

# Drumbeat



Issue 151 Tidworth, Netheravon & Bulford Community Newsletter December 2009

## What's on at a glance ...

- **Sat 5 Dec 13:00 - 16:00**  
Christmas Fayre at Ordnance House. Half proceeds to the Stars Appeal. Everyone welcome
- **5 - 22 Dec When library open**  
Exhibition of Cribbs from around the world at Salisbury Library from the private collection of Libby Purves
- **Tues 8 Dec 19:00 - 21:00**  
Bluez 'n' Zuz Christmas Youth Disco at the Clarendon Club in Tidworth.
- **Tues 8 Dec 18:00 - 20:00**  
Santa's Woodland Wonderland at the Beeches AWS Families Centre in Bulford. Camp fire, hot chocolate & marshmallows, and follow the woodland reindeer trail to find ... ..
- **Thurs 10 Dec 19:30**  
Special Carol Service at Salisbury Cathedral with Choirs and the Band of the Prince of Wales's Division. It will be recorded by BBC Radio Wiltshire for radio transmission at 7pm on Christmas Eve and Noon on Christmas Day. 103.5 fm & 104.3 fm
- **8-12 Dec 19:30 Sat Mat 14:30**  
"The Mikado" performed by Salisbury Amateur Operatic Society at the City Hall.
- **Fri 11 Dec 16:00 - 20:00**  
Amesbury Christmas Market : late night shopping, bratwurst & gluwein, children's rides and Santa
- **Sat 12 Dec 19:30**  
Kevin Tomlinson's one-man comedy show, "Seven Ages" at Shipton Bellinger Village Centre. Tickets : 01980 - 846341 or Parkhouse Stores
- **Wed 16 Dec 19:30**  
Handel's Messiah at Salisbury Cathedral. Tickets at the door or from Playhouse Box Office 01722-320 333
- **Thurs 31 Dec 09 from 20:00**  
New Year's Eve Barn Dance at the Shipton Bellinger Village Centre. Music from 'Scrape the Barrel', a local ceilidh band. Tickets £10 (under18s £5) from 01980 - 842342
- **29 and 30 Jan**  
Calamity Jane the Panto: early bird tickets from 01980 - 846341

More information about Christmas events inside

## A Christmas message from the Garrison Commander



None of you needs reminding how busy this past year has been. The tempo of training and operational commitments continues apace and elements from the Garrison are deployed at the moment in Afghanistan and will continue to deploy there in the New Year. The year has seen operational successes but also the tragic loss of friends and colleagues. Our thoughts are with their families at this time.

I hope that the real benefits of the rebuilding and refurbishment of the Garrison are now beginning to be felt by everyone, and we can all see the transformation which the project has already brought to the way we live and work. With Perham Down now complete and Tidworth entering the final straight towards completion, the focus has switched to Bulford which will continue in a state of some disarray for a while. There have also been significant improvements to many of the houses in which our families live. This, all in a period when the Garrison is preparing to welcome additional battalions over the next two years.

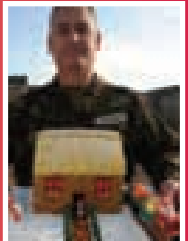
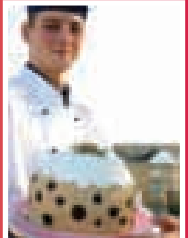
I am extremely grateful to all of you: servicemen and women; civil servants and contractor staff, for the good will, patience and determination you have displayed at a time of major disruption.

Wherever you are and in whatever part of the Garrison you serve, rest assured that your hard work and commitment this past year have been much appreciated and contributed significantly to the quality of life in the Garrison for which we are all working.

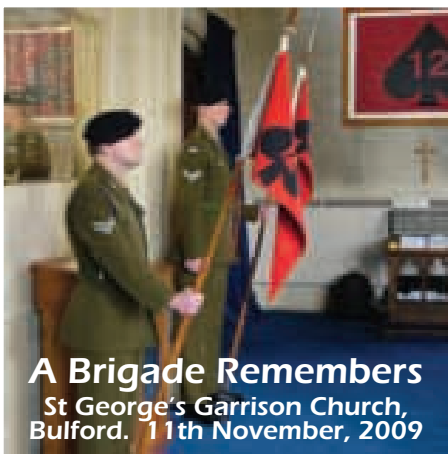
I wish you all every happiness over the Christmas period. I am sure that our particular thoughts go to our colleagues and their families who cannot be together due to involvement in operations.

