Hello to all members and friends and people who are interested in the Herford Branch.

It's been a while since I wrote a newsletter so it's difficult to know where to begin. However, rest assured that the Branch is still here and functioning albeit rather smaller than in our heyday in Wentworth Barracks. The last 10 years since we lost our wonderful Branch HQ on the withdrawal of troops from Herford have been extremely difficult at times with our meeting place changing twice until we landed where we are now meeting at the Pfennigskrug on Engerstr.

We have celebrated Remembrance Sunday every year, at first joining with the Bielefeld Branch and lately on our own. We come together for lunch and have the Cenotaph parade showing on the big screen last year we tried a new venue which was the Restaurant Rhodos on Ortsieker weg where we were well received and looked after.

We still make our annual pilgrimage to Nieuw Dordrecht in Holland which apart from covid times has happened every year since 1995. Our Dutch friends are always happy to see us there and look after us brilliantly.

We have forged links with the Reservistenkameradschaft Bad Salzuflen taking part in their annual shooting cometition in April and their attending our Remembrance Sunday.

We have also revived our Partnership with the Reservistenkameradschaft Herford which has been in existence since 1997 although we had grown apart the last few years, thanks to StefanTorweihe for bringing us back together.

We have also for the first time in our 34 year history been invited as guests to the Schützenfest of the Herforder Schützen. More on this to follow.

Another success is our Breakfast Club where we meet about every 2 months at the Hotel Waldesrand and partake of Breakfast together in a very relaxed atmosphere. For dates check out the events page.

Finally I have an appeal, we are at present 59 members, although around 25 of these live in UK we need new members so if you are interested or know an ex serviceman who would like to join us please contact our Secretary Pete Wood at herford.secretary@rbl.community

I wish you all a happy and healthy 2026 until next time

Terry Salmon
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