



Regimental Matters

COFEPOW Service at Lichfield Cathedral 15 August 2015

The Regiment was represented at the Children of Far East Prisoners of War Service held at Lichfield Cathedral by members all Battalions and RHQ. Lt Col Olly Brown laid a wreath on behalf of the Regiment in memory of those from all our former Regiments who fell or suffered during the Far East campaign.

Bedford Branch New Standard Presentation

Major Tim Brown and Mick Hunt were present at the Dedication Service and Blenheim lunch which was held in The Keep in Kempston, during which the new Standard was presented.



Diary Dates

September

- 5 Regimental Rugby
- 6 Regimental Reunion
- 20 Regimental Chapel Sunday
- 25 Regimental Golf Society Autumn Meeting
- 26 Royal Norfolk Regimental Association Dinner
- 27 Regimental Association Service

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



Extract From the London Gazette

Reg C

- Maj D N Broomfield from IRC wef 31 Jul 2013
- Maj M Melia from IRC wef 6 Nov 2014
- Maj D J Robinson from IRC wef 31 Jul 2010

IRC

- Capt G Marsden from SSC wef 16 Apr 2014
- WO1 C Hopkin from SSC wef 25 May 2015

1st Clasp VRSM

Sgt NT Ball

2nd Clasp VRSM

Sgt MA Holmes

3rd Clasp VRSM

Maj G J Rushmere

VRSM

- Maj EA Matts
- Sgt NT Ball
- LCpl P G Fairhall
- LCpl G D Glover

Long Service Medal

- CSgt G C George
- Sgt R J Manton
- CSgt G D P Williams

Appointments

- Lt Col (Col 15) D S J Biddick MBE MC Special Assistant to Chief of Staff Washington DC Sep 15
- Lt Col (Col 16) J A York Deputy Head Soldier Training and Special Programmes Abbey Wood Jul 15

Invitation to the Regimental Day On Sunday 6 September 2015

All members of our Regimental family are warmly invited to attend their Regimental Day at Duxford on Sunday 6 September 2015. We look forward to seeing you and your families for a family Regimental Day. The outline timings are below;

- 0930 hours Gates Open
- 1100 hours Muster for Drumhead Service. Please be seated by 1115 hours.
- 1120 hours Standards March On.
- 1130 hours Drumhead Service at Regimental Memorial. Music kindly provided by the band of the Queens Division and an Act of Remembrance and March Past by Cadets and Veterans.
- 1230 hours Bars and Stalls open. Picnic tables will have been set out for picnics.
- 1500 hours Beating Retreat at the Regimental Memorial by the band of the Queens Division.
- 1700 hours Bars and Stalls close.

As usual, there will be no charge for your entry to the Regimental Day. No tickets will be issued, but access will be on production of Association Membership cards, replacement cards are available from RHQ. Car parking will be clearly signposted as you arrive at IWM Duxford, CB22 4QR.

Regimental Rugby Match 5 September 2015

This years Regimental Rugby Match will be held in Leicester, where a Regimental Team comprised of serving soldiers, veterans and sons of Regimental personnel will take place at;

Belgrave Rugby Football Club

Belgrave Pastures

Thurcaston Road

LEICESTER

Leicestershire

LE4 2QG

Kick off is at 1430 hours and support is welcomed, a raffle in aid of the Regimental Benevolent Fund will take place after the match. The Regimental Roll of Honour will be read by Lt Col Danny Mackness.

The late Private Martin Patten of 6 Platoon B Company 1st Battalion

Regimental Headquarters has been contacted by Mr Neil Hobbs who served with the 1st Battalion, and was a friend of the late Private Martin Patten of 6 Platoon B Company in Londonderry 30 years ago on the 22nd September 1985 Martin Patten died on duty, in tragic circumstances.

Neil has requested that we inform Regimental friends of Martin, that Neil and a number of his former Platoon and Company who have visited Martin's grave over the years are meeting at Cambridge City Cemetery, Newmarket Rd, Cambridge, CB5 8PE on the 26th September 2015 at 1200hrs along with Martin's father Bob and brother Stephen for a short service of remembrance and invite others to attend if they would wish to do so. The RV will be the Cherry Hinton main entrance at the City Cemetery.

Should you be planning to attend please email Major (Retired) Tony Jones on ahqroyalanglian1@btconnect.com

1st Battalion (The Vikings)



The last soldiers returned home from Kabul. This marks the conclusion of the Vikings deployment on Op TORAL.

C 'Essex' Coy will be returning from their mission in Mali over the next few weeks.

After leave we will be celebrating our homecoming with three parades in our Battalion's counties: St Neots on 20th October, Norwich on 21st October, and Harlow on 22nd October. We look forward to seeing you all there!

www.itv.com/news/anglia/2015-08-19/families-joy-as-royal-anglians-return-from-afghanistan/



C (Essex) Company Op Newcombe

C (Essex) Company has finished its final week of training with the Malian non-commissioned officer cadets this week. After a testing final week filled with urban combat, live firing and some demanding judgemental training scenarios, the Malians have passed out on a final parade with awards being handed out to the best cadets. Now the focus switches to preparation for our hand over to the next rotation of trainers.



2nd Battalion (The Poachers)



Ex Wessex Storm

C Company are currently in Germany taking part in Ex Wessex Storm. They are working as part of the 1 Royal Irish Battlegroup. Our soldiers are using Foxhound, RWMIK+ and Husky vehicles and conducting training using live rounds. They will also work alongside American and Czech soldiers as part of the multi-national training exercise.



3rd Battalion (The Steelbacks)



Ex Tiger Sunrise

2 Company conducted a Section Level Patrol Competition including including a 24 hr patrol with various stands from CBRN, casualty extraction, section attack lane and a river crossing.

