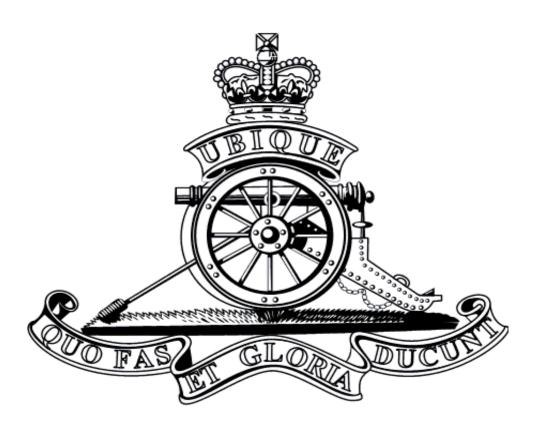
THE NATIONAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION



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Foreword

By General Sir Alex Harley KBE CH Master Gunner St James's Park

The role and tasks of the volunteer gunners and their importance to the Army have not diminished over the past two hundred years; although the number of voluntary gunner units has been greatly reduced as the result of changes to the size and structure of the United Kingdom's Armed Forces.

In 1908, the Territorial Army (TA) was formed to provide the Army with a reserve of volunteers to assist with homeland defence and security. The regular Army was structured to provide the United Kingdom and Commonwealth with an expeditionary force to be used overseas. The volunteer gunners continue to make an invaluable contribution to the Royal Regiment of Artillery; be it, in support of the Regular Army, on operations such as Bosnia, Kosovo, Afghanistan and most recently Iraq. Recent attachments to the Regular Army and operational experience by members of our TA gunner units has led to greater cohesion between the regular and reserve components of the Royal Regiment of Artillery.

The National Artillery Association (NAA) was founded in 1863 to advance and promote the practice and science of Artillery within the TA and to foster the traditions of the Royal Artillery within TA batteries. The Association provides the support and competitive framework for TA gunners to compete in their designated discipline for the NAA's Annual Awards. The competitions are organised and run by the Gunnery Training Team at Larkhill and form an integral part of the unit's operational evaluation and fitness for role. The competitions culminate with an Awards Ceremony that normally takes place at the Guildhall in London in the presence of the Master Gunner, The Lord Mayor of London and the Sponsors of the competitions.

I am very pleased to commend to you this revised edition of the History of the National Artillery Association and to congratulate the NAA on its dedicated commitment to the Regiment and, in particular, its encouragement and support to our TA Gunners. The preservation of our regimental effectiveness and of our traditions and the fostering of the practice and science of artillery has never been more crucial. I would ask all members and friends of the Royal Regiment of Artillery to provide the Association with their fullest support to allow the NAA to continue to flourish and thereby to provide its continued support to our volunteer gunners who continue to serve with their regular counterparts throughout the world.

Note: The FR2020 restructure and title change from TA to Army Reserve.

THE NATIONAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION

The perceived role and aims of the National Artillery Association are to advance and promote the science and practice of artillery in the Territorial Army through competition. This remains its raison d'être although it also fosters the traditions of the Royal Artillery in batteries and regiments of the Territorial Army. The National Artillery Association is a charitable organisation funded by its membership and by donations of interested parties and supported by RHQ RA.

One of the great strengths of the British Army is its ethos – that warm feeling engendered in officers and soldiers through belonging to something worthwhile. This feeling is based largely on pride in themselves and the detachment, battery, regiment and army in which they serve. It promotes loyalty, esprit de corps and, on operations, the spirit to fight. This ethos is created by the values and standards that we live up to, dress and medals, ceremonial events, history, traditions and comradeship. The Royal Artillery takes these aspects very seriously and they underpin much of which we do. While equipment and training can prepare us for war it is our ethos that largely ensures success.

The National Artillery Association adds significantly to our regimental ethos. It engenders pride and loyalty through competition and the achievement of high professional standards. It provides a framework for ceremonial and Mess events as well as fostering comradeship between serving and retired officers and active support to the training and introduction into the Regiment of young officers, both in the University Officers Training Corps and Gunner Territorial Army Regiments.

Over the years the Chain of Command has seen the value of the competitions sponsored by the National Artillery Association. Indeed Headquarters Land Command have used the parameters of the King George VI Competition as the basis for their training objectives for the UOTCs while the competitions for the Gunner Territorial Army batteries have provided a basis for improving standards of basic skills across the regiments.

The Prizegiving is usually held at the Guildhall in London in the presence of the Lord Mayor of London who is a vice-president of the Association, presided over by the Master Gunner and is an occasion of which the Territorial Army can be justifiably proud. This event is followed by dinners at Woolwich which allow Territorial Army officers, warrant officers and sergeants to enjoy the splendour of their central messes. The Association Annual Dinner is another occasion when Territorial Army officers, both serving and retired, can dine at Woolwich.

The National Artillery Association is therefore much more than just a body to oversee competitions. It is a major contributor to our regimental ethos and provides a focus for the Gunner Territorial Army capable of promoting various aspects of regimental life. The Association is in the process of being brought under the umbrella of the new Regimental Board of Management, tasked with managing Regimental Affairs in the widest sense and moves are afoot further to adapt to the needs and views of the serving regiment.

Note: Changes are required where underlined in red.

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THE HISTORY OF THE NATIONAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION

With the formation in 1859/60, all over the country, of Corps of Rifle Volunteers a high standard of marksmanship became the goal of many of the enthusiastic members. To foster this desire for military skill the National Rifle Association was formed with the view of using competitive spirit as a means of improving small arms training. Alongside the Rifle Volunteers were Artillery Volunteers, smaller in number, but no less enthusiastic. It was natural that the spirit of competition should be applied in this sphere also and in 1863 the National Artillery Association (NAA) was formed.

The Association had the same aim as the National Rifle Association, that is, to further military efficiency in the particular sphere of weapon training by use of the spirit of competition. Shoeburyness, then the School of Gunnery, was selected as the competition range and the first meeting took place over the week 29th July to 4th August 1865. Twenty-five gun detachments, employing some 250 gunners of the Artillery Volunteers, took part and competed for prizes presented by HM The Queen, The National Artillery Association, The Prince of Wales and the Commander-in-Chief of the Army. The winners of the Queen's Cup at this first competition were No 2 Detachment 1st Sussex Artillery Volunteers from Brighton.

The detachments had a choice of four guns, 24 or 32 pounders on garrison carriages, 18 pounders on field carriages or 64 pounders on traversing garrison carriages. This variety of equipment was not unusual in the Royal Artillery at that time and the regular Gunners had an even greater number of equipments with which to deal.

At Shoeburyness the NAA competitions were carried out on the mud flats where 12 and 18 square foot targets were erected at ranges of 1250 and 1500 yards, later extended to 1500 and 2000 yards. Each gun detachment had to fire five rounds on each target within a specified period, ten minutes for the 64 pounders, eight minutes for the 32 and 24 pounders and 7 minutes for the 18 pounder. The Chief Judge was normally the Superintendent of Experiments at the Range.

Formed 1867 there were two additional prizes. The Lords and Commons Cup and Scotland's Challenge Cup. In the following years additional prizes were given and at one time there were 11 prizes to be won.

The Volunteer Gunners did not like Shoeburyness as a competition site. It was somewhat desolate and the weather for the 1865 competition was bad. At their own practice batteries they had the support of wives, families and friends and this was missing at Shoeburyness. Nevertheless, the Secretary of State for War, the Marquess of Hartington, had attended the first meeting to present the prizes and this set the precedent of having an important person at most of the subsequent meetings to perform this function and confirmed the idea of a single competition venue.

Although the NAA was an unofficial organisation it received help and support from many official sources. Ammunition was provided by the War Office, although the scale was small and on one occasion the supply ran out during the meeting. Most of those who presented prizes for the competition also provided financial support.

Administrative arrangements for the meeting were undertaken by the permanent staff of the Range and included messing and the erection of a tented camp. From 1872, however, advance parties of the competing detachments took on more of the administrative chores. The details of the 1872 competitions and the administrative arrangements for them have been preserved and are of interest. They are reproduced at Appendix 5.

Over the years the guns were changed for more modern equipments and the nature of the competitions changed from the somewhat individual character of the single gun firing to the more collective efforts of a battery of guns firing under the orders of its commander. This was of course in keeping with tactical developments and, since the NAA meeting was designed to be instructive as well as competitive, was right and proper.

It has been mentioned that Shoeburyness was not regarded as the best location for the NAA meeting. This view was strongly held by members of the Volunteer Corps who lived far away from Shoeburyness and this led to the formation of two Artillery Associations in Scotland, the City of Edinburgh and Midlothian Association and the West of Scotland Association. These were run on much the same lines as the NAA and had the same aims. The ranges were at Musselburgh and Granton on the Firth of Forth and at Irvine on the West Coast. The two Associations merged in 1883 to become the Scottish National Artillery Association. The first meeting was at Barry Links in 1884 where 113 gun detachments competed for the main prizes, then the Queen's Cup and the Waveney Cup. This Association itself merged with the National Artillery Association and from about 1908 all the competitions were run by the NAA. There still existed, however, a Scottish Prize Fund for making special awards to Scottish units winning the NAA competitions. This fund was transferred to the NAA in 1920 and continued to be used for its original purpose until 1964.

In 1881 the Association invited regular units to take part in a competition for which the NAA would present prizes, but confined to regulars only. Seven detachments took part, representing the School of Gunnery, Cork Defences, Dover Defences, Chatham Defences, Portsmouth Defences and Milford Haven Defences. The gun to be used was the 10-in. rifled muzzle loading gun and there were two targets, at 1200 and 1400 yards, to be fired at alternately. It was not surprising that the School of Gunnery won the competition for they carried out far more firing than the units of the Coast Defences, whose annual ammunition allocation was not generous. Portsmouth Defences took the second prize.

An unusual visitor at the 1895 competition at Shoeburyness was the armoured train of the 1st Sussex Artillery Volunteers. This was brought into service in 1893 by mounting an Armstrong 40 pr breech loader on to a railway truck suitably modified by employees of the London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Company who were also Volunteers. There was a break in the competitions from 1900 to 1903 due to the war in South Africa, but the competitions resumed at Shoeburyness in 1904. Up to 1908 the Artillery Volunteers were organised mainly for coast defence, with some mobile guns for landward defence of coast fortresses. Volunteer units had experimented with field batteries and although none of these was official, some became quite efficient in that role. Some units even went to the extent of employing mechanical transport with the guns and there is no doubt that this method of operation was more suitable for the Volunteers who had great difficulty in maintaining and managing suitable horse transport. Usually horses were hired from contractors for the practice camp season. With animals, as could be provided from such a source, the whole of the short training period could easily be taken up with getting horses into harness and without any real deployment training being done.

The era of the Volunteers was, however, coming to an end. The sophisticated equipment coming into service required units to be organised on a more formal basis and the Army was beginning to look for Reserve formations above the brigade level. This was more than had been possible with the Volunteers, organised as they were. There was also the stated requirement for a field force, composed entirely of part time soldiers, organised in peace as it would be for war, capable of serving alongside the regular army and possibly even overseas. Coupled with this was the need to formalise training and following on from that, terms of service. The latter required much more commitment from individuals. To achieve all of this the Territorial Force (TF) was formed in 1908.

The TF retained their coast defence role but were also required to find field artillery (one Howitzer and three field brigades) and a heavy battery for each of the fourteen Divisions which were to be formed. Completely new was the requirement for a horse artillery battery for each of the fourteen Mounted Brigades formed by the Yeomanry Regiments of the TF. The competitions were now divided into three groups, those for horse and field artillery, for medium artillery (the divisional heavy batteries) and the heavy artillery of the coast defences. These major changes in the Reserve Army took some time to achieve and the massive increase in horse drawn batteries caused serious problems in horse management and training for some time. Nevertheless the officers and other ranks of the Territorial Artillery rose to the occasion and by 1914 were ready to take their place in the field alongside their regular counterparts.

The nature of the competitions had to be changed and new rules devised. There were now so many batteries that only a proportion could compete and these batteries were to be selected by the Royal Artillery Officer Commanding Divisions or Districts. The horse and field batteries were to compete at the Okehampton Artillery ranges and the Coast Defence companies at the Isle of Wight with two 6-in. guns. Later 4.7-in and 12 pr QF guns were accepted as alternatives to the 6-in. From 1912 the entry to the competition for the Horse and Field batteries was confined to those attending the official practice camps and awards were based on the reports of the umpires covering the whole camp.

During the First World War competitions were suspended because all the Territorial Gunners were at their war stations, completing their training or forming cadres for new units. Nearly every field artillery brigade threw off a second, and in some cases a third, line unit, as did most of the heavy batteries and the Royal Horse Artillery (TF) batteries. By the time of the Armistice the Territorial Gunners were serving in every theatre of war where artillery units were present and some of them undertook garrison duties abroad before they returned home for demobilisation. In 1920 the Territorial Force was reformed, but there was some initial confusion over organisation, unit titles and terms of service, and it was not until 1921 until these problems were resolved. The old Territorial Force then became the Territorial Army. This new description was particularly chosen to acknowledge the fact that the war service of the Territorial Force had entitled it to be seen as part of the Army.

The annual competitions resumed in 1921 and there were three competitions:

Field Artillery (King's Prize)
Medium Artillery (The Prince of Wales's Prize)
Heavy Artillery (Coast Defence) (The King's Prize)

The following is an extract from an Appeal for Funds by the National Artillery Association due to the increasing numbers of units entering the competitions, sent to the Corporation of London, the City Companies and others in early 1925. It demonstrates the size of the Territorial Gunners at that stage.

"The Royal Regiment of Artillery (Territorial Army) consists of –

3 Horse Batteries 220 Field Batteries, in 58 Brigades 1 Pack Brigade 34 Medium Batteries, in 11 Brigades 38 Heavy Batteries, in 17 Brigades 12 Anti-Aircraft Batteries, in 4 Brigades

The different branches are made up of the following categories:-

- (i) **Anti-Aircraft:** 3-in. 20 cwt. gun, A.A. guns. The Brigade consists of three 8-gun batteries.
- (ii) **Light Artillery** (Horse Drawn): 13-pdr. Q.F. gun. Brigade consists of three 6-gun batteries.

Field (Horse and Mechanically Drawn): 18-pdr. Q.F. gun and 4.5 Q.F. Howitzer. Brigade consists of three 18-pdr. and one 4.5 (4-gun) batteries.

Pack: 3.7-in Howitzer. Brigade consists of three 4-gun batteries.

- (iii) **Medium Artillery** (Horse and Mechanically Drawn): 60-pdr. gun and 6-in. Howitzer. The Brigade consists of one 4-gun 60-pdr. battery and three 4-gun 6-in. Howitzer batteries.
- (iv) **Heavy Artillery**: 6-in. gun, 8-in. and 9.2-in. Howitzers; 6-in. gun. Brigade consists of three 4-gun batteries; Heavy Howitzer Brigade consists of four 4-gun batteries.
- (v) **Super Heavy Artillery**: 9.2-in. and 14-in. guns and 12-in Howitzers.

The FIELD ARTILLERY forms the bulk of the Artillery with the field army, used for the direct support of infantry and tanks. HORSE ARTILLERY are employed mainly with cavalry. PACK ARTILLERY are employed on the close support of infantry. MEDIUM ARTILLERY are employed on tasks beyond the range of field artillery, on harassing fire and counter-battery work and destructive tasks and SUPER HEAVY ARTILLERY on destructive tasks at long ranges."

In the same year it was decided to combine the field and medium competitions and in 1930 to allow two separate competitions for the heavy artillery since the drills and procedures for the 9.2-in. gun batteries were different for those of the 6-in. batteries. There were, therefore, from that time three separate competitions, one for Horse, Field and Medium Artillery, one for the 9.2-in. guns of the Heavy (Coast) Artillery and one for the 6-in. guns of that branch. This was the nature of the competitions up to 1939 when the competitions for that year were abandoned because of the outbreak of the war. The venue of the competitions had also changed, the batteries being allowed to fire their competition series at whatever location their annual camp took place. The Ranges in use at that time were Larkhill, Redesdale, Trawsfynydd, West Down, Buddon and Okehampton. By 1936 the competitions had been reorganised so that the winners at each Practice Camp attended a Final Competition at Larkhill, normally in September of each year. This did, of course, produce an atmosphere of competition more akin to the earlier competitions at Shoeburyness and was regarded as much more of an occasion than simply taking part in a competition which was part of a normal Practice Camp. Similar centralised venues were arranged for the coast defence batteries.

