



TOTEM TIMES



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Update....

DEMONS TO HOST REUNION

407 Sqn would like to announce a reunion of all its former members to be held 1 - 3 August 1986 at CFB Comox in British Columbia. This event includes a change of command parade, an informal dinner and dance, as well as the Armed Forces Day airshow to be held on the third. Come and visit your old squadron on your trip to EXPO '86. For further information, interested personnel should contact: Lt. O. Crampton, 407 Sqn, CFB Comox Lazo, B.C. Canada. VOR 2K0. or Telephone (604) 339-2211, Local 2204 Autovon: 237-8204.

ALSASK REUNION

CFS Alsask will be holding a station reunion for past and present members during the period 01 — 03 Aug 86 to commemorate this Stations closure in 1987.

Activities planned include mess events, a street dance and pancake breakfast. Limited accommodation is available on station as well as parking for trailers.

Past members of CFS Alsask interested in attending are asked to contact the SWO at GP 826-2221 or SCOMPT at GP 826-2218. Responses should be in before 1 Jun 86.

CYMC ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS

The Comox Valley Music Society announces the appointment of Timothy Vernon as Artistic Director and Marcus Handman as General Manager for the 1986 season of Courtenay Youth Music Centre Summer School and Festival.

Courtenay Youth Music Centre is celebrating its 20th anniversary as B.C.'s longest running summer music school and community of musicians. Program dates for the school and "Summer Music from Courtenay" concert series are July 6 to August 10. The gala reunion for former faculty and students will take place Aug 2 and 3. Further info at 338-7483.

LEME COLONEL COMMANDANT EXTENDED

The LEME Branch Adviser is pleased to announce that Col G.W. Bruce, CD has accepted a one year extension to his appointment as Colonel Commandant of the LEME Branch.

Col. Bruce has been very active as the Colonel Commandant visiting many Bases and Units. The one year extension is for the period 1 July 86 to 30 June 87.

LAZO PENSIONERS NEED TO RENEW

Vancouver — Pensioners in the Lazo area have one month to apply for the Guaranteed Income Supplement of the Old Age Security, says federal Income Security Programs District Manager, Dennis Stevenson.

Some 160,000 B.C. pensioners already receive the supplement in addition to the Old Age Security Pension, but must re-apply by March 31, 1986 to avoid any reduction in their monthly cheques.

The Guaranteed Income Supplement requires annual application because of possible changes in income of the recipient. Those whose income dropped in 1985 will receive larger monthly payments, while pensioners whose income increased during the year will receive a reduced rate.

26 Years Ago....it all began

A GREAT DAY FOR GREAT THINGS

by ST. PATRICK

Ah, sure an' it's a great day for the Irish! And what better day would we be pickin', what with the shamrocks bustin' out all over, the very air full of liltin' Irish songs, an' the Little People peepin' from the hind of every bush an' boulder, to be comin' forth before all the populace with a journal as filled with blarney as though it had been written by the blessed Saint myself, and put to press on the Sacred Stone of Castle Blarney, back in the land of the beginning, and of the end, so it was, so it is now, and ever shall be—County Cork.

'Tis a happy day, indeed, to be makin' an appearance before the world, or, at least, this little corner of it, and well do I know, what with my knowin' the how of searchin' men's souls, that if the deeds of the staff be as good as their intentions, the "Times" will do harm to no man, but will strive, in every way, and all manners of persuasion, to better, an' lighten, an' brighten, each corner an' cranny into which it reaches, an' if you should be findin' a smile, a chuckle, or mayhap a little knowledge within these pages, then 'tis a blessed day indeed.



Circa March 1960

Multinational agreement

Ottawa — Associate Defence Minister Harvie Andre has announced the signing of a Multinational Memorandum of Understanding (MMOU) governing Allied military activity at Goose Bay, in Labrador.

The purpose of the MMOU is to standardize existing administrative arrangements covering the conduct of flying activities of air forces from the Federal Republic of Germany, the United Kingdom and the United States in Goose Bay. At the present time, Allied activities in Goose Bay are managed through several bilateral agreements with dif-

ferent terms and conditions involving other federal agencies. Under the terms of the new standardized agreement, the Department of National Defence will become the Canadian agency through which Allied military training is administered. The signatories will also be required to pay all costs directly associated with their operations and to share in the costs of common infrastructure and services.

The 10-year agreement, which comes into effect April 1, 1986, was signed here today by the Commander Air Command of the Canadian Forces, Lt.-Gen. Donald McNaughton;

the Chief of Staff of the German Air Force, Lt.-Gen. Eberhard Eimler; the Deputy Commander in Chief of the Royal Air Force Strike Command, Air Marshal Sir Joseph Gilbert and; the Deputy Chief of Staff of the US Air Force, Lt.-Gen. Merrill McPeak.

"The 10-year agreement augurs well for the present and future economic stability of Goose Bay. It is also a prime example of the sort of contribution that Canada is able to provide to the NATO alliance whereby we share bases and training facilities with our allies," Mr. Andre said.

☘ We Are 26 Years Old... and Proud of it ☘

SECTION NEWS



442 Squadron

Boeing Awards



Capt Mike Vermette

Capt Bob Grant

Capt Paul Vanderbasch

MCpl Brian Cornish

MCpl Walt Matheson

Courtesy Base Photo

FROM THE MAIN FLOOR

I have my own fairness doctrine which is observed in these 442 columns, (except for Lorne Munden): "Do not pick on one person all the time: The squadron is full of individuals to whom something newsworthy will happen eventually." I therefore have no further comment to make about a member of 442 who likes to dive in after fish instead of baiting a hook and catching them like other people do.

A name from our recent past echoed the other day: Mel Mills, a fellow twice as tall, has sold his home in North Bay and will be here on a HH trip,

commencing 16 March. Mel also likes to immerse himself in his hobbies, the last occasion being a semi-baptism at the base golf course. Standing up. Anyone else would have drowned.

Sporran McDougall, a civilian now, is diligently feeding some of the masses from his Comox Valley Vittle Van Food Services Ltd., and enjoying being the boss...Rick Macnab is into math and John McKenzie into OPDP studies...3 Crew has been busy away from work; several babies are expected in July and August...The hockey team has hung up its skates, and some members of it are now prepping for baseball...In the

Yellow Broom Briar, it will be the Greasy Paws Vs Avionics...Cpl Leslie will be off to Lahar, shortly...Sue and Dot(not a form of legal punctuation) are together again; Sue is on OJT in BOR, prior to Borden...Transient Crew handled a DC8 last week: versatile, eh?...Gord Trenholm and Claude Audet are scheduled for a remedial euchre course...A certain career manager is so impressed with Al McGrath looking through what appears to be a porthole in the latest Sentinel, that sea duty is rumoured...442 will be having a car rally on April 26, commencing at 1400 hours. The course length is 61.8km, starting and ending on base.

The route is through Courtenay, Comox and King Coho. Minimum 2 person teams, \$2.00 per team entry fee. Prices for navigators and drivers. For further details, see Lt. Hamilton.

To finish, here are the new people you will be seeing this year: WO Parkin, AVN Tech, Baden; Sgt Ness, AE Tech, Holberg; MCpl Antoine, AF Tech, Moose Jaw; MCpl Blouin, AF Tech, Baden; MCpl Limoges, IS Tech, Baden; Cpl(W) Corbin, Adm Clk, Shearwater and Cpl MacDonald, IE Tech, Summerside. This is my -30- column. See you around.....

Norm Blondel

Retirin'



LCol Lett presenting

MCpl Jim McDougall

2000 hrs with ATG



LCol Lett presenting

Capt "Mikey" Clarke

Courtesy Base Photo

AIRCREW

The "flyin snakes" have had it fairly quiet over the past couple of weeks, though there have been a few Medevacs and a couple of boat incidents. On February 27th, the standby Labrador flew a pregnant woman suffering complications, from Holberg to St. Joseph's Hospital here in Comox.

On March 3rd, both standby aircraft took part in a search for an overdue fourteen-foot pleasure boat in the Port Hardy area. Both aircraft, as well as Coast Guard vessels searched the area for several hours before the Labrador, with Captain Mike Dorey in command, located the boat and its three occupants, ashore and alight on Bell Island.

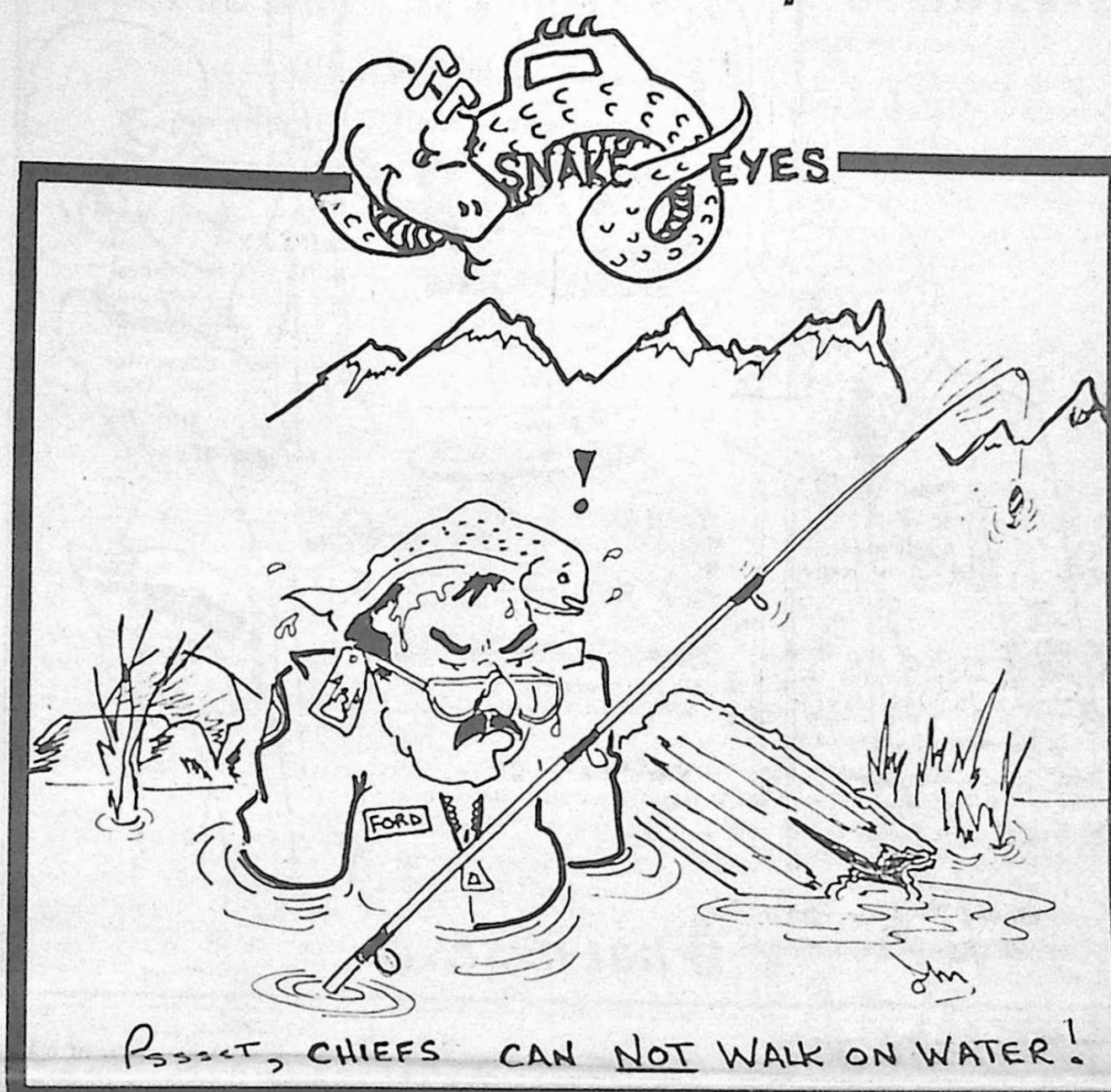
March 4th saw the standby Labrador with Capt Grant in command, perform a medical evacuation of a heart attack patient from St. Joseph's Hospital to Kitsilano Coast Guard Pad in Vancouver. Finally, on Sunday the 9th, just after midnight, the standby Buffalo with Captain Rick Tillotson in command, picked-up a patient with a severed thumb from Tofino and transported him to Victoria. The standby Labrador for this mission due to icing and cloud enroute.

