

31 Group ROCA Heritage Report Jan 2023

Below is a photo of **Memorial Seat** recently presented by produced by Alistair McCann and on display at Portadown restored former ROC Post.



Quite a few 31Group Members contributed to this item which is very appropriate indeed and it incorporates a very nice Memorial Plate.

The Post website is www.nibunker.co.uk which enables those who wish to access - also facebook information on the Post.

Alistair also shows the likely scenario should a nuclear attack have occurred on Northern Ireland during the "Cold War" years.

Very well set up and informative.

I sent Alistair one of our **First Day Covers for the ROC** which he has now sealed and displayed at the Post. A very nice idea.

31Group ROC Displays are at the Ulster Aviation Society Heritage Site Long Kesh near Lisburn.

Currently, the displays are spread over three rooms in an annex between the two hangars but the Chairman of the UAS has now advised after discussion with me, that the UAS wish to move these all together into one very large room-the former Library.

The UAS volunteers have already painted this Room and are now laying fine new carpet tiling on the floor.

In addition, the Chairman has assured me that new modern electrical dehumidifiers will be installed.

The replica Post will be replicated at one end of the room and will be easily viewed and accessed.

31Group volunteers originally painted this room and many other rooms, on more than one occasion.

The Chairman assured me that visitors will be directed to the ROC Displays upon entry to the hangar.

The hangars will reopen to the public in March 2023 after the Winter closure Nov Dec Jan and Feb.

My visits to the hangar have been few since lockdown.

With the coming brighter days I hope to get along again soon along with other 31Group Members.

Paddy (Hon Sec 31Group ROCA)