The NAA pamphlet for 1937 gives the rules for the competitions for Heavy Brigades and Field Artillery Competitions and lists the numerous cups and trophies to be won. For the Horse, Field and Medium competitions there was, as first prize, the King's Cup (with £25 from the Secretary of State for War), £15 from the Lords and Commons and Sir William Dupree's Silver Cup for the Battery Commander. Second prize was £10 from the Worshipful Company of Ironmongers and £10 from the Brooshooft Request. Third prize was £5 from the NAA and, from Messrs J H Stewart Ltd, a telescope for the Battery Commander. Prizes, first second and third, for the 9.2-in. and 6.in. gun competitions were similar. Besides these trophies the following were also to be won:

The Corporation and City of London Challenge Cup
Scotland's Challenge Cup
The Turnbull Challenge Cup
The McMurdo Challenge Cup
The Stradbroke Challenge Cup
The Financial Times Challenge Cup
The Cadiz (or Waveney) Challenge Cup
The Harcourt Challenge Cup
The Cinque Ports Challenge Cup
The Dewar Challenge Cup
The Dewar Challenge Cup
The Vane Stow Challenge Cup
The Lewis-Barned Challenge Cup
The Coxen Challenge Cup
The Bicknell Trophy

The Association was most fortunate in 1933 in having a distinguished officer to present the prizes, HRH The Duke of Connaught, who was Patron of the Association, and there was another Royal occasion the following year when HRH The Duke of Kent made the presentations.

In 1935 the officer presenting the prizes was the Adjutant General, Lieutenant General Sir Harry Knox KCB DSO, who was representing the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Sir Archibald Montgomery-Massingberd, who was unable to be present. The ceremony again took place in the Guildhall and the HAC mounted the Guard of Honour and provided the Band. In 1936 the Guest of Honour was the Secretary of State for War, Alfred Duff Cooper and in 1937 the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Field Marshal Sir Cyril Deverell GCB KBE presented the prizes. The event took place at the Guildhall where the HAC again performed the honours.

Of the many personalities who have given unstinted support to the NAA a number must be mentioned in this booklet. In 1895 the President of the Council was Lieutenant Colonel The Earl of Stradbroke and he was to continue as President or Vice President for over forty years. In 1938, under the Presidency of Lord Stradbroke, the Council included General The Viscount Gort, Major General C F Liardet, Colonel Sir Joseph Nall MP, General Sir William Kirke, Colonel W H Barrell, Colonel J J (later Lord) Llewellin MP, and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel (later Brigadier) C W Raw. The Honorary Secretary was Major G L Kitson. Another great supporter was Brigadier Sir Douglas Crawford, who had himself been a Battery Commander of a winning battery in 1937. The Prizegiving of 1937 is of particular note in that The Sunday Times Anti-Aircraft Trophy was presented at the Guildhall with the NAA Trophies. This was not to happen again until 1968.

In 1939 competitions were abandoned because of the threat of war and none were to take place during the war. Unfortunately they did not recommence when the Territorial Army reformed after the war. Almost from the moment of its reformation the TA was in a continuous state of reorganisation and was not very well recruited. It was to be some years before it was to regain its efficiency and it was felt that until some stability had been achieved the competitions would serve little purpose. There had been no Annual General Meeting since 1938 and no formal Council Meeting, although some members did meet informally from time to time. In 1959 the Director Royal Artillery was told that unless he saw any prospect of recommencing the competitions in the near future the Association would have to be disbanded. Whatever had been the official view of the matter, and it would seem that in the immediate post war year little official encouragement was given to the Association, this now changed and a promise was given that the competitions would recommence. It is worthy of note, in this context, that the AA competitions recommenced in 1954 and had been going strong ever since, but these were not, at that time, under the control of the Association.

The force behind the revival of the Association's activities was Major General Sir Claude Liardet, a pre-war Council Member and CRA of the London Division. In early 1961 he formed an Executive Committee to plan for the resumption of the competitions and a full revival of the Association. Major G L Kitson became Secretary again and Brigadier C W Raw acted as Treasurer. Colonel E A Shipton and Lieutenant Colonel P W S Boult who had recently completed tours of duty as Honorary Colonel and Commanding Officer, respectively, of 290 (City of London) Field Regiment RA Ta, made up this ad hoc Committee. Colonel Shipton became Chairman of the Council in 1963 and served until 1970 when he was relieved by Lieutenant Colonel Boult who held the office until 1979.

Up to the time of his death HRH The Duke of Connaught had been Patron of the Association. In 1952 it had been decided to ask HM The Queen to become Patron, but this was deferred until competitions recommenced. Accordingly in 1962 an approach was made to The Queen, Captain General of the Royal Artillery, and Her Majesty graciously agreed to become Patron and remains so today.

There had been considerable changes in equipment over the years when there were no competitions and coast artillery had been disbanded. When the competitions resumed in 1962 they were for field branch artillery only. There were three prizes: 1st prize – HM The Queen's Cup and The NAA Cup, 2nd prize – The City of London Challenge Cup and 3rd prize – The Financial Times Challenge Cup (changed the next year to the Cadiz Challenge Trophy) and these were presented at the Mansion House by the Master Gunner, General Sir Robert Mansergh GCB KBE MC. The Lord Mayor presided and the Chairman was Major General Sir Claude Liardet. The Guard of Honour was provided by a regular unit, 14 Field Regiment RA, commanded by Captain I H Branton, who later commanded 102 (Ulster) Light Air Defence Regiment RA TA. After the inspection of the Guard of Honour in Walbrook all those present moved into the Egyptian Hall for the presentation.

Anti-Aircraft Artillery had been formed at the beginning of World War I and had expanded rapidly during the war. When the time came in 1920 to reform the Territorials, it was decided that the greater part of the Anti-Aircraft Branch of the Royal Artillery was to be provided by the Territorial Army. It was most logical that this should be so and that the AA defence of the UK should be entrusted to the TA. Having got themselves organised the AA Terriers wanted annual competitions similar to those of the NAA. Firm proposals were put forward in 1927, but nothing was done. The proposals were revived in 1932 and in the following year Lord Ebbisham offered a trophy for such a competition. There is, unfortunately, no record why competitions could not be organised as none took place. Eventually Lord Kemsley decided to "go it alone" and offered a trophy for an AA competition which was to be called the "Sunday Times Competition". At the same time the Daily Telegraph and Morning Post offered a cup for AA height takers. At last the idea took off and both these competitions took place in the summer of 1938. The winners were:

Sunday times Trophy – 52 (London) AA Brigade

Daily Telegraph Cup – 215 (Gosport & Fareham) AA Battery

Because of the international situation there were no competitions in 1939. They were suspended during the war but were started again in 1954, still quite separate from the NAA competitions. In 1968 the administration of these competitions was taken over by the NAA, 41 years after they had first proposed to run such a competition. In 1968 a trophy known as The Manorbier Trophy, after the location of the School of Anti-Aircraft Artillery, was presented for award to the runners up in the Sunday Times Competition.

From 1961 all meetings, the Annual General Meeting and the Council and Executive Committee Meetings, were held at the Duke of York's Headquarters in Chelsea. Whilst this was suitable as a central meeting point there were difficulties, not least with clerical and administrative support. The then Deputy Director Royal Artillery, Brigadier (later Major General) John Cordingley, offered the services of HQ DRA and persuaded the NAA, without difficulty, to hold the meetings at Woolwich. He and all successive Deputy Directors have been made Vice Presidents and have been an invaluable link between the Volunteers and the Regular Regiment. Since the demise of the post of Deputy Director RA in 1982, the Regular Regiment has been represented by the Regimental Brigadier, latterly Commander Training Brigade RA and now by the Regimental Colonel. Some Council Meetings have been held away from Woolwich in order to ensure that the Association was not seen to be too London orientated.

The two Directors Royal Artillery who were in office during the period when the competitions were planned and restarted, Major General Sir John Bates and Lieutenant General Sir Edward Howard-Vyse, were appointed Vice Presidents of the Association in recognition of their support during that difficult time. Successive Directors have continued to give that support and have always been associated with the Prizegiving.

The Centenary was celebrated in 1963 by a Ladies Dinner at Woolwich and since that date the NAA has had an Annual Dinner on the evening before the Prizegiving ceremony. In recent years it has always been held in the RA Mess in Woolwich in conjunction with the TA Officers' Dinner. The Prizegiving of 1963, the 100th anniversary of the Association, was graced by the presence of HRH Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone, who presented the trophies at the Mansion House in the City of London.

A new tradition, established in 1964, was that the President of the NAA should be the Master Gunner St James's Park. Thereafter successive Master Gunners, General Sir Robert Mansergh, Field Marshal Sir Geoffrey Baker, General Sir Harry Tuzo, General Sir Thomas Morony, General Sir Martin Farndale and Field Marshal The Lord Vincent have regularly attended the Dinners, Prizegivings and other functions of the Association.

1967 was a year of fundamental change for the Territorial Army which was disbanded and replaced by the Territorial and Army Volunteer Reserve. The reduction in the size of the new force, compared with the old was, however, so great that many units had to leave the Orbat. Of the forty four regiments and three independent batteries of the Gunner TA only six regiments (including the HAC) and four independent batteries were to remain. These were, in addition, to be regiments for home defence service and of these fourteen were to be Gunner badged and were the successors of former RA (TA) units. The latter did not, however, have an artillery role and did not take part in the competitions.

Most of the funds of the Association came from subscriptions of private individuals, the City Livery Companies and the like. As mentioned earlier, an appeal was launched in 1925 to meet the needs of a growing Association then. "The needs of the Association are now greater than in the past, as owing to the falling off of the subscriptions and donations during and after the war, the increasing number of units entering and the larger number of men required in each competing unit, the Funds are being rapidly depleted." This situation reoccurred in 1964/65 and an appeal was again launched, followed by others in 1974 and in the early 1990s. These appeals, together with a substantial number of officers paying membership fees, have provided capital which has been invested and the income helps to meet the ever increasing costs of the Annual Prizegiving Ceremony.

The University Officer Training Corps competition was started in 1967 and at first only Oxford and Cambridge competed. It was to be some time before all the UOTCs with Gunner Sections were able to take part.

In 1969 the Ministry of Defence announced an enhancement to the Gunner TA to provide better air defence cover to the Army.

102 (Ulster & Scottish) Light Air Defence Regiment was raised in Northern Ireland with RHQ at Newtonards and 207 (Scottish) Battery in Glasgow with a detached troop in Edinburgh. In July 1969 212 (Highland) Battery was formed at Arbroath and 207 Battery adopted the title (Lowland).

213 (South Lancashire Artillery) Air Defence Battery was formed at St Helens as part of 103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Air Defence Regiment and 214 (Worcestershire) Air Defence Battery was formed at Worcester as the third battery of 104 Air Defence Regiment.

The Prizegiving that year took place at the Mansion House with the Lord Mayor, Sir Charles Trinder GBE presiding. The Director Royal Artillery presented the trophies. The following year it was decided that Sir Robert Mansergh should be asked to present the prizes in his last year of office as Master Gunner. Sir Robert was taken into hospital just before the event and the prizes were presented by the Lord Mayor, Sir Ian Bowater. Sadly Sir Robert Mansergh died later that year and Field Marshal Sir Geoffrey Baker was appointed Master Gunner in his place. Sir Geoffrey was elected President of the NAA at the Annual General Meeting in April 1971 and he presented the trophies at the Prizegiving that year.

By 1970 the Association was fully re-established and the competitions, Annual Prizegiving and the Dinner and the AGM and Council and Executive Committee Meetings all took place as planned, but there were to be many changes during the 1970s. It was at that time that Colonel Eric Shipton decided to step down as Chairman of the Council. Lieutenant Colonel P W S Boult was elected to that position and in accepting the office paid tribute to Colonel Shipton for all that he had done to put the NAA on the map. The Treasurer at that time was Major W E (Bill) Easeman and the Secretary Major E C (Ted) Peasley who was to hold office for 18 years.

At the beginning of the decade there were three main Challenge Trophies: The Queen's Cup, The NAA Cup and The University Challenge Cup, besides The Sunday Times Trophy and The Manorbier Trophy for the Air Defence units. The NAA administered these competitions as it had done since 1968. There were five other cups and trophies held in the RA Mess against possible future use. All were put into a state of repair and insured accordingly.

In 1970 it was suggested that some form of competition might be run for Army Cadet Force detachments badged to the Royal Regiment, but nothing came of this idea. By this time The Queen's Cup competition had undergone a major change. Hitherto regiments were judged on a special exercise during their Annual Camp at either Sennybridge, Larkhill or Otterburn. The winning regiment at each produced a battery to compete in the Final Competition, staged at Larkhill during the month of September. Deployment, fire and movement and fire planning were all part of the competition. But now, following the major reorganisation of the TA and the wholesale disbandment of so many regiments, the battery had to become the competitive unit. The BRA UKLF, assisted by the Gunnery Staff, took over the responsibility for setting and judging the competition which, in essence, remained very much the same as before.

In 1971 Prizegiving at the Mansion House had as the Guest of Honour, The Right Honourable Selwyn Lloyd CH CBE TD MP, Speaker of the House of Commons and it was he who presented the prizes. The Guard of Honour was formed by 211 (South Wales) Light AD Battery and the Band of the HAC was in attendance.

During the 1970s the Prizegiving Ceremony took place at the Mansion House, except on three occasions. The Master Gunner St James's Park and the Lord Mayor usually shared the duties, one presiding and one presenting the prizes. On the occasion when the Lord Mayor was unable to be present other distinguished public figures have presented the trophies. These included, in addition to Princess Alice, General Sir William Stirling and Lord Mancroft. In 1978 and 1980 the ceremony took place in the Livery Hall of the Guildhall, where most Prizegivings had taken place between the wars. In 1979 the Master Gunner, General Sir Harry Tuzo, presented the trophies at a ceremony at Woolwich.

In 1973 The TAURUS Trophy was awarded to the Light Air Defence Battery which had achieved the best progress and overall performance during the year in a subject chosen by the Commander 23 Artillery Brigade. The first winner was 207 (Scottish) Light Air Defence Battery RA(V) commanded by Major G J S Baxter.

In 1977 it was decided to hold a competition for the Headquarter batteries of the Air Defence regiments. The first winner was Headquarter Battery, 103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Air Defence Regiment RA(V) under the command of Major T A K Wilson. In the same year 289 Parachute Battery RHA(V) had to relinquish its parachute role and RHA status, but was transferred to another prestigious role with the Royal Marine Commandos. It became 289 Commando Battery RA(V) and was placed under the command of 29 Commando Regiment RA.

At the AGM on 24th April 1979, held at the RA Mess, Woolwich, Lieutenant Colonel Peter Boult gave up the office of Chairman of the Council. He would undoubtedly have been reelected had it not been for his determination to hand over to someone else. Colonel Boult had been one of those who had revitalised the NAA in the 1960s and the whole Association was grateful for his efforts. His successor was Colonel D A H (David) Sime OBE MC TD, who took office at the AGM. Colonel Boult was elected a Vice President of the Association.

The 1980s opened with the news that the Sunday Times had reluctantly decided to terminate their sponsorship of the Air Defence Competition. It will be recalled that the Sunday Times Trophy was first awarded in 1938 when there was a big expansion of the AA units of the TA. It was a coveted award and a sad occasion in 1980 when the trophy was won for the last time by 210 (Staffordshire) Air Defence Battery who were allowed to retain the trophy on long-term loan. Fortunately a new sponsor was found through the efforts of Colonel G Spate OBE TD DL, a member of Council. The British Petroleum Company agreed to give their name and sponsorship to a new Air Defence trophy in the form of a silver model of a Blowpipe detachment in action, a magnificent piece of silver. The TA Air Defence Regiments had converted to the new Blowpipe weapon system in 1977 and 1978 and new competition rules were devised. It was a coincidence that the well-known initials of British Petroleum happen to be the same as the Army abbreviation for the Blowpipe system.

By 1981 there were three Observation Post batteries in the TA Order of Battle and a competition for these batteries was organised.

The 1981 Prizegiving was held on the 31st October at the Mansion House with the Lord Mayor, Colonel Sir Ronald Gardner-Thorpe, presenting the trophies. Major General Sir John Bates presided. The Guard of Honour was mounted by Headquarter Battery of the 103rd Air Defence Regiment under command of Captain D L Smith RA(V) and the music was provided by the Royal Artillery Band. The following year the ceremony was carried out at the Guildhall with the prizes being presented by General Sir Edward Burgess, Inspector General of the TA. The Guard of Honour was provided by 289 Commando Battery RA(V) under command of Captain J R Thomson RA(V), with the RA Band in attendance.

