

29th Armoured Reconnaissance Regiment
 (The South Alberta Regiment)
 4th Canadian Armoured Division
 in Northwest Europe, 1944 – 1945



Unit Serial and Arm of
 Service Flash, 1942



Battle Honours: Second World War



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Falaise, Falaise Road, The Laison, St. Lambert-sur-Dives, Moerbrugge, The Scheldt, Moerbrugge, The Lower Maas, Kapelsche Veer, The Rhineland, The Hochwald, Veen, Twente Canal, Bad Zwischenahn, North-West Europe, 1944-1945.

Historical Sketch



Formation Sign 4th
 Canadian Armoured
 Division

The South Alberta Regiment was authorized on 15 March 1920 as **The Alberta Regiment**. On 15 May 1924 it was reorganized into two separate regiments, **The North Alberta Regiment** and **The South Alberta Regiment**. The South Alberta Regiment mobilized the **South Alberta Regiment, C.A.S.F.** on 24 May 1940. It was redesignated **29th Armoured Regiment (The South Alberta Regiment)** on 26 January 1942, and became the junior armoured regiment of 3rd Armoured Brigade, 4th Canadian Armoured Division. It embarked for the United Kingdom on 22 August 1942 and on 01 January 1943 it was redesignated the **29th Armoured Reconnaissance Regiment (The South Alberta Regiment)**, and became the divisional armoured reconnaissance regiment of 4th Canadian Armoured Division. The Regiment landed in Normandy on 24 July 1944 in that role. Major D.V. Currie won the Victoria Cross, between 18-20 August 1944 at St. Lambert-sur-Dives. It was the only VC awarded to a Canadian armoured regiment in WWII.

Second World War Gallantry Awards

Service #	Rank	Surname	Names	Decoration	I or P	Date
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	Lieutenant Colonel	NASH	Thomas Boyd	DSO	P	Aug44-Apr45
	Lieutenant Colonel	WOTHERSPOON	Gordon Dorward de Salaberry	DSO	I	18Aug44
	Major	CURRIE	David Vivian	VC	I	18-20Aug44
	Lieutenant	BOWICK	Smith Freemont	MC	P	Oct44-Jan45
	Lieutenant	CASELEY	Samuel Leaman	MC	I	27-28Feb45
	Lieutenant	McLEOD	William John	MC	I	15Apr45
	Lieutenant	SUMMERS	Jack Leslie	MC	P	Aug44
M104610	Trooper	BROADBENT	Albert Glen	DCM	I	29Jan45
M51023	Sergeant	MILNER	Thomas Edward	DCM	I	24Apr45
A105460	Trooper	DEVREKER	Anthony	MM	I	10Sep44
F45980	Trooper	FORBES	James Floyd	MM	I	07Mar45
M28840	Sergeant	FREEMAN	Laurence Frederick	MM	I	27-28Feb45
M44865	Sergeant	FREER	Frank Ellsworth	MM	P	Feb45
M45513	Corporal	HADDOW	Arthur	MM	I	08Aug44
L84636	Acting Sergeant	HALKYARD	Albert Edward	MM	I	18Sep44
M10863	Sergeant	KROESING	James Ernest	MM	P	27Feb45
L84592	Acting Corporal	OTTENBREIT	Michael	MM	I	22Aug44
M45515	Acting Sergeant	ROULSTON	Herbert	MM	I	14Oct44
M49001	Sergeant	WOOLF	Garth Leavitt	MM	P	Aug-Sep44

"I" – Immediate award for a specific act of gallantry.

"P" – Periodic Award. Not for a specific act, but can encompass gallant behavior over a period of time or noteworthy service.

The following is a listing of additional awards and decorations for members of the South Alberta Regiment.

	Honorary Captain	SILCOX	A.P.	MBE
	Captain	HUGHES	F.N.	Bronze Star
	Captain	IRVING	G.E.	Croix de Guerre
M45283	Sergeant	PRENEVOST	D.L.	Croix de Guerre
	Captain	IRVING	G.E.	Mention In Despatches
	Lieutenant	BOWICK	S.F.	Mention in Despatches
M45704	Sqn Sergeant Major	BUNDY	E.F.	Mention in Despatches
M45283	Sergeant	PRENEVOST	D.L.	Mention in Despatches
M45059	Corporal	ROSE	S.T.	Mention in Despatches
M45606	Trooper	NICHOLS	E.P.	Mention in Despatches
M28832	Trooper	BERGQUIST	M.E.	Mention in Despatches
	Major	ROBINSON	R.	C-in-C's Certificate
	Lieutenant	ROBERTS	J.M.	C-in-C's Certificate

M45017	Regt. Sergeant Major	MACKENZIE	J.	C-in-C's Certificate
M11084	Sergeant	GOVE	J.K.	C-in-C's Certificate
B28903	Sergeant	ROLLINSON	J.E.	C-in-C's Certificate
M45501	Sergeant	SMITH	J.	C-in-C's Certificate
M45738	Sergeant	WEBB	G.W.	C-in-C's Certificate
M44800	Sergeant	PORTER	J.A.	C-in-C's Certificate