

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

British & German Military remember side by side

Remembrance Sunday is a poignant time for anyone, but when countries that battled against each other come together to remember the fallen as one, it hits home that life moves on. Sunday November 10th was the day in which the British remembered the fallen and injured from all wars and conflicts. After a lovely service which heard the Military wives choir and Lister school choir sing, members of the British & German military made their way to the main gate for a service of a different kind.



The last 15 years has seen delegations of the British Garrison and the RBL HF Branch join the Reservists at the memorial-stone for the fallen and missed soldiers of the former Panzerjägerabteilung (Tank Destroyer - Division)186 near the guard room.

Until 1945 this unit was stationed in the Otto-Weddigen-Kaserne, today Harewood BKS. This year CO LtCol Hill and the President of the RBL HF Branch, LtCol (rttd) Chris Brawn also laid wreaths. After the services Lunches were laid on at the Messes and the RBL.



Germans remember their fallen

Four IADSR soldiers paraded alongside Bundeswehr colleagues at the Herford town local "Volkstrauertag" or Remembrance Day ceremony, held on Sunday 17th November 2013. The town memorial is at Bergertor, near the river weir at the junction of Bergertorstrasse, Berliner Strasse, and Salzufler Stasse. Different in style to a British one, it is a group of many bronze crosses arranged in a tall vertical structure. Along with representatives of Herford organisations and onlookers, they listened to memorial speeches from Herr Christian Manz, the Landrat of Kreis Herford (Head of the District Administration), and pupils of the Otto-Hahn-Realschule. The Regimental 2IC and RSM laid a poppy wreath on behalf of 1 ADJR, alongside the Royal British Legion Herford Branch, and local military and civilian groups from the Herford area, before accepting a little Stadt hospitality, of some Kaffee and Kuchen in town.



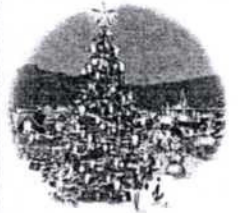
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