

Bracknell Armed Forces Day 2010



Life Guards lead the 2009 Bracknell Armed Forces Day Parade



26th June 2010

Honoring Britain's Armed Forces Past, Present and Future

A Day where the People of Bracknell can say 'Thank You'

Plans have commenced for the 2010 celebrations

Following the success of the 2009 Armed Forces Day, not only on a national scale, but locally in Bracknell plans were implemented to plan the next Bracknell Armed Forces Day (BAFD) in 2010.

The proposed location of the BAFD 2010 is the Recreation Field opposite the South Hill Park Mansion in Ringmead.

The venue has space for an arena, many side shows and attractions. Plans are already in place to secure some colourful and spectacular attractions, and most important the event during the day on the 26th June 2010 is free and open to everyone to come and say thank you....



150th Anniversary of the Cadet Forces

The Cadet Forces are made up of:

- the Combined Cadet Force (CCF)
- the Sea Cadet Corps (SCC)
- the Army Cadet Force (ACF)
- the Air Training Corps. (ATC)

Sponsored and supported by the MOD, they are voluntary youth organisations that aim to provide challenging and enjoyable activities for young people living in the UK and certain locations abroad, and to better prepare them for their role in the community.

2010 celebrates the 150th Anniversary of the Cadet Forces; the Bracknell Armed Forces Day will celebrate this theme for our Armed Forces of the future.

The BAFD 2010 event on 26th June will provide an opportunity for the residents of Bracknell to meet and support to the Cadet Forces



Armed Forces Day celebrates with the Cadet Forces.....some of our servicemen and women of the 'Future'





Armed Forces Day Celebrates servicemen and women of the 'Present'

Call to Arms...Can you help with BAFD 2010?

As the planning for the BAFD 2010 picks up speed, the BAFD 2010 Committee are looking for the following:

- Sponsorship, or opportunities to raise funds (donations, venues to undertake quiz nights, race nights, raffles) + donation of prizes for the Gala Lunch raffle
- Stands and Vendors (Armed Forces Related or Local Community Activities)
- Current & Vintage (Motorcycles & Armed Forces vehicles)
- At least 20 volunteer stewards (Saturday 26th June 2010)
- Ex- service men or women that wish to collect their Veterans Lapel Badge during the BAFD 2010 event parade.
- Arena Activities (ATC, ACF, SCC & CCF Cadets, Gurkas, Scouts, Girl Guides, Cubs and Brownies and local community groups
- Anything that may represent the 'Armed Forces Past, Present and Future' or the '150th Anniversary of the Cadet Forces' Theme

Anyone who thinks that they can provide any of the above, please contact the **Event Co-ordinator Miss Emily Bidwell** BAFD@live.co.uk or **07595045081** or write to **14 Vandyke, Great Hollands, Bracknell RG12 8UP**

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A few interesting facts you might not know about the Cadet Forces

Collectively there are more than 131,000 Cadets, broken down as:

- 43,321 - Combined Cadet Force
- 14,000 - Sea Cadet Corps
- 45,926 - Army Cadet Force
- 30,852 - Air Training Corps

Enabling so many Cadets to take part are more than 25,000 Adult Volunteers:

- 2,216 - Combined Cadet Force
- 4,645 - Sea Cadet Corps
- 8,347 - Army Cadet Force
- 10,183 - Air Training Corps

- Cadets typically range in age from 12-18 years old.
- Adult Volunteers range from 18-65 years old.
- 261 schools have Combined Cadet Forces, 60 of which are state schools
- A Combined Cadet Force (CCF) can contain one or more sections from the Army, the Royal Navy, Royal Marines or Royal Air Force.
- More than 20,000 cadets have already achieved a vocational qualification for their cadet activities.

The patron of 'Cadet150' is HM The Queen



Armed Forces Day Celebrates servicemen and women of the 'Past'

The BAFD Committee meet regularly to review the progress of the planning for the BAFD 2010 event. All committee members are volunteers, these consist of:

BAFD2010 Chairperson: Councillor **Chas Bailey** (Bracknell Town Council), BAFD2010 Event Coordinator: **Miss. Emily Bidwell**
BAFD2010 Treasurer: **Mrs. Jacqueline Wakeling**, BAFD2010 Secretary: **Mr. Paul Bidwell** (RNA Bracknell)

BAFD 2010 Other Committee Members - Councillor **Ian Leake**: (Bracknell Forest Council) **Mr. Paul Sinclair**: (RBL Bracknell), **Mr. John Kilbride**: (RAFA Bracknell), **Mr. Tim Brophy**: (RAFA Bracknell), Councillor **Shelagh Pile**: Bracknell Town Council, **Mr. Allan Moffat**: Bracknell Town Council (Facilities Manager)