

Royal Marines Corps Memorial Dates

28 October 1664 - The Birth of the Corps

King Charles II sanctioned the formation of the Duke of York and Albany's Maritime Regiment of Foot _ the first Regiment to be formed specially for service afloat. The regiment was raised mainly from the Trained Bands of the City of London from which the Royal marines derive the privilege of marching through the City of London with Colour flying, drums beating and bayonets fixed. The yellow strip in our present day regimental flash commemorates the yellow uniforms of the Duke of York and Albany's Regiment.
