

Salisbury Military History Society

RORKE'S DRIFT



In January 1879, in Natal, South Africa at Rorke's Drift a company of Welsh soldiers held several thousand Zulus at bay around a tiny Mission Station. The battle took place at the same time as events in Isandlwana where the Zulu army crushed Lord Chelmsford's force. For many years, Isandlwana was judged one of Britain's most serious colonial defeats. Honour was partly salvaged at by the gallantry of the small garrison at Rorke's Drift. Out of a force barely more than a hundred strong, 11 Victoria Crosses were awarded.

With experienced military historian and guide Colonel **Christopher Newbould**, a veteran leader of many a tour to South Africa.

Wednesday 24th April 2019 at 7.30 pm

St John's Place, Lower Road, Bemerton, Salisbury, SP2 9NP

Entrance £10, for talk including a glass of wine

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