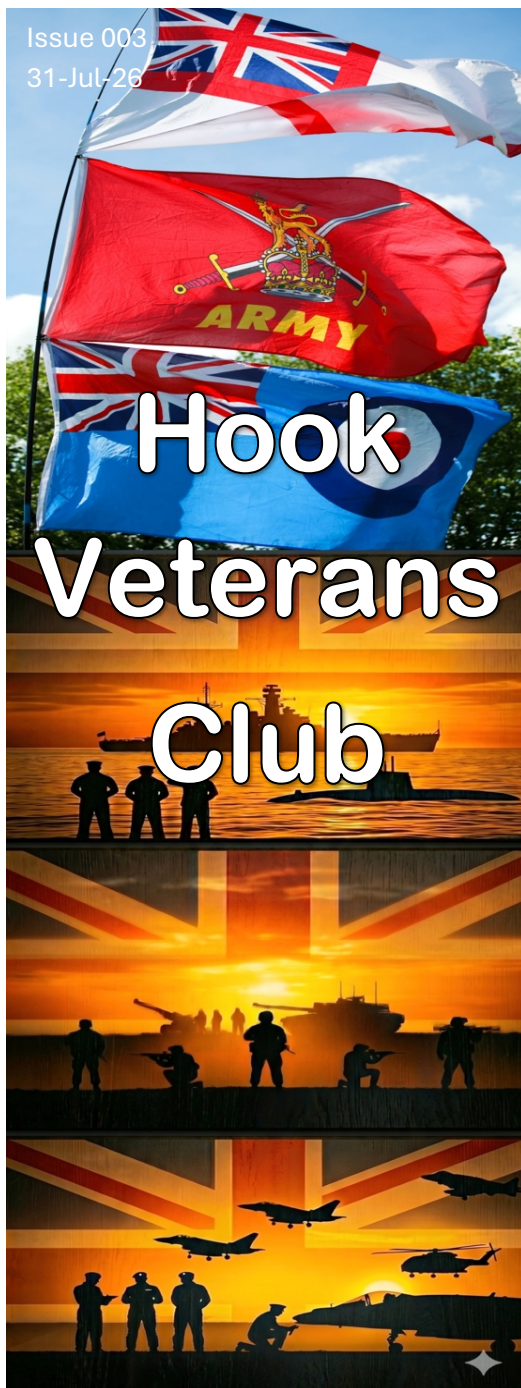




Weekly Coffee Mornings

The first of the weekly coffee mornings took place on Friday 19th June at The Sue Hedges Memorial Hall (Hook Scout Hall)



Meetings will now take place every Friday, except Bank Holidays, between 09.30 and 11.30.

The coffee mornings have got off to a great start with our aim of operating them as a self-financing activity getting a shot in the arm from our local supermarkets. Both Wayne (**Sainsburys**) and Linda (**Tesco's**)

were able to kindly donate Coffee and Tea to our group to get us started. Your generosity is much appreciated by all concerned within the club.



During August we will be holding what we hope will be the first of a monthly occurrence, where we invite someone from one of the many Veterans Help Agencies that exist locally and nationally, to visit our coffee morning. There is no intention to have a formal presentation but just to have our guest sit at the table with us for a 15/20 minute conversation on what help it is that their organisation provides and how that help can be accessed if/when required.

For August that organisation will be Op Courage when on 7 Aug Simon and Steve will be dropping in for chat on Op Courage services and what part they play in delivering them.

The Hook Village Show 5 July 26

On 5 July we were lucky enough to have a pitch at the Hook Village Show. A big thank you to Bryan, Ian, Debbie, Mark and Sandra who were able to turn out to help spread the word.

We met a whole crowd of wonderful people, all interested in what we are trying to achieve and very complimentary about the progress that we've already made.



We all had a great day and were able to make a lot of what will hopefully become good friends of the club.

Membership/Publicity

One of the biggest issues that we are facing getting the message out to people who aren't yet aware of our existence. Thankfully, in the last week or so, we've had our first attendee from Hartley Wintney. The plea to everyone right now is "If you've heard about us, shout it out loud until everyone else has".

Dates For Your Diary

August

07 Aug - Visit from Op Courage. Simon & Steve will join the coffee morning to let us know what Op Courage is all about, and the part they play in delivering help to those that need it.

Timing - 09.30 for 10.00.

September

25 Sep - Our local Member of Parliament, Alex Brewer MP, will visit the coffee morning to find out what we're all about. A chance for us all to explain how a group like ours, through peer support and friendship, can help with on-going issues that veterans may carry with themselves as "baggage".

Timing - 09.30 for 10.15.

Club Management

In accordance with the draft Club Constitution, the club will be managed by a board of Trustees. The club is required to have a minimum number of named key personnel when applying for charitable status. For Hook Veterans Club the following people have been appointed as Trustees and then elected to following roles:

Chair	Les Young
Vice Chair	Sandra Tidy
Secretary	Sandra Tidy (Interim)
Treasurer	Nigel Goodenough
Events & Social Media Coordinator	to be appointed
Trustee (max 5)	to be appointed

There will be opportunities in the future for others to take on these roles. An immediate need is for someone to take on the role of Secretary to let Sandra manage her permanent role of Vice Chair

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