1982 saw the end of eighteen years service as Secretary by Major E C (Ted) Peasley. In announcing that the Secretary was not offering himself for re-election the Chairman, Colonel David Sime paid tribute to his work over many years and thanked him for offering to stay on to advise his successor. Major M J Harrison TD offered his services and was elected as Secretary.

In 1983 The National Artillery Association was 120 years old. During those years the Association and the Artillery of the Territorial Army had seen much change. From the plethora of small independent units of 1863, through the two hundred or so regiments in 1939, the Territorial Army in 1983 mustered only the HAC, five Gunner regiments and four independent batteries. But if they were small in number their efficiency was not in question. They were trained to take their place alongside their regular colleagues in 1st British Corps. Prizes were presented that year at the Guildhall by Major General R E J Gerrard-Wright, the Director Territorial Army and Cadets. The Guard of Honour was formed by C (Glamorgan Yeomanry) Troop, 211 (South Wales) Air Defence Battery RA(V) under command of Captain D J Murphy RA(V), resplendent in their No. 1 Dress blues with Yeomanry shoulder chains and carrying their lances.

In 1984 there was some discussion about a Headquarter Battery competition for the field artillery and this was introduced that same year. The trophy was a cup donated by the Surrey Yeomanry Trust and this was presented for the first time at the 1984 Prizegiving by the Lord Mayor, Sir Alan Traill GBE. On this occasion the Guard of Honour and Band were formed by the South Notts Hussars.

The Quartermaster General, General Sir Richard Trant, was the Guest of Honour at the 1985 Prizegiving. He was received at the Guildhall by a Guard of Honour of 205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Battery RA(V) of 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regiment RA(V) commanded by Major W B J McVicker RA(V). The South Notts Hussars Band provided the music. The 1986 Prizegiving was one of the few occasions when the weather was too bad to hold an outdoor ceremony. The Guard of Honour, provided by 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regiment RA(V), together with the Royal Artillery Band, paraded inside the Great Hall of the Guildhall to receive the Guest of Honour, Lieutenant General Sir John Akehurst, Commander UK Field Army and Inspector General of the Territorial Army.

During 1986/87 the TA was expanded to meet a perceived increase in tasking in support of 1st (British) Corps and Home Defence. In the Gunner TA the increases were partly in the form of enhancements to establishments, but it had been decided that a higher level of air defence cover was required for the field force. Accordingly, five new batteries were formed and TA Gunners in Scotland were particularly delighted to have a regiment of their own. Headquarters 105 (Scottish) Air Defence Regiment took command of 207 (Lowland) and 212 (Highland) Batteries and formed two new batteries, 218 (Lothian) at West Lothian and in 1989 219 (City of Dundee) Battery at Dundee.

102 Regiment became (Ulster), retained command of 206 Battery and formed another, 215 (North Down) Battery at Lisburn. It was not only the Scottish Gunners who greeted the expansion. The additional battery for 103 Regiment was to be 216 Battery at Bolton, formed out of the Bolton Troop of 209 Battery and was granted the sub-title of "Bolton Artillery", 209 Battery changing its title to "Manchester Artillery". In 104 Regiment a new battery was formed at Cwmbran with the title 217 (County of Gwent) Air Defence Battery.

In 1986 after almost 25 years of devoted service as Honorary Treasurer Major Bill Easeman handed over to Lieutenant Colonel Peter Binder TD.

1988 was the 125th Anniversary of the Association and to mark the occasion a special guest, Field Marshal the Lord Bramall, HM Lord Lieutenant of Greater London, was invited to present the prizes. The Master Gunner presided and the Association was honoured, once again, to have the Lord Mayor, Sir Christopher Collett, present. The Guard of Honour was mounted by 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regiment RA(V) and the Royal Artillery Band played for the parade and the reception. Lord Bramall paid tribute to the Volunteer Gunners and presented the prizes except for the BP Trophy which was presented by Mr Hugh Norton representing the British Petroleum Company.

In order to commemorate this anniversary in a more tangible form Brigadier Sidney Robertson, a Vice President, organised the making of a fire screen, which the National Artillery Association presented to the RA Mess.

In 1989, after a successful tenure of ten years as Chairman of the Council, Colonel David Sime OBE MC TD handed over to Colonel Mike Taylor CBE TD. Colonel Sime was elected to be a Vice President of the Association. A further change took place in 1991, when, after a run of ten years, Major Mike Harrison relinquished the Honorary Secretaryship to Major Andrew Dines.

In 1992 it was announced that the Territorial Army was to be reduced in size in line with the reductions in the Regular Army, published by the Government in 1991 as "Options for Change". The Territorial Army, as had been envisaged in the expansion of 1986/87, had been unable to recruit to its full establishment and the Government felt that its establishment should be reduced to a recruitable figure. These changes in the Army were a direct result of the lessening of tension in Europe after the collapse of the Eastern Bloc. Whatever the truth of the matter, or the political will to do otherwise, the public perception was that the defence forces should be reduced in line with the perceived decreased threat. Only time would tell whether this was right or not.

These reductions were felt across the whole of the Territorial Army and the TA Gunners were no exception. The Honourable Artillery Company was left intact. 100 (Yeomanry) Field Regiment had to suffer the sad loss of 200 (Sussex Yeomanry) Field Battery at Brighton so that a Sapper unit could be formed there. In its place 100 Regiment took command of 307 (South Notts Hussars Yeomanry RHA) Battery which converted from the observation post role. At the same time the regiment converted from the 105mm light gun to the 155mm FH 70 Howitzer. There were no major changes to the batteries of 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regiment, but the opportunity was taken to commemorate one of the regiment's antecedents by granting the title "Tynemouth Volunteer Artillery" to the Headquarter Battery. 101 Regiment also began to convert from the light gun to FH 70.

269 (West Riding Artillery) Battery became a field battery and was placed under command of 19 Field Regiment RA, stationed at Colchester and part of 24 Airmobile Brigade. This was a great honour for the West Riding Gunners for they became the third battery of this regular regiment.

266 (Gloucestershire Volunteer Artillery) OP battery was placed under command, as a field battery equipped with the light gun, of 7^{th} Parachute Regiment RHA. They donned the famous red beret and were redesignated 266 (Gloucestershire Volunteer Artillery) Battery RHA(V) as the fourth battery of that famous regiment.

The air defence units did not fare so well. The fourteen batteries were to reduce to nine and the four regiments to three. It was with great regret that the DRA had to decide that it was 102 (Ulster) Regiment which had to go. 206 Battery was to remain as the only Gunner unit in Ulster, but was to be under command of 105 (Scottish) Regiment. The battery changed its Territorial title from "Coleraine" to "Ulster". 215 (North Down) Battery was placed in suspended animation. In 103 Regiment the integrity of the unit was maintained by amalgamating 213 (South Lancashire Artillery) Air Defence Battery with Headquarters Battery under the title 213 (South Lancashire Artillery) Headquarters Battery. The regiment was therefore reduced to three air defence batteries. In 104 Regiment 217 (County of Gwent) Battery was placed in suspended animation.

In Scotland the blow was heavier as 105 (Scottish) Air Defence Regiment had to reduce from four to two batteries so that it could take under command, as its third battery, 206 (Ulster) Battery in Northern Ireland. Accordingly, 218 (Lothian) and 219 (City of Dundee) Batteries were placed in suspended animation.

And so the competitions in 1992 were held against a background of major reductions and reorganisation, but this was nothing new to the Territorial Gunners as evidenced by another round of successful competitions in 1993. The TA seems to be able to expand, reduce and reorganise as part of a continuing process and yet it never falters. The effects of "Options for Change" were absorbed and the reorganisations carried out without bitterness and almost as part of normal activities. There was great sadness at the loss of the Ulster regiment and the five air defence batteries, and the transfer of the Sussex Yeomanry Gunners to the Sappers, although the latter did not last more than two years when the role reversed with the formation of 106 Regiment. Because the gunner element of the TA has always been well recruited some officers and other ranks had to leave their units and perhaps even retire from the TA in order that the reorganised units could get their strength down to the new establishment. Later it was announced that units would be allowed to overbear on their establishments so that the effect of the overall reductions would not be felt as early as was originally thought. To those officers and other ranks who had to leave the TA the National Artillery Association here records its thanks for their services.

In 1995 Major Andrew Dines relinquished the Honorary Secretaryship to Major Denis Rollo, but continuing as Prizegiving Secretary.

The mid-1990s saw "Options for Change" quickly followed by a "Strategic Defence Review". Unusually this actually resulted in an increase in the Gunner TA Orbat and the establishment of a new regiment. 106 Regiment took over Grove Park in South London from 100 Regiment, with that regiment moving its centre of gravity North of London. The formation of 106 Regiment also saw the return of a sub-unit from the Sappers. 218 Battery was re-established as 218 (City of Edinburgh) Headquarters Battery of 105 Regiment.

101 (Northumbrian) Regiment RA(V) acquired MLRS in January 1998. The first TA regiment to make a complete "volte face" from FH 70 and the towed gun culture in which the regiment had been steeped for a long time. The regiment achieved its Collective Training Objectives by firing a salvo of all its 12 launchers six months later at Castlemartin Ranges. Not a mean feat for a volunteer regiment.

With the replacement of Blowpipe by first Javelin and then HVM (Starstreak) and the employment of some TA regiments as war reinforcement manpower, without the need for headquarters batteries, the Orbat evolved by 2002 to the following:

Honourable Artillery Company – unchanged.

- 100th (Yeomanry) Regiment Royal Artillery (Volunteers) AS 90 reinforcements (equipped with Light Gun)
- 101st (Northumbrian) Regiment Royal Artillery (Volunteers) MLRS regiment
- 103rd (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Regiment Royal Artillery (Volunteers) AS 90 reinforcements (equipped with Light Gun)
- 104th Regiment Royal Artillery (Volunteers) Javelin regiment, replaced by HVM (LML) in 2003
- 105th Regiment Royal Artillery (Volunteers) HVM regiment.

At battery level there was some tidying up, a return to TA command of the former OP batteries that had been placed under the command of regular regiments and some changes in titles to reflect new locations. 103 Regiment losing 213 (South Lancashire Artillery) Headquarters Battery. The TA Orbat in 2003 is:

HAC Gun Troop and 1,2 and 3 Squadrons

100 Regt 201 (Herefordshire and Bedfordshire Yeomanry) Bty

266 (Gloucestershire Volunteer Artillery) Bty 307 (South Notts Hussars Yeomanry RHA) Bty

101 Regt 203 (Elswick) Bty

204 (Tyneside Scottish) Bty

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Bty

Headquarters (Tynemouth Volunteer Artillery) Bty

103 Regt 208 (3rd West Lancashire) Bty

209 (Manchester and St Helens) Bty

216 (Bolton Artillery) Bty

104 Regt 210 (Staffordshire) Bty

211 (South Wales) Bty

214 (Worcestershire) Bty

217 (City of Newport) Headquarters Bty

105 Regt 206 (Ulster) Bty

207 (City of Glasgow) Bty

212 (Highland) Bty

218 (City of Edinburgh) Headquarters Bty

106 Regt 202 (Suffolk and Norfolk Yeomanry) Bty

265 (Home Counties) Bty 269 (West Riding) Bty

457 (Hampshire Yeomanry Carabiniers) Bty

These changes, which were welcomed by the TA as strengthening the position of the TA within the Regiment, also led to corresponding changes in NAA competitions. The return to inter-regimental field and air defence competitions became a practical aspiration following the years when the differing nature of equipment in most regiments had limited competitions to intra-regimental. This had necessitated the requirement for additional trophies in order to cover the various competitions organised within regiments and presented during the NAA Prizegiving Ceremonies. The NAA is particularly grateful to the Sheffield Artillery Volunteers Trust for the loan of two Queen's Prizes originally presented in 1872 and 1894. Other significant trophies have been made available by RAI, namely Queen's Prizes from the period 1895 to 1897 and a King's Prize from 1912.

In 2003 the challenge remains to incorporate the MLRS and Rapier batteries into generic Field and Air Defence competitions.

In late 1999 Major Denis Rollo handed over the Honorary Secretaryship to Major Matthew H Taylor TD. The valuable administrative assistance given over the period by CVHQ RA must be mentioned here.

The early 21st century saw significant changes in the management of the NAA. The Review of the Structure of Regimental Affairs in 2001 combined the Board of Management of the Charitable Fund and RAA with the RAI Committee into a unified Regimental Board of Management. The Review also took note of the role of the NAA and of the Councils of Scotland and Northern Ireland with their particular TA perspective and brought them under the regimental committee structure so that the affairs of the NAA are reported to the Board of management and the Board could make recommendations regarding NAA policy and activities.

At the same time, and to tidy up the process by which the TA contributed to the RAI, Charitable Fund, NAA and Central Sergeants' Mess, it was decided to instigate RAI battery subscriptions from which all these organisations would receive annual grants. This simplified part of the process by which the NAA had previously been funded, i.e. battery subscriptions and serving TA officers' subscriptions, often on the unfair basis of the willingness of a commanding officer to encourage his officers' support. The NAA continues to rely on the annual membership of serving and retired officers and on the generous donations of supportive RFCAs.

As the same time there was a need for the NAA to justify its value to the Regiment possibly because for the first time all TA regiments, including the HAC, were commanded by Regular officers. The justification for the NAA, spelt out in the introduction to this booklet, was encapsulated into Regimental Standing Orders and greater effort made to stress the value of the NAA in terms of its contribution to developing the ethos of the Regiment. To this end, in 2001 the NAA Summer Dinner was combined with the Annual TA Officers' Briefing Weekend at Woolwich which welcomes new officers into the Regiment. In 2002/03 the Prizegiving Weekend was held at Woolwich as part of a TA Weekend, including a TA Recruits' Pass-out Parade, the TA Officers' Briefing and Prizegiving Dinners in both the Officers' and Sergeants' messes. 206 (Ulster) Battery retained the BP Trophy and have been offered to retain the trophy on long-term loan. At the same time the NAA were presented with a magnificent 21" diameter silver "Armada" dish by Thales plc for future presentation to winners of the Air Defence competition.

The date of this weekend was changed from November 2002 to February 2003 for two reasons. Firstly, the demise of the Artillery Branch at HQ Land led to RHQ RA becoming responsible for the co-ordination of the Prizegiving Weekend and moving the event to February avoided a clash with Remembrance Sunday and the autumn Hail & Farewell Dinner, both also organised by RHQ RA. Secondly, it also allowed the full year for the completion of competitions.

2003 saw the handover as Chairman after 15 years at the helm of Colonel M J E Taylor CBE TD DL to Brigadier J R Thomson QVRM TD, who recently relinquished his appointment as Deputy Inspector General Territorial Army at HQ Land Command.

As part of the relocation of the regimental home from Woolwich to Larkhill between 2000 and 2010, and with increased budgetary constraints upon regiments, the chain of command decided that all NAA associated activities should be undertaken at Larkhill. Accordingly, in 2008 the NAA weekend was transferred from London to Larkhill and integrated into a new concept – exercise Bustard Challenge at Larkhill. This format was repeated in 2009, but again financial constraints across the army as a whole, and, in particular, the TA, caused any further weekends to be suspended. As a result, after 2009 the uncertain future for the reserve regiments, a lack of man training days and travelling restrictions resulted in hunkering down of the regiments and a postponement of the NAA competitions. The NAA therefore, again, effectively closed down from 2009 to 2013. The NAA Officers' Dinner was resurrected in February 2013 as part of the Reserve Forces Weekend at Larkhill and was repeated in February 2014, together with a small awards ceremony.

Brigadier John Thomson handed over the Chairmanship to Colonel Chris Comport in February 2013.

To those who still serve, and those who will come after them, the Association reaffirms its intention of continuing to act as the focus for the annual competitions which are now so much part of the Gunner Territorial Army scene.

To reiterate, the National Artillery Association was formed to foster the skills and the art of artillery. There is as great a need for this today as there was in 1863 and the NAA continues to fill this necessary role. The voluntary support and assistance given by the NAA still play an important part in improving efficiency through the medium of the competitive spirit.