On the less mundane side of things, Captain Marv Macauley had his annual shower the other day, courtesy of Buff flight and the Base Fire Department. In a 442 traditional send-off, Marv was doused upon departing the aircraft following his last Buff trip...a picture is worth a thousand words...!And not to be outdone, the Lab flight has a new helicopter; but what's this, isn't it a bit small, guys? Actually, the incredibly-detailed model of a 442 Squadron Labrador was presented to the Squadron by Vancouver modeler Jason White, who modified a Boeing Sea-Knight kit, and meticulously added details to produce a miniature version of 11302. Thanks, Jason!!

Once again, we have another of Ian Murray's artistic/comic efforts for your perusal...sorry, Mr. Ford! 'Til next issue, snakes....out!

SECTION NEWS

..more with 442 squadron

Heroism Award
Rotary Wing Aviation

Avco Lycoming (Sikorski Helicopter Associate) and the North American Aerospace Writers Association have selected, from over 1200 nominations, the 1985 winners of the prestigious award for Heroism in Rotary Wing Aviation.

1985 Helicopter Heroism Award will be presented jointly to the crew of Rescue 305, a 442 Sqn Labrador and a USCG H3 operating from Sitka Alaska for their combined rescue operation in the Hecate Straits on 25 April 85 when a fierce storm struck the 400 plus halibut fishing fleet without warning off the Queen Charlotte Islands. The rescue efforts by Capt Grant and his crew involved the 55 foot fishing vessel, *MISS RACHEL*, foundering with four souls on board. The vessel's propeller had fouled and although anchored, she was at the mercy of the 70 knot winds and seas in excess of 40 feet. Rescue 305 working in conjunction with the CCG Point Henry successfully hoisted two crewmen to safety before their hoist cable was severed resulting in the near loss of Cpl Gough, a Search and Rescue Technician. The entire crew's tenacious and exemplary efforts in the face of the most extreme conditions resulted in their selection to receive the 1985 Helicopter Heroism Award.

The award will be made in Arlington Virginia on 10 May 1986. In addition to the engraving of their names on the permanent trophy, individual medallions are to be presented to each crew member at that time.



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Notes

Are you a person who hesitates about calling the Military Police when you see something which you suspect is wrong? You should always call the Police, even if it turns out that the call was unnecessary. Many crimes can be prevented and criminals caught if people trust their initial judgement. Listed below are a few everyday situations. They could happen to you. See how you fare.

For instance, if you observed someone shoplifting, would you:

- ignore it, because "it's none of your business"?
- apprehend the thief before he or she gets away?
- note as many details as possible and notify store personnel?

The answer is "C".

You strongly suspect that a child is subject to neglect, or to physical or sexual abuse. You don't have proof. What would you do:

- keep an eye on the child and see if the situation worsens?
- report your suspicions to the local office of Health and Welfare?
- ignore it? After all you may be wrong. If it becomes obvious, someone else will probably notice.

The answer is "B".

You come home at night and find the back door, which you're sure you locked, open. What would you do:

- enter quietly, picking up something you could use for a defensive weapon in case someone is inside?
- go to the neighbour's house immediately and call the Police?
- enter noisily so any intruder will

know you have come home and make a getaway?
The answer is "B".

You, as a next door neighbour, observe a person ride away with your neighbour's bicycle. What would you do:

- forget about it because you don't want to get involved?
- you think that no one would attempt to steal a bicycle in broad daylight, therefore the person obviously has permission?
- call the Police immediately, giving a full description of the person, the bicycle and the direction of travel?

The answer is "C".

You see a robbery in progress at your local convenience store. If someone does not intervene, the robber will get away. What would you do:

- enter the store immediately? (Maybe the robber will give himself up if he sees the storekeeper is not alone);
- if that doesn't work, try to disarm the person?
- without endangering yourself, get as good a description of the robber as you can, including any getaway vehicle (don't forget the licence number) and call the Police?

The answer is "C".

A person should never hesitate to call the Military Police if they live in PMQs or the Civilian Police if they live in civilian accommodation, because he or she thinks the incident is too insignificant, or perhaps, that his or her own carelessness contributed to the incident. Calling the Police is always a good idea. It is one way the Military Community can work with Police to prevent crime.

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EDITORIALS

26 years ago.....

Hey ... here we are alive and well after twenty six years and several hundreds of issues! We've had our good times, bad times and in-between times but through it all we have done our best to bring you our version of Service happenings according to whoever was here at the time.

The "Fishwrapper" as it has so lovingly been dubbed over the years fell into many different hands. Each of us have had our own ideas about what was best for the paper so things certainly did vary.

As it is with most service newspapers, the volunteers are its life blood. We have had many! As someone who has sat in the Editor's chair several times, I remember many of them so very well. The late nights or should I say early mornings were always part of the game even though the overtime rate was low.

We started as a little tab, grew to a full size broad sheet and recently returned to a tab

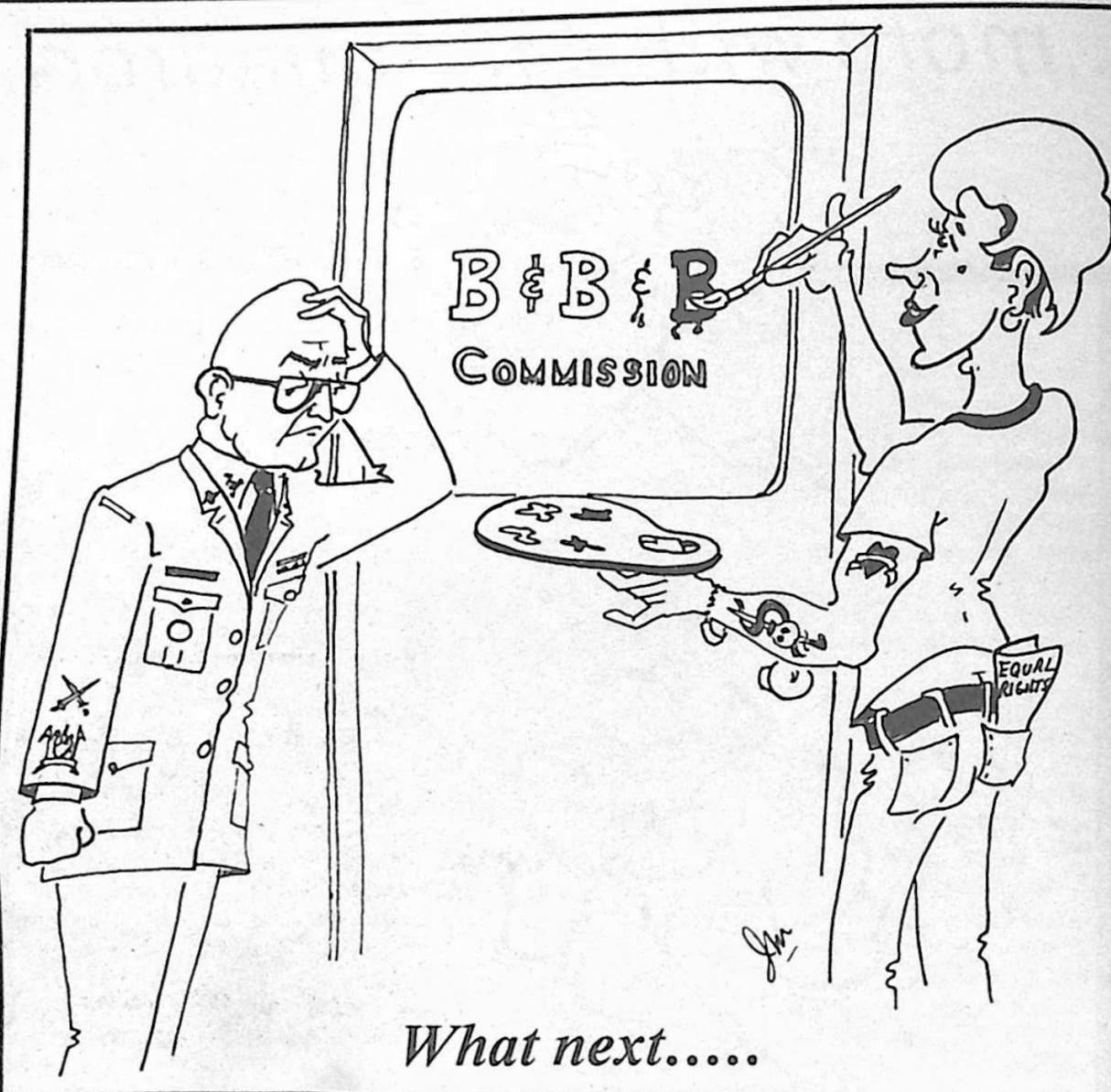
....simply changing with the times! Through it all we tried to be an unofficial voice of the real service, not necessarily the one that the government portrayed in its media releases.

We gave "down to earth" relevant and sometimes very frank opinions about the pros and cons of service life. For this we received some glory but also received some slapped knuckles as well. We tried to be objective within the boundaries of reasonable taste.

However, we must have been doing some things right over the years, as we received many awards after being judged against our peers. The Canadian Community Newspaper Association have always recognized us as a winner and I would hope that readers have too.

We that do this, do so because we are "newspaper junkies." Ya gotta love it to work here!
And so we're 26 so big deal eh!

G.M.K.



Letters we get

Dear Sir:

Tongue in cheek, but I can see it now —NDHQ announces the annual Canadian Forces exercise, "Autumn Antics '89."

— Units of the "Amazing Amazons" and the "Fightin' Feminists" with their new BattleMother tanks will face opposing forces of the "Gallant Gay Blades" and the newly formed airborne regiment, the "Leapin' Lesbians."

— Air support will be provided by F-18 Butterflies, C-130 Hera's, and Darling helicopters of the Lioness Squadron.

— Warriors over 65 years of age will be wheeled into position by remnants of the now defunct non-minority non-protesting Canadian platoon.

— Opening ceremonies will include a display of battle ribbons and crochet work followed by a moment of silence for comrades fallen victim to motherhood

— High Tea will be served by the Exercise Commander, Air Chief Mother Brunhilde Bas-Culotte.

I am grateful for this most recent insight into the Bill of Rights which affects everyone except me, but boy, (pardon the expression), am I ever glad I retired in time!

Bob Hollowell
Wing Commander retired

A Bevy of Beauties.....



442 sqn's "Snake 60" limousine was used recently as a courtesy car during the BC Ladies Curling Championships at Courtenay. Driver Carol Wolfe (L) and members of the Kamloops Curling Club (L-R) Gaildy Waslik, Janet Fawdry (skip), Sandra Rayner (kneeling) and Valerie Lahucik, posed in the February sunshine.
(Pat McElroy photo)

EDITORIALS

What he said26 years ago

G/C R.F. Miller

Commanding Officer's Message

It is a great pleasure to witness the first publication of the Totem Times at RCAF Station Comox, and I am happy to welcome this new addition to the activities of our Station. I know of the many difficulties that were surmounted before this newspaper could be inaugurated, and, on behalf of the Station, I wish to thank the Editor and his staff for their cheerful persistence and ingenuity in the face of many worrisome delays and discouragements.

I think it can now be said that Comox is coming of age as an air force station. There is every reason to be proud of the operational record of both squadrons based here. To support these squadrons and to build a genuine service community, we have made notable progress in providing facilities to encourage the development of worthwhile recreational, social and cultural pursuits. Our new messes, built or nearing completion, the refurbished recreation centre, the Motor Club and Hobby Shop, the Station Band and the Drama Club, and now the Station newspaper, all provide essential outlets for the social needs and creative energies of our personnel. I think we can be proud of the fact that we have contributed a great deal toward the organization of these facilities.



I hope that all sections will do their share to ensure the continuing success of the Totem Times, and will give every support to the few hard-working people who brought it into being.

Personwatching can kill

By Norm Blondel

It is an awesome thing, to feel responsible for temporarily shutting down an airbase. All I was doing was obeying my wife, who had issued the following order of the day: "Pick up two cartons of milk at Canex."

I was about to comply with the order, enroute to Canex on foot, when I noticed some crows twirling around above the transformer complex adjacent to the guardhouse. I'm not a birdwatcher ordinarily, but these black ornithic thugs reminded me of an Alfred Hitchcock movie, so I was on my guard. One feathered gangster was giving me a particularly evil eye: doing a bit of person-

watching perhaps, or did he crave human flesh?

