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Royal Crown * Cola International

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Royal Crown # Cola International

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SYNOPSIS

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We are proud of what we have accomplished - and today, we are also proud to look back and be able to say that RC Cola is a brand that is known for its spirit and stays true to its independent personality, providing leadership in the industry with innovative flavors and beverages. We are excited to share a flashback through our history and look forward to experiencing many more accomplishments with our bottlers and distributors in the century ahead.







WE ARE EXCITED TO BE CELEBRATING

What a milestone. Today, we look back at our legacy and what we have accomplished and it is with confidence that we say that RC Cola is a brand that is recognized for its true American spirit! Since 1905, we have stayed true to our independent personality, providing innovation and leadership to the beverage industry.



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It all began back in 1905 when **Claud A. Hatcher**, a pharmacist in Columbus, Georgia, USA, started experimenting with soft drinks.

Mr. Hatcher conducted his experiments in the basement of his family's grocery store, at the beginning. Later, it was through the same grocery store that he first introduced Royal Crown Cola.









INNOVATION AFTER INNOVATION!

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One of our company's key values is innovation and our commitment to our American roots - and it is something we are proud to say we have continued to demonstrate consistently. Some of the landmarks and significant moments that stand out in the company's history relate to our belief in the importance of innovation and how that impacts the beverage industry.

What stands out from the RC Cola story is a sense of the company's spunk and pioneering. Some of RC Cola's more noteworthy milestones include:



Founder Claud Hatcher established the Union Bottling Works in the basement of his family's wholesale grocery business



THERN SLOW



First produced of a line of syrups and flavor concentrates and established a franchised system by selling sales territories to its bottlers under the trademark Chero-Cola Co



Over 300 bottlers were part of the bottling network producing Chero-Cola; 260 also produced fruit flavored products under the brand Nehi





Chero-Cola was reformulated and the new product was named Royal Crown Cola





RC Cola was the first in the industry to use results of blind taste tests in an advertising campaign, "Best by Taste Test"



The company name changed to Royal Crown Cola Co. and was first to introduce the 16-ounce bottle, a personal size considerably larger than the 8-ounce standard bottle of the time







RC Cola was the first to distribute soft drinks in steel cans



The first sugar-free cola, "Diet Rite," was launched





1964

RC Cola was the first to produce soda in 100% aluminum cans making them lighter to transport and less likely to break



1987

RC Cola began producing beverages with 100% Nutrasweet that are caffeineand calorie-free



1970's

RC Cola first expanded into international markets





RC Cola was the first to introduce a caffeine-free diet cola, RC 100





The first premium draft cola with pure cane sugar was launched







First to introduce a diet cola and flavors, sweetened with Splenda



2000

Energy cola, RC Edge, was introduced





Royal Crown Premium Mixers are developed and launched





RC Cola celebrated its 100th birthday





Royal Crown Cola International was acquired by the Cott Corporation







Jeera, a refreshing soda with a taste of cumin, crafted specifically for our south-central Asian markets was introduced







Royal Crown Vintage Cola was developed and launched





RC Neo was developed and launched. A cola made with natural flavors, natural sweeteners and natural caffeine packaged in a glass bottle. RC Cola Neo provides an uncompromised cola taste at only half the calories.

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AUDACITY, IT'S IN OUR VEINS

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115 years of success in the beverage industry has taught us the importance of jumping in "head first" - continually being on the move, trying new things, and taking risks to move ahead.

Our experiences have taught us how crucial our bottlers are to our business, a realization that led us to develop a <u>comprehensive bottler program</u> that provides support for marketing, sales, research, and development, providing beverage bottlers with the freedom to be an entrepreneur.





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One successful bottling relationship is with <u>**Obi Zulol**</u> in Tajikistan, who started working with RC Cola International in 1995. Since then, RC Cola International has been actively involved in Obi Zulol's development, providing advisory services and participating in all stages of the implementation of Obi Zulol projects. Today, the company is the flagship of the food and beverage industry in Tajikistan and has production facilities allowing production of all types of soft drinks and juices in all types of packages (PET, glass, cardboard, pouch) and all production methods (cold, hot, pasteurized). The RC brand is a market leader in Tajikistan.



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Our bottlers are the key to our worldwide success. Our strategic bottler <u>FirstBey</u>, for example, has been an RC Cola International bottler in Nigeria since 2017 and had its first commercial run in July 2018. Today, FirstBev has 235 workers at state-of-the-art facilities - with its own power generation - and operating 5 production lines. FirstBev is proud to be the first bottler in the world to install and operate next-generation ACTIS technology from Sidel - amorphous carbon treatment for inside surfaces, that extends the shelf life of PET packaging beyond what is achieved with more conventional techniques.





OUR BRANDS

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We are proud of the 9 brands that are part of the expanded RC Cola portfolio and have become known internationally:



RC Cola

One of the original American colas that, today, comes in RC Cola Coffee, RC Cola Vanilla, RC Cola Lemon flavors



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A refreshing energy drink that comes in Regular, Sugar Free, Cran-Orange, Mango Guava, and Acai-Blue flavors



RC Cola Neo

A natural cola sweetened with a mix of stevia and natural cane sugar, with 50% less calories than regular cola



Rad Rain

A favorite choice that comes in Orange, Grape, Strawberry, Green Apple and Lemon flavors as well as exotic combinations Kiwi Strawberry and Mango Melon; also available as Diet/Light and Zero







Dave & Co

Real brewed tea that provides an authentic Southern beverage experience and comes in Plum, Blackberry, and Black Tea flavors



RC Refresher

Crafted tonic water, ginger ale, and bitter lemon-great with cocktails and as a standalone drink. Available in several fruit flavor variations. **Mighty Rain**

A powerful blend of citrus fruits



Dear Jack

With real fruit juice, this comes in three flavors: Fruits of the Forest, Crisp Apple and Citrus Medley



Royal Crown Vintage Cola

Enjoy the authentic Southern experience of a cola first made 115 years ago. Packaged in an amber-colored bottle and served in a branded glass on a wooden tray, it symbolizes the authenticity of the brand.



AN ADVENTURE OF 115 YEARS

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Here at RC Cola International, we walk a fine line between entrepreneurship and daring - in trying out new products while still staying true to our roots.

We are delighted to invite you to become part of the RC Cola family by bottling and distributing RC Cola products - so that you, too, can gain from the many benefits of being part of our bottler program.

The opportunities are endless as we are always excited about innovation - an approach to the beverage industry that is at the core of everything we do. And we cannot wait to see what new beverage products and flavors will develop in the 115 years that are starting right now!



BECOME AN RC COLA * BOTTLER TODAY! *







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