



RESEARCH CONTACT SHEET

The Royal Marines Museum's Archive & Library Department does hold some historical details of Royal Marines' personnel relating to its collections - **BY PRIOR APPOINTMENT** only.
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The National Archives	Ruskin Avenue Kew Richmond Surrey TW9 4DU	Tel: 020 8876 3444 Fax: 020 8878 8905 Website: www.nationalarchives.gov.uk
Commonwealth War Graves Commission	2 Marlow Road Maidenhead Berkshire SL6 7DX	Tel: 01628 634221 Fax: 01628 771208 www.cwgc.org
Veterans' Advice Unit (VAU) Open Monday-Friday (9am-5pm) with an answer phone service when closed. Subjects most frequently dealt with by the VAU: Service pensions; Service records; contacts for military associations; unclaimed medals; war pensions; lost medals; tracing former comrades; historical records; welfare cases		Tel: 08456 02 03 02 Calls within the UK charged at local rates (+44) 20 7218 9621 if calling from outside the UK E-mail: veteransadvice@veterans.mod.uk

SERVICE RECORDS: ROYAL NAVY

RN officers aged over 60 & WWII RNR/RNVR	Navy Records Centre TNT Archive Services Trenton Point, William Nadin Way Swaddlincote, South Derbyshire DE11 0BB (01283) 227913	Ratings enlisted prior to 1924 and WWI records for WRNS	The National Archives (Address, contact details as above)
RN officers aged under 60 & still serving/retired	Officers' Mobilisation Section Room 171 Victory Building HM Naval Base Portsmouth PO1 3LS	Rating enlisted between 1924-39 and WRNS enlisted between 1939-55	See Navy Records Centre (above)
Ratings enlisted 1939 onwards and WRNS enlisted 1956 onwards	NSFOICC CINCFLEET Main Point G1, Leach Building Whale Island, Portsmouth PO2 8BY (02392) 725086	Royal Marines officers & other ranks enlisted before 1926	The National Archives (Address, contact details as above)
Royal Marines officers and other ranks enlisted 1926 onwards	Personnel Records Royal Marines DPS(N)2 Bldg1/151, Victory View PP65 HMNB Portsmouth PO1 3LS (02392) 727531	Royal Fleet Auxiliary	Room 11 Lancelot Building HM Naval Base Portsmouth PO1 3NH

SERVICE RECORDS: RAF

RAF officers served prior to 1922 and Airmen served prior to 1924	The National Archives (Address, contact details as above)
RAF officers served from 1922 onwards and Airmen from 1924	Personnel Management Agency PMA (Sec) 1b Building 248A RAF Innsworth Gloucester GL3 1EZ

SERVICE RECORDS: ARMY

All Army ranks enlisted prior to 1920	By August 2002, records for all ranks that enlisted prior to 1920 will be held at The National Archives. Unfortunately, two thirds of WWI service records were destroyed during the Blitz of London during WWII.
All Army ranks that served after 1920	Army Personnel Centre Disclosure 2, Mail Point 515 Kentigern House 65 Brown Street Glasgow G2 8EX
Army personnel discharged in last three years	Service records are retained at the Army Personnel Centre (address as above) for three years after discharge or after Reserve Service liability has finished. Records are then archived at Defence Records 2a department of the Ministry of Defence
Household Cavalry Personnel	The Curator The Household Cavalry Museum Combermere Barracks Windsor Berkshire SL4 3DN
Footguards Regiments	Regimental Headquarters ***** Guards Wellington Barracks Birdcage Walk London SW1E 6HQ (* ** * * please insert the Regiment i.e. Grenadier, Coldstream)

ROYAL MARINES MUSEUM WEBSITE LINKS

- General current Royal Marines information www.royal-marines.mod.uk
- Official regimental site www.royalmarinesregimental.co.uk
- MOD Information & Library Info-LibsvcsGroupMailbox@defence.mod.uk
- Medal citations London Gazette www.gazettes-online.co.uk
- Royal United Services Institute publications www.rusi.org
- The National Archives www.nationalarchives.gov.uk & enquiry@nationalarchives.gov.uk
- Port Cities UK www.portcities.org.uk
- National Maritime Museum www.port.nmm.ac.uk
- The Blue Band (RM Band Magazine) www.royalmarinesbands.co.uk
- The British Library Newspaper Library newspaper@bl.uk
- Military Minded (personnel web-site) info@milmind.com
- Society Of Genealogists guide to researchers www.sog.org.uk
- Association of Genealogists in Archives www.arga.org.uk
- Commonwealth War-graves Commission www.cwgc.org
- 20th Century 'Scots at War' www.scotatwar.org.uk
- Medal Identification www.medals.net
- Imperial War Museum www.iwm.org.uk
- 1914-18 War Trenches on the web site www.worldwar1.com
- Index Naval Officers 1849 O'Byrne www.angelfire.com/de/BobSanders/Site.html
- Men who served at Trafalgar www.genuki.org.uk/big/eng/Trafalgar
- Navy Lists for Napoleonic period 1793 -1815 www.unepassion.be
- Battle of Coronel (1914) www.coronel.org.uk
- Births Deaths & Marriages England & Wales since 1837 www.1837online.com
- Genealogy Research www.historyman.org.uk
- Public Record Office of Northern Ireland www.proni.gov.uk
- National Archive of Scotland www.nas.gov.uk
- Gretna Green Marriages 1795-1895 www.achievements.co.uk/services/gretna
- Census & Genealogy Data CD sets www.GenealogySupplies.com
- National Maritime Museum Cornwall library@nmmc.co.uk
- Naval Museums Libraries & Archives Group www.hants.gov.uk/library
- Veterans Agency MOD www.veteransagency.mod.uk
- Army Museums Ogilby Trust (includes advice on searching Army service records)
www.armymuseums.org.uk

Whilst the Royal Marines Museum offers notification of the web-sites contained in the above list, it cannot be held responsible for accuracy of the information or quality of any services offered.