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## THE SHERWOOD RANGERS YEOMANRY REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION

From: Capt MA Elliott  
Hon Secretary

7<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Dear Member,

### AGM and ANNUAL DINNER - Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2018

This year's Annual Reunion Dinner will be held at 6.30 for 7.00pm on Saturday 21st April at the Army Reserve Centre, Carlton, by kind permission of the Squadron Leader, Major Simon Hallsworth.

The cost of the Dinner will be £26 per person to include wine and port. The South Notts Hussars Band will play during the meal. Full details are enclosed on a separate sheet. I hope that as many members as possible will attend. Please apply to me (or to the SSM if you are a serving member) in good time. If you apply to me please use the correct form (attached). We will always try to accommodate latecomers but if a large number of people turn up at the last minute it makes life very difficult for the organisers.

Guests are welcome at the dinner but must be connected with the SRY or other regiments.

Serving members of A Sqn should, as usual, obtain their dinner tickets from the Squadron. However, if you put your name on the Squadron list, please do not order a ticket from me as well or you will have to pay twice.

Raffle. At the Dinner, we shall again be holding a raffle and any donations of prizes will be gratefully received. Last year's raffle collected £181 and I am most grateful to all who contributed.

As last year, I am sending some of these newsletters by email, especially to members living abroad where the cost of postage is becoming prohibitive, but also to some in the UK for whom we only have email details. I apologise if, due to our incomplete records, some people get it twice. At least the electronic version has the photos in colour which is unfortunately too expensive for the printed copies.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held immediately before the dinner at 6.00pm. The Agenda and a copy of the Minutes of the last meeting are enclosed. The Accounts will be presented at the meeting.

Col Hunt and Brig Browne will both retire as Trustees at the AGM. Brig Browne joined the SRY in 1961 and Col Hunt joined from the Yorkshire Yeomanry at the time of the TA reorganisation in 1967. We are grateful to them both for their long and distinguished service.

Brig Browne will continue as President but Col Hunt will also retire as Chairman of the Association. A new Chairman will be elected at the meeting.

## HONORARY COLONEL

Col Murray Colville will retire as Honorary Colonel during the course of this year and we are grateful to him for all that he has done for the Regiment and the Association over many years. He will be succeeded by Maj Mark Smith.

## OBITUARIES

I am sorry to have to report the deaths since my last circular of a number of members as follows:

Mr SL Bagnall	-	Retford	Mr J Matkins	-	
Mr DH Cordon	-	Basford	Capt DD Render	-	Totteridge
Mr SW Cox	-	Didcot	Mr R Shreeve	-	
Capt RF Fernsby	-	Buntingford	Lt Gen Sir Richard Swinburn	-	Dummer
			KCB (late 17/21L)		
Capt AJ FitzHerbert	-	Frieston	Capt RTF Turrall-Clarke	-	Chiddingfold
Mr H Loughran	-	Carlton	Capt RH Walkinton	-	Fiskerton
Mr GE Marsh	-	Penrhyn Bay			

## REPORTS FROM THE BRANCHES

I attach reports from the Midlands and Arnold Branches describing their activities during the past year.

## A (SRY) Squadron THE ROYAL YEOMANRY

I am indebted to the Sqn Leader Maj Simon Hallsworth for the following report on the recent activities of the Sqn:

Over the last 6 months A Sqn RY has deployed soldiers to Poland on Op CABRIT and on numerous overseas exercises to places such as the USA. We have also deployed on a number of large UK based Exercises (Ex Wessex Storm for example) supporting our paired regular regiment the QDG. Within the Sqn we have deployed every month on either an Exercise or a trade training course, the Sqn members have progressed through the RAC training scheme well with training taking place both within the Sqn and externally at Bovington.

To assist with recruitment we have run a large recruiting event/open day every 4 months this has raised the profile of the Sqn significantly within the local area. We maintain our links with other Armed Forces, 2 Sqn members are currently on long term attachment to the Canadian and the American Armed Forces.

This year we will continue in the same vein as over the last 6 months. We will be deploying more soldiers on Op CABRIT as well as supporting numerous large scale exercises in the UK and abroad to such places as Australia, Germany and the USA. There will be considerable churn within senior positions in the Sqn with the 2ic, Trg Capt, SSM and SQMS handing over. On the 11th of August we will be holding a Yeomanry Day to assist recruiting as well as raising our profile within the local area.

