

# RCAF Station Comox

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# Mynarski Trophy to Comox

Group Captain Ireland, last week, said that it was with great pride that he received the announcement naming Station Comox the winner of the 1962-63 Mynarski Trophy award. He said the award "represented a great amount of co-operation and unselfish effort, on the part of many people, both on and around the unit."

The Mynarski Trophy was donated to the RCAF by former members of the Polish Air Force, now members of the RCAF Association, in memory of P/O Andrew Charles Mynarski, VC, who died from injuries received while attempting to save a comrade on board a burning bomber during the Second World War.

The award is presented annually to the Airforce station which, through its married quarters community council, makes the most effective use of its resources in developing a recreation program suited to the needs of the community's children and youth.

The award winning team, under the PMQ Council of Mayor Rushton, received much of its momentum from the dynamic efforts of its recreation director at the time, Warrant Officer Joe Girard. WO Girard's persistent pursuit of each new project placed before the council contributed much towards its final success.

He was not alone however. Over the past year many mar-

ried and single Service personnel, their wives and dependents, all pitched in to various recreational ventures as coaches, group leaders, organizers and participants, in a program of athletics, hobbies and activities spanning practically everything from advanced judo to tic-tac-toe.

Little league ball, soccer, and square dancing hit an all time high on the unit last year, and is still steadily increasing in popularity.

A summer recreation program triggered last July had a great deal of success in keeping Airforce youngsters occupied during the holidays. Officer Cadet Smith, a summer university cadet serving at the unit last year, organized and promoted much of this work.

Teen Air dances were held twice monthly at the Rec Centre, along with five other major similar evenings during the winter season, chaperoned by adults who all spoke highly of the conduct and co-operation of the teen-age community of the unit.

Comox Day last August was supported by the PMQ Rec Council, producing an award-winning float that caught the attention and the enthusiasm of over 5000 spectators watching the parade.

The Rec program for the future, here at Comox, has every indication of being even better and more ambitious in



## C.O.'s Message

The recent announcement, awarding the 1962-63 Mynarski trophy to RCAF Station Comox, has re-affirmed my opinion of the high calibre of personnel of this unit.

The Mynarski trophy does not, as do many Service awards, recognize an outstanding accomplishment in the field of military endeavor, but instead acknowledges outstanding accomplishment in the development of your recreation. This accomplishment, in turn, reflects our sincere desire to support efforts to prepare our youth to take their place in society as responsible citizens, and as a credit to their country.

It was the total effort of Church, Service and our community combined that made last year's youth recreational programme a success. Therefore, when I commend the single married Service personnel participating, I must also include the many wives and dependants who offered their time and effort so unselfishly.

With the knowledge and experience we have gained in the past and with the continued co-operation and support of everyone, we stand now on the threshold of even greater accomplishment in the field of recreation in the future. With this in mind, I offer my warm-

## P.O. Andrew C. Mynarski, V.C.

Andrew Charles Mynarski was born in Winnipeg, Man., on October 14, 1916. He was educated at King Edward and Isaac Newton Schools and at St. John's Technical High School. He worked for four years as a leather worker in Winnipeg, then enlisted in the RCAF in November, 1941. He took his training at Calgary and Edmonton, Alta., and at MacDonald, Man., graduating in 1942 as an air-gunner. P/O Mynarski went overseas in December 1942. He is buried in Meharicourt Cemetery, Meharicourt, France.

Citation (The London Gazette, 11th October 1946.)

"Pilot Officer Mynarski was the mid-upper gunner of a Lancaster aircraft, detailed to attack a target at Cambrai in France, on the night of 12th June 1944. The aircraft was attacked from below and astern by an enemy fighter and ultimately came down in flames.

As an immediate result of the attack, both port engines (Continued on page 5)

est expression of personal pride in your past accomplishments, and my sincere support of your ventures in the future.

# COMOX WINS TRI-SERVICE BASKETBALL

The RCAF Comox basketball team won their second straight tri-service championship with a perfect 5-0 record in the round robin tournament held at the Rec Centre, March 6th and 7th.

The team showed its elan and superiority in all games and were only slightly pressed once, against the Navy. Cool playing and clutch shooting brought about the eventual victory. Our team was out to win and they did quite convincingly.

## STANDINGS

	W	L	Pts
Comox	5	0	10
RCN	4	0	8
RCME	3	2	6
KAMLOOPS	1	4	2
Baldy Hughes	1	4	2
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The station's first game was an easy 64-38 win over Baldy Hughes. After a slow first quarter, the defending champs poured on the pressure and won in a breeze. Erik Neilson scored 19 and Dick Gillespie 17 to lead the scoring.

