

# Tel el Aqqaqir Operation SUPERCHARGE

Second Battle of El Alamein  
23 October 1942



**8th Army**  
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ANNEX A: Task Organization to Operation SUPERCHARGE

## **8th Army**

LtGen Bernard L. Montgomery

### **XXX Corps**

LtGen Sir Oliver Leese

9th Australian Division  
51st Highland Division

MajGen L.J. Morshead  
MajGen Douglas M. Wimberley

2nd New Zealand Division (REIN)  
9th Armoured Brigade  
152nd Brigade, 51st Highland Division  
151st Brigade, 50th Northumberland Division  
23rd Armoured Brigade Group

MajGen Bernard C. Freyberg

1st South African Division  
4th Indian Division

MajGen D.H. Pienaar  
MajGen F.I.S. Taker

4th/6th SAACR

### **X Corps**

LtGen Herbert Lumsden

1st Armoured Division  
10th Armoured Division  
8th Armoured Division (-)

MajGen R. Briggs  
MajGen Alec H. Gatehouse  
MajGen C.H. Gairdner

### **XIII Corps**

LtGen Brian G. Horrocks

7th Armoured Division (REIN)  
1st French Brigade Group  
50th Northumberland Division (REIN)  
2nd French Brigade Group  
1st Greek Infantry Brigade Group  
44th Home Counties Division

MajGen A.F. Harding

MajGen J.S. Nichols

MajGen I.T.P. Hughes

**1st Army Tank Brigade**  
**21st Indian Infantry Brigade**  
2nd AA Brigade  
12th AA Brigade

**9th Australian Division**

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**9th Australian Division**

MajGen L.J. Morshead

Div Signals, Provost, Salvage AAOC  
10th, 11th, 12th Co AASC  
2/3rd, 2/8th, 2/11th Field Ambulance, 2/4th Field Hygiene AAMC

9th Division Cavalry Regt  
2/3rd Pioneer Bn  
2/2nd Machinegun Bn

**20th Aus Infantry Brigade**

Bde HQ, Bde Signals, Bde AAOC Workshop  
2/13th Bn

2/15th Bn  
2/17th Bn

Brig W.J.V. Windeyer

LtCol BobTurner KIA  
Maj George Colvin WIA  
LtCol C.K.M. Magno KIA

**24th Aus Infantry Brigade**

Bde HQ, Bde Signals, Bde AAOC Workshop  
2/28th Bn  
2/32nd Bn  
2/43rd Bn

Brig A.H.L. Gadfrey KIA

LtCol John Balfe WIA

**26th Aus Infantry Brigade**

Bde HQ, Bde Signals, Bde AAOC Workshop  
2/23rd Bn  
2/24th "Wangaratta's Own" Bn  
2/48th "Hard as Nails" Bn

Brig D.A. 'Torpy' Whitehead

LtCol Bernard Evans  
LtCol Charles Weir WIA  
LtCol H.H. 'Tack' Hammer WIA

**Royal Australian Artillery**

2/7th Field Regiment RAA  
2/8th Field Regiment RAA  
2/12th Field Regiment RAA  
2/3rd Antitank Regiment RAA  
2/4th Light AA Regiment RAA

**Royal Australian Engineers**

2/3rd, 2/7th, 2/13th Field Co  
2/4th Field Park Co  
1st and 3rd Sections, 66th Mortar Co Royal Engineers, XXX Corps [attached]

40th RTR [attached]

**51st Highland Division**

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**51st Highland Division (-)**

MajGen Douglas N. Wimberley

[152nd Brigade detached to 2nd New Zealand Division]

**153rd Highland Brigade**

1st (Buchan) Bn, Gordon Highlanders

Brig D. A. H. Graham  
LtCol H. "Nap" Murray (WIA), Maj J.M. "Scrappy" Hay  
Maj Fausett-Farquhar

12th Plat, Co, 1/7th Middlesex MG [attached]

5th (Angus and Dundee) Bn, The Black Watch

LtCol Thomas G. Rennie

Plat, Co, 1/7th Middlesex MG [attached]

