## 9<sup>th</sup> (Scottish) Infantry Division (1)

Headquarters, 9<sup>th</sup> (Scottish) Infantry Division

<u>26<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade</u> (2)

Headquarters, 26<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

5<sup>th</sup> (Sutherland and Caithness) Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, The Duke of Albany's)

7<sup>th</sup> (Morayshire) Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, The Duke of Albany's)

5<sup>th</sup> Bn. The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders

27<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade (3)

Headquarters, 27<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

5<sup>th</sup> (Angus and Dundee) Bn. The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment)

7<sup>th</sup> (Mars and Mearns) Bn. The Gordon Highlanders

9<sup>th</sup> (Donside) Bn. The Gordon Highlanders

<u>28<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade</u> (4)

Headquarters, 28<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

7<sup>th</sup> (Fife) Bn. The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment)
10<sup>th</sup> Bn. The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (Princess Louise's)
11<sup>th</sup> Bn. The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (Princess Louise's)

**Divisional Troops** 

Headquarters, 9<sup>th</sup> (Scottish) Infantry Divisional Royal Artillery 126<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment, Royal Artillery (5)

(H.Q., 297<sup>th</sup> (City of Aberdeen) & 298<sup>th</sup> (City of Aberdeen) Field Batteries, Royal Artillery) 127<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment, Royal Artillery (6)

(H.Q., 301<sup>st</sup> (Angus) & 304<sup>th</sup> (City of Dundee) Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

128<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment, Royal Artillery (7)

(H.Q., 307<sup>th</sup> (Renfrew) & 308<sup>th</sup> (Renfrew) Field Batteries, Royal Artillery)

## 61<sup>st</sup> Anti-Tank Regiment, Royal Artillery (8)

(H.Q., 241<sup>st</sup>, 242<sup>nd</sup>, 243<sup>rd</sup> & 244<sup>th</sup> Anti-Tank Batteries, Royal Artillery)

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Headquarters, 9<sup>th</sup> (Scottish) Divisional Royal Engineers 274<sup>th</sup> Field Company, Royal Engineers (9) 275<sup>th</sup> Field Company, Royal Engineers (10) 276<sup>th</sup> Field Company, Royal Engineers (11) 277<sup>th</sup> Field Park Company, Royal Engineers (12)

9<sup>th</sup> Divisional Signals, Royal Corps of Signals

NOTES:

