

# Colchester Guards Club News

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Next meeting

3rd November 2004

**Quote of the month: War does not determine who is right, only who is left. B Russell.**

## That Was The Dinner That Was

Friday 1st October saw the long and eagerly awaited 'Club Dinner' at the Garrison Sergeants Mess and what a night it turned out to be. The table looked a treat as did all our Ladies, even us Old Boys seemed to 'scrub up' quite well for the occasion. The Mess Staff laid on an excellent



meal and delivered it with almost military precision, give or take the odd AWOL meal that soon appeared. The wine and Port flowed and flowed.

Our President was overheard to say that, "This is just like old times" which of course was the cunning plan hatched by Frank, his reputation, such as it is, was laid

on the line and had it not worked was fully prepared to fall on his own sword, which in actual fact is a Boy Scout pen knife.

Many thanks to Frank, supported by the long suffering Joan, for all his hard work in putting together for us another very special evening.



## Christmas Do.

It's almost that time of year again. The December meeting will be our Christmas 'Do'. You will remember that in previous years the ladies have put on a special buffet which has been a roaring success. There is a suggestion that this year we approach the Mess Management and see what they would charge us for a 'Curry Evening'. Obviously we would also look at none curry dishes for those who don't like spicy food. Another suggestion is that instead of exchanging Christmas cards we have a collection to put to some worthy cause. Obviously those who wish to will

still do the card bit. How about hats funny, for this event? All up for discussion at the next meeting.

## Raffle

At the present time we are quite well off for funds. The raffle is part of our evening that everyone seems to enjoy. Rather than not having a raffle how about giving the money, on some occasions, to charities, the obvious one at this time of year must be the 'Poppy Appeal'.

## Xmas Cards

Coldstream Guards Xmas cards are available through Sgt McGowan RHQ London at 55p each plus 60p postage cheques made out to Coldstream Guards Central Bank.

## Brides Head Revisited

Joan is organising an 'all our yesterdays' photo show for the ladies at the November meeting. Please look out you wedding photographs and bring them along, give everyone a chuckle and bring back those far off memories whilst still trying to work out how it all happened in the first place.

## Sick Parade

Both Larry and Bill are still having their ups and downs, hopefully more ups than downs. It is good to see Larry at meetings when he can get there. We hope that Bill will be rejoining us soon.

## Success

Age 4 Success is not peeing in your pants  
Age 12 Success is having friends  
Age 16 Success is having a drivers license  
Age 20 Success is going all the way  
Age 35 Success is having money  
Age 50 Success is having money  
Age 60 Success is going all the way  
Age 70 Success is having a drivers license  
Age 75 Success is having friends  
Age 80 Success is not peeing in your pants.

Following a major accident at Basildon, Essex, rescue workers found a girl in the rubble smothered in blood - "Where are you bleeding from?" they asked - "ROMFORD" said the girl, "woss that got to do wiv it?"