In the second game against RCAF Stn. Kamloops, the team played a rather spotty game, but came out on top 48-30. Playing coach Terry Doyle scored 12 points, Neil-

son and Gillespie 10 each.

The 3rd straight win was against RCME. Comox coasted to a 52-35 victory, conserving its strength for the big game coming, against the RCN. As was typical in all games, a team effort was responsible for the success. Crisp passing, time and time again found a man open under the basket for an easy lay-up. Dick Pearce led with 15 points.

The game against the Navy was as everyone expected, the game for the championship. These two teams somewhat outclassed the opposition. The Navy expected to control the boards with its superior height and Comox was relying mainly on superior playing. The Navy jumped into a 33-27 half time lead with some really fine shooting by Tomiczek who scored 18 points up to that time. This prompted some reassessment of the defence in the dressing room at the mid-game rest. Coach Doyle told the forwards in the 3-2 zone defence to cover Tomiczek in the corners and to forget about the ball.

The second half was a different story. The Navy's six-point lead was down to two by the end of the third quarter.

The team ran away in the last quarter out-scoring the Navy 21-10 for a well deserved 61-52 victory.

Don Carver's pressure foul shots and Doyle's driving lay-ups highlighted the fourth quarter. Tomiczek was held to five points and the Navy to 19 while Comox scored 34. Doyle scored 22 points and the Station team left no doubt in anybody's mind that they were about to remain the champions.

The fifth game was an anticlimax. The fans, mostly Navy, taunted Comox to no avail. Their wrath was mostly directed at Comox's playing coach, Terry Doyle, but their derisive shouts of "I'm the greatest", "I'm the King" only seemed to spur him on to more goals. After a slow start, Comox rallied to win by a safe 68-35 score. Dick Pearce and Erik Neilson led the scoring with 17 and 16 points respectively.

Station Comox team scored an average of 58.6 points per game while allowing 38.0 against. The fine defence is due in great part to the rebounding of Gillespie, Carver, Newman and Premser.

S/L Glauser presented the

trophies to coach T. J. Doyle at an informal party after the last game.

A vote of thanks is due to F/L Stedman and his staff

who worked particularly hard to make this tournament a success. Cpl. Anderson is to be complimented on his smooth organization of the meet.



F/O Terry Doyle, the playing coach of the Comox team, receives one of the two trophies presented by S/L Glauser on behalf of the Commanding Officer.





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## Red Cross Month

The Red Cross this year enters its second century of service to mankind in peace and in war. The respect in which it is held by people everywhere is a testament to the distinction and humanity of Red Cross service in its first hundred years.

Here in our nation, the Canadian Red Cross Society has been a part of our way of life for more years than most of us can remember.

Its many programmes, services and projects are backed by millions of Canadians of all ages who serve the Red Cross in many a manner. The Red Cross is a unique organization. It needs the support of all of us to meet its many obligations in Canada and to help others far from our shores. It is my earnest hope that Canadians will give the support sought by the Canadian Red Cross Society in its current campaign for funds.

## High Flight

High Flight is a sonnet written by RCAF Pilot Officer John Gillespie Magee Jr. He was an American citizen. Born of missionary parents in Shanghai and educated in Britain. He came to the United States in 1939 and at the age of 18 years, won a scholarship to Yale. But he felt he must aid the cause of freedom and instead, enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force in September, 1940. He served overseas with an RCAF Spitfire Squadron until his death on active service on December 11, 1941. His sonnet, composed in September 1941, as the exultant freedom of soaring 30,000 feet made a word-pattern in his mind was scribbled on the back of a letter to his mother in Washington, shortly after he returned to earth.

In my opinion High Flight is one of the most stirring of sonnets. I can visualize myself flying at that height and being absorbed in such a beautifully worded sonnet. High Flight is herewith published for your reading enjoyment.

Oh! I have slipped the surly bonds of earth  
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;  
Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth  
Of sun-split clouds — and don't a hundred things  
You have not dreamed of — wheeled and soared and swung  
High in the sunlit silence. Hov'ring there,  
I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung  
My eager craft through footless halls of air.

Up, up the long, delirious, burning blue  
I've topped the wind-swept height with easy grace  
Where never lark, nor even eagle flew. . . .  
And, while with silent lifting mind I've trod  
The high untrespassed canopy of space  
Put out my hand and touched the face of God.

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### To The People of Comox Valley



I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who voted me Snow Queen '64.

Also I would like to give a special thanks to all those who helped in so many ways to make these the most memorable days of my life.

Sharon Leuzler,  
1964 Comox Valley  
Snow Queen

## Harem Highlights

### SPRING TEA AND FASHION SHOW

The Corporals Wives' Club held their spring tea and fashion show last Tuesday, March 3.