Also, my best wishes to you all for a successful and rewarding New Year.

**Colonel Paddy Tabor MVO, Garrison Commander**



43Bde Christmas Cake Competition 2009



**A Brigade Remembers**  
St George's Garrison Church,  
Bulford. 11th November, 2009

## Oops ...

An article in last month's Drumbeat mistakenly described the Grenadier Guards' headdress as a "Busby". This of course should have been "Bearskin". Bearskins have been worn since the Battle of Waterloo, (1815), when they were taken as a badge of honour by the Grenadier Guards, the 1st Regiment of Foot, after they defeated Napoleon's bearskin-wearing Imperial Guards.



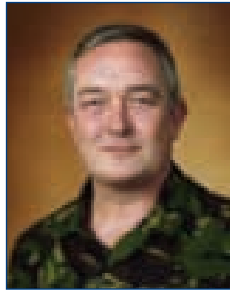
Happy Christmas to all Drumbeat Readers!

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## Farewell from Brigadier Cullen

As my time in Command of 12 Brigade draws to a close I reflect on two remarkable years. The focus of course has been operations, heavy commitments to Iraq and Afghanistan have dominated, and every member of the Brigade has risen to the challenge. Command has been a tremendous privilege and enormous fun but, unfortunately for me, it is time to move on. As I do so I wish to highlight two groups for special attention.



First the Garrison Staff who continue to put so much into their endeavours to improve our lives. Those improvements in Tidworth are self-evident, they are increasingly seen in Bulford; not simply new barrack builds but community services, welfare provision and housing. There is so often a thankless task - so, from 12 Brigade, thank you! The Garrison has taken great strides forward since I first served here 12 years ago. May it continue to do so.

Second, and without doubt most importantly, the families! You give so much, selflessly supporting all that we do and it is rarely recognised. We simply could not do all that is asked of us without that support. We owe you a very great deal!

Turning specifically to 12 Brigade my two years have flown by. I have loved every moment, take great pride in your achievements and have every confidence that you shall succeed whatever challenge comes your way. Helen and I shall miss the Brigade but, if we may, will take a vicarious pleasure in your future success.

**Brigadier David Cullen OBE**  
Commander, 12th Mechanized Brigade

## Welcome Home to 4 RIFLES

Soldiers from B Company, 4 RIFLES, have returned home to Bulford after a six-month deployment in Afghanistan. The Company of 128 men went out as part of the Election Support Force and faced some of the most challenging conditions of the campaign so far, playing a key role in the recent Operation Panther's Claw.

Supporting 19 Brigade, the men operated in the Nad-e-Ali District in the southern part of the UK area of operations. The international security forces had only moved into the area for the first time last year, so it was still in the early stages of development. The Riflemen worked



hard through the difficult summer to keep the insurgents at bay and it was a mark of their success that local families started returning to their homes.

B Company's tour was extended by a month just 10 days before they were due to return to the UK. "This reflects the difficult summer we have had", said Commanding Officer Lt Col Jones. "The Riflemen and their families dealt with the disappointment with typical resilience and just got on with it. They know that, with the support of their families, they have done a great job".

## Ubique ...

Wherever there is a practical task to be done, the Royal Engineers can be depended upon to step up to the mark! **26 Engineer Regiment** has recently completed the initial plant works at the Tidworth Equestrian Centre, (TEC). A detailed design and plan for a levelled arena with french drain, a parade ring and a car park were developed by Cpl O'Dwyer and SSgt Scott, with expert advice and guidance provided throughout the project by Brig Wright from the TEC and Lt Col Ledger from the Garrison Support Unit. Further work by a contractor will put wood chip on the parade ring and sand on the Arena.