5/7th (Mar and Mearns) Bn, Gordon Highlanders

LtCol H.W.B. Saunders

"B" Co, 1/7th Middlesex MG [attached]

Squadron, 50th RTR, 23rd Arm Brigade [attached]

**154th Highland Brigade**

Brig H.W. Houldsworth

1st Bn, The Black Watch

LtCol W.N. Roper-Caldbeck

Plat, Co, 1/7th Middlesex MG [attached]

7th (Fife) Bn, The Black Watch

LtCol J.A. Oliver

"A" Co, 1/7th Middlesex MG [attached]

7th Bn, The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (Princess Louise's)

LtCol Lorne M. Campbell

Plat, Co, 1/7th Middlesex MG [attached]

1/7th Bn, Middlesex Regt (Duke of Cambridge's Own) MG (-)  
(- 'D' Co to 9th Australian Division)

LtCol J.W.A. Stephenson

**Royal Artillery**

126th Highland Field Regt

CRA Brig George M Elliot

127th Highland Field Regt

LtCol H.J.A. Thicknesse

128th Highland Field Regt

LtCol H.M. Perry

40th Light AA Regt RA

LtCol W.A. Shiel

61st Antitank Regt (West Highland) RA

LtCol R.A.L. Fraser-Mackenzie (KIA)

LtCol J.H.B. Evatt (KIA)

**51st Recce Regiment RAC**

LtCol E.H. Grant

**Royal Engineers**

239th Field Park Co

CRE LtCol H.W. Giblin

274th Field Co

Capt R.S. Maitland

275th Field Co

Maj S.B. Russell

276th Field Co

Maj H.L. Lloyd

Maj John Lamb

**RAMC**

174th Field Ambulance

Col R.W. Galloway

175th Field Ambulance

LtCol A.M. Campbell

176th Field Ambulance

LtCol R.M.J. Gordon

LtCol C.H. Kerr

**RCS**

RASC 458th, 525th, 526th, 527th Cos

LtCol C.P.S. Denholm Young

**REME.**

LtCol H.H. Bruton

**RAOC**

LtCol G.S. McKellar

A.P.M. of Provost

LtCol G.E.G. Malet

Maj A.A. Ferguson

**2nd New Zealand Division**  
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**2nd New Zealand Division (REIN)**

MajGen Bernard C. Freyberg

**152nd Brigade, 51st Highland Division [attached]**

Brig G. Murray

5th Bn, The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs)  
Squadron, 50th RTR, 23rd Arm Brigade (Valentines)

LtCol R.D.M.C. Miers

2nd (Sutherland) Bn, The Seaforth Highlanders (Duke of Albany's)  
Squadron, 50th RTR, 23rd Arm Brigade (Valentines)

LtCol K. McKessack

5th (Caithness) Bn, The Seaforth Highlanders  
Squadron, 50th RTR, 23rd Arm Brigade (Valentines)

LtCol J.E. Stirling

Brigade HQ, Brigade Signals, Brigade REME Workshop

50th RTR (-) (Bristol), 23rd Arm Brigade (Valentines)  
8th Field Co, NZ Engineers [attached]

**151st Tyneside Infantry Brigade, 50th Northumbrian Division [attached]**

Brig J.E.S. Percy

6th Bn, The Durham Light Infantry  
8th Bn, The Durham Light Infantry  
'B' Squadron, 8th RTR, 23rd Arm Bde

LtCol D.I. Watson

LtCol M.L.P. Jackson

9th Bn, The Durham Light Infantry  
'C' Squadron, 8th RTR, 23rd Arm Bde

LtCol A. Clark

8th RTR, 23rd Arm Brigade (-) (Valentines) [attached]

Brigade HQ, Brigade Signals, Brigade REME Workshop  
505th Field Co RE  
149th Field Ambulance RAMC  
Btry, 102nd Antitank Regiment RA (Northumberland Hussars)

7th Field Co, NZ Engineers [attached]

