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Battle of Britain Day
15 September

Battle of Britain
Parade
19 September

Battle of Britain

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM



1998 Battle of Britain ceremony at 19 Wing Comox. (Photo by Wing Imaging)

Royal Air Force – Bomber Command

Brian Stallard Bell, Percival Matthew Davidson, Walter Morrison Douglas, David Harold Edwards, William Charles Espley, Reginald Torance Gerry, Earl Robert Hale, William Edmond Norman Keller, John Leeming Leeds, George Enos Matson, Douglas Davidson Middleton, Bruce Andrew Power, Clarence Sydney Robson, Harry Christie Sheldon, Donald Eglinton Stewart, Stanley Powell Swenson, Richard Albert William Tait, Joseph Simon Torgelson, William Frank Tudhope DFC, William Oliver Digby Tweddell, Arnold Irwin Watterson, Gerald Wright.

Canadian Officers and Airmen
who gave their lives in the
Battle of Britain

(from 10 July to 31 October 1940)

Royal Canadian Air Force

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Royal Air Force – Fighter Command

Robert Wilfred Garth Beley, Camille Robes Pierre Bon Seigneur, John Greer Boyle, John Benzie, John Bryson, Norman Neil Campbell, George Henry Corbett, Harry Davies Edwards, Harry Raymond Hamilton, Duncan Alexander Hewitt, Richard Alexander Howley, James Thomas Johnston, Joseph Emile Paul Larichelier, Hugh William Reilley, Kirkpatrick MacLure Sclanders, Alex Albert Gray Trueman, Robert Roy Wilson.

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News from 19 AMS

By Capt E Travis ArmPAVO

Over the past year, 19 AMS, in coordination with WCE and 407 Sqn, has been actively planning for the construction of a new Explosives Storage Area. Finally, after much deliberation and several amendments to ICAD engineering drawings, construction is about to begin.

The contract has been awarded and the groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for 8 September. The members of the Armament Section are eager to move into the new buildings and now that the work is beginning, their eagerness has only intensified.

Throughout the summer, 19 AMS has been active in supporting the three flying squadrons, taking annual leave and supporting the 75th anniversary Airshow. The DIAC section raised \$112.00 through their Airshow display, the proceeds of which were donated to YANA.

Commander's Cup softball took on a new identity this year with the arrival of orthodox pitching (no windmill – as fast as you can). 19 AMS put together what seemed to be an impressive team that could

hold its own against all contenders but, in the final games, they were unable to deliver the runs necessary and dropped to fourth place in the standings.

The inter-section team on the other hand, has been a force to be reckoned with all season and has had only one defeat in the double-elimination playoffs. We are hoping to win our final game in the losers' bracket and get a second shot at 407 Sqn in the finals.

See you at the Game!



Cpl Al Lisyev of the ASC Shop received his CD.



Sgt John Naugler accepted Safety Awareness award for 19 AMS following NAOSH week activities.

MCPl Own Reese accepts Certificate of Appreciation from Highland Secondary School on behalf of 19 AMS. The award was presented by the CO, Maj Kettenacker, and was a gesture of thanks for the squadron's participation in the school's work experience program.



Stan Murdock has been promoted to Warrant Officer. Nice going Stan!



Capt Eric Travis presents cheque to YANA representative.

19 AMS receives official squadron badge



The new 19 AMS badge.

The 19 AMS Change of Command Parade on 30 June saw the unveiling of the squadron's new badge. During the handover of the squadron from Maj Bourget to Maj Kettenacker, the crest was presented by Charles Maier, the Athabasca Herald. Mr. Maier hails from the office of the Governor General of Canada, approving and proclaiming unit crests for various units in the CF.

During his address to the squadron, Mr. Maier quoted a message from the Governor General. "I am very pleased to approve

Maj Bourget officially hands command of the squadron to Maj Kettenacker, under the watchful eye of the Wing Commander, Col Neumann.

this new badge," he said. "It is a tribute to your solid record of service, and its presentation offers an opportunity to look ahead to the evolving role that members of your unit will be asked to perform under the leadership of your present and future Commanding Officers."

Mr. Maier also commented on the significance of the badge, stating that it will become the focal point of the squadron's loyalty, pride and forward looking profes-

sionalism, thus further encouraging all members of 19 AMS to uphold the motto *Superbia et Excellentia*.

A significant contribution to the smooth running of the parade and ceremony came from the Courtenay Pipe and Drum Band. Their efforts and level of commitment to 19 Wing were instrumental in ensuring that the events of the day were conducted without a hitch.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCTOBER 3 - 9

Fire Drills: The Great Escape!

