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A brief history of the RGH

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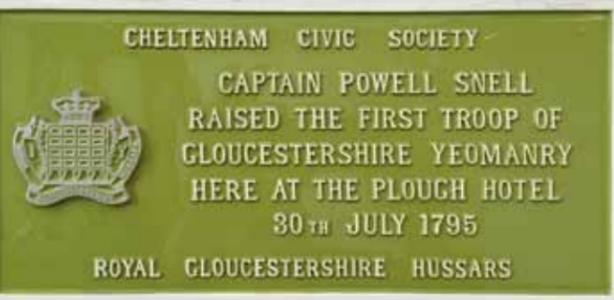
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RGH in Egypt 1916



Winston Churchill visits the RGH in N Africa 1942



The RGH Guidon presentation at Badminton House 1962



C (RGH) Sqn Tank Crew 2017

1795 – 1914 With the imminent threat of invasion by French forces the first Troop was raised in Cheltenham with more being raised including in Gloucester, Tetbury, Fairford, Cirencester, Stroud, Dodington and Bristol. In 1834 the Troops were amalgamated and the 6th Duke of Beaufort was appointed as Commanding Officer, which began a close association with the family which has continued to this day. Queen Victoria granted the Regiment the title of 'Royal' in 1841 and was restyled the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars in 1847. In 1900 a Squadron of the RGH joined the Imperial Yeomanry and took part in the Boer War. The RGHY cap badge and title was adopted by the Regiment until 1908 when Haldane's Reforms created the new Territorial Force.

The Great War The RGH mobilised in August 1914 and was deployed to Alexandria in 1915 with their horses before being sent on to Gallipoli to operate as Infantry. On returning to Egypt they suffered losses at Katia in the Sinai Desert but showed their expertise at the Battle of Romani. The RGH were a key element in the subsequent advance on Jerusalem, Damascus and Aleppo. The RGH finally returned to the UK in August 1919. In 1922 the RGH War Memorial was built at Gloucester Cathedral to commemorate the Regiment's losses during the Great War. After the war the RGH was reduced to an Armoured Car Company of the Royal Tank Corps.

World War 2 In the lead up to war the RGH once again raised Troops and the Regiment paraded over 1000 men at Tidworth in 1939. The Regiment was divided into 1RGH and 2RGH. 1RGH became a training regiment until deployed to Austria. 2RGH joined 22nd Armoured Brigade in Libya but found themselves outgunned at the Battle of Bir el Gubi in November 1941. 2RGH subsequently won many Battle Honours but their heavy losses resulted in the survivors being distributed to other regiments including the 10th Hussars and 5th RTR.

1945 to 1967 The RGH became an Armoured Car Regiment with Squadrons in Gloucester, Cirencester, Tetbury, Cheltenham and Bristol. In 1962 the RGH was presented with a new Guidon at Badminton House by the Duke of Beaufort on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen. In 1967 the Prime Minister disbanded the Territorial Army and the RGH was reduced to a Cadre.

1971 to date In 1971 the Territorial Army was re-established. The Royal Wessex Yeomanry (RWxY) was formed under command of Colonel Tom Ponsonby and the RGH raised three Squadrons and the RGH Band alongside Squadrons based in Wiltshire (RWY) and Devon (RDY). In 1990 the long history of the RGH was highlighted by the opening of the Soldiers of Gloucestershire Museum in Gloucester Docks. In 2000 Pate's Grammar School CCF adopted the RGH cap badge. Today the Reservists of C (RGH) Squadron of the RWxY train as Challenger 2 tank crews and regularly exercise with and deploy on operations supporting the Regular regiments of the Royal Armoured Corps.

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The Lord-Lieutenant Mr Edward Gillespie OBE with the RGH Lord-Lieutenant's Cadet Sgt Helena Cox. The Royal Wessex Yeomanry Old Comrades March Past after the Guidon Parade.

The Royal Wessex Yeomanry

Formed 1st April 1971

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HRH The Earl of Wessex KG KCVO ADC

Regimental Honorary Colonel:
Lt Col The Lord de Mauley TD

C (RGH) Squadron Honorary Colonel:

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Lt Col R A Burdon-Cooper

C (RGH) Squadron Leader: Major Edward Hodges

C (RGH) Squadron 2ic: Captain Bobby Campbell

C (RGH) Squadron PSAO: Captain Wayne Price

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The Royal Gloucestershire Hussars

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Capt Jake Meyer from C(RGH) Sqn on top of K2.

HRH The Earl of Wessex Presenting the Royal Wessex Yeomanry Guidon.



The Royal Wessex Yeomanry



Regimental OBUA training SPTA



Above: LCpl Kat Dixon from Y(RWY) Sqn talking to Rt Hon Gavin Williamson CBE MP, the Secretary of State for Defence



Right: Regimental ATP on SPTA 2018

CO's Foreword



Lt Col R A Burdon-Cooper

The highlight of the year for the Regiment has without a doubt been the Guidon parade and I am extremely grateful for the support all the associations gave to their Squadrons and the Regiment as a whole. The idea to include a division made up of association members and former comrades for the march past (suggested by the Sqn Honorary Colonels) proved to be the keystone for our ambition to present a Regimental family on parade. I noted that this idea was later adopted by all the other the Yeomanry Regiments at their own Guidon parades held later in the summer. Having seen the other Regiments parades I can honestly say that apart from not fitting a throat plume to my charger there is nothing I would have changed or that could have gone better on the day.

Looking ahead my intent is that the Regiment will host further events that will emulate and build on the essence of the Regimental family spirit that the parade achieved so well, and that the serving Regiment continues to support and relish all the traditions that each Squadron brings to the wider Regimental family.

Despite the fact that I genuinely don't think there could be a better time to join the Reserve, I am

disappointed to report that the overall recruiting environment remains a challenge with recruiting numbers currently at a five year low across the whole Army. In truth we the 'Army' have not helped ourselves. The implementation of DRS the new "Recruiting Pipeline" has at times been so overcome with issues as to not be serviceable and crucially for us at the strategic communications level the RAC lacks visibility in recruiting messaging. However where we can influence and shape we have success and young Officer recruiting is one such area. This year we welcomed four young officers from Bristol, Exeter, Oxford and Bournemouth UOTC's. Spread across the Squadrons they have all made a positive impact. Success breeds success and they have already been involved in visiting and briefing UOTCs to encourage the next cohort to come and join us.

