

9th Armoured Regiment (The British Columbia Dragoons) 5th Canadian Armoured Division Italy 1943 – 1945, Northwest Europe, 1945



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Formation Sign 5th Canadian Armoured Division

Battle Honours: Second World War

Liri Valley, Melfa Crossing, Gothic Line, Pozzo Alto Ridge, Lamone Crossing, Naviglio Canal, Fosso Munio, Conventello-Comacchio, Italy, 1944-1945, Ijsselmeer, Delfzijl Pocket, North-West Europe, 1945.

Historical Sketch

Details of the Regiment were placed on active service on 01 September 1939 for local protective duty. The Regiment mobilized the 5th Canadian Motorcycle Regiment, C.A.S.F. (B.C.D.) on 24 May 1940. The unit was converted and redesignated The British Columbia Dragoons on 09 February 1941 and again on 11 February 1941 as the 9th Armoured Regiment (The British Columbia Dragoons). It embarked for the United Kingdom on 13 November 1941 as the junior armoured regiment of 2nd Armoured Brigade, 5th Canadian Armoured Division. After the reorganization of Canadian armoured formations in early 1943, the Regiment landed in Italy on 19 December 1943 as the junior armoured regiment of 5th Armoured Brigade, 5th Canadian Armoured Division. It fought in Italy until February of 1945 when it moved to North-West Europe with the rest of 1st Canadian Corps. The active unit was disbanded on 31 January 1946. A 9th (Reserve) Armoured Regiment (The British Columbia Dragoons) served in the Reserve Army.

Second World War Gallantry Awards

Service Rank Surnar	ne Names	Decoration I or	Date
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Number					P	
	Lieutenant Colonel	ANGLE	Harold Herbert	DSO	I	03Jan45
	Acting Major	SELLARS	Richard Bartley	DSO & MC	I & I	04Jan45 & 31Aug44
	Acting Major	COOKE	John Edward	MC	I	03Jan45
	Lieutenant	HURST	Beverley George	MC	I	16-17Apr45
	Acting Captain	LOONEY	James	MC	I	04Sep44
	Lieutenant	WICKLOW	Donald Charles	MC	I	13Dec44
K998	Sergeant	FLECK	William Paul	DCM	I	04Sep44
B8337	Signalman	BOURKE*	Eugene Miles	MM	P	Sep-Dec44
K1628	Corporal	EHLERS	Charles Hugh	MM	I	05Jan45
K881	Sergeant	GLOVER	Frank Alexander	MM	I	31Aug44
K2445	Sergeant	McCUTCHEON	William Clarance	MM	Р	15Dec44
K11	Sergeant	McLEOD	James Clarence	MM	P	14Apr45
K104	Corporal	WHITE	George Leroy	MM	I	14Dec44

* Attached to the British Columbia Dragoons

[&]quot;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.