FIRE PREVENTION CANADA

Working with the private and public sectors to achieve fire safety through education

Plan ahead for: The Great Escape!

We are on "autopilot" when doing most of our daily activities – walking, dressing, routine cooking, signing our names, etc. We are so skilled at these activities that we don't engage in much thinking when they are done. With practice, they have become habitual, automatic and a part of our daily life.

Facing a fire emergency and responding to it properly is not something we generally do on a daily basis. Thanks to fire prevention efforts and improved fire protection features in buildings, most of us will probably not face a life threatening fire. Yet, the chance is always there that any one of us could face a deadly fire in our home, workplace, or in a restaurant or hotel.

Our homes are filled with many combustible items: furniture, carpets, books, clothing, etc. A fire

can spread rapidly through the entire building within a few minutes. Smoke, which contains toxic gases, such as carbon monoxide and hydrogen cyanide, can incapacitate or kill within minutes.

Trying to gather valuables or checking out the fire will waste precious seconds and you could be trapped in an inferno.

Being prepared is the best solution. Install at least one smoke alarm on every level of your home. Ensure they are in working order by testing them monthly and replacing the batteries once a year. Smoke alarms provide early warning of fire and smoke danger, allowing a safe escape.

What you practice regularly will enable you to respond to a fire automatically and it may some day save your life and those of your loved ones.

Electronic engineering tech program - next course coming up

By Pat Allan, CFCCN Coordinator

In March 1999, the Canadian Forces Community College Network offered the first course leading to a diploma in the Electronic Engineering Technician/Technologist Program from Loyalist College in Ontario. Introduction to Engineering Math was very successful, with every student passing, and over half the class receiving a mark of A or A+.

The second course will start on September 22. This course is *Introduction to Calculus*. People who have a strong math background and who did not take the first course may register for this course. If they pass it, Loyalist will give them the advanced standing to *Introduction to Engineering Math*. This is the last opportunity for new people to join the program.

The Technician level is normally a 2-year full time program, consisting of 19 courses. By special arrangement with Loyalist, military members of MOC 526, QL5 qualified, can receive credit for 11 courses in the program, based on their military training.

We plan to offer the entire series of courses required to complete the diploma, but each course will only be offered once.

This is a unique opportunity to reap the benefits of your military training and obtain both the civilian credential of a diploma and certification by the Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists. This provincial certification makes it easier to transfer the certification to other provinces.

Introduction to Calculus is a 45-hour course; students at other Wings have found that they have about 1-1/2 hours of homework for every hour of class time.

Success in this program requires significant dedication on the student's part.

Tuition is \$200 and the text costs about \$100. Students who took the first course will be happy to know that the same text is used for all the math courses in this program. Students who wish to join the program should do so as soon as possible because texts must be ordered and take up to three weeks to arrive.

The course has been scheduled for Wednesday afternoons, 1200-1600 hours, starting 22 September and finishing 1 December. The instructor for this course comes highly recommended and has a track record of guiding his students to achieve their goals.

Register for *Introduction to Calculus* at the WPSO's office in Bldg. 22.

The deadline to register is 15 September.

For more information, contact Pat Allan, CFCCN Coordinator, at local 8889 or 339-2280.

**Ex-Airwomen's Pot Luck Supper
to be held at
Comox Legion Branch 160 (Comox)
Sunday, October 24 at 2:00 p.m.
For more info contact:
Pat 339-5829, Jean 338-6872**

Two new Lifeskills Courses

5 - 8 October & 23 - 26 November

Each course runs 3-1/2 days and covers a wide range of topics using presentations, discussion and interactive exercises. Topics to be covered include: boundaries, risk taking, values, stress, goals, anger management, communication and self-esteem.

Location: Sailing Club at HMCS Quadra

Note: Military members and DND employees must submit a registration form to:

19 Wing BBS/Squadrons/WAdministration/WDECLifeskills

Open to military and DND personnel and their spouses.

For more info: Sgt Brian Buttner 339-8211 loc 8789 or Mara Pungente 339-8290

BUTT OUT



Smoking Cessation Program

Are you interested in a healthier lifestyle? Would you like to stop smoking? If so, come to the 19 Wing **BUTT OUT** information session.

Note: To participate in the **BUTT OUT** program, you must attend the info session.

Where: Bldg 22, Rm 235 (upper east wing)

When: Tuesday 7 Sept (day after Labour Day weekend) from 13 - 1600 hrs.

Who: 19 Wing military, DND employees and/or their spouses/significant others.

We will be discussing the details of the **BUTT OUT** program and the various therapies available with the program – Cold Turkey, the Patch, Nicorettes, Gum, and Zyban (the new stop smoking pill).