## YEOMANRY DAY SATURDAY 11<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2018

Yeomanry Day will be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August. Organised jointly by the Association and the Squadron, this will be an open day at Carlton for recruiting and for past and present members and families with plenty of attractions for all ages.

It promises to be an excellent day out, so mark it in your diary now.

### NEW ASSOCIATION FLAG

Following a suggestion by members of the Arnold Branch, and financed by a donation by Col Jonathan Hunt, a new Association flag is being made so that we will have a single standard behind which we can all march in the future:

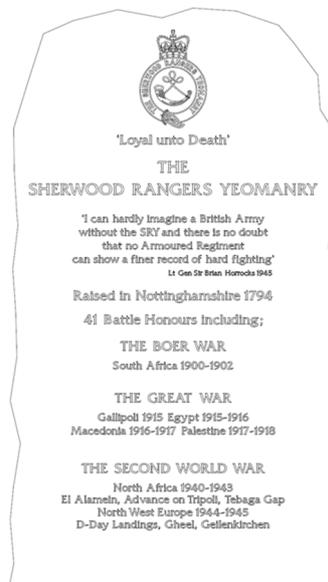


We are most grateful to those responsible for this initiative.

### NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARBORETUM

The appeal to raise funds for an SRY memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum included in Last Year's newsletter was successful and we are most grateful to all those that contributed.

A stone has been commissioned. It will be in green marble and will be erected during the summer. We plan a dedication ceremony some time in the autumn.



## CAVALRY MEMORIAL PARADE - Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018

This year the Cavalry Memorial Parade will be held on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May in Hyde Park and I hope that the Regiment will be well represented. The Arnold Branch will be organising a coach from Nottingham with lunch at Bushey on the way home. .

The RY will also be organising the usual lunch after the parade. I do not have any more details at the moment but, if you would like to attend, please let me know as soon as possible, preferably by email to the address at the head of this letter, and I will give you the details when received.

Here are some photos of last year's parade:



## NORMANDY JUNE 2017

Last year's tour to Normandy started with a battlefield tour on 5<sup>th</sup> June covering point 103, Tilly, Fontenay, Hottot, Bricquessard, Jurques and Villers Bocage. After lunch at Tilly, Col Hunt guided us on a tour of Operation Epsom finishing at Hill 112 which was the final objective of this attempt to outflank Caen in which the SRY was engaged on the right flank at Fontenay.



At Point 103 overlooking Tilly



Lunch at Tilly-sur-Seulles



Col Hunt explaining the situation at Hill 112

The next morning (6<sup>th</sup> June) we dedicated our new memorial on Gold Beach. After a fine day the day before, the weather was wet and stormy, as it had been 73 years earlier, but we continued with the ceremony between the squalls. The plaque was unveiled by the Lord Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire, Sir John Peace, and the Mayor of Asnelles.



The Lord Lieutenant and the Mayor



The SRY memorial plaque

After the ceremony we were entertained by the Mayor and his colleague with a reception and lunch in le Hamel and then went on to the D Day Academy to see Jean-Pierre Benamou's impressive collection of WW2 vehicles and equipment.

On 7<sup>th</sup> June, we held the usual remembrance ceremony at Bayeux museum which was followed by a reception with the Mayor, a group photograph and a picnic lunch at the Museum.



The ceremony at the SRY memorial at Bayeux Museum



Lunch at Bayeux Museum



Group photograph at Bayeux Museum

In the afternoon we continued to Tilly cemetery and then to St Pierre farm and Tilly Museum.



The SRY memorial at St Pierre farm



Graham Stevenson laying a wreath at St Pierre

Our thanks to all that helped to organise the trip, particularly to the Mayor of Asnelles for his support and assistance with the placing of the Gold Beach memorial and to Jean-Pierre Benamou, Stéphane Jacquet, the Mayors of Bayeux and Tilly and their colleagues and all our friends in Normandy for their assistance and their usual warm welcome.

It was also good to have with us this year a number of family members of those that served in the campaign. We hope that they enjoyed the experience and that we can extend their participation in the future.