The fashion show was sponsored by the "Sweet Sixteen" shop, Courtenay. Mrs. Terry Charbonneau was the convenor and Mrs. Mary Davies, the commentator. There were 26 items selected which included spring suits, coats, dresses, and sports wear. The models were ladies from the station: Mesdames Louise Feltham, Marilyn O'Shea, Irene Taylor, Audrey Pollock and Terry Charbonneau.

Hostesses for the tea were Mesdames M. McPhee and D. Estlin.

The president and members wish to extend their thanks to the Air Force Beauty Parlor, Avon and Beauty Counsellor: to the stores that so generously donated merchandise to help make the show a success. They were: Laver's Dept. Store, Rexall Drug Store, Sweet Sixteen, Simpsons - Sears, Eaton's, Coppel's, Stedmans and Good's Groceries: to the supermarkets for their support and to Tye Cartage, North American Van Lines, Butterworths for their generous donations: to Comox Dairy and to the Photo Section and the photographer. Gifts were presented to Mrs. Mary Davies, the commentator, Miss Pat Ingram, the pianist, and Mrs. Hopkins for the delightful show the dancing girls gave. To those members who worked so hard all evening serving the lunch and those on kitchen duties, and anyone who helped to make this affair an outstanding success. THANKS.

The raffle, a lovely bracelet donated by Hamm's Jewelers, Courtenay, was won by Mrs. L. Cook. The proceeds of \$25 went to the orphanage in Victoria.

The spot prizes were won by Mesdames Mitchell, Standing, Janssen, Easton, Garland, Horton and Hendrey.

The door prizes were won by Mesdames E. Ireland S. Barrie, M. Yaglasheek, S. Kennedy, C. Anderson, R. Grice and R. Stick.

Sharon Leuzler, daughter of Cpl and Mrs. M. Leuzler, RCAF Station was introduced as the "Snow Queen."

### BELIEVE IT OR NOT

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## Salute to Station Scouters

Presented to our readers this month is FS Larry Wile, CD SETech, a native of Falmouth, N.S. At present residing in PMQ with his wife, the former Lola Burgess of Falmouth. The Wiles have two sons, Scout Alex and Cub Rick.

Scouter Wile started Cubbing here in the Comox Valley as a father-helper, and like so many of us, showed a spark of interest and continued on as ACM and really got involved in his present position as Akela of 26 keen and eager Cubs of the 2nd Comox famous "Blues." Akela Wile took his basic at Quadra Island in 1961 and at the moment, is undergoing Part 1 Wood Badge training.

Scouter Larry has attended the last three consecutive Cub camps of 2nd Comox and literally swears after each, he will NEVER attend another — but manages always to go back for more. A real glutton for punishment.



Larry's main sport is fishing and hobby is stamp collecting. His secondary duties, when not running an efficient Safety Equipment Section, is secretary of the Sergeant's Mess.

## Brownie Banquet

A Mother and Daughter Brownie banquet of RCAF Station Comox was held Feb. 27 at the Combined Mess. One hundred and forty six persons attended.

Guests were greeted at the door by the Golden Hand Brownies and escorted to their places at the tables.

Ranger Wenda Plant, mistress of ceremonies, introduced the guests. Padre Parkhouse, Protestant Chaplain, said Grace, after which a delightful dinner was enjoyed, served by the rangers.

Toast to the Queen was given by Brownie Suzanne Newton, followed by a toast to the mothers by Brownie Stephanie Mitchell. Mrs. E.

Dennis gave the mothers' response.

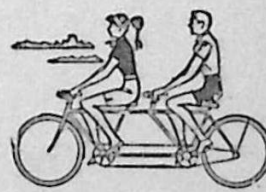
Mrs. A. May, divisional commissioner, gave an interesting talk on Brownie Pack Holiday. Mrs. W. Baird, District Commissioner, gave an informative talk on Brownie activities in the district. Mrs. Baird also informed the mothers and guests of the meaning of Warranting. Warrants were presented to Mrs. A. Christie, Brown Owl of RCAF 2nd Pack, Mrs. H. Thompson, Brown Owl of 3rd; Mrs. H. Smith was warranted to Tawny Owl with the 2nd; Mrs. R. Schentag as Tawny Owl with the 4th RCAF Pack.

Wenda Plant gave a 10 min. (Continued on page 7)

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## Nighthawk News

The editorial in the last issue of Totem Times had a very good point. Anyone with a story to tell or a hot item of news should submit same to the editors. We exist on volunteer information and without weekly contributions the paper would lose its appeal.

In spite of a large turnover of personnel, the mood, morale, spirit or what have you, remains as always, very high. Those who have been on the squadron for some time, for example, F/O "Steve" Stevens say "the large percentage of good chaps being transferred in is going to make it even better, both at work and at play. It's a shame that I have to leave for Zweibrücken." While we marvel at Steve's loyalty and sympathize with his problem, could there be a slight hint of sarcasm? With dogged determination both he and Bill Tulloch may learn to like Germany!

