

46th (North Midland) Infantry Division ⁽¹⁾

Headquarters, 46th (North Midland) Infantry Division

137th (Staffordshire) Infantry Brigade ⁽²⁾

Headquarters, 137th (Staffordshire) Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

5th Bn. The South Staffordshire Regiment

6th Bn. The South Staffordshire Regiment

5th Bn. The North Staffordshire Regiment (The Prince of Wales's) ⁽³⁾

6th Bn. The North Staffordshire Regiment (The Prince of Wales's)

138th (Lincolnshire and Leicestershire) Infantry Brigade ⁽⁴⁾

Headquarters, 138th (Lincolnshire and Leicestershire) Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

4th Bn. The Lincolnshire Regiment

5th Bn. The Lincolnshire Regiment ⁽⁵⁾

4th Bn. The Leicestershire Regiment ⁽⁶⁾

5th Bn. The Leicestershire Regiment

139th (Sherwood Foresters) Infantry Brigade ⁽⁷⁾

Headquarters, 139th (Sherwood Foresters) Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

5th (Derbyshire) Bn. The Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire Regiment)

6th Bn. The Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire Regiment) ⁽⁸⁾

7th (Robin Hoods) Bn. The Sherwood Foresters

(Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire Regiment) ⁽⁹⁾

8th (Nottinghamshire) Bn. The Sherwood Foresters

(Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire Regiment)

Divisional Troops

Headquarters, 46th (North Midland) Divisional Royal Artillery ⁽¹⁰⁾

60th (North Midland) Field Brigade, Royal Artillery ⁽¹¹⁾

(H.Q., 237th (Lincoln), 238th (Grimsby), 239th (Leicester) & 240th (Nottinghamshire Royal Horse Artillery) Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

61st (North Midland) Field Brigade, Royal Artillery ⁽¹²⁾

(H.Q., 241st (North Staffordshire), 242nd (North Staffordshire), 243rd (Leek) & 244th (Stafford) Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

62nd (North Midland) Field Brigade, Royal Artillery (13)
(H.Q., 245th (Derby), 246th (Derby), 247th (Wolverhampton) & 248th (West Bromwich) Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

Headquarters, 46th (North Midland) Divisional Royal Engineers (14)
212th (North Midland) Field Company, Royal Engineers (14)
213th (North Midland) Field Company, Royal Engineers (14)
214th (North Midland) Field Company, Royal Engineers (14)

46th (North Midland) Divisional Signals, Royal Corps of Signals (15)

Headquarters, 46th (North Midland) Divisional Royal Army Service Corps (16)
510th Company, Royal Army Service Corps (16)
511th Company, Royal Army Service Corps (16)
512th Company, Royal Army Service Corps (16)

137th (North Midland) Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps (17)

Army Troops in the 46th Divisional Area

24th (Derbyshire Yeomanry) Armoured Car Company, Royal Tank Corps (18)

107th (The South Nottinghamshire Hussars Yeomanry) Army Field Brigade
Royal Artillery (19)
(H.Q., 425th (South Nottinghamshire Hussars Yeomanry) & 426th (South Nottinghamshire Hussars Yeomanry) Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

236th Field Artillery Signal Section, Royal Corps of Signals (20)

46th Ordnance Company, Royal Army Ordnance Corps (21)

NOTES:

