

3rd Carabiniers (Prince of Wales's Dragoon Guards) and Cheshire Yeomanry, T.A. Regimental Recruiting Handbook

Not stated

London; Malcolm Page Limited; 1961; ISBN None; 63pp/10 x bw PI/18 x bw SI; s/b; Indexed N; Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography N; 212 x 136 (8vo); Uncommon
 NOTES: 1960s regimental recruiting booklet. Two page specific detail on battle honour of Nunshigum, April 1944. Passing sentence reference to general WWII history plus list of battle honours.

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Regimental History of the 3rd Carabiniers (Prince of Wales's Dragoon Guards)

Oatts, D.S.O., Lt-Col L. B.

TM; IWM; NAM; RMAS; PCL

Not stated; [Regiment] (Jarrold & Sons Ltd – printers); 1966; ISBN None; 333pp/1 x clr Pifep/4 x clr SI/32 x bw PI/11 x Mf; h/b / d/j Red cloth; Indexed Y; Glossary N; Appendices Y; Bibliography N; 252 x 192 (4to)

NOTES: Short section on WWII, mainly because the regiment was not actively engaged until January 1944. Contains a 7pp summary history of the 25D, raised from a 3DG cadre. Privately published via subscription with a limited quantity sold to the public. 39pp on WWII. d/j is polyester ('Glassine/Mylar/Melinex') variety.

The History and Traditions of the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards (Carabiniers & Greys)

Not stated

TM; IWM; NAM

Aldershot; The Forces Press (Naafi); n.d. [c.1972]; ISBN None; 29pp/4 x clr SI covers/2 x clr PI/9 x bw PI/15 x bw SI; s/b (card); Indexed N; Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography N; 228 x 152 (8vo); Uncommon

NOTES: Brief booklet history of RSDG formed from amalgamation of 3Carbs and RSG. 5pp on WWII, summary history of each regiment.

The History and Traditions of the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards

Not stated

PCL

Yeovil; Edwin Snell (Printers); n.d. [c.1978]; ISBN None; 28pp/2 x clr SI/9 x bw PI/15 x bw SI; s/b (card); Indexed N; Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography N; 209 x 147(8vo); Uncommon

NOTES: Reprint of pocket regimental guide.

The History and Traditions of the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards

Not stated

NAM

Yeovil; Edwin Snell (Printers); n.d. [c.1986]; ISBN None; 36pp/2 x clr PI/6 x clr SI/13 x bw PI; s/b (card); Indexed N; Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography N; 209 x 147(8vo); Uncommon

NOTES: Reprint of pocket regimental guide. This edition is updated to 1985.

In the Finest Tradition**The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards (Carabiniers & Greys) Its History and Treasures***Wood, Stephen*

TM; IWM; NAM; RMAS; PCL

Edinburgh; Mainstream Publishing Company (Edinburgh) Ltd; 1988; ISBN 1 85158 174 X; 160pp/1 x bw Sifep/14 x clr PI/80 x bw PI/26 x bw SI; h/b / d/j Blue cloth; Indexed Y; Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography Y; 252 x 193 (4to)

NOTES: The regiments' (3DG & RSG) histories are told through the association with their regimental possessions.

The Reminiscences of Four Members of "C" Squadron 3rd Carabiniers (Prince of Wales's Dragoon Guards) Burma Campaign 1943-45*Morgan, Maj. I. E.; Scott Dickins, Maj. G. L.; Connolly, M. & Hobson, C. H.*

TM

No imprint; No imprint; 1989; ISBN None; 39pp/12 x bw PI/3 x bw M/3 x Mf; s/b; Indexed N; Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography N; 293 x 208 (4to); Uncommon

NOTES: Provides some daily details of tank actions in Burma from June 1944. Privately printed in March 1989 with immediate reprint April 1989.

The History and Traditions of the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards*Not stated*

NAM

Yeovil; Edwin Snell (Printers); 1995; ISBN None; 40pp/4 x clr PI/4 x clr SI/12 x bw PI/10 x bw SI; s/b (card); Indexed N; Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography N; 209 x 147(8vo); Uncommon

NOTES: Reprint of pocket regimental guide. This edition updated with 4pp insert covering 1985-1995.

Nunshigum**On the Road to Mandalay***Freer, Arthur F.*

IWM

Bishop Auckland; The Pentland Press Ltd; 1995; ISBN 1-85821-264-2; 262pp/1 x bw PI/32 x bw SI/5 x bw M; h/b / d/j Black cloth; Indexed N; Glossary N; Appendices Y; Bibliography N; 240 x 160 (8vo)

NOTES: The author tells of his part in the remarkable battle of Nunshigum where Lee/Grant tanks were manoeuvred up a mountain ridge to attack well dug-in Japanese. Written in diary form. Provides an insight into tank combat tactics in the jungle of Burma and how oppressive and messy it was, how the enemy was only part of the battle, and the relationships inside a tank. Amongst the appendices the author has provided a far more expansive glossary than the norm, explaining many of the unusual terms used in the Far East.

