



THE PLYMOUTH VETERAN

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DISTRICT EX-SERVICES ASSOCIATION

Welcome to the Second edition of this new journal in which we hope to report on the activities of the Federation and of the member Associations. The intention is to give you reports on events that have happened since the last Federation meeting and news of events coming up in the future and we also intend to include news of interest to member Associations. For this to work we need you to send us news and photographs of events that you think would be of interest to other Associations and also any future events that you would like to be included.

I would ask you to take particular note of the previous sentence, I have only received one report so far, thank you Ruth, so I need some more to fill up the Journal when months are quiet. I am pleased to report though that I have had some favourable comments about the Journal so it is nice to know that some people read it!

The intention is for this journal to be not only for the officers of Associations but also Association members so we ask you to give it as wide a distribution as possible to members and anyone else you think might be interested.

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PAST EVENTS



The Torpoint Royal British Legion in association with the Torpoint and Rame Peninsula Lions Club held their usual concert and service to launch this year's Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal at St James Church Torpoint on Thursday the 25th October. The church was packed and the concert consisting of four choirs who was enjoyed by all, especially the Carbeile School choir who were excellent, well done to their Musical Director John Payne. After the interval during which upwards of forty standards assembled outside the church, see the happy band above, the standards marched into the church lead by the Corps of Drums of the Royal Marine Volunteer



Cadet Corps for a very moving act of Remembrance during which the standard assemble in front of the altar and the four main standards carried out the dip. The service was enjoyed by all and afterwards some repaired to the Torpoint RBL for a well earned drink. The RBL standards are pictured left before marching into the church. My apologies for the not very good quality photographs.



Fred and Joan Ford and Phyllis Ainsworth have done a stirring job in the last few weeks manning the Federation's stall in the Market selling tickets for the **Remembrance Festival**. They have been at the stall three times a week and have managed to sell quite a few tickets and raise the profile of the festival. Well done to the three of them for their hard work.

They were also involved with other delegates in Fund Raising at Sainsbury's March Mills on the 26th and 27th of October. I know it was bitterly cold standing in the doorway on the Friday and I expect it was the same on Saturday, well done to all who took part and we will get the figure raised at the next meeting.

FUTURE EVENTS

You are probably aware that the **REMEMBRANCE FESTIVAL** in the Pavilions is fast approaching. The rehearsal will be on the 6th November at 1800 in the Pavilions, **entry by the stage door**. The event itself is at 1930 on the 9th November. Tickets at £9 are available from 0845 146460 and at www.plymouthpavilion.com and at the box office 90 minutes before the performance. This event was very successful last year and promises to be even better this year so buy tickets and encourage your friends to attend. The new Federation Calendar will also be on sale at the Pavilions at £5 each so bring your money.

Remembrance Sunday This will take place at the Naval Memorial on the Hoe at 1100 on Sunday the 11th November. The format will be the same as last year when the wreaths were laid on the south side of the memorial. This is to allow for the large number of spectators and those on parade and it is better for the parade to be on hard ground.