1. The division was one of those formed in 1908 as part of the Territorial Force, when it was entitled the 'North Midland' Division. It was numbered in April 1915. The division saw service on the Western Front in The Great War. It was reconstituted following the Great War, with its headquarters based at Normanton House, Derby. From 1936 to 1938, several formations were converted to anti-aircraft units. In 1936, five out of the twelve infantry battalions in the division were converted into anti-aircraft roles. This led to the division disbanding and its constituent formations being broken up. Most were divided between the 49th (West Riding) Infantry Division and the 55th (West Lancashire) Infantry Division. A 'new' 46th Infantry Division was raised in 1939 by the duplication of the 49th (West Riding) Infantry Division, but it is believed it did not adopt the title 'North Midland'.
2. The brigade was a Territorial Army formation, based at Market Street, Fenton, Stoke-on-Trent. The 5th Bn. The South Staffordshire Regiment was based at the Drill Hall, Whittimere Street, Walsall, and the 6th Bn. of the Regiment was based at the Drill Hall, Stafford Street, Wolverhampton. The 5th Bn. The North Staffordshire Regiment was based at the Drill Hall, Booth Street, Stoke-on-Trent, with the 6th Bn. based at the Drill Hall, Horninglow Street, Burton-on-Trent. When the division disbanded, the three remaining battalions transferred to the 55th (West Lancashire) Infantry Division.
3. This regiment was converted into an anti-aircraft role in 1936, being redesignated as:
41st (5th North Staffordshire) Anti-Aircraft Battalion, Royal Engineers
In August 1940, it became the 41st (5th North Staffordshire) Searchlight Regiment, Royal Artillery. It remained in the U.K. until August 1944 when it moved to Italy to join the 8th Army. In 1947, it was reformed as the 576th (5th Bn. The North Staffordshire Regiment) Searchlight Regiment, based in Stoke on Trent.
4. This brigade comprised two battalions of the Lincolnshire Regiment and two from the Leicestershire Regiment. The brigade headquarters were located at the Old Barracks, Lincoln. The 4th Bn. The Lincolnshire Regiment was based at the Drill Hall, Broadgate, in the City of Lincoln, with the 5th Bn. based at the Drill Hall, Doughty Road, Grimsby. The 4th Bn. The Leicestershire Regiment was based at The Magazine, Leicester (with a new T.A. centre built at Ulverscroft Road, Leicester in the 1930's), and the 5th Bn. was based at the Drill Hall, Loughborough. When the division disbanded, the two battalions which were not converted into an artillery role transferred to the 49th (West Riding) Infantry Division.
5. In 1938, this battalion was converted into an anti-aircraft role, being redesignated as:
46th (The Lincolnshire Regiment) Anti-Aircraft Battalion, Royal Engineers
It served in Home Forces, being retitled as the 46th Searchlight Regiment in August 1940. In November 1944, it was converted in the 46th Garrison Regiment and then in February 1945 it became the 606th (The Lincolnshire Regiment) Infantry Regiment, Royal Artillery. In March 1945, it moved to North West Europe. It was reformed after the war as the 581st (5th Bn. The Royal Lincolnshire Regiment) Heavy Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery, based in Scunthorpe.
6. In 1938, this battalion was converted into an anti-aircraft role, being redesignated as:
44th (The Leicestershire Regiment) Anti-Aircraft Battalion, Royal Engineers
This Battalion served in the United Kingdom, being re-designated as the 44th Searchlight Regiment, Royal Artillery in August 1940. In January 1942, it was converted into the 121st Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery. As such it served in the U.K. and North West Europe with 2nd Army.

7. This Territorial Army brigade had its headquarters based at the Drill Hall, Derby Road, Nottingham. The 5th Bn. The Sherwood Foresters was based at the Drill Hall, Beckett Street, Derby, and the 6th Bn. was based at the Drill Hall, Chesterfield. The two Nottinghamshire battalions were the 7th Bn. based at the Drill Hall, Derby Road, Nottingham and the 8th Bn. at the Drill Hall, Sherwood Avenue, Newark. When the division and the brigade were disbanded, the two remaining battalions transferred to the 148th Infantry Brigade, 49th Infantry Division.
8. In 1936, this battalion was converted into an anti-aircraft role, being re-designated as:-
40th (The Sherwood Foresters) Anti-Aircraft Battalion, Royal Engineers
In August 1940, the battalion became the 40th Searchlight Regiment, Royal Artillery, and served in Home Forces until June 1943. Then it converted into the 149th Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery, retaining the Sherwood Foresters designation. It continued to serve in Home Forces before moving to France as part of the 2nd Army in June 1944. After the war it was reformed as the 575th (6th Bn. The Sherwood Foresters) Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery.
9. In 1936, this battalion was converted into an anti-aircraft role, being redesignated as:
42nd (The Robin Hoods, Sherwood Foresters) Anti-Aircraft Battalion, Royal Engineers
This battalion remained a searchlight regiment throughout the war, being re-titled as the 42nd (The Robin Hoods, Sherwood Foresters) Searchlight Regiment in August 1940. It served in Home Forces until August 1944, when it transferred to the 8th Army in Italy. It was reformed in 1947 as the 577th (The Robin Hoods, Sherwood Foresters) Searchlight Regiment, Royal Artillery.
10. The Headquarters, Divisional Royal Artillery were based at 15, Tenant Street, Derby.
11. Formed in 1916 as the 1st North Midland Brigade, R.F.A., this regiment was based in Lincoln. When the division disbanded, it came under the command of the West Riding Area. In April 1939, the Regiment duplicated to form the 115th Field Regiment. The 60th Field Regiment was sent to France in November 1939 to serve with the B.E.F. Following evacuation, it remained in the United Kingdom until leaving for Syria in July 1941. In December 1941, it joined the 70th Infantry Division in the Middle East. It stayed with the division when it was sent to India, and later converted into 60 Column to serve with the Chindits. The 115th Field Regiment also ended up in the Far East, serving the 19th Indian Infantry Division in the 1944 and 1945 campaign in Burma.
12. A first line Territorial Army regiment, originally formed in 1916 as 2nd North Midland Brigade, R.F.A.. The Headquarters, 241st and 242nd Batteries were based at Shelton in Stoke-on-Trent. The 243rd Battery was based in Leek and the 244th Battery in Stafford. In 1936, the regiment was attached to the 55th (West Lancashire) Infantry Division. In 1939, the 55th (West Lancashire) Infantry Division duplicated to form the 59th (Staffordshire) Infantry Division, the regiment transferring to that new division. It also duplicated to form the 116th Field Regiment. The 61st Field Regiment remained with the 59th Infantry Division throughout its existence, serving in Normandy in 1944. When that division disbanded, the regiment converted to become the 61st Super Heavy Regiment, Royal Artillery. The 116th Field Regiment also remained with the 59th Infantry Division throughout its existence, but was placed in suspended animation in January 1945 following the break-up of the division.