THE NATIONAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION

(2003 restructuring of the Army Reserve Royal Artillery Units)

The Future Royal Artillery Reserves Structure (Fr 2020):

Honourable Artillery Company - STA Patrols & Light STA (LCMR) Regt

101st (Northumbrian) Regiment RA - MLRS Regiment

- 203 (Elswick) Bty RA
- 204 (Tyneside Scottish) Bty RA
- 205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA
- 269 (West Riding) Bty RA

103rd (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) RA – equipped with Light Gun

- 208 (3rd West Lancashire) Bty RA
- 209 (Manchester and St Helens) Bty RA
- 210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA
- 216 (Bolton Artillery) Bty RA

104th Regiment RA – UAS Regiment

- 211 (South Wales) Bty RA
- 214 (Worcestershire) Bty RA
- 217 (City of Newport) Bty RA
- 266 (Gloucestershire Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA

105th Regiment RA – equipped with Light Gun

- 206 (Ulster) Bty RA
- 207 (City of Glasgow) Bty RA
- 212 (Highland) Bty RA
- 278 (Lowland) Bty RA

106th (Yeomanry) Regiment RA – HVM LML and HVM SP Regiment

- 265 (Home Counties) Bty RA
- 295 (Hampshire Yeomanry) Bty RA
- 457 (Hampshire Yeomanry) Bty RA

CVHQRA - Watchkeepers, Liaison Officers & Specialists

- 221 (Wessex) Bty RA RA Specialist Pool
- 255 (Sommerset Yeomanry) Bty RA FACs

APPENDIX 1

WINNERS OF THE N A A COMPETITIONS The Volunteers 1863 – 1907

Winners of The Queen's Prize

1865	1 st Sussex	(Brighton)
1866	1 st Cinque Ports	(Ramsgate)
1867	4 th West Yorkshire	(Sheffield)
1868	5 th West Yorkshire	(Bowling)
1869	7 th West Yorkshire	(Batley)
1870	3 rd Middlesex	(London)
1871	Midlothian Coast	(Leith)
1872	4 th West Yorkshire	(Sheffield)
1873	15 th Lancashire	(Garston)
1874	1 st North Yorkshire	(Guisborough)
1875	10 th Kent (Royal Arsenal)	(Woolwich)
1876	1 st Lancashire	(Liverpool)
1877	1 st Hampshire	(Southampton)
1878	3 rd Middlesex	(London)
1879	4 th East Yorkshire	(Hull)
1880	2 nd Durham	(Seaham)
1881	2 nd Durham	(Seaham)
1882	2 nd Northumberland	(Alnwick)
1883	2 nd Middlesex (Customs House)	(London)
1884	2 nd Middlesex (Customs House)	(London)
1885	3 rd Middlesex	(London)
1886	2 nd Middlesex (Customs House)	(London)
1887	1 st London	(City of London)
1888	1 st Essex	(Stratford)
1889	4 th Durham	(West Hartlepool)
1890	1 st London	(City of London)
1891	1 st Cheshire and Caernaryonshire	(Chester)
1892	1 st Essex	(Stratford)
1893	1 st Essex	(Stratford)
1894	4 th West Yorkshire	(Sheffield)
1895	1 st Essex	(Stratford)
1896	Canadian Artillery	(Montreal)
1897	1 st Forfar	(Dundee)
1898	1 st Essex	(Stratford)
1899	1 st Essex	(Stratford)
1900 - 1903	No competitions due to the war in South Africa	` '

Winners of the King's Prize

1904	No. 3 Coy 2 nd Hampshire	(Southsea)
1905	No. 5 Coy 1 st Dorset	(Weymouth)
1906	No. 7 Coy 1 st Kent	(Gravesend)
1907	No. 7 Coy 1 st Cumberland	(Carlisle)
	Edinburgh (City Heavy Bty at Lydd	

Scottish National Artillery Association Awards

1884	Barry Links	7 th Bty Midlothian CAV	First prize in four classes
1886	Barry Links	Officers Det. Midlothian CAV	40-pdr RBL Gun
1887	Barry Links	Officers Det. Midlothian CAV	40-pdr RBL Gun
1893	Buddon	2 nd Bty, Major Myrtle	Queen's Cup
1894	Buddon	1 st Posn. Bty, Highland AV	Queen's Cup
1895	Buddon	Edinburgh (City)	Her Majesty's Cup
		2 nd Bty, Capt Cadell	Association Cup
1896	Buddon	2 nd Bty, Capt Cadell	Queen's Cup
1897	Buddon	1 st Bty, Capt Blaikie	Moving Target
1898	Buddon	1 st Bty, Capt Blaikie	2 nd Place, Queen's Cup
1899	Buddon	2 nd Bty, Lt Col Myrtle	Hobart Cup
1900	Buddon	2 nd Bty, Capt Findlay	Queen's Cup
1901	Buddon	1 st Bty, Capt Blaikie	Association Cup
		2 nd Bty, Capt Mackinlay	Association Cup
1902	Buddon	1st Heavy Bty, Midlothian	King's Cup
1903	Buddon	2 nd Bty, Capt Findlay	King's Cup
		Argyll & Bute	King's Cup
		Aberdeen	Playfair Cup
1904	Buddon	Aberdeen	King's Cup
1905	Buddon	2 nd Heavy Bty, Capt Findlay	King's Cup
1906	Buddon	1 st Bty, Major Mackinlay	Hobart Cup
1907	Buddon	3 rd Heavy Bty, Midlothian	King's Cup

THE TERRITORIAL FORCE 1908 – 1920

HM The King's Prize for Field Artillery

1908	2 nd Hants Bty, 1 st Wessex Bde RFA	(Major A E Cogswell)
1909	2 nd Hants Bty, 1 st Wessex Bde RFA	(Major A E Cogswell)
1910	2 nd Herts Bty, 4 th E Anglian Bde RFA	(Capt G L Holland)
1911	7 th Bty, 3 rd London Bde RFA	(Major F E Bartlett)
1912	3 rd Essex Bty, 2 nd E Anglian Bde RFA	(Major R M Laurie)
1913	1 st Ayrshire Bty, 2 nd Lowland Bde RFA	(Major J Walker)

During the Great War and until 1920 no competitions were held

HRH The Prince of Wales's Prize for Medium Artillery

1908	10th Bty, 4th London (How) Bde RFA	(Major E T Lea)
1909	Hants RGA	(Major FH Chaplin)
1910	No. 4 Coy, East Riding RGA	(Capt C Downs)
1911	Canadian Artillery	(Capt C Harris)
1912	3 rd Hants Bty, 1 st Wessex Bde RFA	(Major P McK Terry)
1913	11 th Bty, 4 th London (How) Bde RFA	(Major F H Bowater)

During the Great War and until 1920 no competitions were held

HM The King's Prize (No. 2) for Heavy Artillery

1908	No. 4 Coy, East Riding RGA	(Capt C Downs)
1909	No. 1 Coy, East Riding RA	(Capt A Pudsey)
1910	North Midlands (Staffs) RGA	(Major W Hind)
1911	10 th Bty, 4 th London (How) Bde RFA	(Major W Bridges)
1912	No. 2 Coy, Dorset RGA	(Capt WH Budge)
1913	No. 4 Coy, Hants RGA	(Capt WH Barrell)

During the Great War and until 1920 no competitions were held

THE TERRITORIAL ARMY 1921 – 1929

HM The King's Prize for Field Artillery

1921	302 nd Bty, 76 th (Highland) Bde RFA	(Major J Ogilvy Shepherd MC)
1922	302 nd Bty, 76 th (Highland) Bde RFA	(Major J Ogilvy Shepherd MC)
1923	347 th Bty, 87 th (1 st West Lancs) Bde RFA	(Major E R W Bullin MC)
	297 th Bty, 75 (Highland) Bde RFA	(Major N Fraser-Tytler DSO)
	Tied first and second	
1924	355 th Bty, 89 th (3 rd W Lancs) Field Bde RA	(Major E Rimmer)
1925	297 th Bty, 75 (Highland) Bde RA	(Major N Fraser-Tytler DSO)
1926	215 th (Gosport) Bty, 54 th Wessex Bde RFA	(Major M H N House DSO TD)
1927	344 th Bty, 86 th (1 st Anglian) Herts	
	Yeomanry Field Bde	(Major W R D Robertson)
1928	No. 1 Bty, 11 th (HAC and City of London	
	Yeomanry) Bde RHA	(Major T E Robins DSO)
1929	218 TH (Bournemouth) Bty, 95 th (Hampshire	
	Yeomanry) Field Bde RA	(Major S F Burne)

HM The King's Prize for Medium Artillery

1921	1 st Bty, 2 nd Lowland (Medium) Bde RGA	(Major E C Thomson MC)
1922	1 st Bty, 57 th Lowland Bde RGA	(Major J C Strachan)
1923	217 th Bty, 55 th (Northumbrian) Bde RGA	(Major H Wilson)
1924	205 th Bty, 52 nd (Kent) Medium Bde RA	(Major H J Hedley)

HM The King's Prize for Heavy Artillery

1921	No. 4 Bty, Hants RGA	(Major W H Barrell OBE TD)
1922	No. 4 Bty, Hants RGA	(Major W H Barrell OBE TD)
1923	No. 156 Bty, Hants RGA	(Major W H Barrell OBE TD)
1924	180 th Bty, Dorset Heavy Bde RGA	(Major J J Llewellin OBE MC)
1925	180 th Bty, Dorset Heavy Bde RA	(Major J J Llewellin OBE MC)
1926	176 th (Ipswich) Bty, Suffolk Heavy Bde	(Capt J H Allen MC)
1927	168th Bty, Kent Heavy Bde RA	(Capt C W Raw)
1928	176 th (Ipswich) Battery, Suffolk Heavy Bde	(Capt J H Allen MC)
1929	185 th Bty, Pembrokeshire Heavy Bde RA	(Major G T Kelway)

THE TERRITORIAL ARMY 1930 – 1966

1930

HM The King's Cup for Horse, Field, Light and Medium Artillery

2nd 236 Bty, 59 (4th West Lancs) Medium Bde RA (TA)

3rd 430 Bty, 108 (Suffolk & Norfolk) Army Bde RA

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 9.2" Competition

1st 187 Bty, Durham Heavy Bde RA (TA) (Major W A Macfarlane MC)

2nd 168 Bty, Kent Heavy Bde RA (TA)

HRH The Prince of Wales's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 6" Competition

1st 179 Bty, Dorset Heavy Bde RA (TA)

2nd 164 Bty, Cornwall Heavy Bde RA (TA)

3rd 184 Bty, Pembroke Heavy Bde RA (TA)

1931

HM The King's Cup for Horse, Field, Light and Medium Artillery

1st 344 (How) Bty, 86 (East Anglian) Field Bde (TA) Major W R D Robertson)

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 9.2" Competition

1st 182 Bty, East Riding Heavy Bde (TA) (Major A V Rhodes)

1932

No competitions held

1933

HM The King's Cup for Horse, Field, Light and Medium Artillery

1st (City of London Yeomanry) Bty, 11 (HAC and City of London Yeomanry) Bde RHA (TA) (Major E W Goldsworthy)

2nd 271 Bty, 68 (South Midlands) Field Bde RA (TA)

3rd 244 Bty, 61 (North Midlands) Field Bde RA (TA)

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 6" Competition

- 1st 179 Weymouth Bty, Dorset Heavy Bde RA (TA) (Major G G H Symes TD)
- 2nd 184 Bty, Pembroke Heavy Bde RA (TA)

HRH The Prince of Wales's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 9.2" Competition

- 1st 185 Bty, Pembroke Heavy Bde RA (TA)
- 2nd 180 Bty, Dorset Heavy Bde RA (TA)

1934

HM The King's Cup for Horse, Field, Light and Medium Artillery

- 1st B Bty, 11 (HAC and City of London Yeomanry)
 Bde RHA (Major T Smith)
- 2nd 401 Bty, 101 (Queen's Own Royal Glasgow Yeomanry) Army Field Bde RA (TA)
- 3rd 356 Bty, 89 (3rd West Lancs) Field Bde RA (TA)
- 3rd 226 Bty, 57 (Home Counties) Field Bde RA (TA)
- 3rd 344 Bty, 86 (East Anglian) Field Bde RA (TA)

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 9.2" Competition

- 1st 181 Bty, Glamorgan Heavy Bde RA (TA) (Major S T Evans MC)
- 2nd 166 Bty, Suffolk Heavy Bde RA (TA)

HRH The Prince of Wales's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 9.2 Competition

- 1st 182 Bty, East Riding Heavy Bde RA (TA)
- 2nd 157 Bty, Devon & Cornwall Heavy Bde RA (TA)

1935

HM The King's Cup for Horse, Field, Light and Medium Artillery

- 1st 236 Bty, 59 (4th West Lancs) Medium Bde RA (TA) (Major P J D Toosey)
- 2nd 281 Bty, 71 (West Riding) Field Bde RA (TA)
- 3rd 223 Bty, 56 (Devon) Army Field Bde RA (TA)

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 9.2" Competition

1st 168 Bty, Kent & Sussex Heavy Bde RA (TA) (Major C W Raw) 187 Bty, Durham Heavy Bde RA (TA)

HRH The Prince of Wales's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 6" Competition

1st 171 Bty, Clyde Heavy Bde RA (TA) 179 Bty, Dorset Heavy Bde RA (TA)

1936

HM The King's Cup for Horse, Field, Light and Medium Artillery

- 1st 363 Bty, 91 (4th London) Field Bde RA (TA) (Major V W Wright MC MM)
- 2nd 342 Bty, 86 (East Anglian) Field Bde RA (TA)
- 3rd 355 Bty, 89 (3rd West Lancs) Field Bde RA (TA)

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery - 9.2" Competition

- 1st 176 Bty, Suffolk Heavy Bde RA (TA) (Major J H Allen MC TD)
- 2nd 162 Bty, Forth Heavy Bde RA (TA)

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 6" Competition

- 1st 166 Bty, Suffolk Heavy Bde RA (TA)
- 2nd 181 Bty, Glamorgan Heavy Bde RA (TA)

1937

HM The King's Cup for Horse, Field, Light and Medium Artillery

- 1st 235 Bty, 59 (4th West Lancs) Medium Bde RA (TA) (Major D I Crawford)
- 2nd 357 Bty, 90 (City of London) Field Bde RA (TA)
- 3rd 319 Bty, 80 (Lowland) Field Bde RA (TA)

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 9.2" Competition

- 1st 184 Bty, Pembroke Heavy Bde RA (TA) (Bt Major Lord Merthyr)
- 2nd 180 Bty, Dorset Heavy Bde RA (TA)

Heavy Artillery - 6" Competition - Abandoned

1938

HM The King's Cup for Horse, Field and Medium Artillery

- 1st 401 Bty, 101 Queen's Own Royal Glasgow Yeomanry) Army Field Bde RA (TA) Major T U Wilson MBE
- 2nd 258 Bty, 65 (8th London) Field Bde RA TA
- 3rd 342 Bty, (East Anglian) Field Bde RA (TA)

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 9.2" Competition

- 1st 155 Bty, Hampshire Heavy Bde RA (TA) Major F A Tipple)
- 2nd 176 Bty, Suffolk Heavy Bde RA (TA)
- 3rd 182 Bty, East Riding Heavy Bde RA (TA)

HM The King's Cup for Heavy Artillery – 6" Competition

- 1st 166 Bty, Suffolk Heavy Bde RA (TA)
- 2nd 181 Bty, Glamorgan Bde RA (TA)
- 3rd 163 Bty, Forth Heavy Bde RA (TA)

1939

Competitions abandoned owing to the outbreak of World War II

1962

Competitions started again for Field and Medium Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup and National Artillery Association Cup

359 (4th West Lancs) Regt RA (TA)

Commanding Officer: Lt Col B H Williams TD RA (TA)
Battery Commander: Major M S Moon MC RA (TA)

2nd City of London Challenge Cup

1st Regt, Honourable Artillery Company RHA

Commanding Officer: Lt Col A N Young MC HAC
Battery Commander: Major B L Davis TD HAC

3rd The Financial Times Challenge Cup

851 (Westmorland & Cumberland Yeomanry) Independent Bty RA (TA)

Battery Commander: Major W H Riley TD RA

1963

1st HM The Queen's Cup and National Artillery Association Cup

1st Regt, Honourable Artillery Company RHA

Commanding Officer Lt Col A N Young MC HAC
Battery Commander: Major B L Davis TD HAC

2nd City of London Challenge Cup

252 (The Manchester Artillery) Regt RA (TA)