Note: It is very important to **YOUR** program that you do not change your smoking pattern or stop smoking before the info session. There is considerable foundation work to do before you have your last cigarette on Tuesday 28 September.

For more information contact:

Sgt Brian Buttner at 339-8211 loc 8789

General Safety Commendation



Capt Melancon receives his General Safety Commendation at HMCS Quadra.

Capt Melancon has filled the position of CGSO for the past four years. His paramount interest is the health and well-being of all personnel at HMCS Quadra. He has played a key role in maintaining interest in safety through his active investment in training, education and promotion. Through his dedication and proactive approach, safety hazards have been significantly reduced. He has always demonstrated a high degree of enthusiasm in the variety of safety tasks requested by the WGSO and carries them out to the letter.

Capt Melancon established a good working relationship with 19 Wing Comox Safety Specialists. His

leadership and interaction with the various departments at this Wing and HMCS Quadra showed that teamwork, cooperation and understanding, favourably influenced the ship's company to promote an accident free environment. He has attended many safety courses and seminars and willingly shared his knowledge and experience with everyone. Too often it seems the efforts of personnel like Capt Melancon go unnoticed. It is this kind of diligent involvement that makes safety programs successful, especially in times of reduced staff and financial restraint. It is a pleasure to have worked with Capt Melancon.
K.J. Ilitski, WGSO

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Casualties Needed!

On Thursday, September 30, there will be a simulated major air disaster in Comox. A planeload of 50 passengers will "crash" so 50 volunteers are needed from the Wing.

Volunteers are needed to act as victims in the crash. The day will start early with a hot breakfast and then casualties will be "made up" to simulate various injuries. 442 Sqn and the Wing will respond, and First Aid will be performed. Volunteers should be finished in the early afternoon.

Please volunteer your time for this important event. The crews at 19 Wing need some victims!

Talk to your boss, then e-mail CWO Bradley or call him at loc. 8886.



A slalom course to boot

With all the construction that's going on around here, it's hard not to think that things are getting better. The new control tower is particularly noticeable as it rises well above any natural object in the area and gives the impression that Comox has a world class international airport. And the new recreation centre, hopefully soon to be painted a more cheery colour, is awe-inspiring in its scope and size. Then there's the new hangar being built in front of the civilian terminal building, and the new quarters going in next to the revitalized Glacier Gardens. After all those knocks about CE wanting to knock down every building on their inventory in order to lessen the burden, here we are in the midst of the biggest building boom since the Korean Conflict. Impressive even to the most detached citizen of the valley.

And with all that construction, one expects to experience a few disruptions and delays, particularly along the roadways that must be used to service all of the infrastructure and traffic necessary for the construction crews. The only constant in all of this is the condition of the paved road along military row. It looked in rough shape prior to the construction boom, and it's not getting any better. One can only hope that it will experience a makeover when all of the construction ends. In the meantime, it makes a handy slalom course for anyone using the road with any kind of vehicle smaller than a Dodge Power Wagon. All that construction and a slalom course to boot!

Joel Clarkston

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,
As the Commanding Officer of 441 "Silver Fox" Sqn, I have commissioned Jeff Rankin-Lowe, a writer, photographer and historian who specializes in military aviation, to produce a history book about 441 Sqn and our sister squadron 125 (F) Sqn.

I'm inviting all former members of both squadrons to assist in the gathering of material for the book. As well as material about the types of aircraft and their roles, we are determined to enhance the book considerably through the use of anecdotes (funny, interesting, poignant, or otherwise) from former members. If you find it easier to use a tape recorder to tell your experiences rather than writing them down, Jeff will send a transcript for your approval before the book is printed.

We are hoping that all former members of 441 Sqn and 125 Sqn with photo albums will be so kind as to loan them to us. Colour photos often fade over time but, with computer enhancement, many can be "rescued" or published in black and white. Many kinds of slide fade badly, but Kodachrome slides look

as good today as they did when they were taken. We are very keen to see colour photos from the early days of 125 Sqn, as well as the Vampire, Sabre, Starfighter and CF-18 eras. We hope to use many photos that have not been published before. As a photographer himself, Jeff is extra careful while handling photos, so your irreplaceable memories will be quite safe.

Correspondence, photos, artwork, etc. may be sent directly to Jeff Rankin-Lowe, who can be contacted through the following means:

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London ON, N6A 2L7.
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Sirius_loon@hotmail.com

It is our goal to produce the best possible squadron history book and I invite all former members of 441 Sqn to help us achieve that objective.

