have a Christmas month menu available throughout December. There is a Children's Christmas Party on 23rd December (bring the grandkids) and we are open on Christmas Day for drinks and a chance to catch up with old friends. Give us a ring on 01524425353 or just pop in.