The Regiment is also making positive strides in encouraging more female Officers and Soldiers to join. Let there be no doubt – it is an extremely positive opportunity for the Regiment. 2Lt Alex Rothwell who joined in time for the Guidon parade will start the regular Tp Ldrs course in January 2019 and will soon be our first CR2 qualified female officer. You may also have seen the images of LCpl Kat Dixon in the press recently, who graciously stepped up to the mark to fly the flag for women in combat roles and the RWxY.

Looking at 2019, next year will continue in the same vein as this year - running at a pace. We remain for the time being in 1 Armoured (Strike) Brigade but expect to re subordinate at the end of the year to potentially 12 Brigade. However our focus remains extant - supporting our partner CR2 Regiments. Whilst plans are still being shaped the breadth of support we are likely to be giving extends from providing Reservists to support training in BATUS and OMAN to operational support in the Ukraine as part of Op Cabrit.



New Young Officers welcomed to the Regiment



The Royal Wessex Yeomanry Guidon Parade Lulworth Castle Sunday 8th July 2018



Foreword by the Royal Wessex Yeomanry Honorary Colonel: Lt Col The Lord Rupert de Mauley TD



The Royal Wessex Yeomanry was formed, with my father as its first commanding officer, in 1971, just short of 50 years ago. So it was a huge honour for me as Regimental Honorary Colonel to watch HRH The Earl of Wessex, our Royal Honorary Colonel, present the Regiment with our first Guidon on Sunday 8th July, 2018. After months of detailed planning, hundreds of former members of the Regiment, families and supporters saw a magnificent parade under glorious sunshine against the magnificent backdrop of Lulworth Castle.

This was a coming of age for the Regiment, who paraded extremely smartly, resplendent in our new uniforms, and confident in our new role as the Army's fourth armoured regiment. As His Royal Highness said, the Guidon is presented in recognition of our past, present and future loyalty to the Crown and service to our country. This includes the distinguished achievements of our antecedent Regiments, a history spanning over 200 years with many Battle Honours.





The Royal Wessex Yeomanry Guidon Parade Lulworth Castle Sunday 8th July 2018





C(RGH) Squadron The Royal Wessex Yeomanry



Foreword by the RGH Honorary Colonel

The centenary of the end of the First World War has, nationally, mainly focused on the events on the Western Front which is understandable but a little frustrating for those whose main interest is the great cavalry campaign masterminded by General Allenby which took place in Palestine and Syria and in which the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars played such a prominent role. For the RGH it was a year of extremes. It started back from the front line with some R & R, training and improving their rifle skills, hunting jackals with two hounds known as Tripe and Onions, Onions later deserted to the cookhouse, but Tripe had a great nose for tracking a jackal and led everyone a merry dance and taking part in the odd steeplechase including the Palestine Grand National.



Col John Penley OBE TD

contribution both civilian and military which the historic county of Gloucester made to WWI. The RGH played a leading part including providing a mounted half troop in WWI uniforms with kit which took part in the March Past when the Princess Royal took the salute and then provided escorts for the winning horse in each race.

It was very appropriate that this year the Cathedral authorities put in hand work to restore the RGH War memorial on College Green, Gloucester. We were asked to contribute to the costs and as a result of the very generous response to

the appeal were able to provide some £19,000 as against the £5,000 we were originally asked to raise, which enable all the landscaping work including the lighting to be done. This was a brilliant effort by the RGH "Family". It is well worth an evening visit to see the illuminated Memorial.

There can be no doubt that the Royal Wessex Yeomanry Guidon Parade at Lulworth Castle was the high point in the year for all those who took part and those of us who were fortunate enough to be there. Those on parade should take great pride in what you achieved, your turnout was immaculate and your drill impressive. Also, I was particularly pleased that the Mounted Orderlies were in RGH Full Dress! It was a long way to travel, but the RGHYA did well to swell the ranks of the impressive March Past by the Old Comrades.

This is a good moment to confirm that the RGH Guidon will continue to be paraded in Gloucestershire and some of you will have seen it on Remembrance Sunday either in Cirencester or Gloucester or at The El Gubi Service at Badminton. It needs some work done to preserve it, it has been in continuous service since 1963, and this will be done in the New Year.

The Squadron has recently bid farewell to Major Justin Crump who has guided it from strength to strength during his tour as Squadron Leader and has welcomed back Major Ed Hodges to continue the good work. We continue to benefit hugely from the support provided by the permanent staff who support the Squadron and the RGH institutions in so many ways. I wish you every success for 2019.

When they resumed operations, the RGH had to endure the extremes of temperature from the suffocating heat of the Jordan Valley (a guide book of the time stated "Nothing is known of the climate of the lower Jordan Valley in summertime, since no civilised human being has yet been found to spend a summer there" – but the RGH had to endure it and the malaria bearing mosquitoes) to the intense cold of the high hills when soldiers who only had their light weight khaki tunics had to walk around at night to keep warm as the cold made sleep impossible. These and often the lack of water placed a huge strain on both the soldiers and their horses when facing an enemy who, until the very end, fought hard over every inch of ground.

This is not the place for a detailed history, but it is worth recording that in September 1918 the enemy front line stretched from Jaffa, now Tel Aviv, to the Jordan and by the time of the Armistice the RGH were in Aleppo. The RGH were part of the 5th Division. Between 19th September and 26th October, the Division covered 500 miles and captured over 11,000 prisoners and 52 guns. They were marching and fighting for 37 days averaging almost 100 marching miles per week and almost continuous pursuit actions. The manner in which they conserved and managed their horses caused General Allenby to comment "They were as good horse masters as fighters" This is a heritage to be proud of and to aspire to.

All of you who were at Cheltenham on 18th November cannot fail to have been impressed by the displays and events which made up Gloucestershire and Racing Remember, which commemorated the

Squadron Leader's Foreword



Major Edward Hodges

The last year has, once again, been a busy and successful period for C(RGH) Squadron. It has in many ways been characterised as "the year of several main efforts", with our men and women being very active supporting the Regular Army, all over the world – including the Falklands, Germany, Oman and Canada as well as our usual UK stomping grounds.

