



**STOBS MILITARY CAMP**  
HAWICK IN THE SCOTTISH BORDERS

Transcript of interview between Ian Landles, Andrew Jepson and Reene Currie, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016  
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**Andrew Jepson**

So you talked earlier about when the soldiers were there for training they may have been there for six weeks? So do you know how many soldiers might have been at the camp at one time?

**Reene Currie**

Oh, anything up to 2,000.

**Andrew Jepson**

So would you have heard they'd be firing guns when they were training? Did you hear that a lot?

**Reene Currie**

They, they, they went out at night and did, eh, search light manoeuvres, and, oh and then they used to, the sergeant would look in at the YMCA and ask my parents, if they would lay on late supper for the men that were coming in. And I've seen them standing at the stove cooking eggs, you know, after one in the morning, for the search light men coming in.

And the tanks were there. The tank corps was there for a while. And the free Poles, the men that came over in their little fishing crafts, they were there. Norwegians were there. That again that was the fishing people, the Norwegians that came in. And...

**Ian Landles**

And Danes?

**Reene Currie**

There were Danes yes. They were, again, they were the, the fishing people. They came instead of going back to their port again.