

SCOTS Regimental Association

Welcome to the first of the SCOTS Bulletins of 2020. We welcome news of events happening in Scotland, across the Battalions and Veterans community for the interest of our serving soldiers and veterans. Let us know what's going on in your community.



Bulletin 1

Running, Cycling & Swimming for cancer

Captain Neil Homewood, SCOTS, is raising money for the Maggie's Centre in Edinburgh.

"My wife continues to battle bravely against stage 4 ovarian cancer & is currently back in chemo. I am doing various sporting events this year including Etape Loch Ness, Leeds Triathlon & Chicago Marathon. Any donations to MacMillan large or small will be greatly appreciated."

He & his family use the Maggie's Centre at the Edinburgh Cancer Centre, a cancer specialist therapy centre funded purely through charitable donation from MacMillan Cancer Support.

"I am participating in various sporting events to try & raise funds for this worthwhile charity which supports the families of those with a cancer diagnosis, a diagnosis which currently will effect 1 in 2 of the population."

Jan 26 [Vogrie & Tyne Tunnel](#) 10K | Apr 26 [Etape Loch Ness](#) (106K cycle) | May 9 [Penicuik](#) 10k Road Race | Jun 7 [Leeds ITU Standard Distance Triathlon](#) | Jun 20 [Ride to the Sun](#) (Carlisle to Edinburgh cycle through the night) | Sep 20 [Scottish Half Marathon](#) | Oct 10 [Chicago](#) 5K | Oct 11 [Chicago Marathon](#) | Nov 1 [Glen Ogle 33 Ultra Marathon](#).

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/neil-homewood2?utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_content=Neil-Homewood2&utm_medium=fundraisinpage&utm_source=Sharethis&utm_term=RNbNwxxnb

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February
7 Feb – QOHdrs Regimental Association 59th Anniversary Dinner in Inverness.
14 Feb – Highlanders Regimental Trust are unveiling a Highlanders Memorial Sculpture at Fochabers to remember the 12 year history of the Regiment.

29 Feb - The Royal Scots are holding an event in the Royal Scots Club to mark 50 years since 1RS conducted its first Op Banner tour. Open to former Royal Scots who hold a GSM with NI clasp. Availability limited to 140.

www.theroyalscots.co.uk

March
20 Mar - SCOTS Officers Dinner
27 March - RSMs Convention Convention
28 Mar - Military History Day at Edinburgh Castle

Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast Clubs are completely free. With 300 Clubs in 14 Countries and 100,000 members you are bound to find a club in your area. There are no fees or subs; they do not exist to raise funds for any national charity, organisation or business. Breakfast Clubs exist simply to facilitate veterans (and current service personnel) meeting face to face in a relaxed safe social environment. That is their primary aim and function - to allow veterans to 'return to the tribe'. Find a club near you for a chat: <http://www.afvbc.net/>

The Scottish Men's Shed Association is for all men with 'time on their hands' who might want to lead active lives, make a difference & build their communities into something better. With older men & younger men, unemployed & employed, skilled & unskilled: **'we value you for who you are, not what you do or have done'**. *Skills are a bonus not a prerequisite.* Everyone by virtue of 'experiencing life' has value & something to share: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCR4-1gdhoDvtcfnx9t2BO-A>
Men's Sheds Network meetings
Ayrshire Fri 24 Jan at Three Towns Men's Shed 1-5pm
Lothians Fri 31 Jan 2020 at Pentland's Men's Shed 10-12pm
Highland & Islands Weds 4 Mar at Cromarty Firth Men's Shed at 1030-1330hrs
<https://scottishmsa.org.uk/>
Contact Tim Green Age Scotland 07718 579 291 | 01383 882 151
Tim.Green@agescotland.org.uk

Some useful contacts...

Veterans First Point (V1P) peer-to-peer talking therapy. <https://www.veteransfirstpoint.org.uk/>
SSAFA supports veterans & their families. 0131 557 1697 <https://www.ssafa.org.uk/scotland>
Combat Stress - the UK's leading veterans mental health charity, & 24hr helpline. 0800 138 1619 <https://www.combatstress.org.uk/>
Legion Scotland - offers help, advice & contacts 0808 800 1007 <https://www.legionscotland.org.uk/>
Fares4Free - Sometimes the first step to beating loneliness & isolation, is a friendly face & a lift. 07708 299399 <https://www.fares4free.org/how-we-can-help/>
Poppyscotland 0131 557 2782 Now offers a new Welfare Service, <https://www.poppyscotland.org.uk/>
ABF The Soldiers' Charity Raises money to support all Serving soldiers & veterans in the UK. scotland@soldierscharity.org

CIVIL SERVICE JOBS

<https://civilservicejobs.service.gov.uk/>

Project Management

Apprenticeship - Edinburgh
£24,818 **Closes 26 Jan** Ref:29412
HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC).
To enable the smooth running of the project by supporting the project manager through the operation of project management processes – to lead others in using Agile Methodology. **Required:** Self-motivated, professional & open to continuous learning; Innovative, flexible & good communication; Good at scheduling, organisation & prioritisation; Collaboration; Adaptable; Able to convey a strong professional image & deal confidently with problems to influence key stakeholder.

