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THE WAR AND PEACE REVIVAL COMES TO KENT!



REX CASHMAN PRESENTS
**THE
WAR AND PEACE
REVIVAL**
THE GREATEST GATHERING OF MILITARY VEHICLES ON THE PLANET
AT THE GREAT BRITAIN AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM
IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE BRITISH MILITARY VEHICLE RESTORATION SOCIETY
17th to 21st JULY 2013



RAF Westenhanger, Folkestone Racecourse is the brand new venue for the brand new War and Peace event! Featuring military and vintage civilian re-enactors, living history, battle re-enactments and arena events, vintage entertainment, shopping, funfair and models it's a great family day out. The Vintage Village contains civilian displays from the 1930s to the 1960s including Home Front, classic cars and vehicles and much more - something for everyone whether you're into the military side or the vintage living. Live music day and night gives a real festival feel to the world's biggest military vehicle event.

Travel is easy with the venue being just a couple of minutes off Junction 11 of the M20 and the mainline Westenhanger station immediately next door. From the continent, the Channel Tunnel terminus is 5 minutes away and Dover ferry port about 10-minute drive.

The War and Peace Revival is delighted to offer a special discount for Royal British Legion Youth Members of just £10 for under 17s and £12 for 17 and over. To take advantage of this special offer, simply call 01304 813337 and quote RBLYM 2013.

For more information, see www.thewarandpeace revival.co.uk or email rex@warandpeace.uk.com

MAKE SURE YOU BOOK YOUR PLACE TODAY, AS YOU ARE GUARANTEED A BRILLIANT DAY OUT. THERE IS FAR TOO MUCH TO SEE IN JUST ONE DAY SO WHY NOT THINK ABOUT GOING FOR THE WEEKEND?

THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL SCHOOLS DAY ON WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY AND I AM ASSURED THAT ALL CADETS UNITS FROM KENT WISHING TO JOIN IN WITH THIS WOULD BE MOST WELCOME AT SPECIAL REDUCED RATES.

If you have any relatives who served in either World War 2, the Korean War or who did National Service, they will be admitted free of charge so make this a family day out to remember!

If you are a Cadet and reading this, you will already have a good idea of what the Royal British Legion is all about. But I wonder if you have thought about joining the Legion in your own right, as a Youth Member? And do you know what the benefits are, if you were to do so?

Membership is for anyone between the ages of 12 and 17 and costs only £5. That is one single payment of £5 no matter what your age which will last until your eighteenth birthday.

All members receive a monthly copy of the Legion magazine, full of news on all services, and the Royal British Legion, and contains many articles to give you something to think about. If you have a serious interest in joining one of the services as a career, you will find much to interest you here.

As a Youth Member in Kent you also receive your own copy of this newsletter and discounts, like the two that are mentioned in this edition.

And most importantly, you will be a member of the biggest and most important charity supporting today's service personnel and their families.

You can easily join by going online at www.britishlegion.org.uk and click on the membership link. Kent has its own website too (address as above plus /kent) and you might like to visit our Facebook page at Kent Youth.

And if you get really stuck, you can always email me at sjfos@fsmail.net



Mason (pictured left) is just about to become the youngest and newest member of RBL Downs Branch. To use his own words, he was 11 rising 12 at Remembrance time. When he told his aunt that he had been invited along with the rest of the Sea Scouts to the Remembrance Sunday Service she said that he had "to earn the right to go along." So on the first Saturday of the Appeal he stood for the whole morning in rain and freezing wind in the local market with his Poppy Box. Not content with that, he gave up two hours of every day of his half term to dress in his uniform and stand outside of the family shop. He filled over two boxes with a total of £291.42 and enjoyed every minute of it.

Two weeks ago he joined the Downs Branch to help with their Easter Egg Tombola and later this month will be helping with their next fundraising day.

NEW AFFILIATIONS

Since the last edition of this newsletter there are been more affiliations between RBL Branches and Cadet units.