Commanding Officer Lt Col H Brownhill TD RA (TA)
Battery Commander: Major D F Moore TD RA (TA)

3rd The Cadiz Challenge Trophy

851 (Westmorland & Cumberland Yeomanry) Independent Battery RA (TA)
Battery Commander:

Major T Thompson RA (TA)

1964

1st HM The Queen's Cup and National Artillery Association Cup

274 (Northumbrian Field Regt RA TA

Commanding Officer Lt Col E H Buckland TD RA (TA)
Battery Commander: Major P Binder TD RA (TA)

2nd City of London Challenge Cup

307 (South Notts Hussars Yeomanry) Field Regt RHS (TA)

Commanding Officer Lt Col J M A Gunn TD RA (TA)
Battery Commander: Major R E Bream TD RA (TA)

3rd The Cadiz Challenge Trophy

286 (Herts & Beds Yeomanry) Field Regt RA (TA)

Commanding Officer: Lt Col J D Bolton TD RA (TA)
Battery Commander: Major R C Dancey TD RA (TA)

1965

1st HM The Queen's Cup and National Artillery Association Cup

287 (1st West Lancs) Field Regt RA (TA)

Commanding Officer Lt Col M J W Tingey RA
Battery Commander: Major J P Holden RA (TA)

2nd City of London Challenge Cup

250 (QOD & WSY) Medium Regt RA (TA)

Commanding Officer Lt Col P S James TD RA (TA)

3rd The Cadiz Challenge Trophy

308 (S & NY) Field Regt RA (TA)

Commanding Officer: Lt Col M B Hales TD RA (TA)

1966

1st HM The Queen's Cup and National Artillery Association Cup

307 (South Notts Hussars Yeomanry) (RHA) Field Regt RA (TA)

Commanding Officer Lt Col T F M Featherby RA (TA)

Battery Commander: Major R Bream RA (TA)

2nd City of London Challenge Cup

287 (1st West Lancs) Field Regt RA (TA)

Commanding Officer Lt Col M J W Tingey RA

3rd The Cadiz Challenge Trophy

359 (4th West Lancs) Field Regt RA (TA)

Commanding Officer: Lt Col C R Hewetson RA (TA)

THE VOLUNTEERS

1967

1st HM The Queen's Cup

201 (Herts & Beds) Medium Bty RA (TA)

Battery Commander: Major R Squires RA (TAVR)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

205 (3 Durham Volunteer Artillery) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Binder TD RA (TAVR)

The University Challenge Cup Cambridge University OTC

Battery Commander: Major D L Low RA (TAVR)

Since 1968 The National Artillery Association has administered the competitions for Air Defence Artillery.

1968

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

289 Parachute Bty RHA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D A Jones RHA

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

205 (3 Durham Volunteer Artillery) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Binder TD RA (TAVR)

3rd City of London Challenge Cup

201 (Herts & Beds Yeomanry) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R Squires RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

208 (West Lancs) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J P Holden TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy2

211 (South Wales) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major N D Jones RA (TAVR)

The UOTC Competition

The University Challenge Cup Cambridge University OTC Battery Commander:

Major D L Low RA (TAVR)

1969

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

201 (Herts & Beds Yeomanry) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Orchard-Lisle RA (TAVR)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

204 (The Tyneside Scottish) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T M Sadler TD RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

211 (South Wales) Light Ad Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major N D Jones RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

209 Light AD Bty (The Manchester Artillery) RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major N Rogerson TD RA (TAVR)

1970

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

202 (Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A I S Makin TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The Artillery Association Cup

201 (Herts & Beds Yeomanry) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P D Orchard-Lisle RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

211 (South Wales) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major N D Jones RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

29 Light AD Bty (The Manchester Artillery) RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major N Rogerson TD RA (TAVR)

The UOTC Competition

The University Challenge Cup

Oxford University OTC

Section Commander: 2/Lt J Moore-Bick

1971

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

Honourable Artillery Coy Bty RHA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G E Gilchrist TD HAC

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

204 (Tyneside Scottish) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A D J Perkins TD RA (TAVR)

<u>Air Defence Artillery</u>

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

211 (South Wales) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major N D Jones TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

213 (The Lancashire Artillery) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R Squires TD RA (TAVR)

1972

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

204 (Tyneside Scottish) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A D J Perkins TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

289 Parachute Bty RHA (v)

Battery Commander: Major C N R Bateman RHA

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

213 (Lancashire Artillery) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R Squires TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A W Landucci TD RA (TAVR)

The UOTC Competition

The University Challenge Cup

Oxford University OTC

Section Commander: 2/Lt J N Gibson

1973

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J E Ingham RA (TAVR)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

204 (Tyneside Scottish) Medium Bty

Battery Commander: Major P H P Southern RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A W Landucci TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

207 (Scottish) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G J S Baxter RA (TAVR)

The Taurus Trophy

207 (Scottish) Light AD Bty RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

The University Challenge Cup Cambridge OTC Section Commander:

Major A J Ease TD BSc RA (TAVR)

1974

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

204 (Tyneside Scottish) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander:

Major P G Jenkins TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

200 (Sussex Yeomanry) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander:

Major C L Brook RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday times Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Light AD Bty RA V

Battery Commander:

Major W E L Reid RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

207 (Scottish) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander:

Major A Johnson RA (TAVR)

The Taurus Trophy

212 (Arbroath) Light AD Bty RA V

The UOTC Competition

1st The University Challenge Cup

Oxford University OTC

Section Commander: 2/Lt M S Skelding RA (TAVR)

2nd University of London OTC

Section Commander: Lieutenant J D Griffith RA (TAVR)

1975

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

289 Parachute Bty RHA (V)

Acting Battery Commander: Captain J D Taffs RHA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

205 (3 Durham Volunteer Artillery) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J E Ingham TD RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W E L Reid TD MA RA (TAVR)

 2^{nd} = The Manorbier Trophy

208 (3rd West Lancashire) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M J E Taylor TD RA (TAVR)

 2^{nd} = The Manorbier Trophy

211 (South Wales) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Captain H C B Jones RA (TAVR)

The Taurus Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Light AD B RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st The University Challenge Cup

Leeds University OTC

Junior Under Officer: N Daniel

2nd Oxford University OTC

Section Commander: 2/Lt C D Ballamy RA (TAVR)

1976

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

201 (Herts & Beds Yeomanry) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J Cohen TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

204 (The Tyneside Scottish) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P G Jenkins TD RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

206 (Ulster) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J C Reid TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

213 (South Lancashire Artillery) light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D E Davies RA (TAVR)

The Taurus Trophy

211 (South Wales) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D G Morgan RA (TAVR)

The UOTC Competition

1st The University Challenge Cup

Oxford University OTC 2/Lt I R Sinclair

2nd Leeds University OTC Officer Cadet D Mattison

1977

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

202 (Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D N C Jenkinson TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The National Artillery Associationi Cup

204 (The Tyneside Scottish) Medium Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P G Jenkins TD RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

213 (South Lancashire Artillery) light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D E Davies RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W E L Reid TD RA (TAVR)

The Taurus Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Light AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W E L Reid TD RA (TAVR)

The Light Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

HQ Bty, 103 (Lancashire Artillery \volunteers) Light AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T A K Wilson TD RA (TAVR)

The UOTC Competition

1st The University Challenge Cup

Northumbrian Universities OTC Major W R Porteous TD RA (TAVR)

2nd Leeds University OTC Major B R T Howe RA (TAVR)

<u>1978</u>

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

203 (Elswick) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major E R C Herron TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

204 (The Tyneside Scottish) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A E E Glenton TD RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

209 (The Manchester Artillery) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D G Wilkinson TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) AD Bty (V)

Battery Commander: Major B R Shaw RA (TAVR)

The Taurus Trophy

207 (Scottish) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D J Cameron RA (TAVR)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T A K Wilson TD RA (TAVR)

The UOTC Competition

1st The University Challenge Cup

Cambridge University OTC

Officer Commanding: Lt Col C B Pritchett RA (TAVR)

2nd Northumbrian University OTC

Officer Commanding: Lt Col S J Hall Lancastrian (TAVR)

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

200 (Sussex Yeomanry) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J C Jenkinson TD RA (TAVR)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P M Bucknall TD RA (TAVR)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major B R Shaw RA (TAVR)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

209 (The Manchester & Bolton Artillery) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major E A Jolley RA (TAVR)

The Taurus Trophy

208 (3rd West Lancashire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P A Saunders TD RA (TAVR)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D E Davies RA (TAVR)

The UOTC Competition

1st The University Challenge Cup

Northumbrian University OTC

Commanding Officer: Lt Col W R Porteous TD RA (TAVR)

2nd Oxford University OTC 2/Lt J M C Dowty RA (TAVR)

1980

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

The Honourable Artillery Company

Commanding Officer: Lt Col C H Martin TD HAC

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

203 (Elswick) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major E R C Herron TD RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The Sunday Times Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major B R Shaw RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

211 (South Wales) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major H B C Jones RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters (King's) Bty, 103rd (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) AD Regt RA (V) Battery Commander:

Major D E Davies RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

208 (3rd West Lancashire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P A Saunders TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st The University Challenge Cup

Leeds University OTC Capt J W C Cook RA (V)

2nd Oxford University OTC 2/Lt J M C Ross RA

1981

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R N Bucknall TD RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

202 (Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M L Lovegrove RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major B R Shaw RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

207 (Scottish) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J M Cowan RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters (King's) Bty, 103rd (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander:

Major T A K Wilson TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

211 (South Wales) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major H B C Jones RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

269 (West Riding) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R A N Irvine TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st The University Challenge Cup

Bristol University OTC 2/Lt D Porter WRAC (V)

2nd Oxford University OTC 2/Lt M R J Howard RA (V)

1982

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M N Carter RA

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artiller) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R M Bucknall TD RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

207 (Scottish) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A D Moffatt TD RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

209 (The Manchester & Bolton Artillery) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major E A Jolley TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters (King's) Bty, 103rd (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T A K Wilson TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

213 (South Lancashire Artillery) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P A Saunders TD RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

266 (Gloucestershire Volunteers Artillery) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D R Bray RA

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Cambridge University OTC 2/Lt D J Badcock RA (V)

2nd Leeds University OTC 2/Lt A Alderson RA (V)

1983

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M R Faull RA

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

203 (Elswick) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W B J McVicker RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major B R Shaw RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

208 (3rd West Lancashire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R E Gornall TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty, 103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T A K Wilson TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

208 (3rd West Lancashire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R E Gornall RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

307 (South Notts Hussaars Yeomanry RHA) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T S Richmond TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Oxford University OTC 2/Lt F A F Johnston WRAC (V)

2nd Leeds University OTC 2/Lt C D Higham RA (V)

1984

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M R Faull RA

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

203 (Elswick) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W B J McVicker TD RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

211 (South Wales) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D G Clarke RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

207 (Scottish) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J F Reid RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty, 102 (Ulster & Scottish) AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R G Moore TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

211 (South Wales) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D G Clarke RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

307 (South Notts Hussars Yeomanry RHA) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T S Richmond TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Leeds University OTC 2/Lt S P Metcalf

2nd Leeds University OTC WJUO G M M McClure

1985

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

203 (Elswick) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W B J McVicker TD RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

201 (Herts & Beds Yeomanry) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R E F Morris TD RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 100 (Yeomanry) Field Regt RA (V)

Radar Troop Commander: Capt M H Taylor RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

211 (South Wales) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D G Clarke RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J R S Shergold TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty, 102 (Ulster & Scottish) AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R G Moore TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J R S Shergold TD RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

266 (Gloucestershire Volunteer Artillery) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D G Griffiths RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup London University OTC

2nd Bristol University OTC

1986

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

203 (Elswick) Field Bty RA (V)

Gun Position Officer: Capt J H Haggerty RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A J Dines RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regt RA (V)

Radar Troop Commander: Lt G R Eyre RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

213 (South Lancashire Artillery) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R E Gornall TD RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D A Lewis RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition Headquarters Bty, 102 (Ulster) AD Bty RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

211 (South Wales) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D G Clarke TD RA (V)

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A J Dines RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W T Gracie TD RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters (Home Counties) Bty, 100 (Yeomanry) Field Regt RA (V) Radar Troop Commander: Capt H Cookes RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

207 (City of Glasgow) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J F Reid TD RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W W Boyd RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty, 104 AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Sergeant Major WO2 (BSM) W E George

The Taurus Trophy

213 (Lancashire Artillery) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R E Gornall RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D A Lewis TD RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

266 (Gloucestershire Volunteer Artillery) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R G McKenna RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Northumbrian University OTC

Battery Commander: Major R M Lindsley RA (V)

2nd Leeds University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt P M S Baker RA

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

203 (Elswick) Field Bty RA (V)

Troop Commander: Capt D S Ramshaw RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

205 (3rd Durham) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J A Biggins RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regt RA (V)

Radar Troop Commander: Lt G R Eyre RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W W Boyd RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

212 (Highland) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J M G Blair RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty, 104 AD Regt RA (V)

PSAO Capt G R Lake RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

215 (North Down) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W J Lemon RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

221 (South Wales) AD Bty RA (V)

PSAO: Capt C Kinghan RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

307 (South Notts Hussars Yeomanry RHA) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R L Watson RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Leeds University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt J Dowle RA

2nd Edinburgh University OTC

Troop Commander: JUO A Walpole

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

204 (The Tyneside Scottish) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W T Gracie TD RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P J Boyce RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regt RA (V)

Radar Troop Commander: Capt W H Jackson RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

209 (The Manchester Artillery) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Wyche RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

217 (County of Gwent) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D J Murphy TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty, 104 AD Regt RA (V)

PSAO Capt G R Lake RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

207 (City of Glasgow) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S D MacVicar RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

212 (Highland) AD Bty RA (V)

PSAO: Capt G Hamilton RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

266 (Gloucestershire Volunteer Artillery) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P T Doughty RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Leeds University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt V P Jackson WRAC

2nd Glasgow University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt R V Smith RA

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

202 (Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P R Britten RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P J Boyce TD RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regt RA (V)

Radar Troop Commander: Capt W H Jackson RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

216 (The Bolton Artillery) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major E J Nash RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

212 (Highland) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J A B Kinloch RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty, 105 (Scottish) AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander Major W W Boyd RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G Reed RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

217 (County of Gwent) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D J Murphy TD RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

269 (West Riding) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major (TIG) A J Porter RA

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Oxford University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt B G Hudd RA

2nd Leeds University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt C Hull WRAC

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

203 (Elswick) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J S Docherty RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

202 (Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P R Britten RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regt RA (V)

Radar Troop Commander: Capt W H Jackson RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W W Boyd RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

212 (Highland) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J A B Kinloch RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty, 102 (Ulster) AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander Major J Campbell RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W W Boyd RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

218 (Lothian) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G E Pelosi RA (V)

The Observation Post Battery Competition

269 (West Riding) OP Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major (TIG) A J Porter RA

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Leeds University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt Clark RA

2nd Oxford University OTC

Troop Commander: Officer Cadet L Burton

Because of the reorganisation of the Territorial Army Gunners the Observation Post Competition was replaced by the Light Gun Competition since the three Observation Post Batteries were in the throes of converting to Light Gun Batteries and joining their new regiments.