I'll never know, because in the next moment, he decided to perch — to get a better look, maybe. The resulting explosion as he put one leg each on two high voltage wires, blew him high into the air and away from the complex in a smoking, burning arc, like a downed Messerschmidt.

Simultaneous white flashes erupted all around as satellite transformers reacted to the power surge. The noise was horrendous. I jumped, but my bootlaces held. Pieces fell from poles. Diesel-electric power units started up, all over the base. Smoke from the diesels triggered smoke alarms. Power

outages triggered fire alarms. The fire hall emptied. People emerged from buildings, like flies in the sun. The Base ground to a halt.

I cringed back through the main gate carrying my cartons of milk), hoping no one would point a finger, shouting "That's him!", and managed to reach the safety of QA, where I hurriedly locked the door and prepared for an adverse P.E.R.

So far, nothing has happened. Power has been restored, and the firefighters have resumed their volleyball. But I'll never walk through that gate again. If the MPs don't remember, the crows will.

Did you know



In a reading lamp, the lower edge of the shade should be slightly below eye level when you're seated so that the glare doesn't blind you.

The Joy of Six

BY Norm Blondel

A recent announcement suggesting that retirement for civil servants might extend beyond age 65 has caused a ripple of conjecture among CF members, whose fortunes are closely tied with the civilian Feds.

In our six-man section, these proposed changes in human rights have been discussed at some length, not always seriously. Leaving aside the more sensitive issues, our merry band found fertile ground for their manic sense of humour in the idea that CF members might serve beyond age 65. The following, which we should publish in a book entitled, "The Joy of Six," are potential items from the Totem Times of March 2016:

"78 year old Sgt C. Brash received his CD5 yesterday. Asked if he now planned to retire, he snorted, "Listen sonny, the only way I'll change my mind is if they give me a

head transplant. They've replaced all the other parts!"

"MCpl Annie Teak, a great grandparent Supply Tech., won an award of \$500. recently for her suggestion that working hours be changed to 0730 - 1130 and 1430 - 1700. This will allow an extra hour for the afternoon nap."

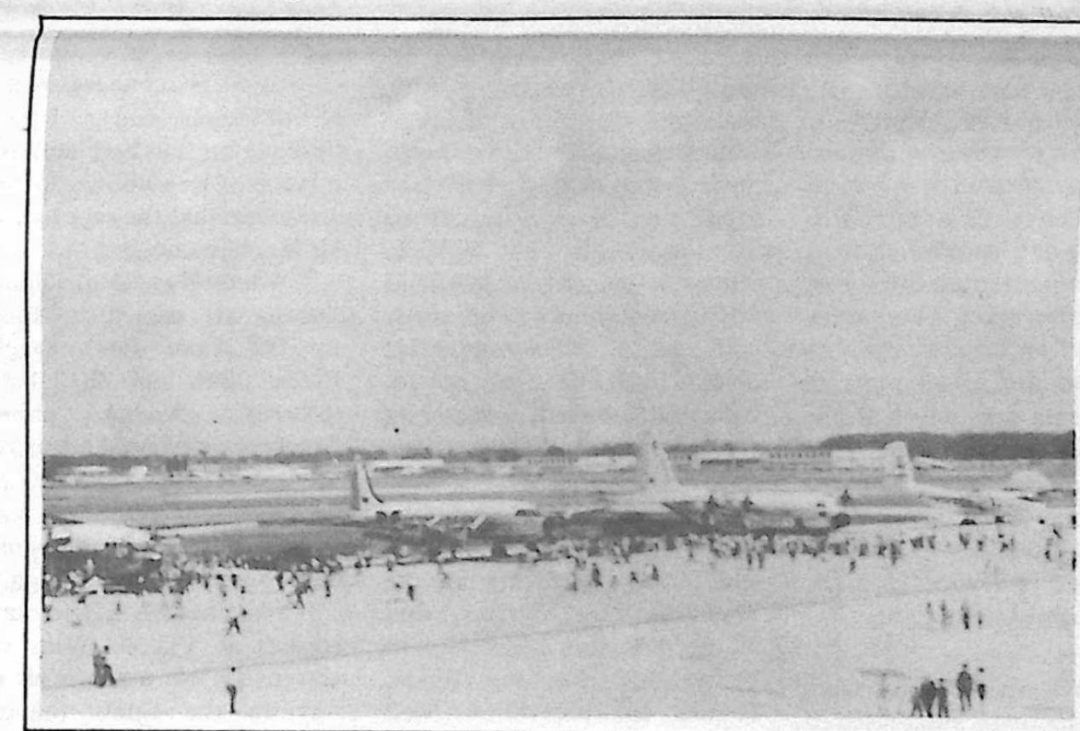
"A contract was placed with Boeing-DeHavilland Canada this week, to extend the rear ramp on all CC115 Buffalo aircraft. The ramp extension will permit better access for technicians' wheelchairs."

And finally:

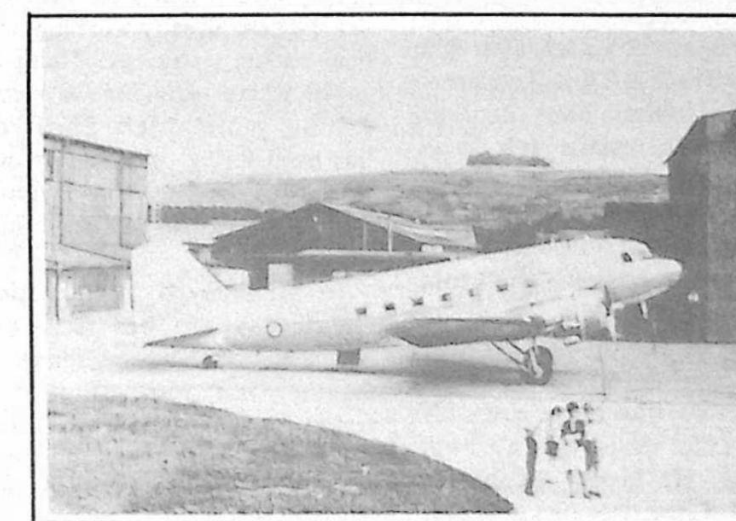
"Cpl Pelucid, junior man in the section at 65 and concerned about lack of promotion, apparently attempted to hurry things along by removing the training wheels from the section bicycle. His Warrant Officer will be released from hospital early in 2017. Cpl Pelucid has applied for a job in the Civil Service."

Next Totem times Deadline
March 24th

Military trivia What? Where? Why? When?



Answer From Last Issue



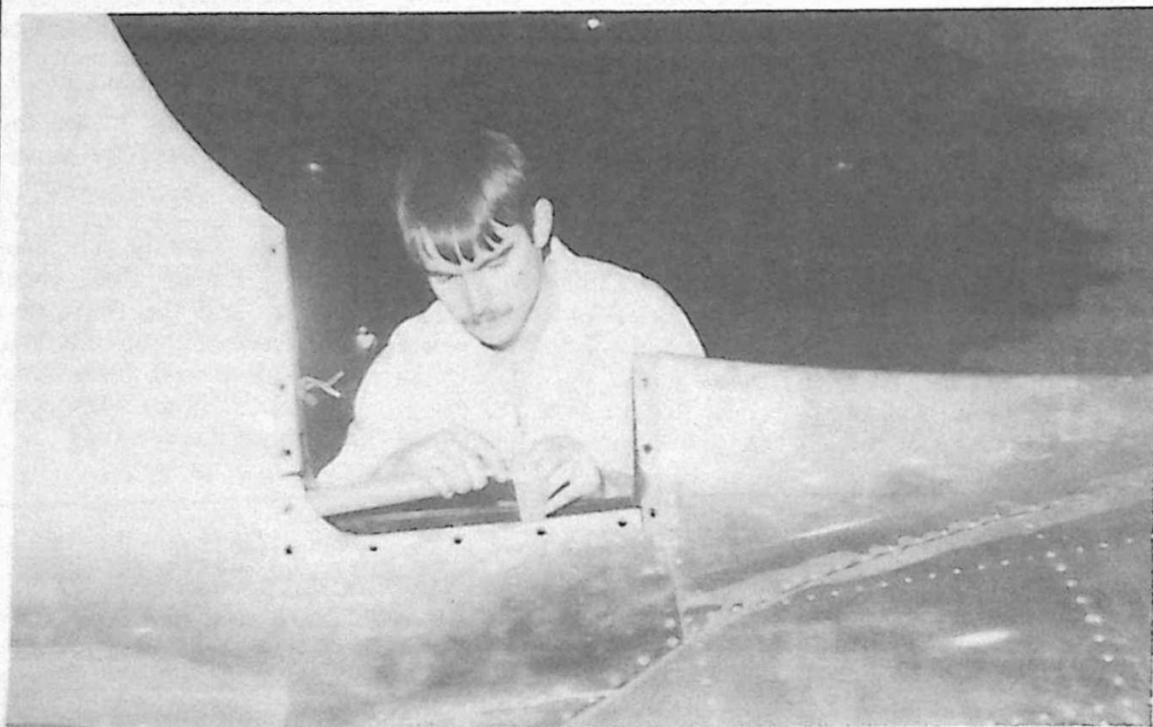
Dakota # KP221 of 1 Air Division on the ramp at Lahr, West Germany, 1969.

SECTION NEWS



VU 33 Squadron

Fixin' things.....



Over at VU33 they let Mikey do it

Courtesy Base Photo

VU-33 AIRCREW

In a personal, highly confidential interview with this scribe, Bernie Kipling admitted numerous scintillating tidbits of info that I'll share with you. Bernie attempted to quit smoking, but after a tough two hours she had to have another fag. Throughout the interview, she admitted being a very weak individual and highly open to suggestion and pressure from the opposite sex, which Rolie will vouch for. In search for a smoking work place, Bernie has located 407's Navigator's offices. I don't know if she'll be allowed entrance into the men's washroom though.

VU-33 Snow to Surf' team for 1986 has been hand-selected (Rolie has a Naval background) and named after the historic Herman Gluck. Herman's Heroes will take on all attempts at competition on this historic 1st Sunday of May. The team members include: Major Motion Owen in his quick uphill dash and downhill flight, Slats Acorn swishing his way to victory for a handoff to darin', carin' Fair, who releases his energy in a downhill sprint, Joggin' Johnny (never on the same spot) continues the downhill flush and dumps the armband onto Bicycle Bobby, who madly manouevres his rocket on wheels to Motorboat Mike and Cruising Cuthbert. These

powerhouse paddlers will wind their way to a top place victory. Altogether a powerful team that stands-defying any challenge!

One of the more sad notes since last print has been the departure of H.T. Murgatroyd to the wilds of N.W.T. 'Heavens To' arrived at VU-33 an innocent young babe, single and easily influenced. He departs VU-33 a not-so-innocent, married, investor in precious metal, and has one child to his credit. H.T. served VU-33 well in his first tour becoming current on both T-33 and Tracker, serving as the Squadron Ops Officer, and taking a jammy away trip to Yellowknife for his finale. Thanks for everything Nick and the best to you, M.B. and Angela in Yellowknife.

ANKR 99

Once again, it's Teck Talk time at the Track & T(bird) corner. It's Hoblers Four as Tom Livingston returns (via crutches) from a stay in Campbell River Hospital. He is still smiling (a no-no for Sgts). The nurses must be pretty there too. Welcome back Tom.

Wayne has that "I'd rather be sailing" look. Everyone but he knows that there are only two mag units on a Twin Radial. He keeps coming up with 3. Little does he know that Barry has the situation in hand.

Ray Webber

Base Supply

Here we are once again in the fast paced world of Base Supply.

LPO finally sees the return of their new computer wiz J.P. Ullock, but must say goodbye to Pte Lynn Gauthier, who is off to "Jolly Old England" to be married. Good luck in both your new home and with your new husband, Lynn.

Newly promoted Leading Seaman Cam Bailey is off to his Sea Environmental Course, but not before informing us that Customer Services has, after long hours of deliberation, figured out the difference between a reject and a computer printout.

Who is the happy Sgt (formally known as our infamous IOR Clerk) walking around Supply? Must be Sgt Channen who has finally received his posting message to CFSD Toronto, on 15 March. All of us in Base Supply wish you the Best of Luck.

Everyone is not so lucky however. A certain MCpl (Diane Shea) is getting pretty worried the Career Managers have forgotten her message and will only be shipping hubby off.

The Olsson's house-warming party was a big success. Lots of talented Supply Techs turned up to play all imaginable instruments. The whole crowd seemed to have a great time and enjoyed the music.

