

## A.T.S. Remembered



# Newsletter 2

Dear Friend,

You may remember that my project ATS Remembered commenced in February 2003. The purpose of the project was to 'capture' as much information about the service that members can remember and build this into an archive.

Since my first newsletter in December 2003, I have been able to gather information from over 200 ATS veterans. Some of this information is presented on the ATS Remembered website. This website provides information for those that are interested in the ATS and gives a point of contact for Veterans who wish to partake in the project. The website still proves to be extremely popular, but in addition, I am pleased to report that the project has now extended into an academic study in how membership of the Service affected the lives of women.

One of the successes of this year has been an item that appeared in the magazine This England. I wrote to the magazine, asking if they could request veterans to write to me. This has been particularly rewarding with over 100 letters arriving on my doorstep, many from outside the UK; Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the U.S.A. It has taken some time to process these enquiries as successfully completing one of my 'datasheets' can take two or three letters and I thank you all for your patience in waiting for me to respond to you.

The re-enactment group to which I belong has got a very busy year ahead, with events in Jersey, the South West, Blackpool and London and the South East. Details of events can be found on the website [www.AckAckLivingHistory.org.uk](http://www.AckAckLivingHistory.org.uk) but if anyone

would like some more details, just let give me a ring. I am sorry to say that I will not be at every event myself, but do try to attend as many as possible

Apart from the academic study that I am now undertaking, I also intend to add some additional features to the website, such as a search facility, so that veterans can search to see if I have been contacted by someone they remember. This will not give out any personal details, but will basically say whether I have any information that I would be able to pass on with the permission of the ATS member. I hope to have this up and running in a couple of months time. I also hope to add a search facility on the Roll of Honour of the ATS.

I also hope to add more photographs, some film clips and some audio sections where ATS members can be heard talking about their experiences. The work never stops!

I hope this newsletter goes some way toward encouraging you all that the ATS has not been forgotten. There is much interest in what happened during the 11 years that the ATS was operating and I hope that by continuing this project I am able to keep the memory of the ATS alive.

If you know of anyone who might wish to contribute to the archive, don't hesitate to pass on my name and address and thank you again for your continued support of the project.

Regards  
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