

# THE QUEEN'S ROYAL HUSSARS

(The Queen's Own and Royal Irish)

## REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION



## *The Autumn Newsletter* 2014

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( There are 2 Proformas and enclosed with this Newsletter)



## **FOREWARD FROM THE CHAIRMAN**

**Lt Col Phil Nunn MBE**

Regimental Association. I was interested to hear that there is some confusion regarding definition. To make it clear we are a Regimental Association, which comprises of the serving soldiers and old comrades. In fact, the serving members through the one-day-pay scheme give enormously to the Association. An automatic life membership to the Regimental Association is bestowed on all serving and retired QRH and all those who have served in preceding Regiments.

The FAQ by Old Comrades is "What is the Regiment up to?" The Regiment recognise that we the Old Comrades like to know as much as possible regarding their activities so they have put a great deal of effort into revamping its internet site. This site is now live; it is a simple site that requires no password or joining any organisation such as Facebook. Anyone who can receive emails should be able to follow what the Regiment is up to by checking the website. Simply Google "The Queen's Royal Hussars" and follow the link to this MOD site. Click events and you will read stories such as 'C' Squadron completes Live Fire Exercise, 'D of E' Squadron remembers WW2 dead and so on. Those that browse this site can then pass on the news to those who have no access, as is the case with the e mails from 'Op Herrick'. In addition, the RSM forwards our monthly social note to all in the Regiment and at ERE. As a result, we have regular attendance from serving members stationed at Lulworth and other areas of the UK, these then pass on Regimental news.

### **Graves of our Regimental Heroes**

You may have read the story in the Sun newspaper May 2014 "Just a tiny cross to mark a VC hero's grave, all that marks his final resting place is a tiny cross. Troop Sergeant-Major James Champion, 8th Hussar, was awarded his VC for bravery during the fearsome Indian Mutiny of 1858.

I was saddened to read this story of our Regimental Hero and even sadder to discover how his grave has fallen into near oblivion, especially as he is remembered so well by the regiment. To this day, his painting still hangs in the WO's & Sergeants Mess. I have discovered that with VCs who died before WW1 and of old age, their graves remain the responsibility of the relatives. Consequently, many have fallen into disrepair through neglect or lack of funding, family members have died out, or their memory has been forgotten. I have contacted the family of James Champion and they do not have the resources to erect a headstone. I would like to offer Association help and raise the funds required; I will contact you once the details are known. If any would like to pre-empt my request please do so by sending a small donation to Home HQ marked on the back James Champion.

Thank you

Mente et-Manu

Phil Nunn



## NEWS FROM THE REGIMENT



### **From Major Matthew Roberts, Second in Command**

The January update saw the Regiment poised to deploy in four different directions in four different roles. A (The Duke of Edinburgh's) Squadron deployed to Bergen-Hohne Ranges; C Squadron completed MST and deployed to Afghanistan as the Warthog Group (and as the newly appointed Duke of Edinburgh's Squadron); D Squadron conducted Exercise Jebel Storm in Oman; much of Headquarters Squadron deployed to Norfolk to support a large MST event. As I write now, we are approaching the end of that rather frantic period – indeed, the Warthog Squadron will have returned before we know it, and we will be wondering “where to next?”

I will summarise the main events of this period in this update, but will also spend some time on the “where to next”, as it promises to force us back under armour after a decade of out of role operations and to keep us there.

Major Charlie Haines deployed with a composite CR2 Squadron to Bergen-Hohne ranges in a rather bracing January. With everything else going on, we were unable to provide the full support of HQ Squadron, or indeed a full complement of range planners and conducting officers. Nevertheless, the men and vehicles were prepared well, the tanks shot straight, and the crews passed with remarkably high scores.

Meanwhile, much of B and HQ Squadron was building a small town in an equally bracing Norfolk. With the Quartermaster, Major Mick Guyatt at the helm, operations rooms, operating bases, accommodation and feeding, transport and stores were obtained from a variety of sources – we did not press the Quartermaster too much as to their provenance. Nevertheless, he and his determined team received, managed, supplied, moved and ejected sub unit after sub unit, battlegroup after battlegroup through exercise Pashtun Panther (the Confirmatory Field Exercise (CFX) for Operation HERRICK 20).

