

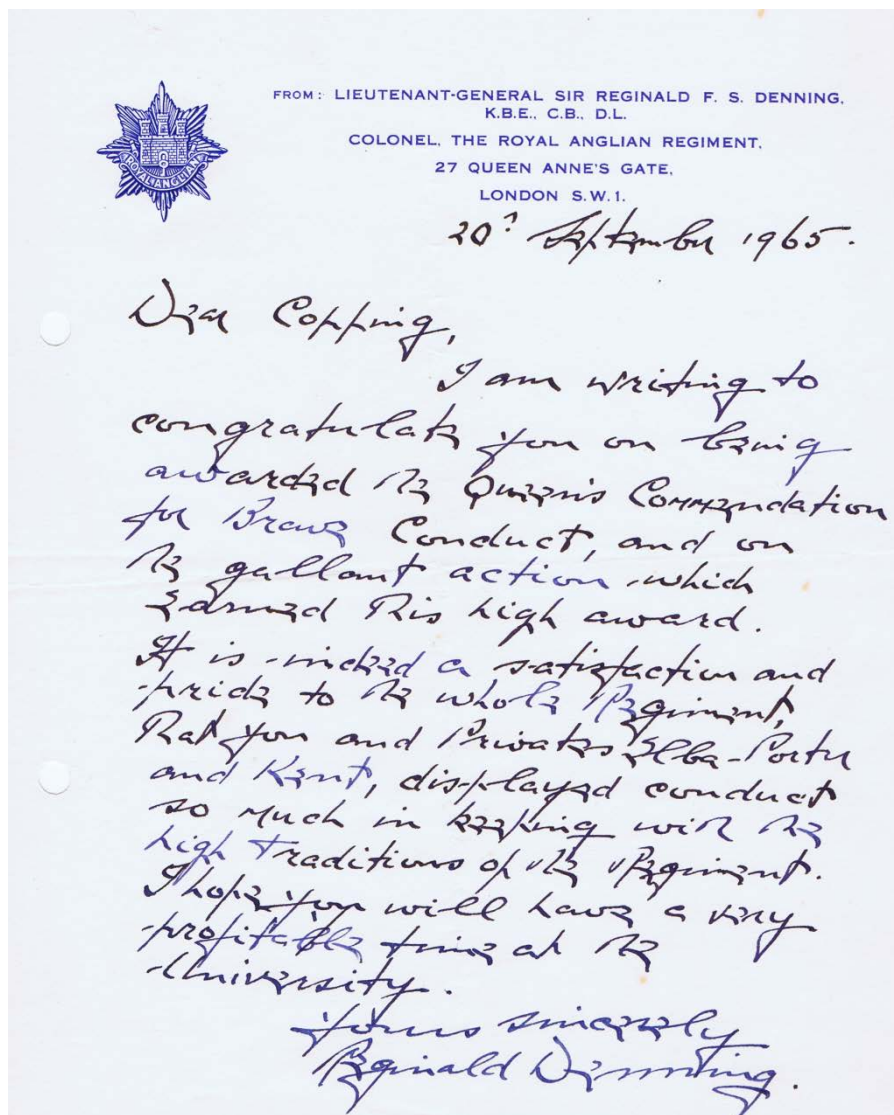
Museum Donation Update

This month we were lucky enough to have been donated some original documents from Brian Copping. These documents include letters from places such as Regimental Headquarters in Bury St. Edmunds and Burford camp, and span 1964 - 65.

As a 2nd Lt, Brian was recommended for Queen's Commendation in April 1965 for his reaction to an incident while at Platoon Headquarters in Sheikh Othman Police Station in March of that year.

Brian now lives in Australia and has kindly donated this archival material to the museum along with some medals which make a very interesting lot of his personal history with the Royal Anglian Regiment.

Here is a glimpse of some of the documents that he has donated:



FROM: MAJOR-GENERAL J.E.F. WILLOUGHBY C.B.E.
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13 September, 1965.

2 Lieutenant B. W. Copping,
1st Bn The Royal Anglian Regiment,
Waterloo Camp,
British Forces Post Office 69.

My dear Copping

I have just heard that Her Majesty The Queen has awarded you her Commendation for Brave Conduct for your splendid actions at SHEIK OTHMAN on the 12th March 1965.

I am delighted that your actions have been recognised and rewarded.

The announcement will appear in the Army Supplement to the London Gazette dated the 17th September 1965 but remains confidential until then.

*Yours very sincerely
John Willoughby*

From: Brigadier R.L. HARGROVES, CBE



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21 Sep 65

Second Lieutenant B.W. Copping,
1st (Norfolk and Suffolk Bn)
The Royal Anglian Regiment.

Dear Copping,

I was very pleased to see that
your action on the night of 12th March has been
recognised and rewarded by the award of a Queen's
Commendation for brave conduct.

Please accept my congratulations.

Yours sincerely

Brigadier Hargroves