

APPENDIX 1 TO VOLUME 3
THE HONG KONG GARRISON IN DECEMBER 1941

The constituents of the Garrison which fought the Japanese in the defence of Hong Kong from 8 to 25 December 1941 are listed here for reference.

ROYAL NAVY

Commander: Captain Alfred C. Collinson, RN

HMS *Tamar* - hulk (sunk December 1941) and shore-side headquarters

Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service

HMS *Thracian* - Commander: Lieutenant Commander Arthur Luard Pears (S Class destroyer launched in 1920, severely damaged, run aground at Ngan Chau, salvaged by the Japanese, recaptured 1945, scrapped in 1946)

HMS *Scout* - Commander: Lieutenant Commander Hedworth Lambton (S Class destroyer launched in 1918, left for Singapore 8 December 1941, scrapped 1946)

HMS *Thanet* - Commander: Lieutenant Commander Bernard Davies (S Class destroyer launched in 1918, left for Singapore 8 December 1941, sunk off Malaya January 1942)

HMS *Tern* - Commander: Lieutenant John Douglas (river gunboat launched in 1927, scuttled in Deep Water Bay 19 December 1941)

HMS *Robin* - Commander: Commander Hugh M. Montague (river gunboat launched in 1934, scuttled in December 1941)

HMS *Cicala* - Commander: Lieutenant Commander John C. Boldero (Insect Class gunboat launched in 1915, sunk 21 December 1941 in the West Lamma Channel)

HMS *Moth* - Commander: Lieutenant Commander R. C. Creer (Insect Class gunboat launched in 1915, scuttled in the dockyard on 12 December 1941, refloated by the Japanese, sunk by a mine at Anqing, March 1945)

HMS *Redstart* - (Linnet Class minelayer, launched in 1938, scuttled 19 December 1941)

Hong Kong Dockyard Defence Corps - Officer
Commanding: Maj. D. Campbell

Royal Naval Dockyard Police

2nd Motor Torpedo Boat Flotilla - Commander:

Lieutenant Commander Gerrard H. Gandy)

MTB 07 - Commander: Lieutenant R. R. W. Ashby
(evacuated Admiral Chan Chak 25 December 1941,
scuttled in Mirs Bay 26 December 1941)

MTB 08 - Commander: Lieutenant L. D. Kilbee
(destroyed by bombing 16 December 1941)

MTB 09 - Commander: Lieutenant A. Kennedy (scuttled
in Mirs Bay 26 December 1941)

MTB 10 - Commander: Lieutenant Commander Gerrard
H. Gandy (scuttled in Mirs Bay 26 December 1941)

MTB 11 - Commander: Lieutenant C. J. Collingwood
(scuttled in Mirs Bay 26 December 1941)

MTB 12 - Commander: Sub-Lieutenant J. B. Colls
(crashed into Kowloon sea wall 19 December 1941 after
attacking Japanese landing craft)

MTB 26 - Commander: Lieutenant D. W. Wagstaff (lost
while attacking Japanese landing craft, 19 December 1941)

MTB 27 - Commander: Lieutenant T. M. Parsons
(scuttled in Mirs Bay 26 December 1941)

Royal Marines - 40 Royal Marines, commander: Major
Farrington, RM

Hong Kong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve -
Commander: Lieutenant Commander Richard J. D. Vernall

HMS *Cornflower* - Commmander: Lieutenant
Commander Richard J. D. Vernall (*Cornflower II*, earlier
the SS Tai Hing, river steamer launched in 1927, renamed
1940 and made headquarters of the Hong Kong Royal
Naval Volunteer Reserve. In December 1941, moored
southwest of Kellett island, scuttled in Deep Water Bay 19
December 1941, refloated by the Japanese, sunk off HK by
the US Air Force in 1944)

Auxiliary Patrol Vessels:

APV Minnie

APV Margaret

APV HMS St. Aubin - Commander: Lieutenant
Commander Peter Dulley (Saint Class tug launched
in 1918, owned by the Admiralty until 1924,
requisitioned as a minesweeper, sunk off Taiwan
1950)

APV St. Sampson - (Saint Class tug launched in 1919, escaped Hong Kong, foundered in the Red Sea 1942).