What was left of HQ Squadron supported D Squadron as they deployed men and materiel to Oman in order to conduct exercise Jebel Storm. This was a real test of logistics at reach, and our stores have only recently arrived back in Germany after five months away. D Squadron was faced with an equally testing deployment – somebody (not us) forgot to order an aeroplane. Hence, every one of 130 soldiers deploying to Oman did so on their own plane ticket, via Frankfurt Airport, paying their own excess baggage charge at the check in desk. We thank HQ Squadron Leader, Major Euan Johnston and HQ SSM, Mr Bevington-King for getting the kit there and back. We thank the Regimental Admin Officer and our Movements Clerk, Mrs Bevington-King for getting our people there and back. Thankfully, none of this detracted from a most successful exercise. While D Squadron Leader, Major Tom McIlwaine put his own “company” through its paces, a mentoring team headed up by the Training Officer, Captain Colin Davidson and a hand picked team, brought Number 2 Company of the Jebel Regiment up to speed with an MST styled exercise on Jebel Akhdar (nearly 3000m above sea level). There followed a joint live firing exercise, including mortars, and a TES exercise which pitted composite Jebel and QRH companies against each other. The exercise closed in style with a final attack viewed by the Commander of the Royal Army of Oman and his entourage. Quite a spectacle, it expended so much ammunition and explosives in two hours that even the Commanding Officer was heard to comment on Omani burst lengths. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy, so considerable time was allocated at the end to diving, sailing, camel trekking and trying not to fall off mountains in the Jebel Akhdar. All of this was pulled together by B Squadron Leader, Major Jez Hay. The Squadron returned fitter and browner, and having had an excellent and unique training experience.



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I am sure that readers have been keeping abreast of C (The Duke of Edinburgh's) Squadron's exploits in Afghanistan. To summarise, the Warthog Group has been one of the most dependable, durable and flexible capabilities in theatre. With its prominence however has come greater demand. DofE Squadron have been asked to deploy more quickly – a challenge to the Squadron Operations Officer, Captain Olly Leeming. They have been asked to deploy for longer – a command and control challenge for the Squadron Leader, Major James Shann and a sustainment challenge for the SQMS, SSgt Smith. They have been asked to deploy more frequently – a maintenance challenge for the QM(T), Captain Trev Gray. Fortunately, the SSM, Mr Fisher, is on hand to keep them and the squadron sane and on track. Our injured soldiers are on the mend, but the healing process is taking rather longer than anticipated. Nevertheless, Cfn Cooke and Cfn Hollingsworth are in good spirits and looking forward to returning to work.

This brings us to Summer 2014. We are part of the way through the annual purge that sees many of the regimental personalities turn over. Major Charlie Haines will deploy shortly to Islamabad, leaving A Squadron in the capable hands of Major Charlie Chuter RTR. Major Jez Hay KRH has already started his exchange post in New Brunswick, and he will be succeeded as B Squadron Leader by Major Hennie Coetzee RTR. The Duke of Edinburgh's Squadron, D Squadron and HQ Squadron will have to endure Majors James Shann, Tom McIlwaine and Euan Johnston for a while longer. Major Mark Cubitt is being sent to Staff College, giving up the Adjutant's chair and the Commanding Officer's diary to Captain Matt Paterson. I am to be released back into the wild – I am deploying to Kabul in October for a nine month rest, to be replaced by Major Tom Jefford. The Commanding Officer will be replaced by Lieutenant Colonel Alex Porter at some point, just as soon as Colonel Jamie has been told what and where his next appointment is.

I must of course mention that Brigadier Ian Mortimer has moved in next door. He is now Commander 20<sup>th</sup> Armoured Brigade.

The rest of this year will be spent welcoming DofE Squadron back to Germany, and before the cheers have subsided we will be reforming the regiment for the coming years. 20<sup>th</sup> Armoured Brigade will become 20<sup>th</sup> Armoured Infantry Brigade in January, and will resubordinate to 3<sup>rd</sup> UK Division. With it will come a transition into the Army 2020 Force Operational Readiness Mechanism (A-FORM). QRH will spend 2015 conducting "Other Tasks" and 2016 "Training". This will prepare us for our "Contingency" year in 2017. So will the cycle continue for RTR in 1 Bde, KRH in 12 Bde and QRH in 20 Bde for the foreseeable future.

