

Journal 23 Editorial

Dear members,

This March saw the award of the new Prince Mangosuthu Buthelezi Award for Service to the Zulu People and the awardees are featured in the photograph on the front cover. There were three posthumous awards, three for 2007 and three for 2008. The awards were presented at the Royal Logistics Corps Headquarters at Deepcut. The awardees in the photograph are as follows, from left to right;

Col. Mike Martin; Prof. John Laband; Katie Stossel; Ian Knight; Ian Castle; Terri Gillians; Maj. Martin Everett; Dave Charles; Brian Best; Lady Baker; Mark Maplesden; Jenni Darwin; Alan Critchley; Bobbie Wenham; Dr David Glyn-Fox.

Please note that nominations for the 2009 awards can now be made, the presentation event will be held again at Deepcut where the Society is holding its 2009 exhibition. The committee will allocate one gold medal and two silver medals. Nominations can be forwarded directly to committee chairman, Dave Charles, in South Africa, or can be sent to me at the Society for onward transmission to Dave Charles. Nominations must be for 'Service to the Zulu People' and consideration will only be given to those who give their time and service freely to the cause rather than to people employed to provide such benefits. It would also assist the committee, which includes Prince Buthelezi, if the nomination fully explains the reason for the nomination and each nomination should be endorsed by one of the existing awardees, though this is not a specific requirement. Nominations can be made by e mail or personal letter to me at the Society or directly to Dave Charles, his e mail address is; dcharles@telcomsa.net

Otherwise, the Society exhibition at Eastbourne is now in full flow and attracting many visitors. Details can be found on the Society News page.

I had hoped to give you more details about the proposed hotel at Rorke's Drift. I understand there is a temporary glitch in the proceedings and when I get further details, these will be published on the Society News page.

I wish you all a peaceful summer, and remember, visitors to Tenterden are very welcome, but please give me some warning so that I can have artefacts and medals available.

With kindest regards,

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