Getting back into more realistic transfers, we asked Harry Osborne what he had thought of his transfer back to CF 100's. He said, "X/12."

Our Squadron Commander, W/C Inglis, returned from his honeymoon in Mexico tanned and smiling, while Ron Hallstrom came back from his honeymoon in Reno, having put on five pounds. The brown baggers' list is growing, but it is hoped we do not lose too many more batchelors as their ability to seek and find pretty girls for mess functions is irreplaceable.

## Speaking Out

With HOPE

"I don't necessarily agree with what you say, but I defend to the death your right to say it." (Voltaire)

### THE CAPTION AND THE CARTOON

The caption read: "I sure like you George. I wish Martin Luther King were more like you."

And the cartoon drew a picture of a negro shining a white man's shoes.

And they both wrote a story. A story as old as history; as current as present day economics, conflict and hate; as farseeing as our own individual desires for peace and brotherhood; and a story to which millions of words have been directed from practically all sources of expression and thought.

It is almost impossible to add new thoughts to those already expressed. But it can be earnestly hoped that as maturity of man will eventually become a reality.

There can be no honest and educated distinction drawn between people beyond their own character, lawfulness and ability to associate themselves reasonably with their fellow beings . . . with all respect ac-

corded their individual rights and preferences. Only the law of our country and our respect for it constitutes our worth as a nation of individuals fearlessly dedicated toward the goal of decency, tolerance and consideration toward our fellow man. The freedom accorded each individual not only as a birthright but as governed by our own constitution, apply not only to the selfish "I am," but equally to the more meaningful "we is." The right of equality is not so much a right as it is a challenge to each and all of us to practice the deceptively simple golden rule.

When do we stop selling ourselves short paying silent lip service to the demagogues of hate and prejudice? In short, when do we start growing up?

CAN'T HELP WONDERING what makes some people sufficiently dedicated to their jobs and their responsibilities to make life just a little easier and happier to those dealing with them. Their attitudes are worthy and appreciated. Two such gentlemen are Mr. Murray (Moe) Foden and F/L J. A. Howes. Moe is our Auto Club manager and F/L Howes is the station pharmacist.

## MAL DE MER

Wines are obtainable in many varieties.

Apertifs: (Dry and medium sherries).  
Red wines (Full bodied dry, Beaujolais, Medom, etc.).  
White wines: (Lieftraumlich, Riesling, Rhine, etc.).  
Dessert wines: (Sparkling rose, white, champagne, etc.).

Some experts emphasize that the use of sherry as a cocktail before meals is superior to the use of liquor in that it is easier on the system than liquor and mixes better with the other wines.

Apertifs: Mostly sherries; are appetizer wines and sometimes replace cocktails before meals, they are usually served in 3 or 4 ounce glasses and go well with other wines during the meals.

Red wines: The beautiful clear color of these wines add warmth to any meal, and they are usually (not a must) served with red meats.

White wines: These wines are mostly dry (not sweet) and vary in taste and aroma. They are normally served with fish, fowl or white meats. These wines should be poured three to four ounces to a glass and must be chilled before serving.

Dessert wines: These wines include cream sherry, port, tokay and muscatel. They are usually served after dessert but

before coffee. They are also delightful with light refreshments and with midnight snacks. Try them especially with cheese and crackers.

Sparkling wines: Considered by some as the royalty of wines, they are good anytime, before, after and during meals, at weddings and functions of importance. These wines bring a cheerful touch to any occasion. If other wines are used during a meal, the sparkling wines are usually served with, or after dessert. The sparkling and white wines should be thoroughly chilled before serving and poured four to five ounces at the time. To really enjoy any wine it should be sipped slowly and handled by the stem of the glass only.

A good host will always pour one ounce into his glass first. This is to clear the top of the wine should there be some cork in the wine.

Recipe of The Month — "Cosmonaut"

For parties of 15 or more guests.

Three bottles of local or French Rose.

1 bottle of vodka

Pour the Rose (chilled) on a large piece of ice in a punch bowl, add the vodka slowly to the Rose and stir well. This makes an excellent punch . . . try it as a drink . . . 3 ounces Rose, 1 ounce of vodka.

A LITTLE TARDY PERHAPS, but the recent (Courtney) production of the "Music Man" was deserving of all the credits received. In particular, a station participant is to be congratulated.

Although in a production of this sort for the first time and holding down a fairly minor role, his enthusiasm and "stage presence" contributed not a little to the ultimate success of the musical. Nice going, Jim Dougall!

