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CENOTAPH PARADE AND SERVICE 2020

The Royal British Legion is planning to hold the Ex-Service and Civilian Contingents attending the Parade and Service at the Cenotaph, Whitehall, on Remembrance Sunday, 8th November 2020. This will be subject to any Government restrictions due to COVID-19. Further information is available from the Royal British Legion website

https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance/remembrance-events/remembrance-sunday

As last year, National NARPO have applied to the Royal British Legion to send a contingent of Thirty-Six (36) members, to take part in this unique national event, in the heart of London. This means Nottinghamshire can send 5.

Due to heightened security measures the Metropolitan Police need to conduct individual security checks on all participants. Therefore, basic personal information will need to be provided in advance for each applicant.

Ticket holders will need to bring both photographic ID and a document showing proof of address with them for access to Horse Guards Parade via the staffed Police entry points on the day.

We are now taking applications from members, to take part in the Parade and Service.

Those applications must include the following information to enable us to complete the online electronic application process:

Title/Rank

First Name (this must be the name on photo ID)

Last Name

Date of Birth (please use the format DD/MM/YYYY)

Place of Birth

First line of address

Town

Postcode

Military number (where applicable)

Please note that owing to security checks on attendees, last minute replacements are not possible as the tickets are in the Member's name.

We will endeavour to be as fair as possible in the allocation of tickets, with preference given to those who have not previously attended.

Please submit applications to:

John Kennedy, Nottinghamshire Branch Secretary.

VJ Day and Burma Star

On the 15th August 2020, the nation will commemorate VJ 75 and the recent easing of HMG social distancing restrictions means that we are now able to develop plans for a formal event centred around the Act of Remembrance at 11am. This year's commemoration will be broadcast on BBC One from the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire and will incorporate wreath-laying activity at several of the relevant memorials and artefacts linked to

That evening on BBC One, there will be a second 90-minute broadcast based on a MoD-led commemorative programme from London.

Whilst the war against Japan was truly Tri-Service, it is worthy of note that the Fourteenth Army in particular, was notable for being the most diverse fighting force raised in modern times with less than 20% of those involved in fighting originating in the British Isles.

The coordinated effort of servicemen and women from over 40 countries very much reflected the diversity of the UK's modern-day communities and organisations such as the Armed Forces and the Emergency Services and this theme will be integral to this year's event programme.

The Royal British Legion is therefore asking all organisations and associations, both military and civilian, that share our commitment to remembering the service, suffering and sacrifice of all those involved in that most challenging of environments to either lead or participate in local activity centred on the Two Minute Silence at 11am on Saturday 15th August.



AXA - PPP Travel Insurance and Police Federation Travel

In these unprecedented times members who have AXA PPP (NARPO) Travel or Police Federation Travel Polices are advised to check the small print in their Policies, with regards to cancellations and Healthcare cover whilst abroad.

This year the AXA PPP Travel Policy increased in price due to the poor claims history of the membership. What will happen in 2021 is anyone's guess but be prepared to another large increase.

Having said that go to comparison web site for a Full Year Unrestricted Travel Policy there may be one there that suits your needs.

Do not forget the European Health Insurance Card EHIC E111, are still valid and can be obtained online via the NHS website



CANCELLATION OF SOCIAL EVENTS

Ladies Day had to be cancelled this year.

We will attempt to reinstate Social Events once the Covid Crisis has passed.

At present the Annual Dinner in December is still scheduled to go ahead.

To help with forward planning if you wish to attend the Annual Dinner on Friday 4^{th} December 2020 please let the Secretary know, tables will be set at a maximum of 8 people. Once we have more information full details will be circulated

BRANCH ELECTIONS

The July Branch meeting had taken place via Zoom Media.

The Branch Elections would normally take place at the AGM with members taking up Office at the conclusion of that meeting, the Executive Committee have decided all members in post will remain in post until a date to be fixed when an Annual Meeting can be convened.

Brian Marshal who had indicated that he wished to step down from the post of Assistant Secretary has agreed to remain in post until such time that Elections can take place.

If there are any members who wish to get involved in the Committee please contact the Secretary.

