#### Missing:

Your replies to questions that we ask von... we need information!

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### failure? Success

problems that days and dates I later on Tom officer. started to pop gave him didn't and Tai arrived up. Firstly our match his and soon got Next morning, Harry 1/Sgt dropped calender... their kit stowed should arrive with

With well over pulled out as he backwards and some of us slept far

ten people all had his son, my forwards, better than others. saying they niece's husband slipping and Kelly lay shivering and were coming to Tom also had to sliding about in was losing her mind take part, I was pull out as he the ice and frost because as it was hopeful that we was on call for whilst pushing revealed later, he would get all the his work, the heavy sleeping bag she photos we People barrow loaded borrowed was wafer needed to dropping out down with guns, thin; in fact I've seen complete the like flies, webbing and thicker and warmer in 'Fishy' can't crates of stuff! cling film! So I cuddled progress. read a calender Once most of up next to her to keep However as the and it wasn't the items where her warm. Yes I'm the event drew until I pointed there, Danny lucky one... some times closer, the more out that the arrived and it's tough being an

out due to which turns out away and 'beds' Callum at 09:00... at testing positive was last years were made. 10:00 they arrived... to Covid... then calender! Danny as still this was the time that our Captain had Seriously... scratching his the motocross guys to pull out Tom was having head as to why were due to arrive... because of problems but he was even however they never did Covid too... with a quick there?!?! appear. Ross, Jordan, meaning the loan to fund Although I'm Marcus, Lee were tied unless Max was petrol etc him sure Kelly might up with work and so we going to run and Tai were have also been a were really cut short in here, he would sorted and little puzzled at the amount of people have to work would be on this point as to we needed. We started something else their way. At what the hell was to get organised for out... he didn't least one going on and the photo shoot. and so also problem was how I talked her Webbing and weapons stayed at home. sorted easily. into all this! sorted and all put into My friend Jack Our Miss Drop However, after the barrow, along with also had to pull arrived early some beers.. in zeltbahns and all sorts out as he is a Friday and fact quite a lot of other props. Then serving solider once Harvey of beers the wheeled up to 'Holdy'. and was kindly got back from night whilst With some ultra speedy put on gate school we playing pool, we lessons in Zelt duty... much to started to hump all eventually construction. Tom. his disgust! My all that kit to turned in for Tai, Danny, Harvey, nephew Ben the stables... sleep. Well... Harry-cont page 3

## Kitting all our future potential recruits.

One of the hugest little head I have about us and what problems with this hobby is that when you first look into doing it, you soon t h e monumental everything you need. Even the bare minimum that groups like ours sets us still hundreds and hundreds of pounds... and you don't even know if you'll like the hobby!

So, here at Miss Drop 44 we are going to keep a huge stock of all things a new comer to the hobby would need, in as many sizes as possible. So that we can let anyone who wants to try this hobby a chance to do so with zero outlay. Since this idea Facistbook or by A C T U A L

purchased 6 M42 we are up to for jumpsuits and have magazines like CC2'ed the lot and Skirmish etc Lets given them all the get the group, our 502 trimmings ideas and make the needed, including hobby more financial cost of GAP patches to universal for purchasing boot. As well as everyone. A win those, we have in win... hopefully stock 5 M1 helmets finding the group with paratrooper some amazing new liners and all members in the painted with 502 process. All hearts, given nets standards we have and scrim... next set will of course came sorting out apply to all new sets of webbing for comers and various different although they can roles! Including start by borrowing very specific roles our kit, that isn't like ammo bearer something that that needs HTC GP they can do bags. Right... also 8 forever. boots. So we have So guys... get to this kit sorted and work... find us

shirts and 5 pairs of ready to go... you those potential new guys just need to members... I'm start recruiting sure we can thing of those people who ways of rewarding want to try the you once you hobby. Either that convert potential be from Insta, members into popped into my writing articles members.

## So what comes next? When is

leads us to a all March is a HAPPENING weekend at . So last Holdy, mainly chance for r anyone who construction wants to purposes, feature in a However, we book, or get can squeeze themselves in out some it more! If photos we enough need. Even I people sign can take some up, I will get of the ones we t need as they photographer are going to back who be fairly small came in in the book, January, as his but still very pics of you important. guys was Next event is fantastic. in April and is

With the to be treated May will bring that show. All photo shoot as a standard us onto the last impressions out the way event. Bring private event nailed down, if and it not everything for to hone in you being as a tip-top everything something fruitful as we impression before we specific, you have needed. This this will be for attend the until then to get the Overlord show it! ... and for the fair dire need remaining at Denmead in love of god, let us to get these photos. If we June. So we know if you are remaining don't get them need to get all coming or not... photos. So at this, then our ducks in a organising things planned for a re NOT row before is hard enough!





