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Armed Forces Day a great success

An estimated 20,000 enthusiastic visitors crowded into CFB Comox on Saturday April 14th to help celebrate Armed Forces Day and the 60th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Air Force. Organizers of the open house are to be congratulated on providing an excellent show.

There were literally hundreds of static displays to show the public the kinds of equipment and aircraft we use in the Canadian Forces, plus a wide assortment of aircraft used by the USAF, the USN and the USMC, all of which created a great deal of interest.

But undoubtedly the hit of the day was the fabulous airshow. It would be difficult to say who was the best because everyone has his favourite. The Skyhawks started the show with their demonstration of precision parachuting. The old

Voodoos thrilled the crowd with their sleek lines and sheer power and in spite of the performance capabilities of the new CF-18 I think the Voodoo will always be a favourite. 407 Squadron, 442 Squadron and VU33 Squadron all gave very impressive aerial demonstrations of their aircraft providing the public with a new insight into our role and our capability. Other popular flying teams included the Ray Ban Golds who are always thrilling to watch and the Western War Birds who did things with vintage Harvards which seemed impossible. But as usual the show stealers were the Snowbirds who performed flawlessly to the delight of everyone. They finished their show with a newly adopted "diamond role" especially to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the RCAF.



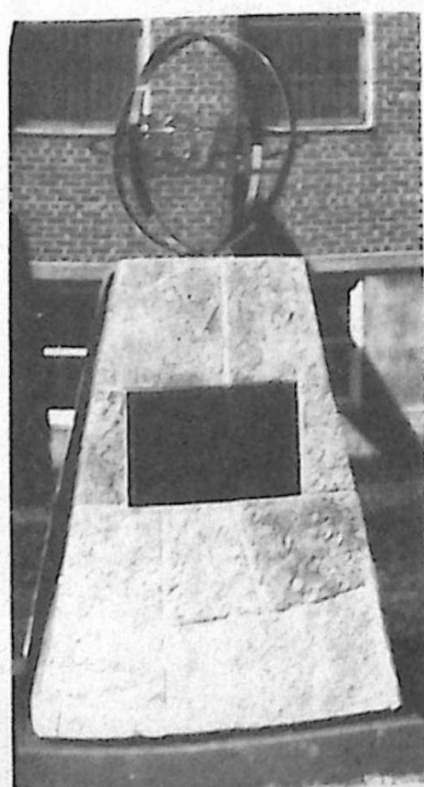
Winner of the Flight P51/Mustang "Miss America" with Bud Granley Leon Hughes and his mother Sue — Third generation Air Show enthusiasts.

— His grandfather Scott Hunter

who was present at the first air show at CFB Comox, Dominion Day, 1944, used to be a flight instructor with #6 OTU.

Photo by MCpl Halie Sartori

60th Anniversary Cairn Unveiled



Winnipeg — A memorial cairn unveiled here April 1, in dedication to the RCAF 60th anniversary, drew breath-taking expressions of admiration as the CFB Winnipeg Commander, Colonel S.E. McGowan, raised a white covering to expose it to the public for the first time.

The cairn, an anniversary project of the CFB Winnipeg Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess, stands more than six feet tall in front of the mess.

Buried within are the original routine order for the formation of the RCAF in 1924; the latest CFB Winnipeg routine order; and a copy of the base newspaper, Voxair, containing a history of the RCAF.

Also included are a 1984 Canadian Skies calendar containing historical events and photos of air-

craft currently in use in Air Command; a membership role of mess members; and biographical sketches of the Base Commander and Base Chief Warrant Officer, W.G. Hodgson.

The structure is topped by shiny interlocking brass circles containing the letters RCAF. An inscription on a plaque reads:

In honour of all members of the Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess, past and present, who have served with the Royal Canadian Air Force
Dedicated by Col. S.E. McGowan, Base Commander on the 60th Anniversary of the RCAF on this day of our Lord, April 1, 1964
Per Ardua ad Astra

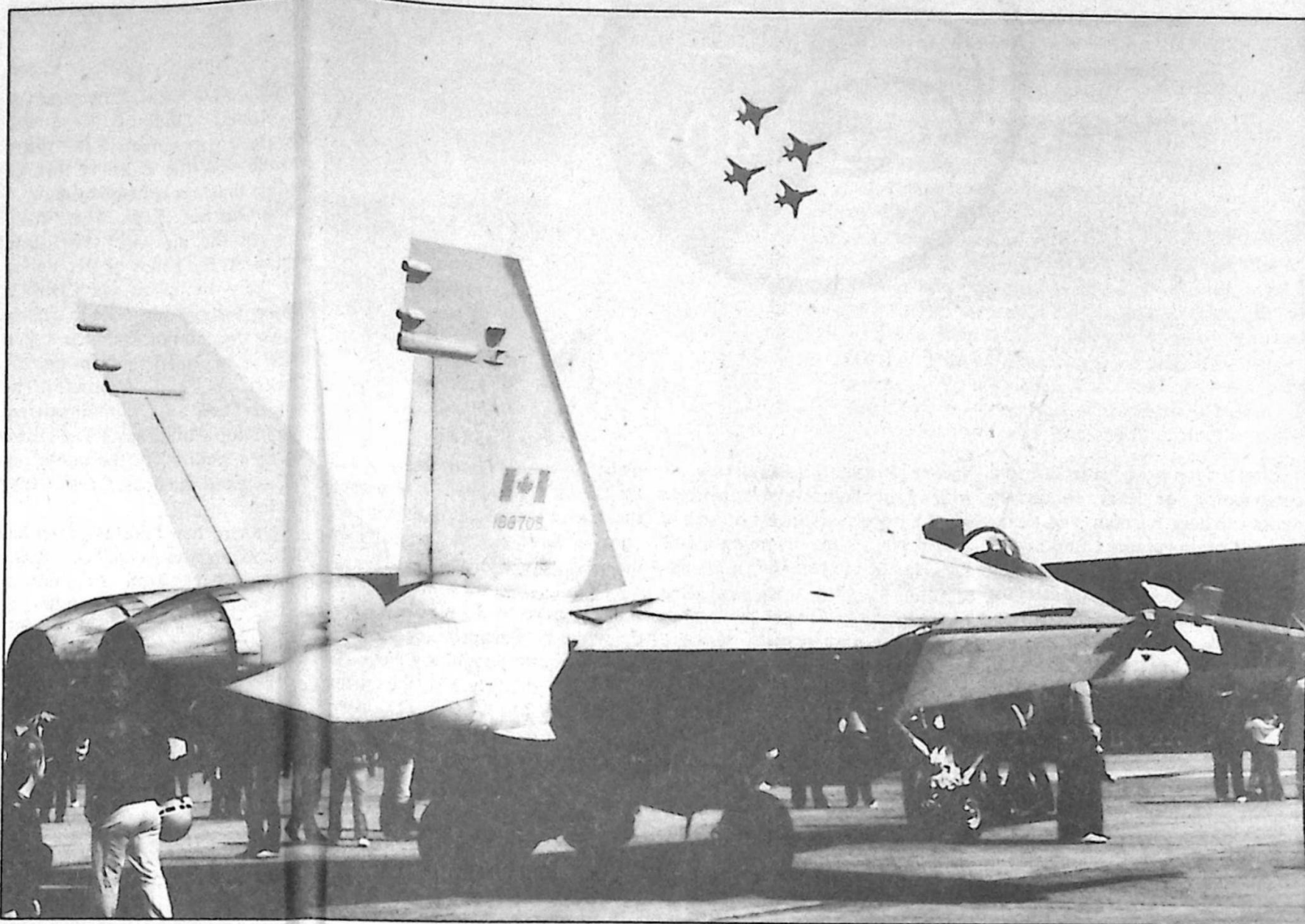
In dedicating the cairn, Col. McGowan said, "I think that this is a great day for the Air Force, and I congratulate and commend

everyone who was responsible for production of this magnificent monument, and the thoughts behind it.

"We have an Air Force which virtually opened up the Canadian north in the 1920s and '30s; opened the west; provided pioneers to commercial aviation and the Department of Transport. We grew to 250,000 during the Second World War, lost 17,000, and, somewhat, disappeared with unification."

"With the formation of air Command, a unity was re-established which brought back the Air force for a central purpose, and this has brought us to this day."

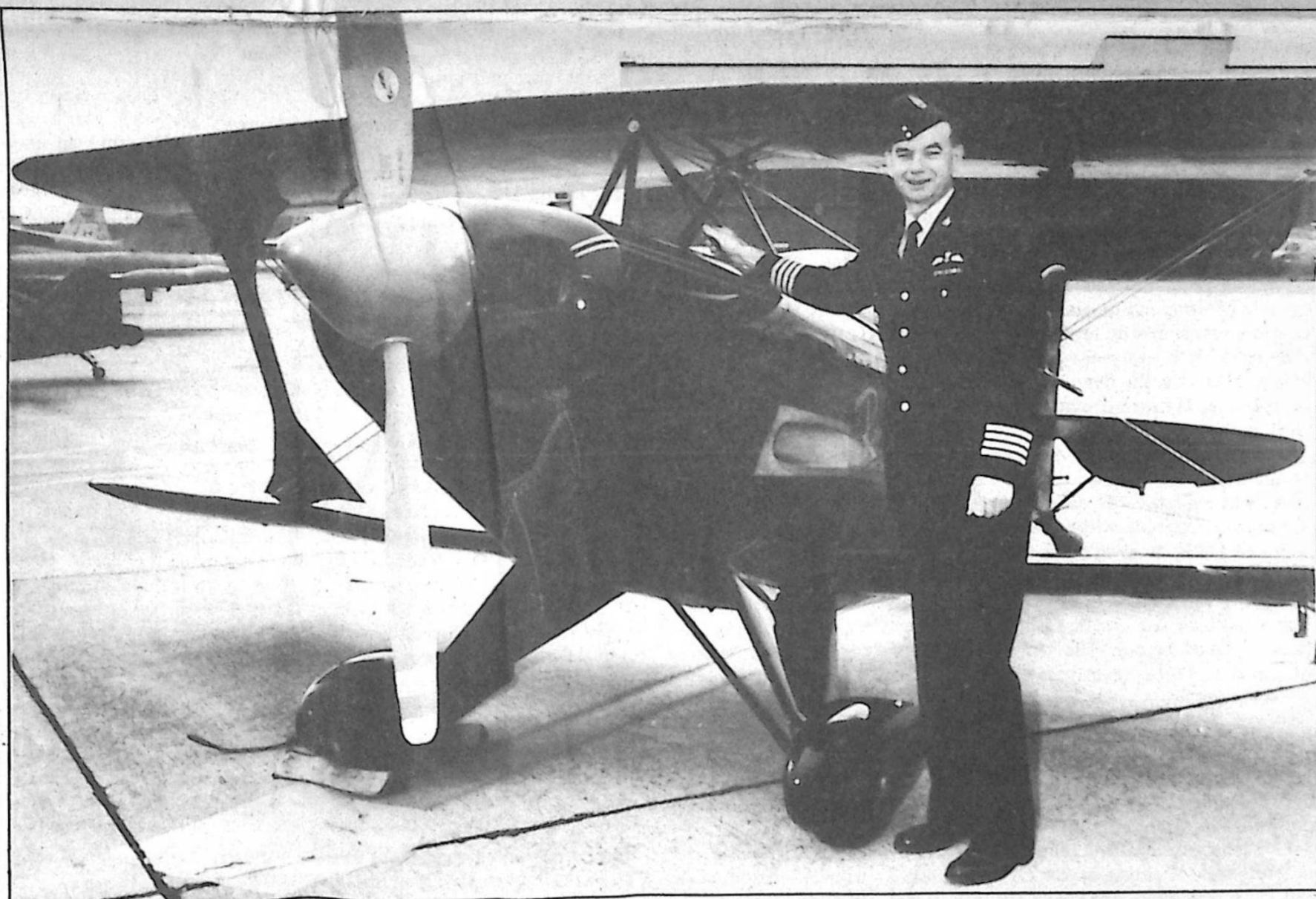
"I believe that the occasion we are commemorating today -- from Comox to Gander in memory of the last 60 years -- will serve to rekindle our enthusiasm for the future."



While crowds examine one of our new CF-18s, one of dozens of different aircraft on static display, a formation of four Voodoos from 409

Squadron thrill the crowd with their beauty precision and power.

Photo by MCpl Halie Sartori



A Pitts biplane, used by the Ray-Ban Golds for precision aerobatic flying.

Photo by MCpl Halie Sartori

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Section News

Nighthawks



Nest

After a four week hiatus due to a combination of leave, secondary duties, writers burnout and do-it-yourself brain surgery I find myself pressed back into service writing Nighthawks Nest. It seems it's just in time to save the paper as advertising took an incredible nose dive after the last issue failed to include news from 409. Modesty prevents me from assuming the popularity of the article is due to quality. Instead I believe it simply stands out against its surroundings the way a vintage Ferrari would when parked in a lot full of Chevy Chevettes. Much the same way as the sleek Voodoo stands out on the ramp when surrounded by the trash haulers and eggbeaters indigenous to so many CF bases.