After ATP in Germany in late 2017, where the Squadron formed the heart of the first Yeomanry half-Squadron in Challenger 2, the focus shifted to Ranges. Late in the process, a decision was made that we would exchange crews with our paired Regular ranges, meaning that the Squadron hosted a full RTR crew and a KRH gunner during our period at Lulworth. In return, several of our crews attended ranges with the RTR at Castlemartin. A very high standard of gunnery was achieved, with a number of

passes for the Annual Crew Test – the only metric of operational capability, meaning that we had reached (or in some cases exceeded) the standard of our regular counterparts.

This was a significant accomplishment, with a high degree of input from our gunnery team in both Cirencester and Donnington. However, we rapidly had to shift our sights towards Canada, where the Regiment had to supply a number of people to support tank training over the Summer on Ex WARRIOR CRAFT. Those who could go enjoyed an amazing time on the prairie and an experience that is hard to replicate in "normal" training. However, crews from the Sqn nonetheless enjoyed the traditional training period on Salisbury Plain in September, where two Troops were put through their paces.

The largest event of the year was, however, the deployment to Oman for Ex SAIF SAREEA (swift sword, in Arabic). This was a test of the STRIKE concept led by 1 Armoured Infantry Brigade, of which the Regiment forms part. Our people were much in demand, with roles including media ops, liaison, and even armoured infantry dismounts! The Brigade Commander routinely praised the great effort put in by our team, including highlighting their input at a subsequent international conference – so the bribery during his visit must have paid off...

Of course through all this we maintained the normal tempo of recruiting, ongoing Challenge 2 trade training, public duties – including the Regiment's amazing guidon parade, on an incredibly sunny day in Lulworth, as well as Badminton Horse Trials – and so much more. To those who may have left some time ago, the tempo of life in the Army Reserve will come as a real surprise; our output matters, and we are much in demand to prove our worth. Supported by our fantastic full-time team, the volunteers continue to put the RGH at the forefront of the Regiment, with a commitment that has been noted far and wide. We have much to be proud of and I am most certainly looking forward to the challenges ahead!





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C(RGH) Sqn Bir El Gubi Dinner November 2018

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Pate's Grammar School Combined Cadet Force



Pate's Grammar School currently has over 200 cadets who parade on Friday afternoons. They typically join in Year 9 and follow a varied training syllabus over the subsequent five years including leadership development. Those staying on in the sixth form are given positions of responsibility up to the rank of Warrant Officer Class 1.

The Senior NCOs of 2017-18 handed over their responsibilities at the Annual Inspection parade held on 14 April 2018. Lt Col Jon



Penhale, Commanding Officer of 1 RIFLES inspected the cadets and was joined by some members of the RGHYA.

The highlight of the training year is Annual Camp. In June we took 57 cadets to Okehampton Camp on the edge



of Dartmoor for a week of adventurous training and military activities. The cadets threw themselves into sailing, rock climbing, drill, orienteering

and shooting with energy and skill, despite soaring temperatures. We were awarded 'Best Contingent' and Cadet Sgt Jenna Bradshaw was awarded an individual prize of 'Best Cadet' out of over 200 contenders. We also won the Wyvern Challenge; a multi-disciplinary military skills competition between contingents.

The front cover of this edition shows Cadet Sgt Helena Cox being invested as a Lord-Lieutenant's Cadet on 7th October 2018. Helena has taken over the role from Cadet WO2 Ben North and will accompany and assist the new Lord Lieutenant of Gloucestershire at royal visits and civic ceremonies.

In October 2018, Exercise Broadsword saw 48 cadets travel to Nesscliffe Training Camp near Shrewsbury to put into practice their fieldcraft and tactics skills. They ate and slept out in the field and carried out section attacks on various locations.



On 11th November 2018 almost 50 cadets took part in the Service of Remembrance in Winchcombe. Accompanied by our own band, they marched from the Fire Station to Abbey Terrace.



To mark the centenary of the end of the first world war, Pate's Grammar School provided two cadets dressed as world war one soldiers. Cadet WO2 James Nicholls and Cadet WO2 Ben North helped to provide a poignant reminder of the lives lost.



In September 2018 the Contingent Commander, Major Cam Mackay, announced his decision to step down from the role he has filled for the past five years.

Cam, a former Tornado pilot, joined Pate's Grammar School CCF as an RAF Officer before converting to become a CCF Army Officer. This unique breadth and depth of military experience has benefited both the RAF and Army sections of the contingent.

An example is the creation of a established a full specification Flight Simulator complete with immersive Virtual Reality functions for the RAF section.

During his tenure, Pate's GS CCF has grown in numbers, in capability and is recognised as one of



Major Cam Mackay

the most successful contingents in the SW Region; winning Best Contingent and Best Cadet at Annual Camp a number of times.

Cam has led the contingent with professionalism, generosity and vision. He has balanced the demands of a career as an airline pilot with those of running the contingent with energy and unstinting commitment. He has established a strong and deeply ingrained culture of delivering exciting, high quality training and personal development, that is both fun and fulfilling for cadets and instructors alike.

Cam will remain a valued member of the contingent, will continue to train cadets and

support the new Contingent Commander Major Dave Watt.

My year as a Lord-Lieutenant's Cadet

In October 2017, along with eight other cadets from around Gloucestershire, I was invested as one of Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant Cadet's (LLC) for the upcoming year. The events I was able to attend throughout the year proved exciting, educational and most of all thoroughly enjoyable. My first outing with Dame Janet Trotter was the opening of a new car park at Kemble Train Station, attended by the Princess Royal. To most people the opening of a new car park may seem mundane, yet nerves and royalty served to make this a formative experience for the year to come. A highlight reel of the year would not be complete without mentioning the wedding of the Duke and Duchess of Sussex. Two other LLCs and I had the honour of being nominated by Dame Janet to be among the lucky members of the public within Windsor Castle. This experience was unlike any other. We were all able to meet some incredible people and play a small part in an historic event. Other events during



Cadet Sergeant Major Ben North

the year have included remembrance services, a carol concert at Gloucester Cathedral and royal visits across the county, as well as accompanying the Lord Lieutenant at duties such as presiding over the swearing in of new magistrates. My final event of the year was a particular highlight, as I was fortunate enough to be invited to Dame Janet's county farewell dinner at Elmore Court. This was a wonderful evening, culminating with a very fond farewell from all of the guests, as Dame Janet was soon to leave her post as Lord Lieutenant. My time as

an LLC has left me feeling more confident in formal situations, better at communicating with both large groups of people and individuals, and of course with many new friends. I am indebted to everybody at Wessex RFCA that organises the LLC proceedings and to Dame Janet for being such a good role model over the course of the year. I also wish Helena Cox the best of luck with her year as an LLC, representing Pate's Grammar School CCF and the RGH.