Our other tasks year in 2015 requires A Squadron to fire its tanks in Castlemartin before spending much of the year supporting training on Salisbury Plain. The rest of the regiment will fire its tanks in Bergen-Hohne before Battlegroup Headquarters, HQ Squadron and D Squadron deploy to BATUS as OPFOR. C Squadron will provide the Tank Company to the 1 PWRR OPFOR Battlegroup later in the year. While this represents a large amount of time away, especially for those deploying to Salisbury Plain, these tasks are free and relevant training. We will be required in 2016 to form our own Battlegroup, and provide a Squadron to each of the 1 PWRR and 5 RIFLES Battlegroups in BATUS as exercising troops. Having spent much of the previous year in role, though not always on CR2, we will be well positioned to gain maximum benefit from our Prairie Storm exercises in BATUS. If you wanted to spend time under armour, it would appear you have come to the right place.



## THE REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION REMEMBRANCE WEEKEND

### REUNION DINNER

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2014.**

The Re-union Dinner will be held at the Midlands Police, Sports and Social Club, 'The Tally Ho', Edgbaston, Birmingham on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2014. Timings are 7.00 for 8 p.m. The format of the dinner is as before. The cost of the dinner is £25.00 for members, and £12.50 for members who were Warrant Officers or below of over 65 years of age. The cost of the dinner includes a half bottle of wine each. You will notice that this is even cheaper than last year due to a generous subsidy decided on by the Association Committee.

The actual table layout depends on how many people attend and is organised by the Club on health and safety grounds. We will do our best to accommodate everyone's wishes. It is possible to book table's for 10. When you complete 'Proforma 1' please list those who wish to sit with you on the reverse of the form.

Those of you who are attending for drinks only, will have to pay an "entrance fee" of £2 per head. Tickets will be issued, **you cannot pay on the night**, entrance without tickets will not be allowed. This is to help with the extra cost that this incurs, licence fee etc.

Please ensure you complete 'Proforma 1' which is included with this newsletter and return it to Home Headquarters no later than the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 with your payment. Cheques or Postal Orders should be made payable to 'QRH Association'.

The Association Committee has decided that jackets and ties must be worn by those attending the Dinner. The dress for those attending for drinks only is optional.



## THE OFFICERS DINNER

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014.**

The Officers Dinner will be held at The Cavalry and Guards Club in Piccadilly on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014. Timings are, Reception, 6.30 – 8.00 p.m., Dinner at 8 p.m.

Cost will be £65.00 (This does **not** include drinks at the bar before and after dinner, or brandy and cigars during dinner.)

Members can, if they so wish, make up tables with their friends. Should a member wish to have a table he should contact friends, (tables seat ten comfortably or up to twelve), and when he has enlisted them, he should send the names to Home Headquarters. The lists of tables should be sent to the Regimental Secretary by the 1<sup>st</sup> November. Please keep late changes to these lists to the absolute minimum. A list of the tables and those sitting at these tables will be published under the name of the host and these lists will be displayed in the anti-room before Dinner.

As before, should those putting together a table, not be able to make a ten or a twelve, the extra seats will be left vacant for those members, who either did not wish to take part in the system or were not asked to join a table.

The Colonel of the Regiment, as in the past will have his own table. The table plan for this table will be displayed and those to be seated on it will be informed by the Regimental Secretary in good time, so that they can refuse any other invitations. All remaining tables will be filled in the normal way.

If you wish to attend please complete 'Proforma 2' which is included with this newsletter and return it to Home Headquarters, no later than 1<sup>st</sup> November.

Please remember to enclose your cheque, made payable to 'QRH Association Fund'.

Dress is: Green Suit or Black Tie, with miniature medals.





## FORECAST OF EVENTS 2014/2015



### **OCT 2014**

11 Dettingen Troop Function  
 11 NW Counties and N Wales Troop Dinner  
 25 Durham Troop Dinner  
 25/26 Southern Counties (Balaklava Troop)  
 Weekend  
 25 Balaclava Day  
 25 Ulster Troop Dinner

### **NOV 2014**

2 Alamein Day  
 5 Officers Dinner  
 6 Field of Remembrance, London  
 8/9 Regimental Association Remembrance  
 Weekend  
 9 Cenotaph Parade, London  
 9 Birmingham Remembrance Parade  
 9 Tally Ho Lunch

### **DEC 2014**

6 Birmingham and Coventry Troop  
 Christmas Party

### **MARCH 2015**

14 Gulf Troop St Patrick's Dinner  
 17 St Patricks Day  
 21 Catterick St Patrick's Function

### **MAY 2015**

10 CCOCA Parade and Service – Hyde Park  
 10 Association Luncheon London

### **JUNE 2015**

14 Irish Regiments Parade



## THE FIELD OF REMEMBRANCE, St. Margaret's, Westminster. Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014

The entrance to 'The Field of Remembrance' will be open from 8.45 to 10.30 a.m. Entrance is by ticket only, and we only have 12 tickets. These tickets can be requested from Home Headquarters, and I am afraid I will have to give them out on a first come, first served basis. You will need a 'photographic' form of ID to enter the enclosure.