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

203 (Hertfordshire & Bedfordshire) Yeomanry Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W M J Partridge RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

202 (Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S C T Fowler RA (V)

Light Gun Battery Competition

269 (West Riding) Field Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major (TIG) A J Porter RA

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 101 (Northumbrian) Field Regt RA (V)

Radar Troop Commander: Lt N H Simpson RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

212 (Highland) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J A B Kinloch RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

211 (South Wales) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P J Nuttall TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

213 (South Lancashire Artillery) Headquarter Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander Major B G Gibson TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

211 (South Wales) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P J Nuttall TD RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) AD Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W W Boyd RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Northumbrian University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt N Byrne RA (V)

2nd London University OTC

Troop Commander: Capt J R E Compton RA

1993

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

202 (Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S C T Fowler RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G A Richardson RA (V)

King George V Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M J O'Connor TD RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J S Docherty RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

216 (The Bolton Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major B G Gibson TD RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

207 (City of Glasgow) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G R Bryson TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

213 (South Lancashire Artillery) Headquarter Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander Major M Harcourt RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major C E Comport TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

211 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major C E Comport TD RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

208 (West Lancashire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Wyche TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

London University OTC

Troop Commander: Capt J R E Compton RA (V)

2nd Northumbrian University OTC

Troop Commander: JUO R G G Leach

1994

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

201 (Hertfordshire & Bedfordshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J C Varley TD RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

202 (Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S C T Fowler TD RA (V)

King George V Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M J O'Connor TD RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J S Docherty RA (V)

<u>Air Defence Artillery</u>

1st The BP Trophy

216 (The Bolton Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major B G Gibson TD RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W J Lemon TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

213 (South Lancashire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander Major R P Farrell RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P C Salloway RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

208 (3rd West Lancashire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Wyche TD RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

213 (South Lancashire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R P Farrell RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Oxford University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt M Harrington

2nd Northumbrian University OTC

Troop Commander: SUO L C Walker

1995

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

203 (Elswick) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D Middleton RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

204 (The Tyneside Scottish) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J C Constable RA (V)

King George V Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M J O'Connor TD RA (V)

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J Tootill RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

216 (The Bolton Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major B G Gibson TD RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major C Comport TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition 213 (South Lancashire) Headquarters Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander Major R P Farrell RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

216 (The Bolton Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major B G Gibson TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy 206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major W J Lemon TD RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

213 (South Lancashire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R P Farrell RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Northumbrian Universities OTC

Troop Commander: SUO J Bell

2nd Bristol University OTC

Troop Commander: Capt J N Sparks RA (V)

1996

Field Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major I Jones RA (V)

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

203 (Elswick) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D Middleton RA (V)

King George V Cup

289 Commando Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D B Jones RA

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G W Davey RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

211 (South Wales) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R W Wilson TD RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Sheperd RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Battery, 104 Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander Major C A Comport RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

212 (Highland) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J W G Carnegie RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

211 (South Wales) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R W Wilson TD RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

209 (The Manchester Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M Harcourt RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Bristol University OTC

Troop Commander: Capt T M Henry RHA (V)

2nd Northumbrian Universities OTC

Troop Commander: SUO E M Shanklyn

1997

Field Artillery

2nd The National Artillery Association Cup

203 (Elswick) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D Middleton RA (V)

King George V Cup

Gun Troop, Honourable Artillery Company

Battery Commander: Capt B Baldwin HAC

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

Headquarters Bty, 100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Capt R Elliott RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

209 (The Manchester Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major M Harcourt RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Sheperd RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

213 (South Lancashire Artillery) Headquarters Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander Major R P Farrell RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D C Horton TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Sheperd RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S C Hitchman RA (V)

Air Defence Inter-Regiment Competition

105 Regt RA (V)

Commanding Officer: Lt Col J A B Kinloch TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

The City of Edinburgh Universities OTC

Troop Commander: JUO S Down

2nd Northumbrian Universities OTC

Troop Commander: JUO P White

Field Artillery

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition 201 (Hertfordshire & Bedfordshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A W Russell RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition Headquarters Bty (Tynemouth Volunteer Artillery) RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T G Wilson RA (V)

King George V Cup

269 (West Riding) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R C G Shepherd RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S C Hitchman RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

216 (The Bolton Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major L Forbes RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty (City of Edinburgh), 105 AD Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander Major R M Farndale RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Sheperd RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

208 (West Lancashire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A J G Forbes RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

209 (The Manchester Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major L J Taylor RA (V)

Air Defence Inter-Regiment Competition

105 Regt RA (V)

Commanding Officer: Lt Col J A B Kinloch TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Northumbrian Universities OTC

Troop Commander: SUO D White

2nd Oxford University OTC

Troop Commander: JUO S McCurdy

1999

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition 307 (South Notts Hussars Yeomanry RHA) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Capt J Oldershaw RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition Headquarters Bty (Tynemouth Volunteer Artillery) RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T G Wilson RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Launcher Competition

203 (Elswick) Bty RA (V)

Detachment Commander: Sergeant G Morland

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Command Post Competition

Headquarters Bty (Tynemouth Volunteer Artillery) RA (V)

Detachment Commander: Sergeant M C Barton

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P Sheperd TD RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

216 (The Bolton Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major L Forbes RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

213 (South Lancashire) Headquarter Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander Major N Williamson RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

207 (City of Glasgow) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R M Farndale RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

208 (West Lancashire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A J G Forbes RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S C Hitchman RA (V)

Air Defence Inter-Regiment Competition

105 Regt RA (V)

Commanding Officer: Lt Col J A B Kinloch TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

The University of London OTC

Troop Commander: WOCdt G Baker

2nd Bristol University OTC

Troop Commander: Major T Henry RA (V)

2000

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition

201 (Hertfordshire & Bedfordshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A L V Russell RA (V)

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) Best Detachment Competition

201 (Hertfordshire & Bedfordshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Troop Commander: Capt R Seward RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition

203 (Elswick) Battery RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G White TD RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Launcher Competition

Detachment Commander: Bdr W S Heddison

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Command Post Competition Detachment Commander: Bdr G E Bainbridge

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major L C Mitchell RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

211 (South Wales) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major C A Comport RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty, 104 Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander Major H M Evans RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

207 (City of Glasgow) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R M Farndale RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy 206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major L C Mitchell RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

Headquarters Bty, 105 Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major I Ross RA (V)

Air Defence Inter-Regiment Competition

104 Regt RA (V)

Commanding Officer: Lt Col C E Comport TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Glasgow & Strathclyde Universities OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt J Kyle

2^{nd =} Leeds University OTC

Troop Commander: JUO K Saunders

2^{nd =} Northumbrian Universities OTC

Troop Commander: JUO K Reeves

2001

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition

201 (Hertfordshire & Bedfordshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A L Every RA (V)

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) Best Detachment Competition

Detachment Commander: Bdr J F W Cowlbeck

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition

Headquarters Bty (Tynemouth Volunteer Artillery) RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D Middleton TD RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Launcher Competition

Detachment Commander: Sgt S Oliver

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Command Post Competition Troop Commander: Capt S Varvell RA (V)

103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition 209/213 (Manchester Artillery/South Lancashire Artillery) Bty RA (V) Battery Commander:

Major L J Taylor RA (V)

106 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition

269 (West Riding) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T W Pennett RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J R Fisher RA (V)

The BP Replica

Received by: WO2 (BSM) W Piper

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P C Salloway TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

HQ Bty, 104 Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander Major H M Evans TD RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

211 (South Wales) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D J T Hefferman RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J R Fisher RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

207 (City of Glasgow) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major I Ross RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Northumbrian Universities OTC

Troop Commanders: 2/Lt J Axcell & SUO K Reeves

2^{nd =} Glasgow & Strathclyde Universities OTC

Troop Commander: JUO H Scott

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

208 (3rd West Lancashire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major K Hilton RA (V)

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) Best Detachment Competition

Detachment Commander: Sergeant S E Jordan

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition

204 (Tyneside Scottish) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major N S Wilson RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Launcher Competition

Detachment Commander: Sergeant P Rochester

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Command Post Competition Detachment Commander: 2/Lt J Lumley RA (V)

106 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition 457 (Hampshire Yeomanry Carabaniers) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G M Hedger RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

1st The BP Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J R Fisher RA (V)

2nd The Manorbier Trophy

211 (South Wales) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D J T Hefferman TD RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

217 (City of Newport) Headquarters Bty, 104 Regt RA (V)

Battery Commander Major S Morgan TD RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

211 (South Wales) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D J T Hefferman TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J R Fisher RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

202 (Suffolk & Norfolk Yeomanry Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major C P Curtis RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Cambridge University OTC

Troop Commander: Capt M Burton RA (V)

2^{nd =} Northumberland Universities OTC

Troop Commander: SUO S Hunter

2^{nd =} Northumbrian Universities OTC

Troop Commander: JUO K Reeves

2003

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

1st HM The Queen's Cup

307 (South Nottinghamshire Hussars Yeomanry RHA) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major I Oldershaw RA (V)

NAA Shield

Received by WO2 (SPSI) M Whealthall

The National Artillery Association Cup

201 (Hertfordshire & Bedfordshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major A J Every RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Battery Competition

HQ (Tynemouth Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major L Byers TD RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Launcher Competition

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA (V)

2/Lt D Deane RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

The Thales Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major H M Evans RA (V)

The National Artillery Association Shield

Received by: WO2 (BSM) N Williams

The Manorbier Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander Major M Whiteley RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

457 (Hampshire Yeomanry Carabaniers) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G M Hedger RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

457 (Hampshire Yeomanry Carabaniers) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major G M Hedger RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

207 (City of Glasgow) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major F N Ward RA (V)

The Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition

HQ Battery 104 Regiment RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S Morgan TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

King George VI Cup Oxford University OTC

Troop Commander: JUO A Griffiths RA (V)

1st The National Artillery Association Shield

Received by: WO2 (BSM) S Caswell

2nd Edinburgh University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt J Halfacre

Note: Require history compiled from 2003 to 2014 inclusive?

2004

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

The National Artillery Association Cup

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major R H P Seward RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Inter-Battery Competition

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major T N C Walker TD RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Best Detachment Competition

204 (Tyneside Scottish) Bty RA (V) Sgt O Edgar

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Intra-Regimental Command Post Competition

203 (Elswick) Bty RA (V) WO2 (TSM) S Phillips

Air Defence Artillery

The Thales Trophy 206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J R Fisher RA (V)

The National Artillery Shield

Received by: Gnr A McGonnell

The Manorbier Trophy

104 Regiment RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major S F Reid RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

214 (Worcestershire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major H M Evans TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

265 (Home Counties) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J C Allen RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

King George VI Cup

Edinburgh University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt J Halfacre RA (V)

The National Artillery Shield

Received by: WO2 (BSM) B Gascoigne MBE

2nd Northumbrian Universities OTC

Troop Commander: SUO H Machin

Best Overall Battery Competitions

The Dodds Trophy

100 (Yeomanry) Regt Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major R H P Seward RA (V)

HM The Queen's Cup 206 (Ulster) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J Fisher RA (V)

The National Artillery Association Shield

Received by: WO2 (BSM) W S Green

2nd 104 Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major S F Reid RA (V)

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

The National Artillery Association Cup

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major I Oldershaw RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Competition

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major D Middleton RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

The SMS Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S R Halliday TD RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Northumbrian Universities OTC

Troop Commander: JUO I Rennie RA (V)

The National Artillery Association Shield

Received by: WO2 (BSM) D Dodson

2nd Leeds University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt M Tracey

Best Overall Battery Competitions

The Taurus Trophy

103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)
Battery Commander: Major J Pender RA (V)

The Dodds Trophy

269 (West Riding) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major L V Brooks RA (V)

1st HM The Queen's Cup

100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major I Oldershaw RA (V)

The National Artillery Association Shield

Received by: WO2 (BSM) A D Bushnell

2nd 103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major J A Pender RA (V)

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

The National Artillery Association Cup

103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major J R Davey RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Competition

204 (Tyneside Scottish) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P A Haigh RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

The Thales Trophy

457 (Hampshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J J Strugnell RA (V)

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Glasgow and Strathclyde Universities OTC

Troop Commander: JUO J McIntyre

The National Artillery Association Shield

Received by: WO2 (BSM) R Barker

2nd Leeds University OTC

Troop Commander: WO2 (BSM) D W Felton

Best Overall Battery Competitions

The Taurus Trophy

104 Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Commanding Officer: Lt Col D W Luck RA

The Dodds Trophy

104 Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Lt Col D W Luck RA

1st HM The Queen's Cup

103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major J R Davey RA (V)

The National Artillery Association Shield

Received by: WO2 (BSM) W R Illingworth

2nd 100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major R King RA (V)

2007

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

The National Artillery Association Cup

103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty)

Battery Commander: Major J R Davey RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Competition

205 (3rd Durham Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major P D Winton RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

The Thales Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S R Halliday TD RA (V)

The Taurus Trophy

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S R Halliday TD RA (V)

The SMS Trophy

FSC: L/Bdr B Alcock HVM: L/Bdr N D Henley

The UOTC Competition

1st King George VI Cup

Cambridge University OTC

Troop Commander: 2/Lt J F Gilies

2nd City of Edinburgh University OTC

Troop Commander: Capt J Auty RA (V)

Best Overall Battery Competitions

The Dodds Trophy – MT Competition

457 (Hampshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major J J Strugnell TD RA (V)

First Aid Competition

265 (Home Counties) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major N M Harris RA (V)

Navigation Competition

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander: Major S R Halliday TD RA (V)

1st HM The Queen's Cup 106 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V)

Commanding Officer:

Lt Col M R Weymouth RA

2nd 103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty) Battery Commander: Major J R Davey RA (V)

2008

Field and Surface Missile Artillery

The National Artillery Association Cup 207 (City of Glasgow) Bty RA (V) Battery Commander:

Major R V Smith RA (V)

101 (Northumbrian) Regt RA (V) Competition 205 (3^{rd} Durham Volunteer Artillery) Bty RA (V)

Battery Commander:

Major P D Winton TD RA (V)

Air Defence Artillery

The Thales Trophy – Best Air Defence Battery 457 (Hampshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V) Battery Representative:

WO2 (BSM) C E Stockwell

The Taurus Trophy – Aircraft Recognition Competition 210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Representative:

Gnr W M Watkiss

National Artillery Association Cup 1896 – FSC Competition

210 (Staffordshire) Bty RA (V)

Battery Representative:

Bdr B I Alcock

National Artillery Association Cup 1897 – HVM Competition 457 (Hampshire Yeomanry) Bty RA (V) (Detachment 2)

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Battery Representative: Bdr M Keddilty

Best Overall Battery Competitions

1st The Surrey Yeomanry Cup 1984 – MT/Driving Competition 203 (Elswick) Bty RA (V) (Team 6)

Battery Commander: Major W G Murray RA (V)

 1^{st} = Queen Victoria Cup 1894 and National Artillery Association Cup 1895 - First Aid Competition 100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) (Team 4) (Recce)

Team Representative: Gnr Bridges

 $1^{st} = 106$ (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) (Team 2) (265 Bty)

Team Representative:

LBdr Hurley

Queen Victoria Cup 1872 - Navigation Competition 100 (Yeomanry) Regt RA (V) (Team 6) Team Representative: LBdr Edwards

1st HM The Queen's Cup 105 Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty) Commanding Officer: Lt Col I Ross TD RA (V)

2nd 103 (Lancashire Artillery Volunteers) Regt RA (V) (Composite Bty) Battery Commander: Major P Collins RA (V)

Note: Competition results from 2009 to 2013 (or 2014 if known) required.

APPENDIX 2

WINNERS OF THE SUNDAY TIMES TROPHY 1954 – 1967

THE HAA TROPHY

1954	473 HAA Regiment (North Midland) RA (TA) Lt Col C P Howell RA (TA)
1955	324 (Northumberland) HAA Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col C H Tinsley RA (TA)
1957	324 (Northumbrian) HAA Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col J W Beasley RA (TA)
1958	No competition held
1959	No regiments qualified
1960	324 (Northumbrian) Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col G W T Humphreys RA (TA)

In 1961 the 3.7 inch AA gun was withdrawn from service and the remaining HAA regiments converted to other roles. The competition was, therefore, discontinued. The last winners, 324 Regiment, were allowed to retain the trophy.