The Royal Gloucestershire Hussars Yeomanry Association Year



In April the RGH Officers' Dining Club met at Badminton House by kind permission of the Duke of Beaufort.



Badminton Horse Trials May 2018.
The Honorary Colonel's Lunch and Cocktail Party in the RGHYA Tent



Katia Service at the RGH War Memorial, Gloucester. April 2018

Ron Pearce celebrated his 90th Birthday in 2018

Frampton Country Fair on 9th September 2018



The Royal Gloucestershire Hussars Yeomanry Association Year



RGHYA Members enjoying their September Lunch at the Ram Inn at Bussage



Armistice Centenary Parade at the RGH War Memorial. The Dean of Gloucester welcomes the Mayor of Gloucester and the RGHYA.



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RGHYA Members enjoying a game of Skittles and a Buffet Lunch at the Con Club, Stroud in November

RGH Empty Saddles 2018

<p>CAPTAIN PAUL JACQUES WILLIAM McCOOK-WEIR (EX A(RGH) SQN EARLY 60s)</p>	<p>JAMES MARTIN (EX 2RGH) DEREK WYLIE (EX A(RGH) SQN 1980s) GEOFF HARMER (EX G SQN 2RGH)</p>
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The Royal Gloucestershire Hussars War Memorial Rededication Service



Gloucestershire and Racing Remember Marking the Centenary of The Armistice at Cheltenham Racecourse Sunday 18 November 2018



The Dean of Gloucester The Very Reverend Stephen Lake rededicated the RGH War Memorial on the 3rd of November 2018 after its extensive renovation. The Memorial is now illuminated at night and has much improved access for wheelchair users.



HRH The Princess Royal was the guest of honour at Gloucestershire and Racing Remember. The hugely successful event was organised by Dame Janet Trotter DBE supported by RGH personnel including Lord Rupert de Mauley and Colonel John Penley. The Princess Royal accompanied by the Lord-Lieutenant Mr Edward Gillespie OBE took the parade salute and spoke to representatives from many Gloucestershire schools and organisations which played important roles during the Great War.



The Remembrance Parade including members of A Coy 6 Rifles, Cadets from the Air Training Corps, Army Cadet Force and Sea Cadet Corps



Bir El Gubi 77th Anniversary Service

Badminton Church Sunday 25th November 2018



The Yeomanry Ride

Worcester Lodge, Badminton Saturday 1st December 2018



The Duke of Beaufort with the RGH Guidon Party and the RGHYA Standard.



The RGH Guidon Party, members of C(RGH) Squadron RWxY and the RGHYA Standard



The Duke of Beaufort presenting the prizes after the Yeomanry Ride.



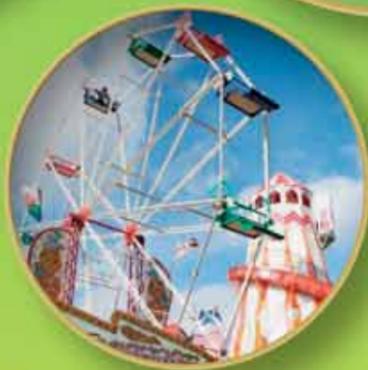
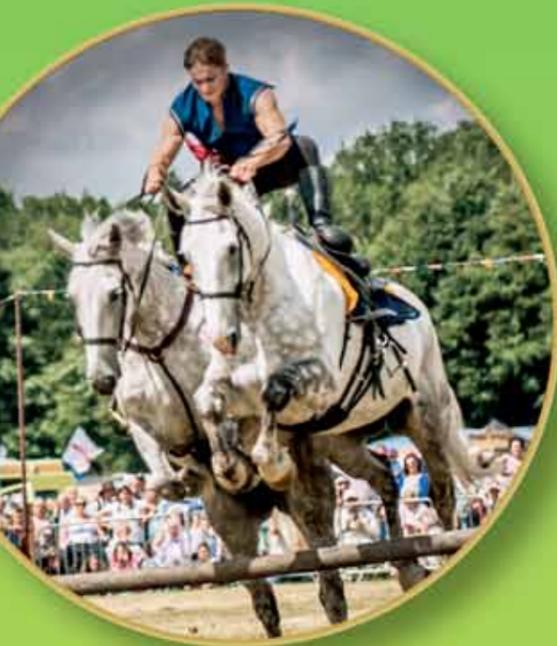
Left: Captain George Hills presented the Johnny Hills Memorial Plate for the 1st Novice Cavalryman.



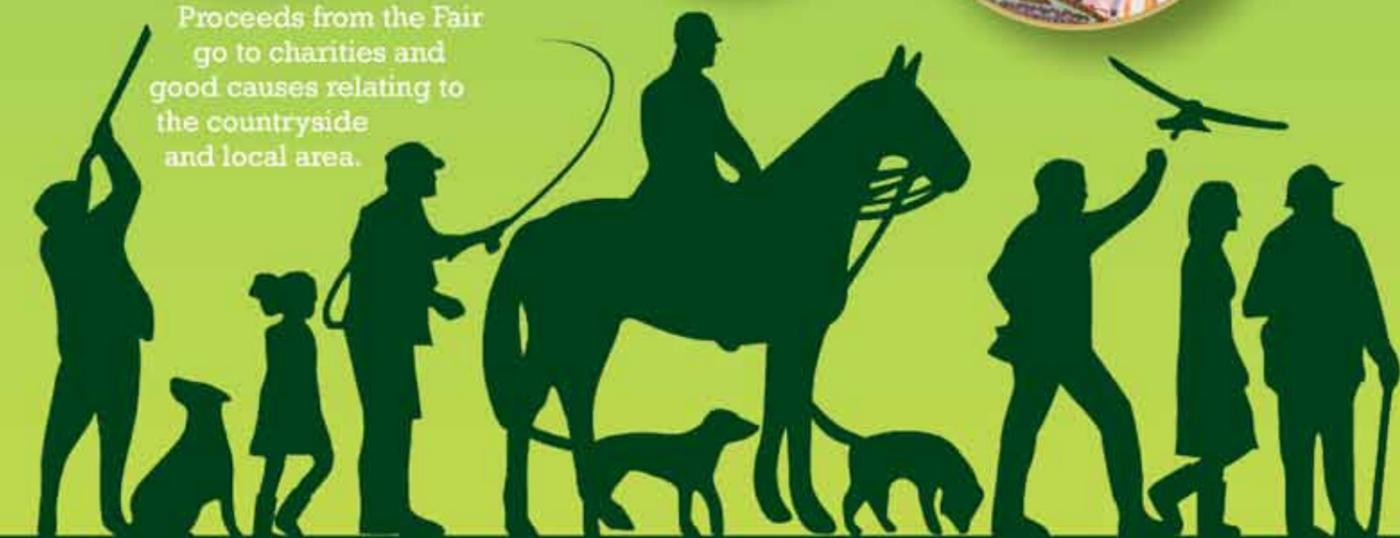
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The Glorious Glosters, RGBW and The Rifles Association

