

Dear Members,

42 Commando Royal Marines Association reunion 2024, At the Savoy hotel in Blackpool, our numbers seem to have gone up this year which is great, but we still need more members to attend that means wife's and girlfriends as well.



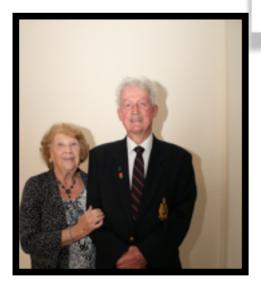
The Savoy Hotel is on the sea front so members could get the tram or the bus from outside the hotel, bus passes can not be used on the tram but are accepted on the buses, this is a great way to see the sights of Blackpool, which everyone seemed to enjoy as it makes it a bit of a holiday and not someone mapping out your weekend out for you. I Know the hotel is looking a bit tired, but I for one didn't go to admire the decor,I went to meet up with like minded Bootnecks to pull up sandbags and swing the lantern, which we did for 3 days. The Hotel is slowly being done up and it has been turned into an adult only hotel no hen or stag dos. Next year 40 with be joining 42 for a reunion so hopefully more people and more stories, the dates are the 27th June till the 30 June 2025

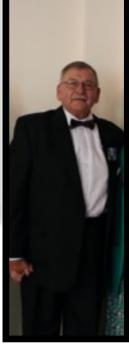
Members enjoying themselves on the Friday Night at the Guards Club



## Anniversaries

During the weekend we had two members who celebrated their anniversaries, Pincher Martin who celebrated 55 years and Andy Hickie who celebrated 50 years, we wish them and their loverly wives many more.





**Pincher Martin** 

Mr&Mrs Hickie





On the Saturday night members enjoying the Gala Dinner



















Thanks to Pincher Martin and Barry Nelms for bringing some of the widows to the reunion it was lovely to see them, we know how hard it was to come to a Gala dinner without your husband or partner.



The chef excelling himself especially with the dessert. going to the trouble of replicating the unit badge in chocolate on each plate.



A raffle was held both Saturday and Sunday







I would like to thank all those that contributed to the prizes and purchased raffle tickets. we raised £500 Also a bit thank you to Sheila Cairns for helping with the raffle on both night and Ken Thwaites for calling the number's.



A Big Thank You to Barry Nelms 007 for Donating a Dagger which was auctioned and raised  $\pounds145.00$  for the association

We now have a 42 Commando Association t-shirt which comes in many colours for men and women. you can buy them from

## www.ajtypestettersdesgintoprint.com







Mr Rothwell if you would like a pink polo shirt, I am sure that Jeff Jones will make you one.

Willie don't forget your kilt next year.

Have a good year see you all next year if you want anything you know where we our. Frank and Tracey