There seems to be more movement in and about Supply

yet again. Kim Heath is going to Clothing Stores, Deanna Graham is moving to the MUX, and Daniel Brown is moved to P.O.L.

The "no smoking" rumours that have been circulating the base are sure being talked about by smokers and non-smokers alike. However, the Base Commander's challenge to kick the habit does make a person wonder, especially when everybody can benefit. Those who don't smoke can now walk into smoke free offices, and those who have just joined the quitting team not only benefit from better health, but get to enjoy 5 days off at the end of a year. There's never been a better time to get healthy.

There was lots going on during 'Slave Night' at the Jr. Ranks Club, the majority of the slaves being Supply Techs (what else is new). Although less people showed up than planned, the auction began and over \$350. was raised, with all benefits going to local charity. While we are on subject of slaves, people are still wondering how many veils an Arab dancer can lose without blushing.

Before signing off, many people are wondering lately how one goes about avoiding having one of those unique PERs written about him. We have heard through the grape vine that Mr. George Orbell is not the one to ask.

WOs' & Sgts' Mess

ENTERTAINMENT

March 1986

March 14 T.G.I.F.

March 15 'Luck Of The Irish' Monte-Carlo Night ...Food.

March 21 T.G.I.F.
March 27 T.G.I.T. (Thursday)

Demon Doins

Looking around the squadron these days, one can tell that Spring is close at hand. Golfing and fishing enthusiasts have that maniacal gleam in their eyes, contemplating victories to be achieved over their enemies, the small sphere and wee finned critter. Those that prefer the crunch of snow under their skies and the feel of wind in their hair also have a somewhat frenzied look about them as they scurry around trying for that last "Ski-day" before the big thaw. For all these people I ask that you pay heed and stand with bowed head and perhaps shed a tear for those family-members and friends that live in the East. For they too wish to golf and fish and ski, but alas, in most cases they are either too cold or snow-bound to do any activities. They deserve our thoughts at this time of year, so pick-up a phone and call them- **AND RUB IT IN.**

The time has finally arrived when 407's representative crew has been selected for the 1986 O'Brien Cup competition. With much fanfare and ceremony, including a stunning rendition of a Top-40 song by the Crew 3 "Sub-busters", the CO announced the winning crew. For 1986, it will be the Crew 6 "Terminators", under the leadership of John Bouffieux and Steve Brabant, they carry the "Seaman" banner into battle against 415 and 405 Sgns. Crew 6 is going to be very busy for the next few months preparing for the contest. All the best guys and if you don't win don't come back.

Our latest Readix exercise has come and gone with Crews 4,5, and 2 participating. While down at Moffet, it seems that the hosting Squadron, VP-40, challenged 407 to a game of baseball. Members of Crews 5 and 6 made up the team and despite a fine showing sent down to defeat. The final score was VP-40 '12' and 407... at this point modesty prevents me from telling you our score but I have been assured that it was close.

Crew 1 has recently departed the fix for a little OMS time in Greenwood. Once again they are demonstrating that "Training" part of their title "Training & Standards" really means something. However, and you can correct me if I'm wrong, but I thought that you were supposed to be training

us, not each other.

Finally, the time has come to say "Adieu" (This is now a bilingual article) to several squadron members who will be leaving in the not-too-distant future. To Chuck Ellis, our beloved Flight-Safety Officer, we offer our best wishes for your new task in Moose Jaw and advise you to read paragraph one of this article again. Sgt. Al Smith is off to choppers and we wish him luck and bemoan the fact that Crew 5 has lost an island of sanity in this turbulent world. WO Rick Kidlark is also leaving to follow a new and exciting career modeling swimwear (honest, that is what his crew told me) and should be a valuable addition to the photographic world. MCpl Keith Rodrigue will soon be leaving the Forces and striking out in the (shudder) Real World. Within a couple of years he will probably own the Forces. We must also say good-bye to Lt. Olwynne Crampton who is off to be a Company Commander at Chilliwack. The very thought of her standing in front of a group of Officer-Cadets saying "Let's be careful out there", brings tears to my eyes.

All is not lost, however, since we also have a new addition to the Squadron. 2Lt. Fiona Berchem will be taking Olwynne's place and will soon learn what a pain-in-the-butt that aircrew can be. But a word of advice before I go Fiona, keep an eye on Sgt. Lesage. He has shifty eyes and likes to pick on people.

"Nuff Said"

SERVICING (3 CREW)

Here we are at a close of another fiscal year and as usual things are fairly quiet with only a few minor drawbacks. Our trip down south was postponed a few days but they did manage to just get away before we got dumped on with snow (Darn lucky I'd say).

The recent news is that O.G. Trevor and Dan finally got their 2nd hook. They seemed to be on edge desperately waiting for it. O.G. at present, is in cool Greenwood on JK and Bruce will go there later this month (home you guys have fun). Wayne is presently enjoying himself on his J.L.C. in Penhold, (better you than me). Later this month Doc will be

doing his P.O.E.T. in Kingston, good luck and hope you do well. Speaking of Armourers, welcome back B.C. (Dave). By the way Rob, its nice to see your shoulder back to normal.

I want to take this time to congratulate the people that wrote their A.T. exams, even the person that did it as if it was a pushover (eh, Bruce). In case some people haven't noticed, the big thing these days is everyone trying to quit smoking due to the new regulations coming in. I wish you all luck because I for one, know its not easy but it is possible.

Last but not the least, is to say goodbye to Yvonne who has gone to maintenance and to welcome Eva back to the crew.

DIAC MAINT/TRAINING

Well, it's time for DIAC to let you know what's going on upstairs. We understand that what goes on up here is above most of you (one floor), but I have been assigned to pass on the information so that those who care to study it may get a brief look at what it is like to work directly for "God".

I am of course referring to Lt. P.E. Godbole. Since our last article our great leader "God" has had a vacation in USA where he got to work in the

Aircraft maintenance field instead of the Helter Skelter pressure cooker that some call the DIAC.

Speaking of those who are away, we were starting to get worried about MCpl Skid, as we had no word from him until last night, he assured us that JLC is a fun course and that he is enjoying it. These words have cleared up some strange rumors: 1. That they had marched him so hard that they wore his feet down to the upper jaw, or 2. He got lost on a map exercise (accidentally or on purpose) or 3. Somebody (Instructor or Student?) lost him either on purpose or by accident, or 4. etc.

He says that he is enjoying the course, the only problem now is why? The rumors were only replaced with new questions, like, who hit him on the head, with what, and how hard?

Now if you want courses this is the place that you should ask to get transferred to, with almost one year of desk time on direct DIAC/FTAS equipment courses you would think that would be enough, but not according to those that know. Just to fill in time they send you on all sorts of odds and ends courses like high reliability soldering (XF), and instructor training (TA), then you will be able to confuse students (It's

fun) by teaching so deep that when your students take a short cut through the grass they will think they are walking through Cathedral Grove. That is of course if the instructor that taught you didn't do the same to you.

Now after all this, still more can be found: UDF, Everybody except two has been qualified. They will be.

Thank God (and the SAMO) they have decided to send us some help. A hearty welcome is extended to Cpl Don Vinette. He had time for one week of on job familiarization and training by Red Gallinger before he was thrown to the wolves (instructors) in DIAC Training. First course being served is "Display and Control".

We have Cpl Mark Adam on the same course and know that he will do well. Also on this course are Cpl Glen Curtis and Cpl Ron Stelzl from ZX. We wish them the best and hope they enjoy their stay in sunny B.C. snicker...snicker...snicker! On a farewell note, we extend our best wishes to Red Gallinger who has happily departed to CFB Ottawa to work on Rotary Wing Aircraft for a much needed rest. All his training should come in handy when repairing a Chinook in a nice muddy field Ha! Ha!

P.S. Gord, isn't that program working yet?

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SECTION NEWS



BAMSO

As I sit down to start this column I must say that I never cease to be amazed at the number of reportable events that occur between issues. As I send one column to the editor I often wonder what I will find to write on for the next issue.

To start with, we had a pretty informative flight safety briefing presented by the Director of Flight Safety from Ottawa. It really makes one think about how easy it is for accidents to happen. I've been attending these for years and the statistics indicate we are getting better but I must say that I still see a lot of repeat errors.

Major Monahan and Mado are enjoying a much deserved holiday in Hawaii. Hope they really enjoyed themselves and that they were able to completely forget about this place for the whole two weeks.

One of the big items under discussion these days is the new smoking policy. If you want to get people up in arms all you have to say is that it's about time that non-smokers got their rights. As a non-smoker, I might be tempted to say that but I also realize the problems that smokers have. I'm sure it's not easy to quit, or to cut down, after having had complete freedom to literally smoke wherever and whenever they wanted to. Speaking of smoking, or should I say speaking of not smoking, it's time for a *GOOD SHOW*. I know of at least two people in labs that are taking the Base Commander's challenge seriously and have joined the "Butt Out" program. Congratulations guys, and good luck.

Mike just returned to work after having a long weekend with Lisa, his future bride. Boy that must have been some weekend as he returned with his arm in a sling. He said it was a hockey injury but a lot of us have our doubts. What did you do to him Lisa? If this is any indication, we can expect to see Mike exhibiting many injuries after the marriage next month. There was one good side to it though, as Monty was able to point out that those who smoke and don't go in for strenuous sports aren't so likely to injure themselves.

Speaking of *Good Shows*, I have another one to report. I must congratulate (and thank) the young military policeman

who stopped me while I was riding my bicycle from the Headquarters building to the bicycle parking spot under the DIAC in 7 hangar. He very politely explained the base (and BC) policy which forces bicycles to follow ALL of the traffic rules that automobiles have to follow. I have been following the rules since that time and I must admit that I sure feel stupid getting off of my bicycle and pushing it the last hundred or so yards when I return from Headquarters to the hangar. I also used to jump on the bike and ride to the mess but now I have to be careful there too, as the road from the bicycle rack to the main road leading to the Officers' mess is also one way. To ensure that I was not breaking the law, I have been coming in the main gate and heading for 7 hangar via the parking lot in front of General Stores and the EX Service Station. I now find that I am breaking the law there too as the road in front of General Stores is also one way, or at least there is a no entry sign at the entrance road at the corner of the CE Section Grounds Maintenance shop. We have almost as many bicycles on the base as the average European City of the same size so maybe the base should consider providing special bicycle paths as those cities do. QUICK SUMMARY OF ABOVE: Be careful where you ride your bikes on the base, as I have a feeling that there will be quite a few tickets given when the military police get serious.

Reading over the above helped me to understand the plight of the smokers who are going to have to give up privileges that they have had unchallenged for such a long period of time. Us cyclists and you smokers are in the same boat but at least they haven't sent the military police after you yet.

I guess the posting season is getting close as I noted this morning the list of people being posted is now longer than the list of those retiring this year.

I asked WO Terry Orcutt to give me a small piece on the Tool Control shop that he is running for a short while and here is what he came up with.

TOOL CONTROL

That's our business, total control of all tools used on or

around aircraft. We hold all tools on our distribution account and are responsible for the replacement of broken ones. Lost tool reports are investigated and reported to Air Command Headquarters by this shop.

We are housed in building 46 on the east side of 7 hangar and our employees Warrant Officer Orcutt, Corporal McGrath and Private Deveries are kept very busy helping users of the system.

Smiles are upon two of our faces these days as the whole shop except the Warrant Officer have received posting messages. We will be looking for replacements shortly. Any volunteers?

Thanks Terry. Another thing that I have often meant to comment on is what I would call "Elevator Courtesy". We have a personnel elevator in the hangar that has to be one of the slowest elevators in captivity. I timed it and found that it takes over thirty seconds to go from the ground to the top floor and a little longer to go the other way. As most of us are quite capable (or at least we should

be) of negotiating the stairs in a downward direction I would like to suggest that the elevator should be used mainly to carry people in an upward direction. All of the above is to get to the point that I would like to recommend that, when you get off of the elevator at the top or middle floor, how about pushing the down button and returning it to the main floor so that it will be waiting there for the next person that really needs it.

Had the pleasure of witnessing an F18 execute a barrier engagement the other day and found it quite interesting. I've been around air planes for thirty some years but that was the first barrier engagement I have ever seen. Actually, I was quite surprised as I expected something more spectacular.

Speaking of being around for a while and still learning, I found out the other day that there are advantages to delivering posting messages to your people in person. It's amazing some of the reactions one witnesses (experiences) in that situation. 'Nuff said, but I

think the people concerned know what I am talking about.

