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*Warsop, Meden Vale, & District Branch  
With Edwinstowe Sub-Branch*

## NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the February 2015 newsletter.

### Roll of Honour

I sorry to announce the death of member Mr Doug Holmes. Funeral arrangements will be circulated via email.

### Branch Secretary

I am pleased to announce that I have now taken on the role as County Vice-Chairman. However, due to changes made by the Membership Council this means I **cannot** hold the position of branch Secretary.

I am willing to keep producing the newsletter as well as arrange Remembrance Parade and Service. I will fully support anyone who is able to help.

### Tower Poppies

They have not yet started to arrive. Those who have paid will be notified as soon as they start to arrive.

### Christmas Dinner

Due to being let down at the last minute, Steve who played for us

last year came and entertained us again. It was the usual good fayre from South Forest, enjoyed by all.

### Branch Christmas Social

Our December meeting was again our chance



**Brenda Stockdale and Pauline Harvey raised a fantastic amount by making and selling knitted/crocheted poppies.**



**Staff from the Coop also supported us in a variety of ways.**

to meet up with friends old and new, and to say thank you to all who have supported the branch and the Poppy Appeal in 2014.



**The licensee from The Crate and Grapes accepts a certificate of appreciation.**

A big thank you goes from the branch to all those individuals and groups that helped us during the year.

Mine and Elaine thanks go to all members for the surprise certificates and gifts (especially to Cliff.) They really were appreciated.

He set me up to do a surprise certificate for Elaine and she for me.

### Can You Help?

The Area Welfare team have received a request

from a beneficiary who lives on Ridgeway. He is housebound and his wife is in home. He is requesting a visit for a bit of company.

### **Membership**

All unpaid membership cards have now been returned.

### **Birthday Greetings**

Birthday wishes go to the following members;

Leonard Appleby  
Jacky Carter  
Chris Guy  
Alan Hill  
Peter McNally  
Lauren Meredith  
Craig Moore  
Jeanette Nicholson  
Kevin Usher  
John Wood  
Marylin Woods

A very happy birthday to you all.

If you are missing from the list, I do not know when your birthday is. Please let me know

### **County Conference**

A successful event with a new format being tried to make it sharper and more focussed. The venue was moved to Portland College. Thanks go to Richard Dodge for representing the branch.

Guest speaker was Area Manager, Mrs Linda Flecknall who updated attendees with the current situation regarding Welfare and further plans for the future.

### **New Members**

Apologies for any duplication, but we welcome new members to the

branch.

Edwinstowe  
Mrs Alice Bungay  
Mr Phil Jones  
Mr Gary Lock

Warsop  
Miss Allison Hunt  
Mrs Val Leivers  
Mr Terry Leivers  
Miss Lauren Meredith  
Miss Brenda Pearce  
Mr Ray White  
Mrs Chris Wilson

Welcome to you all!

### **Thanks**

Special thanks go to Wayne and Sue Drennon for a very generous donation of over £300 raised by raiding their piggy bank.

We also thank Sandra Dunne and her family for a generous donation in memory of her late father, Mr Graham Hawksworth. Graham was a long standing supporter of the branch and also the brother of Freda Marples.

### **Diary**

9<sup>th</sup> February—Meeting.  
Paul Laycock is our speaker. 7.30pm Ex-Servicemen's, Carr Lane

11<sup>th</sup> April—Spring Poppy Ball, The Nottingham Belfry. £30

8<sup>th</sup> May VE Day Street Party, Worksop Market Place

### **Regards**

We have been asked to pass on the regards of our Chairman and the Duchess, although they are refusing to come home unless the

weather improves dramatically.

### **Next Meeting**

The February meeting will be on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup>. Ex-Servicemen's Club, 7.30pm start.

Pete