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The President Major John Holmes MBE presents Certificates to the Army Cadets.



The President and members attended a meeting of the Army Cadets and presented Cadets with certificates for their help assisting with the 2013 Poppy Appeal collection.

Message from the Chairman John Hayes:

Welcome to the first edition of our branch newsletter. This one covers past and future events plus points of interest for 2014. This newsletter will be for a trial period but, if members can get involved and send us some interesting information, this will help keep it going. The Committee would like to say a huge THANK YOU to our retiring President Mr Vincent Young and to our retiring Chairman, Mr Ted Williams for their dedicated service to the branch and its members. We wish them both good health and good luck for the future.

County Conference was held at RAF St Mawgan on the 12th January 2014 when four committee members attended one of which was me with the branch Standard.

This year as usual we visited the Army and ATC Cadets and issued Poppy Appeal Certificates to those who helped our branch collect over £16,000 for 2013 but we also made a visit to the Police Cadets on the 23rd

January 2014 when our President Major John Holmes MBE gave a presentation on the work of the RBL locally and nationally.

This year we affiliated to the Rotary Club of Camborne.



Who like us is a worldwide charity. This will prove most beneficial for both our organisations.

We are currently training Standard Bearers on the first Tuesday of each month and at present this includes County Champions as well as our two cadets and other branches. If you know of any person wishing to train for this very important role then please let me know. The Branch Standard goes to functions all over the South West and is also involved at funeral services, conferences and forces / veterans' events as well as all the Remembrance Services. The Camborne Branch Standard made over 40 visits to functions last year.

Victory in Europe was remembered on the 7th May 2014 with a short service at the Camborne War Memorial. A wreath was laid by our President and our chaplain the Rev Jon Bellfield conducted the service. About 25 members and public attended.

The Royal British Legion National Conference will take place at Torquay this year on the 16th – 17th and 18th of May. Our branch delegate Chairman John Hayes will attend and he will also be attending a special membership forum as well as the main events and, if possible, a fringe meeting at 8am on the 18th.

EVENTS CALENDAR.

SATURDAY 31ST OF MAY 2014.

This is your “LIVE” three hour show with songs and music from the 1960/70/80’s plus an Elvis session performed by the talented DAVE JAMES starting at 8pm at Holman’s Sports Club. Tickets cost £5 and can be had from myself or pay at the door. Plus of course our great raffle. Please hurry and get your tickets.

SUNDAY 1ST JUNE 2014.

This will be our first Youth Sports Event also at Holman’s on the sports field. It will be a trial run with the Cadet groups from Camborne and if all goes well this will be an annual event when the Sports challenge will go out across the County.

SATURDAY 21ST JUNE 2014.

This is Armed Forces Day which this year will take place at the Heartlands Project at Pool. The event starts off with the march off to the parade ground by the veterans, Standards and Cadets 1200 hours muster. Members and veterans wishing to act as marshals for this event please contact the Secretary before the end of the month with names and contact numbers. This is NOT a Royal British Legion event but we (Camborne) have been asked to assist. What a privilege, especially in front of so many people.

SATURDAY 19TH JULY 2014.

Members of the committee will be manning the RBL stand at Camborne Show. If you wish to help, please contact me asap. It is great fun meeting the public.

SATURDAY 26TH JULY 2014.

We shall be holding the Roscroghan Memorial service at the Roscroghan site. Please join with us, we muster at 1030 hours.

FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST 2014.

We shall be holding a short service to commemorate Victory in Japan at the Camborne War Memorial please join with us muster at 1030am.

Could we please have your phone numbers, mobiles and emails for easier contact. Your details will be kept secure with us and not shared with any third person /party. We would encourage members to attend the Branch Meetings so that you can be appraised of the events being held by your branch.

THE CAMBORNE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2014.

President	Major John Holmes MBE
Chairman	John Hayes
Vice Chairman	John Gumm
Treasurer	Morwenna Williams
Secretary	Ian Thompson
Membership Secretary	Stephen Cook
Parade Marshal	Malcolm Godolphin
Standard Bearer	John Hayes
Youth Education	Major John Holmes MBE
Welfare	Major John Holmes MBE
Branch Officer	Peter Treloar

Poppy Appeal Organiser	Pam Thompson
P.A. Organisers Team	Barbara Cook Jeanette Hayes

Membership Secretary Stephen Cook.

I have recently become Membership Secretary, having taken over from John Hayes and to whom I would like to say a big thank you for all his help.

At the moment I am still finding my feet but hopefully over the coming months I shall have the opportunity to meet or be in contact with many of you. You will of course hear from me when membership renewals are due!

It is the intention to continue to seek new members and to this end if you know anyone who you think might be interested in joining

please let me know so that I can follow up, or ask them to contact me direct.

Finally I would like to ask for your help. We would like to compile a list of members e-mail addresses so that we can keep you all better informed of what's happening. If you have an email address please will you email it to me so that we can start to keep a database. I must emphasise that this data is for our use only and will not be shared / passed on to any third party.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN THE REV JON BELLFIELD.

My name is Rev Jon Bellfield I am Methodist Minister in Camborne. This year I have the privilege and honour to be selected as chaplain to the Camborne Branch of the Royal British Legion.

There are several tasks attached to being a chaplain; the first being to lead services of worship for the Royal British Legion. The worship services are very moving and significant whether there be 20 folk gathered around a memorial to the large Remembrance Day services of many hundreds. There are times of quiet reflection and words that are deep, as well as the call to "Remember Them". It is noticeable that the sense of fellowship between those attending is tangible and real. The other tasks associated with being a chaplain are to walk alongside the membership of the Camborne Branch, praying regularly for all those affected by war and the branch members and also to assist the Welfare Officer

in times of significant pastoral need. I am available to meet in a confidential manner with those in crisis, in need of prayer and support. The Camborne Branch works in a dynamic way engaging all ages and I have been very heartened to see how in times of worship and remembrance the Branch always engages the children of our community. What a blessing to know that we are teaching our children to honour life and to remember those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice so that we may enjoy a community free from fear and tyranny. My constant prayer is 'let us not cease in the work of calling all people to remember' Amen

Contact the Revd Jon Bellfield is via Major John Holmes MBE or you can telephone 01209 713128 if the matter is confidential.

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The Camborne Branch meets in the Holman's Sports Club and members will be made very welcome. Please ensure you have your membership card available to show if and when required. The Bar is open from 7pm each evening.

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