Sincerely,
LCol W.A. Flynn
Commanding Officer

Weather Summary

August was both warmer and drier than normal. However, the number of hours of bright sunshine recorded for the month was slightly below the 12 year average of 274.3 hours.

Highest monthly temperature	27.4°C on 6th
Lowest monthly temperature	10.1°C on 14th
Total monthly rainfall	26.8 mm
Average monthly rainfall	39.4 mm
No. of days with 0.2 mm or more rainfall	9
Total hours of bright sunshine	251.3 hrs

(Information provided by 19 Wing Comox Military Weather Unit.)

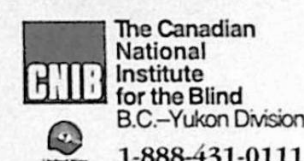


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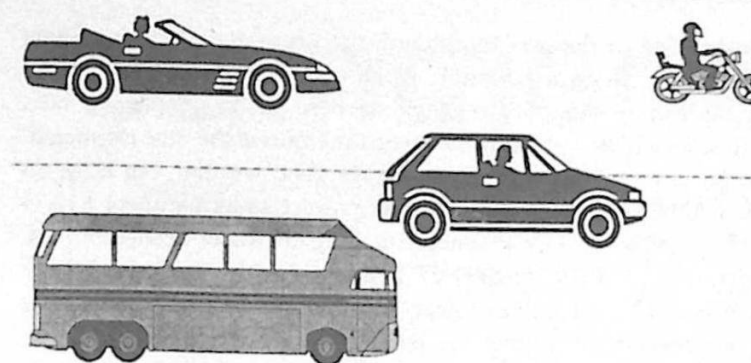
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How do you see it?

By Capt Suzanne Raby, WTNO



Let's set the stage for an accident and determine what went wrong. Did the driver apply the teachings of defensive driving? How could this accident have been avoided? Or was it non-preventable? You be the judge...

It's a beautiful day in Victoria and you're driving a busload of cadets along a two-lane divided road. You're in the right lane, proceeding at an appropriate speed, when you notice two things:

1. There is a three-lane bridge ahead of you. There are two narrow lanes in your direction, and
2. There is a small car driving to your left, travelling in your direction. The driver seems to be having difficulties keeping his vehicle in the appropriate lane.

To counter this, you slow down to about 20-30 km/hr to create a distance between your vehicle and the erratically driven car. Unfortunately, the driver of the other vehicle slows as well. As you enter the bridge, the car suddenly crosses into your lane and you know that if you don't take action immediately, you will collide.

You brake instantly and pull over to the right as far as possible. As the erratically driven car speeds away, you hear a crunch. Your mirror has struck the bridge framework.

Is this a preventable accident on your part?

Turn to page 11 for the answer.

1st Lazo Scout Group
will be having their annual
Registration Day
Saturday, 11 September
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
at the Canex

Anyone wishing to register children for this year is asked to please bring their medical cards. Fees will be \$55 for this year with a saving of \$10 for each additional child.

Further info: Dave Jones, Committee Chairman
334-2336

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Major Whitehorse search ends

By Capt Jennifer Tyldesley

After searching an area 5,500 square nautical miles in size, 442's personnel have returned home. Unfortunately, the 58 year-old American pilot is still missing after nearly two weeks of searching the mountainous terrain west of Whitehorse, Yukon Territories.

Mr. Robert Reid of Fairfield, California, the owner and single occupant of a Piper Arrow, went missing en route from Anchorage, Alaska to Whitehorse on August 17. A Buffalo aircraft was deployed from Comox after 442 Sqn was tasked by the Rescue Coordination Centre (RCC) in Victoria during the early morning hours of August 19.

A full-scale major search was launched on August 19 and Capt Harold Mulder, a Navigator at 442, was appointed Search Master. The squadron deployed up to Whitehorse, and was initially assisted by two Auroras from 407 Sqn. A Search Headquarters was set up in the Emergency Measures Organization building at the airport in Whitehorse.

Three Buffalo aircraft, a Labrador helicopter, and a Twin Otter began the search, while an Aurora aircraft fulfilled the role of On-Scene Commander in the search area. Over the first several days, the number of aircraft involved in the search grew to 20, including 12 military aircraft, one RCMP air-



Capt Harold Mulder, the Search Master, is interviewed by the CBC in the Search Headquarters.

craft and seven Civil Air Search and Rescue Association (CASARA) aircraft. The types of military aircraft used in the search included the Buffalo, Labrador, Aurora, Twin Otter and Griffon. CASARA volunteers worked in the headquarters and acted as spotters in CF aircraft. In total, there were 80 military personnel and 20 civilians directly involved in the search.

