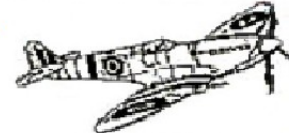




The Spitfire Society

SOUTH DEVON



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We hope you all had a good Christmas and wish you a very Happy New Year.

We have recently lost two of our members Group Capt B Drake, and Mr J.L. Cutler FRAES.

Get together Number 17

Held at the Beefeater, Torquay on Monday 7th November at 12 noon.

Ten of us had a very pleasant meal and a general discussion on a few items Michael Hayes had brought along – a Spitfire tail wheel, a propeller pitch control lever and a Dimmer Screen for an early mark Spitfire.

The Dimmer Screen was not recognised by our pilots and more research is needed to find out which mark Spitfire it was on.

Spitfire Calendars were on sale and Frank Newman pointed out that the Spitfire on the front cover was one that he flew.

Frank Newman was asked by Teignmouth RAFA to lay two wreaths – one at their Battle of Britain Parade and another at the Teignmouth Community College in memory of a Battle of Britain pilot who was a former pupil. Frank astounded the Sea Cadets by pointing out a picture of the current First Sea Lord and informing them that it was his nephew's photograph.

Get together Number 18

Our annual Christmas Dinner held again at the Furzeleigh Hotel, Buckfastleigh on Wednesday 7th December.

Fifteen of us had a very festive meal including a 'flaming' Christmas Pudding and this year the Holly didn't catch fire!!

Diary Dates 2012.

Monday 6 th February	12noon	Passage House Inn, Newton Abbott
Wednesday 7 th March	7 pm	Babbacombe Inn, Torquay
Monday 21 st May	12noon	Venue to be confirmed
Wednesday 13 th June	7pm	“ “ “
Monday 20 th August	12noon	“ “ “
Wednesday 26 th September	7pm	“ “ “
Monday 26 th November	12noon	“ “ “
Wednesday 5 th December	7pm	“ “ “

We do hope that you (and your partner or a friend) can join us at these get togethers and we look forward to seeing there.

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