Hurrah .... Summer is truly here and I hope you are making the most of it. For The Not Forgotten it means we are busy and that is the way we like it – there is something for everyone and we are thrilled to see so many new beneficiaries on our activities. We are also delighted when we get messages after events which tell us of the difference that event has made. Here is one which we think says it all

“The Not Forgotten takes brick by brick out of the walls that surround most of us and then let’s the light back into our lives.”

Let’s celebrate the summer and work together to brighten the lives of our fellow Service men and women.

James Stopford
Chief Executive

The Veteran Games - Israel

“I had almost given up on all competitive sport but going to Israel and competing was the kick I needed to get my head back together and look to compete again.”

From 25th - 31st May, The Not Forgotten was proud to accompany 15 beneficiaries to the inaugural Veteran Games and Conference in Tel Aviv, Israel. Taking place at the pioneering Beit Holchem rehabilitation centre, almost 150 British veterans (accompanied by their families) took part in the trip which included an opening ceremony, sporting competitions, a social and cultural programme, home hospitality with Israeli families and a closing event. Sports included swimming, shooting and cross-fit style fitness challenges. Head to www.nfassociation.org/news to find out more.
MAJORCAN FARMHOUSE HOLIDAY
“The Not Forgotten makes us feel like one big family”

We are extremely lucky to have access to a secluded farmhouse on the island of Majorca. The peace, sunshine and opportunities to relax that Can Xenet provides make our Majorca R&R holidays some of our most popular. Our latest trip was one of the best yet, with our beneficiaries making some fantastic new friends, laughing non-stop over big bowls of paella and dancing along to the show at Son Amar, where the visit is kindly organised by Margaret Whittaker OBE. The icing on the cake of the trip was bumping into Brendan Cole from Strictly Come Dancing! It’s safe to say that our group of sixteen, who represented three Services and six different Army regiments, left the week feeling revitalised.

On 12 June we headed to Southampton with 120 guests, representing 24 different organisations, for a day on the high seas. There’s nothing quite like meeting new people over fish and chips, whilst bobbing along on the Solent.

A big thank you to long-time supporters the Michelle Jurd Memorial Trust who raised £2000 for The Not Forgotten at their annual fundraising ball.

Thanks to the generosity of The Royal Hospital Chelsea, six lucky beneficiaries attended Founder’s Day where the inspection was undertaken by HRH The Duke of Sussex. Two of the group were presented to HRH during the inspection, before they were all treated to a picnic lunch and music performances from the Swingtime Sweethearts and The Jive Aces.

As a small charity supporting some 10,000 men and women each year with a team of just nine staff, we couldn’t be more grateful to our fantastic fundraisers. Head to our website to take a look at what some of them have been up to over the past few weeks.

In a new addition to The Not Forgotten’s programme of events, thirty three of our beneficiaries took to a lake near Bristol to try their hand at Dragon Boat Racing. Embodying TNF’s mantra of combining challenge with comradeship, the day was a huge hit and thanks must go to Atlas Elektronik UK Ltd. for funding the