So congratulations to the following Branches and Units.....

Elham Valley Branch have affiliated with the Aylesham Detachment of the Kent Army Cadet Force and with the Folkestone and Hythe Sea Cadets.

Ramsgate Branch has affiliated with the Viper Corps of Drums.

Swanley, Hextable and Crockenhill Branch have affiliated with 593 (Swanley) Squadron RAF Air Training Corps - and very recently have another new affiliation in the pipeline.

Cheriton and Morehall Branch has affiliated with 99 (Folkestone) Squadron RAF Air Training Corps.

And most recently, Tonbridge Branch has affiliated with the Hazebrook School.



Chairman Lee Marshall from the Elham Valley Branch presents affiliation certificates to Folkestone and Hythe Sea Cadets (left) and Aylesham Army Cadet Force (right.)



President Henry Shackleton of the Elham Valley Branch present affiliation badges to the Aylesham Army Cadets.



The Viper Corps of Drums (left) who affiliated with RBL Ramsgate. They are a very professional marching military style band.

Visit them on Facebook!

I am eagerly awaiting more photos of the new affiliations when you have held your ceremonies. Please send them to me at susan.foster@btinternet.com

SUMMER 2013 EVENTS NOT TO MISS

EURO MILITAIRE 2013 will take place on 21st and 22nd September in the Leas Cliff Hall in Folkestone and it is a show unlike any other! It is now in its 28th year and so the organisers have lots of experience in putting on a really good show. It will be packed full of models - military, model railways, model boats, model flying and all sorts of others and so should be of interest to you all. And what is more, I have been promised that there will be a reduced admission for Youth Members of the Royal British Legion, probably a reduction of 50%! So visit the website at www.euromilitaire.co.uk and find out all there is to know. The Royal British Legion have also been offered the stage of the Hall to use for their own purposes so we shall be there fundraising, recruiting and promoting the Legion. If you would like to be involved, please contact me directly.

HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE?

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT IT IS?

CONTACT THE CHAIRMAN OF YOUR LOCAL RBL BRANCH OR IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHO THAT IS, ASK ME AND I WILL TELL YOU.

8th June Folkestone Airshow 2013 offers fun and excitement for all the family, with thrilling air displays and even more entertainment on the ground, included in a three day Fly Folkestone Seaside Festival. Ground events include flight simulators, fun fairs, dedicated childrens activities, food village, exhibition stands, displays, history tours, and lots more. With a spectacular FREE flying display to include Red Arrows, Typhoon, Battle of Britain Memorial flight and more. For full event details www.folkestoneairshow.com

22nd June The South East Airshow. This incredibly popular airshow is coming back to Manston Airport after many years absence. The show which ran from the 2nd World War now returns, with an impressive list of aircraft some of which will be on the ground for an even closer view. For more information visit www.facebook.com/southeastairshow

24th, 25th, 26th August Military Oddysey at Detling Showground Battles, arena demonstrations & living history displays, restored military vehicles. For more information visit www.military-odyssey.com

17th/18th August Military Vehicle Show and Vintage Aircraft weekend. The Invicta Military-Vehicle Preservation Society present the 5th edition of this fantastic show at Headcorn Aerodrome, near Maidstone, Kent. This Event will be open to the public on the Saturday and Sunday. Featuring: A 'fly-in' of vintage Military and Civilian aircraft, including famous WW2 warplanes, continuously throughout the whole week-end. Military vehicle displays, live arena battle-action, tank and armoured vehicle demonstrations. Living history and re-enactment groups, militaria and trade stalls, bars/refreshments. A real action packed week-end, on the ground and in the air. More information at www.imps.org.uk

I would love to receive anything you would like to contribute to this newsletter, whether it is about something you have done as a Cadet, or towards the Poppy Appeal, whether it is your view on something regarding our Services, or even a story about a visit to one of these events.

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