



## Regimental Matters

The Royal Anglian Regimental Day IWM Duxford  
Sunday 6 September 2015

The Regimental Day at IWM Duxford was assisted with good weather and extremely well attended by both veterans and serving personnel, the day started with a Drumhead Service and culminated with a Beating of Retreat by the Regimental Band, next years event will be held at IWM Duxford on 4th September 2016.



## Extract From the London Gazette

### Promotion to Major

- Maj D N Broomfield 31 Jul 2015
- Maj W S Otridge 31 Jul 2015
- Maj R A Wicks 31 Jul 2015
- Maj C J Stoffberg 31 Jul 2015

### Promotion to Lt

- 2Lt M J Brunsdon
- 2Lt S A C Forse
- 2Lt J H Gordon
- 2Lt C E Leese
- 2Lt J S J Rowdon

- 2Lt T M Shea

### Reg C

- Maj G J R Hudson 6 Nov 2014
- Maj J M Lanham 6 Nov 2014

### Retirements

- Lt Col D G Vincent 19 Jun 2015
- Maj P M Martin 13 Jun 2015

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Clasp VRSM

- Sgt M W De Kretser

## Officers' Dinner Club

The Royal Anglian Regiment Officers' Dinner Club meeting is to be held on Friday 6th November 2015, the calling notice has been sent out by email. Members who wish to attend and who are not in receipt of the calling notice are requested to contact RHQ.

## Army HQ Request

Army HQ has requested that this message be included in our communication with our Association for soldiers who have left the Regiment and who may have had administrative action taken against them while they were serving.

RHQ has been requested to inform any veterans against whom administrative action was taken between Dec 08 and Sep 11 on the grounds of a Police Caution, that in certain circumstances, they may have grounds for a complaint. Further information is available from RHQ or by contacting Email: [ArmyPersSvcs-PS2-SC-Helpline@mod.uk](mailto:ArmyPersSvcs-PS2-SC-Helpline@mod.uk) or phone 01264-382746.

## Diary Dates

### October

- 5 Hohenzollern Redoubt Dinner
- 11 Final Parade of the Hertfordshire Regiment Association
- 14 Vikings Medal Parade
- 20 - 22 Vikings Freedom Parades and Laying up of Colours

### November

- 5 Field of Remembrance Westminster Abbey
- 6 Regimental Council Meeting
- 6 Officers Club Dinner
- 8 Regimental Remembrance Service IWM Duxford
- 11 Poppy Dinner Cambridge University

## Royal Anglian Regiment Museum Trustee Appointment

A vacancy exists within the Museum Trustees, any interested applicant should apply to Col Peter Horrell, Chairman of Trustees and include a CV. This is an exciting and interesting post that maintains Regimental Heritage and it meets twice a year in order to sustain the Regimental Museum. Applicants should apply to; [ea.horrell@googlemail.com](mailto:ea.horrell@googlemail.com).



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## 1st Battalion (The Vikings)

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### D Coy/ROG August 2015

August has seen the return of Vikings from across three continents to Woolwich. Firstly members of Minden Platoon finished their support to IRRF in BATUS, having had their first experience of armoured infantry tactics. The two month exercise included blank and live firing as part of the Fusiliers' preparations for their High Readiness Role. They concluded their time in Canada with a chance for Adventure Training and some R&R in Calgary. Troops from A (Norfolk) and B (Suffolk) Companies soon followed on their return from Op Toral, after a short period of decompression in Cyprus supported by the ROG. Similarly members of C (Essex) Company were welcomed back from Op Newcombe in a very busy week.



Whilst D (Cambridgeshire) Company begin their Summer Leave, Gallipoli platoon has taken the opportunity to conduct the Basic Parachuting Course in Netheravon, Salisbury Plain. This is the first step to becoming fully qualified sky divers and develops troops' ability to manage fear, especially after packing their own parachutes for the first time.





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## 2nd Battalion (The Poachers)

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### Ex WESSEX STORM

C 'Northamptonshire and Rutland' Company with attachments from D 'Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire' Company finished Ex WESSEX STORM this month. They performed exceptionally well on the exercise, identifying a huge range of lessons which may be adopted as best practice for the use of the new Light Mech vehicles.



### FIRIC

A 'Lincolnshire' Company with attachments from D 'Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire' Company have formed a Rifle Company Group and deployed to the Falklands. They will be the Falklands Islands Roulement Infantry Company for the next few months. During this time they will patrol both East and West Falklands extensively as well as conducting training at Onion Ranges building up to Company Live Firing.



## Community First Responders

As reported in the June issue of this Newsletter, this year a number of volunteers from the Poachers were trained as Community First Responders. During August volunteers from the Poachers conducted nearly 160 hours work, responding to to 94 incidents in the Rutland and Lincolnshire area. They have ricked praise from the East Midlands Ambulance Service for their dedication and professionalism.



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## 3rd Battalion (The Steelbacks)

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### Ex TRIGLAV STAR - Steelbacks in Slovenia

The Steelbacks are currently training in Slovenia's Julian Alps alongside the Poachers for a challenging and demanding set of exercises in mountain warfare. Soldiers from the Steelbacks are relishing the opportunity to enhance their skills alongside their regular counterparts.

