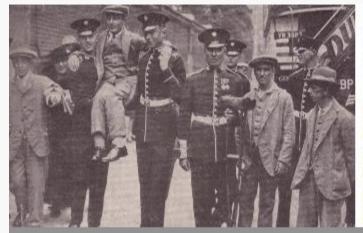




From Comradeship To Challenge™





Not Forgotten then...

...Not Forgotten now

This is what we do...

"I've been struggling with my motivation and confidence since being medically discharged from the RAF; your event was the tonic I needed to realise I'm not alone. It's given me a spring in my step and inspired me to volunteer."

The words of one young veteran, who recently joined us at Brands Hatch for a supercar racing day (see below), illustrate the positive impact our work has on the lives of our injured service men and women.

Over the last eight weeks we have run eight separate events and activities, providing entertainment and leisure for 327 beneficiaries; quite an achievement for our small team. We are extremely proud to be able to offer this unique support which complements the great work of our service charity partners.

James Stopford, Chief Executive



## White Water Canoeing Holidays In France

Two groups of injured serving personnel and veterans, including single and double amputees, have taken to the rapids in the French Alps. These five-day holidays, supported by our largest donor Help for Heroes, encapsulate our motto 'From Comradeship To Challenge'.

"These last five days I will remember for the rest of my life." (Mr S.K.)

#### To see photos click here

## Latest news...



## Major General Gerald Cavendish Grosvenor, 6th Duke of Westminster

It was with great sadness that all those in The Not Forgotten Association family learnt of the untimely death on 9th August of our Vice President, Major General His Grace The Duke of Westminster KG CB OBE TD CD DL.

To read more click here



#### A Thrilling Day At Brands Hatch

We invited 80 injured serving and ex-service men and women for a day of thrills, fun and excitement at Brands Hatch. They spent the day being driven around the world-famous track in a spectacular variety of high performance road and racing cars, reaching speeds of nearly 200mph.

To read more click here



#### **Iceland Trek Challenge Completed**

A group of 21 injured service men and women travelled to Iceland for a five-day trek across some of the most spectacular, rugged and unusual landscapes in the world. Our Head of Events Rosie Thompson, who led the tour, said: "This was one of the most memorable trips we have run, both for the incredible scenery and the way the whole group bonded together to take on the challenge."

\_To see photos of the trip click here



## Reginald Fessenden Challenge

The annual Reginald Fessenden Challenge, a sailing fundraising event held at the RAF Yacht Club near Southampton, took place on 20<sup>th</sup> July, raising more than £13,000 for The Not Forgotten Association. Six crews from maritime defence organisations and one representing the NFA competed for the trophy.

To read more and see photos click here



## **Country House Activities Weekend**

A group of veterans and their partners gathered for our second weekend at Bradenham Manor, courtesy of Grant Thornton. This weekend in the Buckinghamshire countryside was non-stop fun with quizzes, team games and plenty of competitiveness. For many of our guests it was just the tonic they needed, sharing time together, restoring confidence, making new friends and returning home with smiles on their faces.



#### **Gatcombe Horse Trials**

A group of 15 ex-service veterans and carers enjoyed a weekend at the Gatcombe Horse Trials. The tri-service group came from all over the country and they soon got to know each other and share their military experiences. A wonderful day watching the Trials provided a welcome break for our guests away from their routines and an opportunity to meet some of the Royal Family in attendance.

# Fundraising news...



#### **Choral Concert In Aid Of The NFA**

The Brandenburg Choral Festival is staging a special performance of the beautiful Fauré Requiem on 27th October at the RAF Church of St Clement Danes, London. Proceeds of tickets purchased through The Not Forgotten Association will go the charity. Ticket prices from £18 per adult.

#### To book, click here



## **Charity boxing evening**

An evening of boxing and entertainment is being held on 7<sup>th</sup> October at Wellington Barracks in London in aid of the NFA. Featuring boxing champions Glenn Catley and Julius Francis, and with music from ex Drifters singer Ray Lewis and other guest appearances. Tickets include a drinks reception, five-course dinner and wine!

#### For more details click here



# 'NFA Rockettes' Commando Challenge

A group of military wives and partners have formed a group called the 'NFA Rockettes', who are taking on the 10K Royal Marines Commando Challenge at Woodbury Common, Devon to raise funds for the NFA.

To support them visit: <a href="www.justgiving.com/">www.justgiving.com/</a> fundraising/nfarockettes



## WWII Veteran Donates £3,000

Our friend and supporter Cyril Banks has donated £3,000 to enable us to put on an afternoon tea concert next year. Cyril was recently conned out of his life savings and two public fundraising campaigns were launched to replace his money. They raised far more than he had lost and so Cyril very generously gave the excess to a number of charities.

#### To read more click here



## The Silver Elephant Fund

A group of our Official Volunteers have launched their own fundraising initiative to purchase a silver centrepiece which will be presented to The Not Forgotten Association to mark our centenary in 2020.

For more details visit www.silverelephantfund.com

# Future events

Each year we put together a busy programme of events, holidays, outings and concerts. The following are just some of our planned activities for the rest of this year.

September: Great Glen Way Walk (Supported by Help For Heroes)

September: Farmhouse Holidays, Majorca September: 3 Peaks Challenge Majorca October: Boxing at Wellington Barracks October: Concert & High Tea, Henley October: Brandenburg Concert

October: Battlefield Tour, Normandy (Supported by Help For Heroes)

October: Carp Fishing Weekend, Devon November: Remembrance Weekend

November: Ascot Race Day

December: Christmas Lunches with Entertainment (Supported by JTI)

December: Christmas Party, St James Palace

For further information on any of the above please email: info@nfassociation.org

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