

Investigating

Army Ancestors



East Yorkshire
Family History Society

The Army Lists, held by the National Archives, include a near-complete list of Army Officers since 1765 and manuscript lists of Army Officers which were kept from 1702-1752. The following are all kept at the National Archives at Kew.

Regular Army

Annual Army Lists, 1754-1879

Arranged by regiment and indexed from 1766. Engineer and artillery officers are only included in the index from 1803.

Quarterly Army Lists (First Series), 1879-1922

These contain the regimental list until 1907 only, but do include a list of officers in order of seniority, with dates of birth and promotions. From April 1881, details of officers' war service are also included. From 1909 to 1922, these details of war service appear in the January issue only.

Half-Yearly Army Lists, 1923-Feb 1950

These include a gradation list of serving officers; the January issue (but not the July) also lists retired officers. Issued annually, in February, from 1947.

Modern Army Lists, 1951-Ongoing

The Army List was revised in 1951, and now consists of three parts. Part 1 is a list of serving officers. Part 2 is a list of retired officers: this is now produced only every four years. Part 3 is the Gradation List and brief biography of officers, a restricted publication, and not available to the general public.

Regular Army, Militia, Territorial and Colonial Forces

Monthly Army Lists, 1798-June 1940

Arranged by regiment, they also give some idea of where the regiment was. Officers of colonial, militia and territorial units are included, along with the regular army. Unfortunately, there is no index until 1867.

Quarterly Army Lists (Second Series), July 1940-Dec 1950

These took the place of the Monthly Army Lists from July 1940. During the Second World War they were not published, but produced as confidential documents. Although called the Quarterly Lists, they were actually produced monthly or bi-monthly until December 1943 after which they were issued quarterly, until April 1947. They were then produced three times a year, in April, August and December.

Home Guard List, 1939-1945

These are arranged by Command (area) and included name indexes and are available in the Microfilm Reading Room at Kew.

Militia Lists

The Library has a collection of militia lists for various dates in the 18th and 19th centuries. Please check the Library Catalogue (www.library.nationalarchives.gov.uk) for details of the volumes held.

Hart's Army List

Hart's Army List was an unofficial list, produced between 1839 and 1915. It is useful because it contains details of war service from 1839, which the official lists did not do until 1881. An incomplete set is available at Kew; covering 1840-1915.



13th/18th Royal Hussars (QMO) and The Light Dragoons Museum

The Collection covers the history of the 13th/18th Royal Hussars with a series of displays illustrating the life of the Regiment in peace and war from 1715 to the present time. Exhibits relate to the Battle of Waterloo, Charge of the Light Brigade, Boer War, both World Wars and The Light Dragoons' involvement in recent UN and NATO operations.

Open: Apr-Oct, Wed-Fri: 10.30am - 5.30pm, Sat & Sun 12 noon - 5pm. Nov, Dec & Mar Sun only 12 noon - 4pm. Jan & Feb Closed

Address: 13th/18th Royal Hussars (QMO) and The Light Dragoons Museum
Cannon Hall,
Cawthorne,
Barnsley,
South Yorkshire,
S75 4AT

Tel: 01226 790270

Email: mail@lightdragoons.org.uk

Web: www.lightdragoons.org.uk

Curator: Captain G E Locker

Admission: Free



Green Howards Regimental Museum

An excellent collection of well-presented items on three floors illustrating the 300 year history of this famous Regiment and its close links with the North Riding of Yorkshire. Rich displays of uniforms, badges, headdress and silver are complemented by an extensive medal collection with an interactive computer guide. There are special cases dedicated to the Ladies of the Regiment, and the Richmond Drummer Boy legend and a current display of objects and information related to the Regiment's successors in The Yorkshire Regiment. Access to the Regimental archive is available by appointment.

Open: Apr-mid May: Mon-Sat 9.30am-4.30pm. Closed Sun. Mid May- Sep: Mon-Sat 9.30am-4.30pm, Sun 2-4.30pm. Oct-Mar: Mon-Sat 9.30am-4.30pm. Closed Sun.

Address: Green Howards Regimental Museum
Trinity Church Square,
Richmond,
North Yorkshire,
DL10 4QN

Tel: 01748 822133

Email: greenhowardsmus@aol.com

Web: www.greenhowards.org.uk

Curator: Mr David Tetlow MA, AMA

Admission: Adult: £3.00
Seniors: £2.50



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Kohima Museum

The collection commemorates the Battle of Kohima and follows the fortunes of the 2nd Division up to and including its role in crossing the Irrawady. Almost all the objects have been donated by veterans and their relatives making it a very personal collection that sees the battle through the eyes of those who fought it.

Open: Thurs only 9am - 12 noon, or by previous appointment

Address: Kohima Museum
Imphal Barracks,
Fulford Road,
York,
YO10 4AU

Tel: 01904 665806/635212

Email: thekohimamuseum@hotmail.com

Web:

Curator: Major Nigel Magrane

Admission: Free



4th Battalion East Yorkshire Regiment Collection

The Collection, which also includes items from the East Yorcks Militia and Rifle Volunteers, is temporarily in store but may be viewed by appointment.

