

## Change of Command



I have decided that it is time for me to step down as commander of the Royal Yorkers. For the past 12 years I have had the honour to command what I regard as the best regiment in the hobby. I had inherited a first class regiment from Lt. Colonel Gavin Watt, and I was able to carry on in my role due to the excellent quality of the officers, NCO's and ladies of the regiment, and their excellent drill, and interpretations at events and parades.

I will take a supporting position as staff officer and ranker within the regiment's structure.

I have handed command of the regiment to Major David Moore who has been a member of the regiment as long as long as myself. David's reputation for excellence is legendary in the hobby and I have no doubt that the regiment will flourish under his command.

Major Moore will be supported by Captain Scott Turrall as the regiment's 2IC as well as the other officers, NCO's, and ladies in the regiment.

Reg

The Annual Regimental Dinner for 2022 saw the Change of Command ceremony marking the end of Reg James tenure as CO and David Moore taking over the Yorkers.

Reg, having been the CO for 12 years, has taken up his well earned rest. He has consented to fall back to the rank of Captain and to carry on as "Chief of Staff" thereby carrying some of the paperwork load.

Reg's tenure as CO saw many changes in the unit and a constant striving for greater historical accuracy in the interpretation the unit presents to the public. One of the most noticeable changes was the adoption of the red facings for the 1st Battalion uniforms.

Reg has been acknowledged as a leader in the hobby when he has been given command positions at the Brigade level while in the States. It was under Reg that the unit went on some its longest raids into the rebellious provinces, including Virginia and Maryland.

Having served over 40 years with the unit we all wish him well as he takes on this new position.