This project provided the all-important first step towards an excellent facility for the Garrison and at the same time a fantastic opportunity for the Regiment to gain some plant, project planning and project management training.

A few weeks later, it was the turn of **22 Engineer Regiment** to step in and help by demolishing the old Edwardian stables in Assaye and Aliwal Barracks.



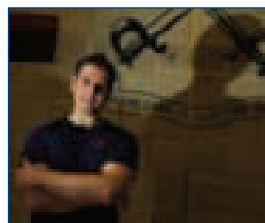
For the team from 6 HQ & Support Squadron, which included SSgt Ben Monaghan and Sgt Steve Walsh, it was an opportunity for some real-time trade training. With help and mentoring from Andy Webb from demolition firm Hughes & Salvidge, Ian Caird from Aspire Defence and Lt Col Mick Roberts from PAC, this was a 4-way cooperation to speed Project Allenby on its way.

## Cambrai Day

2RTR celebrates its Battle Honour Day on 20th November in its own unique way.



In Aliwal Barracks, the Regiment held a parade to commemorate its 1917 success ... and in the Gym, SSgt Gareth Heycock, (APTC), who has been serving with 2RTR since July 2007, completed a personal 48-hr challenge: he first ran, rowed and cycled the 269.5 miles between Tidworth and Cambrai; this was followed by a combination of dead lift and bench press to lift a total of 56.8 tonnes - the weight of two Mark IV tanks! The money he raised will go to the 2RTR Benevolent Fund and the APTC Benevolent Fund.



**Christmas in Bulford**  
**Santa's Woodland Wonderland**  
 at The Beeches AWS Family Centre  
**Tues 8 December 18:00 - 20:00**  
 Camp Fire, Hot Chocolate &  
 Marshmallows and a woodland  
 reindeer trail to visit Santa!  
**Christmas stalls - All welcome!**



**Happy  
 Christmas  
 to all  
 Drumbeat  
 Readers**

**Latest recommended  
 Posting Dates for Christmas**

4 Dec UK to operational BFPO  
 16 Dec UK to non-op BFPO  
 18 Dec UK Second class letters  
 21 Dec UK First class letters  
 23 Dec Special Delivery

Parcels/Packets : ask at PO Counter  
**For further details, pick up a  
 leaflet from your local Post Office**

**Enduring FREE Delivery  
 to operational Theatres  
 of Packets up to 2kg in weight**

Friends & family in the UK and at  
 BFPO addresses worldwide may  
 send packets to named Service  
 Personnel & MOD civilians  
 deployed to authorised operational  
 Theatres.

**Special Christmas Bluez 'n' Zuz**  
**Tues 8 Dec 19:00 - 21:00**  
**Clarendon Club, Tidworth**

Come dressed formally to impress!  
 The best dressed boy and girl will  
 become the faces of Bluez 'n' Zuz 2010  
 and take part in the Devizes Carnaval.  
 Entry : £2 or unwrapped present for  
 child aged 0-16, to be taken to  
 Salisbury Hospital on Christmas Eve

**Garrison  
 Christmas Services**

**Tidworth :**

**St Michael's Garrison Church**  
 14 Dec Garrison Carol Service 11:30  
 24 Dec Midnight Service 23:30  
 25 Dec Family Service 10:00  
**Catholic Garrison Church of St  
 Patrick and St George**  
 25 Dec Christmas Day Mass 10:00

**Bulford :**

**St George's Garrison Church**  
 24 Dec Midnight Service Time TBC  
 25 Dec Christmas Day Service 10:00  
**Our Lady Queen of Peace  
 Catholic Church**  
 15 Dec Reconciliation Service 19:00  
 24 Dec Midnight Mass 19:00  
**For other Church Service details, please  
 contact the individual Churches**

**Christmas in Tidworth**

**Father Christmas is  
 coming to the Tesco  
 car park :**  
**Thurs 10 Dec & 17 Dec  
 15:00 - 18:00**



**New Menus!**

- New "Meal Deals"
- Sharing Platters for 2 + people



- Boxed Salads - the healthy option!
- Freshly made Baguettes
- Drinks - cheaper by the round!
- Families welcome



ASF Christmas cards are now available...

