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'Shoulder to Shoulder With All Who Serve'

**Next Monthly Branch Meeting
Wednesday
8 August**

Function Room, Conservative Club, Fairfield Rd, Market Harborough
7-30pm

County & Branch News

County Reorganisation

The County Manager, Richard Foster, has moved to the post of Area Manager Lancashire & Gtr Manchester wef 1 July.

Paul Mulingani has been appointed Area Manager for the East Midlands, based in Derby and Linda Flecknell is nominated Area Manager for South East Midlands based in Oxford .

Standard Bearers Parade

The Branch hosted the 55th Annual County Standard Bearers' Association Rededication Service on 17 June. A parade led by the band of 1084 (Mkt Harborough) Squadron ATC marched to St Dionysius for a service led by Rev Brand and Very Rev Morley. The service was attended by the Chairman of Harborough District Council and the RBL County Chairman.

After the service the parade made its way to the War Memorial where wreaths were laid.

Armed Forces Events

23rd June saw the Branch Standard carried at the Service of Commemoration for our Armed Forces

at Leicester Cathedral. George Fleming acted as Deputy Parade Marshall.

On 25 June John Cox carried the Branch Standard at the Armed Forces Week Flag Raising Ceremony at the Council Offices. George Fleming was Parade Marshall
July 1 dawned with the sun shining on what proved to be a very successful Armed Forces event at Wel-land Park.

Admiral Sir James Perowne accompanied by Lady Perowne opened the day with Carnival Queen Kate Darby, who made an excellent speech on behalf of young people. Edward Garnier MP was present and later visited the various displays.

After the opening ceremony the arena displays started with the 1084 (Market Harborough) Squadron ATC marching band, current holders of the Air Cadet Organisation National Marching Band Championships. Other displays included a stirring field gun demonstration by the local Army Cadets, Youth Brass 2000, wowed the crowd with their music and 1940's singer Pete Ware treated us to a selection of music from the WW1 era, with some joining in the singing. The County Standards Display Team performed their faultless routine to end the displays. The event was

Welfare

If you are aware of any one who qualifies for, and who may benefit from, the Royal British Legion welfare services please contact

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**Parade Marshall
George Fleming**

The MOD reported the following soldiers killed in Afghanistan.

Flt Lt Hywel Poole aged 28 from Bangor,
Sqn Ldr Samuel Bailey aged 36 from Nottingham,
Flt Lt Adam Sanders aged 28, all from 15(R) Sqn RAF, died 3 July
WO2 Leonard Thomas aged 44 from Ross on Wye, Royal Corps of Signals killed 1 July
Guardsman Craig Roderick aged 22 from Cardiff 1st Battalion Welsh Guards killed 1 July .
Guardsman Apete Tuisovurua aged 28 from Fiji of 1st Battalion Welsh Guards killed 1 July

closed by John Everett Chairman of the District Council followed by a Sunset Ceremony. During the ceremony, and with immaculate timing, a Dakota made three low passes rounding off a great day. Thank you to all who took part and particularly to the Armed Forces Committee under the chairmanship of Very Rev John Morley.

The final salute at the Sunset Ceremony



Tuesday 7 August
Reservations before 31 July to
Les Moore 01858 462702
All cancellations phone the
Angel 01858 462702 before
10am on the day of the meal. If
you don't cancel as above you
will be charged for the meal

Menu

*Baked tail of cod, new potatoes,
garden peas, & parsley sauce*

*Supreme of chicken, crushed new
potatoes, bacon & mushroom
sauce & savoury cabbage*

*Steak & ale pie, mashed potatoes
& marrowfat peas*

*Ham, chicken or cheese salad &
new potatoes*

Sweet

*Upside down pineapple sponge &
vanilla ice cream*

*Blueberry cheesecake, clotted
cream & clotted ice cream*

Fresh fruit salad and fruity sorbet

Coffee and mints

£8-50 - pay on the day
Meet in the bar at noon

What's Going On?

Forthcoming Events

- 21 July County half year Conference. Melton Mowbray 1230, Presentation by Chelsea Pensioners
- 28 July RNA Cheese and wine Party. Great Bowden Village Hall, 7 pm. £5 to include 2 glasses of wine.
- 3 Nov Festival of Remembrance. De Montfort Hall. Transport to be arranged for those who need it.
- 5 Nov Remembrance Garden to be set up.
- 10 Nov Swing Night by Harborough Musical Theatre at Welland Park. 40s/50s theme, dancing singing, buffet. £15. Profits shared with RBL
- 11 Nov Remembrance Day
- 12 Nov Remembrance Garden to be taken down

2013 - a special year, the Branch is 90 years old. Ideas to celebrate this event welcome.

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