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BRANCH CHANGES / NEWSLETTERS

After the Branch Presidents meeting in June, it was decided, due to the large cost for such little return to stop sending out the Association Newsletter by post, but email it to Branch Secretaries in order for them to pass on to their members. The Newsletter can also be downloaded from the Welsh Guards Association web site, together with individual Branch reports, Christmas card and Memorabilia list.

It was also agreed that those Branches who have been in 'suspended animation' should be amalgamated with nearby active Branches in order for their members to be able to have a point of contact to access Association and Regimental events.

Therefore Cardiganshire and Pembrokeshire will join Llanelli, Aberdare will join Merthyr Tydfil and Midlands will join Montgomery/Shropshire.

DARTS & SHOOTING COMPETITION

The competition will take place at Maindy Barracks, Cardiff on Saturday 16th September 2017. This is an excellent day, and is open to all members of the Association as well as Associate members. Sadly there is no overnight accommodation available at Maindy Barracks but there are plenty of cheap B/B's in the area.

Please contact your local Branch Secretary for further information.

REGIMENTAL MAGAZINE

If you have any interesting stories to tell / anecdotes / photographs etc then please share them with us since we are always looking for items of interest for the magazine, and all photographs will be looked after and returned to the sender if requested. All articles must be sent by email, or disc (photographs will be accepted by royal mail) to the Editor, Welsh Guards Association, Maindy Barracks, Cardiff CF14 3YE

(welshguardsara@gmail.com) with a copy to infhq-ftgds-wg-officemgr@mod.uk

Must be submitted no later than October 10th 2017. The format should be a simple word document using Ariel size 12 font.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

This year, Remembrance Day falls on Sunday 12th November. Lunch will be available (pay as you dine) 1300 hrs in the Guardsmen's Mess, RHQ, followed by church service in the Guards Chapel at 1445 hrs. A March Past to the Guards Memorial will take place after the service. If you wish to attend, please contact your Branch Secretary who will collate names and forward them to the RQMS, no later than Friday 13th October. If travelling by car, details must also be given to RHQ.

CHRISTMAS CARD

The 2017 Christmas card will be available later in the year. Due to increased costs, the price of the card will be charged at £1 (includes postage).

ST DAVID'S DAY 2018

It has been agreed that St David's Day should be held in Wales in 2018.

The venue has yet to be arranged, and Branch Secretaries will be notified in due course.

FORECAST OF EVENTS

July 30	Sgt Robert Bye 100 years commemoration Pontypridd
August 19	Llanelli Branch BBQ from 1330hrs (Donation of prizes requested)
Sept 9	Llanelli visit to WG Collection Oswestry (Few seats remaining, contact Sec)
Sept 12	KAPE Tour, Bangor
Sept 14	KAPE Tour, Pontypridd
Sept 15	KAPE Tour, Swansea
Sept 16	Association Darts and Shooting Competition, Maindy Barracks, Cardiff
Oct 8	Laying Up of Old Standard, Llanelli
Oct 28	Monmouthshire (mixed) Annual Dinner, Angel Hotel, Abergavenny
Nov 12	Remembrance Sunday.
Dec 17	Monmouthshire Christmas Lunch, Ebbw Vale Rugby Club.
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March 1	St David's Day

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