#### member

Something for us to discuss at monies be donated to a charity some point. Let me elaborate on that title. Someone usually expresses an interests in the Miss Drop 44, we have a few chats with them and then they join the dreaded Whatsapp chat. I pity them at this point, its quite an introduction to us all! They are usually added onto the company rosta some points after joining the chat. Eventually some of these potential make it to an meet on them that they are not yours. home ground... soooo....

When is a member actually a the group but still owned by me member. Thinking long term, will be some of the following:when if ever, do we ever start 6 0 m m charging subs. I'm sure we have . 3 0 Browning LMG talked about this a few times yet more Zelts... and although I'm not sure if A couple of German officers anything was ever full decided tents with beds etc upon. Something that I recall More M42s, more shirts, more disbanded, what would happen Garands. to the group items and funds All the extra items carried by came from Daz was that all TO&E, like spare SCR536s, group items be sold off and all M3 grease guns etc.

of the groups choosing. Most likely a veterans charity. So again, more to discuss and put in place for the future. Items purchased by members to be used by the group remain property of that person unless otherwise stated. We will keep a log of all items donated/owned by the group. So please don't think that if you purchase a load of zelts and others use

Items I will be purchasing for mortar

was that if the group ever boots and a good pile of

left over. A suggestion which Company Hq as spares, listed in



### cont from page 10ur 101st Normandy and Callum got to works of art and this replicate and the

mug shots to shame. Then after those mugshots came a series of photos for the book in the guise of front, back, left and right full body shots. Oli also put some more interesting photos as well, which is the ones that we would later use for the profile photos. Some of them are truly

work. Kelly looking a is what we need to rest was up to them bit lost went in doors concentrate on in to sort out and do to get herself warm, future. We slowly some magic. Kelly prepared and ready cycled through all had some idea as I for her photos. the guys and had had tried to draw Around this point we multiple photos what I needed. We all had a message from done... except one retired to the stables OJ the photographer person who for some and left them too it. and he was a the reason did a couple Eventually they both gate. Callum ran of group photos with came to find us in the down to fetch him Harvey and Harry, stables, I was and show him the but then didn't say warming myself with way to Holdy. They anything and his a coffee. Kelly both appeared a single photos never meanwhile was short while later and got properly taken! I frozen to the core... I spoke with Oli had to cut one of him again! Oli showed quickly about what with other people to me a few of the sort of photos I include him in the photos and I was needed of the guys. book! CALLUM amazed! I simply Kelly's photos we BAD BOY! Kelly said "my god, that's would cover later on. appeared in her my friend that is!". We mistakenly M42s and finery Our new logo and started with the new underneath that I branding was profile photos for the had only seen in suddenly born and website, in the Daz photos when looked fucking style that he set at an discussing what was stunning! The early meet in MD44 needed about a photos just needed history. This would month or so prior to adjusting for the later prove to be a this moment. I didn't website, hoodies and giant waste of time as get to see it now... the leaflets... as well all the other photos and had to wait until as everything else just had so much after the photos. I you prats suggest... 1 more character and showed Oli the one boxer shorts... put the gormless photo I need him to really?!?!



### paratrooper

So you all know the book is getting hammered into being finished. I have spent the last week proof reading and now our own S2 Sgt (Henry Zoid aka Danny) is sat next to me doing the same. However, I thought while writing this if any of you actually really know what is included in this mighty book with the catchy title of -

'A re-enactor/living history guide to a paratrooper in Normandy'. It goes into some crazy levels of depths on items, some more than others, depending on what I know, discovered or thought was relevant or interesting.

Divisional, Regimental characteristics.

The isms!

D-Day+ variations due to

Overview of rifleman impression

Official uniform & equipment

info on -

M1 Helmets

Garrison caps

Jeep caps and scarves

M42 jackets

Trousers and suspenders

M42 trousers

**Jumpers** 

**Wool shirts** 

Gloves

Wool trousers

**Undergarments** 

Jump boots

Raincoats

Raincoat

A-class & B-class

M1936 pistol belt

## guide book

M1936 suspenders M1936 Musette bag Canteen covers, canteens and Parachutist 1st aid packets E-tools and variants Rigger pouches **GP** bags and Bandoliers M7 Gasmask bag Drop rope Rifle cleaning kits Cot straps **M1** Garands M7 grenade launcher M1 bayonet M2 knife M3 combat knife .30-06 ammunition

Mk2 Grenade Gammon Grenade Hawkins mine

M15 WP Grenade M16/M18 Smoke Grenade

Wash Kit

K rations **D** rations

Watch

Smoking paraphernalia

ID/dog-tags

**Stationery** Mess kit

Manuals

Prophylactics & V Packets

Compass

Invasion currency & cash

M1 evesheilds

Name tapes

Ranks and TO&E

Jump wings

Jewellerv

Radioman, Messenger, Mortar

roles, LMG roles

Cpls. Sgts

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Blankets, display items and more and more!