



Regimental Matters

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Posthumously Awarded 1st Clasp to VRSM

- Maj N M P Brown TD

3rd Clasp to VRSM

- CSgt M A Holmes

VRSM

- Cpl W P Heneage
- Cpl M P Kimpton

Diary Dates

2018

August

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| 1 | Minden Day |
| 5 | Chapel Sunday - Warley |
| 12 | Blenheim Day |
| 29 | Regt Marketing and Branding Meeting |

September

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| 1 | Regt Rugby - Rochford |
| 2 | Regt Day - IWM Duxford |
| 2 | Chapel Sunday - Warley |

Regimental Representative Event

Euston Hall



The Viking Colours and Drummers on parade.

The annual Regimental Representative Event this year was held at Euston Hall, Suffolk. It is the family home of the Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk, Clare Countess of Euston and the current residence of the Duke and Duchess of Grafton. On a lovely summers' evening over 100 guests, drawn largely from Suffolk, were shown into the courtyard of Euston. There they saw an



Viking Mortar Platoon static display.

impressive static display of equipment and personnel kindly provided by the CO of the Vikings. A cocktail party for the guests, who included MP's, Civic Leaders, retired Senior Officers, veterans, friends & donors, was held in the Flower Garden. During the reception, the senior guest, our Colonel-in-Chief, HRH The Duke of Gloucester was introduced to the guests. Following a short speech by the Colonel of the Regiment, Major General R W Wooddisse CBE MC, and a brief update by the CO of the Vikings, Lieutenant Colonel P C Moxey MBE, the guests moved to the South Lawn where a Beating Retreat was conducted by The Band of The Parachute Regiment.



The event proved a great success and was a fitting way in which to thank all those who support the Regimental Family or who are part of it.



Clare Countess of Euston, Lt Col (Retd) R C J Goodin OBE, Regt Secretary, HRH The Duke of Gloucester KG KCVO, our Colonel in Chief, Maj Gen R W Wooddisse CBE MC, Colonel of the Regiment and Lt Col P C Moxey MBE, CO Vikings.

1st Battalion (The Vikings)

Vikings in Jordan

A (Norfolk) Company have recently returned from Exercise WESSEX STORM where they've acted as OPFOR (enemy) for The Royal Irish Regiment. Its been a tough month with some excellent training for everyone involved as we fought across the most challenging areas of Thetford and Salisbury Plain. Thanks to 2 PWRR - The Tigers and the Royal Dragoon Guards (not shown) for their support too. After a busy three months of exercises the Company are now looking forward to some well-deserved Summer Leave before we begin pre-deployment training in September.



2nd Battalion (The Poachers)

Eton College Visit



Eton College enjoying a glorious Mediterranean sunset at the Officers' mess after a cracking day with the Poachers.

Poacher Media



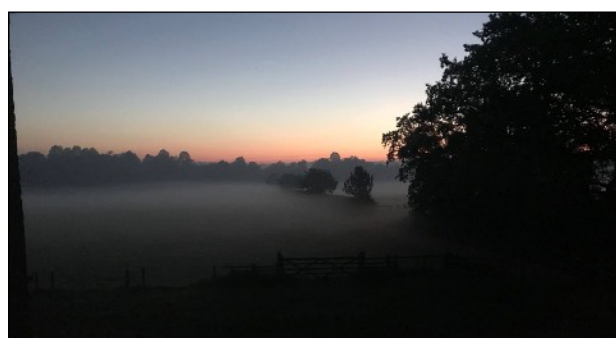
WO1 (RSM) MacTavish explains the Battalion's role in Cyprus against the rather lovely backdrop of the Mediterranean.

3rd Battalion (The Steelbacks)

Steelback Reconnaissance Cadre

Reconnaissance is the lifeblood of a fighting unit. Delivering it requires skill, dedication, tradecraft and fitness that transcends the normal.

3 Royal Anglian have recently established a pioneering reserve infantry recce concept led by Lt Cameron Macintosh pictured here being awarded his recce insignia from Lt Col Matt Woodeson after a gruelling period leading regular Royal Anglian recce soldiers in Norfolk.



Museum News

I have done my first cadet teaching session in which I brought out different handling items and weapons and talked the cadets through a brief history of the regiment and different operational tours that the Regiment were on. We also took a quick look out at the memorial and did a museum quiz, which I enjoyed and I think they did too. There are a few things to tweak such as the length of the quiz but overall a success and more dates to come with other cadet groups.

The gallery revamp has been done now for the most part, the handling table is going well. Every time I go down to the museum there is always someone looking at or trying on things. Furthermore I have been keeping a close eye on the dress up that was put out to make sure it isn't taken. The four items I have put out are still intact so I will continue to put out more items in the future and make the section more tactile.

The new addition of the interactive is also in place which will showcase the last 6 months of what the regiment is currently doing and will be changed accordingly. Although it was a learning curve to use the software I am happy with the results.

This month I have been going over the items in the collection which may contain radiation such as SA80 SUSAT sights, compasses, watches, and radio equipment. Since these items haven't been checked in a little while I am working with the Imperial War Museum and other partner museums to learn how to check them in the future to make sure they haven't deteriorated and are safe but also to ensure proper precautions with future items donated to the museum.