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXCERPT of a letter recently sent to Radio Station CHQM, Vancouver. " . . . note to express appreciation of enjoyable listening and mature programming. How the D . . . people can withstand the incessant diamond-drill-like thrust of heavy, screaming commercials and circus melodramas is more than I am capable of understanding. Your voice

is a small one in the maelstrom but . . . Herewith applauded, seconded, thirded, etc.

FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE DON'T QUOTE ME but run-outs and little birds are running around lately over the POSSIBILITY that we'll be skating at our own rink come winter time. If such becomes a reality, there are many people who will be due congratulations for their efforts.

LAURELS AND TRIBUTES AND LOUD HURRAHS ARE TO BE HEAPED ON THE MANY, MANY PEOPLE and the subsequent success achieved at the recent father and son banquet of the Cubs. A better managed and more enjoyable time could hardly have been realized. But more important are the traditions observed at such a gathering — the traditions inherent in the Scout movement — (Continued on page 4)

## KING OF KINGS

The Station Theatre proudly presents an unforgettable movie, especially for the family at Easter. "King of Kings" is an incredible feat which for the first time undertakes to portray Christ and the times in which He lived on the theatre screen. Due to the length of the production (approximately 3 hours) there will be an intermission at which time coffee will be served at no extra cost. There will be four performances; March 26, 28 and 29 at 8 p.m. and at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 28.

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critical Sr NCO.

WE WERE DRIVING ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF THE RIDEAU RIVER, my wife and I, with son number 1 standing in back.

It was a Sunday drive and eventually our plans were to bridge the Rideau and return on the south side.

Glancing across the river I casually remarked to wife (number 1), "Too bad we can't just drive across the water."

Small voice from the vicinity of back, said: "Why can't you dad?"

Immediately sensing the opportunity of instilling a little religion into his dark recesses, I replied: "Well, son, there was only one man who could walk on water; and that man was Jesus Christ Himself."

Heavy silence for about a minute, and then, again, the small voice from back piped: "Gee, dad, He must have had much bigger boots than you have, eh?"

The lad was 3½ at the time.

## B.C. Writer Leaves RCAF

OTTAWA — Corporal "Cal" Smith, formerly of RCAF Station Comox, has retired from the RCAF to become a public relations officer with a private firm in Ottawa.

Mr. Smith spent four years at Station Comox as an electronics technician, and one year as a public relations assistant. During this time, he became well known throughout the province for his outdoors and skin diving columns in many of B.C.'s leading magazines and newspapers, and in the Totem Times.

He left Comox last spring to become national news and feature writer for the RCAF at Headquarters in Ottawa — where he remained until his retirement recently. He has been a member of the air force for the past 13 years.

EDITORS NOTE: Cal's career began with the Totem Times. All those who have hesitated to write us some articles, please note. Who knows, for you too, it might mean the beginning of a new and interesting career.

## Comox Flyers Beat P.R.

In an exhibition hockey game last Saturday, the RCAF Comox Flyers won over the Powell River All-Stars. The game, played on Powell River's home grounds, was highlighted by the tremendous point-getting forwards, Kaulback and Langlois. John Kaulback scored five goals and was credited with three assists. Ernie Langlois scored four and assisted in a further three points. Other scorers for Comox were Hunter, one goal and

one assist, Nesbitt, one goal and Spicer, two assists. The work of the goal-keeper, Stu Smith, is to be commended: he saved 32 shots as against P.R.'s Zohner who saved 29. The Flyers' defence-men, Hal Hardy, Muggs Mulligan, Coco Latour and Pete Mydan, supported their team all the way.

The final score was RCAF 11, Powell River 5.

The three-star selection: 1, RCAF, Kaulback; 2, RCAF, Langlois; 3, P.R., Shorthill.

## Speaking Out

(Continued from page 3)

the moulding of a boy in the finest beginnings of manhood. And every father was just a little bigger for the experience; and every son just a little closer to that bigness.

Sometimes, one experiences a choked-up feeling of pride and appreciation. This was one of those times.

A sincere and well deserved thanks go out to the very, very many who contributed in so many ways; and to the leaders who, for my knowledge and experience, are devoting so much of their time and effort.

It may not be said aloud too often, gentlemen, but every father and mother feel it and, perhaps silently, offer their thanks.

"TALENT LIES DORMANT," said the man.

"And talent couldn't lie more dormant than in the 'TOTEM INN,'" said the Sr. NCO. "It's dead," said he, referring, of course, to the INN. Naturally, being a Sr NCO, he had a right, of sorts, to express such a sentiment. After all, they have, at times, exhibited talent — of sorts. And it has been reported that the result of the gathering of this talent was enjoyed. (An honest appraisal of such a claim, of course, cannot be authenticated without bias).