## GEILENKIRCHEN JUNE 2017

At the end of last year's Normandy visit, Col Jonathan Hunt led a small party on to Geilenkirchen on the Dutch/German border where the SRY supported the US 84<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in the battle to breach the Siegfried Line in November 1944.

Unlike in Normandy, where many of the fortifications are preserved, no trace of that part of the Siegfried Line remains. However, it is still possible to see the trace of the disused mine railway that marked the beginning of the minefields and to work out the progress of the battle from the contours of the ground.



In 1944 this was a heavily defended minefield  
(The approach to Prummern)



At the war memorial at Beek

## FUTURE OVERSEAS TOURS

### Normandy June 2018

This year ceremonies will be held at Gold Beach (le Hamel) on 6<sup>th</sup> June and at Bayeux and Tilly on the 7<sup>th</sup>. We do not plan an organised tour but everyone is welcome to attend based on making their own arrangements and anyone that will be in Normandy at that time, or can make their own way there, would be most welcome to join us at some or all these events.

### Normandy June 2019

Looking further ahead, 2019 will be the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D Day and major commemorations are planned including the building of a British memorial near Gold Beach with the names of all those that took part on D Day. More details will be circulated when known.

### Geel September 2019

Also next year, we have been invited to attend the commemoration of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the battle of Geel in September 2019. The Arnold Branch is organising a trip.

### Borne 2019/2020

Thanks to the efforts of our good friends Hans Pol and Wim Geul in Hengelo, there is a project to name a street after the Sherwood Rangers in the nearby town of Borne. The naming ceremony is likely to be held in 2020. Details to follow in due course.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY 9<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017

The Regiment was represented at the Annual Field of Remembrance organised by the Royal British Legion at Westminster Abbey. Prince Harry officiated and Capt Nick Robinson was our representative at the head of the plot. My thanks to all who came and to Capt Robinson for placing the crosses.

This year the ceremony will be held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November. For security reasons, tickets are required. So, if you would like to attend, please let me know by the beginning of September.



At the SRY Plot



Capt Robinson and Elliott



Prince Harry

REMEMBRANCE DAY 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017

As usual, the Squadron paraded in Newark on Remembrance Day and a detachment also joined the parade in Nottingham. Afterwards, all gathered for a curry lunch at Carlton.



Brig Browne with the Squadron on parade at Newark



Marching past in the Market Square at Newark

The people of Newark always turn out in force to see “their” regiment. In recent years, however, the number of Old Comrades attending has dwindled and I hope that, in future, more retired members will join the parade to support the Squadron.

## REGIMENTAL MUSEUM AT THORESBY

The Thoresby museum has had another good year with record attendance and several successful events both for Friends and the public. If you are near and have not seen it, you should definitely go.

See also the website at: [www.qrlnymuseum.co.uk](http://www.qrlnymuseum.co.uk)

It would be impossible to run such a museum without the assistance of our loyal and hard-working volunteers and we are grateful to all who have stepped forward to assist in this way.

WE URGENTLY NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP KEEP THE MUSEUM OPEN. The ability to staff the Museum is the main constraint on opening times and we need more volunteers to allow us to meet our objectives in this regard so, if you would like to volunteer, please let me know.

I would also urge those who have not already done so to join as a Friend and support the Museum while taking advantage of the benefits and activities arranged for Friends. To join, please contact:

QRLNY Museum  
Thoresby Courtyard  
Thoresby Park  
Nr Perlethorpe,  
Nottinghamshire NG22 9EP

email: [curator@qrlnymuseum.co.uk](mailto:curator@qrlnymuseum.co.uk)

Also, the Thoresby Park Grand Historical Bazaar will take place at Thoresby Courtyard over the weekend of 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> May from 10:00 until 17:00 each day. It promises to be a great day out for the whole family.

In addition to the Bazaar, the QRLNY Museum will be open that weekend (free admission), where Wayne Birch and Mick Holtby will be on hand to give you a tour. Also a number of the living historians who have committed to coming along to our SRY Yeomanry Day in August will be at Thoresby that weekend. Why not go along and meet them?

## ITEMS FOR SALE

I enclose a list of books, ties, buttons and other items for sale together with details of how to order by post. Please send your order to the address on the form and not to me. As usual, these items will also be available at the Dinner.