After the last conference call for the website, there were lines drawn and decisions made that we need to get it up and running even if it means rewriting some sections we had wanted to perfect at a later date. It has been far too long of a wait to see it come to fruition but we have now decided that all content will be ready by the end of this month, whether it needs a second draft later, so that the page can be done. We have also been told by the website designers that it will take a bit of time to design it after everything is submitted but at least it will be out of our hands and on its way! This month I have had the pleasure of driving to Rugby and picking up some objects for either the collection or handling and education collection for the museum including; an SLR cleaning tool, 58 pattern webbing, and some rations pack items that the museum didn't previously have.

I was also visited by the lovely (editors note, really!) Bob Grenfell who dropped off various interesting pieces of kit such as a gas mask and archival photos and papers from regimental cricket.

I would love to collect more objects to do with the military and sport, if anyone has any they would like to donate such as old kit, please email me at: royalanglianmuseumcurator@outlook.com, or message me on the Royal Anglian Regiment Museum Facebook page.

Celebrity Cricket

Cambridge War & Peace 1914-18 Celebrity Cricket Match – Saturday 8 July 2018



The Royal Anglian Regiment XI.

The Royal Anglian Regiment XI versus the Cambridge University President's XI. What a team! What a day! Cricket's coming home! The match raised funds for the Royal Anglian Regiment Benevolent charity and our thanks to Vanessa Burkitt for both facilitating and organising the day. The event was such a resounding success that it is highly likely to be run again next year, watch this space!



Vanessa Burkitt in the centre and to her left is Henry Blofeld.



Pompadours on the Banks

Mr Paul Hallybone organised the Inter Battalion Open Fishing competition, which was held at Decoy Lakes, Whittlesey on 23 June 2018, in aid of the Royal Anglian Benevolent Fund. An excellent £233 was raised. A good days fishing was had by all with some good nets.

Results on the day were:

1st - Paul Hallybone - 125lb 15oz (Ex Poacher & Pompadour)

2nd - Micky Mister (Guest) - 96lb 8oz

3rd - Paul Ablitt - 95lb 12oz (Ex Poacher)

4th - Jon White (Guest) - 95lb 11oz

5th - Martin Spragg - 79lb 14oz (Ex Pompadour)

Dates for 2019 events are:

Match 1 - Fri 31 May 19 Decoy Lakes – Beastie Lake

Charity Open - Fri 28 Jun 19 Decoy Lakes – 6 & 4 Island lakes

Match 2 - Fri 26 Jul 19 Decoy lakes – Elm and Cedar

Match 3 - Fri 27 Sep 19 Rookery Waters Pidley – Magpie Lake



Pompadours on the Bank, Open Fishing Competition participants.

Regimental Bulletins

This month RHQ has sent the Regimental family 4 Regimental bulletins, which will also be available on the Regimental Website:

- Bulletin - 56/18 Roland Ladley - Book - 'For Good Men To Do Nothing'
- Bulletin - 57/18 Death of Arthur Richardson
- Bulletin - 58/18 Test Match Royal Anglian Regiment Benevolent Charity

Bulletin - 59/18 Royal Anglian Regiment Regimental Day - 2nd September 2018 - IWM Duxford

Potential Reunion

Reunion for Brian Alan Morley

Brian Morley enlisted in the Royal Anglian Regiment in Leicester in October 1966. His nephew Joseph would like to organise a reunion for him with men he served with in the Regiment. As of yet no date has been set for the reunion as Joseph would like to arrange it with anyone that served with his uncle.

If you remember Brian Morley and would like to get in contact for a reunion, please contact his nephew Joseph, contact details below.

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Regimental Day

IWM Duxford Postcode CB22 4QR - Sunday 2nd September 2018



Programme

All members of our Regimental family are welcome to attend their Regimental Day.

Music for the day is kindly provided by the Band of the Royal Anglian Regiment and the Corps of Drums of the Essex ACF.

The outline timings are:

- 0930 hrs Gates Open. (regrettably no dogs allowed).
- 1100 hrs Muster for Drumhead Service please be seated by 1115 hours.
- 1120 hrs Standards March On.
- 1130 hrs Drumhead Service at the Regimental Memorial.



- 1230 hrs Bars and Stalls open, picnic tables will be available.
- 1300 hrs Musical Recital by the Regimental Band in the picnic area.
- 1500 hrs Flag Lowering Ceremony in the Marquee Area.
- 1700 hrs Bars and Stalls close.

Those attending are made aware that there will be no Beating of the Retreat but a simple Flag Lowering ceremony in the Marquee Area during which all are ask to stand.



The Royal Anglian Benevolent Fund

There is no charge for your entry to the Regimental Day, which is funded by the Royal Anglian Benevolent Fund. It is estimated to cost in the region of £10 per person to put on this prestigious event. There will be an opportunity for the Regimental family to donate generously at various points throughout the site towards the Royal Anglian Benevolent Fund. All donations would be gratefully received. It is politely requested that no other collections take place.

The Royal Anglian Regiment Benevolent Fund exists to provide financial assistance to past and present members of our Regiment and its forebear Regiments, their spouses and dependents, when they find themselves in need, hardship or distress.

Further information is available in the RHQ tent.

The Royal Anglian Regiment Museum

The Royal Anglian Regiment Museum is located in the Land Warfare Hall and has an additional display on the top spline, and is open to all. It also has a display set up within a marquee in the picnic area.