Airshow season is in full swing once again and after several weeks of practice by the Snowbirds, Hawks, Anchors, Snakes and Demons, CFB Comox hosted a first rate international airshow this past weekend. Everyone involved with the show should be congratulated. The flying was tight, the performers represented a wide cross section of contemporary aircraft, and the static display was probably the finest seen north of the border in more than a few years. Putting on a show of that calibre involves a mind boggling amount of work and judging by the turn out and smiles on the faces of the spectators it was well worth the effort. Now that the home show is complete the Hawks will continue to thrill audiences as they travel to Edmonton for the Alberta Airshow in mid-May.

As was expected 409 easily won the crud tournament at the airshow monster TGIF. It wasn't the most balanced tourney as the representatives of the United States Navy and Vancouver Air Traffic Control hadn't played before. The United States Air Force team made a

valiant effort at the overall title with a fairly high level of experience gained from years of attendance at Maple Flag. After bumping USAF the Hawks played 407 Christian Maritime Squadron in the final game of the evening. Caught by surprise the 409ers were actually down a couple of lives at one point in the game. Quickly rallying, the Hawks made short work of their opponents in order to get on with the business of the evening. The only unfortunate incident occurred when a long time Captain Navigator from 407 tried leaving the mess without making good for his loss. Knowing the opposition and anticipating such an action a 409 player confronted the 407 Nav as he was on his way out the door. True to form the Demon refuse to purchase a drink for his victorious counterpart on the grounds that he was unaware it was in the rules although its published on the wall of the mess and has been a tradition for umpteen years. Luckily an ex101 Nav now a Major at 407, and incidentally the best player on their team, was so ashamed of his team mate that he magnanimously offered to make restitution. To be fair the Lieutenant Navigators from the Demon team also offered to make good for their compatriot. Discretion prevents me from printing the name of the welcher but suffice it to say his name is the same as that of Bagotville's primary weather alternate.

Major Egli and Hunt laid claim to Friday's darts championship. In the warm up preliminaries they lulled their opponents into a false sense of security by quickly losing. As soon as the tournament started however, they came on so strong that the other teams dispersed rather than be skunked, leaving the Nighthawks duo in sole possession of the dart board and therefore first

place. Overall, a good time was had by all and once again 409 proved that even though the squadron may not be as large as it was, we still own the mess.

After criticizing the 407 crud player I find I have to do a reversal and thank the VP Squadron for adding a new phrase to the military glossary. Because of the length of their trips they have coined the term TD Queen which is anyone who:

1. Purchases a jar of peanut butter and a loaf of bread at the beginning of each trip so he can pocket the flat daily rate the CF pays for a food allowance.
2. Goes out to a restaurant with his crew and doesn't order anything, instead drinking water until everyone finishes eating and then asking for their leftovers.
3. Walks to the fridge in the galley at the start of each flight and fills up his Nav bag with the crew's lunch so he can save on grocery bills.
4. Skips supper, waits until the night lunch is laid on in the mess and dines there rather than have to pay for a meal.

The acceptance of the phrase has seemingly been instantaneous and complete, already spawning jokes such as "How do you make a TD Queen break into a cold sweat?" "Tell him the CF is going to require daily TD meal receipts."

I understand 409 has picked up a nickname during the last few weeks. People have started to refer to us as 409 All Weather Matrimonial Squadron. Tim and Susan Strocel are presently honeymooning in Hawaii following their April 7 wedding. Shortly before that date an invitation appeared on the squadron bulletin board for the wedding of Dave Pullan and Chris Thomas. That wasn't too surprising but then Dave Reyenga and Shelley Swanson let out the news they were engaged. The pressure sure is being put on the

VU



33

Question? What was the name for the Roman God of Airshows? His/Her presence was quite possible with the excellent turn of weather that was enjoyed by many.

The Anchor Reds kept many noses in the air with their form display. At the hands of Ken Farrar and Terry Patterson the T-Bird is still a crowd pleaser. Nice to be able to hear the announcer on the low 'n overs. No leaflet drop by the Tracker this time around. (The Sappers are still climbing trees cleaning up Chilliwack.) The crowd was seen smiling for the photo run by Craig and the boss. Or were they wincing?

Another "new" go-fast driver has surfaced in the squadron. Rollie Acorn is back from the wilds of North Bay after a demanding 5-week T-Bird course. Just in time for airshow season.

Tom Sullivan has had to cancel out of the men's singles at Wimbledon this summer. His EW course has been regrettably postponed until the fall. England along with the strawberries and cream will be missed, but McEnroe isn't sorry.

The local retailers send their congratulations to Capt Dave Brown on the occasion of his promotion.

Dave Bekolay is away to Winnipeg for his ICP course. Dave is the usual contributor to this column and in case you haven't noticed, the usual high standards of journalism are lacking. Any complaints take them to the boss!

The snow-surf team is heavy into the training for this year's competition... well, thinking about training anyway. A small fellow, going by the name of John Stone or is it Erin Rude, should take us to victory in the canoe run.

single guys now. Along the same lines, MCpl Wayne Fleischer and his wife are to be congratulated on the birth of their son Christian Travis who weighed in at 10 lbs. 9 ozs. last week.

409 won't be around too much longer so enjoy us while you can. Only 73 days left until the close down and move to Cold Lake. In that time period there are only five more editions of the Totem Times so we'll try to include an article in each issue if for no other reason than to placate those who complained that we missed once out of the last fifty times.

No mention will be made of the crud tournament.

Well, here it is, another bit of news from VU33. I bet you are all wondering what has been going on, well, here it is.

It all starts with a going away party for the squadron. In the morning, the squadron had a sports day. Everyone appeared to have a good time. Then, during the afternoon, we all met at the Lions Club to say our last good-byes to some people who we're going to miss. You know what they say, we're just going to have to use a bigger gun.

WO Wiffen has left us for the rank of civilian. We're all going to miss him at work. Of course, if we want to see him, we could always take our lawn mower to him. You see, to keep himself busy, he'll be in the mower business in Comox. Well, you could always mow those hair cuts at work, right Gary?

Sgt Hamilton is leaving us for the wild's of Cold Lake. Don't forget Bill, keep your muckluks on when your hunting that caribou, don't want you to catch cold.

Dave Maloney is leaving us for labs. Well, their loss is our gain, right Dave? Don't worry Dave, if you get lonely, we will let you come down to buy the coffee.

Chris Elliot is off to Germany with her husband. We all hope that they have a good time there, and bring back lots of bargains.

And of course, last but not least is Cpl Morrice who is going to Borden with her boyfriend. I understand that she may be instructing there. They say that the mark of a good instructor is how much they learn from their students, I sure hope that

Cpl Morrice leans a lot.

Of course, the party was a success, and the food was well done. The praise for the food goes out to Mrs. Trudy Hunt, and to Mrs. Suzanne Comeau (my wife), who without their dedication, it would not be possible for the party to be so successful.

There has been a celebration lately in the squadron. Rob Butler and J.P. Raymond successfully completed their ATAT exams. They are now TQ5 qualified. Congratulations guys.

John is going into the skin business. Tell me John, does that orange have anything to do with your line of products?

Daryl has got to lose twenty pounds for his remuster. If he loses that much, he'd disappear into nothing.

Do you remember those lovely ladies who did the food for us at our party? Well, they have developed process-ities. This is the fear of process food. From now on if they walk into a supermarket and see process food, they go screaming out in terror.

Well, Armed Forces Day, from what I could see of it, was a success. There were cars parked from the base all the way up Ryan Road. One doesn't know if it was all the planes and the technology, or the beer tent? But what ever it was, I certainly hope that everyone had a good time.

So nobody says anything about Harry. Well Harry, here it is, you now have been mentioned in the newspaper.

I guess that is it for now, in closing, it has been a good month so far, so keep an eye here, and we'll see how the rest of the month goes.

L.J.C.

OPDP-7 tests reviewed

by Maj Paul R. Hussey

I recently undertook the interesting task of sitting on the OPDP 7 "War and the Military Profession" marking board. The operative words here are interesting and task. I am interested in the subject and I did volunteer; however, it was a task because of the manner in which the students responded to the questions. It is chiefly because of the latter that I felt a need to submit this article for the newsletter before we lose many more good men and women on the beaches of OPDP 7! I will begin with the mechanics of the marking board and conclude with some observations arising from that experience.

The board consisted of five officers from MARCOM, FMC, AIRCOM, CFTS and NDHQ. Our responsibility was to mark the essay portion worth 60% of the OPDP 7 exam. To accomplish this we were given a marking guide containing point values for each particular response sought. In addition, all the board members had read fairly extensively on the subject matter.

When all papers were scored on-

ce, those that were within a pre-established "window" based on the SEM's were submitted to a different scorer. Those papers where two scorers results did not agree on a pass/fail or pass/honours standing were scored by a third member and on occasion, a fourth. Members did not mark the essays of individuals they knew.

The marking guides were fairly extensive and in order to maintain consistency these were adhered to quite objectively. There was some subjectivity allowed for in the way in which an answer brought out a particular point and when in the answer it was brought out. The questions were worth 20 marks each; 15 for content and 5 marks for use of language allotted on the basis of orderliness of thought and presentation as well as the mechanics of grammar and spelling.

That in a nutshell is how we went to work on the board and in my opinion; considering the nature, layout and choice of the questions, it was an extremely fair process. The problem came with the answers.

In general we felt that about 85-90% of the individuals whose essays we read had at least examined the material. Unfortunately a large percentage of these people did not answer the questions asked and/or chose to ramble on either regurgitating or rewriting the history books.

The questions were well keyed with words like, "explain why"; "to whom"; "when"; "where"; "compare"; and so on, all one had to do was break out the question around those words and organize an answer based on exactly what was asked. This, for the most part was not done. The ramblings were particularly tiresome. I got the impression that many felt the need to let the board know they had read the material by proceeding with an "information dump" which; ten pages later, still had not gotten to the points the question asked. Those kind of snow jobs didn't work. Most answers when well organized should have taken no more than a couple of pages. In addition, the longer exposés had a higher poten-

tial to suffer on the organizational and mechanics side.

The board recommended to DPED that future candidates be provided with several different essays as both good and bad examples. This they agreed to and are working on it.

Many individuals' organization of thought and handwriting was atrocious. Both of these factors are very important and may even make the difference between a pass and a fail.

Although the course is difficult, most of the participants probably knew enough to complete a satisfactory answer, but it seemed they did not take the time to analyze what was being asked and organize their answers appropriately. Some of the answers were downright ridiculous and did provide moments of comic relief for those on the board but that's another story and this article was not intended to be funny. For those of you who have yet to write (or rewrite) OPDP 7 and have taken the time to read this, I hope it has helped in some way.

OFFICERS' MESS

Fridays, April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25

May 4 - TGIF: FISH & CHIPS
May 11 - TGIF: BURGERS AND FRIES
May 18 - TGIF: CHICKEN & CHIPS
May 25 - TGIF: SUBS & FRIES

Saturday, April 28

DINNER/DANCE: The evening will begin at 2000 hours with music provided by DJ. On the menu will be Chinese food. Dress is informal. Cost per couple: members \$20.00 and guests \$25.00. Reservations should be in to the Mess Manager no later than 1200 hours Wednesday, 25 April.

Thursday, May 10

RETIREMENT MESS DINNER:

The retiring officers to be honoured are: Maj R.L. Jensen, Capt W.E. Books, Capt G.M. Ferraby, Capt D.W. Orr

Sunday, May 13

MOTHERS DAY BRUNCH:

1100 to 1300 hours. Further information to be sent out by flyers early in May. Reservations should be in to the Mess Manager's office by 1200 hours Wednesday, 9 May 84.

Wednesday, May 23

OWC CLOSING DINNER:

6:30 for 7:00 p.m. On the menu for the evening will be a Hip of Beef, Buffet of assorted salads, rolls, and fresh fruit salad. Wine is included with the dinner. Cost for members \$8.00, non-members \$10.00. Tickets are available from Gail Blamire: 339-2960, or Martha Leonard, PMQ 75: 339-7559. Also during the evening there will be elections, charity vote, and a farewell to posted members.

Saturday, May 26

SEAFOOD NIGHT:

2000 hours. Dine and dance to the music of the band "Sideline". Cost per couple: members \$25.00, guests \$35.00. Dress is informal. Reservations should be in to the Mess Manager's office by 1200 hours Wednesday, 23 May 84.

COMING EVENTS: MAY 1984
08 June - Monster TGIF
17 June - Fathers' Day Brunch
23 June - 409 Farewell Dinner & Dance

Section News

Demon

Oh sure, come up with one line in an article that this crowd can read, understand, and giggle at and all of a sudden I'm the new Hemingway, and would I please write the next one. So here I sit, perusing the fish-wrappers for this week (Last week by the time you read this) and guess what I saw! Better yet guess what I didn't see. I didn't see any words of wisdom from those chronically bewildered stovepipers down the hall at the no-show 409th All Weather (Blue sky only please) Fighter Squadron. Immediately visions of apocalypse danced through my fertile (sterile) mind as I imagine a *Fishwrapper* without the fevered ramblings of a Kurt Saladar, or the somewhat less than inspired skewerings of this squadron by Thumper Matheson.

