

CORCORAN, DAVID

RANK: SERGEANT

DECORATIONS:

YEARS OF SERVICE: 2000? – PRESENT

SHIPS:

OPERATIONAL SERVICE: NORTHERN IRELAND, KOSOVO, AFGAHNISTAN

UNITS: COMMACHIO GROUP, 45 & 42 COMMANDO

David joined the Royal Marines at 21 and found the training tough, but then had an exciting time in the USA and Northern Ireland with Commachio Group. Next was with 42 Commando which he enjoyed; however, he had a difficult time as an Irishman in Northern Ireland. He then joined 45 with tours to Norway in winter and Kosovo, where he was slightly wounded. These further honed his skills as a Professional fighting Royal Marine. Sent again to Fleet Protection Group he had success with Op Sealion but became disillusioned and left the Corps after 11 years. After several jobs as a civilian he became bored and re-joined the Royal Marines. After retraining course went back to 45 Commando RM for a short tour, then to CTRM and became a PWI and joined a training team. Then was very pleased to re-join K Coy, 42 Commando RM, for Norway and then to Herrick 9 in Afghanistan, a very high intensity, brutal tour. Towards end of the tour during a hard, tumultuous Company attack and an ambush, David was shot six times. After a rough and difficult casualty evacuation, superb surgery and medical care, there followed a long traumatic and painful recovery.