So be it . . . More on this, apparently, is forthcoming.

Is the TOTEM INN dead? Does it lack talent? It is dormant?

Listen next issue when this column reports more from our

## NOTICE

Junior Drama Club has entered a play in Skattered Skits which will be held at the CRA Hall, March 16, 17 and 18. Skits have been entered from all the surrounding communities. This is the drama club's first venture so try and come out and support this club. Play is under the direction of Barry Baskin. Winners are declared by the audience's vote.

A picture of the RCAF Crusaders taken at a recent Tri-Service soccer tournament in Victoria, shows (from left to right) rear, Brian Bunting, Jim McBride, Willie Terense, Pete Holmes, Fred Hanuse and Andy McWilliams. (Front) Tony Mitchell Jack Stow, Fred Hagen, Jim Dougall, Brian Uddenburg and captain Ken Wright.

## SPORTS ROUND-UP

### BADMINTON

The station badminton club hosted the Comox Badminton Club on Sunday, 8 March.

The womens' doubles were won by Anna Butler and Helen Ritchie of the Comox club while the men's doubles were taken by F/L D. Caldecott and Cpl Stevens of the station club. Due to the lack of time, the mixed doubles were not completed, although the Comox club was ahead in this event.

### VOLLEYBALL

With only one game remaining, the inter-section volleyball schedule draws to a close. The last game will be played on Wednesday, 11th. The play-offs will be between the top

four teams and will commence on the 18th of March. A round robin tournament will decide the winners.

The present standings are:

	P	W	L	P
MSE	42	32	10	32
409 Air	42	31	11	31
407 Air	39	29	10	29
Arm Syst. Lab.	42	21	21	21
Soccercites	42	20	22	20
Tech Officers	39	19	20	19
ATC	42	7	35	7
Airwomen	42	3	39	3

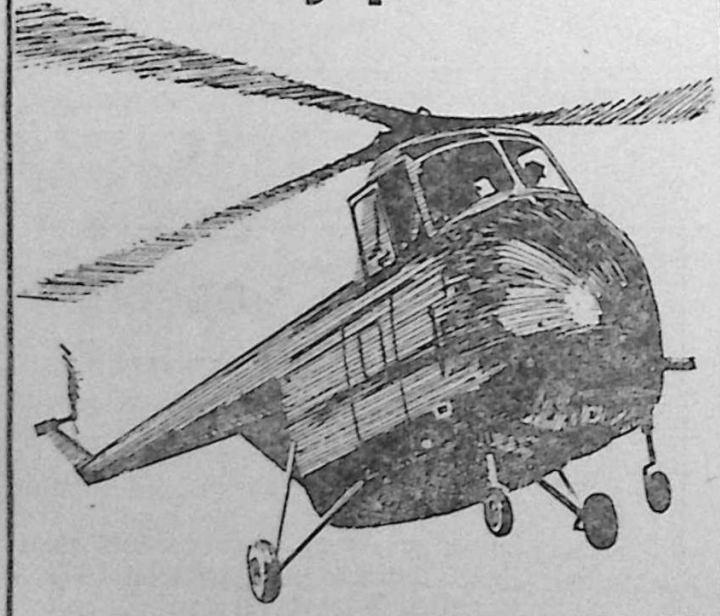
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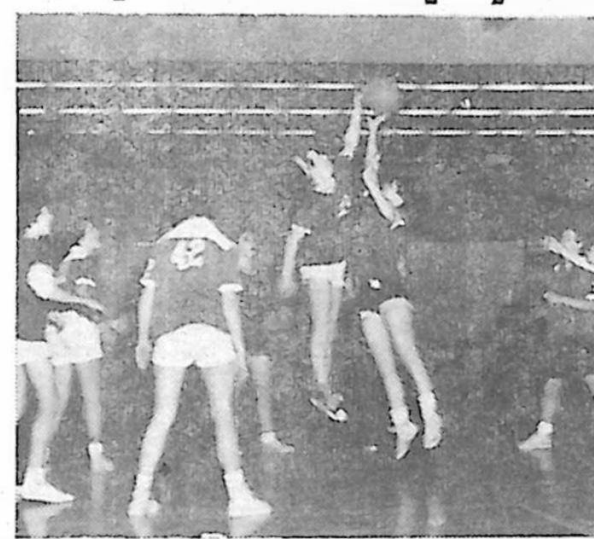
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## Mynarski Trophy



## P/O A. C. Mynarski

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failed. Fire broke out between the mid-upper turret and the rear turret, as well as in the port wing. The flames soon became fierce and the captain ordered the crew to abandon the aircraft.