'With their primrose colours & the Back Badge worn with pride'. 1 GLOSTERS contingent just before the eyes left to HRH Princess Anne, on the home straight of Cheltenham racecourse.

The contingent consisted of 54 ex GLOSTERS with ages ranging from 51 to 82. Their combined combat experience included Kenya, Cyprus, The Congo*, Aden, Ulster, Bosnia, Iraq & Afghanistan.



The Army Reserve - A Coy 6 Rifles

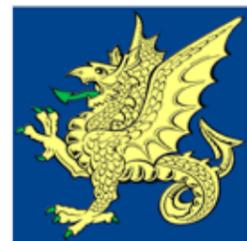
A Coy 6 Rifles Supporting Gloucestershire and Racing Remembers. 6 Rifles are the direct descendants of the 5th Bn The Gloucestershire Regiment and wear the Back Badge with pride. On this event they demonstrated support and solidarity with their Glosters Veterans comrades to Remember those killed in WW1 from Gloucestershire and the support rendered by the County to support the Front.



Gloucestershire Army Cadet Force (The Rifles)

Gloucestershire ACF has had a busy year with their skiing trip in February, supporting Back Badge Day in March, and then Annual Camp in Ballykinler, Northern Ireland in August. They also supported the WW1 Armistice Centenary with SSAFA and Gloucestershire and Racing Remembers in November.





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RESERVE FORCES' & CADETS' ASSOCIATION

The Wessex Reserve Forces' & Cadets' Association (RFCA) is an independent, non-for-profit organisation dedicated to supporting and promoting the 3000 tri-service Reservists and 14,000 Cadets across the seven counties of the South West (Cornwall, Devon, Somerset, Dorset, Wiltshire, the City & County of Bristol and Gloucestershire), as well as providing support and assistance to the employers of Reservists and Cadet Force Adult Volunteers.

Wessex RFCA promotes the Reserve Forces and Cadets across the Wessex area through engagement with employers, business organisations, youth organisations, local authorities, MPs, the media and other influential groups, as well as the general public more widely.

We promote the Armed Forces Covenant and support potential and existing organisations and employers who are signatories to the Defence Employer Recognition Scheme.

As an organisation we work to improve understanding of the roles and needs of the Armed Forces in general and the Reserve and Cadet Forces in particular. We are dedicated to raising awareness of the contribution they make to the nation and our region.

We foster, encourage and support the Cadet movements of all three Services, providing and maintaining accommodation used for training by Army and Air Cadets and supporting their welfare and recruitment. Wessex RFCA also employs the permanent support staff and recruits Adult Instructors for the Army Cadet Force.

We acquire, maintain and dispose of land and buildings used by the Reserve and Cadet Forces, and carry out work to adapt homes for injured personnel, both Regular and Reserve.

Most importantly, we ensure that the outstanding contribution, made to the local community by members of the Reserve Forces and Cadets, is recognised and celebrated by the local community and rewarded through awards such as Lord-Lieutenant's Awards for Meritorious Service.



RFCA County Chairman for Gloucestershire:
Major Robert Wharton TD

www.wessex-rfca.org.uk



The Armed Forces Covenant and Defence Employer Recognition Scheme



Pledge Your Support



Sign the Covenant



Receive Recognition

The Armed Forces Covenant

The Armed Forces Covenant is a voluntary pledge that builds a two way relationship between the employer and Defence for mutual benefit.

The Covenant contains two core statements:

- No member of the Armed Forces should face disadvantage in the provision of public and commercial services compared to any other citizen
- In some circumstances special treatment may be appropriate, especially for injured or bereaved Armed Forces personnel and their families

The following pledges can then be added and tailored accordingly:

- Promote that you are an Armed Forces friendly organisation
- Participate in Armed Forces Day / Reserves Day
- Support employment of veterans, young and old
- Support Career Recovery of the wounded, injured or sick
- Encourage & support the employment of Reservists by accommodating training or mobilisation
- Support the employment of Service spouses
- Support local Cadet Units through sponsorship or encouraging employee volunteering
- Promote your products or services through the Defence Discount Scheme
- Encourage employee support of Service charities

Defence Employer Recognition Scheme

The Defence Employer Recognition Scheme Awards recognises employers, businesses or charities, who pledge, demonstrate and advocate their support of Defence personnel through the Armed Forces Covenant. The Prime Minister launched the Scheme in 2014 to recognise and reward UK employers for their support and commitment towards Defence. There are three tiers of award – Bronze, Silver and Gold – for employers who first pledge, then demonstrate, then advocate support to the Armed Forces Community in alignment with the Armed Forces Covenant. For more information please contact:

The Regional Employer Engagement Directors – Wessex RFCA

Tel: 01823 250110 / 250118 email: wx-reed@rfca.mod.uk / wx-reed2@rfca.mod.uk

www.armedforcescovenant.gov.uk

These Gloucestershire businesses and organisations have signed the Armed Forces Covenant which confirms their support for the Armed Forces Community. They recognise the value that Serving Personnel (Regular and Reserve), Cadets, Veterans and military families contribute to our society and country

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VETERANS' GATEWAY

The first point of contact for veterans seeking support

Veterans' Gateway: A one-stop service for veterans

There is a huge network of organisations supporting the Armed Forces community, so finding the right one for your needs can be tricky. Veterans' Gateway aims to make this process easier by assessing needs at the first point of contact and quickly connecting people, whether in the UK or abroad, with the right organisation that can help. Many of our team are also veterans so understand the issues facing people after leaving the Armed Forces.

