



Welcome to the Fifteenth edition of the Journal. I am afraid it is a bit late this month, I had been waiting for some photographs and then other events occupied me. November has been a busy month for the Federation so some of the events at the end of November will be reported in next month's journal. My I wish a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year to you all.

The journal is 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

November was a busy month for the Federation with the Remembrance Festival on the 8th and Remembrance Sunday on the 10th November.

REMEMBRANCE FESTIVAL

The Festival this year featured the Plymouth Youth Concert Band, who played before the event started.

We then had the Royal Marine Band, the HMS Heroes Children's Choir and of course the City of Plymouth Pipe Band, as usual all giving excellent performances. These were supported by the Plymouth Area Police Choir and the Torpoint Ladies Singers. The Cadet units as always gave us a superb display and the who thing was directed and presented by Commander Charles Crichton OBE RN. The Act of Remembrance was conducted by the Right Reverent Nick McKinnel the Bishop of Crediton assisted by the Federation chaplain the Reverent Peter Warland.

The attendance if anything was bigger than the year before which was good and the show went extremely well.

Unfortunately I have not received any pictures of this year Remembrance Festival, I hope to bring you some in the next edition.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Again it was a good day this year Remembrance Sunday, we have been lucky in the last few years with the weather. The Veterans and standards assembled at the Citadel and marched over to the Hoe lead by the Royal Marine Band



Standards marching onto the Hoe with the Federation Parade Marshal Richard Bendell in charge



Veterans marching onto the Hoe with the Rangers at the fore



Standard Bearers on the West side of the memorial



Standards on the east side of memorial dipping



Veterans move forward to lay their wreaths lead by Commodore P Lannin CBE RFA on the left



The Lord Mayor Councillor Vivian Pengelly laying her wreath

FUTURE EVENTS

Tuesday 31st December

**Wreath laying for Hinkley VC, Ford Park Cemetery.
1030 for 1100**

Fund Raiser still Required

Fred and Joan Ford are pictured below having organised their last Fund Raising at Sainsbury's Marsh Mill. We still require someone to come forward and take on the organisation of the Fund Raising.

Please contact the Chairman Basil or the Secretary Richard if you are interested in taking on this job and we will put you in touch with Fred Ford.

