

The Festival of Veteran's Party in the Park

Entertaining you today.

Sunday 15th July 2007

Our Parade will leave St John's Hall at 2pm. The Parade will arrive in the park at 2.20pm. As the parade passes through the park to the Bandstand, the salute will be taken by the Lady Mary Holborow Lord lieutenant of Cornwall and supported by The Lord St Leven. Col E Bolitho. The standards and foot section of the parade will then form up around the northern edge of the Bandstand. The Military Vehicles and the Royal British Legions Riders Branch will form up to the east of the Bandstand. A short dedication service will take place with The Reverend Harry Bourne Chaplain to the RAFA. Three Exhortations will be given, each by a member of our Cadet Forces And hopefully the presentation of standards to the Sea and Army Cadets. ***Weather permitting an air drop of Red, White and Blue confetti from an aircraft. Again, weather permitting, a Sea king helicopter from 771 Squadron, Air sea rescue will fly around Morrab Gardens and give us all a wave.*** With the Falklands War vivid in our minds, being the 25th Anniversary of the conflict, we have invited two survivors of the various sinking's.

The bandstand concert will follow

- Dame Vera Lynn (look alike) will lead us in a concert of war time favourites played by students from Humphrey Davy School.
- The Pipes and Drums of Cornwall Caledonian Pipe Band.
- Newlyn Male Voice Choir.
- The Humphrey Davy Jazz band will entertain you for a while.
- Penzance Town silver band

Taking part in today's event

The Royal British Legion The Royal British Legion Penzance Women's Section
The Royal Air Force Association
Veterans Associations from different Conflicts.
The Cornwall Caledonian Pipe Band
The Music Department and **Students** of Humphrey Davy School Penzance
The Military Vehicle Trust
The Royal British Legion National Riders Branch
TS Grenville Sea Cadets Penzance.
Air Cadets Penzance
Army Cadets Penzance
St John's Ambulance Cadets.
Scouts, Guides, Cubs and Brownies.

Veteran's Badge eligibility now extended to 31st December 1994



To apply for your Veterans Badge please enquire at the Royal British Legion stall at this event or contact the event organiser on 01736 365336



Men and women who served in HM Armed Forces up to and including 31st December 1994 are entitled to a Veterans Badge.

There are other groups who served during World War II who are included, these are:

- Cyprus Regiment
- Home Guard
- Polish Forces under UK Command

The Merchant Seafarers' bravery and sacrifice in assisting HM Armed Forces in military operations has been formally commemorated with the launch of the new UK Merchant Seafarers Veteran's Badge.

The badge is available to all Merchant Navy seafarers and fishermen who served in a vessel at a time when it was operated to facilitate military operations by UK Armed Forces at any time prior to 31 December 1984.

The badge cannot be issued posthumously as it is a survivors' badge, which is to be worn on civilian clothing. The only exception to this is for Widow(er)s in receipt of a War Widow(er)'s Pension paid by Service Personnel and Veterans Agency. The deceased must have Served prior to and including 31 December 1984 (National Insurance Number must now be provided).

The introduction of this dedicated badge for Merchant Navy seafarers and fishermen means that applications by these individuals for the HM Armed Forces Veteran's Badge will no longer be accepted with effect from 27 June 2006. If an individual already holds an HM Armed Forces Veteran's Badge they may still apply for the UK Merchant Seafarers Veteran's Badge.

Members of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary who Served prior to 31 December 1984 should continue to apply for the HM Armed Forces Veteran's Badge.

Light Refreshments will be available from the White Marquee.