The service is made up of a consortium of organisations and Armed Forces charities, including The Royal British Legion, SSAFA – the Armed Forces charity, Poppyscotland, Combat Stress and Connect Assist. Funded by The Armed Forces Covenant, this is the first time a group of this kind has come together formally to deliver a service to help the Armed Forces community.

Veterans' Gateway has a network of over 30 expert partners, coming from across the military and non-military not for profit sector. It can help on a number of areas, including Housing, Employment, Finances, Living independently, Mental wellbeing, Physical health and Families and communities.

How to access Veterans' Gateway

Call the helpline 24 hours a day, 7 days a week 0808 802 1212

Visit the website for an extensive Self Help service, enabling veterans to search for help and advice independently: veteransgateway.org.uk

Text them on 81212

Live chat with an advisor online – you'll find this on the website

Submit a query using the online form on the website

You can also follow them on:

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The RGHYA Benevolent Fund



We are here to help you!

The RGH Benevolent Fund was set up expressly to help serving and former serving members of the RGH and their spouses, civil partners, children, grandchildren, widows, widowers and partners of at least one year's duration should those individuals fall into need by virtue of financial hardship, sickness or old age.

The Fund will also help with maintaining a memorial or memorials to those members who have died in the service of their country.

The Fund is run by a Chairman, a Secretary and Trustees who will spend capital and income to assist those in need.

Over the years we have been able to help a number of people either by acting alone or more often acting in conjunction with the Royal British Legion, The Yeomanry Benevolent Fund or other Regimental Funds where a former soldier had worn other cap badges during his service.

We have bought washing machines, furniture and mobility scooters. We have sent people on training courses to get them back into employment. We have paid rent to keep an individual in accommodation and off the streets. We have spent money on maintaining war memorials, buying RGH flags for the Museum and Sqn and contributed to the Friends of The Museum. We refurbished the Ferret outside C(RGH) Sqn which contributes to the overall look of the Army Reserve Centre. We have also sent Christmas Hampters to a number of our senior Veterans which have been very well received by them.

We have decent amount of money, about £430,000.00 which is invested to give income and growth and we would like to do more.

Please can you make sure when you read this that you try to think of someone who might need some help either serving or retired old and bold. A lot of older soldiers do not like to come forward to seek "charity". It is not charity but something that they are entitled to due to former service and membership of the RGH. We are a family and we look after each other. Let me issue a challenge to you – find more cases so that the Fund can help more people.

Contact the Chairman philipcrook@hotmail.com - C(RGH) Sqn PSAO or our Secretary Patrick Smart pgas1@hotmail.co.uk



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The Soldiers of Gloucestershire Museum



It has been a busy time at the Soldiers of Gloucestershire Museum over the last few months. The annual day of remembrance was marked by many across the County, including a ceremony at the RGH memorial at Gloucester Cathedral, followed by a service hosted by Dame Janet Trotter.

November and December are usually quite quiet months for Museums – SOGM included, but this November bucked the trend. The Victorian Christmas Market took place for 11 days in late November, with many stalls offering Christmas-themed delights of all kinds. This year the market reached further into Victoria Basin, meaning that the footfall it attracts was pulled right down into Back Badge Square, outside the Museum's front door. This was a fantastic opportunity to attract more footfall into the Museum, and this certainly happened. Income and footfall was significantly increased, and has secured more of a cushion to see us through the Winter months.

The Museum has breathed new life into its online presence, and seen an increase in sales via the online shop as a result. Visit the new and improved website and browse lots of regimental items in the online shop (including some brand new lines)

– www.soldiersofglos.com

As I'm sure more readers of The Hussar are aware, the Museum lost its MOD funding around 18 months ago, being then awarded an annual grant from the RGBW



SOGM Stall at The Victorian Market

Trust to allow it to remain open until March 2022. We are now making some tough decisions and introducing new lines of revenue, to make sure we can be in a position to sustain ourselves from April 2022 onwards. We have a new membership scheme that's set to launch in the New Year. This will run alongside the current Friends of SOGM membership scheme. If you would like to become a member and support our Museum, please visit the website at the address above or telephone the Museum on (01452) 522682.

Vicki Hopson, Museum Director



The Friends of the Soldiers of Gloucestershire Museum



The Friends of the SOGM continue to be active. We held a Summer Reception in the docks in June and welcomed the Museum Patron, HRH The Duke of Gloucester. He has also agreed to be the Patron of our forthcoming appeal.

Museum Exhibits

The Friends have assisted in staging the temporary display of the 'RGH in Palestine 1917-18 Campaign', during the WW1 centennial focused events. The sword lost by Capt. Lloyd-Baker when he was killed at Katia in 1916 and found by the RGH



HRH The Duke of Gloucester

two years later and three hundred miles away, was displayed, along with the medals and vest pocket camera of Capt. (later Maj.) Wykham-Musgrave.

The photos taken with this camera provided the subject for some of the panels on our Listed War Memorial; it also was the cause of a Court-Martial for him for sending the undeveloped film home to Cirencester, contrary to military law – he was 'reprimanded'.

The Friends also supported the Museum stand, alongside other organisations, at the 'Gloucestershire and Racing Remember' at Cheltenham Race Course on November 18th.

A new 'horse' mounted with the equipment carried in Palestine was unveiled for the first time and we look forward to him being stabled in the Museum at some time in the future!



The SOGM stand at Gloucestershire and Racing Remember.

2019 Programme.

The Museum is about to launch a Membership Scheme to keep a steady income for regular expenses, now that the MOD financial support has been withdrawn. Life members of the Friends are aware that they paid £100, or maybe £200, many years ago and contributed to their Museum very little since. The new scheme will allow us to donate a small amount monthly or annually and help to keep our successful, small, self-financing Museum secure. I'm sure your will be circulated with this appeal.

We look forward to seeing more members from the RGHYA at both the Summer Reception and the Autumn Lecture. The 2019 speaker will be Jeremy Paxman. Do come and join us for what should be an interesting evening!