[www.armybenfund.org](http://www.armybenfund.org)

**Fun for the Young  
 and the not-so-young  
 at Salisbury Cathedral!**

**Thurs 17 Dec 10:00 - 15:00**  
**Art for Adults: Flower Arranging**  
 'Ideas for Christmas' with Chelsea  
 gold medal winner Marilyn Nourse.  
 Call 01722-555180 to book a place.  
**21, 22 & 23 Dec 10:00 - 12:00**  
 Young at Art : a Christmassy art and  
 craft workshop for ages 5-12.  
**21, 22 & 23 Dec 12:15 - 12:30**  
 Christmas story time for children in  
 the Cathedral. Free. All welcome  
**Call 01722 - 555180 to book places**  
[www.salisburycathedral.org.uk](http://www.salisburycathedral.org.uk)  
**Thurs 24 Dec 16:00**  
 A Family Service for Christmas Eve  
 with the Cathedral choirs  
 and two donkeys!

**Plea to the Public from the  
 Front Line :**

Public support means a great deal to  
 the Armed Forces, but well-  
 intentioned Christmas parcels sent  
 by the public can delay those sent by  
 families and friends.

**Visit [www.mod.uk](http://www.mod.uk) to find out  
 how you can support our  
 Servicemen and women**

**Local Services**

**Holy Trinity, Tidworth**

20 Dec Lessons & Carols 18:00  
 24 Dec Crib & Christingle Service 16:00  
 24 Dec Midnight Communion 23:30  
 25 Dec Service in Ludgershall

**St James, Ludgershall**

13 Dec Lessons & Carols 18:00  
 24 Dec Crib & Christingle Service 16:00  
 24 Dec Midnight Communion 23:30  
 25 Dec Benefice Communion 10:00

**St Peter's, Shipton Bellinger**

Sun 20 Dec Carol Service 18:00  
 24 Dec Crib Service with Carols 16:30  
 24 Dec Midnight Communion 23:30  
 25 Dec 10:00

Christmas Carols & Family Communion

**All Saints, Netheravon**

Mon 21 Dec Carol Service 19:00  
 24 Dec Crib Service & play 15:00  
 25 Dec Family Communion 10:30

**Christmas Shopping ?  
 Don't be an easy target !**

- Keep wallets / phones inside pockets
- Wear handbags across the front of the body, zipped inside a coat
- Never leave valuables unattended in trolleys in supermarkets
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash
  - Report lost/stolen bank cards immediately
- Never carry your PIN with your cards or give it out to anyone
- Don't leave valuables visible inside cars: including CDs or loose change
- Ensure any suction marks made by Sat Nav devices are cleaned off after use and that no charging leads are left plugged in



**Christmas in Stockbridge**  
**Tues 8 December 17:30 - 20:30**  
 18:00 Christmas lights will be turned on by Jim Davidson  
 19:00 Fireworks in the Playground  
 Music & Carols, Late night shopping, Father Christmas's Grotto, Street entertainment throughout the evening, Treasure Hunt, Paint-your-own pottery, mulled

**Make sure that new Christmas  
 present stays yours !**

For advice about property-marking your belongings, please get in touch with the RMP Crime Reduction Office.

Call Cpl Steve Gregory on  
 01980 - 673530 (Bul Mil 3530)

## Tidworth 10K & 3K Fun Run ...

Over one thousand people braved the wind and rain to take part in the 3K and 10K races in Tedworth Park last month.



First organised in 2005 by 1 Mech Bde HQ & Sig Sqn (215), to help the hospital that had helped so many Servicemen and their families, this event has grown from 300 people

running on the Lucknow/Mooltan Sports pitch to one of the most popular 10K runs, necessitating a shift of location to Tedworth Park! Five years down the line, it has raised over £80,000 for the Salisbury District Hospital Stars Appeal.

"We were thrilled to see so many local people braving the elements to take part", said Hannah Paye, Fundraising Coordinator for the Stars Appeal. "The money raised will have a huge impact on so many local people receiving care at the hospital."

