

Cobseo Weekly News

Monday 29th September- Friday 3rd October 2014

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- ******Fantastic Offer for Members******

Dear Members,

Cobseo has been offered 10 lunchtime tickets to see the performance of Poppy (<http://thelondonballetcompany.com/performances2/upcoming-performances.html>) a new production from The London Ballet Company at the Bridewell Theatre, London EC4Y 8EQ. It is a 45 minute production starting at 1pm and we have been offered 10 tickets each on the following four days:

Tuesday 14th – Friday 17th October 2014

If this last minute offer is of interest to you or your members please can you let Sophie Lucas know **ASAP** (s.lucas@cobseo.org.uk / 0207 811 3225) What we would need from you are the names and email addresses of those wishing to attend, so the London Ballet Company can send the details over.

If you could let me know by the **7th October** at the very latest I would be very grateful.

- **Cobseo Trustee Training- Wednesday 15th October 2014**

Members will have received a 'Save the Date' email from the Cobseo Office about Trustee Training we will be running on Wednesday 15th October in London. A calling notice with more information and a pro forma has been emailed out to members this week. There are 80 places available and it will be on a first come first served basis. If you wish to book a place, please fill in the pro forma when you receive it and return to the Head of Membership and Administration Sophie Lucas.

- **Cobseo AGM- Tuesday 30th September at The Victory Services Club, London: 1330-1800**

Thank you to all those members who attended the AGM on Tuesday. It was a great afternoon and made even more so by the number of members who attended, so thank you. You will be interested to read that the Ministers positive comments about Cobseo made at the AGM were reported by Defence News. [Click here to read](#)

The minutes will be circulated to members in the next few weeks. We will keep you posted.

- **Subscriptions**

A gentle reminder to all those members who have not yet paid their Cobseo Subscriptions for 2014. **There are still a handful of members who have NOT paid yet.** The **FINAL** deadline was the **30th September**. If you are one of those few who have still **NOT** paid, please contact Sophie Lucas **ASAP** to discuss.

- **Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red**

The Poppies Installation at The Tower of London Marking the Centenary of the Outbreak of the First World War

[The ceramic hand-made Poppies are on sale and SELLING FAST, so if you would like to purchase one, click here for more information](#)

Be Part of History and Volunteer to Plant Poppies at the Tower of London. This year the Tower will play a unique role in the commemorative events across the UK marking the outbreak of the First World War when we mount one of the most stunning artistic commemorations of the centenary. **We need your help to plant poppies throughout August, September and October 2014. This is a great opportunity for charities to get involved in this incredibly important project and event** [If you would like to get involved, click here](#)

Housing & Care Home

- The Royal Star & Garter Home- [in Solihull Receives Award for Outstanding Dementia Care](#)

Research

- Forces in Mind Trust - [Better understanding the Support Needs of Service Leaver Families. Engagement Events to be held during October and November 2014](#)
FiMT are holding workshops to better understand Service Leaver families. More details on the workshops available by [clicking here](#)
- The Forces In Mind Trust- [Awards A Grant To Wiltshire Mind To Provide A Pilot Project Offering Online Support To Carers In The Armed Forces Community](#)
- The Forces In Mind Trust - [FiMT seeks to recruit Independent Directors](#)

Education, Training, Resettlement and Employment

- The White Ensign Association - [Job Vacancy at The White Ensign Association as Director Of Employment Services](#)
- Stoll- [Job Vacancy at Stoll as Support Services Manager – Veterans’ Outreach Officer- Transition x 2](#)
- Stoll- [Job Vacancy at Stoll as Support Services Manager – Veterans Outreach Service](#)
- [Job Vacancy at Anglia Ruskin University as Project Director, Veterans Research Hub](#)
- Warrior Veterans Residential Courses: [Tuesday 28th – Thursday 30th October 2014 at Finchale College, Durham or Tuesday 25th – Thursday 27th November 2014 at Calvert Trust Exmoor, Barnstaple, Devon](#)

Health & Wellbeing

Fundraising

- The Poppy Factory- [Trafalgar Day Concert Raises Funds To Help Disabled Ex-Service Men and Women Back to Work](#)
- The Queen Alexandra Hospital Home- [Southern Water Armed Forces Charity Raceday – Saturday 4 October In support of The Queen Alexandra Hospital Home, Worthing, West Sussex](#)
A full day of fun for all the family. Races, music and military displays plus the chance to sit in an RAF Spitfire, Military vehicles, Powerbag challenge, Royal Navy recruitment stand, display of chemical warfare equipment and lots more to enjoy.
11.00am: Gates open with a performance from Flash Mob Jazz
12.00pm: Display by The Band of the Corps of the Royal Engineers
1.00pm: Delighted to welcome The Military Wives Choir
2.10pm: First race
5.25pm: Last race
6.00pm: The Military Wives Choir take to the stage
7.00pm: Flash Mob Jazz end the night with fab entertainment
9.00pm: Gates close
Tickets available on the [Fontwell Park website](#)

Members News and Events

- The Not Forgotten Association- [Chairman of Cobseo Visits Chief Executive of the The Not Forgotten Association](#)
- Blesma, The Limbless Veterans - [TRH The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester to Receive Injured Veterans at the Tower of London for Military Charity Blesma](#)
- The RAF Association - [Flying Scholarships Open for Entries](#)
- Legasee Educational Trust - [Hammersmith And Fulham Veterans To Be Immortalised On Film](#)
- Future for Heroes (formally Remount) – [A Charity Update](#)
- Gardening Leave- [Iss Assists In Makeover For Veterans Horticultural Therapy Garden](#)

Campaigns

- The RAF Association - [Backs Call For Minister for Older People](#)

Serving Personnel and Families

Benefits and Services

- **Cyber Security**

Members who attended the Cobseo AGM will recall that the Chairman spoke of Cyber Security guides that are available for members to read should they wish. Please see below links to the guides mentioned:

- [10 Steps to Cyber Security](#)
- [Cyber Essentials](#)
- [CiSP](#)

- **Cobseo Fuel Card**

Cobseo is pleased to announce an exciting new fundraising opportunity for our membership. Please take the time to read this news item explaining this initiative.

[Read](#)

General

- Cabinet Office- [Positions available in the Veterans Advisory & Pensions Committee \(VAPC\)](#)

Cobseo Dates

Important dates in the Cobseo Calendar in 2014/2015, for the Membership to be aware of:

2014

- 15th October – Trustee Training – Natwest Bank, Bishopsgate
- 25th November – Cobseo Executive Meeting – Mountbarrow House. 1000-1500
- 9th December- Cobseo 30th Anniversary, London. 1230-1400

2015

- 25th February - Cobseo Executive Meeting – Mountbarrow House. 1000-1500
- 19th May- Cobseo Executive Meeting- Mountbarrow House 1000-1500
- 9th September- Cobseo Executive Away Day. 1000-1700.
- 30th September - Cobseo AGM – TBC
- 2nd December 2015 - Cobseo Executive Meeting - Mountbarrow House. 1000-1500