Al Grinnell must really want a candle-lit dinner for his retirement as he was overheard advising the PMC of the Warrant Officers' and Sgts' mess that he would gladly pay for the candles if they would give him that type of retirement dinner.

I see that Warrant Officer Bill Hill has real support from the guys in his section. They think that he is such a great guy that he should go up in the world and they took steps the other day to help him do just that. Is it lonely at the top Bill? Those mountains sure are beautiful aren't they.

My congratulations to Andy who took special precautions to see that I had nothing to report about her this issue (She lost didn't she).

Once again it's time to hear from the shops and once again I will print them in the order that I received them.

AMSE

Private McKay just recently returned from CFB Borden af-

SECTION NEWS

More with BAMSO

ter completing the POL course. When they asked about the course content Cpls Farina and Slater were informed about the extra subject material covered while visiting the outlying area outposts (Crossroads, etc.)

Private Martin, as you must realize from the latest Totem Times, has finally had her dream of dreams come true. Chances are that you will see her driving her dream around town as she just got a new 1986 Nissan 200SX. The boys in the AMSE shop give a big "thank you" to the Nissan dealer.

Private Kelly has gone off into the sunset and is now temporarily employed with 442 Squadron. Her colleagues from the AMSE shop miss her dearly but, understanding as they are, they realize that employment elsewhere brings benefits for herself and the shop.

Advancement from Corporal to Master Corporal could now be indefinite in the AMSE shop due to the fact that both MCpl Levy and MCpl Nichols have been given extensions. That may be so but we all realize that their experience and technical knowledge is really an asset in crisis times. STOP THE PRESSES — Cpl Slater

just got promoted to Master Corporal. Congratulations Zane, from all of us involved with the production of this column.

Congratulations to Private Young who, on January 18th, became the proud 'Poppa' of a bouncing baby boy. No, his name is not Sue".

REFINISHING

Muppet News flash from the Refinishing Shop. The Muppet Gang is being disbanded. Cpl "Kermie" Imbeault is off to Cold Lake and MCpl "Ernie" Nicholson is off to Ottawa.

"Chef" Roger is going to Borden for a weeks course and "Fonzie" Behmer is in love. "Beaker" Harvey was seen in the back yard cleaning his barbeque so it appears that he is getting ready for his spring bash.

Sgt "99" Keefe purchased a new yacht and will soon be hitting the high seas to see if he can beat MCpl "Bert" Brown in the fishing department. Rumor has it that he doesn't stand a chance.

"Scooter" Gervais is in the process of going through re-engagement ceremonies so it

appears he will continue to remain a refinisher.

That's it for the latest news flash. Bye 'till next time.

IE-IS

After having spent the last five winters in Winnipeg, it's rather shocking to see the birds on the trees so early. Nevertheless, with spring just around the corner and all, the IE/IS lab is blossoming with activity.

Mike Gauthier has been showing a great deal of interest toward abnormal psychology. Perhaps this interest has been generated out of a need to better understand his subordinates.

Ken Sullivan's daughters have been demanding much of his time on the weekends. Could it be that they are taking him for a ride. Or is it that he takes them riding?

It's true, Mike Roy is leaving the nest in July. There were tears in his eyes when he read his posting message. Were they tears of sorrow, or tears of joy? We don't know.

Steve Lazar's bird has flown the coop and apparently Steve didn't waste any time closing the door behind it. Perhaps Mike Gauthier influenced

Steve's decision to rid himself of his feathered friend.

Karen Stockklauser has returned from her winter vacation without a tan!!! The fact that she chose to vacation in Cold Lake might have something to do with it. Speaking of Cold Lake, why are you so happy with a posting to that northern outpost Karen?

Sue McKay is anxiously awaiting the return of her husband from Moffett. Supposedly, Moses has promised to bring her back a little something or other from Hollywood. Hollywood is a long way from Moffett Sue.

Tim England is going on course again. This time to Borden for the much coveted H.R.S. course. Gee Tim, we sure hope the occasional working isn't interfering with your T.D.

Who has gained six pounds in two weeks? Therese Boyer has. After all, she is eating for two now.

Mary Penney is experiencing a bit of trouble training her puppy. Have you considered using diapers yet Mary?

Recently, Karen Thompson was caught off guard by a

group of roving electrons. They rudely interrupted her and then departed. Needless to say, Karen was shocked by their behaviour.

These days, Claude Ouellette can be found in one of two places. He is either patrolling the slopes of Mount Washington, or working in the Battery Shops. I suspect his wife won't see him until the snow is gone.

What's Dan Lefebvre wearing with his hockey gear? Is it some sort of ear protection? "It's a walkman," you say. "Dan, how are you able to communicate with your teammates wearing that? Dan, can you hear me? Turn the volume down Dan."

James Scally is still having a sabbatical over at 442 Squadron. How's it going James? What do you mean, you're not coming back.

The IS techs have a welcome addition to their team. Yvan Cote has been with us for a while now, but we just noticed him last week. He's so quiet. Are you guys sure he's an IS tech?

Suggestion Award



Mrs Susan MacKenzie, the BSUPO secretary, pointed out that the typewriter tabs had to be reset every time that a continuation sheet was used with a certain form, as the spacing of the columns on that sheet were different than on the primary sheet. NDHQ agreed with her suggestion that both sheets should have the same layout and granted her an award of \$350.00 LCol Bowes, our Base Technical Services Officer, made the presentation.

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INTERSECTION VOLLEYBALL

After a long pre-season double round robin schedule, intersection volleyball started the single elimination finals in early February 86.

The two teams that made it to the championship games — the best 3 out of 5 were CE and 407 SAMO.

With CE thought to be the strongest team, a walkover was expected, but 407 SAMO surprised everyone and held their ground for 3 games, yet ended up being defeated.

CE's team was comprised of the following players: Maj Eggleston, WO Buckley, Sgt Hunter, Cpl Taylor, Cpl Mitchell, Cpl Evans, Sgt Carlson, and Sgt Laing.

Congratulations go out to the whole team for a great effort. Also to all the other participating teams for their sportsmanship throughout the season.

SERVICEWOMEN VOLLEYBALL

Another season of volleyball is almost nearing the end. The servicewomen's volleyball base team has participated in the last invitational tournament in Royal Roads Military College in Victoria on Sunday, 9 March 86.

The Base Team won the consolation division against CFB Chilliwack 2-0.

Now, there still remain practices for the Pacific Region Championship in CFB Chilliwack on 11-13 April 86.

Good luck to you, Girls.

TRIATHLON CLUB

CFB Comox will be starting a Triathlon club this year. All personnel who are interested, submit your name to the Base Rec Centre, MCpl J Descoteaux at Local 2315.

The Rec Centre will be holding a meeting on Monday, March 17, 1986 at 1530 hrs.

BASE SOCCER TEAM

After a long lay-off due to inclement weather the Base Soccer Team is back at it, making up the games lost due to the weather.

On Saturday 8 March 86 the team made the long drive up to Port Hardy for a make-up game. With only 10 players, the team gave Port Hardy a hard game, yet came away with a loss of 3-2. Goal scorers for CFB Comox were none other than the famous Glen Rooke, who is one of the top scorers on the team. The other goal was scored by Bill Strachan, again one of the top scorers on the team.

Sunday, 9 March 86 CFB Comox travelled again up to Campbell River to play the Strikers. Strikers being one of the more talented teams in the league walked away with a 4-1 win. But Glen Rooke wouldn't let them get away with a clean win and fired one into their net.

The team has been losing players due to courses and postings and are now looking for more talented players. If you are interested, contact Cpl Shanks at Local 2315.

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Pipe Smoke

By Gerry Gerow

Behind my home is a swampy area that, if their calls are any indication, is inhabited by about a million frogs. The frogs seem quite happy, chirping away and enjoying the bonanza of insects that spring brings to the swamp. But it's not all that great for the frogs. Their ceaseless chatter is bound to be heard, and it was, recently, by a beautiful big blue heron. He settled down in the swamp and suddenly things got dead quiet. Then the waiting game began. The heron stood absolutely still, waiting for the slightest sound to betray the presence of a frog and the frogs remained absolutely silent for obvious reasons. The wait lasted over two hours and then I lost interest. I don't know who won out in the end, but when I checked later the heron was gone and the frogs' chatter had recommenced.

We don't see too many herons. Why? Because we're killing them off. Oh, not deliberately, but indirectly we are. We spray the insects the frogs eat, because we don't like insects. Let a person see one insect, and out comes the poison. The frogs eat the poisoned insects, and the herons eat the poisoned frogs. Soon, no more herons. But we didn't really want to kill off all the herons, you say. Similar things are happening all over. In some instances we are even poisoning ourselves. Even this doesn't bother us. It's spray, spray, spray. The makers of these

sprays are laughing all the way to the bank. Every year, by vehicle, boat and airplane, we spread a layer of poison across our environment. Then we wonder where the birds and wildlife went. When will we wake up and smell the coffee?

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Every year I have to buy licence tags for my dogs. I have never figured out why and I wonder when someone will test this outrage in court. My dogs are never off my own property except on a leash, or when being used for hunting under strict control. Granted, not every dog owner is a responsible person, but why not let them pay for their own failings. Why penalize all dog owners?

No one makes a cat owner buy a licence, and yet these predatory little beasts prowl the neighborhood, preying on birds and small wildlife. How many notice that when a new neighbor with a cat moves into a cat free area the birds start to disappear. Chipmunks and squirrels are particularly vulnerable to cats. It is a shame that we are denied the pleasures of birds and small animals, just because the neighbor has a cat.

Now someone is saying that I'm an anti-cat person. Wrong! I'm simply saying that they should remain on their owners' property in the same fashion that dogs do. Sorry Frank.

Golf News

The winter golf tournament that was played on the 2nd of this month was a great success. 62 avid golfers who supported the weekly happening throughout the winter took part in this yearly event. The weather was clement and the homemade "Chili" after the game was excellent. Before the game we discovered the true character of Wally Berger on the practice green. Wally made an outstanding demonstration of deep concentration when he collected all of his energy and succeeded in breaking his balsa shaft putter in a single attempt. Needless to say, a lot of golfers were impressed. The best low gross score went to Steve Bailey's team (Harry Lewis, Stu Mohler, Jan Verbeek and Diane Bainbridge) with a team score of ± 24 . Jim Ferguson's team (Bill VanNess, Art Dreger and Bob Hutchinson) won the best low net with a team score of 204. Many thanks to the organizers (Andy Clark and his committee) for this excellent tournament. The next event, the "Early Bird" tournament, will be held on Sunday the 6th of April, so plan ahead and don't forget to enter your scores on your handicap card. By the way, talking about handicap, if anyone wonders why we have more sand in the trap near the 9th green, well that's because Stan "sandy" Lawless has dropped some from his inflated handicap score. I am sure that by the time you read this article, he will

be a 21 handicap and fading or slicing.

GOLF * JUNIOR GOLF * JUNIOR

The Glacier Greens Junior Golf organizers for this season are Bill O'Neil and Wally Berger. This year, the age limit for juniors was dropped to 8 years old so we hope to see more of the youngsters on the course. If you are a junior and wonder what are the playing times for you, here are the times that you CANNOT tee off:

Monday	1530 to 1730 hrs or during Business Ladies night.
Tuesday	No play until 1130 hrs 1530 to 1730 hrs
Wednesday	1530 to 1730 hrs
Thursday	1530 to 1730 hrs or during Mens Night
Friday	1530 to 1730 hrs
Saturday	No play until 1300 hrs
Sunday	No play until 1300 hrs

All juniors between the age of 8 and 12 are restricted to play only during junior hours and must be accompanied by an adult member of Glacier Greens G.C.



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Low gross winners



Left to Right ... Diane Bainbridge, Jan Verbeek, Andy Clark (presenting), Steve Bailey, Harry Lewis, Stu Mohler. (Roto Rooter Trophy.)

Low net winners



Left to Right ... Bob Hutchison, Wayne Smith of Pearson Tire, Jim Ferguson and Art Dreger. (Missing from photo is Bill Van Ness.)

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Having previously obtained the permission of the Base Commander, Cpl Poll, the MP driving the police car, let the Visually Impaired Children use the siren, flashing lights, the external PA system and the 2-way radio. Just like any kids, they thought this was neat. That's how the Comox Valley visually handicapped children started their visit to CFB Comox on Tuesday 25 Feb 86. On arrival at 442 Sqn, those in the back seat could not get out. The doors would not open. When it was explained to them that this was the way police cars were built to prevent arrested criminals from escaping, again they thought this was great.