## WELFARE

I should like to remind you that I rely entirely on members to keep me informed about other members, particularly those in need, so, if you know of someone who needs help or a visit, please inform me or one of the Branch representatives and we will do what we can to assist them, either practically or financially. I am sure that I speak for all members in saying that we continue to be most grateful for all the work done by Don Brown and others in visiting and supporting our less fortunate comrades.

## WIDOWS' FUND

Thanks to the generosity of members, the Widows' Fund had another successful year. We distributed £1,840 in the form of gift vouchers worth £40 to each of 46 widows at Christmas. I received

numerous letters of sincere thanks and there is no doubt that this effort is appreciated. What is most important is that the recipients know that they are not forgotten.

I would like to thank all those who made donations to the Fund, large or small.

### TAX RELIEF ON DONATIONS

As a registered charity, the Association can claim tax relief on the amount of any donation, however small, provided the donor signs a declaration that tax has been paid on the amount given. This also applies to donations to the Widows' Fund (see above). Hence, if you are a taxpayer and have not already signed such a declaration, please complete and sign the declaration on the proforma which will allow us to reclaim tax on any donation that you may make now or in the future.

### FINALLY

Please also let me know when you move so that I can keep my address list up-to-date. It is difficult to keep track of everybody. Last year the circulars addressed to the following were returned:

Mr Badcott	- Nottingham	Mr GE Jones	- Berlin
Mr EW Bramwell	- Ilkeston	Mr Kummer	- Keyworth
Maj CW Bridgeford MC	- Aurora, Ontario	Mr P Leversuch	- Wandsworth
Mr ES Corthorn	- Nottingham	Capt RLW Marsh	- Hurley
Mr GW Croxton	- Launceston	Mr FC Martin	- Crawley
Mr D Falkner	- Gedling	SA Nelson Lucas Esq	- Milton Keynes
Mr R Fletcher	- Clifton	Capt P Ross	- Cotgrave
Mr G Froggat	- Ilkeston	S Round Esq	- Bridgenorth
Mr H Gauntlett	- Thornton Heath	J Sampson Esq	- Redditch
Mr AF Gibbons	- Mansfield	Mr D Smith	- Gedling
Mr Grice	- Nottingham	Mr JS Tarling	- Bristol
Mr Hansford	- Gedling	Mr P Torrington	- Nottingham
Mr Haystead	- Great Gonerby	Mr A Watson	- Retford
Mr J Holt	- Rainworth	Mr CS Watts	- Carlton
Capt NG Hubbard	- Battersea	Mr D West	- Leicester

If you have any news of them or of anyone who did not receive this circular, please let me know.

My thanks to all who have contributed to this newsletter, particularly to Mrs Secretary, Mrs Ann Barrow, Mrs Sue Hunt, Dan Powell and others who have supplied me with photographs. Also to John Maltby and all those that helped to organise the Dinner last year, the Committees of the Midlands and Arnold Branches and to Maj Simon Hallsworth, SSM Graham Mudd and Capt Karl Stone at Carlton for their support throughout the year.

I look forward to seeing as many of possible of you at the Dinner and at other events during the year.

Yours sincerely,

*Mike Elliott*

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held at Carlton at 6.00pm on Saturday 21st April 2018. The Agenda will be as follows:

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| 1. Apologies                       | 5. Officers and Trustees     |
| 2. Minutes of last AGM             | 6. Reports from the Branches |
| 3. Matters Arising                 | 7. Welfare Matters           |
| 4. Treasurer's Report and Accounts | 8. Any Other Business        |

### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHERWOOD RANGERS YEOMANRY REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION HELD AT CARLTON ON 22<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 2017

Present: Col Hunt (Chairman), Maj Cornish (Treasurer), Capt Elliott (Secretary) and 25 other members

1. Apologies for Absence - Received from 7 members
2. Minutes of last AGM - The minutes of the last meeting were approved.
3. Matters Arising - None
4. Treasurer's Report

Maj Cornish presented the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2016 which had been approved by the Trustees in their meeting just finished. These showed net outgoing resources of £2,419. The principal expenditure was the Guidon Parade which cost £4,169 (net). The project listed (£1,406) is the cost of the le Hamel plaque. He reported that this year the Association was subsidising the Normandy trip in June.