What had gone wrong? What could possibly prevent the boys who talk a good fight to miss poisoning the *Fishwrapper* with their pearls of wisdom. Let's see now, maybe Lloyd Park Nurseries hi-jacked their manuscript on the way to the printers, being badly in need of fresh fertilizer. No, there is no one in that much need. I know, yes it must be, could they have run out of things to say? I know it doesn't sound possible, having listened to them in the bar but it is the only thing that fits. Kurt must have burned out. Obviously this looks like a job for a ghostwriter, but who to get. They could get Andy Anderson except he is still occupied hunting for the sextant mount in the back of the Voodoo. They could get Mumbles, he speaks English (what) and even knows some big words (two anyway), but who would believe an article filled with sound and fury, and signifying poopoo. (Author's note: obviously this base would, they've been doing it for months now.) Oh well, maybe by the time this hits the press, something from 409 will have hit the fan. In spite of my standards background I really am a very nice guy (if you don't believe me, just ask me) so I'll even offer to help 409. If they require any help with the two syllable words feel free to come down to the operational squadron and I'll be happy to sic Ritchie on them. (He knows how to talk real good.)

Crew 5 has arrived back from Down Under safe and sound. Meanwhile Crew 6 is grabbing all the "Pole time" they can get in preparation for the O'Brien competition. A half dozen squadron members will have winged their way to Edmonton and back for their HAI's. Crew 2 would like to welcome back Captains Kummel and James from Staff Volleyball School. Congratulations goes out to Crew 3 for Capt Williams' successful VPCC check ride. Adak is much nicer than Hawaii this time of year. The parts run to Adak proved to be a successful ski's trail for the Aurora by Maj Eby's Crew 5. What's it like landing with one row of landing lights. A major crew and DIAC personnel shuffle is about to occur in the squadron. This may be the reason behind strange reports of crew members chaining themselves to the Forward Observer stations and hiding under desks in the crew room.

Have a safe Easter. Especially you Maj Young, who has become our latest member of the Long John Silver Dungeon Master of the squadron. Arghh. Ever been to sea Billie?

407 ASO (NO. 1 CREW)

Since the last issue things have been very busy in ASO with the greatest amount of the work being done by our tireless fitters. Most of them worked many twelve hour shifts in a row without complaint. It was definitely a time for them to prove to the other squadron members just how technically adept they are. They came through a very dif-



ficult period with flying colours and certainly deserve a strong vote of thanks and appreciation.

Sgt Vic Sweeney finally managed to return his gaggle of techs home to roost from Down Under. Sgt Bev Kolins deserted his group and returned via the Aurora. Desertion is one thing but bumping a Weapons Tech because you didn't like the movie on the CAL flight is unforgivable. Well done guys for another safe and memorable deployment.

Our ASO has been given a seasons pass on the Boeing and tends to make the most of it; first Halifax, now Greenwood, then Halifax again. I hope he never realizes there are places like Hawaii and Japan or MWO Johnson will be worn to a shadow wearing two hats.

The squadron also shone in another area this past week with the 407 Demon bowlers of the mens league coming through again this year with the league championship. The team was lead by their most capable Captain, Jeff Foley, and included Russ Englemeyer, Vic Sweeney, Mike Thurston, Al Baron, Jerry Tracz, Dixie Walker and Joe Thibodeau. This year the Demons had to display exceptional bowling skills and maintain their cool under extreme intimidation from the "play off" opposition. This team was well named the "Heavy Weights"; you have to be over 300 lbs. just to try out, and that's with only one foot on the scale. All kidding aside these guys were fantastic sportsmen and were directly responsible for two most enjoyable evenings on the lanes. See you at the banquet guys. We are losing two members of the Demon team, Jerry Tracz and Joe Thibodeau, through transfers so if there are any exceptional bowlers out there I would suggest you practice very hard all summer and maybe Jeff will give you a try out next fall.

PHOTO

Here comes that time of the month again and I hear somebody yelling something about deadlines.

The major happening, Photo-wise, since the last entry by the Photo-Demons was the Annual Photo-Spiel in Cold Lake on the weekend of 7/8 April. WO Bourne led a delegation of five to Sunny Alberta where we curled (among other activities) with Photo Techs from Base Photo here, Cold Lake, and Chilliwack. Things got rolling Friday night with a Meet 'N Greet at the Roundel Curling Arena. At that time, we found out who we would be curling with and against and had an opportunity to renew old friendships and make some new ones. Those of us who had been stationed at Cold Lake in the past saw many changes in the base with new construction everywhere. The new facilities for Photo made us all a little envious.

The actual curling took place on Saturday. The rinks and positions were made up by drawing names from a hat so no rinks were exclusively Comox and no rinks were "stacked". It was possible for an experienced skip to be playing "Lead" for a "Skip" who had never curled before. This pretty well insured the sport was more recreational than competitive. It would have been a good place to have a video camera. In keeping with the recreational nature of the event, the games were limited to four ends with point awarded for games and ends won.

Saturday night was the presentation of prizes (almost everyone won something) and an excellent dinner-dance. The cooks put on a spread that would rival the best hotels in the area, and the D.J. who

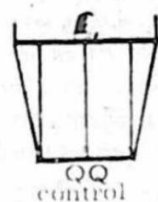
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spun the records actually did more than just spinning records.

If there was one complaint, it had to be the weather. They arranged to try to make us Comox types feel at home with showers and overcast. Only on Sunday as Bob led his tired but happy troops back to the land of year round green grass did the sun break out.

Everyone, of course, is busy right now with preparation for the photo display for Air Force Day. From the look of things right now, Sgt Ray Evans and company will have a good display for the airshow. A lot of hard work in going into this one.

To end this column, all of us in Photo take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Easter and if you're travelling over the long weekend, come back in one piece.



The past two weeks have been busy ones for the section. It's been a hectic time of planning a golf tournament, arranging activities for a group of visiting controllers from Vancouver and helping the planning for the airshow.

Welcome to Cpl Doris Albert. Doris is spending a couple of weeks as sec. for the section. Her typing skills and friendly smile are greatly appreciated.

I am sure that the majority of people who attended the airshow, like myself, took a long appreciative look at the airshow brochure. The brochure was the work of OCdt Michele Millet. Michele who has spent the last 8 months as EA to the Base Commanders EA, will be moving to the tower for some OJT before her VFR ATC course in August.

During the next week Glacier Greens will be filled with ATC types for our annual golf tournament. The section has been busy practicing their putting for next week. Sgt

Base Supply

Once again we are back to keep everyone informed on the goings on of Supply.

On Thursday, April 12, Supply held a mug out to say farewell to everyone's favorite Sgt. Gail Harvey who has been working Customer Services for the past year and is on her way this week to CFB Borden. We wish her the best of luck at her new base and want her to know that she will be missed. On the same note we also want to say good-bye to Pte Francis Harder who is leaving us to go on her TQ3 course at CFSAL Borden. Francis and Gail just can't bear to part.

Cpl J.P. Ullock is on his way to the Golan Heights for a six month tour of duty, but not to fear, Cpl Courageous will be back! J.P. is taking Larry O'Brien's place in the Golan. Larry is now back and he looks all the better for his trip.

We are happy to say that Stan Stevens is back to work and back to his old self. I join everyone in supporting Stan in his battle to stay away from the cigarettes.

Last week, Comox (Supply) sent a female and a male curling team to the Regionals in Chilliwack. The men, although suffering from acute hangover (Wayne), managed to pull

off a fabulous first place. The ladies did not do quite as well, but, nevertheless held solid second place. Not to fear, the women were not without their strange occurrences. During a most thrilling accident outside their hotel room, Claire Gagnon ventured out into the rain, with only the slightest of clothes and a pair of socks on, to get a closer look. Meanwhile back at headquarters, Shelley Watson lived up to her name and played Watson - Private Eye.

For those of you who don't know Marg Copland, she is a sweet civilian lady who works over in building 82 and is the MCO's secretary. As I found out, even sweet ladies are not without their bad days. On Friday, 6 April, Marg got out of bed and went on with her morning routine. When it was time for her to leave for work, she proceeded to her little Red Rabbit and began her voyage from Comox to the Base. Having a rather rough ride she stopped the car to investigate, found nothing and proceeded on her way. The drive got worse. Forced to stop once again she performed a more thorough investigation and discovered she had been driving with a flat tire. STRIKE ONE. Despite her misfor-

tune she went on with her day. Deciding that her typewriter needed a good cleaning, she took it apart and began to clean it. She broke it. STRIKE TWO. To top the day off, Marg, not knowing that a certain Warrant Officer had entered the office, began yelling at her intercom. That poor WO didn't know what he had done wrong; don't worry. Warrant, she really didn't know that you were there. STRIKE THREE. "Not a good day."

That's about it for Supply news until next time. Bye.

The Sup Tech decides the battle

The first essential condition of any army to be able to stand the strain of battle is an adequate stock of weapons, petrol and ammunition. In fact, the battle is fought and decided by the Sup Tech before the shooting begins. The bravest men can do nothing without guns, the guns nothing without plenty of ammunition, nor is ammunition of much use in warfare unless there are vehicles with sufficient petrol to haul them around. - Rommel

As The Beacon Turns

"Where's the beef?" Alas, top question turned out to be "Could you tell me where the bathroom is?" Oh well. Finally to all those in the section with the rank of MCpl and below, the boss has been tasked with finding a VPMC for the junior ranks. As of Thursday, he hadn't decided who it should be yet. S.H.

JR. RANKS' MESS

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5 Special Ent.	6 D.J. MAC	7
8	9	10 Special Ent.	11	12 Special Ent.	13 TGIF: DARTS	14
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— Special Events —

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Editorial

The "Me" Generation

Who, or what, is the cause of the miserable economic condition in which we find this country today? There are probably as many different answers as there are people to ask, with most of them blaming the government or the unions for any one of a hundred different factors. Why is it that some countries are enjoying a booming economy, while we are suffering the worst unemployment in many, many years? Again, most of us would like to pass the blame on to the unions and the governments.

I think the answer is much simpler than most of us are willing to admit. The real problem lies with each of us as individuals, and concerns our expectations. In fact, I would go so far as to say that greed is the culprit. How many of us would be happy just to

earn a comfortable living; not many I think. Even the unemployed aspire to something greater. It may be a result of the glamour we see in the electronic media every day, the get-rich-quick lotteries or the travel-anywhere-in-the-world advertising. Wouldn't we all like to be able to afford to be jet setters and enjoy the best of everything?

The problem is, we are deluding ourselves into expecting a whole lot for a little. Are we really worth the wages or salaries we expect? The answer to that is -- only if someone is willing to pay us what we ask. But there comes a time when our expectations exceed our actual worth, when the product or service we provide becomes so expensive that no one is willing to pay for it. That's where the inflationary spiral ends

and the whole economy goes down the tubes. We may now be nearing that point.

You may think that there is nothing we can do as individuals, but there must be, for aren't the unions and the government and all other organizations composed of individuals? If we all set a good example by adhering to a good work ethic and take pride in doing the best job we can for our pay, surely, it will catch on. If we keep our demands reasonable, then the goods and services we provide will become more competitive and, in order for others to compete, they would have to reduce their prices. It could be the beginning of a downward spiral where Canada could achieve its true potential and become economically sound.

If we were able to stabilize the country's economy then the inflation rate could be brought down. The benefit of this would be that retirement income and pensions would maintain their value and we wouldn't have to make such outrageous demands to ensure security after retirement.

We have all become members of the "me" generation where we are concerned only with our own welfare, while ignoring the country as a whole. If everyone had a little more concern for what is happening to "me" as an individual, then we would start to achieve the greatness of which we are capable.

J.S.G.