It is wise for those coming to give themselves plenty of time as there is always a large turn out on the day. Regimental ties and medals should be worn.



## CENOTAPH REMEMBRANCE SERVICE AND PARADE Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2014

The Regiment will be represented as always. We only have 12 tickets allocated to the Regiment for the parade so they will have to be given out on a 'first come – first served' basis. If you are going, please let Home Headquarters know, as soon as possible.



**ACCOMMODATION FOR REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION**  
**REMEMBRANCE WEEKEND**

**Linda Lake Hotel Bookings**

Linda Lake deals with many hotels and is again offering preferential rates at many hotels in the Birmingham area. You must book the rooms through her, and not direct with the hotel. She will give you details if you call her.

Tel; 01543 481338 Mobile; 07769 691801

E mail; lindalake123@hotmail.com

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**REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE and 'GET TOGETHER'**  
**at the 'TALLY HO'.**  
**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

The City of Birmingham will be holding their Parade and Service of Remembrance at the Hall of Memory on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November. Members, if attending, are asked to parade in Centenary Square at 1000 hrs. We hope that limited seating will be available in the stands, please let us know if your ladies would like a seat.

After the parade there will be a 'get together' at the Midlands Police, Sports and Social Club, 'The Tally Ho', in Edgbaston. The cost of the lunch will be £12.50 for adults and £6.25 for children. Children are most welcome. Please, once again, complete the relevant section on 'Proforma 1' and return it to us no later than 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014. Even if you are coming for drinks only you must still complete Proforma 1 and return it to Home Headquarters, for security reasons. Cheques or postal orders made payable to 'QRH Association'.

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**VETERANS UK**

The new Veterans UK freephone helpline telephone number is 0808 1914 218. The existing helpline telephone number (0800 169 2277) has been in use for a long period of time and will remain in place for the foreseeable future – calls from the old number will be automatically diverted to the new service. As part of the changes to the service, the Veterans UK helpline has also extended its opening hours. The service is now available from 0730 to 1830 Mondays to Thursdays, and 0730 to 1700 on Fridays. When the Veterans UK helpline is closed callers can opt to be routed to the Combat Stress or The Samaritans 24hrs help lines.

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## **PRESERVED PENSIONS**



Veterans UK (the new name for SPVA), the MOD branch that now deals with Service pensions, holds several million pounds worth of unclaimed preserved pensions and is seeking your assistance to trace those who may be entitled. The basic entitlement rules are:

- Left before Apr 75 - no entitlement.
- Left after 1 Apr 75 but before 1 April 78 - entitled if aged 26 or over with 5 years reckonable service.
- Left after 1 Apr 78 and before 6 Apr 88 - entitled if 5 years or more reckonable service.
- Left as an other rank after 6 Apr 88 - entitled if 2 or more years reckonable service from age 18.
- Left as an officer after 6 Apr 88 - entitled if 2 or more years reckonable service from age 21.
- Left after 6 Apr 05 as a member of a 2005 new scheme - entitlement after 2 years service, no age criteria.

If you know anyone in the categories above who thinks they may be entitled to a pension but has not claimed it they should contact veterans UK. They will need to be armed with their name, Service number, Service and Regiment where appropriate, DOB and discharge date.

Pensions need to be claimed – unlike the State Pension they are not credited automatically (as I am sure that you know).



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## **WANTED; MEDALS BADGES AND WW1 AND WW2 UNIFORMS**

I will buy medals and badges from any era as well as uniforms from WW2 and earlier. I am also very interested in buying souvenirs that were brought back from the front such as daggers, bayonets and regalia of the defeated nations.