The accounts were approved, proposed by Maj Charlton-Jones and seconded by Mr Powell.

5. Officers and Trustees

A vote was held to elect a new President of the Association following the death of Capt Render. Col Hunt and Brig Browne were proposed as candidates and Brig Browne was elected, proposed by Col Hunt and seconded by Maj Charlton-Jones.

Capt Elliott reported that the new Sqn Leader, Maj Hallsworth, had succeeded Maj Jenkins as a Trustee ex-officio.

6. Reports from the Branches

Capt Brooks reported on the activities of the Arnold Branch which continued to be well supported.

Mr Maltby reported on the activities of the Midlands Branch which would be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a trip to Bournemouth in the autumn.

## 7. Welfare

Mr DHF Brown reported on his work in visiting and supporting our less fortunate members. Col Hunt thanked him for all his efforts on behalf of the Association. A vote of thanks to Mr Brown for his work was proposed by Maj Charlton-Jones, seconded by Col Hunt and carried unanimously.

Mr Perry thanked Mr Brown for his kindness and support during the illness and death of his wife.

Capt Elliott thanked the Branches and individual members for their support of the Widows' Fund.

## 9. Any Other Business

Brig Browne reported that he was running an appeal to fund the proposed memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum. So far this had raised around £5,000 after Gift Aid and he thanked both Branches for their generous donations and all the others who had supported the appeal

Mr Maltby presented gifts Mr and Mrs Green in thanks for their assistance in running this and other events.

Capt Elliott thanked Mr Maltby and all those from the Squadron and the Association who had helped in organising the Dinner.

MAE  
23 May 2017

## **THE SHERWOOD RANGERS YEOMANRY (MIDLANDS BRANCH) ANNUAL REPORT 2017/18**

I am pleased to report that the Branch has had a very good year. I am also pleased to report that the branch is in a good financial position due to the concerted efforts of Val Richards the assistant Treasurer, along with the continued support from the Branch Committee, and Membership.

New members are always welcome. All ex members of the SRY, serving members or ex members of the RYR, or if you were, or are attached to either, or were or are affiliated to the SRY, you are automatically a member of the Midlands Branch by right. We will always be pleased to see you at our monthly meetings, which are held on the fourth Wednesday each month at the TA Centre Carlton, by kind permission of the Squadron Leader Major Simon Hallsworth.

Please remember to let us know your full address and telephone number, so that we can keep you informed of our Branch activities.

### Visits and events during 2017

We have had a busy year beginning with The Regimental OCA Annual dinner took place on 22nd April 2017, and our thanks go to John our Midland Branch Chairman for all of his hard work in organising this event, and not forgetting those who ably assisted him.

In May, the OCA Cavalry Memorial Parade in Hyde Park took place.

Also in May members of the Branch attended the Forties Day celebrations in the grounds of Nottingham Castle, where we manned a stall, this enabled us to give out information to the public about the SRY, and its history.

The Branch organised a weekend trip on 20th May to the Imperial War Museum in London and on the following day by a visit to Bletchley Park, the weekend was enjoyed by all.

At the end of September our Branch had its now annual trip to Bournemouth. On the Saturday we visited Portsmouth for the day with various groups visiting their respective places of interest, and in the evening we had our formal dinner, where we were accompanied by Col Dick Taylor, and Captain Mel Taylor, we were also joined by Mr. & Mrs David Clarke the only remaining Southern Branch members.

Sunday saw us visiting Christchurch in the rain, we then moved on to Bournemouth air museum, again the rain stopped the visit, and so it was back to the hotel, but despite the rain on Sunday the weekend proved to be a great success.

Our Remembrance parade took place as usual in Newark on Sunday the 12th of November. I would ask for those who are able, to make a concerted effort to boost the numbers next year. If you have a problem with transport please would you make any of the branch committee aware, we will always try to assist whenever possible.

In late 2017 our Vice Chairman Mike Freeman has moved to live in Poole Dorset, and has agreed to continue with the Branch Newsletter, and will liaise with the secretary accordingly, the position of Assistant Treasurer has been taken over by Mrs. Val Richards.

Moving into 2018 on the 13th January, the Branch had a late Christmas Dinner at the Vale Social Club, Colwick, and with 46 people attending was another great success.