Letters:

To The Editor:

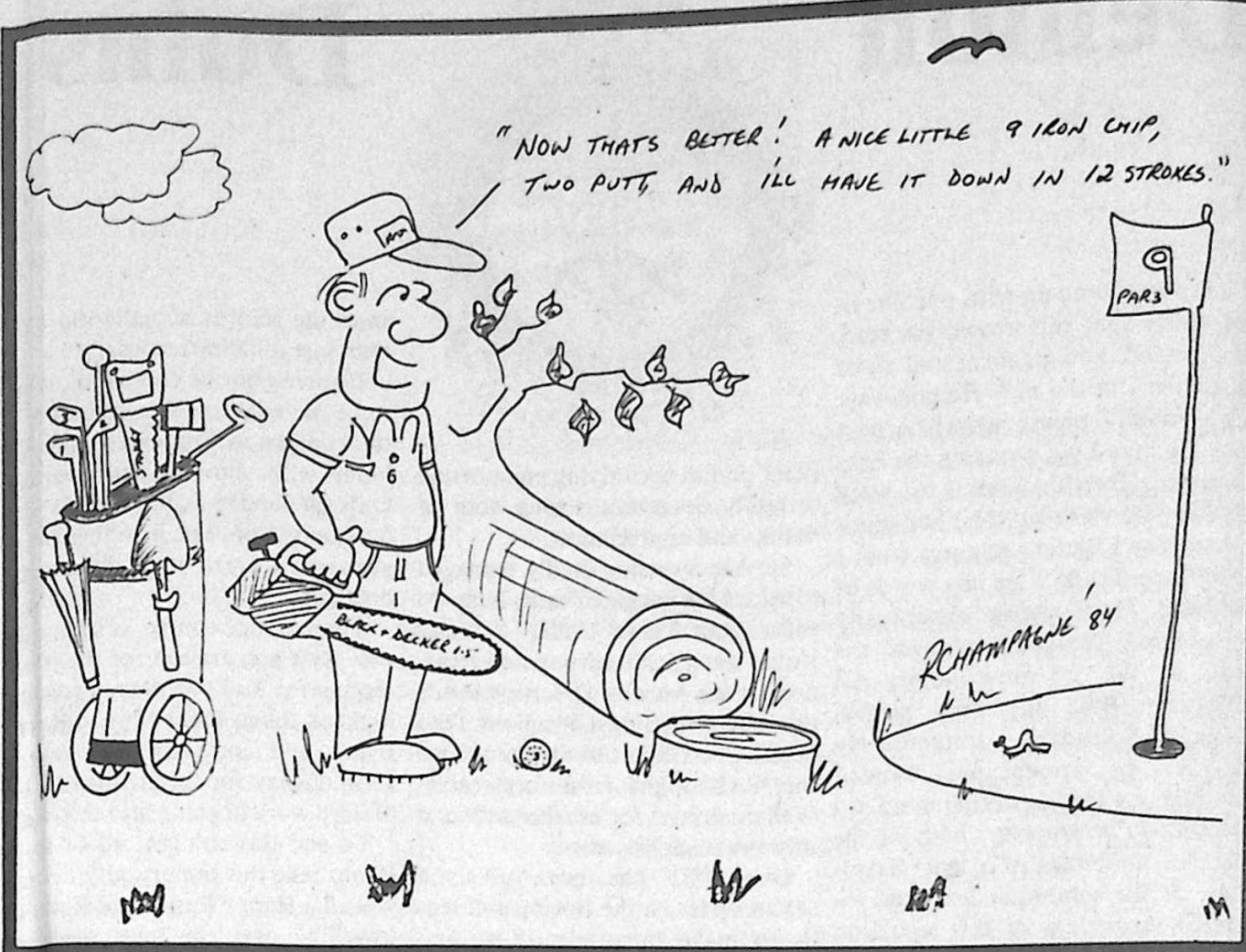
We want to make your news organization aware of what we believe to be the most significant and important event ever held in Canada between a community and a military base. We think you will want to cover this major event in the Comox Valley, Vancouver Island during the last week of June, 1984.

Beginning Monday, June 25, the communities of Courtenay and Comox will be saluting the Canadian and U.S. military contingents which have contributed so much to the quality of life in the Comox Valley. The community is planning to say farewell and thanks in a dramatic way to U.S. NORAD personnel and some members of the Canadian Forces 409 Squadron who are leaving the thriving CFB Comox, Canada's largest west coast military base.

The community will be joined by National Defence Minister, the Hon. Jean-Jacques Blais, and British Columbia Lieutenant-Governor Gordon Rogers, in saying thanks and in celebrating the 60th anniversary of the RCAF. They will be joined by the USAF band, several Canadian Forces bands, and other dignitaries in a week of special dinners, receptions, luncheons, major band concerts and festivities.

In addition, the Town of Comox has granted Canadian Forces Base Comox Freedom of the Town on Monday, June 25. There will be a full scale military parade featuring a variety of bands with pageantry and marching.

We believe it is rare to find a community, facing the economic loss of a military squadron, to take the positive approach of celebrating many years of association by seizing the occasion to acknowledge to ongoing good relationship between the base and the community. Nor is it



commonplace for a small foreign community to show appreciation in such a spectacular way to departing U.S. Armed Forces personnel.

We will be providing you with further information on this significant event in the future. In the meantime, if you wish to do any advance work or require other information please call George LeMasurier, public relations director, at 334-4446.

Sincerely,
Herbert M. Taylor
President
Courtenay-Comox
Chamber of Commerce

To The Editor:

The city of Sydney, Nova Scotia celebrates its 200th birthday in 1985; as part of the celebrations the Sydney Sea Cadet Corps will hold a reunion of its former officers and cadets during October, 1985. Those persons interested in attending the reunion or wanting more information should write to the Sydney Sea Cadet Reunion Committee, P.O. Box 1985, Sydney, N.S. B1P 6H7. Preparations must be made early so it is requested that interested parties respond right away.

Thank you!

Ken McLeod

To The Editor:

We would like to take this opportunity to publicly express our sincere thanks to the BPSO staff for the excellent SCAN seminars we attended this week.

The experience was invaluable, and we would highly recommend -- indeed, strongly suggest -- that members and their wives contemplating retirement within the next few years plan to attend these SCAN seminars the next time they are presented.

- Two wiser participants

Next Totem Times Deadline - Monday, April 30, 1984



Law Talk

By Gordon Hardy of the People's Law School

Human rights in Canada

The first of four articles on human rights issues in Canada.

At the turn of this century, B.C. mining regulations prohibited women and children from working below ground in mines. The provincial legislature added the words "and no Chinamen".

B.C. law at this time also excluded Chinese from voting in provincial elections; it read, "No Chinaman, Japanese or Indian shall have his name placed on the Register of Voters . . . or be entitled to vote in any election . . ."

B.C. was not alone in passing openly discriminatory laws. Saskatchewan law forbade Chinese to "employ in any capacity any white woman or girl . . ."

Each of these laws - which, it is important to note, were directed as much at citizens of Chinese origin as at non-citizens - was tested in courts. The decisions of the judges tell us much about attitudes towards discrimination at that time.

In the first case involving the regulation against Chinese working in mines, the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council struck down the regulation but not for the reasons we would expect today. Instead,

their Lordships disallowed the regulations because, touching as it did upon the rights of aliens and naturalized citizens to work, it infringed upon the authority of the federal government and was, therefore, beyond the jurisdiction of the provincial legislature.

In the second case involving denial of the vote to Chinese, Japanese and Indians, the Judicial Committee allowed the law to stand. Observing that "in the history of this country the right to the franchise has been granted or withheld on a great number of grounds", their Lordships concluded that the mere fact of being a naturalized subject does not necessarily entitle a person to a vote if the legislature thinks otherwise. "The policy or impolicy of such an enactment as that which excludes a particular race from the franchise is not a topic which their Lordships are entitled to consider," added the Judicial committee.

The third case involving the law against Chinese employing white women and girls went to the Supreme Court of Canada in 1914 after a certain Quong-Wing was convicted under it. A majority of the Supreme Court judges upheld

his conviction. The Chief Justice, while admitting that the law affected the civil rights of Chinese, said that its primary aim was the protection of white women and girls, similar to other labour laws designed to protect "the bodily health" and "morals" of Canadian workers.

Only the dissenting judge saw that, although the law referred to female workers, "in truth its evident purpose is to curtail or restrict the rights of Chinamen." He went on to say that equal freedom and opportunity before the law were highly prized gifts which should not be denied except for reasons "which civilized men recognize as valid." ("Chinamen" was not then seen as an offensive term.)

The judge's concern for equality, however, did not animate many of his brother judges. With few exceptions, the courts did not or could not deliver judgement against discrimination. In one case involving a black man (described by his lawyer as "not extraordinarily black") who was denied service in the Montreal Forum, a Supreme Court of Canada judge seemed more appalled by the vehemence of the man's protest than the act of

discrimination.

"It is no wonder, then," writes Professor Walter Tarnopolsky, one of Canada's foremost human rights experts, "that the legislatures, with no aid from the judiciary, had to move into the field and start to enact anti-discrimination legislation."

Discriminatory legislation was gradually wiped from the law books. Shortly after the end of the Second World War, the vote was extended to Canadian citizens of all origins with the sole exception of native Indians who waited until 1960 for the vote.

Not only did legislation cease being discriminatory, it now went on the offensive against discrimination. What it had once sanctioned it now punished. Throughout the 50's and the 60's, provincial legislatures passed legislation which forbade businesses, landlords, employers and government agencies to discriminate on the basis of race and national origin.

Next: Where do rights Come From?

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Section News

BERMUDA TRIANGLE?

On Sunday morning, 15th of April at 12 a.m., the Buffalo Rescue 458 was dispatched, following a call that one 27 foot sail boat and one fishing vessel were in distress near Egg Island, 40 miles north of Port Hardy. Enroute, the crew was in touch with Victoria Rescue Co-ordination Centre, obtaining any new information that became available. Not far behind the Buffalo, a Labrador helicopter was enroute to the same scene, as well as several fishing boats and Coast Guard vessels.

Prior to arrival on the scene, the Buffalo was diverted to another distress approximately 20 miles north of Capt Scott in Queen Charlotte Sound. A 65' fishing vessel (F/V) Cape Blanco was reported missing with 3 souls on board. Enroute to this emergency, the Buffalo encountered heavy rain, turbulence, and low cloud ceilings. The seas below were very rough.

Rescue 458 was put in contact with the F/V Pacific Eagle, another 65 foot vessel in the same area. The F/V Pacific Eagle reported that he and the F/V Cape Blanco were in visual and radio contact, 1/2 mile apart from each other when a very sudden storm arose. The most severe portion of the storm lasted only a short time; however, when it was over, the F/V Cape Blanco was nowhere to be seen. The F/V Pacific Eagle had registered winds of 75-85 knots (about 100 mph/160 kph).

Rescue 458 flew about 2 miles beyond the Pacific Eagle and discovered an oil slick. A little further, a yellow life ring. The Pacific Eagle fought the rough seas to pick up the life ring, although no name was on it. The Buffalo continued. We found a door, then a mast, a bucket, numerous other pieces of brightly coloured material, barrels, wood and a sign saying "CASH"; this had been a cash boat. One piece of wood had a starboard running light on it and a Fisheries licence number on it. The number was relayed via Rescue 458 to RCC Victoria for verification. Finally, a large piece of wood with the word "Cape" on it could be seen from the air. The Pacific Eagle retrieved it and reported the full name "Cape Blanco" was on it.

Meanwhile, Rescue 302 had



arrived near Egg Island at the sight of the 26 foot sailing vessel hit by the same storm. Battling strong winds, Rescue 302 lowered Rescue Specialist, Cpl Pete Thomey into the 15 foot ice cold swells of Queen Charlotte Sound to pluck out one victim. Despite cardio-pulmonary resuscitation attempts enroute to Port Hardy Hospital, the victim died. His partner from the sailing vessel was picked up by another boat also died.

Around 3 p.m. Rescue 305 who had been on another mission arrived to help in the search.

About 30 miles further north off Namu in Fitz Hugh Sound, a vessel the Go Getter recovered one survivor out of the water suffering from severe cramps and one body, both from the third vessel that had succumbed to the storm.

The search continued the following day covering thousands of square miles, but no survivors were found, only pieces of wreckage and the scattering oil slicks.

Survivors stated that the storm seemed to come out of nowhere; there was very little warning. The captain of the Pacific Eagle said that he does not know why his vessel did not sink too. A weather man at Port Hardy explained his theory, that such a storm of near hurricane winds may have been caused by a small low pressure system that began to rotate on its own axis causing a very low pressure followed by a rapid increase in pressure resulting in strong winds. He showed us his pressure register which had recorded a phenomenal 16 millibar rise in less than two hours.

Although this is tragic, we are perhaps fortunate that it did not occur on a week day when many more fishing vessels would have been at sea. In all, six vessels were reported missing. Of these, three were found in no danger; just tied up in other ports until the storm had passed.

Three vessels sank with the loss of six lives.

442 Quiz - Who is the pilot?

Last issue had a quiz: Who is the pilot? This week you will get the answer, but you have to play the detective and use a process of elimination.

1. Capt Stu Hart beat the pilot at Ace-Deuce (item D); therefore, he is not the pilot which leaves either Capt S. Nider or Capt B. Zwax.

2. The co-pilot who lives in Cumberland (item B) has a neighbour who earns \$45,000 (item E); therefore, the neighbour MP cannot be Mr. B. Zwax because Mr. B. Zwax earns \$100,000 (item C).

3. Since Mr. S. Nider lives on Denman, The co-pilot's neighbour must be Mr. Stu Hart, leaving Mr. B. Zwax living in Alert (item F).

4. Item (F) states that the passenger living in Alert has the same name as the co-pilot: Capt B. Zwax.

5. Therefore the pilot is Capt S. Nider, the co-pilot is Capt B. Zwax, and the navigator is Capt Stu Hart.

442 Numbers Quiz

For those who thought the last quiz was easy, try this one. The rules are that only mathematical signs such as addition, multiplication, subtraction, division, exponents, square roots, or whatever sign you find works can be used. Other numbers may not be added and this includes the use of cubed roots.

Example: Make these numbers equal 3.

$$1 + 1 + 1 = 3$$

$$3 + 3 + 3 = 9 = 3$$

Quiz: Place the appropriate signs to make all of these problems equal 6.