Contact James Thompson Tel; 07766498259  
or email enquiry@jamesmilitaria.co.uk





## ITEMS FOR SALE



### VIDEO's AND COMPACT DISC's

From the Archives of the Regimental Museums, and in association with The Queen's Royal Hussars Historical Society, the following video's and compact discs are for sale:

QRIH in Borneo 1963	DVD	Cost £10.00
Italian Campaign 1944	Double CD	Cost £10.00
Western Desert 1941/42	Double CD	Cost £10.00
8 <sup>th</sup> Hussars in Korea	Triple DVD	Cost £25.00
QRH AFV's (all Regts)	Booklet	Cost £10.00
QOH Tercentenary 1685-1985	DVD	Cost £10.00

If you wish to purchase any of these items please send a cheque, made payable to the 'QRH Collection Fund', to Home Headquarters. ( this includes Post and Packing)



## ASSOCIATION SHOP ITEMS FOR SALE



Home Headquarters has the following Regimental items for sale.

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| 1. Regimental Ties (all best quality silk)<br>3H, 4H, 8H, QOH, QRIH, QRH (we do not have any 7H ties at the present) | £30.00 each   |
| 2. QRH Enamel Cufflinks, (link or chain)   | £19.50 a pair |
| 3. Regimental Magazines of The Queens Own Hussars<br>Complete set on CD with Acrobat reader                          | £35.00 each   |
| 4. Regimental Magazines of The Queens Royal Irish Hussars<br>Complete set on CD with Acrobat reader                  | £35.00 each   |
| 5. Regimental Magazines of The Queens Royal Hussars<br>Volume 1 Issues 1994 -1998, on CD with Acrobat reader         | £10.00 each   |
| 6. Regimental Magazines of The Queens Royal Hussars<br>Volume 2 Issues 1999 - 2003, on CD with Acrobat reader        | £10.00 each   |
| 7. QRH Lapel Badges - Cap Badge or Crest   | £5.00 each    |
| 8. QRIH Histories (A short history)  | £6.50 each    |

If you wish to purchase any of these items please send a cheque, made payable to the 'QRH Association', to Home Headquarters. (this includes Post and Packing)



## THE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



As I am sure you are all aware the cost of postage has spiralled over the last few years.

Postage is now the Association's main expenditure and it takes all of our Derby Draw income to pay our postage bills. The days have long gone where the MOD would pay our postage, we now have to "foot" the entire bill.

One of our main postage bills in sending out the Association Newsletters. We have to send out 3,000 plus, not only to UK, but also to our members who live abroad.

To try and save some costs we are intending to offer the Newsletter to be sent by e mail to those who wish to receive it this way. (It would come in the form of a PDF File which is easily printable.)

This does not mean that those who still want to receive it by post will not be able to, they will, but those who opt to receive it by e mail will be saving funds for the Association.

We will first try this system with the Association Newsletter in Spring 2015.

If anyone, **especially** our overseas members, would like to avail themselves of this service please let me know, by e mail, and we will set it up for you. (I will let you have a PDF copy of the present newsletter so that you can see the format, check you can open the file and to check that it works).

Thanks in anticipation for your help.



## QRIH AMALGAMATION PARADE

During an audit of the QRIH Museum's Reserve Collection, we have come across a box of 33 1/3 rpm Long Player recordings of the Amalgamation Parade of the 4th and 8th Hussars, [24th October 1958], and the subsequent presentation of the new Guidon. The commentator is Alistair Mc Dougal and there is an address to the new Regiment from our Colonel in Chief.

The LPs are in good condition and are available for a contribution to the QRIH Museum Collection Fund.



## **THE QUEENS ROYAL HUSSARS**

### **BENEVOLENT FUND**

The Queens Royal Hussars Benevolent Fund primarily exists to give aid to retired members of The Queens Royal Hussars and its antecedent regiments who find themselves in hardship. It also gives aid to 'widows' of deceased members.

Last year the fund gave some 69 grants totalling nearly £35,817. Financial totals are published annually in Crossbelts under Statement of Financial Activities for the Benevolent Fund.

All requests are considered by the committee, and in the first instance we ask that they are accompanied by a Royal British Legion or SSAFA Caseworkers report.

However there are some requests which are usually not given. (These are similar to those refused by other military charities.)

They are:

1. **Personal debts** such as credit card payment arrears. (Help can be sort from Government Debt Grants at [www.nationaldebtassistance.co.uk/Gov](http://www.nationaldebtassistance.co.uk/Gov))
2. **Funeral expenses**.( Help can be sort from Funeral Payments at [www.gov.uk/funeral-payments](http://www.gov.uk/funeral-payments).)
3. **Bankruptcy Fees**.

