

3rd Field Regiment RCA (The Loyal Company)
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3rd FIELD ARTILLERY REGIMENT RCA
ANNUAL HISTORICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2008

1. Find enclosed the 2010 annual historical report for 3rd Field Artillery Regiment RCA (The Loyal Company). This unit met all of its objectives for 2010, and the enclosed report is a true reflection of the events that have occurred during the reporting period.



T.N. Watters
Captain
Adjutant

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ANNUAL HISTORICAL REPORT 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2010

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

CFOO 3.4.202 Dated 22 December 1998

INTRODUCTION

1. The year 2010 marked another very busy year, particularly on the social side of the Regiment. The spring break of 2010 saw several of our members of 3 Fd Regt deploy to Churchill Falls, Labrador, for Exercise Stalwart Goose. Throughout the year the Regiment also maintained a level of preparedness for domestic operations if a need had arose.
2. The Regiment conducted or participated in several exercises over the 2010 year ranging from gun exercises to winter indoctrination. All exercises were designed to increase the individual and sub-units skills of our soldiers. 3 Fd Regt also focused on its social interaction with the communities it belongs to, adding several social events to the regular calendar.
3. The Regiment had two soldiers deployed to Afghanistan for Task Force in 2010. One soldier returned safely to garrison in December at the conclusion of his second tour, while the second will be concluding their own tour in 2011. This marks the closing of 3rd Field Regiment's contributions to the war effort overseas as Canada wraps up her deployments.
4. The summer of 2010 saw members of the unit deploy for training to CATC and AATC. Regimental personnel took part in MQ, SQ, Artillery Driver Wheel, Primary Leadership Course (PLQ), and they also provided training support and instructor cadre for the various schools.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

5. The Regiment marked its 217th birthday on May 4, 2010.

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6. Exercise Gunner's Pride on May 9, 2010 was directed at Connecting with Canadians, where family and friends were brought out to see the firing of the guns into Lawfield. As well, they were witness to the last rounds fired for HCol Turnbull, HLCol McKelvey, and LCol (ret.) Foote as gunner officers. This day also saw the change of Honoraries as HLCol Hatfield and HCol Irving assumed their positions from the late HLCol Turnbull and HCol McKelvey, respectively.

7. The evening of May 15, 2010 marked the return of The Loyal Company Ball, the first in seventeen years. It was the first step in the city of Saint John's 225th birthday celebration, which the Regiment hosted on behalf of the city. Over four hundred seats were filled with guests in the Delta Hotel from 1800 to 0100, with music by the 3rd Field Band accompanying a four course meal. The Black Cats Orchestra finished the evening off with music for dancing.

8. The Regiment continued the tradition of the Loyalist Day Salute with the firing of a 21 Gun Salute from Pugsley Wharf on May 18, 2010. This year the salute troop was inspected by the Lt Governor, the Premier, the Mayor of Saint John, and the Hon Col. All commented on the excellent dress and deportment of the soldiers. The Regiment also fired a second salute that day in commemoration of Saint John's 225th birthday.

9. Oct 31, 2010 marked the passing of the late HCol Turnbull in his home in Red Head, NB. A former CO of 3rd Field Regiment and proud World War II veteran, Col (retired) Turnbull will be long remembered. The Regiment gave him a full military funeral on Nov 6 at Trinity Anglican Church in Saint John, NB. Over 60 personnel from the Regiment participated in the funeral.

10. Remembrance Day was marked with a 21-Gun Salute in Fredericton with Minute Guns in Saint John, Woodstock and Hartland NB.

11. The Regiment held its Men's Christmas Dinner in December in CFB Gagetown on Dec 11, 2010. There was a good turn out that saw several of our Afghanistan veterans attend. A senior promotion and several unit awards were presented at that time as well.

COMMAND STRUCTURE

12. The Commanding Officer LCol S.I. McPherson, CD, BBA remained in command of 3rd Field Artillery Regiment RCA (The Loyal Company). Maj D.L. Boudreau, CD remained as the 2IC and MWO JG Jordan, MMM, CD remained as the RSM of the Regiment.

