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Always Ready

Newsletter of The Essex and Kent Scottish Regiment Association

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WHO ARE WE?

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HLCol – Dave Woodall
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Greetings!

Your Board members have been very busy over the last number of months working on projects, planning the fiscal budget for next year, and starting to look at strategic planning with the Regimental Executive Committee for things like the Presentation of New Colours and Trooping anticipated in 2019. We are already thinking about the reunion that will occur in just a little over a year.

The artifacts committee has been skillfully cleaning and accounting for all the wonderful artifacts that we maintain, on behalf of the Regiment. Thank you

for the many donations of family treasures to our regimental archives.

I am also thankful for so many of our Board members and members-at-large that take care of our veterans, both young and old, and ensure that they know we are indeed a regimental family that will always be there for our comrades and families.

If you have not already, I encourage you, both retired and serving, to seriously consider joining the Association. We are stronger in numbers, and can do so much more in helping our serving and retired Veterans. As a charitable organization, we can also accept

donations to support our causes and you can and will receive a tax receipt.

Our 75th Anniversary of the Dieppe Raid will soon be here. On the 19th August, no matter where you are, take time to reflect and remember those valiant soldiers who landed on Red Beach that day in 1942. Lest We Forget!

I encourage all members of our regimental family to attend the many activities and events highlighted in this newsletter.

Semper Paratus,

Morris Brause
President

Inquiries about Family Who Served in the Regiment

We get many inquiries though our web page at www.ekscot.org about those who served in The Essex Scottish or the Kent Regiment during World War II or more recently in the Essex and Kent Scottish. See the help document, *Finding Military Records of Former Members...* on the home page.

After release from the Army all personal records and files are sent to Library and Archives Canada. We are unable to provide service details from decades ago. Only family members have access to these personal records from LAC.

Join Us...

Dieppe Memorial Services on 19 August



Dieppe Gardens,
Windsor

To commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Dieppe Raid and especially members of The Essex Scottish who participated in the 1942 Raid on Dieppe join us at the Dieppe Memorial in Dieppe Gardens, Windsor at 1:00 pm on Saturday, 19 August. Serving members of the Regiment and the Pipes and Drums will be in attendance. Everyone is welcome.

Concurrently, at 1:00 pm (local time) on 19 August members of the Regimental family and citizens of Dieppe, France will gather at our Dieppe Memorial on Red Beach as part of the town's 75th anniversary of the raid. SEMPER PARATUS

Change of Honorary LCol on 14 October



HLCOL Dave Woodall
inspects the Regiment
during the 2016 Reunion
weekend.

Since 25 February 2013, Mr. David Woodall has been our Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel and has now reached the end of his term. Before that HLCOL Woodall was a leader in the planning, manufacture and installation of the Dieppe Memorials in France in 2006 and in Windsor in 2010. He was Officer Commanding Delta Company, the civilian component of the Regimental Family from 2011 to 2014

Mark your calendars to attend the change of HLCOL appointment parade for Saturday, 14 October to say thank you for a job well done. The name of our new HLCOL has not yet been announced by the Minister of National Defence.

Trot with the Troops returns to Windsor on 15 October

Plan to attend Trot with the Troops on Sunday, 15 October presented by Delta Company for a 5- or 10-km walk/run/bike or blade from the Tilston Armoury through Mic Mac and Malden Parks in Windsor. Registration at 8:30 am with the 'Trot' beginning at 10:00 am for the entire regimental family including serving members, retired, family and friends. Many serving soldiers will be doing the 13-km Battle Fitness Test. Food and refreshments afterwards. Children's activities are part of the fun. There is no entry fee or event timing – donations gratefully accepted.

Field of Valour Dinner on 4 November

Association members and local veterans are invited to join the Regiment at the 2017 Field of Valour Dinner at the Old Chatham Armoury on Saturday, 4 November when the "Regiment wraps itself in its Colours". This year the history theme is the World War I battle on Hill 70. Cost is \$50 with reservations required. After Labour Day contact Greg Childs at 519-472-1088 for more information and reservations.

Remembrance Day Parade in Amherstburg



For many years on Remembrance Day the Regiment only paraded in Windsor and/or Chatham. In recent years, the Regiment has extended its community outreach by parading in other communities, for example in Essex in 2015.