As can be seen by the photos, the visit went very well and the children no doubt will remember CFB Comox for a very long time. The main purpose of the visit was to present the Canadian National Institute for the Blind BC/Yukon Chapter with a \$6,000 cheque. This year's money will be used mainly to fund a summer camp on Bowen Island near Vancouver which is in keeping with the purpose of the MP Fund for Blind Children which is to provide the little things the Provincial/Federal governments don't provide in the form of equipment or recreational activities.

In the past few years alone, CFB Comox has helped subsidize the Bowen Island summer camps and in the purchase of Vitreous Infusion Suction Cutter (10,000 from the MP Blind Fund). This unit is utilized for delicate eye surgery and is in current use at St. Joseph's Hospital in Comox; \$3,000 for the purchase of a Visualtek Delux Voyager Model VR-2 (Close Circuit Television System) currently in use in the Comox Valley School District No. 71. This unit is employed as an aid to teach visually impaired children; also a project which is currently being studied is the purchase of two Speech Synthesizers which will aid local Visually Impaired students participating in Computer Science courses. This project will eventually be fulfilled after equipment trials have been completed.

As can be seen, the money donated by the Military Police Blind Fund is put to very good use in the Comox Valley.

As of this past November, the Military Police Fund for Blind Children has reached the 1 million dollar mark. All but \$100,000 of this money has been distributed to needy visually impaired children or institutions throughout the country.

The visit to our base was the first such visit. We hope to make this an annual event. On behalf of all the MPs, I would like to thank the Pilots, Flt Engineers, SAR Techs, and maintenance technicians of 442 Sqn for their support and for answering all those questions and acceding to most of the children's request even if some of them had to be answered with a no "Can I please start it up?" from a kid sitting in the pilot's seat.

I would also like to thank the Base Foods people for the lovely cakes and cookies. I would also like to thank the base photo section and thanks to all the rest of you who made this visit such a success. VU 33, get ready for next year cause here we come, sirens blarring and lights flashing!

SECURITAS



Ray points out the finer points of aviation



The good guys ... Sgt Pete Abrams PDSIU Victoria, Capt Ray Cossette BSecurO and WO Doug Anderson CFB Esquimalt.

SPORTS & RECREATION

WATER AWARENESS WEEK

WATER AWARENESS WEEK
24 - 27 Mar 86

A Static Display

A static display will be set up in the gym including pamphlets on boat safety, life jackets, safety equipment, boat handling, etc.

Pool Demonstration

A pool demonstration will take place Monday through Thursday at 1130 hrs, involving the following items:

- How to get in and out of a boat/canoe;
- What to do if your boat or canoe tips;
- How to turn your canoe over;
- How to float;
- How to paddle; and— Proper entry into the water from a boat/canoe.

For further information please call the Rec Centre at Local 2315.

Alcohol

Never mix alcohol and guns: The same holds true for fishing. You need all of your concentration and patience to capture your prize. Alcohol is a depressant which dulls the brain, and increases kidney function. Never stand up

in a boat, especially to relieve yourself. A sudden shift and you're overboard in cold water. Do not become a statistic — take every precaution.

Trip Plan

Always file a trip plan with friends, relatives or local RCMP or MPS. If you run into trouble and don't return when you planned, a rescue party can quickly begin to search for your group.

Operating Your Boat Safely

Before starting out, determine the number of persons you can carry safely on your boat.

The Canadian Coast Guard recommends these weight loads, based on the length of your boat.

Overloading is dangerous. The number of persons that can be carried safely depends on the type of boat, distribution of passengers and equipment to be carried. Each operator must know the limitations of his/her vessel.

Length of Boat	Number of Persons (Smooth Conditions)	Max Weight Load
3 M	2	185 Kg
3.7 M	3	260 Kg
4M	4	335 Kg
5M	5	440 Kg

The Victors



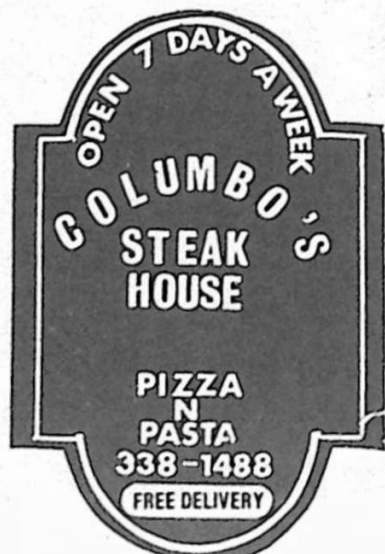
Intersection volleyball Champs

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Legion Log
Entertainment

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Friday March 14 and 15, dancing to the music of COUNTRY CLUB
Saturday March 15 from noon to ??? Giant Auction Donations requested. Phone 334-4322 days.
Sunday March 16--SUPER SUNDAY--Open House, four courses of Chinese food, music, all for \$3.50 each. Members and their guests with pre-sold tickets. Noon til 6.
 March 21 and 22 enjoy the tunes of Rick and Dee.

Regular Activities:-

Monday..... Fun Euchre **Friday....** TGIF & Money Draw at 6:30
Tuesday..... League Darts **Saturday..** Fun Bridge at 12:30
Wednesday... Crib **"More Players Welcome"**
Thursday..... Fun Darts

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Sat Mar 15 St. Patricks Dance - Irish Stew Music by MIXED COMPANY
Fri Mar 21 Week-end Get-Together
Sat Mar 22 Music by THE COUNTRYMEN
Fri Mar 28 Legion closed
Sat Mar 29 Long Week-end bash
 9p.m. Music by BRANDY
Sports: DARTS...DARTS...DARTS...DARTS

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AROUND THE BASE

888 Wing

888 (KOMOX) WING

Election day at the Wing has come and gone again. Congratulations to John Houghton for accepting the position of President for a second year. John has provided strong leadership over the past year, and his continued support can only enhance Wing efforts.

Although many members of the Executive retained their positions, we welcome those newly elected members, and remind them that their presence is requested at Executive meetings to double-bank with outgoing incumbents. The new Executive assumes authority on August 1st, 1986.

Thanks also to Irish Ireland for looking after the nominating committee and chairing the elections in the absence of immediate past Presidents.

Some Notes: - tickets for the Charter Ball are now on sale at the Wing. This focal event of Wing activities takes place on April 19th, and a seating plan is available at the Wing after you purchase your tickets.

the Wing is now open on Thursday afternoons. If in doubt, look for the RCAF Ensign. If it is flying, the Hangar is open for business.

We would also like to remind all CF serving members that they are welcome to make use of Wing facilities, and we would very much like to see more of them become members.

One of our members has received an invitation to attend the second Aerobatic Pilots Reunion in Moose Jaw in mid-October. Is there anyone else in the area going who would like to share travel arrangements and expenses? If so, please contact Bob Hallowell.

386 SQUADRON RCAC

There is no doubt that the Air Cadet organization provides excellent training in discipline and fellowship for the youth of the Comox Valley and Campbell River area. Government restraint measures have curtailed the activities of the cadets, however their sponsoring group, 888 Wing RCAC, is attempting to overcome these cutbacks. To do this, the Squadron will be conducting a door to door light bulb sale on the evening of Thursday, March 20th. More cars and drivers are needed to help the Cadets, so if you can volunteer, contact Bob MacKelvie at 339-4254. Starting point for the drive is at the Wing at 6:30 pm.

Concerning Squadron strength, 386 is now authorized an increase of one officer, to six and a level of 95 cadets, making the Squadron the second largest in Pacific Region.

Congratulations to our top achiever: L.A.C. Stewart Grimm attained results of 96% on the Flying Scholarship examination. He tied for first place in Pacific Region.

Thirty-eight cadets and three staff will be travelling to Ancaster, Ontario, on March 28th on an Air Cadet "Open House Canada" exchange.

During the weekend of March 1st and 2nd a second standard first aid course was conducted for 21 cadets. All attained St John Ambulance standard level.

So, come on all you serving and retired types: join us at 888 Wing in supporting this important activity.

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Officers' Wives' Club

The Officers' Wives Club sent many "a new woman" home to her husband, following the February "Beauty tips and make up/over night" at the mess on February 19th, thanks to Ann MacDonald and all her staff from Hairport. Everyone in attendance had either: a cut, hair or eyelash coloring, or makeup application done to them free of charge. It was great fun. Thanks Hairport!

March event is entitled "personality plus" (we've all got it -

let's learn to use it!) with guest speaker Liz Wouters, on Wednesday, March 19th, 7:30 for 8:00 pm. Refreshments: pie a la mode and coffee. Cost \$2.00 members, \$3.00 non-members and guests.

April's event is to be a spring Fashion Show with fashions by D.D.'s; New Jersey Active Wear, Scotch & Soda; Serendipity Boutique, and The Wardrobe, with hair fashions by Hairport. To be held at the Mess on Wednesday, April 16th, 1986. Doors open 7:00

for 8:00 pm. Admission by advance ticket sale only. All guests welcome. Tickets are \$5.00 each available from the O.W.C. executive. Call Heather 339-6472; Barbara 339-6439, Robin 339-0468, Diane 339-6663, Susan 338-8898 or Tammy 339-5880.

Models and dressers are needed. If you are interested, please call the Fashion Show Co-ordinator Cindy Riemer at 339-4693. Hope to see everyone there!

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[Back of Building 22]

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Thursday	6 pm — 9 pm	

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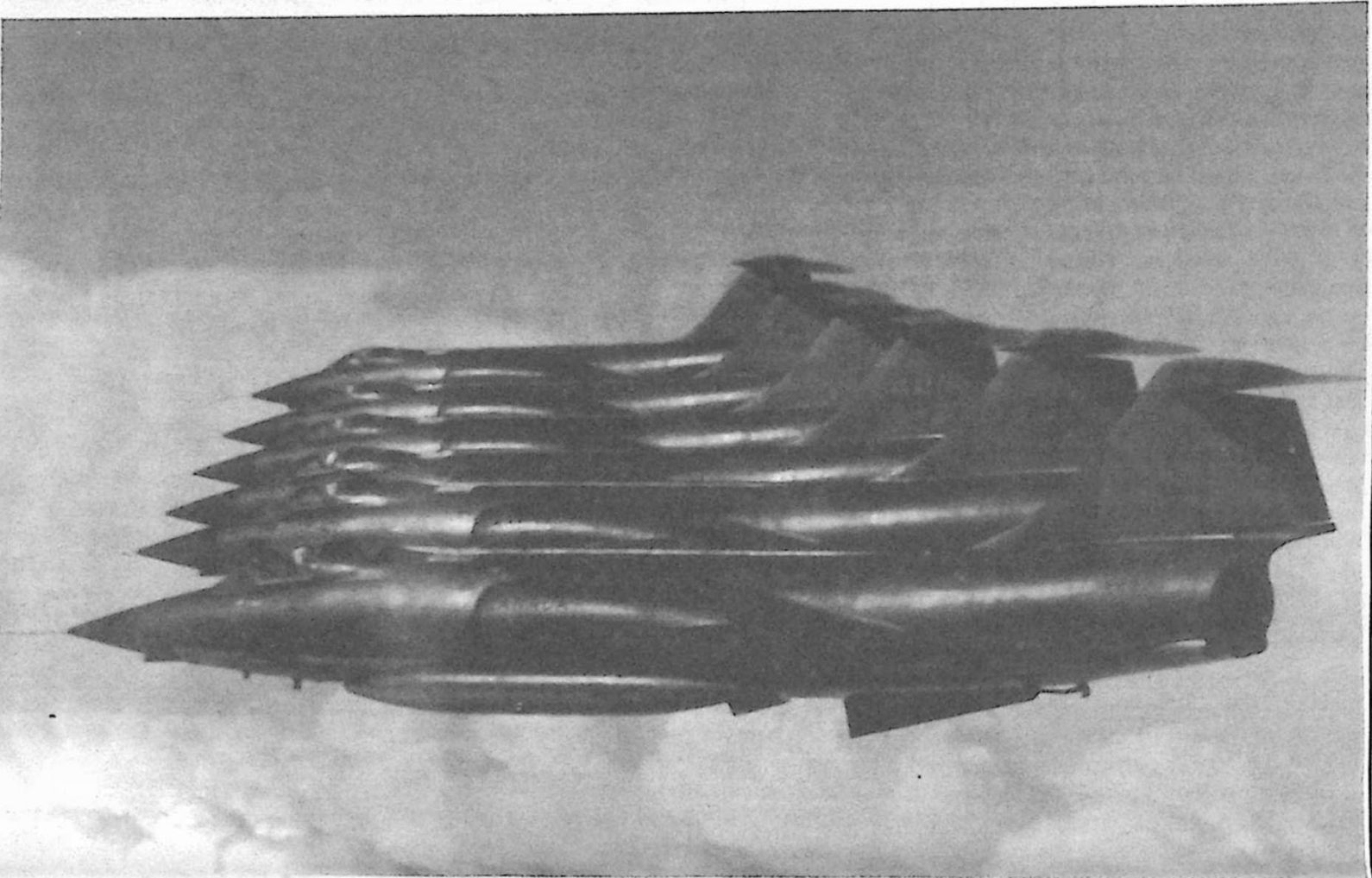
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PEOPLE & PLACES

Retiring the lady

CF-104 s fly into the past



1 Canadian Air Group Circa 1979 ... during the glory days

London — Canada flew its last squadron of CF-104 Starfighters into retirement recently just two months short of the controversial plane's 25th anniversary in service with the Canadian Forces.

