

Royal Army Ordnance Corps Apprentices College

SUMMER TERM PASSING OUT PARADE

RAOC APPRENTICES COLLEGE PASSING OUT PARADE

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INTRODUCTION

I would like to welcome all our visitors to the College and thank you for the efforts you have made to get here, many of you having travelled long distances.

For all those who are leaving today marks the end of 15 months which have seen a major change in their lives. They arrived here as a collection of individual boys, inexperienced and immature. They are leaving as young men and trained soldiers. Hopefully they will eventually find themselves as non-commissioned officers and warrant officers. I am sure that the parents of those who are leaving have seen big changes in their sons over the last 4 terms.

We all wish them the best of good fortune in their careers.

The parade today is commanded by Captain G A Hazlewood RAOC whose last duty in the College this will be. He has already handed over his job as College Adjutant.

Enjoy the parade and take the opportunity whilst you are here to meet the staff who are training your sons and to discuss their progress.

M L C JIGGENS Lieutenant Colonel Commanding Officer

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TODAY'S INSPECTING OFFICER

BRIGADIER J A HULME

Brigadier J A Hulme joined the Royal Army Ordnance Corps as a National Service private soldier in 1953. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1955 and signed on as a regular soldier shortly before his National Service ended. For a time he acted as a Company Sergeant Major in 4 Trade Training Battalion RAOC at Blackdown.

He was commissioned in 1956 and, as a young officer served in Kenya, the Persian Gulf and Aden. On return to the United Kingdom, he became an Ordnance Workshop officer at COD Didcot. There followed tours with the School of Ordnance as an instructor and with Ord 1 as a Staff Captain before being posted to an ammunition depot in Germany. He returned in 1966 to attend the Army Staff Course after which he held staff appointments in HQ BAOR and Ord 1. After attending the Joint Services Staff College, he trained in Work Study at Cranfield Institute of Technolocy and was appointed as a Planning Officer in COD Donnington.

He was on the directing staff at Camberley from 1971 to 1973, became CRAOC 4 Armoured Division and in 1977 Colonel Ord 2 with HQ DGOS at Andover. After a further tour at Camberley as Colonel GS, he returned to Andover as Colonel Clothing and Textiles. He was appointed DDGOS in January 1983.

He lives with his wife, Janet, in the country near Stockbridge and his hobbies include music, carpentry, amateur radio, squash and country pursuits.

PROGRAMME - DRY WEATHER

0945 hours - All spectators to be seated.

1000-1025 hours - Recruits Demonstration and Corps of Drums Display.

1025-1140 hours - Passing Out Parade and Prizegiving.

1145-1215 hours - Parents meet Company and Platoon staff:

A Company - Pop Inn Club B Company - Kon Tiki Club

1215-1345 hours - Lunch.

PROGRAMME - WET WEATHER

1000 hours - Guard of Honour in the Gymnasium.

1010 hours - Physical Training Demonstration by Recruits.

1025 hours - Prizegiving.

1035 hours - Inspecting Officer's Address to Term Leavers.

1050 hours - Parents meet Company and Platoon staff:

A Company - Pop Inn Club
B Company - Kon Tiki Club

1200-1315 hours - Lunch.

In the case of bad weather, a shortened form of the Parade will take place in the College Gymnasium. It is regretted that as seating capacity is limited, priority will be allocated to parents of the Term Leavers. All apprentices are required to attend.

THE PASSING OUT PARADE

The College will parade by Platoons with the Senior Platoons on the left as you face the parade ground. The Parade will be commanded by Captain G A Hazlewood RAOC, the Parade Adjutant. The format of the Parade is as follows:

- a. The Parade marches on.
- b. The Parade is handed over to the Adjutant.
- c. The Officers join the Parade.
- d. The Inspecting Officer takes up his position on the saluting dais.
- e. The Parade presents arms and the Band plays the General Salute. (Spectators are requested to stand during the General Salute. Officer spectators do not salute.)
- f. The Parade Commander reports to the Inspecting Officer.
- g. The Inspecting Officer inspects the Senior Platoons.
- h. The Parade marches past in quick time.
- j. Display of Arms Drill by Senior Platoons.
- k. Presentation of prizes.
- 1. The Parade stands at ease for the Inspecting Officer's Address.
- m. The remainder march off in quick time.

