

## **Private Lewis Stirling**

Lewis suffered a severe back injury during a skiing exercise in France and was medically discharged.

Lewis stated, 'It's hard to turn your back and walk away when it's not your choice. But then I realised how much help was out there. When I decided that I wanted to take the career path of being a gas engineer, I needed help with funding. Without the Regimental Trust, I would be in a lot more financial difficulty with paying my mortgage and supporting my young family. It's given me the opportunity to get back to normality.'



## **Lance Corporal Sean Wiseman**

Sean is still serving with 2 SCOTS despite having his leg amputated in 2009, a consequence of an IED in Afghanistan. Sean was given the opportunity to go on a JNCO cadre which he successfully completed additionally the Trust funded Sean to sit his driving test. Sean reflects, 'If the Trust never helped me, then I'd probably not be driving by now.'



## **HOW DO I KNOW IF I AM DONATING TO THE REGIMENTAL TRUST?**

Look in the 'Charges and Deductions' section of your pay statement and it will appear as 'Service Day's Pay Giving'. Once signed-up, subscriptions are deducted at source through JPA. You will hardly notice the difference. For example a Pte/LCpl will donate approximately £5 monthly. Reservist soldiers can sign up to the scheme, they contribute 20% of a day's pay unless on operational deployment when they pay a full day's pay.

## **HOW CAN I DONATE TO THE REGIMENTAL TRUST?**

You can donate by completing a JPA E014 at your unit admin office.

## **WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I LEAVE THE ARMY?**

Your donation will stop automatically on discharge from the Army or transfer to another cap badge. However, any SCOTS officer or soldier who has donated to the Trust during their Service is eligible to apply for financial support at any stage in their lifetime.

## **THANK YOU**

The Regimental Trust can make a huge difference to serving officers, soldiers, veterans and their families. Donating through the Service Day's Pay Giving Scheme ensures that the Regimental Trust can continue to provide that lifetime of support. Thank you.

## **CONTACT US**

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# **THE ROYAL REGIMENT OF SCOTLAND TRUST**



*The Regiment Trust exists to support...*

## WHAT IS THE REGIMENTAL TRUST?

The Trust was set up in 2006 with the purpose of providing welfare and moral support to SCOTS serving soldiers, veterans and their families. Since, the Trust has provided grants to battalions, individuals and families in excess of £2.5 million.

The scale and variety of support is vast. Serving soldiers receive grants to participate in Adventurous Training, sporting events, social functions and to purchase regimental items of clothing and equipment.

Veterans receive a wide range of welfare, benevolence and financial support when in times of need. For example, coping with sudden bereavements, housing difficulties and education and training for future employment.

We are here for older veterans and families when they find themselves lonely or isolated.

## HOW ARE FUNDS RAISED FOR THE REGIMENTAL TRUST?

The Regiment asks every serving Regular SCOTS soldier and officer, regardless of rank, to donate a single Day's Pay each year to the Trust through the Army wide Service Day's Pay Giving Scheme. Serving Reserve SCOTS soldiers and officers are asked to donate 20% of a Day's Pay to the Trust.

Your Day's Pay donation is collected at source from your pay over 12 equal monthly instalments. For a Regular Pte/LCpl this is approximately £5 a month.

## A LIFETIME OF SUPPORT

Anyone who has paid into the fund is entitled to a lifetime membership of the Regimental Trust and is eligible to apply for assistance. All the money raised by subscriptions is spent on our soldiers, veterans and their immediate family.



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## CASES OF SUPPORT PROVIDED BY THE REGIMENTAL TRUST

### Private Paul Lambert

Paul was severely injured whilst deployed on Operation HERRICK in Afghanistan. In November 2009 Paul was part of a patrol that was subjected to an improvised explosive device (IED). As a consequence, Paul lost his left leg from the hip and his right leg above the knee. The fund supported Paul in sourcing a wheelchair and also adapted his house to allow for wheelchair access.



### Private Keith Dalton

Keith was medically downgraded following a heat injury and then made redundant in 2015. As a veteran, Keith then fell upon hard times resulting in him becoming homeless. The trust supported Keith in receiving help for post-traumatic stress and financial aid to obtain his HGV driving licence. Keith is now looking forward to a more positive future and is adapting well into civilian life.



In addition to supporting serving and former soldiers in hardship or need, the Trust provides financial support to serving soldiers to enhance Regimental life through participation in adventurous training, sporting and social events.



Each year the Regiment takes part in a wide range of activities all supported by the Regimental Trust. These have included mountain climbing in Morocco, surfing in Cornwall, skiing in Sweden and Ultra Marathon running in India & Washington (for those less adventurous, yoga and golf training in the Scottish Highlands).



The Trust also assists with funding events such as the "Jocks Christmas Lunch", a variety of social activities run by your battalion, "All Ranks Parties" and post operational tour homecoming parades.