

PROGRAMME

ENTRY OF THE STANDARDS

Represented Standard Bearers	Royal British Legion Standard Bearers
Cadet Banner Bearers	Army Cadet Corps Banner, Combined Cadet Corps Banner, Air Training Corps Banner, Sea Cadet Corps Banner
Ex-Service Associations Standard Bearers	Royal Naval Association, Royal Air Forces Association, Royal Marines Association, Royal Commonwealth Ex-Services League, Burma Star Memorial Fund, British West India Regiments Heritage Trust, Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service

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ARRIVAL OF THEIR MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN

Royal Fanfare	State Trumpeters of the Household Division under the direction of Trumpet Major Julian Sandford MVO
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PLEASE BE SEATED

REMEMBERING THE SECOND WORLD WAR

Music Performance	Sir Rod Stewart and the RAF Squadronaires perform <i>Sentimental Journey</i>
The Veterans	A celebration of the veterans who helped secure the peace 80 years ago

THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN

Tribute to the RAF Performance	Remembering the service and sacrifice The Central Band of the Royal Air Force and King's Colour Squadron perform <i>Their Kingdom, The Air</i> (composed by Sgt Jonathan Read), as Douglas Booth recites <i>High Flight</i> by John Gillespie Magee Jr.
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REFLECTIONS ON THE END OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR

Reflections	Veterans remember
Music Performance	Hannah Waddingham performs <i>We'll Meet Again</i>

SALUTE TO THE VETERANS

Forever in Your Debt	Thank you to the veterans
Music Performance	Sir Rod Stewart and the Massed Bands of His Majesty's Royal Marines, the Household Division, the Royal Air Force perform <i>Sailing</i>

FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE

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ENTRANCE OF THE IN-PENSIONERS FROM THE ROYAL HOSPITAL CHELSEA

Music | *The Boys of the Old Brigade*

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Music Performance | The Band of HM Royal Marines Portsmouth (Royal Band) and The Wellermen perform *The Nights*

TRIBUTE TO THE BEREAVED

In Remembrance | Private Paul Aitken Lowe, 1st Battalion
The Black Watch RHR

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Entrance of the Bereaved Families | The Bach Choir performs *A Day May Come* (Music: Debbie Wiseman OBE; Words: Grahame Davies CVO)

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LGBT+ ARMED FORCES COMMUNITY MEMORIAL

With Pride | Marking 25 years since the ban on gay personnel serving in the Armed Forces was lifted

DRUM LAYING

Music Performance | Blessing Offor performs *Brighter Days*

MUSTER

Muster: The Royal Navy	Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service; 42 Commando (RM); Royal Fleet Auxiliary; DI OPS WYTON; PJHQ; Royal Navy Air Station Culdrose; Royal Navy Air Station Yeovilton; Defence College of Logistics, Policing and Administration; ETS 2 (DEVONPORT); CSSET DEVONPORT; FSU A 03; SPS ETS EAST; WTS; JHG S; MIXG; MCSU; 815, 825 and 1700 Naval Air Squadrons; Royal Navy Recruitment and Attraction; Royal Navy Reserve; Royal Marines Reserve London, Merseyside, Scotland – Tyne; HMS <i>Clyde</i> ; HMS <i>Drake</i> ; HMS <i>Collingwood</i> ; HMS <i>Excellent</i> ; HMS <i>Queen Elizabeth</i> ; HMS <i>Raleigh</i> ; HMS Submarines; HMS <i>Sultan</i>
Muster: The Army	King's Royal Hussars; London Central Garrison Number 7 Company Coldstream Guards; London Central Garrison Numbers 9/12 Company Irish Guards; 4th Regiment Royal Artillery; King's Gurkha Orderly Officers; King's Gurkha Artillery; 2 Signal Regiment; Royal Wessex Yeomanry; 256 Multi-Role Medical Regiment; 71 Signal Regiment; Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Muster: The Royal Air Force

King's Colour Squadron, Royal Auxiliary Air Force; RAF Police; University Air Squadrons; Royal Air Force Air Cadets; Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service; Defence Medical Services Group; RAF Benson; RAF Boulmer; RAF Brize Norton; RAF Coningsby; RAF Cosford; RAF Cranwell; RAF Fylingdales; RAF Halton; RAF Henlow; RAF High Wycombe; RAF Honington; RAF Leeming; RAF Lossiemouth; RAF Marham; RAF Northolt; RAF Odiham; RAF Shawbury; RAF Swanwick; RAF Valley; RAF Waddington; RAF Wittering; RAF Wyton

Muster: Merchant Navy

Muster: Royal British Legion

Royal British Legion Industries; The Poppy Factory; Poppy Appeal

Muster: Civilian Services

Police Service; Fire Service; Ambulance Service; The British Red Cross; St John Ambulance; St Andrew's First Aid; Fighting with Pride; Transport for London

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Resilience and Friendship

Lennon and Ruby, the children of Corporal Mark Palin, return to 1st Battalion The Rifles

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Book of Remembrance carried by

Lennon and Ruby, accompanied by other bereaved young people from Scotty's Little Soldiers

Music Performance

Sam Ryder performs *Go Steady*

THE SERVICE

Hymn:

Abide With Me

Words by Henry Francis Lyte

Music by William Henry Monk

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens Lord, with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away
Change and decay in all around I see
O Thou who changest not, abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me
Abide with me, abide with me

FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE

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The Bidding Prayer	Led by The Venerable Dr Giles Legood MBE KHC
Reading by	Second World War veteran John Eskdale
Music Performance	Keala Settle performs <i>Now is the Hour</i>

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THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Prayer	Led by The Venerable Dr Giles Legood MBE KHC
The Exhortation	Recited by National President Vice Admiral (Rtd) Paul Bennett CB OBE They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun, and in the morning We will remember them. ALL We will remember them.
Last Post	Silence is observed while the poppy petals fall
Reveille	
The Dedication	Led by National President Vice Admiral (Rtd) Paul Bennett CB OBE When you go home tell them of us and say: For your tomorrow we gave our today.
Sunset	
The Blessing	Led by The Venerable Dr Giles Legood MBE KHC
The National Anthem	God save our gracious King! Long live our noble King! God save the King! Send him victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us, God save the King.

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AND SACRIFICE OF THE WARTIME
GENERATION WHO MADE THAT
HARD-FOUGHT VICTORY POSSIBLE”

HIS MAJESTY THE KING

