

**The Royal British Legion  
Henley-on-Thames and Peppard Branch**



**Annual General Meeting**

**Monday October 21st 2019 at 11:00**

**Christ Church Centre, Reading Road, Henley-on-Thames**

1	<p>Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exhortation</li> <li>• Apologies for Absence</li> <li>• Chairman specifically asked we remember members lost during the past year. Jean Rook, Joan Kuipers, Andrew Dickson.</li> <li>• Minutes of previous AGM meeting December 17<sup>th</sup> 2018 – review and approve by the branch.</li> </ul>	JW Green
2	<p><u>Chairman’s Report for 2019.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highlights of the past year’s events and plans for future events for 2020.</li> <li>• <u>Special mention to Branch members.</u></li> <li>• <u>Anne Evans</u> – Congratulations once again to Anne for producing our award winning newsletter.</li> <li>• <u>Mollie Jeffrey</u> – Special thanks to Mollie for recently increasing our Branch membership by 26 bucking the National trend. Making our membership total to date 125.</li> <li>• <u>Mollie Jeffrey/Helen Walsh</u> – Many thanks to both Ladies for producing an excellent photograph album from the river boat trip commemorating the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Henley Branch.</li> <li>• <u>Annie Arscott</u> – Congratulations to Annie Arscott PAO for increasing last year’s Poppy Appeal to £32,000 compared to previous year’s total of £26,000.</li> <li>• <u>Sara Abey</u> – Special thanks to Sara for arranging our monthly speakers.</li> <li>• <u>Martin Goodier</u> – Special thanks to Martin for keeping our Branch accounts.</li> <li>• <u>JWG</u> – John Green (Chairman) will be away in Ethiopia for this year’s Remembrance Service and Parade. There is a Just Giving link on our RBL Branch web page collecting for our branch Poppy Appeal.</li> <li>• <u>Carlo Sisi</u> – In the absence of John Green Carlo will give the Exhortation and the Kohima Epitaph on Remembrance Sunday (10<sup>th</sup>) Armistice Day ( 11<sup>th</sup> outside the Town Hall) and at the CCC lunch on Sunday.</li> </ul>	JW Green

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Events</u> – Anne Evans. Suggestions for next year’s events have been a visit to RAF Benson, The National Arboretum. A repeat of the river boat trip has been put forward as well as another Happy Ghurkha curry evening.</li> </ul>	A Evans
3	<p><u>POA Poppy Appeal Annie Arscott.</u> Results for Henley and Peppard for 2018/19 September to September Raised £32,000 including Peppard Branch. An increased of £6,000 from last year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 26<sup>th</sup> October 2019 John Green (Chairman) will launch this year’s Poppy Appeal by selling the first Poppy to Henley’s deputy</li> <li>• Mayor in the Market Square.</li> </ul>	A Arscott
4	<p>Adopt the Accounts for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accounts unanimously approved. See attachment for Summary of Income &amp; Expenditure.</li> <li>• Martin has tendered his resignation but has agreed to soldier on until a replacement is found. Volunteers please.</li> </ul>	M Goodier

<p><u>Appointment of Committee members</u> – Stood en block for re-election. Proposed and approved unanimously.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chairman – John Green</li> <li>• Deputy Chairman Lt Col Nick launders</li> <li>• President Lt Col Peter Blaker</li> <li>• Hon. Treasurer – Martin Goodier</li> <li>• Poppy Appeal Organiser – Annie Arscott</li> <li>• Events Manager – Anne Evans</li> <li>• Branch Secretary – Helen Walsh</li> <li>• Membership Secretary – Mollie Jefferey</li> <li>• Committee Member – Stan Ainsley</li> <li>• Committee Member – Carlo Sisi</li> <li>• Speakers Coordinater Sara Abey</li> </ul>	

**AGM 11:00**  
**Drinks 11.30 talk**  
**Lunch 12:30**