APV Indira

APV Henriette

APV Shun Wo

APV Han Wo

APV Frosty

APV Poseidon

APV Ho Hsing

APV Teh Hsing

APV Chun Hsing

APV Perla

APV Stanley

APV Britannia

HMS Barlight

HMS Aldgate

HMS Watergate

Naval Armament Tug *Gatling*

Jeanette

RFA Ebonol

C410

Minelayer Man Yeung

HMT Alliance

Poet Chaucer

Waterboat Wave

SS Matchlock

Diesel Launch Ah Ming

ARMY

China Command, Garrison Command & Fortress Command

- General Officer Commanding, Hong Kong: Major General

Christopher Maltby

Kowloon Infantry Brigade / East Brigade - Commander:

Brigadier Cedric Wallis

Hong Kong Infantry Brigade / West Brigade -

Commander: Brigadier J. K. Lawson

2nd Battalion the Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) -

Commanding Officer: Lieutenant-Colonel Simon E. H. E. White

1st Battalion the Middlesex Regiment - Commanding Officer:

Lieutenant-Colonel Henry W. M. Stewart

The Royal Rifles of Canada - Commanding Officer: Lieutenant-

Colonel William J. Home

The Winnipeg Grenadiers - Commanding Officer: Lieutenant-

Colonel John Louis Robert Sutcliffe d. 6.4.42

5th Battalion 7th Rajput Regiment - Commanding Officer:
Lieutenant-Colonel John Cadogan-Rawlinson

2nd Battalion 14th Punjab Regiment - Commanding Officer:
Lieutenant-Colonel Gerald Ralph Kidd d. 22.12.41

Hong Kong Chinese Regiment - Commanding Officer: Major H.
W. A. Mayer)

Royal Artillery - Commander Artillery: Brigadier Tom McLeod

Headquarters

8th Coast Regiment, Royal Artillery - Commanding
Officer: Lieutenant Colonel Shelby Shaw

12th Coast Battery - Battery Commander: Major W. M.
Stevenson

30th Coast Battery - Battery Commander: Major C. R.
Templer

36th Coast Battery - Battery Commander: Captain W. N. J.
Pitt

12th Coast Regiment, Royal Artillery - Commanding
Officer: Major Richard L. J. Penfold

24th Coast Battery - Battery Commander: Captain E. W. S. Anderson

26th Coast Battery - Battery Commander: Lieutenant A. O. G. Mills

5th Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery -
Commanding Officer: Lieutenant-Colonel Fred D. Field

7th Battery

17th Light Anti-Aircraft Battery

18th Light Anti-Aircraft Battery

5th Anti-Aircraft (Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps)
Battery - Battery Commander: Captain Lawrence "Lolly"
Goldman

965th Defence Battery, Royal Artillery - Battery
Commander: Major Basil T. C. Forrester

1st Regiment, Hong Kong & Singapore Royal Artillery -
Commanding Officer - Major Webb Tatham Temple d. 19.12.41
Lieutenant-Colonel [Major] John Corbet Love Yale d. 20.12.41

1st Mountain Battery

2nd Mountain Battery

3rd Medium Battery

4th Medium Battery

25th Medium Battery

Royal Engineers China Command - Commander: Colonel
Esmond H. M. Clifford

Headquarters

22th Fortress Company, Royal Engineers - Officer Commanding:
Maj. D. C. E. Grose

40th Fortress Company, Royal Engineers - Officer
Commanding: Major D. I. M. Murray

Royal Engineers Services

Field Company Engineers, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force
- Officer Commanding: Lieutenant-Colonel Reginald David
Walker

Royal Signals - Commander: Lieutenant-Colonel Eustace Levett

Hong Kong Signal Company, Royal Corps of Signals

Hong Kong Brigade Signals

Royal Army Service Corps - Commander: Lieutenant-Colonel
Keble Theodore Andrews-Levinge