Praised by some and grimly dubbed the "Widowmaker" by others because of its high attrition rate, the sleek aircraft with its trademark stubby wings was once one of the most widely deployed combat aircraft in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

But the popularity of the aircraft, introduced with great fanfare as a high-altitude interceptor in the 1950s, paled as a result of early technical problems. It later sank even further when the aircraft was forced into low-level tactical support, a role for which it was never designed.

The Widowmaker tag arose from the great number of crashes involving West German planes. So far about 200 of the 800 Starfighters bought by the Luftwaffe have crashed — an attrition rate of 25 per cent.

Although the rate was even higher for the Canadian Forces

— of the 238 CF-104s purchased by the Diefenbaker government starting in 1961, about half have since crashed — many Canadian pilots bristle when they hear the nickname.

"It bothers me very much when I hear that term," says Lt Col George Adamson, Commanding Officer of 441 Squadron in Baden-Soellingen, West Germany, the last Canadian Star-fighter squadron.

"I think the aircraft has flown exceedingly well when one considers the large number of hours it has flown. In the early days we had problems with it because it was a new technology...but they were rectified and Widowmaker is not a good term."

Lt Col Phil Engstad, in a telephone interview last week from the Canadian Forces Base in North Bay, Ont., also praised the CF-104.

"She was made for Mach 2 at 35,000 feet," Engstad said. "The strike role was just right for the 104. She was fast, responsive at high speeds and had great visibility. You could really make her talk."

Mike Gaines, a defence

aviation specialist with the London-based *Flight International* magazine, says the term Widowmaker was justified when applied to the West Germans and their "really bad safety record."

The Germans didn't have a background in jet fighters and they used two-year conscripts for servicing them," he said. Tim Rickson, aviation editor for *Jane's Defence Weekly*, also believes the term Widowmaker, only applied to the German air force."

"Nobody else found them to be Widowmakers," he said. However he conceded Canada's loss of nearly half its CF-104s during their 24 years of service "is a rather high attrition rate."

The aircraft originally performed a nuclear-strike role for Canada in NATO. But in the early 1970s, the Trudeau government abandoned that mission and the aircraft was switched to ground attack missions.

Until a year ago, 54 CF-104s still flew over West Germany from Canadian Forces Base BADEN—Soellingen. Now,

only about a dozen remain active in Canadian colors for the retirement ceremony.

The military began introducing the new and more sophisticated CF-18 to Europe last year to fill the gap left by the demise of the CF-104. There are 24 CF-18s currently stationed at Baden, a number due to double by the end of the year.

Other NATO countries still fly Starfighters, although most, including West Germany, are also in the process of phasing them out in favor of newer fighters.

But even as it approached retirement, the CF-104 couldn't avoid controversy. Rather than simply scrap the aircraft, Canada decided to give its last remaining Starfighter away to NATO allies.

Greece turned down the offer, but complained vociferously when Turkey accepted 50 of them — 20 for active service and 30 for spare parts. Although both are members of the NATO alliance, Greece and Turkey are at odds over territorial disputes in the Aegean Sea and over Cyprus.

—Courtesy Canadian Press

Sports Council

Ottawa — The Canadian Forces are participating now in the biathlon and cross-country run competitions of the Conseil International du Sport Militaire (CISM).

CISM is an 86 member world-wide association composed of the armed forces of various nations dedicated to the promotion of world peace through the development of military sports. The Canadian Forces joined CISM in 1985.

Approximately 30 male and female servicemembers from various bases and units across Canada are participating in the biathlon and cross-country run events, which are being held in Rupolding, Federal Republic of Germany, during February 28 - March 1 and in Algiers, Algeria during February 25-28, respectively.

CISM was founded in Cannes, France, to encourage physical activities and military sport, develop friendly relations between the armed forces of member nations, further mutual technical assistance between members and contribute to universal peace through comradeship and mutual understanding.



The fourth annual National Physical Activity Week is a nine-day celebration of physical activity, fitness and fun from May 24 to June 1. The goal is to motivate Canadians, either individually or as a group, to participate in activities of all kinds.

Coordinated by Fitness Canada, National Physical Activity Week is the cooperative effort of numerous national sport and fitness associations, municipal and provincial governments and the corporate sector.

A wide variety of exciting events and activities are being planned for young and old, the disabled, families, corporate employees and social groups — both on local and national levels.



Physical Activity Week
May 24-June 1, 1986

CANADIAN FORCES UPDATE

SRRSP

Saving for your retirement through a Registered Retirement Savings Plan can not only help you build for your future and maintain your standard of living during retirement but can also reduce your current taxes. Tax free income as long as your savings remain in the Plan, and in many cases the possibility of income splitting between husband and wife, and also a higher retirement income are possible through an RRRSP.

When the SRRSP was introduced 10 years ago it had two primary objectives; one was to promote the accumulation of retirement savings dollars and the other was to provide a safe and easy vehicle by which as many members of the Canadian Forces as possible could participate in such a plan. At that time many companies were offering multiple choices to service members all over the world and there was considerable confusion about the merits of the various plans.

The growth in the number of participants in the SRRSP has been significant over the years. There are now over 13,000 members in the Plan with more than \$230 million on deposit. Most of the funds have been generated through either the deposit of severance pay or monthly deposits via the pay allotment system.

Over the past ten years, with interest rates rising from 10% to 22% and now dropping back to 1975 levels, we have seen the importance of planning for the future. For example, for someone who started their SRRSP in 1975 with \$1,000, it is now worth \$2,700, for an average gain of 17%. If \$1,000 had been deposited annually, it would now be worth over \$20,000. If these amounts had been put into a non-RRSP savings program, there would be a considerably smaller amount available for retirement income.

We can now look back and realize that the Plan with its better than competitive interest rates and no fee benefits has provided a more comfortable retirement income to its many members. We can also see the importance of planning for the future now.

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PROTECTION

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PROTECTION FOR YOU

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Long Term Disability (LTD) protects your income earning capacity. If you become totally disabled by sickness or injury for an extended period of time, LTD will pay up to a generous 75% of your last monthly pay rate. Also included in the LTD benefit is an adjustment for inflation to ensure continued full protection. And SISIP may add further benefit increases during times of high inflation. This high benefit level, and additional cost of living allowances are possible because all "profits" generated by SISIP are kept in the plan and used to your advantage.

LTD goes beyond protection to provide full rehabilitation counselling, designed to bring an LTD beneficiary back to a meaningful and satisfying occupation by developing his/her talents and capabilities. The Rehabilitation Program is based on close personal counselling by a Rehab specialist, and full financial support of the program participant for educational and re-training courses, plus interest-free loans for special equipment.

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Dependent Life (DL) is life insurance for your spouse and dependent children with you as beneficiary. The benefit for your spouse under SIB and the benefit for your children under SIB, OGTI, and CAR is provided at no extra cost.

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The Commissionaires....



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The Canadian Corps of Commissionaires

IN CANADA

The Corps in Canada obtained its Charter in 1925 at which time three companies were organized; Number 1 in Montreal, Number 2 in Toronto and Number 3 in Vancouver. In 1936 - 37 the Corps was reorganized and spread to all major cities in Canada, each of which had its own Board of Governors, each autonomous but co-ordinated under a Dominion Headquarters.

Today there are eighteen Divisions (Member Corps) and a National Headquarters in Ottawa, these eighteen Divisions are located in:

Newfoundland (St John's), New Brunswick and P.E.I. (Saint John), Nova Scotia (Halifax), Quebec (Quebec and

Montreal), Ontario (Ottawa, Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton, London and Windsor), Manitoba (Winnipeg), Saskatchewan (Saskatoon and Regina), Alberta (Edmonton and Calgary), British Columbia (Vancouver and Victoria).

The aim of the Corps is to provide meaningful and respectable employment for ex-members of the Canadian Forces and former R.C.M. Police.

ADVANCED TRAINING COURSE

In response to a Federal Government request that the Corps establish a more active training program, a National Supervisors' Course was set up.

The first course was run at CFB Kingston in 1975, with subsequent courses, two per year, being run on Canadian Forces Bases across Canada from CFB Summerside to CFB Esquimalt.

In 1983 some modifications were made to the course to allow greater flexibility in the Corps training program. The course is no longer specifically designed for supervisors or potential supervisors. It is an advanced training course designed to give Commissionaires an understanding of human relations and problem solving thereby enabling them to carry out their duties more confidently and effectively. Candidates are selected by their Commandants.

Some may become supervisors depending on the requirements of their respective Member Corps.

The course consists of a number of lectures followed by a series of syndicate workshops during which problems involving human relations, Corps operations and administration are presented which require the candidates as a syndicate to solve. In some cases they must play the role of a supervisor.

The subjects covered are:
a. Criminal Threats to Security
b. Emergency procedures
c. Supervision
d. Human Relations
e. Physical Security Surveys
f. Note Taking and Report Writing.

This is the twenty-third course run by National Headquarters.

There are 32 candidates on this course from the following Member Corps:

Kingston, Ottawa Division, Toronto & Region, North Saskatchewan, South Saskatchewan, Northern Alberta, Southern Alberta, British Columbia Corps, and the Victoria and Vancouver Island Division. In addition there are two police constables from the Victoria City Police.

21 - 27 Feb. '86

The Directing Staff are from various Member Corps; on this course they are from National Headquarters in Ottawa, Kingston, Toronto, Edmonton, Calgary, Vancouver and Victoria.

Advanced training course at Comox

Courtesy Base Photo

AROUND THE PROVINCE

Maximick Original in Officers Mess



Local artist Bill Maximick presents his "Hawk One" original to Lt Martinello. The painting will be hanging in the Officers Mess along with several other Maximick originals. Mr. Maximick is well known for his works.

Courtesy Base Photo

EXPO Update

TICKET SALES SOAR PAST 10 MILLION

Vancouver, B.C. — British Columbia Premier Bill Bennett announced recently that the 1986 World Exposition has now sold and received full payment for 10 million — 73 per cent — of the budgeted 13.75 million visits.

The purchaser of the 10 millionth visit — Richard Rozman of Fullerton California — received a telegram of congratulations last Friday from Expo Chairman Jim Pattison, inviting him, his wife and two children to be the guests of honour at a special event celebrating the occasion.

The Rozman family received royal treatment as they arrived at the Vancouver International Airport earlier today. Members of the RCMP were on hand to escort the family to a special ceremony at the Plaza of Nations on the Expo site. Premier Bennett and Expo Chairman Pattison were both present to welcome the Rozmans.

IVANHOE TO BE FLAGSHIP

Vancouver — The historic B.C. towboat "Ivanhoe" will be the flagship of the British Columbia Pavilion at Expo 86, Patrick McGeer, Minister Responsible for the B.C. Pavilion, announced today.

"The Ivanhoe is a living legacy of British Columbia's maritime heritage, something that will be very evident at the Dockside area of the B.C. Pavilion where she will be moored," said McGeer, Minister of International Trade and Investment. "She's a very fine example of a vanished breed — the 100-foot wooden towboats that once plied the waters of our coast."