1	1	1	=	6
2	2	2	=	6
3	3	3	=	6
4	4	4	=	6
5	5	5	=	6
6	6	6	=	6
7	7	7	=	6
8	8	8	=	6
9	9	9	=	6
10	10	10	=	6

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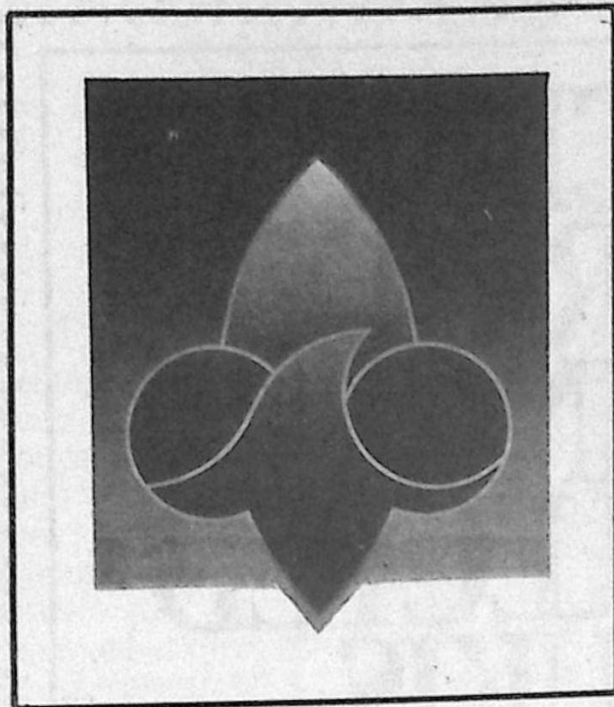
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Les auditions
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Des auditions se tiendront au niveau régional. Tous les artistes éligibles inscrits seront invités à y participer. L'endroit précis des auditions sera déterminé d'après les inscriptions. Les dates fixées sont:
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Le choix des œuvres se fera par un jury les 20 et 21 mai 1984 à Vancouver.
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Les gagnants des premiers prix de Pacifête 83 ne sont plus éligibles au concours, sauf s'ils changent de discipline.
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Le gala provincial
Pour les arts de la scène, trois (3) gagnants des arts classiques et trois (3) gagnants des arts populaires se produiront en spectacle lors du gala provincial qui aura lieu le 22 septembre 1984 à Vancouver. Ces artistes se réuniront pour une semaine de répétitions intensives avec, entre autres, Gilles Valliquette et Mouffe.
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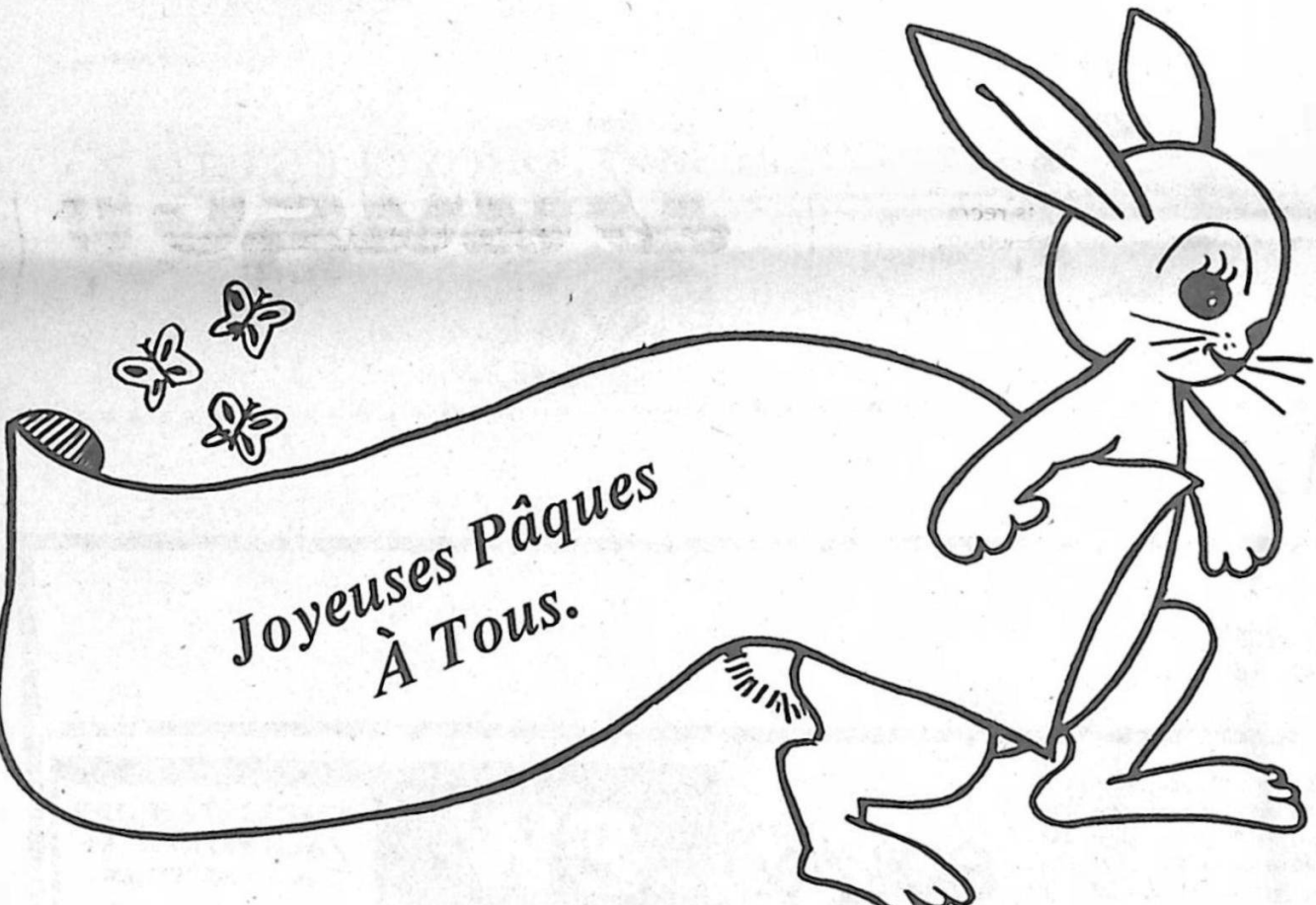
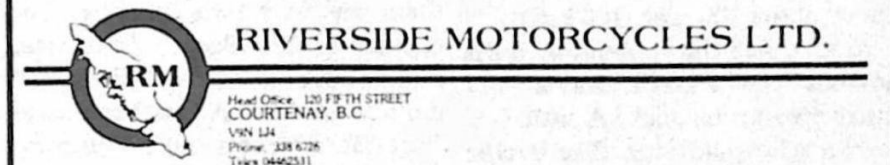
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For any additional information please contact Mr. Roy Shields, principal at 339-3732 or Mr. Bill Southern at the school board office, 338-5383, or any elementary school principal.

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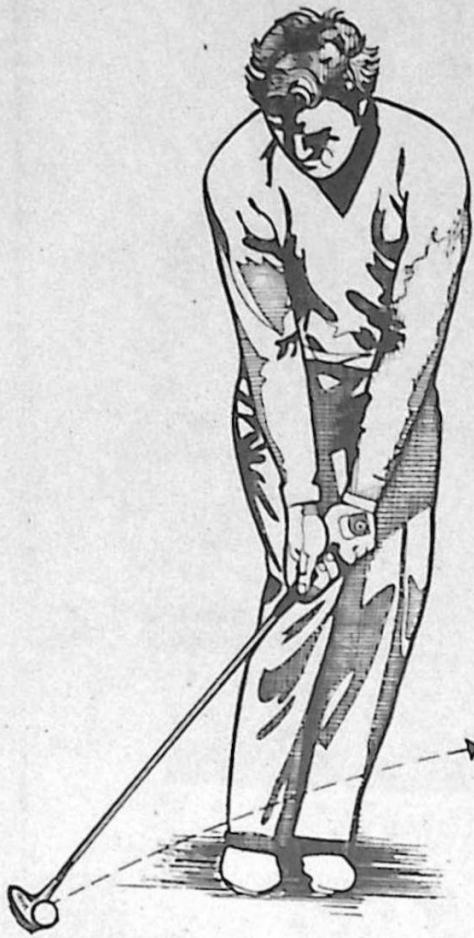
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Sports

Glacier Greens report



The weekend of the 7 & 8 April saw six golfers from the Palm Springs Club (Cold Lake, Alberta) journey to Lotus Land West in an attempt to wrest the Comox - Cold Lake Challenge Trophy out of the hands of its rightful protectors, sorry see you again next year. The teams were: Cold Lake - Larry Berry (an ex-president at Glacier Greens), Duke Dutrisac, Ted Cornell, Jack Sullivan, Oly Olafson and Reg Heenan; and the Glacier Greens - Wally Berger, Bob Marshall, Al Walsh, Dave Ronalson, Phil Nakashima and Al Donovan.

On the 8th, our Juniors went to a tournament in Powell River and did us proud. Our top three boy's scores were: Murray Bailey Net 73, Rob Hudson Net 74 and Doug Dobson with a low gross of 92. Once again

the girls did well with all three in the prizes led by Linda DelFabro, Tome Nakashima and Brenda Berger.

Don't forget the EARLY BIRD on the 29th.

The TV to be raffled off by the Winter League is now in the Club House and tickets will be on sale shortly.

A new feature in this report will be TIPS FROM JOHN (Stirton our Club Captain), they will deal mainly with the rules of play.

This week's tip: Don't forget to mark your ball prior to picking it up on the green.

The last bit of news is that our course rating is now set at 68 up two from our previous 70, so now we should be able to compete with the folks from downtown.

Ladies golf

April 3rd was opening day for the Glacier Greens Ladies Club. The day was dreary, the rain falling, the wind cold and howling, and showing with no mercy. Where has the sun gone? Perhaps, if we wait long enough it will improve! Wait we did but to no avail. It was still dreary and the wind still howled, time goes by and more ladies leave to go home where it's warm and dry. When the thinning is over, 15 are left to battle the elements and answer the challenge.

The challenge to beat, to master, to control and to master a little white ball. The survivors and winners of this ordeal were: first low gross - Pat Verchere; second low gross - Kay Banks; and putting accuracy - Joan McMillan.

Another week has passed and the elements and survivors of the first week at GGLG have endured not too badly and if we are very careful

"Old Sol" will shine. Well the clouds parted "Old Sol" did his trick. On April 10, 15 ladies challenged the 'links' for 18 holes. The winners were: first low gross - Frankie McCaffery; first low net - Pat Verchere; and putting accuracy - Rose McCleish.

The weather may have been bleak, but the atmosphere in the club house is cheery. Please join us every Tuesday morning for some sun (when it shines), companionship, exercise and of course some golf.

Some dates to remember:

Sunday, April 29 - Early Bird (members only)

Sunday, June 17 - Ladies Invitational

Every Tuesday - Ladies Golf, 0900 hours.

See u there.
Putt-Putt.

Children's fitness challenge

The Children's Fitness Challenge went over well on Saturday. The P.E.R.I. staff tested 60 children ranging in age from 6 to 15, from as far north as Gold River and south to Nanaimo.

The test consisted of a bent arm flex hang and bent knee sit ups. Ribbons were awarded to all participants and plaques were awarded to those placing first in their age group.

In the boys 6-8 age group, the winner was Wayne Mossey of Gold River who did a 120 second flexed hang. Tome Ward of Courtenay won first place by doing 60 sit ups. In the girls 6-8 age group, Adrienne Prothero did the flexed hang for 55 seconds and 34 sit ups to take both plaques. In the 9-11 year olds, Michelle Walton did 301 sit ups and Nola Bracconier did the flexed hang for 79 seconds for her award. In the boys 9-11 years olds, Darren Gagnon did 55 sit ups and Michael Maczula did the flexed hang for 72 seconds. Boys 12-14, Simon Smith managed the flexed hang for 126 seconds and Bob Somerville did 204 sit ups. Girls 12-14, Angela Rathburn won both awards doing 40 sit ups and the flexed hang for 60 seconds. In the boys 15 and over, the flexed hang was taken by Brad Johnson for his 120 second hang and Lorne Sutherland's 350 sit ups gave him his plaque.

Nice to see our youths interested in fitness. Keep up the good work. We will see you next year.