SAR REID was conducted in cooperation with 11 RCC, based in Anchorage, Alaska, the US Air National Guard and the American Civil Air Patrol. The American search and rescue forces were responsible for the area west of the Alaskan border.

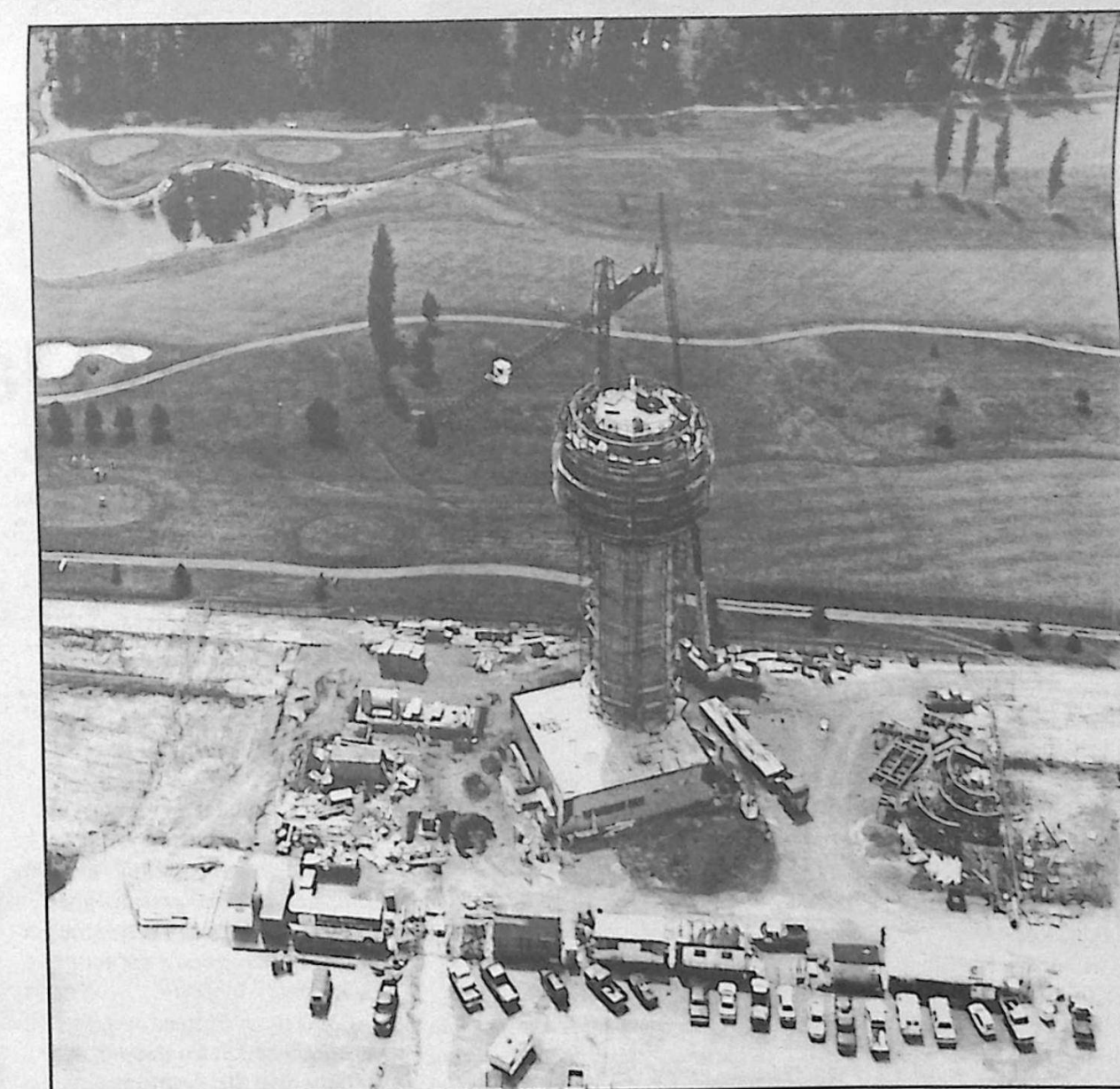
From August 19 to August 30, Canadian aircraft flew approximately 560 hours and covered 17,800 square miles.

The area included the high mountains adjacent to Mt. Logan, terrain reaching heights of 17,000 feet.

The high terrain was difficult to search as it was covered with ice and snow, deep crevasses and fresh avalanches.

Crews returned to Comox on August 30, when the search for Mr. Reid was called off by the American and Canadian contingents.

