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Warsop, Meden Vale & District
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NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to the March 2011 Newsletter.

We Will Remember Them.

It is with sad regret that I report the loss of one of our members, Mr Phil Davis, And that of our good friend Mr Jack Etches.

Poppy Appeal

It has been agreed that the proceeds from the Band of the RAF Regiment concert being put on by The Rotary Club of Warsop, Shirebrook and District should go towards our Poppy Appeal. This is fantastic news for us in this the Legions 90th year when the plan is to try and raise f 90 Million. The more tickets sold. the more we get so please do your bit and sell some tickets. It will be a superb concert.

Meetings

At our March meeting we have Mr Bill Power talking about his Army Service. I have heard some good reports on this one, so it is one not to miss.

I have also managed to book in one of our Woodhouse members to speak to us in June, Ms Dorothy Pickard, who will talk about her experiences of working at Bletchley Park!

Trips

The general consensus is that members would like to visit



Eden Camp modern history theme museum in North Yorkshire.

This has now been arranged for Saturday the 9th July, leaving Burns Lane at 9am. We should be back in Warsop about 6pm. Tickets are £12.50 for members and £15 for non-members.

We have booked a 29 seater executive coach so other branches will be invited to join us. Give me a ring to reserve your place.

New Members

I would like to welcome our latest batch of new members to the Branch.

Bill Brown Angela Fletcher Tony Fletcher

We welcome you all

Moving On

Gordon Bell has

moved to Leicestershire. Gordon will be a great loss to both our Branch and to Nottinghamshire County where in both he has done some sterling work in furthering the work of the RBL.

He will be sadly missed but our loss is Leicestershire's gain. I am sure that you all would like to join me in wishing Gordon the very best of luck for the future.

County Lunch

Elaine is organising this years County Lunch which will again be held at South Forest, Edwinstowe on Sunday the 5th June. Tickets are priced at £15 per person and we hope to again fill a table.

This is an opportunity to meet other branches for fellowship and we hope the guest speaker will be Jason Rathbone, a Gulf War



Members at last years lunch

Veteran, who was featured recently on a BBC Panorama programme for working with Mansfield District Council to care for ex-Service people, suffering once back in Civvy Street.

Birthday Greetings

March birthday wishes go to the following members;

Tom Barlow
Barbara Lubieniecki
David Pugh
Pete Smith

A very happy birthday to you all.

Thanks

Once again our friends at The Kabin have donated a fantastic £200 to the branch. This money will help us maintain The RBL's status as the No. 1 Charity caring for the needs of the Service Community.

The family of Phil Davis have also donated money collected in lieu of flowers which will go to our Poppy Appeal.

<u>Diary Dates</u> March

31st - RAF Regiment Band. Tickets £10

April

30th - Southwell Minster, Concert in the Cathedral

May

1st - Phil Cox starts his Bike-athon for Combat Stress.

www.justgiving.com/phillip-cox3

June

5th - County Lunch, South Forest, Edwinstowe 11th - Rainworth, Blidworth & District Branch Events Day

July

3rd - Warsop Carnival

October

15th - Royal Concert Hall, Nottingham. Concert with Magdala Trust and Faryl Smith. 21st - Britannia Hotel, Nottingham, Black Tie Poppy Ball and Dinner.

November

26th - Branch Christmas Meal

Next Meeting

Monday March 11th - Doors open 7.30pm. Guest Speaker Bill Power talking about his Army Service.

Pete