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Dear Member's

Welcome to our sixth and Christmas edition of the December Newsletter for 2004. Our membership is continuing to grow at a steady pace.....we could still do with additional members.

As you know we have recently moved our message service and attached it to the RAOCONLINE web site, which I am sure you will agree, should add a few more opportunities to link up with our web site.

Our current up to date, list of members, has just been posted with the very latest addition of the oldest Boy soldier too date 22292401 Boy Pte Brian WITHNALL who joined on the 16th of November 1950 and moved on in Jan 1952, welcome Brian. Welcome all the other members that have recently joined.

Membership Fees

We continue to encourage new membership; membership fee is a "one off" only, payment of £7.50 only.

We would also like to point out that all of the £7.50 goes towards the cost of running, updating and funding of the web site for you, the membership, and "NOT" simply, a link to a Military page. The site has been created with the intention of it being used as a communications vehicle for all ex- boys and ex-permanent staff. A focal point, a means of communicating and networking!!

Memorabilia

We continue to collect as many photographs as we can, it's not easy, but we have more photographs or Cine Film of ex-boy's than the Museum has. I reported in the last newsletter that the museum has no photos from 1950 to 1970". Now is your chance to help us to help you by obtain memories of your and our past. But seriously, we need as many photographs and Cine Film as you has available. We are trying to add notes to these records as we go, but we have little resources and need some help from some of you graphic wizards??.....any volunteers?? ***We could also do with some articles from all of you.***

No doubt you may be aware that we continue in our search of RAOC related items/Regalia of any kind. We have just acquired a Service Dress jacket and SD Cap (in use up until 1961), the Bandsman jacket, wings, white music pouch and belt(both in white buff leather) together with a number of the Blue cloth Service Helmets and plates. An RAOC ceremonial flag, RAOC Boys Training Wing rope tensioned Drum a Junior Leaders Drum together with an Army Apprentice Rod Tensioned side drum. Four silver plated Bugles, two brass bugles. The treasure of the collection must be the Drum Majors Sash, sword belt and gloves.

We have also acquired a Jacket belt and drum majors sash for the RAOC Staff Band.

We have also a number of RAOC uniforms ranging from a Brigadier, Colonel, Major, Captain and Lieutenants down to a Sergeant's number two tunic.

We hope to have a few mock dress ups and illustrations of the uniforms in due course on the web site.

Links

You will see that we have quite a few links (and growing) on the site now, so they are all well worth visiting. The most obvious one of course is the RAOC on line web site. But above all, we need to promote the site to other ex-boy's. We need to attract new members. A link has just been established with (modreunited.com) which is touted to be the largest military web site in existence, obviously we will overtake them in a short time (wishful thinking) certainly based on the response over the past three weeks.

Reunions

You will no doubt be aware that we intend holding a reunion in JUNE 2005. It would be great to have it in the vicinity of the old camp. Any ideas or any help would be greatly appreciated. I would suggest that we consider an independent location rather than a Military establishment.

RAOC Association

Please continue to support the RAOC Association in your area, even if you can't get to a branch meeting. You can join and with a membership, at least obtain a gazette, with news of the goings on, in it. Our association is an important part of our legacy to our Country, so let's continue to support it.

General Information

There are now, quite a few web sites that have information associated with the RAOC, in addition there are many ex-boys and permanent staff from the RAOC that do not know of the different sites or do not use a computer. If you know anyone who is an ex Boys or-Junior Leader or an ex-member of the permanent staff, then please try and pass them on any information to assist our organisation to grow and expand our site and provide a venue for them to find old friends and colleagues.

If on browsing the site you recognize any faces in the photographs please feel free to inform the site administrator so that we can update the information pertaining to them, and we can pass you on their E-Mail address. In addition, if you can remember any names and dates of people who served with you, we would also like this information to complete the roles for historical purposes.

The old RAOC gazettes are a great source of information. If any one has any old gazettes it would be appreciated if they could copy the sections associated with the Junior Leaders and send them to the site administrator for inclusion on the web site. We are about to re-load extracts from the Gazette so keep your eyes open, there are quite a few revelations!

All of us have photographs of some of our boy's service experience, if you can scan them and forward them to the site administrator they will be posted for all of us to enjoy. If you cannot scan them, send them we will take care of the scanning and return them to you.

If you have any recommendations to improve the site please feel free to provide your ideas for consideration.

All the best to you all and have a Merry Christmas and Prosperous and medically free 2005 and thank you for your help and support!

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On Parade at Dettingen Barracks