It is always disappointing for squadron members to return home without having found the person they were looking for.



Aerial view of new tower shows construction is progressing well. Rumours that a revolving all-ranks mess hall is planned for the top level could not be confirmed at press time! (Photo by Wing Imaging)



C.E. reports By Finn AEF on the beach

How about a day at Airforce Beach? Many days, even?

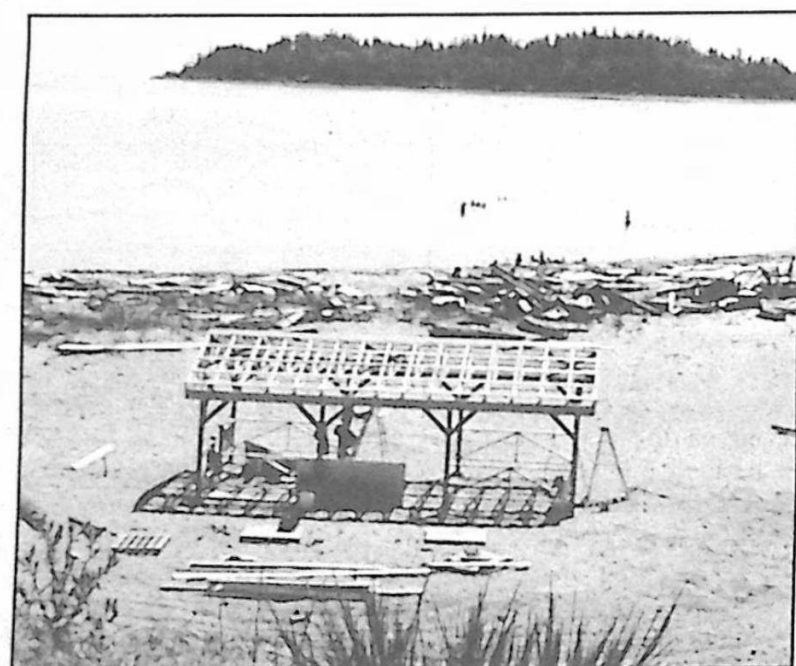
Blessing or curse? A blessing, surely, to be on the beach a sunny summer day when bathers frolic and sun-worshippers languidly stretch out on beach blankets, while in and out of the water children play, and sails cut white triangles like fins across the blue-blended bay. Get too hot and a quick dip will cure that particular ailment.

But what if you are on the beach working? Too tantalizing to feel anything but cursed, right?

For a beach bum, perhaps. But for the threesome AEF crew of Cpl Clifford Turcotte, Al Lavalle and Mark Parker (crew leader) building the new shelter on Airforce Beach, duty called, and in a few weeks the 16ft-by-30ft structure was up, roofed, painted blue(?) and equipped with ten picnic tables for people to enjoy a meal while out of the sun or rain.

"The colour, well - but the structure has a nice western look to it," says Cpl Turcotte, who thinks that blue perhaps was chosen as an Air Force reminder.

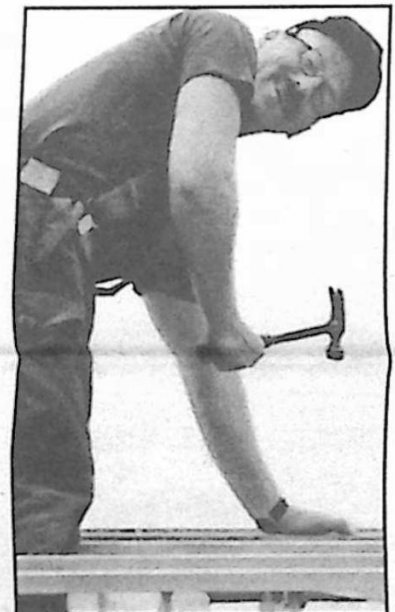
"We had problems getting the footing in," admits crew leader Cpl Parker, explaining: "First there was the sand, then deeper down we came upon many old logs, which made the drilling difficult. But the experience was good, we learned something that we can apply come the next shel-



Idyllic setting for beach shelter.

ter. As for the colour, I don't like it either, it doesn't blend, but the roofing panels are supplied, so we really had little choice - the next one will be more ground-environment colour, green and flat black.

"For some reason the trusses did not include the designed over-hand or eaves and soffit, so an on-site modification was done to accommodate these trusses," says AEF Commander, MWO Wayne Shields. "It just means that the tables may be a bit more squished than was originally intended. If that becomes a problem, we'll just put in eight tables rather than the ten originally intended."



Cpl Al Lavalle, AEF, at work on the shelter roof.