THE LAA TROPHY

1954	670 (The Tyneside Scottish) LAA Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col J Grant RA (TA)
1955	570 (The First Surrey Rifles) LAA Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col K H Callow RA (TA)
1956	439 (Tyne) LAA Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col H Kirton RA (TA)
1957	575 (The Sherwood Foresters) LAA Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col C P Robinson RA (TA)
1958	861 Independent LAA Battery RA (Orkney & Zetland) TA Major S P Robertson RA (TA)
1959	861 Indepdenent LAA Battery RA (Orkney & Zetland) TA Major S P Robertson RA (TA)

1960	458 (Kent) LAA Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col R J Trett RA (TA)
1961	265 Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col D J McLelland RA (TA)
1962	439 (Tyne) Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col Brannen RA (TA)
1963	440 (Humber) Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col G A Sandilands RA (TA)
1964	71 (The Sheffield Artillery Volunteers) Light Air Defence Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col J H Neale MC RA (TA)
1965	245 (Ulster) Light Air Defence Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col J A Baillie RA (TA)
1966	444 (Staffordshire) Light Air Defence Regiment RA (TA) Lt Col R N K Gower DFC RA
1967	210 (Staffordshire) Light Air Defence Regiment RA (V) Major D M Tatlow TD RA (V)

APPENDIX 3

PRESENTERS OF PRIZES

1933	His Royal Highness The Duke of Connaught, KG PC KT KP GCB GCSI GCMG GCIE GCVO GBE TD VD LLD DCL
1934	His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent, KG KT KP GCMG GCVO
1935	Lieutenant General Sir Harry Knox, KCB DSO, Adjutant General to the Forces, representing Field Marshal Sir Archibald Montgomery-Massingberd, Chief of the Imperial General Staff
1936	The Secretary of State for War, The Right Honourable Alfred Duff Cooper, DSO MP
1937	The Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Field Marshal Sir Cyril Deverell, GCB KBE
1938	The Under Secretary of State for War, The Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal
1939 - 1961	No competitions
1962	The Master Gunner, General Sir Robert Mansergh, GCB KBE MC
1963	Her Royal Highness Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone, GCVO GBE VA
1964	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Colonel Sir James Harman, GBE
1965	Lieutenant General Sir Edward Howard-Vyse, KBE CB MC DL
1966	The Master Gunner, General Sir Robert Mansergh, GCB KBE MC
1967	The Representative Colonel Commandant, Royal Artillery, General Sir William Stirling, GCB CBE DSO
1968	The Master Gunner, General Sir Robert Mansergh, GCB KBE MC
1969	The Director Royal Artillery, Major General H C Tuzo, OBE MC
1970	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Lieutenant Colonel Sir Ian Bowater, GBE DSO TD DSc
1971	The Master Gunner, Field Marshal Sir Geoffrey Baker, GCB CMG CBE MC
1972	The Speaker of The House of Commons, The Right Honourable Selwyn Lloyd, PC CH CBE TD QC DL MP

1973	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, The Lord Mais, GBE ERD TD DL DSc CENG
1974	The Right Honourable The Lord May of London, Sir Hugh Wontner, GBE CVO DLitt
1975	The Chairman of the Council of TAVR Associations, Major General Lord Michael Fitzalan-Howard, KCVO CB CBE MC DL
1976	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Lindsay Ring, CBE DSC DLitt
1977	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Commander Sir Robin Gillett, GBE RD DSc RNR
1978	Lieutenant Colonel The Right Honourable The Lord Mancroft KBE TD
1979	The Master Gunner, General Sir Harry Tuzo, GCB OBE MC
1980	The Director Territorial Army and Cadets, Major General A C S Boswell, CBE
1981	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Colonel Sir Ronald Gardner-Thorpe, GBE TD DCL
1982	The Inspector General of the Territorial Army, Lieutenant General Sir Edward Burgess, KCB OBE
1983	The Director Territorial Army and Cadets, Major General R E J Gerrard-Wright CBE
1984	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Alan Traill, GBE
1985	The Quartermaster General, General Sir Richard Trant, KCB
1986	The Inspector General of the Territorial Army, Lieutenant General Sir John Akehurst, KCB CBE
1987	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Greville Spratt, GBE TD DL JP
1988	Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Greater London, Field Marshall The Lord Bramall, GCB OBE MC JP
1989	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Hugh Bidwell, GBE
1990	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Alexander Graham, GBE

1991	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Brian Jenkins, GBE
1992	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Francis McWilliams, GBE
1993	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Paul Newall, TD DL
1994	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Christopher Walford
1995	The Master Gunner St James's Park, General Sir Martin Farndale, KCB
1996	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Roger Cook
1997	Sir Christopher Walford on behalf of the Lord Mayor of London
1998	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, The Lord Levene of Portsoken, KBE
1999	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Clive Martin, OBE TD DL
2000	Alderman Sir Paul Newall, TD DL, on behalf of the Lord Mayor of London
2001	The Vice Chief of the Defence Staff, Air Chief Marshal Sir Anthony Bagnall, KCB OBE
2002	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Gavin Arthur
2003	Information required
2004	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Robert Finch
2005	The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Michael Savory
2008	General Sir Alex Harley, KBE CB, Master Gunner, St James's Park
2009	Brigadier C W Tadier, CBE ADC, Director Royal Artillery
2010	Information required
2011	Information required
2012	Information required
2013	Information required

2014 Information required (if known)

APPENDIX 4

LIST OF CURRENT TROPHIES

The National Artillery Association has at its disposal a number of silver trophies given by the Sovereign during various reigns, Shorts Missile Systems and other donors. These prizes are presented annually to winners of the various competitions judged by the Gunnery Training Team of the Regular Army.

Winners of the Field Battery Competition:

The King's, or respectively, the Queen's Cup

This is a silver 21" high, two handled cup and cover bearing the Royal Coat of Arms Armorial and is engraved:

Challenge Cup Presented by King George VI 1937

The National Artillery Association for competition By Field and Medium Brigades Territorial Army

Runners Up:

National Artillery Association Cup

A large silver cup and cover with cast double scroll handles, hallmarked Birmingham 1930.

Winners of the Light Gun Competition:

The Light Gun Trophy

A silver replica of a 6 pdr SBML Gun, the light field gun of the Royal Artillery from 1716-1860. The gun measures 6" x 12" and is mounted on a plinth. It is of wooden construction with sterling silver fittings; silver barrel, pins, plates and wheel rims.

The trophy was presented originally to HQRA 49th Division in 9164 and then in 1989 to the National Artillery Association by kind permission of the Trustees of 307 (RHA) (South Nottinghamshire Hussars Yeomanry) Field Regiment RA (TA).

Winners of the Field Artillery Headquarters Battery Competition:

The Surrey Yeomanry Cup

This is a silver cup presented to the National Artillery Association in 1984 by the Trustees of the Surrey Yeomanry through an approach made by the then Chairman of the Association, Colonel D H A Sime, OBE MC TD.

Winners of the Air Defence Battery Competition:

The B P Trophy (Suspended and replaced by The Thales Trophy in 2004.)

A silver trophy featuring two Air Defence Gunners, one standing and holding a Blowpipe missile launcher in the firing position, whilst the other is in the kneeling position acting as spotter.

The trophy was presented to the National Artillery Association by British Petroleum in 1981 together with a monetary donation, with the stipulation to use the proceeds annually for a memento for the BSM of the winning battery.

The Thales Air Defence Silver Dish

A substantial Armada pattern silver dish presented by Thales in 2004.

Runners Up:

The Manorbier Trophy

This was originally a Jaeger Le Coultre ATMOS Clock presented by the School of Artillery, Manorbier, in 1968. The clock is now on indefinite loan to the RA Mess. This step was taken to prevent damage to the delicate clock mechanism.

The trophy has been replaced for presentation purposes by the oldest cup in the possession of the Association, the Essex and Suffolk RGA Cup. This is a heavily embossed Queen's Prize presented in 1898. It is hallmarked 1860.

For Achievement of the Best Live Firing Results Over a Period of 12 Months:

The S M S Trophy

This trophy is given to the Air Defence Battery with the best results for live firing during the competition year.

The trophy was presented by Shorts Missile Systems in 1993 and features an Air Defence Gunner holding a Javelin missile launcher in the firing position.

Winners of the Inter-Battery Single Skill Competition:

The Taurus Trophy

This prize is awarded for a single subject competition, with a new subject introduced each year.

The trophy is a silver, two handled bowl on a single foot and is engraved:

Transvaal Volunteer Military Tournament 1909
Driving Competition

Winners of the Air Defence Batteries Driving Competition:

The Dodds Trophy

This is a double handled cup presented to 23 Artillery Group (V) in 1980 by Bombardier H B Dodds, BEM, for a Troop based MT Competition. After the disbandment of the Artillery Group the National Artillery Association welcomed the opportunity to continue this tradition.

Winners of the Air Defence Headquarters Battery Competition:

The Earl of Stradbroke Cup

This is a silver cup, hallmarked 1884, which was presented to the National Artillery Association in 1891 by the Earl of Stradbroke, Colonel Commanding the 1st Norfolk Artillery Volunteers and President of the Council at that time.

Winners of the Inter-University Officer Training Corps Competition:

King George VI Cup

This is a King George VI silver gadroon edged cup with cover, hallmarked 1930, and is engraved:

Inter University Challenge Cup

Runners Up:

The Cadiz Trophy

This trophy has been awarded annually since 1974 to the runners up in the UOTC Challenge Cup Competition.

The trophy is a Victorian pedestal mounted mortar, gilded on base metal, supported by a Griffon and two Mastiffs as the lid to an inkwell. It is a model of a mortar used by the French in the siege of Cadiz in 1810-12 and presented to the Prince Regent. Before making the presentation, the Board of Ordnance decorated the mortar with the Griffon and the Mastiffs. The original stands on Horse Guards Parade.

The trophy was presented to the National Artillery Association by Lieutenant Colonel Sir Shafto Adair, Bart, later Lord Waveney, in 1898.

APPENDIX 5

VOLUNTEER SERVICE GAZETTE 15TH JUNE 1872

OFFICIAL NOTICES ETC. OF THE NATIONAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION

The camp at Shoeburyness will probably be open on Monday, the 15th August; the exact date will be notified hereafter.

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will take place at the offices of the Institution, 62 Chandos Street, at 2.30pm on Wednesday, the 19th inst.

Conditions under which the Government Grant in aid of Travelling & Mess Expenses is given

That every Officer, Non-commissioned Officer, and Gunner, for whom the allowance is claimed, shall, first, have been instructed, previously to joining the Camp, in the duties of guards, picquets, and sentries, i.e. how to mount and relieve guard, turn out for compliments and relief of sentries, and secondly, have been present at the first parade at the Camp, and also (unless absence through sickness duly certified by the officer in medical charge of the Camp) have been present and available for duty, on each successive day, until the prizes for Artillery practise have been distributed.

Terms of Camp

Officers and member of the Association will be provided with tents in the order in which they send in their names, and on payment of a sum of 10s for each officer or member of the Association. Volunteer Non-commissioned Officers and Gunners will be provided with tents on payment of 3s 6d per head, for the duration of the Meeting. Messes will be established at the following rates. For Officers, 4s per diem; Non-commissioned Officers and men, 1s 6d per diem; and all will be required to contribute at the above rates, whether they join the messes or not. Each detachment entering for competitions must subscribe £1.1s per annum to the National Artillery Association, and pay an entrance fee of £2, which with the amount for Camp accommodation, hire of furniture for Officers, and messing for Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and men, and table money for Officers, must be forwarded with the form of entry on or before the 1st July.

The messing will consist as follows:

For Officers

<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Luncheon</u>	<u>Dinner</u>
Tea	Cold beef	Soup
Coffee	Cold mutton	Joints (beef / mutton)
		Potatoes
Ham	Bread	Other vegetables
Beef	Cheese	Cheese
		Cup of coffee or tea
Bread	Butter	
Butter	Salad	

Each Officer joining the mess will be charged 5s for table money.

For Non-Commissioned Officers and Men

<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Dinner</u>	<u>Tea</u>
Bread	Joints (beef /mutton)	Tea
Butter	Potatoes	Bread
Tea	Other Vegetables	Butter
Coffee	Cheese	

The charge for messing will be for 5 days; dinner for the Officers and tea for the men will be provided on the day they march into Camp.

All Officers joining the Camp, whether in charge of detachments or not, must be members of the National Artillery Association. Member's subscription £1.1s per annum.

The distribution of Officers and Non-commissioned Officers and Gunners in Camp will be as follows:

Two Officers to a tent (if under the rank of Field Officer)

Five Non-commissioned Officers or Gunners to a tent.

Officers under the rank of Field Officer, and members of the Association who may desire to occupy a tent exclusively, can secure one on payment of £1.

Officers tent furniture will be supplied by the Association at the charge of 25s per set for the duration of the Meeting, application for which, and any payment for the same, must be made to the Secretary of the Association when the entry is made for the detachment.

List of Tent Furniture

2 Bedstead 1 Tub
1 Mattress 1 Looking-glass
1 Pillow 1 Lantern
1 Washstand 1 Matting
1 Basin 1 Bolster
1 Water-can 2 Blankets
Bed linen will not be furnished

The following stores will be issued to each Non-commissioned Officer and Private volunteer:

1 Palliasse 1 Bolster

2 Blankets 1 Waterproof Sheet

Straw to fill palliasse and bolster, and for each tent one water can

Should any of the stores issued to any Officer or volunteer be found damaged, or any be missing, he will be charged the regulation price for such damage or loss.

All detachments joining the Camp must be fully equipped as regards clothing, arms and accoutrements. Volunteers are recommended to bring their cloaks or greatcoats and kit; soap, towels, etc.

All payments must be made to the Secretary on or before the 1st July, or no stores will be issued by the Camp Commandant.

Form of Entry for Competition for Scotland's International Challenge Cup To be competed for at the Annual National Meeting at Shoeburyness

RULES

- 1. The Cup was presented by Major Innes for competition by the Volunteer Artillery of Great Britain.
- 2. It is a Challenge Cup to be competed for annually, at such time and place as the Council of the National Artillery Association shall determine.
- 3. On thirty days' notice to the Council of the National Artillery Association, one detachment selected as the Commanding Officer of each competing brigade shall determine, shall be entitled to enter this competition; the names and numbers of the Gunners of each detachment intending to compete being duly furnished and certified by the Commanding Officer of the Brigade to which it belongs before the competition.
- 4. The Challenge Cup shall be delivered to the Commanding Officer of the winning Brigade on his receipt and obligation in writing binding himself and successors in command that it shall be delivered within the next twelvemonths to Messrs John Hamilton & Co., Jewellers, or such other person as the Council of the National Artillery Association may determine, preparatory to the following competition.
- 5. The competition shall be carried out in accordance with the rules of the National Artillery Association, in so far as these rules can be adapted to local convenience and circumstances; sea ranges with floating targets and 32-pounder guns being preferred.
- 6. The donor of the Cup reserves power to add to or amend the foregoing conditions.

Special forms of entry for this competition will be supplied to Officers commanding Brigades on application. All entries must be made through Officers commanding Brigades. The attention of Commanding Officers is specially directed to Rule 20. Forms of entry and copies of the Rules will be forwarded to the Headquarters of each Brigade. Commanders of corps and Captains of batteries must apply for forms of entry and copies of the Rules to the Commanding officers of the respective Brigades, through whom all entries must be sent to the Secretary of the Association, 62 Chandos Street, WC, on or before the 1st July.

Rules for the Repository competition will be published hereafter.

Prize List and Order of Firing for 1872

Monday, August 5th – Camp Opens

Tuesday, August 6th

Competitions with Smooth-Bore Guns (Shot)

Prize 1	-	The National Artillery Association Prize
		(£50 and ten silver cups)
Prize 2	-	Lords and Commons Prize
		(£40 and ten silver cups)
Prize 3	-	The National Artillery Association Prize
		(£20 and £4 for No. 1)
Prize 4	-	HRH The Duke of Cambridge's Prize
		(£10 and £2 for No. 1)
Prize 5	-	The Marquis of Exeter's Prize
		£10 and £2 for No. 1)
Prize 6	-	Scotland's Cup
		(Challenge Prize)

Wednesday, August 7th

Competition with Rifled Guns (Shell)

Prize 1	- The National Artillery Association Prize (£50, ten silver cups and £5 for No. 1)
Prize 2	- Messrs Elkington's (Silversmiths to the National Artillery Association) Prize (Silver cup to No. 1, 9 plated cups to the other members of the winning detachment and £21)
Prize 3	- 2nd Middlesex Artillery Prize (£10 and £2 for No. 1)
Prize 4	- J H Steward's (Optician to the National Artillery Association) Prize (A field glass for No. 1, value £5.16.6, and £9 added by the Association for the other members and £9)
Prize 5	- Lord Londesborough's Prize (£10)
Prize 6	- Captain Harness' Prize (£10)

Thursday, August 9th

Competition with 40-pounder Armstrongs (Shot)

Prize 1 - Badges of the National Artillery Association

To be competed for at a running target by the winning detachments. (£10 to the No. 1, £5 to the second detachment, added by Lieutenant Colored Casacians)

Colonel Gascoigne.)

Prize 2 - Badges of the National Artillery Association

For Repository Drill. To be competed for by winning detachments.

(£10 added by Lieutenant Colonel Gascoigne.)

Saturday, August 10th

Distribution of Prizes

The order of firing for the above prizes may be varied at the discretion of the Council.

Information respecting the Camp will be given in the Volunteer Service Guide.