Pilot Officer Mynarski left his turret and went towards the escape hatch. He then saw that the rear gunner was still in his turret and apparently unable to leave it. The turret was, in fact, immovable, since the hydraulic gear had been put out of action when the port engines failed, and the manual gear had been broken by the gunner in his attempts to escape.

Without hesitation, Pilot Officer Mynarski made his way through the flames in an endeavour to reach the rear turret and release the gunner. Whilst doing so, his parachute and his clothing, up to his waist, were set on fire. All his efforts to move the turret and free the gunner were in vain. Eventually the rear gunner clearly indicated to him that there was nothing more he could do and that he should try to save his own life. Pilot Officer Mynarski reluctantly went back through the flames

to the escape hatch. There, as a last gesture to the trapped gunner, he turned towards him, stood to attention in his flaming clothing and saluted, before he jumped out of the aircraft. Pilot Officer Mynarski's descent was seen by French people on the ground. Both his parachute and his clothing were on fire. He was found eventually by the French, but was so severely burned that he died from his injuries.

The rear gunner had a miraculous escape when the aircraft crashed. He subsequently testified that, had Pilot Officer Mynarski not attempted to save his comrade's life, he could have left the aircraft in safety and would, doubtless, have escaped death.

Pilot Officer Mynarski must have been fully aware that in trying to free the rear gunner he was almost certain to lose his own life. Despite this, with outstanding courage and complete disregard for his own safety, he went to the rescue. Willingly accepting the danger, Pilot Officer Mynarski lost his life by a most conspicuous act of heroism which called for valour of the highest order."

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Aiders". They are: Sgt Steve Plant, Cpl Tom Anderson and Cpl Don Gardner. The comments from the candidates indicate that it is a very worthwhile course and congratulate the staff and instructor of Nuclear Defence for a job well done.

### MSE SPORTS

Congratulations to MSE volleyball team for their top-flight efforts in remaining in first place the past few weeks. Keep up the good show!

### COMING SOON

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### HOSPITAL

WO2 Vern Smith is in Naden undergoing surgery. We all wish "warrant" a speedy recovery and trust that he will be back with us in the very near future.

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### TRAFFIC TIP

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## LAKE and STREAM

Had I submitted a column for the last issue I would have opened with the statement "AOC was all wet last Wednesday." This would not have led to court martial proceedings as it would have been a literal statement, for in addition to getting wet he got a steelhead and lost another during his short visit to the Quinsam River. I was pleased to hear that the AOC had experienced a successful outing and hope that he will find time to experience some of our other fields of fishing during his future visits.

I had the pleasure of drifting a portion of the Hump Tulip River in the State of Washington two weeks ago. This was a form of steelhead fishing I have seen on TV but had not experienced personally. My companions were experienced drifters (if you will excuse the expression) and supplied with tackle and the knowhow. We left a car at our intended point of exit and then touched our flat bottomed boat approximately 8-10 miles upstream; then let the river carry us down. We would cast toward likely looking holes or just drift the lures upstream of the boat until a well situated bar appeared. At this point we would beach the boat and work the bar before drifting on. While our party only landed two steelhead and one cutthroat we lost a couple of steelhead and saw three others taken.

This was a pleasant and fairly relaxing way of working over a long stretch of river and I have been tempted to find a good stretch of river locally that would lend itself to this technique. The only promising one is the Tsolum as far as I can tell; however, I have yet to find a suitable stretch with reasonable launch and recovery points.

The Puntledge continues to provide sufficient steelhead to maintain the interest of the fishermen and I believe a few of our people have been landing steelhead from the Oyster River. I spent the day on the upper reaches of the Oyster last Thursday and while the walk was stimulating the Oyster River continues to skunk me.

On Monday S/L KO Moore, Des Mayne and I travelled to the Gold River for the day and while the sun shone very brightly on the Comox Valley we experienced a morning of snow and rain showers followed by a damp and cloudy afternoon. We didn't exactly exceed our limit; as a matter of fact we didn't bring any

## MARINE SECTION

Things are a bit slow on the water, with one trip to Powell River and one trip to Victoria. Both boats were delayed a day owing to the weather. We have had our share of gales this last month.

Anyone who has been down to the dock and seen the crashboats or has possibly taken a trip in them probably thinks they are identical. They are not: the MV Heron was built for the U.S. Coast Guard, the MV Black Duck was built at Dunville, Ont. The Heron used to be called the Albatross. The name had to be changed owing to the chance of confusion with the aircraft Albatross. One day, coming in from the bombing range, we gave the tower a call and told them we were returning to base; they gave us permission to land on runway 29. After a couple of incidents like that it was decided to change the name. As all crashboats are called after sea birds, Heron was the choice. Next issue we will give you technical data on both boats.