- 1. The 9<sup>th</sup> (Scottish) Infantry Division was a second-line Territorial Army formation, a duplicate of the 51<sup>st</sup> (Highland) Division. It was formed in 1939 with the expansion of the Territorial Army. The division remained in Scotland during the beginning of the war. When the bulk of the 51<sup>st</sup> Division was captured in France on 12 June 1940, the 9<sup>th</sup> Division was used to reconstitute the 51<sup>st</sup> Division. The 9<sup>th</sup> Division officially ceased to exist on 7 August 1940, being redesignated the 51<sup>st</sup> (Highland) Infantry Division. The 5<sup>th</sup> Bn. Seaforths and 5<sup>th</sup> Bn. Camerons both became part of the reconstituted 152<sup>nd</sup> Brigade. Following a period with other formations, the 7<sup>th</sup> Bn. Seaforths joined 46<sup>th</sup> Brigade, 15<sup>th</sup> Division on 15 November 1942, serving with the brigade for the rest of the war. The 5<sup>th</sup> Bn. Black Watch became part of the new 153<sup>rd</sup> Brigade. The 7<sup>th</sup> Bn. Gordons amalgamated with the 5<sup>th</sup> Bn. to form the 5<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Bn., which continued to serve with the 153<sup>rd</sup> Brigade, whilst the 9<sup>th</sup> Bn. Gordons were unbrigaded for a time before leaving for India on 27 May 1942. On their arrival in India, the battalion was converted to an armoured regiment and designated 116<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Royal Armoured Corps. The 7<sup>th</sup> Bn. Black Watch transferred across to the 154<sup>th</sup> Brigade, the only brigade to escape capture in France. The 10<sup>th</sup> Bn. Argylls amalgamated with the 7<sup>th</sup> Bn. from 154<sup>th</sup> Brigade to form the 7<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> Bn.. This battalion continued to serve with 154<sup>th</sup> Brigade, being redesignated as the 7<sup>th</sup> Bn. on 1 October 1942. The 11<sup>th</sup> Bn. Argylls remained as a battalion, continuing to serve throughout the war in the U.K. Under its new title of the 51<sup>st</sup> (Highland) Infantry Division, the 9<sup>th</sup> Division earned several battle honours, including El Alamein, Tunisia, Sicily and North West Europe.
- 2. A second-line T.A. brigade, formed as a duplicate of the 152<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Brigade. The 5<sup>th</sup> Bn. Seaforths was based at Golspie, with the 7<sup>th</sup> Bn. based at Forres. The 5<sup>th</sup> Bn. Camerons was based alongside its parent battalion, the 4<sup>th</sup>, at Inverness. On 6 August 1940, the brigade was redesignated the 152<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Brigade.
- 3. This brigade was a duplicate of the 153<sup>rd</sup> Brigade in 51<sup>st</sup> Division. The 5<sup>th</sup> Bn. Black Watch was based at Dundee, and was formed in 1939 by the duplication of the 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> (Dundee and Angus) Battalion. The 7<sup>th</sup> Bn. Gordons was based at Banchory and the 9<sup>th</sup> Bn. Gordons was based at Huntley. On 6 August 1940, the brigade was redesignated the 153<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade within the reconstituted 51<sup>st</sup> Division.
- 4. The third brigade in this division was based at Stirling with its parent formation, the 154<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade. The 7<sup>th</sup> Bn. Black Watch was based at Kirkaldy, being formed by the duplication of the 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> (Perthshire and Fife) Battalion. The 10<sup>th</sup> Bn. Argylls was based at Stirling and the 11<sup>th</sup> Bn. at Dunoon. The brigade absorbed the details of the 154<sup>th</sup> Brigade, the only brigade not captured in France, and was redesignated the 154<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade. The brigadier commanding 28<sup>th</sup> Brigade became the first commander of the 'new' 154<sup>th</sup> Brigade.
- 5. This regiment was formed in June 1939 as a duplicate of the 75<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment. All three batteries were based in Aberdeen. The regiment transferred across to the 51<sup>st</sup> Division when it was reconstituted in August 1940, and served with that division throughout the war. It was entitled (Highland) in February 1942.
- 6. The duplicate of the 76<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment, this regiment was formed in May 1939. The Headquarters Battery was based at Levan, the 301<sup>st</sup> Battery at Arbroath and the 304<sup>th</sup> Battery at Dundee. The regiment transferred across to the 51<sup>st</sup> Division when it was reconstituted in August 1940, and served with that division for the rest of the war. It was entitled (Highland) in February 1942.

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- 7. The third duplicate regiment was formed in June 1939 from its parent regiment, the 77<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment. The Headquarters and 308<sup>th</sup> Batteries were based at Greenock, and the 308<sup>th</sup> Battery in Glasgow. It also transferred across to the reconstituted 51<sup>st</sup> Division, and was similarly entitled (Highland) in February 1942.
- Formed in 1939 as a duplicate of the 51<sup>st</sup> Anti-Tank Regiment, all five batteries of this regiment were based at Rothesay. It transferred across to the 51<sup>st</sup> Division when it was reconstituted in 1940 and served with that division for the rest of the war.
- 9. This second line T.A. company was based at Alness. It transferred across to the 51<sup>st</sup> Division in August 1940.
- 10. A second line T.A. company based at Stromness. It transferred to the 51<sup>st</sup> Division with the other two field companies.
- 11. The third second line T.A. company based at Paisley. Again, it joined the 51<sup>st</sup> Division when the 9<sup>th</sup> Division was redesignated the 51<sup>st</sup> Division.
- 12. A second line T.A. company, based in Dundee. When the 9<sup>th</sup> Division was used to reconstitute the 51<sup>st</sup> Division, this company ceased to exist. It is believed that the company was either redesignated or merged with details of the 239<sup>th</sup> Field Park Company to reconstitute that company within the 51<sup>st</sup> Division.

SOURCES: