

Christmas News Letter 2016

Dear All ,

It has been a while since we sent out a newsletter and I know that many of you do not use social media and may be wondering what has been happening since the AGM. I hope to make amends with just a brief over view of the year and an outline of next years planned events!

February 2016

Fundraising Dinner at the UJC - we raised around £4000 for Sapper Support



March 2016

Standard at Graye-sur-Mer (Juno Beech) supporting ' D Day ' veterans who were enrolled as members of the Legion d ' Honneur .

Representatives of the Association attend the 101 Engr Regt ' Blitz ' Tour and Dinner at HMS President.



April 2016

Battlefield Tour Somme—based at Albert.

AGM at DEMS—Broadcast live via FaceBook and YouTube to members

(and still available https://youtu.be/W_LTdgxqxYA).



July

Wimbish station Open day and SAPPER 300 .

November 2016

The Association was represented at the unveiling of the new memorial to the fallen in conflicts post 1945 in Llanelli . Cpl Jamie Kirkpatrick of 101 Engr Regt is commemorated on the memorial..

Remembrance Sunday Service at St Luke 's and Christ Church Chelsea. A wreath was laid at the memorial to 2nd (London) Division Engineers.

I did not mention the brewery tours and the odd ' B imble ' around London, but these happened and were supported by the ' usual suspects ' .

100 Days of the Battle of the Somme

Beginning on the 1st of July 2016 and continuing for the following 100 days the RBL and the CWGC held a daily ' Last Post Ceremony ' at the Thiepval memorial to the missing on the Somme.. Member of the Association had the privilege of taking part on in the ceremony the penultimate day .



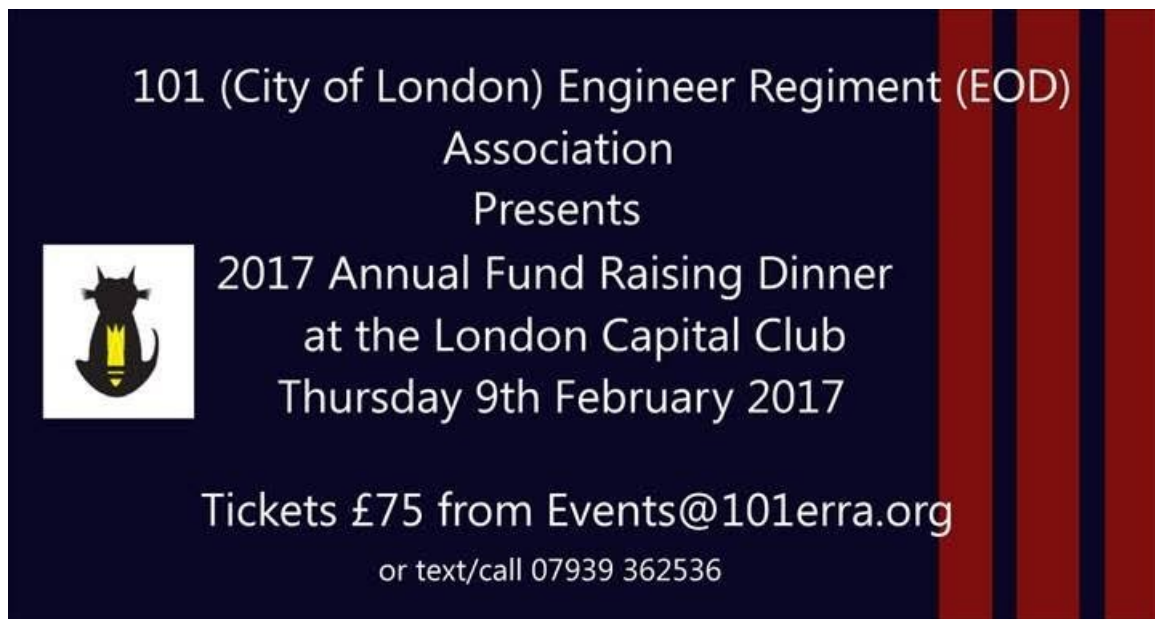
Other News


The Association has representation on the Committee of Trustees for the Richmond Hill Trust Fund. (often referred to as the Picture Fund).

What's Coming in 2017

February Fundraising Dinner

Please make the effort to support this and try to encourage your friends and work colleagues along too.



101 (City of London) Engineer Regiment (EOD)
Association
Presents
 2017 Annual Fund Raising Dinner
at the London Capital Club
Thursday 9th February 2017
Tickets £75 from Events@101erra.org
or text/call 07939 362536

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The plan for the AGM 2017 is that it will be held in London on a Saturday in April / May.

The day will consist of a mini London Blitz Battlefield study.

This will involve a bit of travel around the capital and perhaps the odd pub for refreshment.

The AGM will be in the late afternoon / early evening at the Union Jack Club and will be followed by dinner.

To make the day and evening successful we need your attendance. We are hoping to keep the cost to a reasonable low, but as always this depends on attendance..

Battlefield Tour 2017

Following from previously successful Battlefield Tours Graham Plumridge is organising next years tour and has already sent out the details via email. He needs responses as accommodation needs to be booked well in advance.

The dates are Saturday 8th July to Tuesday 11th July 2017.

Continuing the theme of previous years - 1914 Mons to the 2nd Ypres, 1915 Neuve Chappelle to the Battle of Loos, 1916 Battle of the Somme - 2017 we will cover the 3rd Battle of Ypres or Passchendaele. These again are battles in which the regiments predecessors took part.

Considering the theme of the Battlefield Tour you might wish to consider attending this talk .

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Passchendaele WWI Talk Thursday 26 January



Officially known as the Third Battle of Ypres, Passchendaele became infamous not only for the scale of casualties, but also for the mud.
Find out more about battle of Passchendaele.

Doors open 18.00 talk starts 18.30

Presented by a member of the Guild of Battlefield Guides.
Tickets are £10 per person and include wine upon arrival.
Book your place today online, or by contacting us on
020 7902 6062 or email events@ujclub.co.uk.
Make a night of it and book a table in the Restaurant.

And finally

What do expect from **YOUR** Association?

We committee members and others spend a not inconsiderable amount of time trying to plan and execute events that we think will enthuse the members, but we never seem to get it right — or do we?

I know that not everyone is on social media, but all of you are on email so please can I ask a favour?

Please use either medium to let the committee know what would encourage **YOU** to actually attend an event.

Are events in London putting you off?

Is the cost events prohibitive?

Please, please give us some feed back!!