Organisers hope sponsorship will beat last year's total, so if you haven't already done so, please send your sponsorship money or donations to Hannah Paye, Charity Office, Salisbury District Hospital, Salisbury SP2 8BJ.

## ... and the Royal Engineer Corps Half Marathon



The weather was kinder to those taking part in the Royal Engineer Corps Half Marathon, hosted by 22 Engineer Regiment in Perham Down. The event was well attended, with 118 runners from across the Corps taking part.

Well done to all who completed the course ... we're looking forward to seeing you all again next year!

## We were there !

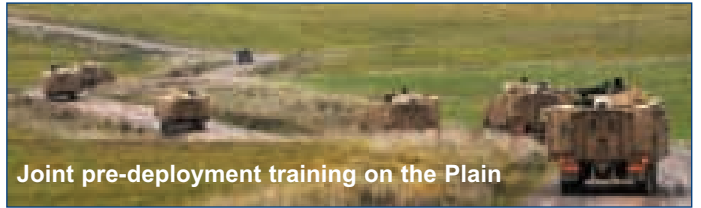


Tidworth Scouts at International Camp in France in the Autumn.

Want to join Scouts? Call Grey Wolf (Steve Rhodes) on 01980 - 633494

## KRH deploys to Afghanistan

Soldiers from The King's Royal Hussars (KRH) have deployed to Afghanistan for the vital role of transporting troops and protecting large convoys in Helmand Province. The soldiers have joined forces with others from 3rd Battalion The Yorkshire Regiment (3 YORKS) to form a "MASTIFF Group" for Op HERRICK 11, deploying with 1st Battalion Coldstream Guards Battle Group.



Joint pre-deployment training on the Plain

"The MASTIFF Group will perform a vital role in Afghanistan," said Officer Commanding Major Nick Mackenzie. "They have undergone an intensive training package prior to deployment and are fully prepared for the challenges that lie ahead in Helmand Province."

They will be operating the MASTIFF Protected Mobility Vehicle. It is heavily armoured and is used to transport troops, protect large convoys, as well as to directly engage the Taliban with its advanced weapons systems.

This is the second winter tour of Afghanistan that KRH soldiers have conducted, having previously deployed on Op HERRICK 7.

## 1RHA in Afghanistan

In April 2009, 1 RHA based in Tidworth, started an intensive 6 month pre-deployment package which prepared the Regiment for Op HERRICK 11 with 11 Light Brigade.

In terms of the Operation itself, we took over as the 750 strong 'Joint Fires & ISTAR Group' from 40 Regiment at 1730 on 6th October. 40 Regt RA gave us a quite superb handover. The constant mentoring at all levels they provided was invaluable, and we remain in their debt. This was the 'Community of Gunners' exemplified.

The Batteries are spread right across the province and are working with several Battle groups including 3 Rifles, Grenadier and Coldstream Guards and the HCR.



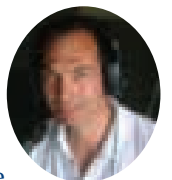
Lt Col Owen Adams (right), CO 40 Regt RA, hands over to Lt Col Jez Bennett, CO 1RHA

## Around the World

Garrison FM's Sunday Afternoon programme features news from British Army units around the world.

"Sunday Afternoon is a great way to hear news from soldiers in Afghanistan, plus we have messages to and from their families back home", the show's host, Richard Wyeth, told Drumbeat.

Garrison FM Around The World can be heard every Sunday at 13:00 on 106.8 FM and online at [garrisonfm.com](http://garrisonfm.com). Email : [messages@garrisonfm.com](mailto:messages@garrisonfm.com)



Many thanks to everyone who has contributed news and photographs to Drumbeat throughout a very busy year. Special thanks go to Media Operations photographers: Cpl Adrian Harlen RLC, (1 Mech Bde), Cpl Russ Nolan RLC, (12 Mech Bde), Sgt Dan Harmer RLC, (43 (Wx) Bde) and to Iain Hamer from the ADSL MMC Warminster.

