



The Rutland Show 2015



Notwithstanding the weather the 2015 Rutland show was seen this year as a resounding success. This year lots more commercial, aid organisation and charity trust stalls were to be seen than in 2014 dispersed around the main arena. The exhibitors' numbers were up on last year. The demonstrations, presentations they put on entertained the public in the many show rings.

Show jumping ponies and horses as always seemed to be the main attraction to those attending. Our own 248 (Rutland) Squadron, Air Training Corps supervised and helped in one of the show jumping rings.

Amongst the many stalls the RAF Association stand was staffed by the RAFAO's from RAF Wittering, supported by members of the RAFA Rutland branch.

As the late afternoon approached it was apparent the weather resulted in a down turn on the numbers attending from that of last year. The consistent drizzle/rain soon churned up the site, making the conditions underfoot messy. However, in the true spirit of a county show the event went on.

Finally thanks to all the volunteers who gave their time to support the RAF Association on the day.
Picture Kerrie Moreland – Francis (RAFALO) at the RAF Association Rutland stand..

Derek



RAF Wittering Families Day - Friday 24th July Time 12.00hrs - 16.00hrs.

Would any Branch member who wishes to attend the above Families Day please notify me on 01572 755969 or derval.bury@yahoo.co.uk

Full car details, driver details and any passenger details will be required for passes to be issued.

Richard Curtis RAFALO RAF WITTERING our liaison officer will be away from the 12th July. So if you wish to go could you please treat the notification of this event as a matter of importance?

Regards Derek



THE RUTLAND FLYING HORSESHOE

Dates For your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Information</u>
24th Jul 2015	RAF Wittering Families Day	RAF Wittering	RAFALO's
25th July 2015	The Beating of Retreat Bradgate Park	Newtown Linford	Peter Tyldesley 0116 2362713
5th Aug 2015	BBQ	Monthly Meeting	See below:
2 Sept 2015	Adam Lowe	First World War	'The Ruler', a research piece that opens a doorway into the owner, his family, his military service. An opportunity to commemorate through remembrance one, remember everyone that served during the Great War.
2nd Sept 15	75 th Anniversary of VJ Day (WW11)	TBD	
4th Sept 2015	Canal Boat Trip	TBD	
9th Sept 2015	Beating Retreat and Reception	Oakham Market Place	The Parachute Regiment Band
14 – 20 Sept 2015	Wings Appeal Week (B of B Sunday 20th September)		
27 Sept 2015	75th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain	Peterborough Cathedral	
7 Oct 2015	DETUS Cadets Loughborough Uni.	Monthly meeting	Speaking on The American Air Force Academy Colorado
22 Oct 2015	The Salon Orchestra of The RAF Central Band	Rutland County Museum	RBL Oakham Poppy Appeal Launch Enq. David Smith 01572 770442
4th Nov 2015	WO Heywood	Monthly meeting	2 MT Wittering
5th November 15	RAFA Invited to Bonfire Night at RAF Wittering	RAFALO's	
2nd Dec 2015	RAFA Christmas Dinner	Greetham Valley Golf Club	

RAFA Rutland BBQ /Grill Night. - Wednesday 5th August 2015

Please be aware that the branch is holding a BBQ/Grill night at the next meeting on Wednesday 5th August Cost £4.50 per head .

If you wish to attend and have not already indicated so on the list sent round at the last branch meeting please contact Derek 01572 755969 or derval.bury@yahoo.co.uk before Monday 27th July when the list will close.

Regards Derek

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Welfare Waffle

Our Less Active Members

If you wouldn't mind visiting members who may be a little less able and who would like to chat about yours and their RAF days, perhaps they could drop me an email.

Many thanks,

Richard HWO



The Melton Mowbray Branch Royal Air Forces Association

You are invited you to Melton Mowbray Branch and Club open day & VJ Day 70th Anniversary celebrations on Saturday 15th August.

The event starts at 10am and is open to the public so feel free to bring along your family and friends and join Them in their celebrations. There will be various stalls including raffles and tombola's as well as societies and organisations that use there premises, Brew for the Few Cream Teas as well as a bar (with special guest beers) and a BBQ throughout the day.

There will also be live music in the evening with Melton's own Nigel Baker.

On the Sunday 16th August, there will also be a small wreath laying service at the Melton Mowbray Wellington Bomber memorial where standards will attend. Exact details of this event are to be confirmed.

Many thanks to all of your contributions. Perhaps we can print your story next month.



THE OAKHAM BRANCH OF THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

INVITES YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS TO

A Reception to launch the 2015 Poppy Appeal
with

The Salon Orchestra of The Central Band of The Royal Air Force

Thursday 22 October 2015 at 7.30pm

in

Rutland County Museum

TICKETS £25:00 available from

Music and More, Oakham High Street, (01572 756578)

Uppingham Sports & Book, High Street, (01572 822211)

or by post using slip printed below.

Enquiries to David Smith (Branch Chairman) on 01572 770442 or
david@cricketlawns.co.uk



The President, Jennifer, Lady Gretton JP
and members of the Leicestershire & Rutland Committee

of

ABF The Soldiers' Charity

Request the pleasure of your company at

A BEATING RETREAT AND RECEPTION

The Band of The Parachute Regiment will Beat Retreat in Oakham Market Place
followed by a Reception in The Rutland County Museum, Oakham

on

Wednesday 9th September 2015

Beating Retreat: 6.30pm - Reception: 7.30 to 9.30pm - Dress: Lounge Suit



*Colonel Robert Boyle DL, Honorary Colonel,
The Leicestershire and Derbyshire Yeomanry Squadron
and*

*Colonel Robert Martin OBE DL
County President The Leicestershire and Rutland Royal
British Legion*

request the pleasure of your company at

The Beating of Retreat

*By the Band of the Royal Yeomanry (Inns of Court and City
Yeomanry) and the Corps of Drums of the Leicestershire,
Northamptonshire and Rutland Army Cadet Force
on Saturday 25th July 2015 in the Ruins of Bradgate House,
Bradgate Park, Newtown Linford, Leicestershire LE6 0HE*

6.00 for 6.30pm
Smart Casual
Reception 7.15-8.15pm

Tickets £25.00
RSVP
Proforma
Attached

*NB. This event, to mark the 100th Anniversary of the Battle
of Frezenberg, is in aid of the Army Benevolent Fund (The
Soldiers' Charity), the Royal British Legion and the
Leicestershire and Derbyshire Yeomanry Welfare Fund.*



The Gazette

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5th August	Bar-B-Q	See front page
2nd September	Adam Lowe	First World War
7th October	Loughborough University , RAF DTUS Cadets	Summer Activities
4th November	WO Heywood	2 MT Wittering
2nd December	RAFA Christmas Dinner	Greetham Valley Golf Club

Personal Notices.

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Branch Meeting

Branch Meetings are First Wednesday every month Venue:
Cottesmore Sports & Social Club 7.00 for 7.30pm

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