

Royal Marines Corps Memorial Dates

21 October 1805 - The Battle of Trafalgar

Nearly one third of the Corps was presented at the Lord Nelson's victory over the combined fleets at Trafalgar, the most decisive sea fight in British history. Ninety-two officers and over 3,600 NCOs and men of the Royal Marines at their traditional stations on the upper decks of the British ships, bore brave and important part in the success of the day. The losses were particularly heavy on board the leading ships; in Lord Nelson's flagship, the *Victory*, all four RM officers and over 50 men of the RM detachment were killed or wounded. The total RM casualties during the battle were 5 officers and 121 men killed or died of wounds and 12 officers and 204 men wounded.