Postal addresses for all Government Departments can be found in the phonebook.

All other requests should be sent to The Regimental Secretary at Home Headquarters accompanied by a RBL or SSAFA case report.



### **AWARD OF THE LEGION D'HONNEUR**

*Please see below a letter that has been distributed regarding the issue of a French Legion D'Honneur to all those who served in the Liberation of France in 1944.*

*Should any of you wish to apply for this honour please let us know at Home Headquarters and we will send you the original letter and the application form.*

### **D-DAY 70 – AWARD OF THE LEGION D'HONNEUR**

In conjunction with events to mark the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Normandy landings, the Government of France has advised the Ministry of Defence that it wishes to award the Legion d'Honneur to all surviving veterans; not only of the landings, but also the wider Battle for Normandy; the Invasion of Provence (Operation Dragoon); the Liberation of Paris and the Liberation of France.

Any veterans, not only troops that landed, but also Royal Navy and Royal Air Force personnel who operated in support of the landings, who have not already received this award from the French Government, or have not been identified to take part in award ceremonies during the events in Normandy, are invited to submit their details to this office, providing the information requested in the form overleaf. In the section headed "reasons justifying the proposal", brief details should be given of service in France.

We will forward consolidated lists of potential recipients to the French Embassy for further consideration.

We are at present unable to give any details of timings, although the normal French clearance procedures take some months; nor arrangements for the presentation of the awards.



### **QRH ASSOCIATION CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Association Christmas Cards are again available from Home Headquarters. There are two winter scenes of Hussars in the Crimea, five of each in the pack. It has been produced by Nigel Harvey.

Inside there is a Regimental Crest and a Christmas Greeting.

These cards are available from Home Headquarters for £7.50 for a pack of 10. This includes post and packing.



**THE QUEEN'S ROYAL HUSSARS REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION**



**DERBY DRAW – 7<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2014**

Thank you all for supporting the Association Derby Draw for 2014. Without this support we would not be able to subsidize our Association Dinners and the Crossbelts magazine.

The winners received, 1<sup>st</sup> place £500, 2<sup>nd</sup> place £300, 3<sup>rd</sup> place £200 and 4<sup>th</sup> place £100, and each horse winner received £10.

The results were;

<b><u>EPSOM RUNNERS</u></b> <b><u>declared as</u></b> <b><u>2<sup>nd</sup> June</u></b>	<b><u>WINNER</u></b>	<b><u>RUNNERS AND</u></b> <b><u>PLACES</u></b> <b><u>7<sup>th</sup> June</u></b>	<b><u>TICKET</u></b> <b><u>NUMBER</u></b> <b><u>DRAWN</u></b>
1. Adelaide	Capt RS Mackenzie	non runner	008351
2. Arod	Mr CA Thompson	<b>4th</b>	006201
3. Australia	Mr NR Frost	<b>1st</b>	016141
4. Ayrad	Mr J Hancock	non runner	003041
5. Basem	Mr AA James	non runner	010901
6. Ebanoran	Mr D Byass	9th	009881
7. Fascinating Rock	Mr D Beard	8th	005601
8. Geoffrey Chaucer	Major RW Smith	16th	001741
9. Gypsy King	Mr K Insley	non runner	010821
10. Hydrogen	Major M Keogh	non runner	008131
11. Impulsive Movement	Brig M Pritchard	11th	001861
12. Karakontie	Mr G Beavis	non runner	005641
13. Kingfisher	Mr F Cowper	10th	011021
14. Kingston Hill	Mr H Wynne	<b>2nd</b>	012781
15. Norse Prize	Mr T O'Leary	non runner	004461
16. Orchestra	Major B Nicholl	12th	014261
17. Our Channel	Mr M McGrath	13th	018331
18. Pinzolo	Mr Huddleston	14th	010271
19. Postponed	Mr D Mann	non runner	013101
20. Red Galileo	Lt Col M Mumford	5th	014191
21. Romsdal	Mrs S Kilminster	<b>3rd</b>	013501
22. Scotland	Mr K Thrasher	non runner	006172
23. Snow Sky	Colonel AC Cuthbert	non runner	007131
24. Sudden Wonder	Lt Gen T Beckett	15th	009541
25. True Story	Mr D Hobson	7th	007261
26. Western Hymn	Mr T Mealor	6th	001411

The tickets were drawn by Mrs Julie Nicholls, HHQ QRH Chief Clerk, and Miss Katie Newcombe from AES, Regents Park Barracks.