Hoist a handy helper

Recently acquired by CE's Structural Team, a special hoist, to be used primarily by the roofing crew, has been put to use for the first time. Its relatively spindly frame and loud orange colours, together with its currently elevated position may have alerted many a Base dweller to its existence, eliciting curiosity and a search for answers. Which have now been provided.

The hoist, a Marathon T-1000, has a lift of one thousand pounds.

"It's great," says Tammy Thornton, a member of the roofing crew, "the hoist capability leaves us largely independent of other machines, like the Genie, the use of which must be arranged ahead of time. The front is bolted down and 2000 pounds of counterweight ensure stability. A roll of Tartorch weighs 80 pounds and by just hoisting five or six at a time, we leave a very safe margin."

"Shortly after getting something new, you sometimes won-



Brian Bowden on roof watches as Darlene Jedras and Don Nesbitt load the lift.

der how you managed to make do without it," says Brian Bowden, CE roofing crew captain. "We did operate a small hand-pulled hoist before, but this one has its own motor, which lightens the burden considerably. It's a very handy helper for us."

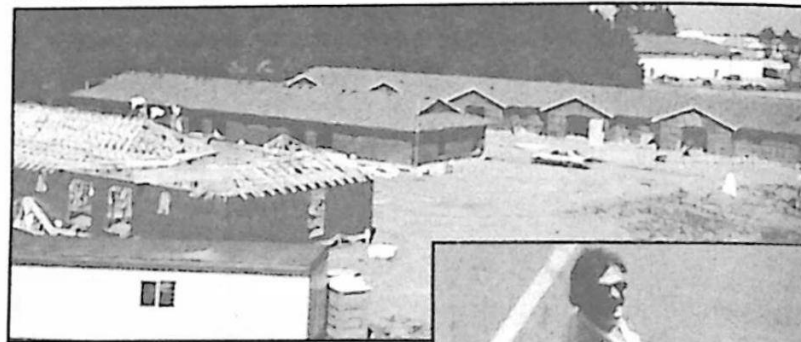
Former Armament building B-452 had the honour of serving as host for the hoist on its inaugural flight. The building, in dire need of a new roof, will soon become home for the Plumbing and Heating Team.

Motel no vacation for crew

Construction of the new motel-looking complex to serve as single quarters is proceeding on schedule - benefitting from the efforts of a CE construction crew dedicated to a high standard of workmanship. Doors and windows will be enclosing the three structures at the time estimated.

The project has benefitted from largely good weather, but more so from a teamwork approach which has project superintendent MWO Andre Lecavalier, CE Ops Planner, couching his words in superlatives.

"Over my 22 years in the Service, I've been involved in a good many projects. Never have I seen a project that went this well, with only a few minor accidents or other untoward incidents, supported by team leaders much focused on getting the supplies to the site, carried by labourers and tradespeople working as hard and competently as any could wish. I, too, have benefitted - the combination of high team spirit, well-organized team leaders, and good weather has made my job so much easier. I'm extremely proud of the crew and anyone involved in the project. I look forward to the rest of the work going equally well."



The motel complex seen from CE's line truck's raised bucket, watched from the ground by electrician/linesman Dave Burke, operated by electrician Ron Maximick so the photographer, in adjacent bucket, could take his best shot.



WCEO lauds Arena crew

"During my time in the military, I have seen no CE section perform better than ours here at CFB Comox," WCEO, Maj Wayne Gauthier, told a town hall meeting at the new arena addition, held the day after its official opening. He was referring to the calibre of work carried out by CE, the section which had stood for the \$1.2 million arena improvement.

"It is absolutely outstanding. In addition, we did it on time and on the money. Yes, there were a few downsides, but nothing when compared against the result. When justified, we should not be afraid of giving ourselves a pat on the back."

CWO Denis Phaneuf, as project superintendent, also gave thanks to the crew, singling out Craig Lafountain, Structural site-team sup; Isaac Lucas, Electrical site-team sup; and Dan Dupuis, who supervised the site-crew from Plumbing & Heating.

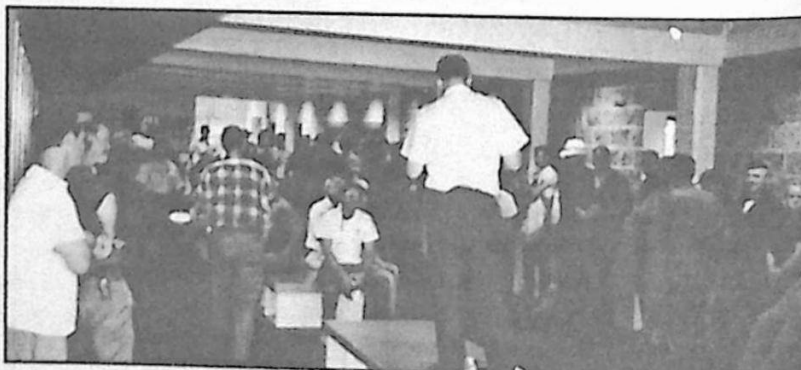
The teams, by and large, had denied themselves summer vacations in order to complete the project in time for the first scheduled ice hockey school, slated for 9 August.

