

Autumn 2018 **Quarterly Newsletter**



Welcome to the Autumn 2018 edition of the *HorsePower* Newsletter. After an extra warm summer period, the museum has continued to remain busy as we now enter autumn. We look set to remain busy as we approach the centenary of the armistice that ended the Great War in November.

King's Royal Hussars Families Day 2018

This September, we were lucky enough to be invited to take part in the King's Royal Hussars Families day, held by the



regiment in Tidworth. With a selection of items from the museum and shop, we set up for what turned out to be an incredibly successful day. We look forward to welcoming those we met to the museum in Winchester in the near future.

Heritage Open Days

Over the weekend of the 15th and 16th September, the museum took part in the annual Heritage Open Days event. Opening our doors for free, we saw nearly 300 visitors come through over the Saturday and Sunday. This was up from around the 200 visitors we had last year and we hope to increase the numbers yet again next year!

Join The Friends of HorsePower!

Come and join us as a Friend of HorsePower, the Museum of the King's Royal Hussars in Winchester! By joining us you will have the opportunity to support the work of the Museum and you can take advantage of a wide range of related benefits:

- Free entry to the Museum for yourself, and half the adult rate for anyone accompanying you
- 10% discount on purchases in the Museum shop
- The opportunity for close involvement with the Museum and its work
- Regular newsletters keeping you up to date with the Friends' activities and developments in the Museum
- Be the first to know about and book lectures and talks, and receive a 20% discount
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New Acquisitions

HorsePower has been lucky enough to obtain some exciting new items for our collection since the last newsletter.

The Diaries of Colonel Anderson

HorsePower are delighted to announce the recent acquisition of the handwritten Great War diaries of Col R J P Anderson 11th Hussars. These are a fantastic and historically important insight into the daily life of the regiment, as witnessed by the Commanding Officer. Col Anderson served with the 11th Hussars for 27 years, and was commanding officer between 1915 and 1920.

Upcoming Museum Talks

20th November 2018 6:00 for 6:15pm -

Russia, ISIS and Other Security Challenges

A talk by General Sir Adrian Bradshaw KCB, OBE

Venue: The Kincaid Gallery, The (RGJ) Rifles Museum, Peninsula Square, Winchester, SO23 8TS Tickets £10 per head, £7.50 for Friends of Horse-Power including a free glass of wine and free entry to HorsePower Museum for ticket holders between 5:00-6:00pm

22nd November 2018 -

The 10th and 11th Hussars in the Advance to

Victory 1918

A talk by Steven Broomfield

Venue: The McDonald Gallery, The Gurkha Museum, Peninsula Square, Winchester, SO23 8TS Tickets £7 per head, including a sandwich lunch

To book your space at either of these talks, please contact us on 01962 828541 or email assistant@horsepowermuseum.co.uk

Soldiers of The Great War

As part of the centenary commemorations of the Great War, we will continue to run a series of short biographies on those from the Regiment who served during the period.

William Noel Willis

Joined the 20th Hussars as a boy soldier in 1912 and joined the band in Colchester. On the outbreak of war in 1914 he was too young to proceed with the regiment to France, so stayed behind with the reserve. It wasn't until 1917 that he was able to



proceed overseas, but having to transfer to the 10th Hussars who had just received heavy casualties at Monchy le Preux. William remained with the regiment until his retirement in 1937. In later life, William wrote his memoirs of military service, a copy of which has very kindly be given to the museum by his family. This can currently be viewed on appointment at the museum.

Special Exhibit Showcase

"War and Peace - The End of The Great War" is our current exhibition that will run until early 2019. Here we look at the final months of the Great War, and the immediate aftermath.

Second Hand Book Sale

Did you know we have a second hand book sale inside the museum? There's a wide range of great reads and all the books are available for just a donation! All proceeds go to the upkeep of the museum. If you have any military books you no longer need - how about donating them to the collection for others to try?

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