Open: By appointment only

Address: 4th Battalion E.Y. Regiment Collection
Ferens Art Gallery,
Queen Victoria Square,
Hull,
Kingston-upon-Hull,
HU1 3RA

Tel: 01482 613923

Curator: Vanessa Salter (Keeper of Social History)

Admission: Free



York & Lancaster Regiment Museum

A comprehensive collection of uniforms, weapons, equipment and campaign relics traces the history of the Yorks & Lancs and its forbears the 65th and 84th Regiments of Foot from 1758 to 1968 through a chronological series of displays. Specific cases are dedicated to the Militia, Volunteers and Territorials, the Band, Silver and Sport. There is also a medals display which includes 9 Victoria Crosses.

Open: Mon - Sat: 9.30am-5pm. Closed Bank Holidays and Sun

Address: York & Lancaster Regiment Museum
Central Library & Arts Centre,
Walker Place,
Rotherham,
South Yorkshire,
S65 1JH

Tel: 01709 823624

Email: karl.noble@rotherham.gov.uk

Web: www.rotherham.gov.uk

Curator: Karl Noble

Admission: Free



Leeds Rifles Museum Collection

A small regimental collection displayed in TA messes.

Open: By appointment only

Address: Leeds Rifles Museum Collection
c/o 7 Wentworth Court,
Rastrick,
Brighouse,
West Yorkshire,
HD6 3XD

Tel:

Curator: Maj R M Booker

Admission : By appointment



King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry Museum Collection

An excellent collection of regimental memorabilia, uniforms, pictures and silver dating from the raising of the Regiment in 1755 to its amalgamation into The Light Infantry in 1968. It includes an extensive medal collection. The Regimental archive is held in Pontefract (Tel: 01977.703181) and access is by appointment only with Major CMJ Deedes

Open: Mon - Sat: 10am - 5pm. Sun: 2 - 5pm.

Address: King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry
Museum Collection
Doncaster Museum & Art Gallery,
Chequer Road,
Doncaster,
South Yorkshire,
DN1 2AE

Tel: 01302 734293

Email: museum@doncaster.gov.uk

Web: www.doncaster.gov.uk/museums

Curator: Mr Geoff Preece

Admission: Free



Royal Dragoon Guards Museum

The museum tells the story of the 4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards from 1685 when six Troops of Horse were raised for service under King James II and continues up to amalgamation with the 5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards to form the present Royal Dragoons Guards. It includes artefacts from all the antecedent regiments dating back to their formation in the 1680s. The regimental archive is held in the same building and may be viewed by appointment. The museum is located in the same building as that of the Prince of Wales's Own Regiment of Yorkshire.

Open: Mon - Sat: 9.30am - 4.30pm. Closed
Christmas and New Year



Queen's Own Yorkshire Yeomanry Museum

A small collection of artefacts and memorabilia from Yorkshire's Yeomanry Regiments. The Museum can be visited by prior appointment with the Yorkshire Squadron Office of the Queen's Own Yeomanry which can be contacted on 01904.620320. For information on the collections and regimental records and to contact the Old Comrades Association please contact the Regimental Secretary, Dominic Peacock on the telephone number and email address shown below.

Open: By appointment only

Address: Queen's Own Yorkshire Yeomanry
Museum
Yeomanry Barracks,
Fulford Road,
York,
Yorkshire,
YO10 4ES

Tel: 01482.881974

Email: Dominic.Peacock@hullcc.gov.uk

Curator: Domic Peacock

Admission: By appointment



Address: Royal Dragoon Guards Museum
3 Tower Street,
York,
Yorkshire,
YO1 9SB

Tel: 01904 642036

Fax: 01904 642036

Email: hhq@rdgmuseum.org.uk

Web: www.rdgmuseum.org.uk

Curator: Capt W A Hensall

Admission: Adult: £2.00
Seniors: £1.00



**Prince of Wales's Own Regiment of Yorkshire
Museum**

The collection covers the history of two famous Yorkshire Regiments, both raised in 1685 by King James II. Displays of uniforms, badges, medals, silver, weapons, trophies, pictures and photographs illustrate the lives and service of both regiments over a period of 300 years. Objects related to the successor regiment, The Prince of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment, continue the story from 1958 and the most recent, 2006, amalgamation into The Yorkshire Regiment is also covered. The archives of the West Yorkshire Regiment and East Yorkshire Regiment are also available, by appointment, for research of family history by relatives of soldiers who served in the regiments. The museum is located in the same building as that of the Royal Dragoon Guards.