28th (Maori) Bn, 5th NZ Infantry Brigade [attached]  
'A' Squadron, 8th RTR

LtCol Baker WIA, Maj I.A. Hart KIA, Maj C.M. Bennett

34th NZ Antitank Btry [attached]

E Troop, 32nd NZ Antitank Btry [attached]

4th Co, 27th NZ Machinegun Bn (Rein) [attached]

3rd Platoon, 1st Co, 27th NZ Machinegun Bn

244th Antitank Btry, 84th Antitank Regiment, RA [attached]

**5th NZ Infantry Brigade**

Brig H. Kippenburger

21st Bn

22nd Bn

23rd Bn

LtCol Reg Romans

**6th NZ Infantry Brigade**

Brig W. Gentry

24th Bn

25th Bn

26th Bn

**New Zealand Artillery**

Brig Weir

4th Field Regiment NZA

5th Field Regiment NZA

6th Field Regiment NZA

7th NZ Antitank Regiment NZA

14th NZ Light AA Regiment NZA

**New Zealand Engineers**

6th, 7th, 8th Field Co, 5th NZ Field Park Co, NZ Engineers

LtCol F.M.H. Hanson

**27th NZ Machinegun Bn (-)**

**2nd NZ Division Cavalry Regiment (-)**

Div HQ, Div Signals,  
5th and 6th Field Ambulance  
166th Lt Field Ambulance RAMC [attached]  
1st Ammunition Co, 2nd Petrol Co, 3rd Supply Co, NZ Army Service Corps

**9th Armoured Brigade** [attached to 2nd NZ Division]

Bde HQ, Bde Sigs, Bde REME Workshop  
14th Bn, Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment) (Motor Bn) (-)

Brig John Currie

**3rd Bn, The King's Own Hussars** (Rein)

'A' Squadron (Crusaders)  
'B' Squadron  
'A' Co, 14th Sherwood Foresters  
'A' Troop, 31st NZ AT  
NZ Cav Squadron [Stuarts]

LtCol Sir Peter Farquhar

Maj Michael Eveleigh  
WIA  
WIA

**The Royal Wiltshire Yeomanry** (Rein)

'A' Squadron (Heavy: Grants and Shermans)  
'B' Squadron (Light: Crusaders)  
'C' Squadron (Heavy: Grants and Shermans)  
'B' Co, 14th Sherwood Foresters  
'C' Troop, 31st NZ AT  
NZ Cav Squadron + NZ Cav HQ [Stuarts]

LtCol Alistair Gibb WIA  
Lord Cadogan  
Maj Tim Gibbs WIA  
Maj Henry Awdrey

**The Warwickshire Yeomanry** (Rein)

'A' Squadron  
'B' Squadron  
'C' Squadron (Heavy: Grants and Shermans)  
'C' Co, 14th Sherwood Foresters  
'D' Troop, 31st NZ AT  
NZ Cav Squadron [Stuarts]

LtCol Guy Jackson

Capt R.M. Dick

6th Field Co, NZ Engineers [attached]

**23rd Armoured Brigade Group** (194 Valentines) [attached to 2nd NZ Division]

Brig G.W. Richards

Brigade HQ: RCS, REME  
Bde Provost, 7th Lt Field Ambulance RAMC  
331st and 333rd Co, RASC  
295th Field Coy RE

8th RTR (-) [detached to 151st Brigade, 50th Division]  
40th RTR (Liverpool) (-) [detached to 9th Australian Division]

46th RTR (Liverpool)  
50th RTR (Bristol) (-) [detached to 152nd Brigade, 51st Division]

121st Field Regiment RA (West Riding)  
168th Lt AA Bty, RA

**1st Armoured Division**

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**1st Armoured Division**

MajGen R. Briggs

**2nd Armoured Brigade**

Brig A.F. Fisher

The Queen's Bays  
9th Lancers  
10th Hussars  
Kingforce Experimental Group [6 Churchill Tanks]

LtCol Alex Barclay  
LtCol Gerald Grosvenor  
LtCol Jack Archer-Shee

Bde HQ, Bde Signals, Bde REME Workshops  
1st Field Sqdn, RE  
910th and 925th Co RASC