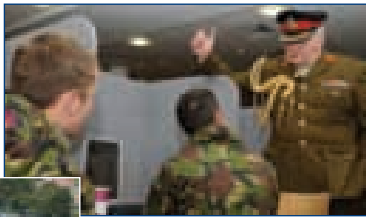


## C-in-C visits Swinton Barracks

The new Commander in Chief Land Forces, General Sir Peter Wall KCB CBE, visited Perham Down last month to formally mark the completion of the recently rebuilt Swinton Barracks, home to 22 and 26 Engineer Regiments.

The £121m redevelopment consists of 31 new and 13 refurbished buildings, including 18 36-man junior ranks accommodation blocks, an SNCO 'pair and share' Mess, a junior ranks dining centre, a Regimental Headquarters and a training wing.

Over 750 Sappers now live in their own en-suite rooms with access to kitchens,



utility and communal rooms, built with everything they require within walking distance.

The newly built camp, constructed by Aspire Defence, is part of the £8 billion Allenby/Connaught project which is redeveloping Army barracks in garrisons across Salisbury Plain and Aldershot. The Project has a 35-year life span and is the largest MOD PFI contract to date.

## Want to start your own business when you leave the Army ?

Wiltshire Councillor John Brady prepares to get into a cherry picker to conduct the Topping Out Ceremony for the new Innovation Centre at Castledown Business Centre (CBC) near Ludgershall.



Built on land formerly owned by the MOD, and only 2 miles from Tidworth, the CBC is already providing affordable premises for start-up and micro businesses, several of which are run by serving and ex-service soldiers .... and their wives too! With extensive business advice and support immediately available, it's becoming a great place from which to run a business. The Innovation Centre will open next Spring to provide a range of innovative and much needed facilities to support businesses across the county.

"We must make sure that soldiers leaving the Army know about this!" Brigadier Steve Hodder, Commander 43 (Wessex) Brigade, told Drumbeat after the ceremony.

The CBC comprises 18 units offering office, light industrial and storage space. If anyone would like to find out more about the units, how to get business advice or simply to discuss a business idea or plan, please get in touch with Godfrey Tilney on 01264 - 848310

## The STAG Project

The Sidbury Teenage Action Group (STAG) Committee has been reformed, under guidance from Garrison Headquarters and Sarsen Housing, and a first step has been taken towards preparing the ground for a new sports area to the North of Tidworth. The MOD made the ground available for a sports pitch some years ago but the project, then managed by Tidworth Development Trust, had ground to a halt, with fears that it would fail altogether after TDT's demise.

Alistair Sampson from Environmental Engineering Services has undertaken to level the ground by the end of January; grass seed will then be sown and the pitch should be ready for use by the Autumn.



## A Sound Foundation ...



Four years of planning finally came to fruition on 5th November, as the foundation stone of the new school building for Wellington Academy was laid.

Academy Principal, Andy Schofield laid cement upon the foundation stone, watched by some pupils from the Academy,

Stephanie Denovan (Head of Schools and Learning at Wiltshire Council), David Cowley (Chairman of the Academy Governors), representatives from contractors, Kier Moss, and Academy sponsors, Wellington College.

"Our students are very excited to see the building work get underway," said Andy Schofield. "I am delighted with the plans, which will enable us to achieve many of the things we've dreamt of".

"In 18 months' time we are going to be opening the most outstanding school in the country", said David Cowley.

The new academy will include a theatre, a floodlit all-weather sports pitch and the latest ICT facilities throughout its buildings. Boarding for up to 100 students and a Combined Cadet Force will also be available.

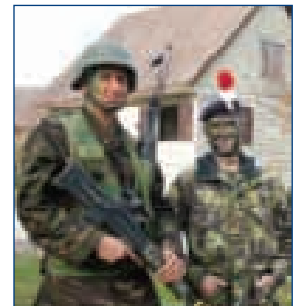
## News from 1RRF

Since arriving in Tidworth earlier this year, 1Bn The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers has been fulfilling the role of Land Warfare Centre Battle Group.

Last month, Y Company hosted troops from a Turkish Brigade which had come to the UK to train on Salisbury Plain.