Open: Mon - Sat: 9.30am - 4.30pm. Closed Christmas and New Year

Address: Prince of Wales's Own Regiment of Yorkshire Museum
3 Tower Street,
York,
Yorkshire,
YO1 9SB

Tel: 01904 461010

Email: regsec@pwoyorkshire.army.mod.uk

Web: www.yorkshireregiment.mod.uk

Curator: Major (Ret'd) Nick Allbeury MBE

Admission: Adult: £2.00
Seniors: £1.00



**Duke of Wellington's Regiment (West Riding)
Museum**

The Collection illustrates the history of the Regiment from the raising of the 33rd Foot in 1702 and the 76th Foot in 1787 to the present day. The Museum has undergone a recent redesign to tell the story of the Regiment 'through the eyes' of the soldiers who served in it. Each period case focuses on two or three soldiers and tells their story in their own words through recordings and displays of their life in the Regiment. Other exhibits relate to the local Volunteer, Militia and Territorial Forces and there are display of objects associated with the Iron Duke himself and the Regiment's heritage as a name synonymous with Rugby in the British Army. Access to the Regimental archive is by appointment.

Open: Tue - Sat and Bank Holiday Mondays:
10am - 5pm. Sun: 1 - 4pm.

Address: Duke of Wellington's Regiment (West Riding) Museum
Bankfield Museum,
Boothtown Road,
Halifax,
West Yorkshire,
HX3 6HG

Tel: 01422 354 823

Email: rhq@dukesrhq.demon.co.uk

Web: www.dwr.org.uk

Curator: Major David Harrap / Mr John Spencer

Admission: Free

Local Resources

EYFHS Publications:	Civilian War Dead of Yorkshire	All (known) war deaths occurring in Yorkshire, including those military persons who died on Yorkshire soil.
	RAF Sutton on Hull	The history of Hull's one Air Force Station.
Web Sites:	www.heroesofhull.co.uk	World-wide military fatalities involving folk from Hull and district.
	www.yorkshireheroes.co.uk	As above, covering the Yorkshire region.

National Sources

Army Personnel Centre

Address: Historical Disclosures
MP 400, Kentigern House
65 Brown Street
Glasgow
G2 8EX
Tel: 0845 600 9663
Fax:
Email: apc_historical_disclosures@btconnect.com
Website:

British Library Newspaper Library

Address: Colindale Avenue
London
NW9 5HE
Tel: 020 7412 7353
Fax: 020 7412 7379
Email:
Website: www.bl.uk

British Library

Address: (Oriental & India Office Records)
96 Euston Road
London
NW1 2DB
Tel: 020 7412 7873
Fax:
Email:
Website: www.bl.uk

Central Statistics Office Ireland

Address: Kehard Road
Cork
Ireland
Tel: 00353 21 4535000
Fax: 00353 21 4535555
Email: webmaster@cso.ie
Website: www.cso.ie

Commonwealth War Graves Commission

2 Marlow Road
Maidenhead
Berkshire
SL6 7DX
Tel: 01628 634221 (ask for register enquiries)
Fax: 01628 771208
Email: cwgc@dial.pipex.com
Website: www.cwgc.org

Family Records Centre

Address: 1 Myddleton
Street, Islington
London
EC1R 1UX
Tel: 020 8392 5300
Fax: 020 8392 5307
Email:
Website: www.nationalarchives.gov.uk

General Register Office

Address: PO Box 2
Southport
Merseyside
PR8 2JD
Tel: 0151 471 4200
Fax:
Email:
Website: www.statistics.gov.uk

General Register Office for Scotland

Address: New Register House
Edinburgh
Scotland
EH1 3YT
Tel: 0131 314433
Fax:
Email:
Website: www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk

Guards Museum

Address: Wellington Barracks
Birdcage Walk
London
SW1E 6HQ
Tel: 020 7414 3428
Fax: 020 7414 3429
Email: guardsmuseum@aol.com
Website: www.theguardsmuseum.com

Household Cavalry Museum

Address: Horse Guards
Whitehall
London
SW1A 2AX
Tel: 020 7414 2392
Fax: 020 7414 2212
Email: museum@householdcavalry.co.uk
Website: www.householdcavalry.co.uk

Imperial War Museum

Address: Lambeth Road
London
SE1 6HZ

Tel: 020 7416 5321
Fax: 020 7416 5374
Email: mail@iwm.org.uk
Website: www.iwm.org.uk

Ministry of Defence Medal Office

Address: Armed Forces Personnel
Administration Agency
Ministry of Defence Medal Office
Building 250
RAF Innsworth
Gloucestershire
GL3 1EZ

Tel:
Fax:
Email: *Postal service only*
Website:

Ministry of Defence PS4(A) (Cas/Comp)

Address: Trenchard Lines (Building 43)
Upavon
Pewsey
Wiltshire
SN9 6BE

Tel:
Fax: *Postal service only*
Email:
Website:

National Archives

Address: Ruskin Avenue
Kew
Richmoind
Surrey
TW9 4DU
Tel: 020 8392 5200
Fax: 020 8878 8905
Email: enquiry@nationalarchives.gov.uk
Website: www.nationalarchives.gov.uk

National Archives of Scotland

Address: HM General Register House
2 Princes Street
Edinburgh
EH1 3YY
Tel: 0131 535 1334
Fax:
Email: enquiries@nas.gov.uk
Website:

National Army Museum

Address: Royal Hospital Road
Chelsea
London
SW3 4HT
Tel: 020 77300717
Fax: 020 7823 6573
Email: info@national-army-museum.ac.uk
Website: www.national-army-museum.ac.uk

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