PROGRAMME OF MUSIC BY THE RAOC STAFF BAND

March On

Bond of Friendship

General Salute

Cavalry Brigade

Inspection

Peanut Vendor La Plume Rouge Grandioso Carnival Cornets Tijuana Taxi

March Past

Fearless and True Birdcage Walk

Advance in Review Order

British Grenadiers

March Off Seniors

Golden Spurs

Will Ye No Come Back Again?

Auld Lang Syne

March Off

The Middy

RAOC Corps March (The Village

Blacksmith)

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THE STAFF BAND OF THE ROYAL ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS

The music today is played by the Staff Band of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps. Originally this band was formed from volunteer RAOC Depot soldiers in 1921. In 1922 the nucleus of the present Corps Band was formed with the addition of 16 musicians mostly from the 3rd Battalion The Rifle Brigade.

In January 1939 the Band was officially recognised as an established Staff Band of the British Army and Bandmaster H C Jarman was appointed as Director of Music. In 1953 the Band moved to Blackdown.

The present Director of Music is Captain R G Swift RAOC.

The Band carries out an intensive programme of parades, concerts, dances and many forms of official functions. In recent years they have toured Germany, the Far and Middle East, West Indies, and Central and North America.

THE RAOC APPRENTICES COLLEGE STAFF LIST

COLLEGE HEADQUARTERS

Commanding Officer

Lt Col M L C JIGGENS BSc RAOC

Second in Command and

Chief Instructor

Maj G M ASHCROFT RAOC Capt G A HAZLEWOOD RAOC

Adjutant

Rev D G BAILEY CF

Padre Regimental Sergeant Major

WO1 (RSM) S BRIERLEY MBE RAOC

Chief Clerk

WO2 (SQMS) M R BARON

A COMPANY

Officer Commanding

Maj R G GINN RAOC

Second in Command

Lt M C SIMPSON RAOC

Company Sergeant Major

WO2 (CSM) D M J ROOKE

Alamein Platoon

Lt N I ASTLEY RAOC

Sgt C D CHRISTOPHER

Ardennes Platoon

WO2 (BSM) P J WISE

Sgt D R BROCK

Arnhem Platoon

Lt J M DOUGLAS RAOC

Aden Platoon

2Lt J M GILBERT RAOC

Sgt P A WELLS

Arakan Platoon

Lt N I ASTLEY RAOC

Sgt R C DUNNE

B COMPANY

Officer Commanding

Maj N N WYLDE QGM RAOC Capt R S ELWELL RAOC

Second in Command

WO2 (CSM) I I LONG

Company Sergeant Major

Lt L H WATKINS RAOC

Balaclava Platoon Berlin Platoon

Sgt M A SNELSON

Burma Platoon

Lt L J MALIN RAOC

Sgt H C JONES

Benghazi Platoon

2Lt N C B WILKES RAOC

Sgt C J TURPIN

Brunei Platoon

Lt C P DAWSON RAOC

Sgt P R SILCOX

HO COMPANY

Officer Commanding

Maj G M ASHCROFT RAOC

Company Sergeant Major

WO2 (CSM) D J FRANKLIN

Training Clerk

Pte A T SIMPSON

Training Wing

College Training Officer

Capt P A BALL RAOC

External Leadership Training

SSgt J E TARWACKI

Sgt D E WILSON

Military Training

SSgt J A COOK

Sgt DPP FREE

Sgt R D RAINEY Col D A BURNS

Col A G HARWOOD

Cpl C W STARBUCK

Physical Training

WO2 (QMSI) E MARTIN

Cpl A E FRANKLIN

Cpl K T McCARTER

Cpl R M McDONALD

Catering

Kitchen Manager

SSgt L E BREAREY

Sgt P R HASLETT

Administrative Wing

Admin Officer

Lt Col (Retd) G R DAVISON MBE

WRVS

Miss P ELLICE

SRN

Sister P WALKER SRN

Armoury Provost Cpl B W LUXTON WO2 (BSM) P J WISE

EDUCATION WING

Senior Education Officer

Maj M J McMANUS MA MLitt RAEC

Instructors

Capt J M CHADWICK BA WRAC Lt J L NEWTON BSc RAEC

Lt H A C SNOW BA WRAC

Civilian Instructors

Maj (Retd) G J FORREST BA

Mr P HEAP BA

Mr M F JOHNSON BA

Mr W J McSHEA BSc

Mr J F WATSON

COLLEGE PERSONALITIES

COMMANDING OFFICER

LIEUTENANT COLONEL M L C JIGGENS BSc RAOC

Lieutenant Colonel Jiggens has been in command of the College since 18 May 1984. He was commissioned into the RAOC from the Royal Military Academy in 1964 and has served in Borneo, the United Kingdom, Hong Kong, Northern Ireland and BAOR. He is a graduate of Manchester University and has attended the Army Staff College at Camberley. He is married with 2 daughters and lives in Deepcut.