"Our cultures are different, but what we do is similar to UK troops. This is the first time we have come to exercise with British troops in the UK", said Capt Hakan Ozkubat from the Turkish 66th Mechanised Infantry Brigade, pictured above with Major Toby Bunney, OC Y Coy.

"They are members of NATO and the more we work together in a training environment, the better we'll work together on operations", said



Capt Matt Clarke from 1RRF. "They are really great guys and very well drilled. They conduct operations worldwide and they are an excellent, very professional force".

Working through interpreters, the Fusiliers familiarised the Turkish soldiers with British weapons systems, taking them through the moves needed for searching and clearing buildings and then over an assault course constructed in an urban setting.

The following week, the Turkish soldiers put their skills to the test when they joined 1RGR on the Plain ... with the Fusiliers playing the part of 'the enemy' !



# Drumbeat Noticeboard



## B F B S Forces Radio

To make Radio requests & dedications, call :  
01494 - 372 786

Visit [www.bfbs.com/messages](http://www.bfbs.com/messages)  
Listen on Sky Guide 0211  
DAB digital radio  
and Freesat Channel 786  
BFBS Local Reporter : Call Shirley  
Swain on 07854 - 094 202  
[shirley.swain@bfbs.com](mailto:shirley.swain@bfbs.com)

## Garrison 106.8 FM

Broadcasting to Tidworth,  
Netheravon, Bulford and Larkhill  
from the new studio in Bulford  
Call 01980 - 672277 or Email :  
[salisburyplain@garrisonfm.com](mailto:salisburyplain@garrisonfm.com)


## Castledown Radio

Broadcasting to the Tidworth  
Community Area on 104.7 FM  
email : [studio@castledownradio.info](mailto:studio@castledownradio.info)  
or call: 01264 - 84 1047

## Plastic & Cardboard Rubbish

Skips will be in Wylve Road  
Community Centre car park  
08:00 - 10:30 9 Dec & 6 Jan 2010

## Storybook Soldiers

 Being deployed ?  
Record a story for your child  
to listen to while you are away.  
Phone us at 10 AEC : 01980 602370  
[storybooksoldiers@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:storybooksoldiers@hotmail.co.uk)  
[www.storybooksoldiers.co.uk](http://www.storybooksoldiers.co.uk)

## Skilled for Health courses

No cost involved & free crèche  
Call 01980 - 603477 for details

## NHS Dental Treatment

There is a new system in place for  
becoming an NHS patient at  
Tidworth Dental Centre. For more  
information, contact 01980 - 847600

## AWS Job Vacancies

Bank Staff for Garrison preschools  
always wanted  
Call Chris on 01980 - 673379

## AFF Salisbury Plain Coordinator

Lucy Scott Tel: 07527 - 492 783  
Email: [salisburyplain@affgb.org.uk](mailto:salisburyplain@affgb.org.uk)

## Aspire Defence Helpline (24/7)

0845 168 2300 or Mil 96340 2300

## DE Housing Information Centre (The HIC)

Call 0800 - 169 6322  
Mon - Fri 08:00 - 16:30

## Repairs to Army Quarters (24/7)

MODern Housing Solutions Helpline  
Call 0800 - 707 6000

## Emergency Numbers :

MDP 24/7 : 01752 - 553384  
MDP TNB : 01980 - 60 3099  
RMP : 01980 - 67 2251 & 67 3530  
Service Police Confidential Line :  
0800 - 616 888  
Wiltshire Police : 0845 - 408 7000  
Police Emergency : 999  
Crimestoppers : 0800 - 555111  
Plain Watch : 01980 - 67 47 00

## Tidworth Leisure Centre

### TLC Opening Times

Monday - Friday 09:00 - 21:00  
Saturdays 08:00 - 17:00  
Sundays 08:00 - 21:00

Telephone : 01980 - 847 140  
General Manager : 602030  
Outside Pitch Bookings : 603416  
Library Opening Times :

Mon 10:00 - 17:00  
Tues & Thurs 14:00 - 19:00  
Wed & Fri 10:00 - 17:00  
Sat 10:00 - 13:00  
Call: 01980 - 843460 or 602568

