

Annexe 'G'

Key Dates and Royal Duties Undertaken by The Blackpool Troop.

- 1899 formation of the Troop
- 1901 Funeral procession of Queen Victoria
- 1902 Visit of Prince & Princess of Wales (later King George V & Queen Mary
- 1903 'D' Troop DLOY Drill Hall opened.
- 1902 Coronation procession King Edward VII
- 1904 Visit of King Edward VII & Queen Alexandra to Liverpool
- 1905 Visit of King Edward VII to Salford
- 1908 Unveiling of Boer War Memorial, Manchester
- 1910 Funeral procession of King Edward VII
- 1911 Coronation procession of George V
- 1913 Visit of King George V & Queen Mary to Manchester
- 1914 Regiment Mobilised A&B Sqn to Middle East, C&D Sqns to France
- 1915 Fighting with Infantry at Ypres
- 1916 Fighting on the Somme as part of 12 Manchester Regt. New Battalions formed, one deployed to Ireland, in the Irish 'Easter Rising'.
- 1917 Brief fighting as Cavalry, then back in Trenches. Cavalry disbanded. Sqns to Infantry
- 1918 German 'Spring Offensive' Heavy casualties. Policing duties
- 1921 Regiment re-formed, Annual Camps, etc.
- 1939 Regiment mobilised, retrained & re-equipped as Royal Artillery – 77 & 78 (DLOY) Medium Regiments
- 1943 78 Regt Fighting in Italy.
- 1944 78 Regt Action at Monte Cassino. 77 Regt to Normandy and on to Rhine Crossing
- 1945 Policing duties
- 1946 Reorganised as a Tank Regiment, Royal Armoured Corps (RAC)
- 1956 Re-formed as Reconnaissance Regiment, RAC
- 1961 Queen presented a new 'Guidon' (Colours) to the Regiment
- 1969 Briefly roled as Royal Engineers
- 1971 Re-roled to Home Defence Infantry
- 1983 Re-roled as Home Defence Reconnaissance (RAC)
- 1984 Regimental Museum move to Museum of Lancashire, Preston from Rufford Old Hall.
- 1992 Absorbed into new Regiment, amalgamating several Lancashire Regiments

