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The Royal British Legion

Gnosall & District Branch 75th Anniversary 1936-2011

“Caring and Campaigning for the Serving and ex-Service Community”

“The Grapevine”

About The Royal British Legion

The Royal British Legion is the nation's leading Armed Forces charity providing care and support to all members of the British Armed Forces past and present and their families. It is also the national Custodian of Remembrance and safeguards the Military Covenant between the nation and its Armed Forces. It is best known for the annual Poppy Appeal and its emblem the red poppy.

Please visit www.britishlegion.org.uk for details of our national initiatives.

Our Branch

Our Branch Meetings are held at the St John Ambulance Headquarters, behind the Grosvenor Centre, High Street, Gnosall, at 20.00 hrs on the 1st Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, November [AGM] and December. At the December meeting refreshments are served and friends and supporters are welcome to attend.

Membership is open to all serving and ex-service personnel and to any other person over 18 years of age with an interest in the work of the Legion.

Prospective members should contact the Chairman, Mr Bob Lacey on 01785 823438.

News in brief

The Branch Chairman and Standard bearer attended a few recent events for the Royal British Legion. The Chairman and Standard Bearer attended the “Beating of the Retreat” at the Telford Fun day on the 5th of May 2011. The Standard Bearer stood in for a vacant Shropshire Standard which completed the line up; there were only six Branch Standards on Parade and the National Standard. The Chairman and Standard Bearer were in attendance at the Annual Conference in Telford on the 21st and Sunday the 22nd of May 2011. This was a special time for all who attended and there was lots of information regarding the way the Royal British Legion will move forward in the next 12 months. Hopefully in the next edition we will be able to add some photos and more information in this section regarding our activities.

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Thiepval Memorial Service

Friday the 1st of July 2011 is the 95th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme and the annual service of Remembrance will be held at Thiepval at 10.30am. For more information please contact The Royal British Legion, 199 Borough High St, London SE1 1AA. Tel +44 (0)20 3207 2100.

Gnosall & District Branch, The Royal British Legion Standard Bearer The Battle of the Somme, 95th Anniversary

On Friday the 1st of July 2011, there will be a 2 minutes silence outside the Memorial Hall, Gnosall at 07.30am with the standard of the Gnosall & District Branch, The Royal British Legion dipped. Then a 2 minutes silence at the War memorial in Haughton at 08.30am the standard of the Gnosall & District Branch, The Royal British Legion dipped. Lastly, a 2 minutes silence at the War memorial in Norbury at 09.30am the standard of the Gnosall & District Branch, The Royal British Legion dipped.

Gnosall and District Branch Annual BBQ

This year's Annual BBQ will be held at the Grosvenor Centre on Saturday the 2nd of July 2011 starting at 11.00am.

Ypres 90th Anniversary Service of Commemoration

A Joint Service of Commemoration for the 90th anniversary of The Royal British Legion is being held in St George's Memorial Church, Ypres on Saturday the 2nd of July 2011. For more information please contact The Royal British Legion, 199 Borough High St, London SE1 1AA. Tel +44 (0)20 3207 2100

North Staffordshire County Memorial Service

County Memorial Service will be held on Saturday the 9th of July 2011 at 15.00hrs in Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Bridge Street, Uttoxeter.

Whitchurch Royal British Legion 90th Anniversary Dinner & Dance

Whitchurch Branch RBL 90th Anniversary Dinner & Dance. 7pm until Midnight. Tickets £15 from 01948 667128, 07967 814150 or 07807 231547.

Rolleston-on-Dove Community Parade

Rolleston-on-Dove Branch, The Royal British Legion Community Parade Commences at approx 11 a.m on Saturday the 9th of July 2011 starting at Scout HQ in Rolleston-on-Dove.

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Bristol Cathedral 90th Anniversary Concert

Part of the Concerts in Cathedral series to celebrate the 90th anniversary of The Royal British Legion, this concert on Saturday the 9th of July 2011 will have the theme "Peace and Reconciliation" and feature the band of The Prince of Wales Division. For more information please contact The Royal British Legion, 199 Borough High St, London SE1 1AA. Tel +44 (0)20 3207 2100

Norwich Cathedral 90th Anniversary Concert

Part of the Concerts in Cathedral series to celebrate the 90th anniversary of The Royal British Legion, this concert on Saturday the 9th of July 2011 will have the theme "Peace and Reconciliation" and feature the RAF Regiment Band. For more information please contact The Royal British Legion, 199 Borough High St, London SE1 1AA. Tel +44 (0)20 3207 2100.

