



## BACK BADGE REUNION – SATURDAY 18th MARCH 2023

1. **Introduction.** It is intended to hold the Back Badge reunion this year on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March at Walls Social Club, Hammond Way, Barnwood, Gloucester, GL4 3HG.

**Please Note** the Church service this year will be held at St Mary de Crypt in Southgate Street GL21 2DR followed by a march through Gloucester prior to the lunch gathering.

2. **Background.** Some key points for the day include:

- **Church Service at St Mary de Crypt.** The service will begin at 11.30 am. PLEASE take your seats by 11.15 am. As before Canon Nikki Arthy has kindly agreed to lead. All are most welcome, and the service will be accompanied by ex-members of the Glosters Band.
- **March through Gloucester.** Form up under parade marshal outside the West door on Southgate Street. The salute will be taken on the steps of the Shire Hall. The march continues turning right into Archdeacon Street where the participants will halt and fall out.
- **Transport.** Mr Andy Casey is kindly donating his minibus to transport people from the church to Walls Social Club returning to Archdeacon Street for any marching vets requiring a lift. If required, please annotate the proforma.  
**Mrs Jenny McBryde** will organise lifts from anyone with spare seats in their cars, could drivers please inform Jenny if they are prepared to give lifts if the minibus is full.
- **Gathering.** Walls Social Club is kindly arranging a three-course lunch, cost £25.00 per head, please note that this price is the same as last year and to alleviate the problem of cold food last year we are looking to change to a self-service buffet, however, starters, sweets and coffee will be served at the table. A bottle of red and a bottle of white wine will also be included. There will be tea/coffee available on arrival in the reception bar, and the lounge bar has been booked for after lunch, drinks and snacks as required.
- **Widows.** The committee wish to encourage our regimental widows. Please try to bring along a widow or widower.
- **Standard Bearers.** There will be a brief rehearsal at 10.45 in the Church.

*Yours sincerely*

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**PLEASE E-MAIL OR POST THIS PROFORMA BY 24<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2023.**

**Your Name:**

**Name of Guests:**

**E-Mail:**

**Telephone:**

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**All are encouraged to attend the Church Service beginning at 1130 am and then participate in the march through Gloucester.**

Will you attend the Church Service? Yes/No

Will you be marching? Yes/No

Do you need transport and if so, how many seats are required to Walls Social Club from:

- Church.
- Archdeacon Street

If possible, I/we would like to sit with:

(Tables sit 10 persons and it may not be possible to meet your request, but we shall do our best).

Do you have any special dietary needs? If so, please make this clear and we shall do our best to meet your requirement.

Look forward to seeing you all there.