CFB Shilo reunion

CFB Shilo invites all former residents to come to CFB Shilo, Manitoba, June 22-24 and enjoy a week-end of many fun filled and interesting events - such as:

Friday, June 22

- Grand opening - newly expanded Base Exchange Shopping Centre
- Parade by Brandon Shrine Club Oriental Band, Pipes and Drum Band and the car patrol
- Enjoy the carnival midway provided by select shows
- All ranks dance in Bldg. L-25, sponsored by Shilo Men's Club

Saturday, June 23

- Blue Bomber cheerleaders at BX Shopping centre
- 3 RCHA will exercise Freedom of the City in Brandon
- Static display and open house in the Manitoba Room of the Keystone Centre. Presentation by the Mayor of the city of Brandon
- Barbeque and dance in Jr. Ranks' Club
- Spring Balls in Officers' Mess and WO's

& Sgts' Mess

Sunday, June 24

- BX complex will celebrate its grand opening with cake cutting ceremony and great give-aways and draws
- Parachute display (Tentative)
- Aerial display (Tentative)
- Fly-in (Tentative)
- German Army massive equipment display
- 3 RCHA Artillery Demonstration

All week-end long you can tour the RCA museum and also catch the static displays set up in Bldg L-25. come to CFB Shilo June 22-24 and have a great week-end. For more information about accommodations in Shilo and surrounding areas contact Capt N.B. McCormick at (204) 765-4359.

CFB Shilo also offers an excellent 18 hole golf course, a swimming pool, and many other facilities. Come out and enjoy "Friendly Manitoba!"

BADO BURBLINGS

As promised in a previous article, we have now completed a survey of our CANEX operation and hope to soon put into effect some of the recommendations and suggestions we have received from you. Some interesting comments were made by some individuals and I found their views fascinating. Some were even a little rude! A minority would like to see the end of CANEX and were not interested in any of the facilities that are provided on a present day Canadian Forces Base. Their views certainly got me thinking and I tried to imagine just what CFB Comox would be like if it was just a place of work. In some ways, my thoughts returned to the so called "good old days" when I first joined the RAF and subsequently the RCAF. In those days there were few facilities on a base and the Dry Canteen was a place you could get soap, soap powder, boot polish, razor blades and other toiletries and not much else. The wet canteen was just a basic bar where you could get a glass of beer and nothing stronger. The "Wets" as it was known, was not a place to spend a relaxing evening if you wanted atmosphere. Bare boards and very basic furniture was the order of the day and in no way would compare with the present Junior Ranks' Mess.

Sports facilities were also limited and a gymnasium would perhaps have a few ropes and parallel bars but not much else. A far cry from the universal gyms, saunas and swimming pools we enjoy today. Public funds were and still are, very limited and most of the money required to establish and run these extra facilities must come out of Non Public Funds. Intersection sports took place but they had to be run on a shoe string. It was mostly a volunteer effort and paid officials were unknown.

As time went by, the demands for more off-duty recreational facilities increased. At the same time, running larger programmes with volun-

teers became a problem. Curling clubs, golf clubs and bowling alleys were built. As memberships increased it became difficult to run them with just a volunteer committee and they became more and more a business venture with paid managers. In turn they had to produce a revenue to cover costs and produce a small profit to be used to subsidize other recreational facilities that were not money makers such as intersection sports. This year alone, it will cost approximately \$3,700.00 to run the intersection fast ball league involving some 14 teams. But more details about this in later articles.

The purpose of this article is to set the scene for further information on your CANEX operation and its relationship with Base Fund and the recreational facilities we all enjoy. Our recent survey showed that there are some individuals who would have us close up shop as far as CANEX is concerned. I sometimes feel sympathetic with this idea as it would sure cut back on my work load and worries. On the other hand CFB Comox would sure be a dull place to live and work. Without the financial support provided by CANEX most of our facilities would have to close down. Perhaps the major lesson we have learned from our survey is that we are not communicating as effectively as we should. We are not letting you know our problems and worse still we are not selling ourselves in such a way that we have your sympathetic support. It would be very satisfying to know that you will buy CANEX even if it may mean a few pennies more as you would know that that extra little bit of cost will come back to you when you enjoy the many subsidized facilities available to you on the base. Hopefully our next set of articles will at least answer your many questions and we hope encourage you to give your CANEX a chance.

Intersection bowling

13 April 84

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IE/IS LAB	122	ARAF	91
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		SUPPLY 3	71
		TPT	62
		MSE	17
			12

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MCpl W.C. Adams, of BAMSO section, receives his CD from LCol Mack, BTSO.



At the Mixed Formal Dining-in held at the Officers' Mess on 23 February, Capt F.G. Mills was bid farewell on his retirement after 32 years of service. Receiving a bouquet from the PMC, Maj Ed Montgomery, is Fred's guest of honour, his mother, Mrs. Joan Mills, who with his father drove up from Duncan for the dinner.



On 23 February, the Officers' Mess bid a happy retirement to Capt Forrest (Chappie) Chapman. Maj Ed Montgomery, PMC, made the presentation of a silver tray to Chappie and Leona Chapman. Chappie's retirement speech was made by Capt Ray Lange from North Vancouver.



Last year, when Pte Cudmore was a Weapon Tech Air in BAMSO, he was awarded \$240.00 for his proposal to modify rocket protective covers. This year, Cpl Cudmore, now on 409 Squadron, was awarded another \$210.00 for second year savings from his suggestion. Maj Main, the Acting Commander of 409 Squadron, made the presentation.

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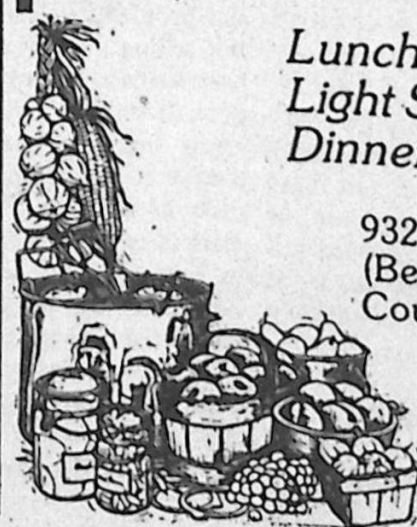
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Jean King
Kay Silver Holiday slacks/Simon Chang cape with black camisole



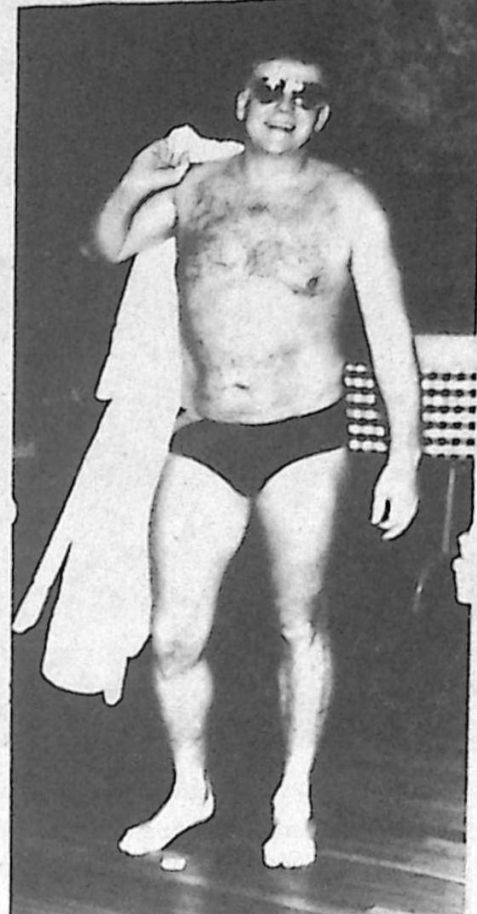
Madelyn Foyle
Cahill nightgown

A Spring Fashion Show was held at the WOs' and Sgts' Mess lounge on 12 March 1984. The Wardrobe, Lavers, The Guard House and the Cliff Hanger featured ladies' and men's fashions from holiday wear to evening apparel. Tamara Ryan opened the show with a song and dance routine "All That Jazz" and at a brief intermission Sharron Williams-Fleet jazz dance group performed several dances, all of which was much appreciated by the audience of approximately 110.

Special "thank you" to Lois Tillack of Lavers and Bernice Takahashi of the Wardrobe for all their help in providing the fashions: to the Creative Hair Beauty Salon: to Sharron Williams-Fleet: to the PMC and members of the Mess for allowing us to use the lounge for rehearsals: to Arthur Van Volsen for providing the music: to Maurice Robert and Martial Bouchard (our photographers): and last but by no means least, our models, in particular Colin, Harvey, Bryan and Keith. Rumour has it that Colin has been flooded by phone calls from model agencies across the country. A good time was had by all.



Marjorie Nash
J.S. white dress/red trim



Colin Partridge
Jantzen swim trunks



Bryan Bratt
Jordache shirt, Penmans vest & shorts



Sharon Van Volsen
Leslie Fay multi-striped dress



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Nene Van Volsen
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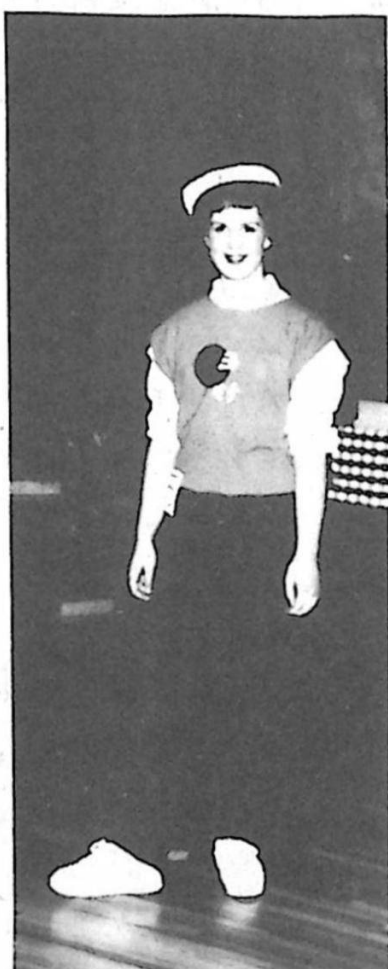
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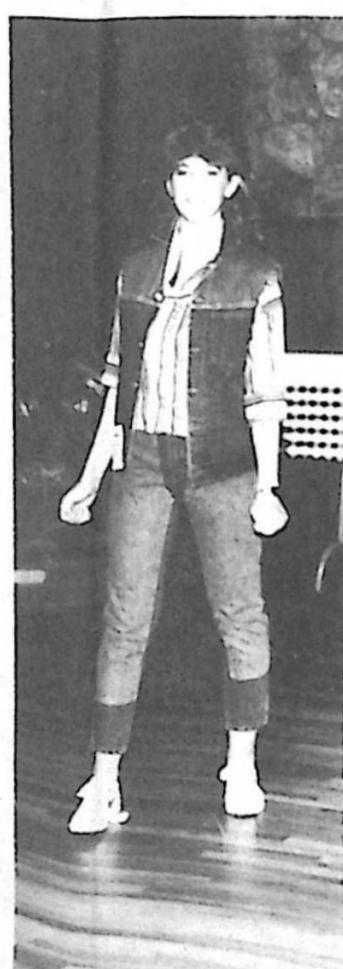
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 Good Friday -- Celebration at 1500 hours (20 April)
 -- Way of the Cross - 1930 hours
 Saturday (21 April) -- Easter Vigil at 2100 hours (this fulfills the Easter obligation)
 Sunday (22 April) -- Mass at 1000 hours as usual (including First Communion of children).

CONFESSIONS: RECONCILIATION.

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Officers' Wives Club

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Because time has a way of slipping by so stealthily, we find ourselves with election of our executive for next year still to be done. So... this is also planned as part of the programme, along with a vote for our Charity of the year.

If "For Sale" signs are any indication of pending moves, then

we will be saying "Farewell and Good Luck" to a lot of people.

Tickets for the closing dinner should go on sale on Fashion Show Night, the 18th of April, and afterwards will be available from Martha Leonard, PMQ 75, 339-7559, or Gail Blamire in Comox, 339-2960. Cut-off date is May 14th, so get your tickets early, and circle May 23rd on your calendar.

... Pat Chura

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Campsites become available for occupancy 0800 hours 7 May 1984.

The draw was conducted by BP-SvO, Maj Carmichael and BPERO Lt Van Hereweghe.

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SPECIAL EASTER CELEBRATION: Sunday, 22 April; 1100 hours.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE: Sunday, 29 April 1100 hours.

FIRST COMMUNION: Sunday, 6 May; 1100 hours.

Across my kitchen table

— by Rosemary Gibson

It is interesting to me that we notice around us the things that are pertinent to ourselves at any given time in our lives. If you are pregnant, you notice every pregnant person you pass. If you have just bought a new car, you notice all others which are the same. Now that we have a granddaughter, I look at every little girl of the same age. And once again Easter has become interesting to me for reasons other than those of Christianity. Once again, Easter baskets and fluffy toy bunnies and chicks are interesting items -- and appear on my shopping list as if by magic!

It never really feels that winter is behind me until Easter arrives; it is an ending and a beginning.

Here is my favourite recipe for raisin sauce to serve with Easter ham.

RAISIN SAUCE

Ingredients:

½ cup brown sugar
 1 teaspoon dry mustard
 2 tablespoons corn starch
 1 tablespoon vinegar
 2 tablespoons lemon juice
 ¼ teaspoon lemon peel
 1½ cups water
 ½ cup raisins

Method:

Mix sugar, mustard and cornstarch together. Slowly add vinegar. Add lemon juice, grated peel, water and raisins. Stir over low heat until thick. Serve warm. Makes 2 cups.



for these) in yellow or orange shades, and you've created something to please your family's eyes as well as their palates.