Lt. Col. Ralph Stephenson TD.

The Friends gathering at Chavenage before the Autumn Lecture

The 2018 Lecture at Chavenage was given Lt. Gen. Sir John Kiszely on the subject of the 'British Fiasco in Norway – 1940'. He covered this almost unknown episode in WWII and brought out the lack of planning and tri-service cooperation which led to the defeat of a doomed British force. A fine example of how not to fight a battle.



SOGM stall at the Frampton Country Fair. Lt Col Ralph Stephenson Chairman of the Friends with Maj Tony Ayres The Rifles Colonel for Gloucestershire.



The Museum Gift Shop stocks many RGH items which can also be purchased online via the Museum website.



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Captain Jake Meyer conquers K2

Throughout my teenage years my dream had always been to climb the 7 Summits and as I started down the path of climbing the highest mountain on every continent it became an unfiltered focus for all my energy and effort. When I summited Everest on the 4th June 2005, aged 21 and 134 days old (becoming the youngest Briton to climb Everest, and the youngest man in the world to complete the 7 Summits), it was an incredible mixture of emotions – relief, elation and exhaustion.

However, I wondered if I could face an even tougher challenge. I knew that only one mountain would specifically fit this challenge. K2 – the world’s second highest mountain.

Infamously named ‘The Savage Mountain’, due to its dark history and incredibly high death to summit ratio (which was 1:4), K2 represents one of the world’s toughest mountaineering challenges. More people have been into space than have climbed K2.

K2 is considerably steeper than Everest and represents a much more technical mixed rock and ice climb. Very few of the ‘camp sites’ on the mountain have enough space to create a flat platform for a tent, so most tents are either tied onto the mountain at a very uncomfortable angle, and often with part of the tent hanging over the side. K2 is also much further north than Everest, and as a result suffers from much worse and more localised weather, often with only 1-2 potential summit days per year. Just to get to base-camp necessitates a 120km trek up one of the longest glaciers in the world, with all equipment and supplies being carried by porter or on the back of mules. On our most recent trip we employed over 240 porters to help us carry everything we needed for the 7 weeks on the mountain.

I was first due to attempt K2 in 2008, but at the 11th hour, and I had to cancel my trip. Whilst



bitterly disappointed, my frustration soon turned to relief as K2 suffered one of its worst seasons with 11 climbers dying within 48 hours. Following 2008’s tragic turn of events, I was first able to attempt the mountain in 2009 as part of an American led international team. Unfortunately for us, by the time we reached the upper slopes of the mountain (within hours of the summit) we found them too loaded with fresh powder snow – which made them not only exhausting

and difficult to try and climb, but exceedingly dangerous. Recognising that it’s better to be a live donkey than a dead lion, we made the disappointing decision to head back down the mountain.

K2 then took a back seat for a number of years but remained an ever present dream and desire. In 2016, by a mixture of luck and opportunity, I was offered a place on a British Team attempting the Abruzzi Ridge – the first British team to attempt K2 since 2004. Once again, for many weeks we rotated up and down the mountain, each time climbing a little higher to increase our acclimatisation before returning to the safety of base camp. Eventually, seeing a potential good weather window, we struck out on our summit attempt, a 5-6 day round trip. Whilst climbing with the Sherpa fixing team, our third camp at 7300m was struck by a massive avalanche which completely destroyed it. This led to us having to once again abandon our summit attempt, and return dejected, but lucky to be alive, back home.

Roll on 2018. A third attempt was always going to be draw comments about ‘third time lucky’, and there was a real sense of ‘please let this time be the one’.

This time I teamed up with a Slovenian climber, and three Nepalese

Sherpas, and we shared a base-camp with a team who’d be attempting to climb K2’s neighbour, Broad Peak. I was happy to minimise my time on the Savage Mountain, and so I did all of my acclimatisation rotations on Broad Peak, including a solo summit attempt (where I reached 7900m). This set me up well for the actual K2 summit attempt, and I was thankful that we’d only need to make one push up the mountain.

The route was still steep, was still difficult, and certainly hadn’t got any easier over the years. On one day, a Canadian friend of mine was abseiling down one of the steepest sections of the climb when the rope he was on snapped. He fell nearly 2000m to his death.

Our small team of five ended up climbing alongside a larger team, and this allowed us the man power to break trail and fix the ropes up on the higher reaches of the mountain. Having spent a rest day at camp 3 (7350m), we put in a temporary camp 4 at 7650m before starting our 1000m vertical climb to the summit. We left for the summit at 10.30pm, so that we could complete the majority of the climb whilst it was still dark (the cold of the dark keeps the snow, ice and rock consolidated). It’s also important that you can try and summit as early as possible during the day, so that you can return down the mountain during the light. Too many climbers have been lost, or serious injured when they’ve been forced to come down at night.

The route took us up onto the shoulder of K2, where the climbing angle momentarily abated for a few hundred metres, before becoming incredibly steep as we climbed up alongside the ‘Bottleneck’, This led to another incredibly steep, but this time solid ice wall which we scratched our way up, making use of the front points of our crampons and ice axes before joining the ever so slightly more generous summit ridge, which would lead up to the top.

At 0800 local time, after 9.5 hours of climbing, and now with the sun starting to warm us in our down suits, we crested the top of the summit ridge, and suddenly the ice sloped away from us in every direction – we were at the top.



It is of course incredibly difficult to do a moment like that justice in words alone. Hugging and celebrating with fellow climbers, savouring the incredible view, trying to remember all the sponsor obligations that you wanted to make and of course the mundane but vitally important aspect of monitoring your oxygen and not losing your gloves! In the end I spent around 45 minutes on the summit, before deciding that it was probably time to head back down.

Without wanting to be melodramatic, it is almost more important to keep your wits about you on the descent as it is going up. Of the four Brits to have died on K2, Three of them died on the decent, having made it to the summit. Whilst they might have been caught in bad weather, or other tragic factors, it is all too easy to make silly mistakes whilst abseiling or changing ropes (a Japanese climber would die the day after when he fell whilst descending from the summit), or to let exhaustion overwhelm you. Whilst the descent was incredibly gruelling, the five of us managed to get back down to camp 2 (c6500m) safely, and the following day return exhausted but elated to base camp. It felt like once we were back in the comparative safety of base camp, we could finally relax, and it was only then that we could allow the enormity of what we’d just achieved to sink in.

