

The Quickfirer!



Bringing alive the dry pages of history

New business office opens after merger

Welcome to the 1st edition of "The Quickfirer" our regular e-letter from the Battle Honours HQ Dug-out.

Following the merger of Clive Harris and Julian Whippy's own businesses into Battle Honours Ltd, they are now operating from their dedicated office space in Henlow, Bedfordshire. Officially opened at Christmas 2005, the premises is complete with all modern signals facilities and an adjacent resource room. This library now houses over 1,000 books & maps. Julian & Clive are both extremely excited about the merger and at last feel that they are able to expand their vision of battlefield tours. See the tour schedule and website for details. www.battle-honours.co.uk

Ninety Years On! January 1916

In The Air- On January 31st 1916 six Airships raided East Anglia and the Midlands. 70 were killed & 113 wounded. Albert Ball VC DSO MC gains his RFC wings.

On Land – The Empire troops at Gallipoli complete their withdrawal. Over 35,000 men were evacuated in the first week of January. They left behind over 34,000 dead, with only 7,000 known burials.

VC— Sepoy Chatta Singh of the 9th Bhopal Infantry was awarded the VC on the 13th January 1916 during the Battle of the Wadi, Mesopotamia. Sepoy Singh left cover to assist his commanding officer who lay wounded, he dressed his wounds under fire and shielded him with his own body for five hours. He later carried him back to safety.



The following units wear this honour with pride

Macedonia 1916-18; Derbyshire Yeomanry, The Lovat Scouts The Scottish Horse, Surrey Yeomanry, The Royal Scots Fusiliers, The Kings Royal Rifle Corps, The Dur-

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Clive and Julian in the new Battle Honours Office.

2006 Tour Schedule

The Kaisers Battle 1918
4 night walking tour from
£299 3* Arras Hotel
8/12 April

Walking Normandy
4 night tour from £329
3* Hotel 17/21 July
London Soldiers on the Somme 3 night tour,
3* Arras Hotel £259
14/17 September

Walking Arnhem 4 night
tour, 3* Hotel from £329
23/27 September

Walking Gallipoli 5 night
tour, Anzac Hotel from
£775 16/21 October



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