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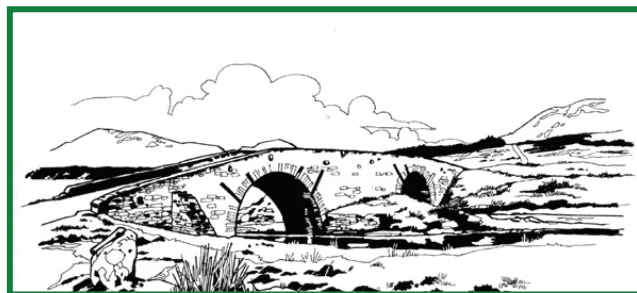
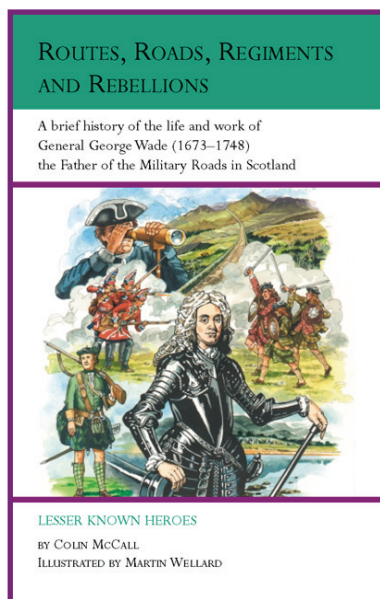
Routes, Roads, Regiments and Rebellions is a contribution to the definition of the history of Scotland. It reflects the difficulties faced by those who wanted to access the troublesome Highlands following the Disarming Act of 1725, and how those difficulties were curtailed by the construction of a network of military roads between 1725 and 1736.

It provides a comprehensive review of the life and work of the principal architect of that network, General George Wade. It examines the contribution to the road-building programme of Wade's friend and ally William Caulfield and explores the development of the roads from Wade's death until their decline through the advent of more modern means of road construction.

In general, the book traces Wade's life as a soldier, MP, road builder and philanthropist. It covers instances where Wade had to deal with certain effects of the Jacobite rebellions of 1715 and 1745, and it traces connections between Wade's life and that of other famous contemporaries such as Samuel Johnson, James Wolfe, Jack Porteous and the sculptor Louis-Francois Roubiliac.

These interesting facts are supplemented by an attractive set of sketches. Taken together, the text and illustrations serve to provide a lively interpretation of some fascinating aspects of Scottish history.

THE AUTHOR Colin McCall is a former teacher, educational psychologist, university tutor and civil servant. He now works as a freelance research and development consultant in the fields of education and training. His love of the outdoors, more especially fell walking, and his general interest in history and historical biography have combined to sustain for more than a decade a wish to trace the fascinating life of General George Wade. Although already an author of published works on educational topics, this is his first journey into writing about historical legacy.



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