

The Quickfirer!



Bringing alive the dry pages of history

Dieppe Memorial Tour— 64 years on

100 pilgrims, 6 hotels, 3 coaches, 5 battlefields, an armed 25 strong colour party, a full regimental pipe band, a full regimental brass band, 2 mayors, 3 MPs, 13 wonderful veterans, and a spitfire later and the memorial to the Essex & Kent Scottish Regiment was unveiled at 13:00hrs local time on the esplanade at Dieppe. The incredible 10 day tour that began in London and passed through Vimy, Ypres and Normandy before arriving in Dieppe will live long in the memory of those who partook. The opportunity for us as a company to arrange, guide and remember with so many veterans of the regiment was without doubt the highlight of our company so far. The ceremonies at Vimy Ridge, The Menin Gate, The Juno Centre, Brettville Sur Laize CWGC, The Abbaye Ardennes and finally at Dieppe left few dry eyes amongst our large band as we learnt, reflected and remembered. It was a pleasure to be able to in some way contribute to this wonderful tour.

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This month in History – September

***On Land** – The 15th September 1916 saw the first use of Tanks in military history at the battle of Flers-Courcelette. Amongst the objectives to fall that day was the infamous High Wood, captured after months of stalemate by the 47th London Division. From the Canadian forces on the left at Courcelette to the 56th London Division on the right at Combles the allies breached the German lines and armoured warfare came of age.*



***VC**— Captain Robert Cain, South Staffords, September 1944. As part of the Airborne Division which landed at Arnhem, Captain Cain led spirited counter attacks against German Tanks and Self Propelled Guns armed with a PIAT and a small mortar. He continued even when wounded to rally the beleaguered troops with daring and leadership and great gallantry.*

2006/07 Tour Schedule

Walking Gallipoli £775

Walking the Beach heads, inland fighting, Suvla Bay & Anzac *Now Full*

Walking Wipers Following the 5 years of war with 5 new walks—7-11 October, £329 *2 places left*

2007 Tours now booking

Walking Arras 7-11 April

Walking Gallipoli

29 April-4 May

Western Front Highlights

4-8 June

July—Italy 1917

Sept — A Somme Winter

The following units wear this honour with pride

Arnhem 1944—The Parachute Regiment, Glider Pilot Regiment, Kings Own Scottish Borderers, Dorset Regiment, Border Regiment, South Staffordshire Regiment.



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