

6th Armoured Regiment
(1st Hussars)
5th Canadian Armoured Division and later,
2nd Canadian Armoured Brigade in Northwest Europe, 1944 – 1945



Unit Serial and
Arm of Service Flash, 1942



Formation Sign
5th Canadian Armoured Division



Unit Serial and
Arm of Service Sign, 1943 – 1945



Formation Sign
2nd Canadian Armoured Brigade



Battle Honours: Second World War

Normandy Landing, Putot-en-Bessin, Le Mesnil-Patry, Caen, The Orne, Bourguebus Ridge, Faubourg de Vaucelles, Verrieres Ridge – Tilly-la-Campagne, Falaise, Falaise Road, Quesnay Wood, The Laison, Chambois, Calais, 1944, The Lower Maas, The Rhineland, The Hochwald, Apeldoorn, Bad Zwischenahn, North-West Europe, 1944-1945.

Historical Sketch

The Regiment mobilized on 01 September 1939 as the **1st Hussars, C.A.S.F.** On 01 March 1940 elements were detached to help form a composite unit that was intended to be the divisional cavalry regiment for 1st Canadian Division. This unit, named **The First Canadian Cavalry Regiment (Mechanized)**, was broken up into its constituent parts on 21 June 1941. During its short existence in London, Ontario, it was composed as follows: RHQ - 1st Hussars, A Squadron - Royal Canadian Dragoons, B Squadron - Lord Strathcona's Horse (RC), C Squadron - 1st Hussars, HQ Squadron - 1st Hussars. The Regiment was redesignated as **6th Armoured Regiment (1st Hussars)** on 11 February 1941 and became the second senior armoured regiment of 1st Armoured Brigade, 5th Canadian Armoured Division. It embarked for the United Kingdom on 13 November 1941. As a result of the re-organization of Canadian armoured formations, the Regiment became the senior regiment of 2nd Canadian Armoured Brigade in early 1943, and landed in Normandy in that role.

Second World War Gallantry Awards

Service #	Rank	Surname	Names	Award	I or P	Date
	Major	BROOKS	William Dudley	DSO	I	06Jun44
	Lieutenant Colonel	COLWELL	Ray John	DSO	I	11Jun44
	Major	CONRON	Alfred Brandon	DSO	I	11Apr45
	Major	GORDON	George William	DSO	P	14Aug44
	Major	ROBINSON	William Arthur	DSO	I	26Feb45
	Lieutenant Colonel	WHITE	Franklyn Everhart	DSO	P	Jun-Aug44
	Major	POWELL	John Wilson	DSO, MC	I, I	26Feb45, 06Jun44
	Lieutenant	CRESSEY	George Henry	MC	I	18Jan45
	Lieutenant	EGGO	David George Carnegie	MC	I	26Feb45
	Lieutenant	EVERETT	Harold Roy	MC	I	14Apr45
	Acting Captain	JEWKES	Victor Wilfred	MC	I	12Apr45
	Lieutenant	MANN	Norman	MC	I	13Apr45
	Captain	NEIL	Proctor Clifford	MC	I	26Feb45
	Lieutenant	PETTIGREW	Douglas Bonar	MC	I	20Jan45
	Lieutenant	SMITH	William Angus Paul	MC	I	08Jun44
	Lieutenant	SPENCER	Alexander Melville	MC	I	29Apr45
	Lieutenant	TAMBLYN	Glen Owen	MC	I	13Apr45
	Lieutenant	VAN FLYMAN	Sam Jan	MC	I	15/16Apr45
	Captain	CAW	Bruce Edward Ashton	MC + Bar	I, I	25Sep44, 21Jan45
A303	Sergeant	KENYON	Frederick Bradshaw	DCM	I	14Aug44
B19629	Sergeant	MacLEOD	Alexander Ross	DCM	I	13Apr45
B19523	Corporal	BEVERLEY	Henry John	MM	I	06Jun44
P1141	Lance Sergeant	BOYLE	Arthur George	MM	I	15Aug44
A457	Acting Sergeant	CAMLEY	Joseph Roy	MM	I	13Apr45
B63171	Lance Sergeant	CAMPBELL	Donald Gustav	MM	I	26Feb45
A11835	Sergeant	CAMPBELL	Lewis John	MM	I	26Feb45
D132845	Trooper	CUNNINGHAM	Victor Alden John	MM	I	13Apr45
L58748	Lance Sergeant	ENNS	Bernhard	MM	I	20Jan45
M66196	Corporal	EWART	Peter Dale	MM	I	13Apr45
B19590	Sergeant	JASPER	George Edward	MM	P	12Apr45
B61974	Acting Corporal	PRITCHARD	John Charles	MM	I	26Feb45
H63809	Trooper	RUNOLFSON	Helgi Stephen	MM	I	06Jun44
P1690	Sergeant	SHAW	Bertram Ernest	MM	P	18Jan45

"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.