Library Videos and DVDs for hire  
From £1.60 for up to a week

Café Leisure Open 9:00-20:00

Tidworth HIVE See HIVE below :  
Also at the TLC :

Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinics,  
Holistic massage, Lifestyle coach,  
Counselling Services, Purity Beauty  
Salon, Hairdressing, Reflexology and  
more ! Details at TLC

## Local HIVE Information Centres

Mon - Fri 09:00 - 14:00

Tidworth HIVE at the TLC :  
Call Nicole : 01980 - 602224  
Bulford HIVE at the Beeches :  
Call Carla Gardner : 01980 - 672420  
Larkhill HIVE  
Call Lisa : 01980 - 675715  
HIVE online at [www.hive.mod.uk](http://www.hive.mod.uk)

## Bulford Army Library

Mon-Fri 08:30-12:00 12:30-16:30  
Horne Road. Tel. 01980 - 673510

## Youth Activities in Bulford

at the AWS Beeches Families Centre



Mucky Moments  
for parent & toddlers  
Weds 13:30 - 14:30

Art & Craft Club for 8-12s  
Weds 17:00 - 18:30

Puddle Stompers  
for parent & toddlers  
Thurs 13:30 - 14:30

Nature Detectives for 8-12s  
Thurs 16:00 - 17:30

Details : Vicky Bird 07785 - 357 065

## Windmill Hill Children's Centre

in the grounds of Clarendon Jun School  
Services for 0-5s and their families  
Call Carolyn Melvin on 01980 - 843 010

## NSPCC Ashdown Family Centre

Drummer Lane, off Station Road  
Tidworth 01980 - 846164  
Open to all local children and their  
families. Call in/ring for more details

## Uniformed Youth Groups

Scouts, Cubs, Beavers & Explorers  
Call Chris Scott 01980 - 591900  
Guides, Brownies & Rainbows  
Call Karren Madden 01980 - 551088

## The Shipton Bellinger Rams FC

Shipton Bellinger Playing Fields  
U 9s, U 10s and U 14s. New members  
and volunteer help / referees / coaches  
please contact Sgt Chalky Wiltshire  
01980-673474 (day)/01980-846570 (pm)

## Tidworth Royals FC

U8 - U17 & adults. Helpers welcome  
Tue & Wed Tidworth Astroturf 18:00  
Sat Soccer School 5-8s 13:30-15:00  
Marlboro' Sports field by Kiwi Pub  
Call Denise 01980 847005 / Jim 601657

## Tidworth Saddle Club

Riding instruction available 7 days  
per week - all ages, group/individual  
For details call 01980 - 629615

## Tidworth (Comb Svcs) Polo Club

Matches, Tournaments & Chukkas.  
Courses & instruction for all levels.  
Spectators welcome Tel. 01980 -  
846705 or [tidpolo@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:tidpolo@tiscali.co.uk)

## Perham Down Youth Club

Swinton Welfare Centre  
Tues 19:00 - 21:00 11- 17  
Call SSgt Welch 01980 603514

## Youth Activities at the TLC

T2a Adventure Sports Club  
Youth Only Zone  
For details of these and other  
activities, call the TLC :  
01980 - 847140

## Bluez 'n' Zuz Youth Disco

8 Dec 09 19:00 - 21:00 11-15 yrs  
The Clarendon Club, Tidworth

## Army Welfare Service

Main Office : 01980 - 672105  
Ordnance House, Tidworth  
Colin Wheaton : 07769 - 878 874  
Tidworth Leisure Centre  
Joyce Stretton at : 07810 - 771 630  
The Beeches in Bulford  
Vicky Bird : 07785 - 357 065  
Lou Carter : 07900 - 262 119  
Larkhill Community Centre  
Rachel Troughton : 07702 - 706 482  
Netheravon, Upavon & Amesbury  
Denise Barr : 07919 - 415 092

## Tidworth Town Council

Mon-Thurs 9:30 - 13:00 at the Wylve Rd  
Community Centre, Tidworth  
Tel: 01980 - 847390 Fax: 01980 - 843265  
Email: [janet.white2@btconnect.com](mailto:janet.white2@btconnect.com)

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