Also:

Information Systems Business Analyst Apprenticeship –
Edinburgh HMRC Ref:29381
£24,818 **Closes 26 Jan**

Executive Officer (Ref: 31561) (20 posts) - Glasgow
£22,566 Ministry of Justice **Closes 23 Jan** Ref:33325 The Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority (CICA). To assess & decide compensation claims in accordance with CICA Schemes & guidance, giving a full & clear explanation of decisions made. **Required:** Strong interpersonal skills to develop effective working relationships with stakeholders. Able to work with multiple sources of information & decide claims based on evidence. Excellent written & numerical skills. Strong leadership to continuously improve service & achieve operational performance measures. Excellent customer service. MS office.

Desirable: Experience handling legal casework & decision making. A qualification in Law.

Assistant Horticulturalist –
Edinburgh Ref:34775
Scottish Government

£19,314 **Closes 5 Feb**
To deliver horticultural services to support certification & scientific work & manage the grounds around the main building. To work with colleagues in scientific areas to help ensure efficiency.

Prepare material/take care of glasshouse: watering, fertilising/monitoring for pests & diseases. Grounds maintenance: grass cutting, weeding/edging, pruning, routine maintenance. Out of hours, weekend/holiday working. **Required:** Knowledge of seed production/maintenance of plants in glasshouses/ polytunnels. Able to maintain high levels of health & hygiene. Team work.

DIO Civilian Security Officer (CSO5) 2 posts - Crombie
£18,000 MoD **Closes 28 Jan**
Ref:35516 MOD Guard Service (MGS). To provide an overt unarmed security presence. Shift pattern of day & night shifts. Controlling vehicular & pedestrian access/exit. Issuing passes, keys. Patrolling. Searching of vehicles, baggage, personnel, buildings & open areas. Checking identity. Operating & monitoring security systems; CCTV & alarms. Driving. Using IT systems. **Required:** Colour perception eye test. 2 GCSEs inc. English or NVQ Business Admin Level 1 or Suitable Relevant Experience. Full UK Driving Licence.

DIO Civilian Security Officer (CSO5) - Glasgow
£18,000 MoD **Closes 28 Jan**
Ref:35440

DIO Civilian Security Officer (CSO4) - Glasgow
£19,911 MoD **Closes 28 Jan**
Ref:35466 Regular Shift Allowance. **Required:** 5 GCSEs (or equivalent), inc. English. Full UK Driving Licence.

Ordnance Assurance Inspector 21 – MoD Coulport
Ref:33258
£25,383 37hrs **Closes 31 Jan**
Duty roster & Out of Hours rota. Responsible for storage, processing, maintenance & issue of & ammunition of submarine-embarked tactical weapons. To provide assurance that all activities undertaken comply with regulatory & legislative requirements; in particular JSP 538 & the Nuclear Weapons Safety Principles &

Criteria. **Required:** Experience working in Nuclear Weapon area and/or Weapons, Ordnance, Munitions & Explosives area. Technical/ Engineering apprenticeship/ONC/HNC/HND/degree. Nuclear Competence & WOME SM 2.5 -

Legion Scotland Administration & Events Support - Edinburgh

Royal British Legion Scotland –
Edinburgh. **Closes 24 Jan**
£19,000 FT. To support the delivery of Remembrance & Commemorative events, engage with Membership & partners to provide support to the annual Legion Scotland events programme. **Required:** High motivation, able to work with initiative to prioritise workloads, as well as being able to work as part of a team. Driving Licence. Excellent communication. Computer literacy, including full range of MS Office suite. *Able to work under pressure.* Eye for detail & ability to identify & correct inaccuracies. Excellent time management. Experience identifying trends & problem solving. Maintaining relationships with a diverse group of people & organisations. Diplomacy. **Desirable:** Experience working in a membership organisation, of Database systems & supporting delivery of commemorative & Remembrance events. *Knowledge of Military structure. Ideally it would be suitable for anyone with a military clerk background.*

Email a CV with 2 referees to recruitment@legionscotland.org.uk
Include a cover letter addressing how your experience and achievements match the role
www.legionscotland.org.uk

Useful Job Hunting link

<https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/> find out which career suits you, create a CV & apply for local jobs not always listed elsewhere.
<https://www.myjobscotland.gov.uk/www.myjobscotland.gov.uk> Advertises all local authority jobs throughout Scotland.