We are losing one of the boys for the summer: LAC "Stoney" Gabertis going on T.D. to Vancouver. He is a little fired up at the thought of the big city. Every time he talks about it, he giggles—the

fish home. However, the steelhead were there and I lost two after pretty interesting struggles.

Anyone on leave who wishes to visit the Gold River during the week should remember that they must be through the Upper Campbell gate by 0500 and must be off the roads from 0600 until 1800. It is an interesting river with many superb pools and well worth visiting.

Be seeing you in the Totem Times!

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poor boy has been too long in the sticks. Best of luck from the boys, Stoney.

See you on the waterfront.

—The Ancient Mariner.

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by TERRY DOYLE

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This next hand is a good example of weird distribution and two fellows who didn't remember the foregoing advice.

**NORTH**  
S K  
H A K Q  
D Q J 10 9 5 4 3  
C 8 5

**WEST**  
S Q J 3 2  
H J 6 5  
D A 8 7 6  
C A 2

**EAST**  
S A 10 9 8 7 6 5 4  
H 9 2  
D K 7  
C 4

**SOUTH**  
S VOID  
H 10 8 7 4 3  
D VOID  
C K Q J 10 9 7 6 3

**SOUTH DEALS NO ONE VUL**  
S W N E  
5 C P P 5 S  
P P 6 C P Opening lead QS  
P D All pass

South 5C pre emptive is a very good bid, but East wasn't to be shut out holding eight spades. North went to 6C on his singleton spade vice diamonds and strong hearts. West had 2 aces and doubled.

**NORTH**  
S A 5 4  
H A K 9  
D Q J  
C K J 10 8 7

**WEST**  
S Q 10 8 7 6  
H VOID  
D A K 8 6 5  
C Q 9 2

**EAST**  
S 3  
H 7 2  
D 10 9 7 3 2  
C A 6 5 4 3

**SOUTH**  
S K J 9 2  
H Q J 10 8 6 5 4 2  
D 4  
C VOID

North deals. No one VUL  
N E S W  
1 C P 1 H 1 S  
3 H P 6 H All pass

Opening Lead KD

With North jumping to 3H, South's keen nose smelled a slam and leapt to 6H. When the dummy was laid down, South was surprised. North's doubleton diamond was of no use. He didn't expect to see 3 spades as he had 4 and West had overcalled in that

## Brownie Banquet

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ute talk on England. A short entertainment program was put on by the Brownies. Mrs. May and Mrs. Baird joined in the Fairy Ring and received the Grand Howl from the Brownies. The 2nd Pack sang "Lend a Hand;" 3rd Pack staged a short play "To the Rescue;" 4th Pack played Nursery Rhyme Charades.

It was announced that a packy, Jo Orieux would attend a Heritage Camp in N.B. Padre Thomas, R.C. Chaplain, gave the final blessing. Brownies' Taps and prayers were sung. The Rangers, under the direction of Mrs. J. Metzler, were thanked for the wonderful job of serving. W.O. Costin, Sgt. Clark and the staff were complimented for their fine effort in preparing the dinner by the leaders.

suit. To add to his miseries the club honors were broken.

South trumped the diamond continuation and saw four entries to the board, three in hearts and one in spades. With eight clubs against him a five three split was most probable. If he could get East to cover with an honor and West honor to drop in 3 ruffs his 2 losing spades would be taken off. On trick 3 a low heart was led to the 9 and the jack of clubs returned. East went up with ace to set the contract, South ruffed and the game was over. Getting to the board twice more with hearts, he ruffed two more clubs, West's queen fell and 2 spades were sluffed on dummy's good clubs.

Pretty lucky you say—I don't think so. Picture yourself sitting East. If you say you wouldn't play the Ace of clubs then you're either a liar or a poor bridge player. Besides, fortune favors the bold.

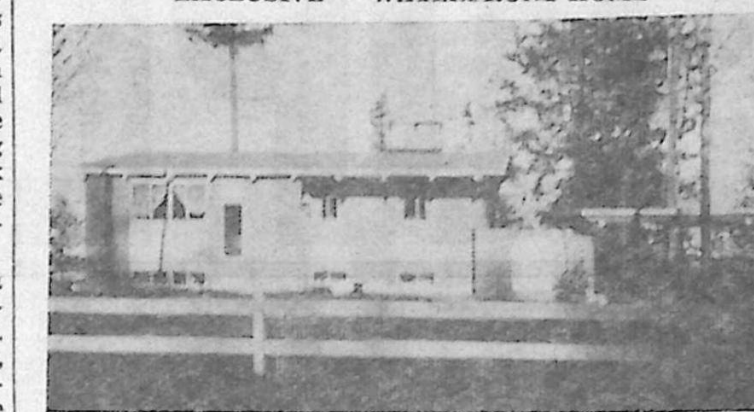
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