NARPO DIARIES 2021

Sadly, NARPO will not be producing a pocket diary this year for 2021. We are informed that this is due to Covid 19, publishing and being obtained from overseas.



Death of Members

Sadly due to Covid 19 a large number of our members have died, both of Covid 19 and other unrelated issues, At the start of the pandemic we did not foresee this number, and as most of the Committee are over 70 years we were subject to the lockdown procedure so we were unable to attend Funerals on behalf of NARPO, deliver the NARPO Drape or arrange floral tributes, we did therefore arrange for Books of Condolence to be place on the Notts NARPO Website at www.nottsnarpo.co.uk.

From the large amount of correspondence received by the Secretary from the Next of Kin these were deeply appreciated, as although members could not be at the Funeral in person they were there in spirit.

On behalf of the Families and Branch Committee we would like to thank all those members who took time out to write a comment.

The Books of Condolence will continue to be part of the service we provide

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MEMBERSHIP PAGE

A warm welcome is extended to the following new members:

Michael Powers, Craig Busby, Daryl Taylor, Michael Harrison, Tracey Hickman, Charles Thurman, Martin Smith, Ann Lenton, Matthew Spencer, Russell Cobham, David Collishaw, Shaun Hobbs, Steven Payne, Janet Goodwin. Ralph Vardy (GMP), Steven Sanders, Andrew Sidwell (Derbyshire), Don Paxton, Robert Daniel, Simon Cooper, David Hinitt, Anne Taylor, David Banner, David Priestley, Malcolm Pike, Alan Gregory, Kevin Smith, Mandy Johnson, Colin Hunt, Graham Hill, Raymond Sandison, Mark Hall, Denise Amos, Peter Ludlow, Anton Lambert, Darren Haynes, Jeremy Starnes, Robert Calladine, Amanda Carter-Blackford, Stephen Warren, John Goodman ,Ann Christine Taylor, Tim Menzies, Dean Allen. Linda Bakewell, Susan Buxton, Paul Mendham, Mark Holland, Edward Hurley, Philip Reast, Alan Oxley

It is with regret that I must inform you of the death of the following members since our last publication.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to their next of kin:

Members	Rank	Retired	Died
John Fagg	Sergeant	2000	04/03/20
Neville Geoffrey Buxton	Constable	03/04/04	05/04/20
Geoffrey Lever	Sergeant	29/02/80	05/04/20
Peter Gibson	Constable	28/02/90	17/04/20
Michael Kirk	Constable	28/02/85	30/03/20
John Alan Parker	Constable	12/06/11	04/04/20
Leslie Weston	Sergeant	30/09/76	17/04/20
Leonard (Nipper) Read	ACC	31/03/76	07/04/20
John Barrett	Constable	1973	10/04/20
Jacqueline Elliott nee Miller	Constable	08/08/77	22/04/20
Thomas Taylor	Constable	03/11/79	29/04/20
Philip Proctor	Constable	03/04/03	11/05/20
John Michael Neaverson	Superintendent	29/11/96	21/05/20
Joseph Briggs	Ch. Inspector	01/09/95	10/06/20
Roger Dean	Constable	31/08/79	13/06/20
John Brian McKeever	Sergeant	31/05/77	27/04/20

Widow(er) Members	Widow(er) of	Died
Jean Cottingham	Jerry Cottingham	09/02/20
Mary Shooter	William Shooter	14/04/20
Ruth King	Albert King	23/03/20
Lynn Mary Gregory	Keith Gregory	04/09/19
Margaret Smith	Harold (King) Smith	12/04/20
Eileen Walker	George Walker	22/04/20
Joyce Rolfe	Thomas Rolfe	22/04/20
Audrey Eaton	John (Wol) Eaton	22/04/20
Marie Davy	Brian Davy	05/05/20
Patricia Shooter	Allen Shooter	17/05/20
Beryl Hind	Peter Hind	27/05/20
Enid Fox	George Fox	20/06/20

Spouse of Member	Spouse of	Died
Christine Waite	David Waite	02/03/20
Elizabeth Rawlinson	Colin Rawlinson	11/05/20
Judith Ingram	Martin Ingram	11/05/20
Brenda Barnes	Michael Barnes	27/05/20