**7th Motor Brigade**

Brig T.J.B. "Jimmy" Bosville

2nd Bn, King's Royal Rifle Corps  
2nd Bn, Rifle Brigade (Prince Consort's Own)  
London Rifle Brigade (7th Bn, Rifle Brigade)  
Special Tank Unit [6 Churchill Tanks]

LtCol Victor Buller Turner WIA  
LtCol Geoffrey Hunt

Bde HQ, Bde Signals, Bde REME Workshops  
550th Co RASC

Royal Engineers

LtCol Kenneth McKay

**10th Armoured Division**

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**10th Armoured Division**

MajGen Alec H. Gatehouse

**8th Armoured Brigade**

Brig E.C.N. Custance

3rd RTR  
The Nottinghamshire Yeomanry (Sherwood Rangers)  
    'A' Squadron  
The Staffordshire Yeomanry (Queens' Own Royal Regiment)  
1st Bn, The Buffs (Royal East Kent Regiment) [motor regiment]

LtCol H.E. "Peter" Pyman  
LtCol E.O. Kellett MP  
Capt Bill McGowan  
LtCol James Eadie

Bde HQ, Bde Signals, Bde REME Workshops  
552nd and 911th Co RASC  
2nd (Cheshire) Field Squadron RE

**Royal Engineers**

3rd (Cheshire) Field Squadron  
141st Field Park Squadron  
571st Army Field Co [attached]

CRE LtCol Gilbert McMeekan WIA  
Maj Peter Moore

573rd Army Field Co [attached]

**50th Northumberland Division**  
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MajGen J.S. Nichols

50th Div Signals  
50th Div Provost  
Royal Army Medical Corps  
149th Field Ambulance RAMC

Maj D. McL. Douglas  
Col J. Melvin

**69th Infantry Brigade**

Bde HQ, Bde Signals, Bde REME Workshop, 522nd Co RASC  
5th Bn, The East Yorkshire Regiment (The Duke of York's Own)

Brig E.C. Cooke-Collis

6th Bn, The Green Howards (Princess Alexandra's Own Regiment of Yorkshire)  
7th Bn, The Green Howards (Princess Alexandra's Own Regiment of Yorkshire)

LtCol T.W.G Stansfield  
Maj Edgar  
LtCol G.C.P Lance  
LtCol P.A. Seagram

**151st Tyneside Infantry Brigade**

Bde HQ, Bde Signals, Bde REME Workshop, 524th Co RASC  
6th Bn, The Durham Light Infantry  
8th Bn, The Durham Light Infantry  
9th Bn, The Durham Light Infantry

Brig J.E.S. Percy

LtCol W.I. Watson  
LtCol M.L.P Jackson  
LtCol A. Clark

**1st Greek Infantry Brigade Group**

1st, 2nd, 3rd Greek Infantry Battalions  
1st Greek Field Regiment  
1st Greek Field Engineer Co  
1st Greek MG Co  
1st Greek Field Ambulance

Col Katsotos

**2nd Free French Brigade Group**

5th Bn de Marche  
11th Bn de March  
21st and 23rd North African Antitank Companies  
2nd French Engineer Company

LtCol Alessandrie

2nd Bn, 22nd Cheshire Regiment MG

LtCol S.V. Keeling

**Royal Artillery**

65th Field Regiment RA  
74th (Northumbrian) Field Regiment RA  
111th (Bolton) Field Regiment RA  
124th (Northumbrian) Field Regiment RA  
154th (Leicestershire Yeomanry) Field Regiment RA

CRA Brig H.R. Hall  
LtCol J.St.C. Holbrook  
LtCol Collett White  
LtCol J. Hill  
LtCol C.F. Todd

25th Light AA Regiment RA  
102nd Antitank Regiment RA (Northumberland Hussars)

LtCol Orme

**Royal Engineers**

233rd Field Co RE  
505th Field Co RE  
235th Field Park Co RE

CRE LtCol Lindsay  
Maj Osborne  
Maj J. Wood  
Maj Revers