Join the Regiment this year on 11 November in Amherstburg. Past serving members and Association members are invited to **march on parade** in "blues and grays" or suit with medals. More details to follow.

MASH BASH on 9 September at RCL, Branch 594

E&K Scot Association Invites you to the 2017
MASH BASH PARTY
Saturday, 9 September 2017
 at
Legion Branch 594, 5030 Howard Ave, Tecumseh



E&K Scot

Only 250 tickets available – reserve soon!

- Doors Open 6:00 PM
- Broasted Chicken Dinner with Pasta and Salad served at 7:00 PM
- Great entertainment provided by E&K Scot Pipes and Drums and Murphy's Boys
- Tickets sold in advance: \$20.00 per person
- If you reserve a table of 8, you get one ticket for free
- Tickets available at Legion Branch 594 - Phone: (519) 969-0551
- To reserve tickets:
 - Windsor-Essex morbrause@gmail.com
 - Chatham-Kent 3victoriacross@gmail.com
- Door prizes



Costumes are welcome – prizes will be awarded for best costumes

Proceeds to support the serving soldiers of The Essex and Kent Scottish




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Veteran Voices of Canada – Flags of Remembrance

Since 2005, Veteran Voices of Canada (VVC) has recorded, through visual documentation, the experiences of Canadian veterans including many from The Essex Scottish, The Kent Regiment and The Essex and Kent Scottish. As part of CANADA 150, VVC is presenting its 4th Annual Cross-Canada Flags of Remembrance tribute from 7 October to 12 November at 16 sites including at Assumption Park, Windsor. Your Association is sponsoring one of 128 flags and plaques in tribute to *Veterans of The Essex and Kent Scottish*.

If interested in sponsoring a flag and plaque for a veteran – past or present - at \$200 contact the Windsor Coordinator, Terri Davis-Fitzpatrick at 519-945-2867 or tdfvetvoice@gmail.com. Proceeds support the important work of Veterans Voices of Canada and in Windsor - a charity supported by the North Wall Riders Association.

*****Deadline for purchase is 19 August*****

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Last Chance

There are still a few
licence plate holders
available for \$5.00 at the
Ansell Armoury messes or
from Pat Coughlin at
519-965-9497 or
coughlin@xplornet.com



New Donated Artifacts

Your Association cannot function without the support of the regimental family. We are the official repository for regimental artifacts and try to display as much as possible in the messes, Armoury entrances and unit lines.

We welcome donations of uniforms, photos, collectables – contact us or simply drop off the items at either the Tilston or Ansell armouries with a note identifying the donor and the significance of the item.

Some of the recent donations are a panorama photo of 186th Battalion, CEF; press clippings on Dieppe, uniforms, personal articles and press clippings from the family of CSM/RSM Bob Jaques; uniforms and memorabilia from the family of MWO Piper Tom Coulson; and, a 1940 panoramic photo of 2nd Battalion, The Essex Scottish from Bob Aggerholm.

Many of our current candelabras are old and are showing signs of wear. We want to use these for our dinners at the armouries or at outside catered events such as Field of Valour Dinner but are concerned about the long-term preservation of these delicate items.

If you see a nice, good quality silver plated 3-stick or 5-stick candelabra at a yard sale or antique shop consider buying and donating it to the Association. It will be put to good use.

New E&K Scot Kit Shop up and running...

Cpl. Dan Leblanc has taken control of the Kit Shop and offers items to all members of the regimental family. See the inventory list at www.ekscot.org. As new items become available they will be announced on Facebook and the regimental website.

Contact Dan at enk.kitshop@gmail.com or at www.facebook.com/enk.kitshop/

Dieppe Raid Exhibit at Chimczuk Museum

In memory of those members of The Essex Scottish Regiment who fought in the Dieppe Raid 75 years ago, Museum Windsor is hosting an exhibit of artifacts and information about the raid at the Chimczuk Museum in Windsor from August 19 to December 31, 2017. Many artifacts from the E&K Scot Association collection are on loan to Museum Windsor for this spectacular exhibit. Some of our artifacts include photos of some of the soldiers from 1942, Prisoner of War dog tags, crafts and books made during captivity, letters home and medals of raid veterans.

Make a point of visiting the Chimczuk Museum on or after August 19.