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This issue features a new contributor format. In addition to our usual articles and research notes, the journal now welcomes the submission of keynote talks or public lectures on topics of interest to our readership. In this issue, for the first of our new format, we feature a keynote address given by Dr Jenny MacLeod at the Second World War Research Group's Annual Conference in June 2019 reflecting on the lessons we might learn from the centenaries of both the First World War and Ireland's Decade of Centenaries. It is no spoiler that Dr MacLeod urges those thinking about the planning for the centenary of the Second World War to begin their planning early!

We are also pleased to see an increasing number of submissions of research notes. As well as allowing authors to focus on a single, narrow topic in a way not suitable for a full article, this format provides a space for researchers to discuss new themes or methodologies. It is our hope that these notes will prompt further consideration of the topics they explore and generate ongoing conversations between scholars.

The number of high quality articles submitted also continues to grow. The eight articles, together with the two research notes featured in this issue allow us to fulfil our aim of publishing research on 'military history in the broadest sense, and without restriction as to period or region'. From strategy in fourteenth century France to defence planning in late-twentieth century Singapore, via parliamentary attitudes to homosexuality in the British army and the post-war history of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary, we are glad to see the journal continue to reflect the breadth of the modern discipline of military history.

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