And here is a new favourite of ours -- and like many of my recipes, it's quick and easy.

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Put a layer of shredded lettuce on plate, top with each layer in the order listed, dribbling dressing over previous layers and topping with the grated cheese. It looks -- and is -- delicious.

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 That fill the stormy sky
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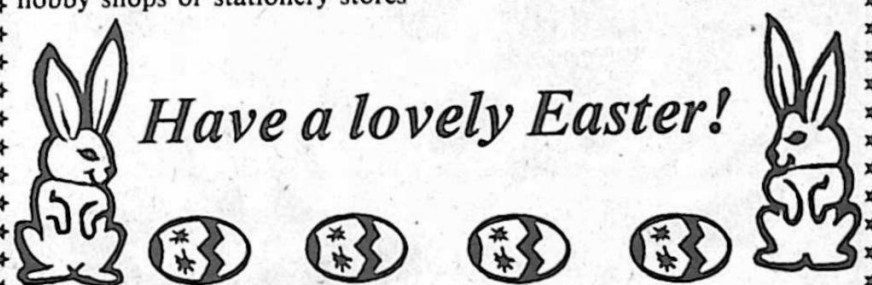
HINT:

To remove a scorch mark on wool, dampen a cloth with hydrogen peroxide, lay over the stain, and press with a warm iron. It works like magic!

THOUGHT FOR TODAY:

Always do right; this will gratify some people and astonish the rest.

—Mark Twain



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Around the Base

407 Sqn returns from Down Under

What can you say about an away trip to Australia where a crew logs "engines off" on the 1 March and "engines on" not until 23 March? About a trip that included stops in Fiji, New Zealand, Tahiti and Hawaii. 407 Squadron Crew 5 would say just add beer and you've got the perfect recipe for a great away trip.

Most readers are aware of the Aurora aircraft engine problem that left Crew 5 stranded at RAAF base Richmond near Sydney, Australia. As a service to the Totem Times' readership, a page highlighting our

bitter experience.

So it was Down Under. As month's end approached the 407 detachment worked its way home via a cosmopolitan city named Auckland, paradise in Papeete, Honolulu, and finally beautiful Comox. All realizing how fortunate we were to have experienced quite possibly the finest away trip the squadron offers its personnel.

Caught without an aircraft our crew was divided into four sets of three airmen each so that we could get our training 'piggyback' style by flying with Australian and American crews. We found that the foreigners fly much as we do but those Aussie aviators sure threw a mean debrief. At post flight debriefs we recognized that in Australia there is only good beer and more beer. Mission success or failure was measured by the pile of 'tinnies' left behind; a pile which more often than not resembled Ayers Rock in shape and in volume. Crew 5 soon became associated with the parlance of beer drinkers Down Under: a "good drop" is a nice tasting beer, when it's "your shout mate", it is your turn to buy the beer. Beer in a glass comes in sizes known as a schooner or a middy while beer in a can comes in a carton of 24 tubes. The Aussie men's passion for beer was so intense that it is easy to understand the lady from South Australia who lamented the behaviour of the man in her life by asking us "What is the difference between an Australian wedding and an Australian funeral?" Her answer: "One less drunk."

Profoundly heavy beer drinking is not the only hallmark of the Australian character. What of Australian women? Crew 5 was not able to spend a great deal of time on the subject. It is difficult to compare Canadian and Australian women but given the way the two groups treat us I'd say there definitely is a difference Down Under.

The Australian vernacular was a learning experience for us. A barbecue has become a barbie, to rage is to party incessantly, your mate is spoken of favorably as "good value that bloke". Hold something in high esteem and "top absolutely top" applies. The ultimate accolade is "Magic Guy". Dismiss your friends with "been there, done that, read that book" or declare everything will be O.K. with the all-time Australian favorite "She'll be right mate".

Occasionally we found Australia confusing. Not that we spent hours observing toilet bowl water swirl in

a direction opposite to Comox but things really are different Down Under. A naval air pilot was behind me in the bar when I heard him say "I feel a Fourx coming on". To me a Fourx is a brand name for an expensive condom. "Okay" I mused, "just where is this guy going to put this thing?" It happened, luckily for this lad, that the pilot was from Queensland and he was merely savoring the thought of consuming that state's favorite brand of beer, xxxx. Consider some of the opposites one faces Down Under: light switches that are down in the one position; Coke machines that have a red Coca-Cola logo on a white Coke machine, toll free dialing, usually 800 in North America, 008 in

Australia. Down hill skiing in Comox becomes 'up hill skiing' in the New Zealand ski brochures, and entrance doors to a building that are a push to exit in Canada become automatically a pull in Australia. Toilet levers? We flush down, they flush up.

One of our flying publications, the Australian Enroute Supplement, contained a fine example of Aussie pride. It came in the form of a NOTAM (notice to airmen are flying hazards published to alert aviators of hazards, usually for a brief period of time) valid for the east coast of Australia near Perth, home of yacht Australia II:

"... all aviators are warned of international yachting activity

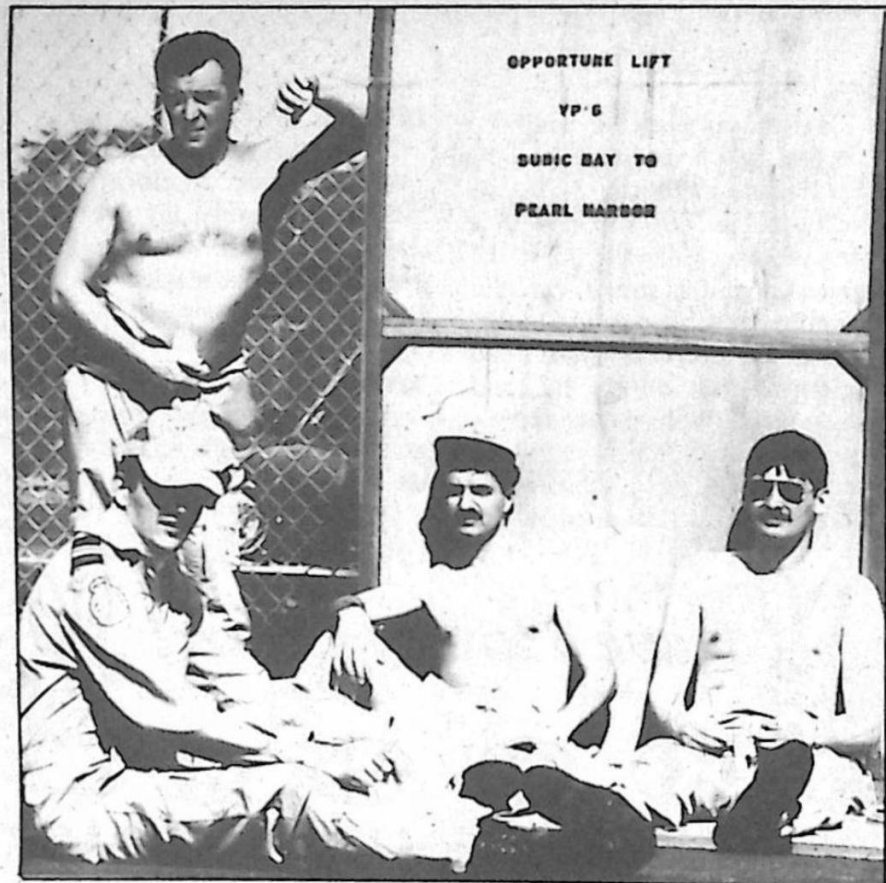
between Scarborough Beach and Rottnest Island in early 1987 and every four years for 132 years thereafter. Maximum altitude of activity will be about 90' but is dependent upon prevailing sea state..."

AUSTRALIAN TRIVIA

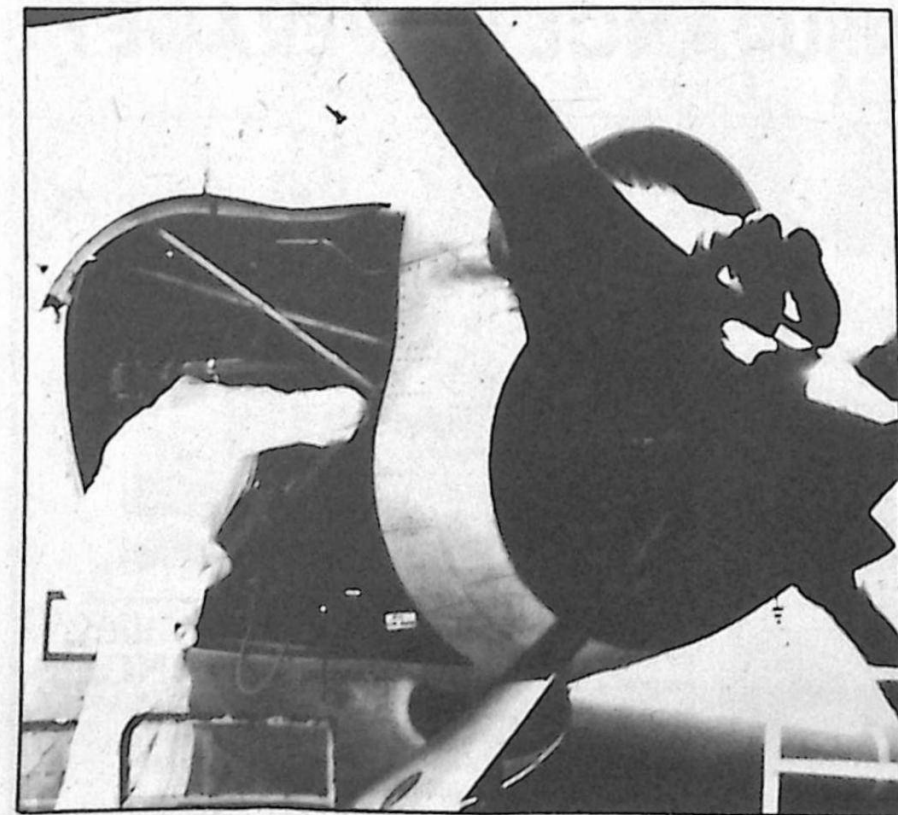
1. List the states of Australia.
2. What does QANTAS stand for?
3. What does ANZAC stand for and what does anzac day commemorate?
4. Who produced "Breaker Morant"?
5. Who is Alan Bond?
6. What is a baby wallabee called? see page 13 for answers...



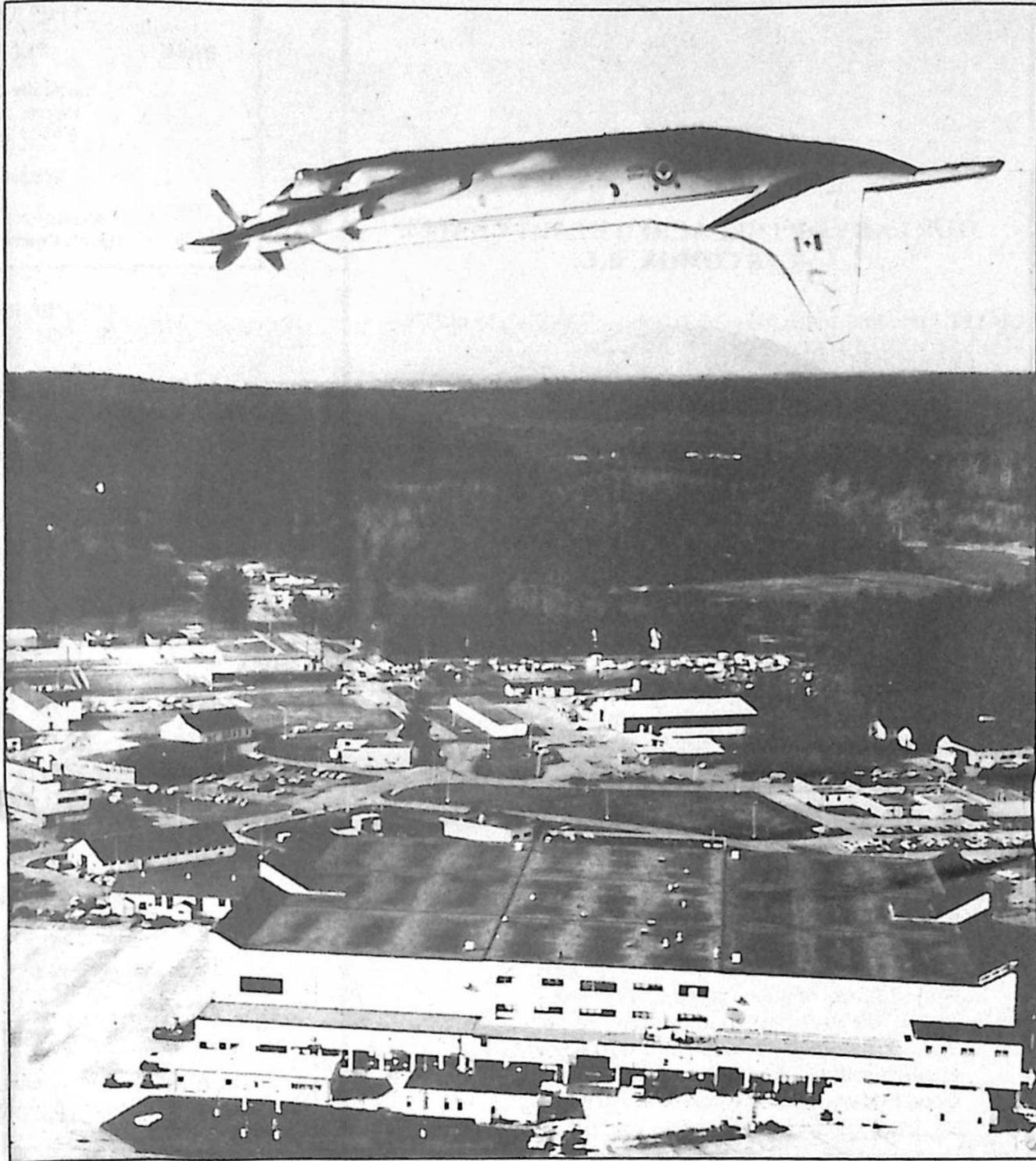
King Neptune convened the Royal High Court of the Raging Main as Aurora 109 crossed the equator. Pictured, Lt Steve Harrison kneeling before the King and his Trident. Those tadpoles who knelt before his Highness were forced to drink a potent swill that transformed all tadpoles into shellbacks.



