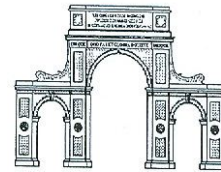




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CORPS MEMORIAL WEEKEND - CHATHAM 2009

1. Outline of events. The Corps Memorial Weekend at Chatham will take place 18_20 Sep 09 and will include a spectacular RSME Open Day on Sunday 20 Sep 09. The final programme is still to be confirmed and an outline proposal of events is attached at Enclosure 1.
2. There are also a number of events being held in Brompton Barracks on Sat 19 Sep 09; REA Darts competition, National Standard Bearers competition and the REA evening function. In addition the director of the RE Museum has kindly agreed to allow free entry to the museum on Sat 19 Sep 09 for REA members and their partners on production of an REA membership card. The Historic Dockyard, Chatham is also holding a 'Salute to the 40's Weekend' and the events manager has agreed a special concession for REA members and their partners, please see Enclosure 2.
3. Notice of attendance. Branch Secretaries are requested to return the enclosed notice of attendance proforma, Enclosure 3, to Cpl Wallace, Training Wing, 1 RSME Regiment with an accurate prediction of numbers attending the various events by 1 Jul 09.
4. Accommodation/Messing. Accommodation for unaccompanied veterans will be available at nil cost within Brompton and Kitchener Barracks on Friday and Saturday evening; unfortunately the barracks cannot cater for accompanied personnel. Accommodation is limited, and will be allocated on a first come served basis. For those branches travelling a long distance there may be accommodation available on Sunday evening. The enclosed accommodation request proforma, Enclosure 4, should be completed and returned by 1 Jul 09. Any bids received after this date will be considered but not guaranteed! To ensure disabled personnel are allocated ground floor accommodation please ensure disabled personnel are identified on the return; this includes any individual that will find it difficult to negotiate stairs.
5. Hotels. A list of local hotels for accompanied veterans and veterans who cannot be accommodated in Brompton or Kitchener Barracks is at Enclosure 5. Prices quoted are as at 27 Feb 09.
6. Meals. All meals, less the buffet provided at the evening function on Sat 19 Sep 09, will be taken in the Central Mess, Brompton Barracks. Meals are to be paid for in advance and only in exceptional circumstances will a refund be made for non-attendance. Meal tickets will only be issued to individuals on production of their REA Membership Card. Branch Secretaries are requested to complete the enclosed meals required proforma, Enclosure 6, by 1 Jul 09 annotating each member by name and the meals required throughout the weekend. A cheque for the total cost of branch members should be sent with the proforma. Cheques should be made payable to 'Central Bank 1 RSME Regt' - not the REA.
7. Reception. Each member must book in on arrival at the Student Reception Centre, Brompton Barracks. The reception will be open from 1400hrs - 2300hrs on Fri 18 Sep 09 and 0800hrs - 1800hrs on Sat 19 Sep 09. Light refreshments will be available and a detailed



programme of events will be issued. A minibus shuttle service will be in operation between the Guardroom, Messes and accommodation throughout the weekend.

8. **Security.** Security is an extremely important issue due to the current threat level. All vehicles will be searched on arrival at Brompton Barracks and all visitors are to carry their REA Membership Cards at all times.

9. **Returns.** Branch Secretaries are requested to ensure that all returns are returned to Cpl Wallace, Training Wing, 1 RSME Regt by 1 Jul 09.

10. **Correspondence.** All correspondence regarding the Corps Memorial Weekend should be labelled on the top left corner of the envelope with '**CORPS MEM WE**'. Any questions regarding the weekend, or any special requirements, should be directed to W01 (RSM) SAR Lomas RE on 01634 822337 or Cpl Wallace, Training Wing, 1 RSME Regt on 01634 822842.



SAR LOMAS
W01 (RSM)
for CO

Enclosures:

1. Outline of Events.
2. Salute to the 40's Weekend information.
3. Notice of Attendance Proforma.
4. Accommodation Request Proforma.
5. List of Local Hotels.
6. Meals Booking Proforma.

Distribution:

All REA Branch Secretaries (sent via HQ REA)
WOs' and Sgts' Mess - PMC '11
1 RSME Regt - Cpl Wallace (Trg Wing Cpl)

Copy: (less enclosures 3 to 6)

HQ RSME - S03 G2/G3'11

1 RSME Regt - co'11, Regt 2IC'11, opso'11, Adj't'11, OC 24 Trg Sqn'11, OC 36 Trg Sqn'11, Trg Wing QMSI'11, MPGS wo'11, Prov Sgt'11

CW - CI'11, SMI'11

PEW - CI'11, SMI (C)'11, SMI (E)'11, SMI (M)'11

MGS - CS03'11

Medical Centre - Practice Manager

MOD Police - UBO

BDS Medway - Site Operations Manager

ESS Medway - Contracts Director

RE HQ WO's and Sgts' - Mess Manager '11

RE Museum - Director

The Historic Dockyard Chatham - Bill Fowler

VETERANS / CORPS MEMORIAL WEEKEND - CHATHAM 2009

FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2009

1400-2300	Reception open - (see note 2)	Student Reception Centre
1900-2359	REA Band night	RE HQ WOs' & Sgts' Mess

SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2009

All day event	RE Museum	Free entrance on production of an REA membership card
All day event	The Historic Dockyard, Chatham - 'Salute to the 40's Weekend'	Special concession on production of an REA membership card
0700-0900	Breakfast - (see note 1)	Central Mess
0800-1800	Reception open - (see note 2)	Student Reception Centre
1000-1400	REA Darts Competition	RE HQ WOs' & Sgts' Mess
1200-1330	Lunch - (see note 1)	Central Mess
1400-1600	National Standard Bearers Competition	Regimental Parade Square
1630-1900	Dinner - (see note 1)	Central Mess
1900-0200	REA Main Function - (see note 3) (! = _lr: !g_ ~fJ~ ~Jf~t§_ ~!"Y..~9_J0J~I1_ ~_~L	RE HQ WOs' & Sgts' Mess

SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2009

0700-0900	Breakfast - (see note 1)	Central Mess
0900-1030	Veterans Parade	Regimental Parade Square - Inclement weather Gymnasium
1130-1215	Memorial Service	Rochester Cathedral
1225-1240	Freedom of Medway Parade	Rochester High Street
1300-1400	Lunch - (see note 1)	Central Mess
1300-1700	RSME Open Day	Regimental Parade Square

Note:

1. Meals for those that have booked and paid for
2. A detailed programme will be available on arrival
3. A Finger Buffet will be provided at nil cost to attendees

Mayfield Guest House (Mrs Summer)

34 Kingswood Road

GILLINGHAM

Kent

Tel (01634) 852606

5 minutes from Barracks

Prices per night:

Single: £28.00

Veterans discounted price £25.00

Double/ Twin: £40.00

Family Room: £45.00

Price includes VAT, TV, Tea/coffee facilities, Full English breakfast also available.

THE HISTORIC DOCKYARD, CHATHAM - 'SALUTE TO THE 40's WEEKEND'

1. On the weekend of Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 September 2009 the award-winning Historic Dockyard Chatham will be holding its widely acclaimed 'Salute to the 40's Weekend'. The Dockyard will be taken back to World War Two with an amazing range of displays and activities of the period that will include:
 - a. 1940's concerts, have-a-go dance displays, radio shows, military convoys, steam railway, a 1940's warship, air-raids, shelters and sirens, Land Army displays, wartime fire fighting and lots more.
 - b. All the events are set against the dramatic backdrop of the naval dockyard that is packed with loads to see and do.
2. In recognition of the close relationship the Corps of Royal Engineers has with Chatham and its Dockyard a very special entry price to 'Salute to the 40's Weekend' of just £5.00 has been set for RE Veterans attending the Corps Memorial Weekend. This price will apply to tickets purchased on either day with the tickets being designated as single-use tickets for one day only. The £5.00 tickets may be upgraded at the Historic Dockyard ticket office to a full-price ticket that will allow the bearer unlimited return visits over the next twelve months.
3. To claim the £5.00 offer-price RE Veterans must produce a valid REA Membership Card at the ticket desk. Each Veteran may be accompanied by one other person to whom this offer price will also apply.

NOTICE OF ATTENDANCE PROFORMA

To: Cpl Wallace
 Training Wing
 1 RSME Regiment
 Brompton Barracks
 CHATHAM
 Kent
 ME44UG

From: _____ Branch

Address:

1. Our Branch will/will not* be attending the Corps Memorial Weekend - Chatham 2009.
2. Our Branch will/will not* attend the function in the RE HQ WOs' & Sgts' Mess on:
 Saturday Evening - numbers attending will be _____ Members and _____ Wives
Note: Numbers required for catering requirement.
3. Our Branch would like to enter _____ teams into the REA Darts Competition on Saturday 19 September 2009.
4. Our Branch will/will not* be taking part in the Veterans' Parade on Sunday 20 September 2009. Numbers anticipated are _____ Members.
5. Our Branch will/will not* be attending the Memorial Service at Rochester Cathedral on Sunday 20 September 2009. We require _____ seats to be allocated in the Cathedral (including family members).
6. Our Branch will/will not* be taking part in the Freedom of Medway Parade in Rochester after the Memorial Service. Anticipated numbers taking part are _____ Members.
7. Our Branch Standard will/will not* attend the Veterans' Parade and Memorial Service.
8. Our Branch Standard Bearer (name) _____ will be taking part in the National Standard Bearers' Competition on Saturday 19 September 2009.
9. Will your Branch require parking facilities over the weekend? Yes/No* If yes, please inform Cpl Wallace the quantity and vehicle details as soon as possible to enable car passes to be prepared prior to arrival. **Note: To include Make, Model, VRN, No of Passengers and name of driver.**
10. Any other information or queries:

Signed:

Name:

Appointment:

* Delete as applicable.

ACCOMMODATION REQUEST PROFORMA

Branch: _____

Name	Disabilities' (require ground floor accommodation)	Fri 18 Sep 09 (Nil cost)	Sat 19 Sep 09 (Nil cost)	Sun 20 Sep 09 (Nil cost)	Remarks
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1 Make comments with reference to any disabilities that will affect allocation of accommodation.



LIST OF LOCAL HOTELS - PRICES FOR MEMORIAL WEEKEND 2009

South Eastern Hotel (Carla)

Station Road
STROOD
Kent
Tel (01634) 719958

2 miles from Barracks

Prices per person per night:

Range from £13.50 per night to £23.00 per night with en suite

Price includes VAT and Full English breakfast.

St George Hotel (Roland Stanley)

7 New Road Avenue
CHATHAM received
Kent
Tel (01634) 841012

1.5 miles from Barracks

Prices per night:

Single: £44
Double: £65
Twin: £65

Price includes VAT, shower or bath en suite and Full English breakfast.

Kings Charles Hotel (Tim)

Brompton Road
GILLINGHAM
Kent
Tel (01634) 830303

300metres from Barracks

Prices per night:

Single: £47.00
Double: £58.00
Twin: £58.00
Triple: £75.00
Quad: £88.00

Price includes VAT, TV and Full English breakfast.