13. This regiment was reformed in 1920, being based in Derby and Staffordshire. The Headquarters Battery was based at 91, Siddals Road, Derby, together with the 245th and 246th Batteries. The 247th Battery was based at West Park, Wolverhampton, and the 248th Battery at Carters Green, West Bromwich. In 1937, it was converted into an anti-aircraft regiment and redesignated as the:
68th (North Midland) Anti-Aircraft Brigade, Royal Artillery
In June 1940, it was retitled a heavy anti-aircraft regiment. It served in Home Forces until June 1941 when it left for Egypt, serving there and in Malta to the end of the war.
14. The Headquarters, Royal Engineers were based at the Drill Hall, Smethwick, Staffordshire. The 212th Field Company was also based at Smethwick alongside the Headquarters, Royal Engineers. The 213th Company was based at Cannock, Staffordshire, and the 214th Company was based in Tunstall, one of the six towns which now form Stoke-on-Trent. When the division disbanded the divisional Royal Engineers were attached to the 55th (West Lancashire) Division. In 1939, the 215th Field Park Company was raised, based in Smethwick. At the outbreak of war, the 212th and 215th Companies were under the command of the South Midland Area, with the 213th and 214th Companies under the command of the West Lancashire Area. The 214th Field Company served with III Corps in France as part of the B.E.F. In May 1942 it joined the 78th Infantry Division seeing active service in North Africa and Italy.
15. The divisional signals were based at the Drill Hall, Phoenix Street, Derby. When the division disbanded, the unit converted into The North Midland Corps Signals under the command of the West Riding Area.
16. The headquarters of the divisional R.A.S.C. was based at the Drill Hall, Carter's Green, West Bromwich, Staffordshire. When the division disbanded, the units were attached to the 55th (West Lancashire) Division.
17. The field ambulance was based at 91, Siddals Road, Derby. When the division disbanded, this unit was attached to the 49th (West Riding) Division.
18. In 1920, the Derbyshire Yeomanry was one of eight yeomanry regiments converted into armoured car companies as the Territorial Army component of the Royal Tank Corps. These were the first cavalry units in the British Army to be mechanized. The unit was based at 91, Siddals Road, Derby. When the division disbanded, the company transferred to the West Riding Area. In November 1938, the company was expanded into an armoured car battalion. In April 1939, the battalion duplicated to form two separate regiments. At the outbreak of war, both were unbrigaded under command of the West Riding Area. The 1st Derbyshire Yeomanry later became the armoured reconnaissance regiment of the 6th Armoured Division in Tunisia and Italy, and the 2nd Derbyshire Yeomanry became the divisional reconnaissance regiment for the 51st (Highland) Infantry Division during the campaign in North West Europe.

19. In 1920, the South Nottinghamshire Hussars Yeomanry was converted into an artillery regiment. The headquarters and both batteries were based at the Drill Hall, Derby Road, Nottingham. In 1938, the regiment transferred from the Royal Artillery to the Royal Horse Artillery. At the outbreak of war, the regiment was under the command of Home Forces. In November 1939, it came under command of the 1st Cavalry Division. In April 1942, the regiment was redesignated as the 107th Field Regiment. Two months later, it was redesignated as the 107th Medium Regiment. It later served in North West Europe with the 9th Army Group Royal Artillery. In 1939, the 107th Regiment, R.H.A. duplicated to form the 150th Regiment, R.H.A.. All three batteries were based in the City of Nottingham. The regiment remained in the United Kingdom, being redesignated as the 150th Field Regiment in June 1940. It came under command of the 148th Infantry Brigade in November 1940. In September 1942, the regiment joined the 79th Armoured Division. In March 1943, it returned to the command of Home Forces. In March 1944, it joined the 2nd Army, and served in North West Europe with the 4th Army Group Royal Artillery. The regiment was placed into suspended animation in January 1945.
20. This signal section was based at the Drill Hall, Derby Road, Nottingham.
21. The ordnance company was based at the Drill Hall, Derby Road, Nottingham.

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