

Remembering Scotland at War: This Happens in War

The Black Watch Castle and Museum has a terrific collection of oral histories relating to the Second World War. The Museum took part in a 3-year project called Remembering Scotland at War, and all of the oral histories recorded during this project are available in an online museum at <http://www.rememberingscotlandatwar.org.uk/online-museum>.

These recordings are a terrific resource for schools and can be accessed free of charge. To access them, go to the web address above. Click on the 'Online Museum', then Explore By Project. The Black Watch oral histories can be found in 'This Happens in War', in the right column on the Explore By Project page. The following Second World War exhibitions are available, each with at least one recorded interview with a veteran:

- "So I joined The Black Watch": Volunteers and Conscription
- "This country is at war with Germany": The day war was declared
- "There wis nae pictures and nae chip shops": The War at Home: Bombs and Evacuees
- "We just had to get on, my mother and I": The War At Home: Rationing and Internees
- "The parachutes were a lovely sight": The Battle for Crete
- "That was my life wasted": Prisoners of War
- "So what were they to do with these Wrens?": The Wrens – The Women's Royal Naval Service
- "Cairo was infested with bugs": The Battle for North Africa
- "My flea bit dugout in Tobruk": Montgomery's victory at El Alamein
- "I marched and fought with the Desert Army": Driving the Afrikakorps out of North Africa
- "Sorry lad, that's the coast of France": The D Day Landings
- "I became a veteran very quickly": The Battle for Normandy
- "They got a huge reception at St Valery": Breakout from Normandy
- "I'm going to die from the cold here": The Battle for Holland and Belgium
- "This was their last stand before the Rhine": The Battle for the German Border
- "It only took a few minutes to cross": Crossing the River Rhine
- "So that was the end of my war": The Allied Armies' victory in Europe