## **SILVERLINE NATIONAL LAUNCH**



The national launch of The Silver Line telephone service for older socially isolated people took place on 25 November 2013. It works as a confidential, free helpline for older people across the UK open every day and night of the year. Their trained staff:

- Offer information, friendship and advice.
- Link callers to local groups and services.
- Offer regular befriending calls.
- Protect and support those who are suffering abuse and neglect.

The line comes as a result of The BIG Lottery Fund announcing a major grant of £5 million to Silver Line describing them as “a vital new befriending and advice helpline” so that they could develop from their pilot stage and launch nationally before Christmas last year when older people are at their most vulnerable from loneliness and isolation.

For more information please see their website:

[www.thesilverline.org.uk](http://www.thesilverline.org.uk) or contact:  
020 7224 2020 / [info@thesilverline.org.uk](mailto:info@thesilverline.org.uk)



## **SORTED!**



**SORTED!** Comprises seven established charities who provide a wide range of employment related services and support for the Forces community (including dependants) to find and stay in work. These services have now been integrated into seamless employability support and guidance.

**SORTED** looks to ensure clients receive the right information, advice and guidance to make their employment journey easier and more effective. Clients will be linked directly to a member of the **SORTED** team who will walk them through their options and direct to services either being provided by **SORTED** or through appropriate associates and providers.

They also have direct links with a large number of employers providing access to a wide range of vacancies.

For more information please see:

[www.sorted.org.uk](http://www.sorted.org.uk)





## BACK TO THE FOLD



The following ex-members of the Regiment have joined the Regimental Association. We wish them all a warm welcome.

Mr William Allcock	QOH	1962-1965
Mr Christopher Austin	QRIH/QRH	1987-2009
Mr Leslie Barnett	3H/8H	1936-1949
Mr Vince Bohnen	QRIH	1981-1988
Mr Keith Crowton	QOH/QRH	1972-1995
Mr John Evans	QOH	1971-1974
Lt Col Tom Hamilton	QOH/QRH	1975-2013
Captain Ian Hannah	QRIH	1973-1981
Mr Carl Harris	QOH	1984-1989
Mr Stephen Harvey	QRIH	1974-1986
Mr Jonathan Hillary	QRIH	1998-2013
Mr Charles Hunter	QRIH	1979-1991
Mr Rhys Jenkins-Hayhow	QRH	2010-2013
Mr Benjamin Jenkins	QRH	1996-2014
Mr Jeff Jones	QRIH	1983-1986
Mr Robert Simpson	QRIH/QRH	1971-1998
Mr Steven Vaughan	QOH	1977-1981



## THE MUSEUMS 200 CLUB WINNERS



We congratulate the following members whose winning numbers were drawn in the 200 Club Monthly draw

April 2014	£15.00	Dr C Grocock
May 2014	£15.00	Mr J Realff
June 2014	£15.00	Captain JR Forsyth
July 2014	£15.00	Captain R Gourlay
August 2014	£15.00	Mr G Rilon
September 2014	£15.00	Lt Col MLC Meridith

We would like to thank Mr Taylor and Mrs Alice Kargbo from Regents Park Barracks, for drawing the winning numbers.

Membership of The Queen's Royal Hussars Museums 200 Club is open to all members of the Regiment and Regimental Association. Further information for anyone wishing to become a member is available from Home Headquarters.