"Hey Sailor..." Four of Crew Five's lovelies line up waiting for an opportune lift from Hawaii to Fiji. Standing - Sgt Al Smith, L to R: Lt Steve Harrison, Lt Nick Terfino, and Lt Chuck Ellis. Whenever our aircraft gave us a 'break' the crew proved quick to take advantage.



Number 3 engine appears to have a serious F.O.D. problem with two ingested engine techs. More accurately the techs are conducting a boroscope inspection, a fibre optic tool that enabled the men to find cracks in the inlet guide vanes of two of our engines.



"Crew 5 returns from Australia"

Indicative of a serious altitude problem in the cockpit, a Totem Times photographer snapped this phot of the triumphant but nearly disastrous return of Crew 5 from Australia. Fortunately one of the pilots discovered the hemisphere change and managed to re-orient the aircraft to west coast flying just prior to touching down in Comox.

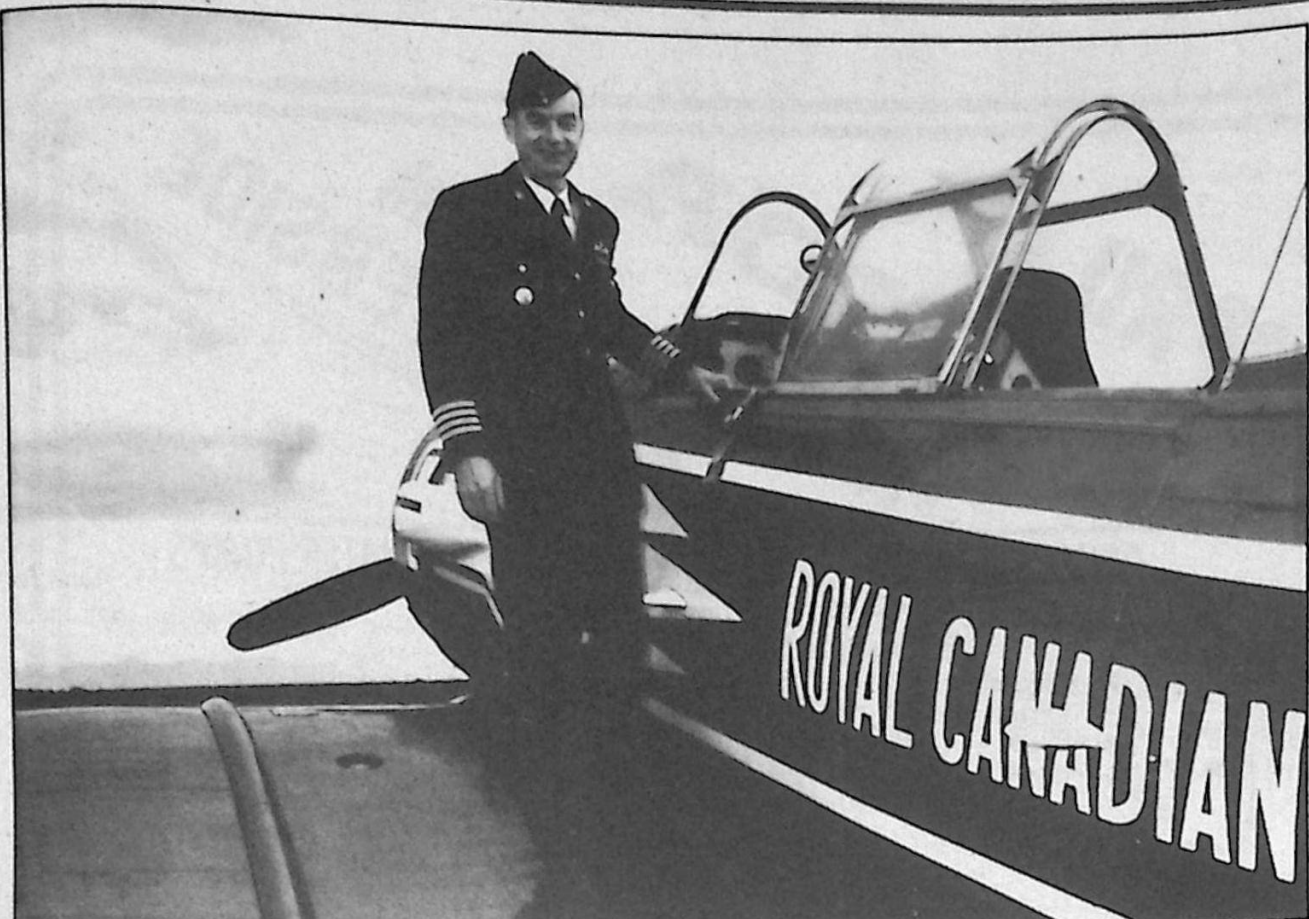


"Are you sure this one works?" asks Flight Lieutenant Jeff Bugden as he accepts a model of the Aurora from Major R.W. Eby, Canadian detachment commander. FLt Bugden and his staff at Number 2 AD (Aircraft Development) Unit provided excellent support for the Aurora repair effort at RAAF Richmond.



"QANTAS, I hate you!" mourned the airline's pet Koala bear pictured here at Sydney's Taronga Park Zoo. Sightseeing time was used to good advantage during the deployment and detachment members took advantage of it by visiting the Sydney Opera House, touring Sydney harbour and basking on the local beaches. In Adelaide we toured the wine producing Barossa Valley and took in some of the activities associated with Adelaide's annual 'Festival Week'.

Canadian Forces News



Vintage Harvard aircraft, used extensively during WWII for pilot training, is admired by the Base Commander, Col W.R. Dobson.

Photo by MCpl Halie Sartori



The Base Commander, Col W.R. Dobson congratulates the Skyhawks parachuting team on a superb performance.

Photo by MCpl Halie Sartori



Like daughter . . . like Father -- The top jumper on last year's cadet basic parachute course at the Canadian Airborne Centre in Edmonton, Lt. Sandra Perron pins parachutist "wings" on her father, Capt Guy Perron. Capt Perron, the base fire chief at CFB Edmonton successfully completed his difficult "Geritol" jump course on a challenge from his daughter. Airborne Cadet Lt. Perron was given the honour of making the presentation during a recent graduation ceremony by Major General Herbert Pitts, the Colonel of the Canadian Airborne Regiment.

Canadian Forces photo by Sgt Dennis Mah

AUSTRALIAN TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory Northern Territory.
2. Queensland and Northern Territory Air Service.
3. Australia New Zealand Army Corps and ANZAC day, April 25, commemorates the defeat in WWI of a group of Australian and New Zealand soldiers by the Turks at Gallipoli, Greece.
4. Bruce Beresford.
5. Australian businessman who sponsored Australia II in the America's Cup Yacht Race.
6. A Joly.

School District No. 71 Early French Immersion Program

In the school year 1984-1985 classes will be offered in Kindergarten and grade one to any child whose parents wish to register him/her in this program. No previous knowledge of French is required for entry into the program. Next year the program will be available at Comox Elementary school.

Parents should contact Mr. Isenor, principal of Comox Elementary School, at 339-4881, or Mr. Bill Southern, French co-ordinator at 338-5383, for further information. In order to allow for planning of staff and facilities, it would be advisable for parents to enroll their child in this program as soon as possible.

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CFSA Open House

The Comox squadron of the Canadian Forces Sailing Association (CFSA), located at HMCS Quadra, next to the parade square, is inviting you to visit them during their annual OPEN HOUSE on Saturday the 28th of April from 1200 to 1700 hours.

The CFSA has squadrons from coast-to-coast at every base that boast water large enough to sail on, even CFB Europe is a member of this association, the largest sailing club in Canada. So, a member here is automatically eligible for membership any base which is fortunate enough to have water close by, and thus a CFSA squadron.

Now, don't let the word squadron turn you off, (I can hear you mumble). Come and have a look! The activities in the squadron are conducted on a very informal basis. While we do have a "Commodore" and a "Vice-Commodore" and etc. anyone can serve as one if elected. Like every other organization, we too need somebody to blame when things go wrong. The executive have the responsibility to hold things together.

Actually the most important part of every squadron are its members and the boats they sail. The boats and the interest in sailing are what binds us together. The boats provide the means for recreation, challenge, brotherhood of the sea. We here in Comox have eight Crown-owned, and two squadron-owned dinghies, simply called "420s", and a 22 foot keelboat, called Klim Kwash. The dinghies are 4.20 meter long, have spinnakers and hiking gear. They are easy to sail, easy to bring back up when capsized. Not all of them will be ready in time for the Open House; we are waiting for parts. However, there will be sufficient boats to take you for a sail.

If you decide you wish to take the

opportunity to learn more about sailing, you may sign up for membership and the White Sail III course. It begins on 5th of May. Now, if upon completing the course you find sailing is not for you, you have spent six to eight Saturday mornings in an interesting manner, learned a new skill, had a few laughs at yourself and others for a minimal cost. If, on the other hand you have succumbed to the lure of the sea, a dinghy is available for you throughout the year, whenever you feel like getting away from it all.

The course is an enjoyable one. There are no pressures, no big demands other than those created by learning a new experience. The instructors will do their level best to teach you in a way that is fun. Classroom and theory takes up the lesser part of the course. Weather permitting, most of your time is spent on the water. There are usually two students to a boat. The instructor is always near-by in a safety boat to give you tips, point out your mistakes and should it become necessary, fish you out of the water. Graduation is usually a sail to Tree Island with a picnic which you organize yourself. We must apologize to the French Canadian community on base for not being able to provide a course in French. When you realize that the many terms associated with sailing are "Dutch" to all beginners, you begin at the same level as the rest. Past experience has shown that everybody learned and became proficient in handling a dinghy.

Now, you are asking "How much?" That is easy! Membership costs you \$35.00. If you are married, it includes your family. If you should be posted to a base which has a CFSA squadron, your membership is valid there too. The White Sail course costs \$15.00 for

single persons, and the first member of a family. All other family members who are 12 years and older, taking the course pay \$10.00 each. Your membership entitles you naturally to sail our dinghies throughout the year. Once you join we hope you will participate in as many of our activities as you possibly can. In the past we have had Bar-B-Qs, dinghy races within the squadron and against other squadrons such as Esquimalt, Vancouver, Esquimalt, and even to Kingston for the Nationals: all expenses paid. So you see there is a lot of scope. It is up to the members to organize and participate.

As an example of what fun some of us have I remember a local dinghy race. A husband and wife team were sailing really well. She was at the tiller, and he tried hard to be a good crew. During the run down wind, the crew was giving his skipper advice on how she should round the buoy. The conditions at the time were ideal. The winds were moderate, and the sea choppy. When he failed to receive a reply, he looked around and to his surprise found himself alone in the boat. His wife was a few boat lengths astern waving frantically. The crew had paid attention to his instructors a few weeks ago, and had her back aboard in no time. They still finished second overall that day. Everyone had a good laugh. They didn't mind, a good sense of humour comes in handy when sailing.

So guys and girls, how about it? Come on down to HMCS Quadra on the 28th of April. Sailors are friendly and helpful people. Tell the Commissionaire at the gate you have come to visit us; he will let you in with a knowing smile. It is our hope you acquaint yourself with us, the boats, and the sea. I guarantee you'll be a better person for it.

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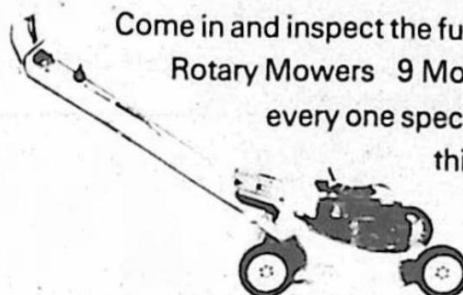
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