

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
MODBURY BRANCH
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The Branch has a membership of some 75 members. As the smaller branches in the local area have closed we have offered them membership of this branch. We are the only branch between Dartmouth and Plymouth although there are one or two clubs still operating.

The committee meets as and when required and met on five occasions during the year. The branch meets bimonthly and topics of interest are the subject of lectures and debate. An example is David Scott's collection of films on the history of the second war sea battles. Both male and female members are encouraged to attend all meetings which are held in the Modbury Club.

Naturally, the annual Poppy Appeal is the focus of fund raising throughout the year and is featured during the May Fair and majors in the weeks before Remembrance Day this fund raising is overseen by Don Masters who has been masterminding this for some twenty plus years for which we all should thank him. The total raised in 2015 was £5967-35. We all should thank the people of the Modbury area for their giving so generously. We should also remember those who come rain or shine standing in the streets of Modbury or going door to door collecting for the poppy appeal each year we thank you and of course would like to call upon your services again this year.

The branch always organises the annual Remembrance Day service at St. George's Church and afterwards at the War Memorial. We also meet at the War Memorial on the 11th November at 11am each year to remember. The Branch over the years has held a Battle of Britain Service in St Georges church ^{Diak} recently the vicar has stated that he does not want the service to continue in future years.

The R.B.L's. is changing as is the role the role of the armed forces. Now members need not have seen service and any one who is interested in our work may join, all are welcome male and female. We need new blood!