Our AGM was held on the 28th February at Carlton ARC, which was followed by our normal Branch meeting.

Chris Woodward will retire from the position of Branch Treasurer at the AGM, but will remain on the Branch committee, and we thank Chris for his many years in that position, and we look forward to retaining Chris's wide experience on the committee. The Committee are delighted to announce that Val Richards has agreed to carry on as the Branch Treasurer.

The Branch voted for a 3 year tenure at the 2016 AGM). The SRYA Midlands Branch Committee to run from 24th February 2016, and until the February 2019 AGM (Due to unforeseen circumstances the membership of the committee has now been revised to the following.

Chairman	Mr. John Maltby
Secretary	Mr. Tony Higton
Treasurer	Mrs Val Richards
Welfare Visitor	Mr. Don Brown
Assistant secretary	Mrs Ann Barrow
Newsletter Editor	Mr. Mike Freeman
Events Co-ordinator	Mr. Brian Brown
Committee	Mr. Chris Woodward

Branch attendance, over the eleven 2017 meetings at the Carlton ARC has held up, with an average of 29 per meeting.

On the Welfare side, if you are aware of anyone who has passed away, is suffering, or in need, please contact Donald Brown or any committee member. The Midlands Branch has always had special interest in the welfare of the Association members and widows, and we actively support the widow's fund.

Tony Higton,

Midlands Branch Secretary

### ARNOLD BRANCH REPORT 2017

The Branch continues to grow in strength and meets at Mapperley Golf Club the second Tuesday of the month at 1900 hrs the hospitality shown to us by the club is second to none, for which we are very grateful .

Our members are all ex Sherwood Rangers and attached personnel, although wives and partners are very welcome to attend. Don Brown is our welfare rep and does sterling work on behalf of the branch as our main aim is comradeship and welfare.

Last year we had 12 monthly meetings with an average attendance of 25 Sherwood Rangers all our meetings have a buffet after and we do not pay subs but rely upon our members contributing to a voluntary fund bowl which is passed round during our meetings.

Our year started on May 14th when we organised a coach trip to Cavalry Memorial parade, after the parade we moved north to Bushey and the Police Sports Club where we enjoyed a very good buffet.

On 4th June we travelled by minibus to Bayeux to take part in some of the annual commemorations along with the association organised trip. We also completed our own itinerary which included the American beaches and cemetery something we had not done before. On Sunday July 2nd we took a group to Coventry Air Museum and had a very interesting day.

At our July meeting we were given a presentation on the 17/21st Lancers Balaklava by Captain Mick Holtby which was enjoyed by all.

Sunday 13th August saw the Branch attend Armageddon in Leicestershire a collection of cold war armour which was very interesting the trip was organised by Lee Walker. October the 21st saw the Branch hold the Alamein Dinner a black tie function at the Golf club again a great night with the South Notts Hussars filling a complete table and their band played some great tunes including the post horn. Our guest of honour was Colonel Stuart 2ic 7th Infantry brigade and several of our officers also attended.

On Saturday November 11th we attended the SNH Remembrance dinner at the Masonic Lodge in Nottingham. The next day we attended the Remembrance parade in Nottingham and after a service in St Mary's church we marched past the council house with the Nottinghamshire Police pipe band and at the council house the Band of the SNH. On Sunday the 19th of November we took part in the RBL parade on Mapperley top.

On December 9th we had our Christmas social at the Golf Club again a very successful night.

The Branch started two initiative's one was a new and full size Association Banner this idea was a joint one between Martin Kerry and Chris Walker and after much deliberation a design was agreed by the Branch and the trustees. The flag was duly manufactured and very kindly paid for by Colonel Jonathon as a gift to the Association. The other idea was celebrating the Regiment by holding a

Yeomanry Day on 11th August 2018 an idea pinched from our sister Regiment the QOY. The day is aimed at highlighting our serving sqn, its role and equipment for recruiting purposes and will be built on our regimental history with real history enthusiasts taking part in uniform and with vehicles including, we hope a tank. We hope to have two parts to the day – an open day for families and a grown up social event in the evening.

The Branch also continues to grow financially and is healthy cash wise but our aim is bringing together old comrades/ friends to promote fellowship and caring for one another.

Capt Alan Brooks  
Honorary Secretary  
Arnold Branch