

HONOURABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY MESS CLUB

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From The Honorary Secretary

August 2010

191st DINING SEASON **Thursday 30th September 2010**

The President is hoping that the membership will continue the theme adopted by his immediate predecessors at this first dinner of the season by inviting their sons (and that includes grandsons, stepsons, sons in law and nephews) amongst others as their guests. Further it is hoped that the Active Unit Prize winners, together with many of the members of the Active Unit who have recently been on Operations will be able to attend as guests of the Club.

At this extremely challenging time for Defence we are very pleased two key senior officers from the MOD have accepted our invitation to be our speaking guests. Lieutenant General Simon Mayall CB, Deputy Chief of Defence Staff (Operations) is responsible for UK military operations around the world and Rear Admiral Alan Richards, Assistant Chief of Defence Staff (Strategy and Plans) whose current role is to generate and test proposed force structures being considered in the Strategic Defence Review.

Members are invited to apply to me at the above address, for reservations for themselves and their guests on the form overleaf. The dining fee is **£60**. Applications will be dealt with strictly in order of receipt until the maximum number is reached or, if not reached, then by **Friday the 24th September 2008**. Applications without the correct dining fee cannot be considered. If you advise your email address your application will be acknowledged by that means. Alternatively please enclose an **A5** sized prepaid envelope if an acknowledgment or 'pour memoire' card is required.

Guests should be invited at 1900 hours for 1925 hours precisely. Guests arriving before 1900 hours should be entertained in the Sutling, Drum or Writing Rooms. Champagne will be served in the Court and Medal Rooms from 1900 hours. The correct dress for dinner is Mess Dress – Ceremonial Evening (Soft Shirt), Blues or Dinner Jacket – Decorations (strictly **white shirt, black tie**).

Please note that I shall be away on holiday from 16 to 23 September, so shall be unable to respond to any queries until my return. If you have anything urgent, please contact Mark Hodgson, the Assistant Secretary.

Alan Willis
Honorary Secretary

PS Please also give your attention to the enclosed letter regarding Subscriptions from our Treasurer.

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PROFORMA

I wish to attend the Dinner on Thursday the 30th September 2010

STATE YOUR SURNAME, initials, title/rank and decorations:-
(Block capitals please as it should appear on the place card)

I wish to invite the following guests

STATE THEIR SURNAMES, initials, title/rank, decorations: -
(Block capitals please as it should appear on the place card)

**I enclose my cheque payable to 'HAC MESS CLUB' (Dining Fee £60 each) for £
which includes a donation to the cost of a member of the Active Unit's dining fee**

Please advise ANY SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Please advise YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS, so an acknowledgement can be sent

Please set out below anything about your guest/s that the Membership may find interesting.