

VIDEO – The Royal Scots Club – Beating Retreat and Waterloo Dinner

The Beating Retreat and Waterloo Dinner was held tonight at The Royal Scots Club.

As part of that 1SCOTS Pipes and Drums led the Beating Retreat along Abercromby Place.



The Battle of Waterloo was a significant event in the distinguished history of the Royal Scots, and tonight's dinner was held to mark the anniversary.



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The guest speaker, Major General Bob Bruce CBE DSO described the strategic significance of the battle.

He also explained the role that the Royal Scots and the other Scottish regiments played in the battle.



Major General Bruce was commissioned into the Royal Scots in 1987. His early service was spent in Germany and Scotland and on operations in Northern Ireland and the Gulf. He was the last Commanding Officer of the Royal Scots, having taken over on operations in Iraq. He led the merger of 1RS and 1KOSB to form 1SCOTS in 2006 and then commanded the new battalion on operations in Iraq in 2007/8.

For his leadership on operations, he was awarded the DSO in 2013 and was made CBE in 2016.

In June 2017 Major General Bruce assumed the posts of Military Secretary and General Officer Scotland.





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The evening began with a drinks reception, followed by a Beating Retreat. After the Beating Retreat guests returned to the Club for dinner.



One of the principal guests was The Rt Hon Lord Provost of the City of Edinburgh, Frank Ross.