

Badge: A sparking plug. Adopted since it was the first mechanised company in the Corps.

DIARY OF EVENTS

(Record of changes of location, designation and operational moves)

Mar 1827	-	Formed as a <u>Service Coy</u> at WOOLWICH
Jul 1827	-	CHATHAM
Mar 1829	-	BERMUDA
Jul 1834	-	HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA
Nov 1834	-	<u>Disbanded</u> at WOOLWICH
Apr 1847	-	Formed as a <u>Service Coy</u> at CHATHAM
Aug 1848	-	MAURITIUS
Nov 1851	-	SOUTH AFRICA and in Kaffir War
Jul 1855	-	WOOLWICH
Sep 1855	-	CHATHAM
Apr 1856	-	SCUTARI
Jul 1856	-	MALTA
Oct 1861	-	CHATHAM
May 1862	-	CURRAGH
Oct 1864	-	WEYMOUTH
May 1866	-	GIBRALTAR
Jun 1870	-	MALTA
Dec 1872	-	BERMUDA
Apr 1876	-	CHATHAM
Nov 1876	-	CURRAGH
1877	-	Redesignated a <u>Fd Coy</u> with a mounted section
Apr 1878	-	ALDERSHOT
Sep 1880	-	Redesignated a <u>Fortress Coy</u>
Sep 1880	-	MALTA
Jul 1882	-	EGYPT
Jun 1887	-	SUDAN (Suakin)
Nov 1885	-	Redesignated a <u>Fd Coy</u>
Jul 1885	-	CHATHAM
Dec 1885	-	ALDERSHOT

May 1888	-	CURRAGH
Mar 1891	-	CHATHAM
May 1893	-	OKEHAMPTON
Aug 1893	-	ALDERSHOT
Nov 1899	-	SOUTH AFRICA with 1 Div in Boer War
Nov 1902	-	ALDERSHOT
Feb 1907	-	CURRAGH with 5 Div
Aug 1914	-	FRANCE with 5 Div
Mar 1915	-	Transferred to 27 Div
Jan 1916	-	MACEDONIA
Dec 1918	-	In Army of the Black Sea
Jun 1919	-	<u>Reduced to a Cadre</u> and returned to the UK
Aug 1919	-	<u>Re-formed</u> at the CURRAGH in 5 Div
Mar 1922	-	BELFAST
	-	LONDONDERRY
Feb 1923	-	BULFORD with 3 Div
1927	-	Became first Mechanised Fd Coy in the Corps
Oct 1935	-	EGYPT
Sep 1936	-	PALESTINE
Dec 1936	-	BULFORD
Sep 1939	-	FRANCE with 1 Div
Nov 1939	-	Transferred to 3 Div
Jun 1940	-	UK
Jun 1944	-	NW EUROPE
(Note – No connection with the wartime 17 Fd Sqn 1941-43)		
1947	-	PALESTINE
May 1948	-	Redesignated a <u>Fd Sqn</u> and joined 22 Fd Engr Regt in LIBYA
1951	-	EGYPT with the Regt
Oct 1954	-	LIBYA with the Regt
Dec 1957	-	CHISELDON with <u>the</u> Regt
Aug 1959	-	Redesignated an <u>Indep Fd Sqn</u> but remains under comd 22 Regt
Oct 1959	-	Leaves the Regt and to CHRISTMAS ISLAND
May 1960	-	CHISELDON
Jul 1960	-	To RIPON to join 38 Corps Engr Regt and redesignated a <u>Fd Sqn</u>

- Dec 1960 - Disbanded
- 'D' Sqn of 12 (SME) Regt re-titled 17 SME Sqn at CHATHAM
in Brompton Barracks
- Dec 1961 - To GILLINGHAM, Gordon Barracks, with the Regt
- Jul 1962 - Regt granted the title Royal and Sqn becomes 17 RSME Sqn
- Aug 1966 - To CHATTENDEN with the Regt

- 1977 - Becomes the Transport Unit for Chatham with an
RCT officer commanding

1827	-	Capt R J Barron	Jul 1931	-	Maj E W Pert MC
1833	-	Capt G C Page	Oct 1935	-	Maj H de L Panet
1834	-	Lt H D Harness	Feb 1938	-	Capt M F C Martin
1847	-	Capt T Fenwick	Jun 1938	-	Maj G Thomas
1853	-	Capt H C B Moody	1942	-	Maj W H Aylwin
1855	-	Maj C D Robertson	1943	-	
1855	-	Capt W F Lambert	1944	-	Maj D A Willison
1855	-	Capt Fitzroy Somerset	Jun 1944	-	Maj L Scott-Bowden
1855	-	Capt A W Lochner	1945	-	Maj W F Cooper
1859	-	Capt H Dumaresq			
1860	-	Capt C H Stewart	1954	-	Maj D R Carroll
1861	-	Capt M Lambert	1956	-	Maj A H Warde MC
1862	-	Maj A R Macdonnell	1957	-	Maj P S McBlain
1865	-	Capt M Lambert			
1868	-	Capt E F S Lloyd	1965	-	Maj L P K Gatfield
1873	-	Capt E Stephens	Feb 1967	-	Maj D I Knight
1880	-	Capt Elliott Wood	Jul 1967	-	Maj W G Crawford
1882	-	Capt R M Hyslop	Aug 1969	-	Maj G A Smith
1882	-	Bt Col Elliott Wood	Oct 1973	-	Maj P A Miller
1889	-	Maj Rochford Boyd		-	Maj R A Read
1892	-	Maj R C Maxwell	1977	-	Maj M G White RCT
1898	-	Maj H H Massey	1981	-	Maj P A Beacon RCT
	-	Maj J A S Tulloch			
Dec 1910	-	Maj F K Fair			
	-	Maj C W Singer CMG DSO			
Jul 1915	-	Maj T Gracey			
Jul 1917	-	Maj G B Pears MC			
1918	-	Maj D Inglis			
Sep 1919	-	Maj J Dove-Park DSO			
Jan 1920	-	Bt Maj F S Collins			
Mar 1920	-	Bt Maj O E Wynne OBE			
Jan 1922	-	Capt W D M Christie			<u>SUMMARY OF REGIMENTS</u>
Aug 1922	-	Capt V E G Guinness			22 : May 1948 – Oct 1959
Mar 1924	-	Maj C H Egerton DSO MC			38 : Jul 1960 – Dec 1960
Jun 1926	-	Bt Lt Col G Le Q Martel DSO MC			12 : Dec 1960 –
Mar 1929	-	Bt Lt Col N T Fitzpatrick DSO MC			