TERM LEAVERS

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| APte LINLEY W A APte PATTERSON N W APte PATRIE S A APte SIMMS P I | |
| APte SURGEON B ACpl TASKER J D ACpl TYRRELL I J APte VIRGO P A APte WARNER M APte WELBURN M APte WATTAM C J APte WHILEY M A J | |
| APte WILSON M A | |

Supply Specialists

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| ASgt ANDERSON R | APte LUDIAM C R |
| ALCP1 ARMITT D P | |
| ALCPL BALCH S K | |
| APte BELL A C T | ALCOL MUIR J A |
| ALCPL BENNETT M S | APTE MUNDAN D D |
| ALCpl BLAND G A APte BOYLE W | APte NICHOLAOU M P |
| APte BOYLE W | APte NICKSON G B |
| APte BROAD P J | APte O'DONNELL S G |
| ACDI BROWN I | APte OLDHAM G A |
| ATCON RITTMED N S | APte OWEN S J |
| ALCOL CLAYTON A W | APte PARHAM S J |
| ATCTI CRIBRIN W | ACDI PARKER A J |
| ATCOL COPETAND W J | ASgt PETTENER D |
| APte DANIELS H S | APte PORTER G E |
| ADLA DENTON P | ACol RHINDS J A |
| APte DICK M G | APte RIX M W |
| ACDI ELLIS G R | APte SALTER S P |
| ACpl EILIS G R APte EVANS D C | APte SAYERS P N |
| ADL. ETMOU CD | APte SHORT A A |
| ADL - FOUT FO D T | APte SIDEBOTTOM A A |
| ACT CATLACHER N | APte SMITH D R |
| APte GOODWIN R S | APte SMITH DAVENPORT I |
| APte GREEN K G | APte TWEILS S 1 |
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| ACT HADT M S | APte WILLIAM P J |
| APte HIND K ALCPL HOWARD C J | APte WORDEN G M |
| T. D. GRAWOH LOUTE | APte WORRALL A |
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A HISTORY OF THE ROYAL ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS

Today the Royal Army Ordnance Corps is a highly developed part of the British Army, being responsible, in brief, for the receipt, storing and issuing of thousands of different types of stores required by the Army. Such stores range from hand tools to guided missiles, food to ammunition, petrol to radar equipment. Additionally, specialist services such as printing, bakeries and laundry services are provided.

As a military body, the Corps dates back little more than a century. However, ordnance services as such have their origins in the 15th century; the first recorded holder of the appointment Master General of Ordnance being in 1414. His function primarily was the storing and supplying of war-like stores. Following the sweeping Army reforms of 1855 came the forerunner of the RAOC with the formation of the Military Stores Department, under a Director of Stores. In 1893 the department was re-designated the Army Ordnance Department and Corps.

A great proving ground for the Ordnance Services came with the 1914-18 War, and after severe testing their services were fully recognised. In November 1918 the Department and Corps were amalgamated and granted the title "Royal", and the RAOC as such was in being. During the Second World War the RAOC operated world-wide and from a seriously under-established body grew into a highly efficient organisation which by the end of hostilities numbered 8,000 officers and 130,000 men.

Since the War the Corps has continued to give invaluable service; there has been re-organisation and with the disbandment of the Royal Army Service Corps in 1965 took over the supply function of that Corps. Full advantage has been taken of modern techniques. Computers are widely used in stock control and the Corps pioneered the introduction of work study in the Army. The RAOC faces an enormous logistic task, demanding high standards of administrative skill, technical and military knowledge from all ranks.