

BOLTON ARMED FORCES CENTRE 4 VETERANS

NEWS

LETTER

November 2017 Welcome

Welcome to our newsletter, a roundup of our news, events and activities. The centre has been open over 1 year now and we are proud of what it has achieved in such a short period of time.

News

Bolton At Home

BAFC4V has established a great relationship working collaboratively with Bolton at Home helping homeless veterans getting housed. The relationship is proving to be a great success and every homeless veteran that has entered the centre has been given accommodation.

Invictus Games

We are extremely proud of our patron Michelle Partington, it was Michelle's first games and what she achieved was amazing. Michelle events where Weigh lifting and indoor rowing. Coming very close to being awarded a medal Michelle gave all she had and we could not have asked of any more from her.

Armed Forces Champion

We welcome our new Armed Forces Champion from Bolton council. Sue Somerville is extremely enthusiastic about helping the centre and very keen to help our veterans. Sue introduced us to Walking With The Wounded and we had a very productive meeting with Gary Lamb. We are very excited in growing our relationship with Sue and Bolton Council.

Website

We have launched our website www.bafc4v.org This has a lot of good information on so please visit it and your feedback will be greatly appreciated.

Original Print

The background of this newsletter is an actual original hand drawn illustration kindly donated to the centre by Richard Harrison. It has been put up in pride of place at the front of our centre and will be unveiled by the Mayor of Bolton.



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Events

Day of Remembrance

On the 10th November we are holding a day of Remembrance at the centre, this is to explain what we do whilst trying to raise awareness of the plight of veterans. We have a display by The Veterans Living History Museum, items going back from the Napoleonic era to the current gear issued to the forces. The Mayor of Bolton will be unveiling our print at the front of the centre. We have 40 posters of our print which will be sold on the day. Other activities will go on during the day.

Night of Remembrance

The same night we have a function at Yates Bradshawgate. There will be an auction hosted by Nick Delaney. We also have a buffet, Karaoke, Raffle, an Elvis tribute act and England V Germany will be live on the big screen. This event starts at 1800hrs and will finish late. Tickets are on sale at £5 each.

Remembrance Parade

Our veterans will be on parade Sunday 12th as part of the Bolton parade. We will be meeting at the centre at 1000hrs for a quick brew before the Parade.

Army V Navy Rugby.

On the 5th May 2018 we are holding our annual screening of the Army V Navy rugby game from Twickenham. It will be held at Yates Bradshawgate Bolton. This allows anyone who is interested in watching the game. There will BBQ throughout the day, a raffle and Euchre. Last year's event was a massive success.

Other Activities TBC

Back to Basics.

A night out learning fieldcraft and basic soldiering skills, not only will it be fun but also an education.

Nijmegen march.

A 100 mile march in just over 3 days sleeping under the stars.

Walking Group.

Getting our veterans out for the day.

3 Peaks

A one day march covering 23 miles in Yorkshire.



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