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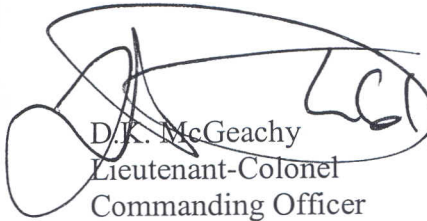
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3<sup>rd</sup> FIELD ARTILLERY REGIMENT RCA  
ANNUAL HISTORICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2005

1. Find enclosed the 2005 annual historical report for 3<sup>rd</sup> Field Artillery Regiment RCA (The Loyal Company). This unit met all of its objectives for 2005, and the enclosed report is a true reflection of the events that have occurred during the reporting period.

 *LCOL* *DeA*  
D.K. McGeachy  
Lieutenant-Colonel  
Commanding Officer

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ANNUAL HISTORICAL REPORT 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2005

Unit UIC(s): U5022 Regimental Headquarters  
S6133 89<sup>th</sup> Field Battery  
U5022 115 Battery  
U5022 Headquarters & Services Battery

CFOO 3.4.202 Dated 22 December 1998

INTRODUCTION

1. The year 2005 began with the unit prepared as always to assist its community and carry out any assigned missions and tasks that could come our way. The Regt was also prepared to assist our community in the event of man made or natural disasters.
2. The Loyal Company enjoyed another busy year. The Regiment conducted or participated in over 14 field and CP exercises designed to increase the individual and sub-units skills of our soldiers. We deployed on ARCON 05 with 3rd Fd Arty Regt taking the lead and LCol JT Foote CD commanding the Atlantic Artillery Regt. This exercise was a great success with over 60 of our soldiers attending. One of the highlights of the exercise was our Bty being in support of the 8CH Recce Sqd who were instructed on how to use Arty Fire.
3. The summer of 2005 saw members of the unit deploy for training to WATC, CATC, and AATC. Regimental personnel took part in Basic Officer Training, MQ, SQ, Artillery Driver Wheel, Primary Leadership Course (PLQ), and they also provided training support and instructor cadre for the various schools.
4. This unit continued to recruit aggressively in the year 2005 in light of the number of members transferred to the regular force and normal attrition. The year 2005 recruiting began leadership of the Battery Sergeant Major 89 Bty and we achieved good success with over 15 new recruits enrolled and loaded onto the MQ in July 2005.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

5. The Regiment marked its 212<sup>th</sup> birthday on May 4, 2005.
6. The Regiment continued the tradition of the Loyalist Day Salute with the firing of a 21 Gun Salute from Fort Howe on May 18, 2005. As per normal tradition, the Mayor and the Honorary Colonel inspected the Salute Troup and Mayor commented on the excellent dress and deportment of the soldiers.

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7. As per unit tradition the Regiment conducted a canoe trip down the St. Croix River in June. The event was well attended and was once again considered a great success.

8. Remembrance Day was marked with a 21-gun salute in Fredericton with minute guns in Saint John, Woodstock and Hartland NB.

10. The Regiment held its Men's Christmas Dinner on Dec 17, 2005 in Woodstock. As per the normal tradition in Woodstock the dinner was held at the Royal Canadian Legion and the Ladies Auxiliary prepared the meal. The Regiment gave the ladies a thunderous round of applause and a large bottle of wine for their excellent meal. The Top Soldier Award, was presented by Mrs Anita Pender. This award is in honour of her daughter Sgt Nancy Howlett who was killed in a car accident along with her husband and two children. Mrs Pender attends each year to present this award and also a cheque for one hundred dollars.

COMMAND STRUCTURE

11. The Commanding Officer LCol DK McGeachy CD took command of 3<sup>rd</sup> Field Artillery regiment RCA (The Loyal Company) on the 17 September 2005 from LCol JT Foote. CWO Watters CD handed over the RSM's Drill Cane to the new RSM CWO JC Linder CD on the 17 March 2005. At the same parade CWO Watters was promoted the rank of Captain by LCol Foote and appointed as Adjt.