**You have to be in to win!!!**

**Please support your Museums by becoming a member today.**



## ‘EMPTY SADDLES’



**It is with regret that the Regimental Association  
announces the deaths of our  
members and friends. Our condolences go to the families and friends of:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Regiment &amp; Dates</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Mrs Irene Dolan	Widow	7 October 2013
Trooper William Peyto	4H, 1945-1948	September 2013
Trooper William Fisher	3H, 1954-1957	25 December 2013
Sgt Murdoch Livingstone	4H, 1947 –1949	12 January 2014
S/Sgt Charles Jamison	QRIH, 1961-1978	18 February 2014
Mrs Deidre Scrimgeour	Widow	21 February 2014
Trooper James Naylor	QOH, 1978-1981	1 March 2014
Trooper Matthew Simpson	4H, 1940-1943	10 March 2014
L/Cpl Gordon Hughes	7H, 1947-1952	12 March 2014
L/Cpl Denis Whybro	8KRIH, 1950-1952	17 March 2014
Sgt Douglas Gerrard	8KRIH, 1943-1945	23 March 2014
Mr Albert Askew	7H, 1950-1955	11 April 2014
Lt Col Simon Varvill	QRIH/QRH, 1966-2001	19 April 2014
Bandsman David Turner	QOH, 1976-1979	12 May 2014
Cpl Clive Elliott	QRIH, 1968-1993	18 May 2014
Mrs Josephine Greenwood	Wife of Brig Greenwood	19 May 2014
Trooper John Elliott	8KRIH/QRIH, 1957-1959	21 May 2014
Lt Col Peter Hibbert	QRIH, 1959-1989	28 May 2014
L/Cpl Anthony Allen	8KRIH, 1947-1952	10 June 2014
Lt Charles Letts	QOH, 1986-1990	15 June 2014
Mrs Anne Dewey	Widow	29 June 2014
L/Cpl Richard Burborough	3H, 1954- 1957	7 July 2014
Cpl John Callaway	8KRIH, 1939-1946	8 July 2014
Mr Jack Morrow	Not a Registered Member	9 July 2014
Trooper Ronnie Bradley	QRIH, 1983-1987	20 July 2014



May angels and archangels,  
and all the armies of the heavenly host, come to meet thee,  
May all the saints of God welcome thee,  
May thy portion this day be in gladness and peace  
and thy dwelling in Paradise



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We hope that the Spring Newsletter  
will be despatched during March 2015  
It will have all the information for the Cavalry Memorial Weekend  
in London in May and any other information that  
we can obtain from the Regimental OCA Troops.

Please remember to inform us of your change of  
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**PROFORMA 1**  
**Regimental Association Remembrance Weekend**  
**Dinner and Parade**

From: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please give your name etc:as it should appear on the list of Diners)

1. **THE DINNER.** Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2014

To be held at: (drinks from 7, dinner at 8 p.m.)

The 'Tally Ho' Sports and Conference Centre,

Pershore Road,

Edgbaston

Birmingham.

I wish to apply for ..... Tickets at £25.00 each.

I wish to apply for ..... Tickets at £12.50 each

I request ..... Vegetarian menus.

**Note: Warrant Officers and below  
of 65 years and over and their wives,  
and widows of former members  
Tickets at £12.50 each.**

I enclose a cheque/postal order for the sum of £..... made payable to the 'QRH Association.'

I have paid for and shall be bringing with me: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to book a table for 10

those sitting on the table are listed on the reverse side. \_\_\_\_\_

**(These names are needed to make up the Guest List of all who are coming to the Dinner, so please show whether they are Mr, Miss etc. Do not forget your own details at the top of the form.)**

2. **DRINKS ONLY**

I wish to apply for ..... tickets for drinks only. (@ £2 each) Each guest will also need a ticket. **Cheques payable to QRH Association. You will not gain admittance without a ticket.**

I shall be bringing the following guests with me. \_\_\_\_\_

3. **GET TOGETHER AT THE 'TALLY HO'.**

To be held at : **The Tally-Ho Sports and Conference Centre,,**

**Pershore Road, Birmingham. 12 noon, Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2014.**

I wish to apply for ..... Tickets at £12.50 each and..... Tickets at £6.25 each  
(children)

I enclose a cheque/postal order for £.....Made payable to 'QRH Association'

Please include all names of those for whom you have ordered tickets or who will accompany you for drinks only. This is a security requirement.

**PLEASE RETURN THIS PROFORMA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT  
CERTAINLY NOT LATER THAN 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 TO:**

**Home Headquarters, The Queen's Royal Hussars, Regents Park Barracks, Albany  
Street London NW1 4AL.**

**PLEASE RETURN THE WHOLE SHEET - DO NOT CUT IT UP**

## **PROFORMA 2**

### **Officers Dinner.**

**To be held at:**

The Cavalry and Guards Club,  
127 Piccadilly,  
London.

**On:**

Wednesday 5th November 2014, 6.30 for 7.30 p.m., Dinner at 8 p.m

**Dress:**

Green Suit or Black Tie, with miniature medals.

**Cost:**

£65.00

From: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please give your name etc. as it should appear on the list of Diners)

I would like ..... tickets for the Officers Dinner.

I have enclosed a cheque for £ ..... made payable to 'QRH Association'

I would like to reserve a table for ten.  
Names:

I would like to sit with:

I have no preferences where I sit.

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