12th Company, Royal Army Service Corps

Hong Kong Mule Corps, Royal Army Service Corps

Royal Army Medical Corps

27th Company, Royal Army Medical Corps

Royal Army Ordnance Corps - Commander: Lieutenant-Colonel
Robert Macpherson

6 Section, Royal Army Ordnance Corps Detachment

Royal Army Pay Corps Detachment

Royal Army Veterinary Corps Hong Kong Company

Corps of Military Police

The Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps - Commander:
Colonel Henry Barron Rose; Second-in-Command: Lieutenant-
Colonel Eric J.R. Mitchell

Armoured Car Platoon - Commander: 2nd Lieutenant Mike
Carruthers

No. 1 Company - Officer Commanding: Captain Arthur Harry
Penn

No. 2 (Scottish) Company - Officer Commanding: Major Henry
Russell Forsyth

No. 3 (Eurasian) Company - Officer Commanding: Major Evan
George Stewart

No. 4 (Chinese) Company - Officer Commanding: Captain
Robert Keith Valentine

No. 5 (Portuguese) Company - Officer Commanding: Captain
Chris D'Almada e Castro

No. 6 (Portuguese) Light Anti-Aircraft Company - Officer
Commanding: Captain Henrique A. de B. Botelho

No. 7 Company - Officer Commanding: Captain John Gordon Dewar

The Stanley Platoon - Commander: Lieutenant C. J. Norman

Reconnaissance Unit (Z Force) - Commander: Lieutenant Mike Francis W. Kendall

Corps Artillery - Commander: Major John Watson

1st Battery, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force - Battery
Commander: Captain George Fred Rees

2nd Battery, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force - Battery
Commander: Captain Douglas James Crozier

3rd Battery, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force - Battery
Commander: Captain Charles Walter Cole

4th Battery, Battery, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force
- Battery Commander: Lieutenant Ken Myer Barnett

Fortress Signal Company - Officer Commanding: Major John Patrick Sherry

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force Signal Section -
Commander: Captain Arthur Nathaniel Braude

Supply & Transport - Officer Commanding; Major Hubert G. Williams

Army Service Corps Company, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force - Officer Commanding: Major Fred Flippance

Pay Detachment - Officer Commanding: Major Cameron de S. Robertson

Dispatch Sections

Hughes Group - Officer Commanding: Major John Johnstone Paterson

Field Ambulance unit - Commanding Officer: Lieutenant-Colonel Lindsay T. Ride

Nursing Detachment - Commander: Matron Irene Braude
St. John Ambulance

Indian Army Detachments

Indian Hospital Corps

Indian Medical Service

Royal Indian Army Service Corps

Hong Kong Mule Corps, Royal Indian Army Service Corps

Canadian Army Detachments

Canadian staff
Corps of Military Staff Clerks
Canadian Provost Corps
Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps
Canadian Army Dental Corps
Canadian Service
Royal Canadian Corps of Signals
Royal Canadian Army Service Corps
Royal Canadian Army Pay Corps
Canadian Postal Corps
Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps
Canadian Chaplains Service
Canadian Auxiliary Services

AIR FORCES

Royal Navy

Fleet Air Arm, Royal Navy - Commander: Lieutenant P. J. Milner-Barry (both aircraft were destroyed by bombing at Kai Tak, 8 December 1941)

Supermarine Walrus L2259 (amphibious, first flown 1933)

Supermarine Walrus L2819 (amphibious, first flown 1933)

Royal Air Force

Hong Kong Station, Royal Air Force - Commander: Wing Commander Humphrey G. Sullivan (two aircraft were destroyed at Kai Tak by bombing, 8 December 1941)

Vickers Vildebeest K2924 (torpedo reconnaissance biplane bomber introduced 1933)

Vickers Vildebeest K2818 (torpedo reconnaissance biplane bomber introduced 1933)

Vickers Vildebeest K6370 (torpedo reconnaissance biplane bomber introduced 1933)

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps Flight - Commander: Squadron Leader Donald "Sammy" Hill (all aircraft except for two were destroyed at Kai Tak by bombing, 8 December 1941)

1 x Avro 621 Tutor (biplane teaching aircraft introduced in 1933)

2 x Hornet Moth (biplane trainer aircraft introduced in 1931)

2 x Avro 631 Cadet (biplane trainer aircraft introduced in 1932)

