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# The Liverpool Scottish Regimental Association

Chairman: Maj. Roy Boardman TD



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All Members and Supporters

8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## **BLESSING OF THE LIVERPOOL SCOTTISH MEMORIAL AT THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARBORETUM – SATURDAY 27<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024**

The Liverpool Scottish Memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum (NMA) will be blessed on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024. The NMA is located at:

**Croxall Road, Alrewas, STAFFORDSHIRE, DE13 7AR.**

### **Outline Timings**

1100hrs – All to have arrived at the Remembrance/Visitor Centre

1115hrs – Move to the Memorial Site or Join march to the Memorial Site

1200hrs – Unveiling Ceremony at the Memorial Site

1230hrs – Members free time to further explore the NMA

1400hrs – Coach Party Departs Arboretum

1630hrs – Reception at Liverpool University OTC, Mather Avenue, Liverpool, L18 6HP

1700hrs - Arboretum Closes for those travelling independently.

**Please Note** Association Members, Serving Soldiers and Veterans will have the opportunity, before the unveiling ceremony, to take part in a march from the Aspects Building to the Memorial site of approximately 15 minutes duration. The route will be on pathways for a large part of the way and then on grass to the memorial site.

### **Accessibility**

The main entrance has level access and there is level access from the main entrance to the Remembrance Centre, Heroes Square, the Aspects building and the bulk of the Arboretum Grounds. A small number of motability scooters can be hired, from the Arboretum, for a daily charge or wheelchairs for a donation.

### **The Blessing**

The Blessing will be carried out by the Rector of Liverpool, Revd Canon Dr Crispin Pailing MBE. Regimental Association Pipers and a Bugler will play at appropriate moments. Association and other Regimental Association Standards may be paraded.

During the service there will be the opportunity for wreaths to be laid. The Official Guests will be invited to lay their wreaths then individuals may lay their own wreaths or tributes if they wish.



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## Capacity Control

For the comfort of visitors to the Arboretum, the NMA limit the number of visitors in their buildings and grounds. Please advise me, if you have not already done so, whether you will be travelling independently.

## Transport and Parking

### a. Independent Travel

- (i) Attendees may travel to the Arboretum independently under their own arrangements but are asked to arrive by **1100 hrs on the 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024**.
- (ii) Please note that there is a Parking Charge at the Arboretum of £4 (pre-booked) £6 if not pre-booked. To pre-book online go to <https://www.maximcloud.co.uk/nationalmemorialarboretum/eventslist/>

### b. Travel by Coach

- (i) If you wish to travel by coach please send a payment of £15.00 per person in your party, preferably by Bank Transfer to:  
Bank: HSBC                      Account: Liverpool Scottish Regimental Association  
Bank Code: 40-29-17      Account Number: 01430602
- (ii) You must arrive at Liverpool OTC, Crawford Hall, Mather Avenue, Liverpool, L18 6HF **by 8.30am**.
- (iii) **Coaches will depart on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 0900hrs** prompt and will leave the Arboretum to **return at 1400hrs on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024**. Estimated Time of Arrival back at Mather Avenue is 1630hrs.
- (iv) Those travelling by coach may leave their cars in the secure car park at Crawford Hall.
- (v) You may travel by bus to Crawford Hall which is served by the 86 Bus route and there are stops conveniently located near to Crawford Hall.
- (vi) Upon arrival back at Crawford Hall, Mather Avenue on the evening of 27<sup>th</sup> April, a hot buffet supper will be available in the Training Centre at a cost of £4.00 per person payable on the door and the bar will be open.

Whether you travel independently or on one of the coaches you are cordially invited to gather at Crawford Hall for supper on your return from the Arboretum.

## Lunch

There will not be an organised lunch for those attending the ceremony at the National Memorial Arboretum, instead attendees travelling back to Liverpool are invited to the reception at Liverpool University OTC, Crawford Hall

Attendees who wish to have lunch may take their own packed lunch and enjoy it whilst in the grounds of the Arboretum or they may obtain refreshments from the Café/Restaurant in the Visitor Centre.

Payment for those who wish to have the hot buffet supper at Crawford Hall will be taken on the door.

## **Accommodation**

The Association will **NOT** be co-ordinating accommodation and has **NOT** booked any accommodation. Those travelling under their own arrangements should book their own hotel or B&B accommodation as required. Some local hotels are:

Premier Inn  
Burton on Trent Central  
Wellington Rd  
Burton on Trent  
Staffordshire  
DE14 2DQ                      Tel: 0333 321 9217

Premier Inn  
Burton on Trent East  
82 Ashby Rd  
Burton on Trent  
Staffordshire  
DE15 0PU                      Tel: 0333 777 3971

Travelodge Burton A38 Southbound  
A38 Graycar Business Park  
Barton-under-Needwood  
Burton-upon-Trent  
DE13 8EH (Satnav) Tel: 0871 984 6068

Travelodge Burton A38 Northbound  
A38 Northbound  
Barton-under-Needwood,  
Burton-on-Trent  
DE13 8ED (Satnav)      Tel: 0871 984 6069

*Please Note neither of these Travelodge's have Restaurant Facilities*

## **Dress**

The following forms of dress are suggested:

- a. Serving military personnel (Regular and Reserve) may wear Service Dress and Medals.
- b. Association Members/Former Liverpool Scots may wear either;
  - Highland Day Dress and (in the hope that some uniformity can be achieved) the following form of dress is suggested: Glengarry, Regimental Association Tie, White Shirt, Argyll Jacket and Waistcoat, Forbes Tartan Kilt, Leather Purse, Lovat Hose, Red flashes, Brogues and Full Size medals.
  - Glengarry, Regimental Association Tie, White Shirt, Suit or Blazer and trousers and Full Size Medals
- c. Male attendees are requested to wear a suit, blazer or jacket and a tie.
- d. Female attendees are requested to wear appropriate semi formal forms of dress.

## **Please Note**

- a. Full size medals of deceased relatives or friends should be worn on the right breast.
- b. Commemorative Medals should be worn on the left breast separate and beneath Official Medals.

## **Further Information and Queries**

If you have any further questions or queries please contact the Chairman via email to [roynewborough31@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:roynewborough31@blueyonder.co.uk)

**If travelling on the coach please send payment by 5<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

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