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13. Capt T.N. Watters, CD remained BC of HQ, with MWO J.H. MacKay, CD assuming the position of BSM for HQ. Maj D.L. Boudreau, CD assumed command as BC of 115 Bty, with MWO R. Parker, CD remaining as BSM for 115 Bty. Maj W. LeBlanc, CD remained BC of 89 Bty and assumed command of the Fd Bty, with MWO P.M. Gillingham, CD assuming the position of BSM for 89 Bty. Capt T.N. Watters, CD remained Adjutant.

PROMOTIONS

14. Capt LeBlanc, CD was promoted to the rank of Maj, Sgt Bergeron, CD was promoted to the rank of WO and Sgt Noel, CD was promoted to the rank of WO. The Regiment also promoted two Bdr's to the rank of MBdr and twelve Gnr's to the rank of Bdr.

TRAINING

15. The Regiment began 2010 with a live fire exercise in February, Ex Sub Zero Gunner, which was conducted at CFB Gagetown. With the arrival of spring the Regiment sent 10 soldiers on Ex Stalwart Goose, joining the 5th Canadian Ranger Group in Churchill Falls, Labrador, during the March Break between 27 Feb and 10 Mar 10. They supported the Brigade in confirmation of sub-arctic mobility, sustainability and skills. This exercise helped build these necessary skills and abilities for use in Canada's ever-important Arctic regions during Sovereignty Exercises (SOVEXs) and Sovereignty Operations (SOVOPs).

16. In April 2010 the Regiment began conducting individual battle task standards training. This yearly test is a confirmation of a soldier's fitness level. The majority of members completed the BFT successfully.

17. Fall of 2010 saw the Regiment successfully complete two gun exercises, as well as a CPX for the soldiers to better understand the CP and FOO side of artillery.

18. The second iteration of Ex Stalwart Goose took place during the christmas break. A further 8 soldiers were sent to Goose Bay, Labrador, under the watch of 1 RNBR to further their sub-arctic mobility, sustainability and skills.

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19. The Year 2010 was a very busy training year for 3rd Field Artillery Regiment. The number and scope of the exercises kept all ranks very busy, and the number of social events was well received by both soldiers and the public. This Regiment greatly appreciated its member's dedication and sacrifice.

20. UBIQUE!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S.I. McPherson Lt Col". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the last name "McPherson" being the most prominent part.

S.I. McPherson, CD, BBA
Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer

Annex A – Unit Strength
Annex B – Unit Appointments

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UNIT STRENGTH (2010)

OFFICERS

LOCATION	LCOL	MAJ	CAPT	LT	2LT/OCDT	TOTAL
RHQ	1	1	5	0	1	8
89 BTY	0	1	2	0	0	3
115 BTY	0	0	0	2	0	2

Sub Total: 13

NCMS

LOCATION	CWO	MWO	WO	SGT	MBDR	BDR	GNR	TOTAL
RHQ	0	2	2	8	2	1	4	19
89 BTY	0	1	4	4	6	11	6	32
115 BTY	0	1	2	1	6	14	10	34

Sub Total: 85

Grand Total: 98

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UNIT APPOINTMENTS

RHQ

CO	LCol S.I. McPherson, CD, BBA
2IC	Maj D.L. Boudreau, CD, P. Eng
ADJT	Capt T.N. Watters, CD
RCPO	Capt T.N. Watters, CD
PADRE	Capt M.A. Caines
RQ	Capt C.S. Reid McPherson, CD
RSM	MWO J.G. Jordan, MMM, CD
CC	Sgt A.M. Richard, CD
FC	Sgt S. Williams, CD

89th Bty

BC	Maj W. LeBlanc, CD
BK	Capt N.A. Morris
TC	
BSM	MWO P.M. Gillingham, CD

115 Bty

BC	Maj D.L. Boudreau, CD, P.Eng
BK	
TC	Lt A.V. Melvin
BSM	MWO R. Parker, CD

HQ & SVCS Bty

BC	Capt T.N. Watters, CD
BK	Capt C.S. Reid McPherson, CD
BSM	MWO J.H. MacKay, CD

Band

OIC	Capt M.J. Molloy, CD
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HON COLs

Hon Col	Col J.K.F. Irving
Hon LCol	LCol H. Hatfield, CD

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