12. Capt JC Besner was promoted to Major and continued to command 115 Bty in Saint John. Capt McPherson was promoted to Major and continues to Command of HQ Bty. Capt T.N. Watters was appointed Adjutant.

13. Capt Amy Clutesi assumed command of 89th Field Battery in Woodstock NB with WO McLean moving up to BSM.

TRAINING

14. The Regiment began 2005 with a January winter indoctrination exercise. This Ex involved all of the units in the Saint John Garrison with LCol McGeachy commanding the Garrison TF. This exercise was used as a training vehicle in case the garrison ever had to be called out for Dom Ops. Ex Severe Trek was followed by two live fire exercises, Ex Smoking Gun (February 2005) and Ex Thunderous Volley (March 2005), which were conducted at CFB Gagetown. The turn out for all of these exercises was excellent.

15. With the arrival of spring the Regiment conducted one CPX, Ex Stealth Gunner I. Ex Stealth Gunner I was conducted in CFB Gagetown and was a battery level live fire exercise.



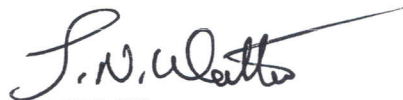
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17. With respect ARCON we once again met our commitment by deploying a field battery as part of the Atlantic Artillery Regiment. The Regiment also Commanded the Atlantic Artillery Regiment with our personnel and resources filling Headquarters and Services Battery.

18. Fall of 2005 found the Regiment focussing on basic soldier skills. The Regiment conducted two Rifle Range/Field craft exercises and one Patrolling/Rappelling exercise. All of the exercises were held at CFB Gagetown and all achieved their aim.

19. The Year 2005 was a very busy training year for 3<sup>rd</sup> Field Artillery Regiment. The number and scope of the exercises kept all ranks very busy. As a result many of the members spent two to three weekends a month away from their families. This Regiment greatly appreciated its member's dedication and sacrifice.

20. UBIQUE!



T.N. Watters

Capt

Adjt.

For Commanding Officer

Annex A – Unit Strength

Annex B – Unit Appointments

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UNIT STRENGTH (2005)

OFFICERS

LOCATION	LCOL	MAJ	CAPT	LT	2LT/OCDDT	TOTAL
RHQ	1	2	2	0	0	5
89 BTY	0	0	1	1	1	3
115 BTY	0	1	2	2	0	5

Sub Total: 13

NCMS

LOCATION	CWO	MWO	WO	SGT	MBDR	BDR	GNR	TOTAL
RHQ	1		1	5	4	4	1	16
89 BTY	0	0	2	3	4	5	10	24
115 BTY	0	0	0	5	4	16	11	36

Sub Total: 76

Grand Total: 87

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UNIT APPOINTMENTS

RHQ

CO	LCol DK McGeachy CD, CET
2IC	Maj D.L. Boudreau, CD, P.Eng
ADJT	Capt T.N. Watters, CD
RCPO	Capt T.N. Watters, CD
PADRE	Capt W.S. Williams, CD
RQ	Capt C.S. Reid McPherson, CD
RSM	CWO J.C. Linder, CD
CC	Sgt D. Moores, CD

89<sup>th</sup> Bty

BC	Capt A. Clutesi
BK	
TC	2Lt R. Davis
BSM	WO K. McLean CD

115 Bty

BC	Maj J.C. Besner CD
BK	Capt M.H. Bamford, CD
GPO	Lt B Kelly
TC	Capt M. Crowley
TC	
BSM	MWO J. Jordan CD

HQ & SVCS Bty

BC	Maj McPherson CD
BK	Capt C.S. Reid McPherson, CD
BSM	WO D. Ripley CD

HON COLs

Hon Col	Col J.H. Turnbull, OMM, CD
Hon LCol	LCol E.N. McKelvey, OC, CD, QC

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