They say that to climb Everest, you need conditioning, but to climb (and survive) K2 you need heart and an unerring sense of determination, tenacity, sacrifice, stubbornness and a little bit of luck. Three times I’ve trekked 120km up the Baltoro Glacier in search of satisfaction. Twice I’ve trekked 120km back defeated, broken but ultimately alive. Churchill is purported to have said ‘Success is not final, failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue which counts’. Thankfully there appears to be some truth in the old adage ‘third time’s a charm’.



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1 RGH WW2 Veteran Lieutenant John Scudamore celebrates his 100 Birthday!

John Scudamore was born on 16 October 1918 at Upleadon, a small village a few miles from Newent in Gloucestershire. In the late 1920s the family moved to Rectory Farm at Maisemore. John started work in 1934 for the Corporation Electricity Department as a draughtsman. The manager of the Electricity Department encouraged him to take up a three-year correspondence course towards becoming an electrical engineer which he did. This was a good decision as the whole of his working life was to be in the electricity industry

In 1937 or '38, conscription was brought in, and John either had to do six months training in the Forces or alternatively weekend training in the nearest barracks plus a fortnight summer camp. Because of his studying, he chose the latter, but this was to have significant effects as he was called up into the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars on 2nd September 1939 the day before the Second World War broke out.

John was not involved in the retreat from Dunkirk and from then on his regiment was split in two, with half going out to North Africa to join the Seventh Army, and his half being retained on Home Defence until the Second Front when many were posted to other regiments on active service shortly after D Day.

Amongst other training John was sent to America in September 1941 on a three month Instructor's Course on American Tanks. In October 1942 he was sent to Sandhurst on an officer's training course and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in August 1943 and posted back to the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars. In February 1944 he was promoted to Lieutenant.

In August 1944 John was posted to the Sherwood Rangers Yeomanry and served with them through France, Belgium, Holland and into Germany. He was wounded when his tank was destroyed at Geilenkirkan near Aachen on 3rd November 1944 during the breakout after the front had become static. He was flown back to the UK and discharged from hospital in March 1945 but with a damaged knee cap. He



John Scudamore

was subsequently posted to a number of other regiments before his demobilisation on 26 May 1946.

In June 1946 John returned to Gloucester Corporation Electricity Department as a junior engineer but was fortunate to go to Birmingham University graduating in 1950 with a first class honours degree in electrical engineering. Until he retired in 1983 he worked for a number of electricity companies finishing his career as the Secretary to the Board of the Merseyside and North Wales Electricity Board (Manweb). After a period of four years as a management representative on industrial tribunals he finally

retired in 1988 but continued his interest in his church, family and travelling widely.





The RGHYA Gift Shop



RGHYA Calendar of Events



A selection of RGHYA items are available at RGHYA events or see the website for a complete list.
 To order any of these items contact Capt Philip Mitchell (mitchpj@hotmail.com)
 These items are also available from the Soldiers of Gloucestershire Museum Shop Telephone 01452 522682
 Royal Wessex Yeomanry ties and socks are available from Regimental Headquarters on 01929 402008

2019

8 March
 12-15 March
 23 March
 23-24 March
 29 March
 4 April
 21 April
 23 April
 26 April
 28 April
 28 April
 1-5 May
 2 May
 4 May
 10-12 May
 12 May
 25-27 May
 27 May
 6 June
 8 June
 6 July
 13-14 July
 16-27 July
 19-21 July
 27 July-3 August
 2-4 August
 7 September
 7 September
 8 September
 27 September
 13 October
 TBC October
 22 October
 10 November
 10 November
 24 November

Time

Event

Grand Military Cup
 Cheltenham Festival
 The Rifles "Back Badges" Service and Parade
 Gatcombe Horse Trials
 12.00 RGHYA Spring Lunch
 Royal Armoured Corps 80th Anniversary
 Easter Sunday
 19.30 Royal Society of St George Service
 RGH ODC
 15.00 Katia Wreath Laying
 15.00 ANZAC Parade
 Badminton Horse Trials
 Pate's Grammar School CCF 102nd Annual Inspection
 Army v Navy Rugby
 Ten Tors
 Cavalry Memorial Parade
 Gloucester Tall Ships Festival
 Cheese Rolling
 D-Day 75th Anniversary
 Queen's Birthday Parade (1st Bn Grenadier Guards)
 Bugatti Festival
 Cotswold Show
 Cheltenham Cricket Festival
 Royal International Air Tattoo
 Three Choirs Festival
 Gatcombe Horse Trials
 Gloucester Day & History Festival
 Moreton in Marsh Show
 Frampton Country Fair
 12.00 RGHYA Autumn Lunch
 Grenadier Guards Association President's Lunch
 RWxY Broken Spur Dinner
 Lord-Lieutenant's Awards
 11.00 Remembrance Sunday
 14.45 Wreath Laying at RGH War Memorial
 19.00 Royal British Legion Festival of Remembrance
 11.15 Bir el Gubi Service

Location

Sandown Park
 Prestbury Park
 Gloucester
 Gatcombe Park
 TBA
 Bovington
 Gloucester Cathedral
 Chavenage
 RGH War Memorial
 Leighterton
 Badminton Estate
 Pate's Grammar School
 Twickenham
 Okehampton
 Hyde Park
 Gloucester Docks
 Coopers Hill
 Horse Guards
 Prescott Speed Hill Climb
 Cirencester Park
 Cheltenham College
 Fairford
 Gloucester Cathedral
 Gatcombe Park
 Gloucester
 Moreton in Marsh
 Frampton on Severn
 TBA
 Hatherley Manor
 Cavalry and Guards Club
 Manor by the Lake
 Gloucester Cathedral
 Cheltenham Town Hall
 Badminton Church

2020

March
 26 April
 September
 22 November

12.00
 10.00
 12.00
 11.15

RGHYA Spring Lunch
 RGHYA Centenary Service
 RGHYA Autumn Lunch
 Bir el Gubi Service

TBA
 St Mary de Lode Church
 TBA
 Badminton Church

2021

March
 25 April
 September
 28 November

12.00
 15.00
 12.00
 11.15

RGHYA Spring Lunch
 Katia Wreath Laying
 RGHYA Autumn Lunch
 Bir el Gubi Service

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