PASSING OUT PARADE INSPECTING OFFICER
CIRCA 1956/57

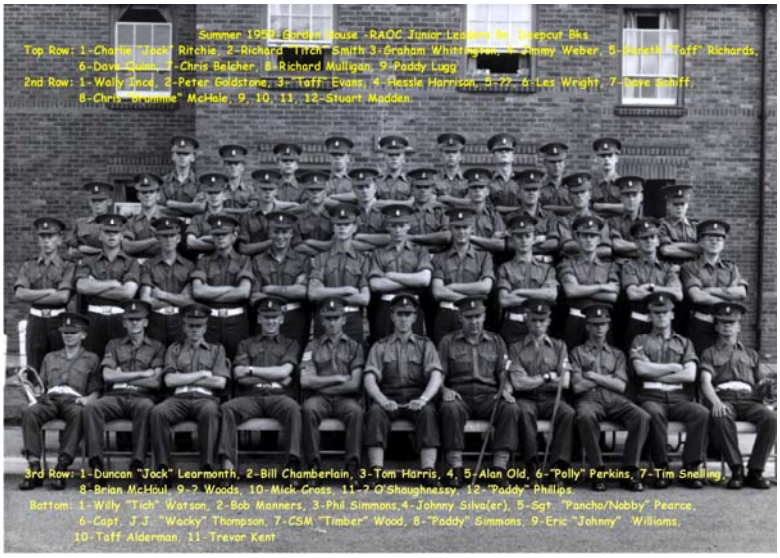


Drummer Ron 1960

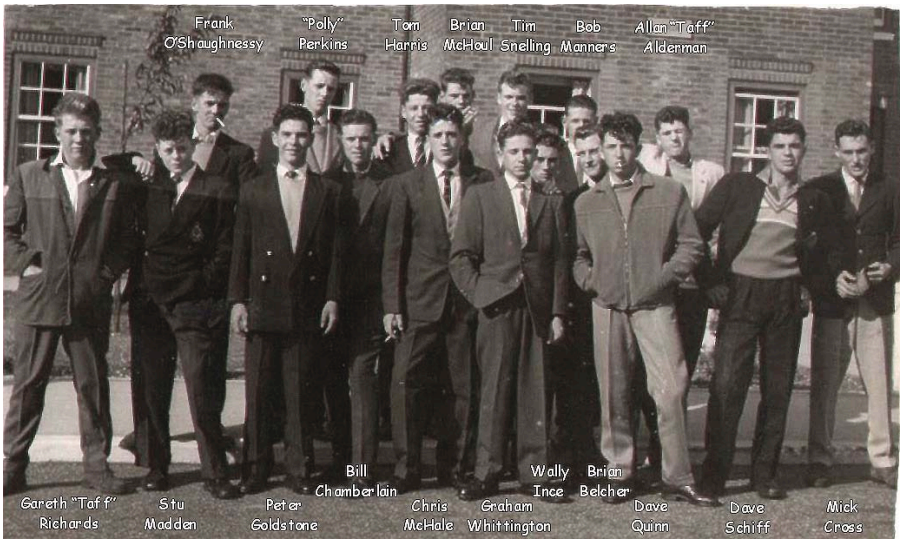


Body House Corps of Drums 1960
C O Lt Col Harley-Peters Cpl Len (Drummie) KING





GORDON HOUSE 1957/58 presented by Bill Chamberlain



Part of Gordon House all dressed up in their Civies



Tony & Chris KIMPTON outside of STEEVENS Platoon 1962



Chris KIMPTON
Rod CRAIGIE *KESSON* *Rod FENNAL*



Sgt Alf POWNALL

Outside STEEVENS Platoon Dettingen Barracks 1962



Outside Recruits House 1962
Steve MANSON *John McGUIGGAN* *Pat HAMILTON*
Jim AINSWORTH (J//RSM to become)



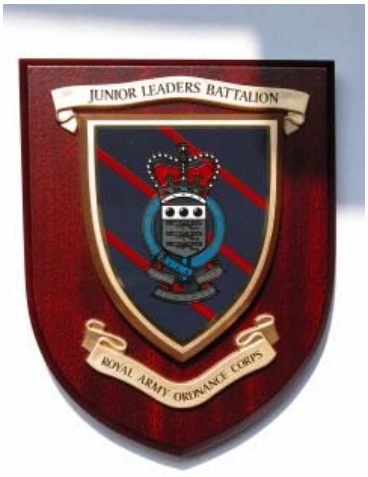
Demolition of ALMA BARRACKS



Residential development of Dettingen Barracks



Burial place of J/Pte D G JEBSON RAOC



Shields available @ cost + P&P

ALMA BARRACKS ***DETTINGEN BARRACKS***





Junior Leaders Drum Majors Sash

JUNIOR LEADERS REGIMENT, RCT AND RAOC
57(JL) SQUADRON RCT (KOREA)



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GROUP 880103

BOND TROOP
FEBRUARY 1988

Rear Row J/Dvrs. Merrey, Blackie, Gamble, Byers, Bartlett, Dunwell, J/Pte. Paull.

Centre Row J/Dvr. Gray, J/Pte. Burnett, J/L.Cpl. Miller, J/Dvrs. Schmitt, Mulvey, J/Pte. Ellis, J/Dvr. Dey.

Front Row J/L.Cpl. Johnston, J/Cpl. Evans, Sgt. W.B. Brodie RCT, Lt. H.E.J. McCausland RCT, Cpl. W. Gow RCT, J/RSM Birch, J/L.Cpl. Blaney.

JUNIOR LEADERS REGIMENT ROYAL CORPS OF TRANSPORT
AND
ROYAL ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS



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THE CORPS OF DRUMS
JUNE 1988

Rear Row J/Dvrs. Linegar, Fotheringham, Barker, Goodall, Nelson, Downie, Pringle, J/L.Cpl. Shields, J/Dvrs. Sims, Hall, Fletcher, Whitehead, Malocco.

3rd Row J/Dvr. Stainton, J/L.Cpl. Pitt, J/Ptes. Keeffe, Mawson, Davy, Hebbes, J/Dvr. Martin, J/L.Cpl. Woods, J/Ptes. Johnson, Smith 083, Ibbotson, Tyler, J/Dvr. Wall, J/L.Cpl. Holmes.

2nd Row J/Dvrs. Brown, Connelly, Gotts, J/Cpl. Ellis, J/Dvrs. Laing, Smith 288, Mitchell, Hickey, Smith, J/Pte. Buttney, J/Dvrs. Warwick, Riches, Scott.

Front Row J/Dvr. Head, J/L.Cpl. Williamson, J/Dvr. Rowley, J/Cpl. Kramer, WO2 (SSM) G.G. Barraclough, Maj. N. Goymer, Lt. S. Ridd, WO2 (TM) A.C. Austin, J/Dvr. Hann, J/Sgt. Thomas, J/Dvrs. Doughty, Giles.