90th Anniversary Grand Celebrations, Llandudno

To celebrate the 90th anniversary of The Royal British Legion, there will be a special day of events in Llandudno on Sunday the 10th of July 2011. During the day, join us on the Promenade for stalls, competitions, displays, bands and family fun activities. There will also be a Poppy Appeal 13 mile walk, a Drumhead Service at the War Memorial and a march. The culmination of the day will be a packed evening of entertainment with "Festival of Remembrance" style opening and closing ceremonies with 90 parading Standards. For more information please contact The Royal British Legion, 199 Borough High St, London SE1 1AA. Tel +44 (0)20 3207 2100.

Dedication of the Gnosall and District Branch, The Royal British Legion 75th Anniversary Pennant

Combined with the Civic service/ Songs of praise on Sunday the 10th of July 2011 there will be the dedication of the 75th Anniversary Pennant in St Lawrence Church, Gnosall. All are welcome to attend. For more information please contact the Branch Chairman, contact details in "Our Branch" section of this electronic newsletter.

Warwickshire County Parade and Service of thanksgiving

Warwickshire County Parade and the 90th Anniversary of the Royal British Legion in Warwick on Sunday the 10th of July 2011. For more information please contact the Warwickshire County Secretary on 02476 312974.

Hull 90th Anniversary Concert

To celebrate the 90th anniversary of The Royal British Legion, there will be a concert on Friday 15th of July 2011 in Hull. Venue: City Hall, Hull, East Yorkshire. Tickets: When on sale, details will be available on www.cathedralconcerts.co.uk

Wells Cathedral 90th Anniversary Concert

This concert on Saturday 16th of July 2011 will have the theme "Peace and Reconciliation" and feature the Central Band of the RAF. Venue: Wells Cathedral, Somerset. Tickets: When on sale, details will be available on www.cathedralconcerts.co.uk

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Poppy Walk 2011, London

This year's Poppy walk will take place on Sunday the 17th of July 2011 in London. Whether you enter as an individual, family or a team, this is a fun and easy day out. So if you feel like an interesting and challenging day out and at the same time help to support the work of The Royal British Legion to safeguard the welfare, interests and memory of those who serve and have served in the Armed Forces, and their families, contact us now. Contact: Rebecca Pride, Telephone: 020 3207 2272 Email: rpride@britishlegion.org.uk

Leek Branch 90th Anniversary Parade

Leek Branch 90th Anniversary Parade on Sunday the 17th of July 2011. Assemble in the Market Square at 11.00 for the March Off at 11.30 for a Drum-Head Service in the Park.

Bath Abbey 90th Anniversary Concert

Part of the Concerts in Cathedral series to celebrate the 90th anniversary of The Royal British Legion, this concert on Friday the 22nd of July 2011 will have the theme "Peace and Reconciliation". Venue: Bath Abbey, Somerset. Tickets: When on sale, details will be available on www.cathedralconcerts.co.uk

Party on the Hill (Poth), Ramsbury

The Ramsbury Royal British Legion Club is organising a "Party on the Hill" at Liddington Warren Farm (Sugarhill Festival site) near Swindon on Saturday the 23rd of July 2011. Heading the day's entertainment is The Wurzels who will be supported by The Nashville Teens, Apple Bee Theatre Company, The Demented, Guitar Stools and Cigarettes, Tasha Styles, the Wilton Royal British Legion Band and many more. Camping is available and there'll also be a Spitfire Aerial Display, Hog Roast and fairground attractions. When: all day, on the 23rd of July 2011 (camping available Friday & Saturday nights). Where: Liddington Warren Farm (Sugarhill Festival site), Swindon SN4 0EB. Tickets: Adults £25, children & OAPs £10, under 12s are free. More information: visit poth.ramsburylegion.org.uk

Legion 90th Anniversary Concert Lichfield Cathedral

Legion 90th Anniversary Concert Lichfield Cathedral with the Band of the Royal Air Force College, on Saturday the 30th July 2011. For tickets e-mail apreece@britishlegion.org.uk or ring 01785 226526.

If you wish to support the Gnosall & District Branch, The Royal British Legion by arranging a function or charity event we would be interested to here from you, please email us at the address below, thank you.

Other than the telephone details in the “Our Branch” section, you may also wish to email us- gnosallrbl@btinternet.com

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