Third Carabiniers P.O.W. Dragoon Guards**Second World War 1939 - 1945***Connolly, M. L.*

NAM

No imprint; No imprint; n.d.; ISBN None; 37pp/10 x bw PI; s/b (card); Indexed N; Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography N; 207 x 148 (8vo); Uncommon

NOTES: A short history of the regiment. RoH. Dot-matrix print on glossy paper.

Section IX

Royal Armoured Corps: TA – Royal Tank Regiment

The British Army had started to expand its forces in the years prior to the Second World War. Included in this expansion was the armoured branch and in November 1938, six Territorial Army (TA) infantry battalions were converted to tanks to form new Royal Tank Regiment battalions.* These were 40th to 45th Bn, RTR and existing regular RTR battalions provided cadres.

In May 1939 as part of the overall doubling of TA battalions, these six RTR units raised cadres themselves to form a further six tank battalions, being 46th to 51st Bn, RTR.

* Refer to the introduction of ‘Section V’ and the note on the RTR’s regimental nomenclature.

The table below provides a summary of each TA RTR battalion listing its antecedent infantry battalion and RTR cadre.

RTR Bn	Converted Inf. Bn	Conversion date	RTR Cadre
40RTR	7 th Bn The King’s (Liverpool Regiment)	1 November 1938	1RTR
41RTR	10 th Bn The Manchester Regiment	1 November 1938	3RTR
42RTR	7 th Bn (23 rd London) The East Surrey Regiment	1 November 1938	8RTR
43RTR	6 th Bn The Royal Northumberland Fusiliers	1 November 1938	7RTR
44RTR	6 th Bn The Gloucestershire Regiment	1 November 1938	5RTR
45RTR	7 th (Leeds Rifles) Bn, The West Yorkshire Regiment (The Prince of Wales’s Own)	1 November 1938	6RTR
46RTR	-	May 1939	40RTR
47RTR	-	May 1939	41RTR
48RTR	-	May 1939	42RTR
49RTR	-	May 1939	43RTR
50RTR	-	May 1939	44RTR
51RTR	-	May 1939	45RTR

Royal Armoured Corps: TA - Royal Tank Regiment

Regimental publications:

The Tank Corps Training Centre Journal

Vol. 1, No. 1 Apr 1919 (Monthly); became

The Tank Corps Journal

Vol. 1, No. 2 May 1919 to Vol. 4, No. 55 Nov 1923 (Monthly); became

The Royal Tank Corps Journal

Vol. V, No. 56 Dec 1923 to Vol. XVIII, No. 209 Sept 1936; upon creation of **The Tank** became

The Royal Tank Corps Journal

Vol. 1, No. 1 Jan 1936 to Vol. 10 1946 (Half yearly)

The Tank Journal of the Royal Tank Regiment

Vol. XVIII, No. 210 Oct 1936 to present (Monthly to Vol. 57, No. 672 Apr 1975, then Quarterly to Vol. 91, No. 790 Dec 2009, then 3 per year to Vol. 92, No. 796 Winter 2011 and 2 per year from Summer 2012)

40th Bn, Royal Tank Regiment

40 R Tks

RAC service: 04/04/1939 Post-war.

No publications established, but refer to *Armour in Action 1, The Valentine in North Africa* - Section XVI - Miscellaneous.

41st Bn, Royal Tank Regiment

41 R Tks

RAC service: 04/04/1939 01/01/1944 (Suspended animation)

'B' Squadron 41st Royal Tank Regiment

The Battle of the Minefields October 1942

MacDonald, Maj. N. P.

IWM

Not stated; Not stated; n.d. [c.1942]; ISBN None; 27pp/2 x bw Mf; s/b (no covers);

Indexed N; Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography N; 216 x 165 (8vo); V Rare

NOTES: Written by the OC B Sqn, the booklet documents the squadron's actions in the battle of El Alamein. Reproduced typescript.

A Rat in a Tank

Gell, Harry

IWM

London; Minerva Press; 1995; ISBN 1 85863 549 7; 202pp/No illus.; s/b; Indexed N;

Glossary N; Appendices N; Bibliography N; 205 x 147 (8vo); Uncommon

NOTES: The author's recollections start with his journey out to the ME in May 1942, whilst serving with 41RTR. They comprise his letters home plus occasional narrative in explanation or more detailed comment on men he served alongside. He details the minutiae of army life, dominated by food, the notes and letters being written at the time or very soon after the event. On the breakup of 41RTR he was transferred to 4CLY in December 1942, remaining with them until the war's end (as 3/4CLY.) In February 1945 his tank was hit and he suffered burns; the letters end at this point.