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Supporting peace and stability

Remembering Kosovo
25 years on



D-Day Kosovo event in pictures

On 11th June 2024, we marked 25 years since the end of the war in Kosovo and the deployment of the NATO peacekeeping force, KFOR. For a quarter of a century, British forces have been dedicated to supporting peace and stability in Kosovo. We recognised that unwavering service and sacrifice with a commemorative event in the Armed Forces



Festival of Remembrance tickets

The RBL Festival of Remembrance will be held at the Royal Albert Hall in London on Saturday 9th November 2024. Tickets for the evening performance have already sold out! Tickets for the afternoon performance go on sale at noon on 30th July. You'll have 14 minutes to complete your purchase, including entering the details for each ticket holder. We've been informed by our ticketing supplier that they are

Memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum (NMA) in Staffordshire on Sunday 23rd June. We welcomed veterans, their families, currently serving personnel, the Kosovar Ambassador, His Excellency Mr Ilir Kapiti, and the Kosovar Defence Attache.

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unable to increase this time limit. We've had positive feedback from those who purchased tickets for the evening performance that this didn't cause any concerns.

[Book tickets here](#)



March Past the Cenotaph

Are you a veteran without a service or unit association?

On Sunday 10th November 2024, the National Service of Remembrance will be held at the Cenotaph on Whitehall in London. If you meet the [eligibility criteria](#) contact your Branch Chair or Branch Secretary to register your interest by Friday 16th August.

Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

[Register here](#)



Marking South Asian Heritage Month

As part of our commitment to recognising the diverse contributions to the Armed Forces community, we are celebrating South Asian Heritage Month with some fantastic resources. South Asian Heritage Month runs from mid-July to mid-August. We are pleased to contribute stories of service, sacrifice and remembrance to the [official website](#). These stories embody the theme 'Free to Be Me' by showcasing the remarkable experiences of South Asian personnel who have served or are serving in the British Armed Forces. We encourage you to explore these resources to learn more about this shared history, the ongoing service of British South Asian personnel, and the rich tapestry of South Asian heritage within the Armed Forces community.



We're committed to the LGBTIQ+

RBL is committed to being a welcoming and inclusive organisation that supports and includes everyone, regardless of their gender identity or sexual orientation. On Saturday 29th June colleagues, volunteers, members, and beneficiaries marched alongside the LGBTIQ+ community in London, proudly wearing the RBL Pride Poppy Badge. Our Pride Poppy Badge is available to purchase from [Poppy Shop](#). Our new badge symbolises our support for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual and other sexually or gender diverse Armed Forces community.

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Invictus Games Team UK announced

The 64 members of Team UK taking part in Invictus Games 2025 have been selected. The Games will be held in Vancouver and Whistler, Canada, from 6th to 17th February 2025. It's the first-ever winter Invictus Games and will feature alpine skiing, skeleton, and wheelchair curling, as well as core Invictus Games sports such as archery, athletics, cycling and sitting volleyball. We've partnered with [Helly Hansen](#), so Team UK will have cutting-edge kit fit for the elements. Training camps for the selected competitors begin in August. RBL will also host a special friends and family weekend to bring competitors and their support networks together.

[Read more](#)



Ask new MPs to commit to Supporting those who Serve us

With our General Election campaign now over, we want to thank members who contacted their local parliamentary candidates to tell them about our manifesto and to ask for their support. We reached nearly 2,300 Parliamentary candidates across 466 constituencies! RBL and Poppyscotland are committed to ensuring the needs of the Armed Forces community are at the forefront of the minds of all new and returning MPs. You can still write to your MP asking them to support our [manifesto](#).

[Contact your MP](#)



Cycle the Netherlands Liberation Trail in 2025

Whether you're a newbie or a seasoned pro, choose your event and distance so that you can enjoy cycling alongside veterans. Explore the Kent event tracing the Battle of Britain, or discover the Shropshire event offering a chance to see RBL's Battle Back Centre. Entry starts from £25. Join us for an unforgettable journey.

If you have any questions, email myevent@britishlegion.org.uk or call 0345 845 1945.

[Find out more](#)



July edition of Legion Magazine

Our July edition starts with a tribute to our National President, Sir Clive Johnstone KBE CB.

Features include a look back at the commemorations in France and the UK to mark the 80th anniversary of D-Day, and a focus on some of its unsung heroes.

You can find out more about the National Memorial Arboretum (NMA) and read about May's Annual Conference, which brought together members, colleagues, beneficiaries and supporters.

[Read the magazine online](#)

Going back in time



From the Royal British Legion Journal July 1935

Woolwich Women's Section welcome children from France and Belgium.

Encourage others to join

Our members play a vital role in ensuring that the Royal British Legion can continue to provide support to the Armed Forces community as well as upholding the importance of Remembrance. Share this email with others you think might be interested in Legion membership.

[Join now](#)

If you have any questions about your membership or want to update your contact details, email our Membership Services team MembershipServices@britishlegion.org.uk

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