J I Rutley Captain 2nd NAV Secretary NAA

Rules for the National Annual Competitions at Land and Sea Ranges

Issued by the council of the National Artillery Association, 1872

1. It shall be competent for Officers commanding Corps of Artillery which under the fundamental rules belong to the Association, to send propositions through the proper channels to the Council of the Association, for detachments to compete at the Annual National Meetings of the Association but it rests with the Council to accept or reject such propositions. Non-commissioned Officer and Gunners are eligible to compete, but no person shall be allowed to constitute a member of a competing detachment who is not an efficient member of the Corps to which he belongs and possessed of a clear understanding of the rules of the Association. No paid instructor of volunteers will be allowed, under any circumstances, to compete. The gun detachments shall be selected by the Officers in command of the Brigades or Corps to which they belong. They may compete either in full or undress uniform as sanctioned by the Office in command of the detachment. No. 1 is not to change round.

2.	Any calibre of gun may be used that is approved by the Council. It shall be at the discretion of the Council to pit one class and calibre only, or to put all classes and calibres of guns against each other, making such allowances by way of handicapping as the circumstances of the various cases may require. One or more prizes may be given in each competition. The funds in hand, the number of entries, and the ranges available will guide the Council in the exercise of their discretion.
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APPENDIX 6

THE COMPETITION RULES

In the early days the Competition Rules were quite simple. Canvas targets were erected and the unit with the greatest number of hits won the competition. These rules were to apply for many years and it was not until the formation of the Territorial Force in 1908 that battery fire and movement exercises decided the result. In the case of coast artillery the result was decided on the record of the fall of shot in relation to the towed target.

By the 1930s the competitions were based to a far greater extent upon the assessment of the fitness of the unit to perform its role in war. In field and medium artillery the following factors were taken into consideration:

Each competition is divided into two portions; a battery engages a first target, after which it receives a fresh situation which entails a move before engaging the second target. The following points are entailed in these tests:

Good reconnaissance for the Observation Post and Battery Position.

Good manoeuvre and occupation of the position.

The rapid establishment of communication between the OP and the Battery.

Correct orders from OP to Battery throughout.

Good line of fire and parallelism of guns; that is good work on the part of the Officer i/c guns at the position.

Good fire discipline.

Correct method of engaging target, that is, correct application of fire to the tactics of the moment. This entails good observation of fire.

General turn-out, as affecting the personnel and animals and equipment.

March discipline.

For the coast defence artillery there were two competitions as the following extract from the rules shows:

1. COUNTER BOMBARDMENT COMPETITION – 9.2 Inch Mark X

Each unit will fire one series of 12 rounds, ³/₄ charge, from two 9.2 inch Mark X guns on Mark V mountings.

Series I PF Case II by day.

2. CLOSE DEFENCE COMPETITION – 6 inch Mark VII

Each unit will fire two series of 14 rounds ach, half charge, from two 6 inch Mark VII guns on CP Mark II mountings.

Series I Auto-sights by night. Series II DRF Case II by night.

The competition is fought under exacting service conditions at high speed towed targets representing various kinds of ships. To obtain a good figure of merit it is necessary for the battery to be very highly trained, not only technically, but disciplinary, the shoot depending entirely on the observation of the Battery Commander and his orders, the correct operation of all instruments, passing of orders, and highly trained specialists.

COMPETITION RULES 1982

Since World War II the Competitions have become more varied and sophisticated, although the basis of the Field Artillery Competition is much the same.

THE QUEEN'S CUP - for Field Batteries

THE NAA CUP - for the Runners Up

1. The Queen's Cup Competition is run and judged on behalf of the NAA by the CRS (South)

<u>AIM</u>

2. The aim of the Competition is to assist in improving the professional training of Field Batteries and fostering esprit de corps within the Field Artillery of the TA.

RULES

- 3. The Competition is run under the following rules:
 - a. Rule 1

The Competition is open to Field Batteries of the TA, that in the opinion of CRA (South) have reached the necessary standard in training.

b. Rule 2

The Competition will be designed for a Battery consisting of:

BC and 2 OP parties, 6 guns, 2 CPs (one of which is FACE equipped).

c. Rule 3

Each Battery entering the Competition should aim to produce 6 guns. A Battery not able to do so will not be debarred from competing, but should give the reasons for not producing all guns to HQRA (South) prior to the Competition.

d. Rule 4

Each Battery should be capable of carrying out the following tasks in a tactical setting:

- (1) Deploying and firing as a Battery.
- (2) Leapfrogging and stepping up.
- (3) Firing as independent sections.
- (4) Engaging targets which will include quick FOO and BC's fire plans.
- (5) Quick actions.

THE KING GEORGE V CUP – for Observation Post Batteries

- 1. The Competition will take the form of a fire and movement exercise lasing about four hours. The emphasis will be on shooting skills and the tactical deployment of Ops.
- 2. The Gun Troop will be required, initially, to be organised into two separate fire units, each with two guns and a CP to represent a Field Battery. A further command vehicle is required to act as a FDC.
- 3. Each fire unit requires radio facilities for:
 - a. A regimental net.
 - b. An independent Battery net with three unauthorised Ops.
 - c. A fire orders net, which is to be line.
- 4. For ease of deployment the two fire units will be co-located. Gun Troop redeployment will be as a whole unit in a deliberate occupation.
- 5. The Competition will take place for each OP Battery at a time and place of their choosing.
- 6. CRA (South) will set, run and judge the competition.
- 7. <u>BC Party</u> Each Battery is to deploy a BC's party tactically.

8. OP Parties

- a. Each Battery will deploy 6 OP parties. Each party is to have:
 - (1) OPO, OPA, Dvr and 2 Sigs.
 - (2) Vehicle, VRC 353 and PRC 351. 3 OP parties are to have a second PRC 351.

- b. Those who competed in the UKLF OP Party Competition are NOT eligible to compete in this Competition in an OP party.
- c. OP parties are to be capable of deploying tactically and of being camouflaged.

9. Gun Troop

- a. The Gun Troop is to deploy at least 3, and if possible 4, 25 pdr guns.
- b. There must be the ability to deploy two sections, each with a CP, and to simulate a FDC.

10. Personnel

- a. All personnel are to be on the posted strength of the competing Battery.
- b. NBC equipment and small arms are to be carried by all personnel throughout the Competition.

THE KING GEORGE VI CUP – for UOTCs

- 1. The following are classified as KEY appointments:
 - a. OP Officer.
 - b. OP Assistant.
 - c. GPO.
 - d. Gun Line Section Commander.
 - e. CPO.
 - f. Command Post Assistants.
 - g. Battery Guide.
 - h. Nos. 1 and 3 on each gun.
 - i. CP Sgt.
- 2. The mandatory qualifications for Key Appointment Holders are that during the academic year falling in the period 1 October to 30 September in which the competition is held, they should be on the posted strength of the OTC or have been on the posted strength of at least 90 days. Members of the UOTC holding University Cadetships, TAVR Commissions, or who are "In Service Degree" Officers may hold Key Appointments provided they have held a commission for less than four years at the time of the Competition.

- 3. Each OTC is to offer two ORBATS to the judge 48 hours before the Competition. The judge will then nominate which ORBAT is to be used for the Competition.
- 4. Failure to produce two ORBATS will incur the loss of 15% of marks gained.
- 5. Maximum numbers participating are limited to 42 (the establishment of an OTC Troop). Gun detachments must not exceed a total of a Dvr, No. 1 and 5 others.
- 6. The Competition will take the following form:
 - a. IN shoot from an OP/Gun area already occupied.
 - b. Recce and occupation of a fresh OP.
 - c. Recce and occupation of a fresh gun area.
 - d. Simple fire plan and IN shoots.
- 7. No camouflage of any sort will be used on the gun position, but the siting of vehicles within the wagon lines will be judged, as will track plans and concealment principles. Small arms should NOT be carried.
- 8. The OP party is to occupy tactically and to this end should have sufficient remote cable to allow the vehicle to be sited away from the OP. The party must have a camouflaged OP shelter, together with normal OP stores. Lasers are NOT to be used.
- 9. Orders to move will be given to the OP Officer by the IG nominated to judge the Competition. Thereafter the OP Officer is responsible for the passage of orders.
- 10. The Competition will be marked by the Gunnery Staff. The majority of marks will be given for the performance at the gun end and the accuracy and timing of fire. Due credit will be given for other aspects, e.g. survey schemes and local defence, even though the shortage of numbers and time may preclude their completion.

THE BP TROPHY – for Air Defence Batteries

THE MANORBIER TROPHY – for the Runners Up

- 1. The Competition is run as a test exercise set by Commander 23 Artillery Brigade (CRA 2 Infantry Division from 1983).
- 2. The exercises take place separately for each regiment during the year either at Annual Camp or at weekend training.
- 3. Each exercise is similarly organised at 3 stands.

- a. Stand 1 Blowpipe Deployment (A Battery exercise).
- b. Stand 2 (1) Command Task (A Troop exercise).
 - (2) Skill at Arms and NBC tasks (written and practical papers) (for each TCP, Blowpipe and OP detachment.)
- c. Stand 3 County Fair tasks including AU Trainer sets, Aircraft Recognition, written and practical Map Reading, Communications, MT, First Aid and Map Marking papers. (For each BCP, TCP, Blowpipe and OP detachments.)
- 4. The marking of all practical and written tests are each reduced to percentages, totalled and then divided by the number of tests to produce an overall percentage incorporating all tests.
- 5. The weighting was based on marks being awarded equally for each Stand:

a. Stand 1 – Blowpipe deployment One the
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b.	Stand 2 – (1) Command Task	One sixth
	(2) Skill at Arms	One twelfth
	(3) NB	One twelfth

c. Stand 3 – County Fair

Detachments completing 6 of the 7 tasks Marks divided equally

between the 6 tasks

THE TAURUS TROPHY – For Air Defence Batteries

This is an Inter-Battery single subject Competition. A new subject is introduced each year.

THE AIR DEFENCE REGIMENT HEADQUARTERS BATTERY COMPETITION

This trophy is awarded to the Headquarters Battery adjudged to be the best of the three for the year. The result is determined by staff visits during the training year and at Annual Camp when the training and administrative functions of the Battery are examined. From 1984 the trophy is intended to be awarded on the results of a competition which will be similar to that for the BP Trophy.

After "**Options for Change**" in 1992 the Competitions have been adapted to suit the proposed role of the unit and are judged on behalf of the National Artillery Association by the appropriate Headquarters, Royal Artillery and the Royal School of Artillery in the United Kingdom and by the Regimental Colonel for the University Officer Training Corps.

The writers wish to acknowledge the kind assistance given by Colonel Tony Guinan TD and Colonel Martin Cooper

Looks out of place in the middle of competition results -1993.

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Extract from a paper of the time:

"Shoeburyness may lack somewhat of the social attractions that go to make Bisley so popular, but nonetheless it is of the great utility and importance to the artillery branch of our artillery volunteer army.

A view of the camp is given in our first illustration, and there meet from every part of England and Scotland those volunteers who when the wabr tocsin sound, will man the heavy guns in the defence of the Empire, Field artillery, in the real sense of the word, is lacking in our volunteer army, but what takes its place are the position batteries belonging to the various regiments of the volunteer artillery.

Our second picture shows us a position battery of the 3rd Middlesex Artillery in action.

The competition for position artillery comprises the harnessing, driving, ranging and firing of the 16 pounder guns with which they come into action. The regiment we illustrate was not successful in carrying off the first prize in this competition, as it was won by the 1st Detachment of the Shropshire and Staffordshire Artillery, but both the second and third prizes fell to the two detachments that represent the 3rd Middlesex Artillery.

THE NATIONAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION

Following the success of the National Rifle Association formed in 1860 when there was the fear of a French invasion, it was decided in 1863 to form an association on similar lines for the artillery volunteers to encourage enrolment into the Corps of Artillery and promote efficient gunnery and associated skills.

The School of Artillery at Shoeburyness was selected as the competition range and the first meeting of the NAA took place in August 1865. Some 25 gun detachments employing 250 volunteer gunners competed for various prices, which included those donated by HM The Queen, the National Artillery Association, the Prince of Wales and the Commander in Chief of the Army. The Queen's Prize was awarded originally to the detachment achieving the highest aggregate score over several of the individual competitions. From 1895 separate competitions were held for garrison and heavy artillery, a prize and badge being awarded for each category. Over the years the guns and the nature of the competitions changed. From the individual character of the single gun firing in the early years, the competition evolved to include the collective effort of a battery of guns manoeuvring and firing under the order of the battery commander.

The requirement of a field force composed entirely of part-time soldiers, organised in peacetime as they would be for war and serving alongside the regular army, led to the formation of the Territorial Force in 1908. The competitions were now divided into three groups, those for horse and field artillery, for medium artillery and for coast defence artillery. Competitions were suspended during World War I. The competitions were revived again in1921 under the auspices of the Territorial Army and were held annually until the outbreak of World War II in 1939. The anti-aircraft competitions resumed in 1954, but were not immediately under the control of the NAA. After World War II field artillery competitions were not swiftly revived. Due to the efforts of some determined Territorial Gunners they started again in 1962, and have been held annually whenever possible after some more recent re-organisations. The University Officer Training Corps competition was started in1967.

1967 was a year of fundamental change for the Territorial Army. Of the 44 regiments and three independent batteries of the TA gunners only six regiments and four independent batteries were to remain.

During 1986/87 the Territorial Army was expanded to meet the perceived increase in tasking in support of 1st (British) Corps in Germany. However, due to the lessening of tension in Europe after the collapse of the Eastern Block, reductions were introduced in 1992/1999 across the whole of the Territorial Army and the Territorial Gunners were no exception. The NAA competitions, however, continued. The Gunner Volunteers seem to be able to expand, reduce and re-organise as part of a continuing process and never falter.

THE NATIONAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION

Following the move of the regimental home from Woolwich to Larkhill the NAA annual awards will now take place at that location. Along with the change of venue, the format for this Awards weekend has also been redrawn. In keeping with the change from the NAA competition that so many former members of the TA will remember, a weekend at Larkhill will reflect the special-to-arms assessments that the regiments/batteries have been put through by the Gunnery Training Team.

The presentation of the Awards is a great opportunity for members of the Reserve Gunners to visit Larkhill and to witness the skills and training of their colleagues in other regiments. Moreover, these are the skills that the RA Reserves will deliver to the Army in order to support the Royal Artillery's many roles on current operations.

To those who still serve, and those who will come after them, the Association re-affirms its intention of continuing to act as the focus for the annual competitions which have become and will continue to be a critical part of the training within the Gunner Army Reserve Regiments. To reiterate, the NAA was formed to foster the skills and the art of artillery. There is as great a need for this today as there was in 1863 and the NAA continues to fulfil this necessary role. The voluntary support and the assistance given by the NAA still play an important part in improving efficiency through the medium of the competitive spirit.

THE GUNS OF TODAY'S ARMY RESERVE GUNNERS

MRLS photograph

The Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS) is a US designed and European built equipment with its own automatic positioning and fire control system.

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Light gun Photograph
The L118 "Light Gun" is a UK designed and built towed 105mm Gun. It is an extremely
versatile Gun, used from the Arctic to the Desert.
HVM photograph

The High Velocity Missile (HVM) system is a UK designed and built Close Air Defence system, and is used to protect ground forces from air attack.

The format of this leaflet follows that of a fund raising booklet issued after the 1914-1919 War in 1924. It is stated in that publication that King George V approved of "UBIQUE" being incorporated in the Regimental Badge of Territorial Artillery units in recognition of their service during the Great War.

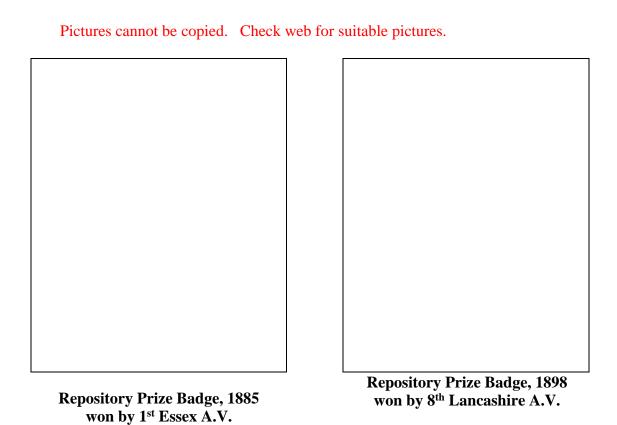
"UBIQUE" is the battle honour of the Royal Regiment of Artillery, just as the guns are our colours.

Photograph – The National Artillery Association at Shoeburyness August 1867

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These pictures formerly in The History of the National Artillery Association section of the original document.



PRIZE BADGES WORN BY MEMBERS OF WINNING DETACHMENTS