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**ANNUAL RMP CHURCH SERVICE, PARADE AND ACT OF REMEMBRANCE AT THE
NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARBORETUM – SATURDAY, 2nd JUNE 2018**

Introduction

1. Every year on the first Saturday of June, the Royal Military Police (RMP) and the Royal Military Police Association (RMPA) hold an Annual Church Service and Parade at:

The National Memorial Arboretum (NMA)
Croxall Road
Alrewas
Staffordshire DE13 7AR

Tel No: 01283 792333

or information at thenma.org.uk

2. The day will be co-ordinated on behalf of the Provost Marshal (Army) (PM (A)), by the Regimental Secretary (Regt Sec), the Provost Sergeant Major (ProSM) and the National Events Co-ordinator (NEC). All serving members of the RMP, together with all members of the Association with their partners, are encouraged to attend.

Outline of Events/Timings

3. The outline of the day is as follows:

- a. Assembly. All personnel should assemble at the NMA by 1100 hrs.
- b. Church Service. A multi-denomination Church Service, led by the Padre, will take place in the NMA Chapel at 1130 hrs. The reading of scripture within the Service will be detailed by the Regt Sec.
- c. Parade. A parade of Standards and all personnel will take place following the Church Service. The format of the parade will be dictated by attendance and will be co-ordinated by the NEC assisted by the ProSM and the RMPA Parade Marshal.
- d. Act of Remembrance. A short Act of Remembrance will be held at the RMP memorial plot within the NMA. The service will be led by the Padre during which wreaths will be laid.

e. Luncheon. A buffet lunch, hosted by Derby Branch, will be held at The Royal British Legion Club, Rykneld Street, Alrewas, DE13 7AX, following the Service of Remembrance. Bar facilities will be available from 1245 hrs with the buffet served at 1330 hrs. Full details of the luncheon will be forwarded to all Branches when finalised. Further information in respect of lunch can be obtained from Mr Bob Potts, 24 Saxon Grove, Willington, DE65 6YD, telephone number 01283 703384 or email potts8@me.com.

f. Dress

(i) Serving Personnel. No2 (Service Dress) with white belts/Sam Browne and medals, as directed by the ProSM.

(ii) Veterans. Dark suit or blazer and grey trousers, wearing medals and scarlet beret or motorcycle leathers, medals and scarlet beret.

(iii) Ladies. As appropriate. As the NMA is often very wet, due consideration to footwear should be given.

General Administrative Support

4. The Regt Sec:

a. liaise with NMA staff in respect of bookings, payment of fees, provision of an organist, Public Address system and other general support as deemed necessary;

b. provide the Order of Service for both the Church and Act of Remembrance;

c. liaise with Chairman Derby Branch in respect of luncheon attendance of the PM (A) and other members of the serving RMP and provision of a bugler for the Act of Remembrance.

Summary

5. The NMA is a wonderful memorial of national remembrance and all are encouraged to take the opportunity to visit and please do support the event by attending.

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National Events Co-ordinator

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