Built in 1907 at Wallace Shipyards in False Creek, the Ivanhoe worked the B.C. coast for Kingcome Navigation Co. Ltd. until 1971, when she was privately sold. Restoration was begun in 1982 by the Ivanhoe Heritage Foundation — a group of boat enthusiasts and businessmen with a shared desire to restore the "businesslike elegance" of her cabins, galley and decks. Through consultation with the former crew and descendants of her owners, this was finally achieved in 1985.

As flagship, the 34-metre Ivanhoe will be available for charter use by corporate participants at the British Columbia Pavilion. Facilities on her three decks include a large lounge and dining area, a nine-seat galley and staterooms.

McGeer said the Ivanhoe will be a key exhibit at the Dockside area of the B.C. Pavilion, where model boat shows, commercial vessels, boat-building displays and a working submarine will be displayed.

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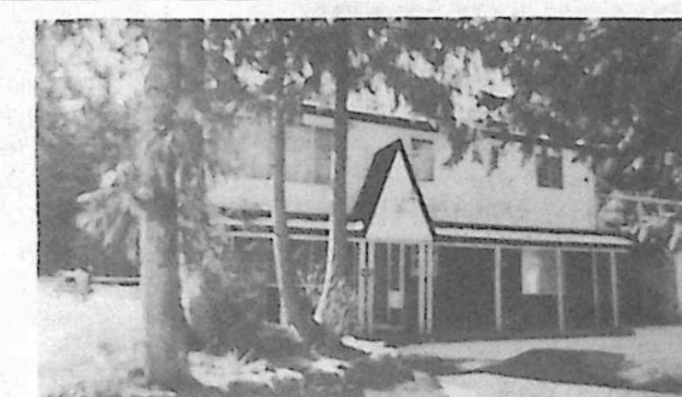
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MARCH 1986

ENTERTAINMENT

Fri Mar 14	TGIF (Fish & Chips)	Sat Mar 15	Dinner/Dance & Floorshow
Fri Mar 21	TGIF (BBQ Spareribs)	Sun Mar 30	Giant Easter Smorgasbord

Thurs	Mar 27	TGIF	(Hot Dogs)
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Tuesday - April 1 - RCAF Anniversary Mess Dinner

OFFICERS COFFEE HOUR

Coffee will be served in the Lounge every Wednesday at 1000 hrs. Dress will be dress of the day. All Officers are invited to attend.

433 ETAC Retires CF-5

To all ex Ti-Pics who have not yet heard, the flying operations of CF-5 of 433 ETAC ceased on 21 Feb 86. The Squadron is presently planning the closing ceremonies of the CF-5 era to be held at BFC Bagotville on the 18, 19 and 20th of April 86. Invitations will be sent by mail in the near future. Qui s'y frotte, s'y pique!

Info: Capt Michel Fortin AV 621-9471

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CANAC/MICROTEL CONTRACT SIGNING CEREMONY.... The Canadian consortium of CANAC Consultants Ltd., of Montreal, and Microtel Limited, of Burnaby, B.C., has been awarded a \$268 million defence contract to supply a satellite-based communications system for the North Warning System (NWS). The contract was confirmed by Associate Defence Minister Harvie Andre (left) during a contract signing ceremony at Microtel's research facility, Microtel Pacific Research. To witness the event, Mr. G.A. Franklin (center), Executive Vice President Operations Microtel Ltd. and Mr. Mirto De Pellegrin, President and CEO of CANAC.

Contract awarded to CANAC

CANAC Consultants Ltd. of Montreal and Microtel of Burnaby B.C. have been awarded the defence contract to supply a satellite-based communication system for the North Warning System (NWS).

The NWS communications will be based on the Canadian ANIK satellite system and connect ground terminals at each radar site with two large terminals located near the Region Operations Control Centres in North Bay, Ont. This defence contract will provide on-site communications at the long and short-range radar sites including on-site controllers, slow-scan television, radio beacons, trollers, slow-scan television, radio beacons, concentrators and multiplexers in addition to the ground terminals. The contract will also provide for the operation and maintenance of the NWS communications system from 1987 until 1992.

Mr. Andre said, "As an integral component of the North American Air Defence Modernization (NAADM) program, the project will enhance Canadian sovereignty in the Arctic and will contribute significantly to the joint defence of North America".

Under the NAADM agreement, the United States will provide the radar equipment and Canada will build three new manned long-range radar sites on the East Coast of Labrador and Baffin Island and 36 unmanned short-range radar sites in addition to providing NWS communications, system integration and project management.

"This contract will also play a crucial role in the creation of long-term jobs in British Columbia and in Northern Canada" added the Member of Parliament for Cariboo-Chilcotin, Mr. Lorne Greenaway. An estimated 2,100 direct and 3,150 in-direct person-years of employment will be created.

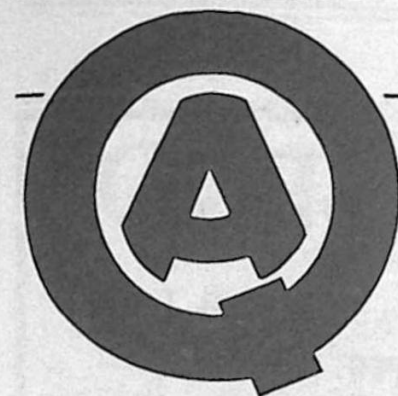
The president of CANAC Consultants Ltd., Mr. De Pellegrin said, "We are proud to be a part of this vital project because of the many benefits it will bring to Canada, and to the Canadian North, in particular. The gains from this contract should continue to reverberate through the economy for many years to come."

As a result of this project, approximately \$30 million will be invested in the North, a technical training facility will be established in Yellowknife, N.W.T., and employment will be generated for northern residents.

This contract is expected to have an impact on the research and development in the high-tech communications and systems engineering fields in Canada.

The president of Microtel, Mr. Robert Alexander, said that CANAC/Microtel represents the most diverse pool of telecommunications consulting experience in any single organization in Canada. "This contract is a chance for Canadian companies to expand their marketing horizons. Neither we, nor our partner CANAC, could have handled this project alone. The partnership approach to tackling a project of this magnitude will help us in the future, both in Canada and abroad, and is an example of cooperation which could be followed by other Canadian companies." (Canadian Forces Photo by Sgt J.F. Smith)

SECTION NEWS



Quality

Assurance

It is ironic, isn't it, that a few days after 'Flight Comment' (No. 5, 1985) appeared in circulation with an article about turbine intake danger areas, a civilian fuel tender operator with ten years experience in the job was fatally ingested by a CF-18 at Bagotville.

No matter how old and wise we get, a split second's worth of inattention to proper procedure can cause a personal and technical disaster. CFTO C-05-040-006/TS-001 warns personnel not to enter an area

within 25 feet of the intake when the engine is at intermediate or AB power, and 8 feet when at idle (for CF-18 s), in an arc of 220 degrees.

A recent message advises all units (VU-33 and 407 Sqn in our case) who handle transient CF-18s, that the nose gear grounding point, which is outside the engine danger zone for idle RPM, should be used in normal operations. No matter which aircraft you approach:

Let's be careful out there!

MORE AND MORE OF LESS AND LESS

Something we are noticing more and more after our first round of section inspections, is that we are making fewer observations. Does that mean we are getting slack in QA? No, an observation is a written comment on a situation that does not conform with regulations and procedures. Some sections are so well run that no observations are made at all. Others, which have the potential for hazards and improper

procedures, surprise us by receiving such minor observations as, "Extraneous material in UERs, or, "Red tincture not removed from first aid kit as per updated checklist." Such sections deserve a "Good Show."

BE A 'LERT'

A sign posted in many of these days is, "The World needs more Lerts." Since complacency is the antonym for alertness, it must have impressed most of us who attended the recent Flight Safety

Briefings that, for those who always use **The Book**, never get careless, and are noted for their attention to the task at hand, the flaming pyres of aircraft accidents are also never on their conscience. The price in lives and dollars is only one consequence of not being alert. Try carrying guilt around.

QA Comment

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AROUND THE BASE

The Fishwrapper visits E.W. Bickle

Ninety-five years....



Composer Don Guilbeault of EWB explains to Totem Times' Norm Blondel the operation of computer laid out advertising, while tour guide Beverley Edwards (NI Advertiser) listens in.

Pat McElroy Photo

Two staff members of the Totem Times were among the approximately 100 visitors to the modern printing plant of E.W. Bickle Ltd. at McPhee and 17th St. in Courtenay on February 26. The occasion was the 95th anniversary of E.W. Bickle Ltd. printer to the Totem Times for 26 years.

Norm Blondel and Michel Cordeau were given the tour, starting with an introduction by Phil Bickle, Publisher and President, and conducted by Bev Edwards, who is advertising manager of the North Island Advertiser, one of the many newspapers printed by EWB.

The complex is an efficient mix of the old and the new — close by the computers and word processors of the editorial department, are drawers of "hand grab" type — the individual letters, made of lead, which are still used for special printing jobs. The old linotype machine was removed less than

a year ago, its function taken over by the word processing and computer system.

The compositors — those highly skilled, nimble fingered printers who operated the linotype machines, now work with a computer graphic display, assembling pages of advertising with a light pen and a layout sketch. Print and pictures are called up from the computer, where it has been fed by other expert staff, and assembled on a large screen. When the compositor is satisfied, he transfers the layout to film. Another department assembles the columns of news, photographs and headlines of the news portion. Type styles and sizes are selected from the computer memory.

The film is processed to change the pictures to dots — they print better — and the

image is then transferred to a sheet of thin, coated aluminum. This becomes the printing plate for the Goss web offset printer, using three colours and black for the final product.

Throughout the tour, which was extended to three hours for our two reporters, the entire staff was friendly and very patient, considering the number of questions they had to handle. Handle them they did, and we would particularly like to thank Bev Edwards, Don Guilbeault, Debra Martin and Grant Lawrence for an informative and rewarding afternoon....

—Norm Blondel

EDITOR'S NOTE: On our 26th we would like to extend a great big birthday wish to the E.W. Bickle organization on their 95th....Congrats!

G.M.K.



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SECTION NEWS

As The Beacon Turns

The ATC Section welcomes Capt Mike Fournier on TD from Goose Bay. He is presently checking out as a terminal controller. Capt Paul Anderson is returning the favor as he is going to Goose in the middle of April on TD to check out up there. Then later this summer, they will change postings. We welcome back Cpl Melissa Cave, Pte Lorraine Comeau, Sandra Vermeulen and congratulate them on the successful completion of their TQ3 course. Lorraine will be starting her check out immediately

while Melissa and Sandra are on leave until April. Good work, ladies!!

Sgt Don 'Red' McLean will be going to Operation Boxtop with the Trenton Quad Unit. Since the ATCCU was Don's previous posting, he has done this operation before and he knows that this is a 'cool' exercise. Operation Boxtop is the controlling of numerous airlifts between Thule, Greenland and Alert.

On a sombre note, Joyce Forsythe, who worked as the

ATC section secretary, passed away on the weekend. We offer our most sincere condolences to her husband Don, eldest son Kevin, twin daughters Kim and Karen and youngest son Ken.

The rainy season is here now, which to Aircrew and ATC personnel means bird problems. The seagulls are the main concern as they enjoy roosting on the pavement of the runways. Many hours are spent trying to scare the birds off. Ops 8 driven by OCdt Rob Dimmer and Sgt Neil Garlough use the wail and screech siren to

scare birds, sometimes to no avail. They just received a new tower shotgun that fires special cracker shells. The shot goes into the gathering and then explodes. We are one up on them right now but as they get used to it, they will circle and then land on their original roost. Where did the "Birdman" go?

Many thanks to Capt Pete 'Hammer' Foley for his time and efforts in making the ATC/MP Orca hockey team season a good one. The Orca's last game was against 407 Demons in the semi-finals

where the Demons prevailed 8 — 1.

Pte Paul Fleury received good news last week that his wife Brenda is pregnant. Paul has been seen around the section in stitches.

The tower has become a 'red-light' district. On a directive from Air Command, whenever there is vehicular traffic on the runways, a portable flashing red light will be turned on. This is only a precautionary measure thinking of everyone's safety.

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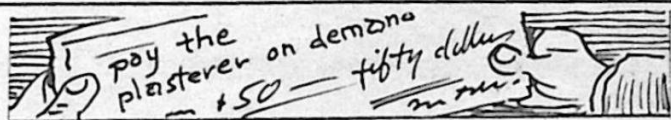
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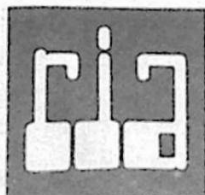
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