



REME ASSOCIATION

BOURNEMOUTH BRANCH

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Firstly, it is my duty to report that Ron Pimm has resigned from the appointment of Branch Chairman, this was a sad and unexpected notification as Ron had dedicated a lot of individual time in a very busy life to the Branch. We thank Ron for his excellent talks on military history he gave to the branch and introducing other military guest speakers. We wish him and Teresa every best wishes for the future and we look forward to seeing you both again soon.

The skittles evening was a great laugh and the winners of the mini league were, for the ladies was Rhi and the gents was Lloyd on sudden death playoff. 'Killer' was won by Norman Seymour and Norman and Diane decided that the winnings will be donated to Jeni Tanner's MacMillan Coffee Morning Fund as they cannot attend the day. Many thanks for your kind generosity.



Branch News

This was reported in the latest HQ REME newsletter, REME Association Executive Regional Reps. The following appointments have been confirmed by the Executive Committee: Col (Retd) Mike Crabbe will take over in SE and London with effect from 1st October in time for the next committee meeting on 3rd, and Mike Evans of our Bristol branch in SW region later in the year when **Bob Hamilton stands down. I am sure you will join me in thanking Bob Hambly of the SE and London region and Bob Hamilton of SW region for their outstanding service and contribution to The REME Association. We all wish them and their families well for the future.**

Branch Accounts: Cash £58.68, Bank £1201.55, Total £1260.23

If you have any news that you feel the branch either needs, should or would like to know about or changes to the forecast of events, please email the details to lloyd.letiec666@ntlworld.com

The Branch has its own Facebook page: REME ASSOCIATION IN HAMPSHIRE AND DORSET. Any member can post or comment on this page. Any photographs of branch activities, whether formal or social, would be most welcome. Any serving member of REME can become a member of the branch and join this group.

Future Events

Next Branch Meeting Our next meeting is on Wednesday 4th September at 7.30pm, this will be Part 2 of Alan Burton-Smith quiz, so you need your thinking hats on! Brush up on your Highway code!!!

As ever, donations to the Raffle will be gratefully received. If you're donating food stuffs, chocolate, sweets etc, please ensure that the **sale by dates are 'in date'**. We have had a few instances lately which is not helpful and embarrassing.

Forecast of Events

Forecast of events on page 3 this Newsletter and is also shown on the Branch Facebook page. If any member would like to give a talk to the branch, please speak to any member of the committee.

Branch Dinner & Dance

Planning for this year's Branch Dinner and Dance are well in hand, so place the date & time in your diaries now, Saturday 16th November at Hoburne Holiday Park, Christchurch. The Dinner return is below on page 3, **so please fill it in and return by no later than Friday 26th October 2019 or ASP**. Your personal guests are very welcome.

NOTICES

Boules



We are still going strong and meeting up for our Petanque games or as we know the game better as Boules, this happens every Tuesday when we play at the Muscliff Park Petanque Club pitches here in Bournemouth. Our own REME team as we are known to other club members enjoy meeting and playing friendly games. Every Tuesday @ 1pm, play till we need a rest & tea break. The photos show our visiting guest Brian, Bill's cousin.

Boules is also continuing to be played at Upton Park as before, same day starting at midday. For any info about this venue please contact Max & Pat Dales.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Jen and Bob Tanner are holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 6 September between 10am and 1pm at 9 Woodstock Road, Burton, Christchurch, BH23 7HY. There will also be a raffle. It would be great to see members on the day to raise funds. Jen makes exceeding nice cakes so do come and try some!!!

Please come along and support this worthy cause.

Branch Lunch

Before the harsh days of winter are upon us, and whilst we still have a bit of sunshine to keep us smiling, then it makes sense to have a lunch gathering whilst it is nice to do so. Maybe we might be lucky enough to sit out on the veranda after lunch, viewing the river and catching up with each other.

Also a good occasion to take a few photos, which could be added to our Newsletter.

OK, So decision has been made - lets go for it. Wed 25th September, 12 noon for 12.30 at the Bridge House Hotel, Longham. All we need now is confirmation if you are able to attend, so please let Bill Killen know if you wish to attend ASAP.

Maybe future "lunches" - you may want to hold at a different venue - your ideas would be appreciated.

Christchurch Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club

Due to pub refurb, the next 2 x breakfast club meetings will be on Saturdays 14th September and 21st September at 10am at the Iford Bridge Inn. I think we should make an effort to attend and join the others and take in a hearty breakfast. The October dates will revert to the normal 1st & 3rd Saturdays in the month. I believe ladies are most welcome to attend.

Branch programme for 2019

Date	Event or Speaker Name	Location or Subject
4/Sep/19	Branch Meeting	Quiz night - Highway Code pt2
2/Oct/19	Speaker: Tony	Development of the aircraft carrier
Week 21 st Oct	Visit 12 AD Regt Wksp REME	Thorney Island, Date TBC
26/Oct/19	Andover Branch Dinner	Andover
6/Nov/19	Speakers: Barry Faith and David Parker	Air Defence in the British Army - 'Thunderbirds Are Go!
10/Nov/19	Remembrance Sunday	Christchurch Priory
11/Nov/19	Armistice Day Parade	Ferndown RBL Garden of Remembrance 1045 hrs
16/Nov/19	Branch Annual Dinner and Dance	Hoburne Park, Christchurch
1/Dec/19	St Eligius Sunday	Garrison Church, Lyneham
4/Dec/19	Branch Meeting	American Supper Night
8/Dec/19	Burton 10k Pudding Race	Burton Village

Branch Programme 2020

Date	Event or Speaker Name	Location or Subject
January 2020	No Meeting	No Meeting
5/Feb/20	Branch Meeting	TBA
4/Mar/20	Branch AGM	RBL Ferndown, 7.30pm prompt
1/Apr/20	Chris Marshal (ex RAF Pilot)	The Magic that 'was' the Harrier
6/May/20	Branch Meeting	TBA
3/Jun/20	Branch Meeting	TBA
21/22/Jun/ 20	Weymouth Armed Forces W/E	Weymouth Sea Front
28/Jun/20	Southampton Armed Forced Day	Guildhall Square Southampton
1/Jul/20	Branch Meeting	TBA
5/Aug/20	Skittles Evening	RBL Ferndown
2/Sep/20	Branch Meeting	TBA
7/Oct/20	Branch Meeting	TBA
4/Nov/20	Branch Meeting	TBA
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We meet on the first Wednesday of the month, apart from January, upstairs in the Royal British Legion – Ferndown Branch, Church Road, Ferndown BH22 9ET. The Meetings start at 7.30pm.

BOURNEMOUTH BRANCH ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

**Saturday 16th November 2019
7 for 7.30pm
Hoburne Park, Hoburne Lane, Christchurch
Dorset BH23 4HU**

Menu

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Sweet Potato & Butternut Squash Soup
or
Smooth Brussels Pate
+++++

Roasted Topside of Beef
or
Pan Roasted Supreme of Chicken
+++++

Fruit of the Forest Eton Mess
or
Rhubarb Crumble with Vanilla Custard
+++++

Coffee and Mints
+++++

Port for Loyal Toasts

Dress: Dinner Jacket or Lounge Suit with medals
Cost: **£28 per head** (Please note this includes wine)

Cheques Payable to: REME Assn Bournemouth Branch

Please return by: Friday 25th October 2019 or ASP

From:.....

Guests:.....

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