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Dear Friend of the Liverpool Scottish,

This is the occasional newsletter of the Liverpool Scottish Regimental Museum. If you do not wish to receive future copies please accept my apologies; you should read the note at the foot of the page to unsubscribe. This has been an exciting year with the Centenary Ball and the unveiling and dedication of the Liverpool Scottish memorial stone on the 1915 battlefield at Hooge near Ieper/Ypres. The publication of a new book and the Scottish Wood dedication and the opening of the new Museum are yet to come. A good friend of the Liverpool Scottish, Hal Giblin, is about to publish his new history of the Liverpool Scottish in the Great War, 'Bravest of Hearts', written with David Evans and Dennis Reeves. At 400 pages with 80,000 words and 450 photographs and a wealth of research into the citations for all gallantry awards, publication in hard back at a price of £29.95 including postage (UK) represents a substantial bargain. Full details are below. **We have given detail of the new Museum premises, what we are doing and how you might be able to help.** There is a major update on the website covering the Hooge Memorial Weekend. Please note that these pages are not yet completely captioned. There is detail of how we hope you can obtain photos/video of the event. The Scottish Wood project reaches fruition early next year when the wood at Altcar Ranges will be formally named and dedicated. If you wish to make a donation in memory of somebody please contact Major [David Evans](#)

- Website and Dedication of Liverpool Scottish Memorial at Hooge near Ieper/Ypres. The website of the Museum has had several recent additions such as a photograph of the Duke of Edinburgh's Trophy winners (name the soldiers) and a link to the site of George Sands MM recounting his WW2 experiences with the Liverpool Scottish and the Camerons.

Many of the photos that originated from the weekend (29th and 30th July 2000) in Ieper/Ypres, to unveil and dedicate the memorial stone on the 1915 battlefield on Bellewaarde Ridge near Hooge east of Ieper, appear on two new pages. Connect to <http://www.liverpoolscottish.org.uk/> and follow the links to the page devoted to the unveiling. There are nearly 100 photos from the weekend. **CLICK ON THE SMALL IMAGE TO SEE A LARGER VERSION. WE SUGGEST THAT YOU CLOSE THE LARGE VERSION BEFORE MOVING ON.** From there you can travel to the 'History/Background page - see the Parcellforce van outside Ieper Town Hall' or to the 'Menin Gate and subsequent events' page. The pages take a short time to download; the Menin Gate Page needs the background (WO2 John Pollock laying the ACF wreath) to download before you can read most of the text - be patient. Please let me know of any links which fail

Photos of the Sunday events at St George's are not yet available to me. I have not been able to fully caption the photographs on the Menin Gate page. We are grateful to the Army PR system and to Fernand Vanrobaeys of Ieper for many of these photos. There will be full accounts in The Highlander and The Kingsman magazines in their next editions

Many of these photos (and more - up to 200) are available on CD and we could make arrangements for friends of the Liverpool Scottish to obtain copies. They are in the format of very big JPEG files (some up to 7Mb). I have reduced the size of all the files for transmission on the Internet (with reduction in quality) but please note that they are Crown Copyright. Some of the photographs as appearing on the CD need some adjustment to brightness or contrast using Microsoft Photoeditor (part of the standard Windows package and fairly easy to use).

Mike Brown kindly shot and edited a video of the weekend and we are exploring ways in which this can be replicated and passed on to friends. Mike would not pretend that this is a professional production but it is an excellent account of a wonderful weekend. We hope to make arrangements for friends to obtain a copy of this video, originally shot digitally. See

below

Additionally, many photos are being uploaded to a Bravenet photo album at <http://www.photoloft.com/view/allalbums.asp?s=brav&u=797726> although there are still more to be uploaded and most to be captioned.

Photos and Video - costs/'donations' and availability are still to be confirmed. **We would hope to hold an exhibition evening of photos (including projecting those on disc) either at the new museum premises or elsewhere either in December or January (details to follow)**

vrp photos If you are interested in obtaining prints of any of the photos with file names beginning with 'vrp' please send an [e-mail](#) with 'vrp prints - YOUR NAME' in the subject line and include the filename beginning vrp (right click on the photo and open 'properties'). Include your postal address and phone number

pr series photos The photos whose file names begin 'pr' are all on the CD. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of the CD please send an [e-mail](#) with 'pr CD- YOUR NAME' in the subject line . Include your postal address and phone number

video If you would be interested in a copy of the video, copied from the master copy of the digital copy (VHS format) please send an [e-mail](#) with video - YOUR NAME' in the subject line. Include your postal address and phone number

- New Museum Premises. The new Liverpool Scottish Regimental Museum premises have been handed over by the Reserve Forces Association (RFCA previously TAVRA) to the Regimental Museum Trustees. Work will commence very shortly with redecorating preparatory to returning the Regimental artifacts to display. The accommodation is based on the old TA Centre (The Grange) at Edge Lane in Liverpool although our premises face onto Botanic Road. The Liverpool Scottish Army Cadet Force unit are our immediate neighbours in their splendidly refurbished HQ. Our target is to open for visitors by Easter 2001

The space available to the museum is over 1000 square feet plus two good offices/storerooms. Extensive modification will be required to provide power points, heating, lighting and a false ceiling in addition to redecoration of the premises. We have still yet to decide on an address. It is hoped that permission will be given to call the new establishment Forbes House.

This building is still very much a shell which we have to make our home. We hope to be able to incorporate many of the items from the old Forbes House. Offers of help with the redecoration have already been received and anyone who is in a position to offer practical or material help should contact David Evans, the Honorary Secretary on +44 (0) 151 924 7800 or david.evans@taurusuk.net . A fund-raising effort is planned for the next year and we are examining public and private sources. We are examining the possibility of establishing a 'Friends of the Liverpool Scottish Museum'

Tasks could include

- Electrical - Setting up power and lighting circuits
- Heating - envisaged as being electrical but specialist advice would be welcomed
- Display - rebuilding and refurbishing display cases/cabinets
- Joinery work - to create internal partitioning and set up one office as research/reading/study room/library (bookcases)
- Reglazing and cleaning pictures.

Material help - examples are below but by no means exhaustive.

- Sets of high quality free-standing and wall mounted display boards
- Reading lights
- Spotlights (though we would be hoping for some uniformity)
- Fax machine
- Desktop photocopier
- Dehumidifiers

Major tasks will be the placement of the important bronze War Memorial (executed by H. Tyson Smith shortly after the First World War) and the other memorials which had previously been in the old Forbes House.

- Recent Acquisition Amongst other recent acquisitions was the Arkle medal group including a Military Medal together with its extensive documentation.
- New Regimental History - 'Bravest of Hearts' . The publication of a high quality, extensively researched 'biography of a battalion' is expected in the very near future. This has been written by Hal Giblin with David Evans and Dennis Reeves. It includes a great deal of new material and is not simply a reworking of the fine history written by Colonel

McGilchrist in 1930. Contact the publishers now to ensure your copy.

Please note that this book is now out of print: there are no immediate plans for publication (4th October 2007)

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