One of the U.S. National Air

Guard crews, which had carried out some work on the arena under the exchange program, sent a signed Detroit Red Wings hockey sweater as a memento.

Louis Smith, a labourer with Structural Team, plans on taking holidays in October, the best time of the year, he says, for mushroom picking and so did not miss his lack of summer vacation. He concurs with Maj Gauthier. "It was a great crew, great team work. You could just feel the desire on everybody's part to do their very best. I think that dedication can be seen in the final result."

"It shows," said Maj Gauthier, "that CE is able to compete against the best."



WCEO addressing section during town hall meeting in the new arena addition.

Sundry CE summer chores

Summer was busy for CE. Some of the chores, a very few, included (top to bottom):

Laying new concrete sidewalk close by the Telecom building (Lara Clark with stop sign).



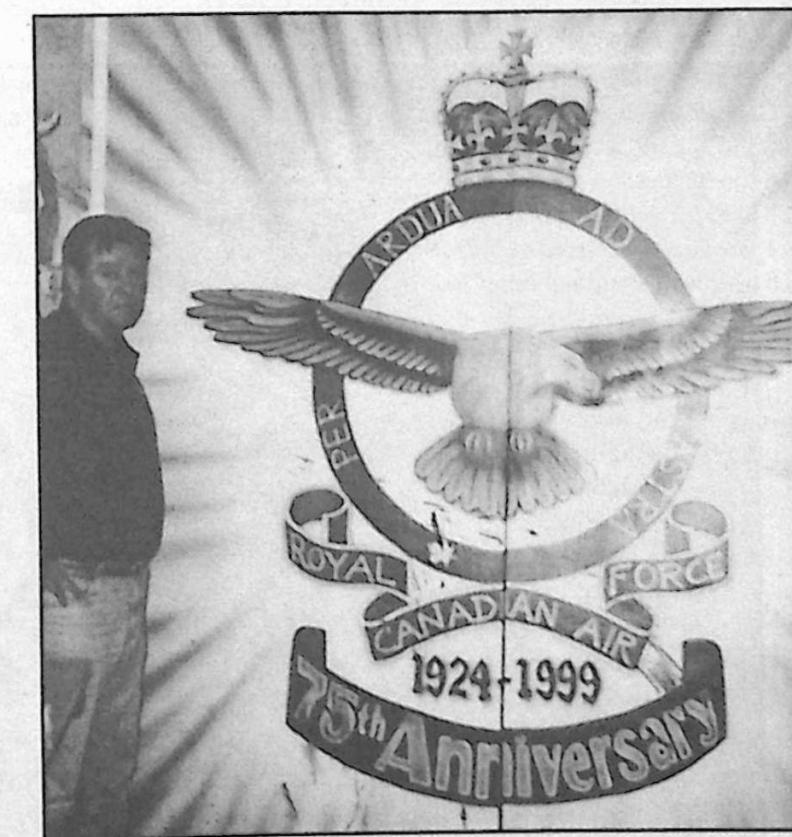
Attaching plywood skirt to the Atco-type building on the old Armament site where AMU will occupy temporary quarters (Dave Blythe, Tom Revie).



Renovations to B-79. New paint job awaits the scraping of peeling paint from window frames (Louis Smith).



Preparing large commemorative sign (by Kelly Everill) before attachment to wall at the arena. (Andy Clark demonstrates its size.)



CE staffer as rescuer

When, in late August, the Rescue Coordination Centre in Victoria activated Comox Unit #60, one of the local Coast Guard Auxiliary members to be paged was a volunteer with a day job at CFB Comox - Mel Clisby, a staffer at CE's Plumbing & Heating Team.

With other members of the Bruce Brown II crew, Mel Clisby went to the rescue of the Westville, a fishing boat run aground in Henry Bay at the north tip of Denman Island.

What they found was thick black smoke billowing out of the fishing boat's exhaust stacks and a cabin filled with smoke. No one answered the loud hails of the rescuers.

"It's easy to be overcome by smoke so I was very apprehensive," tells Mel Clisby, "but the skipper and his crewman were still

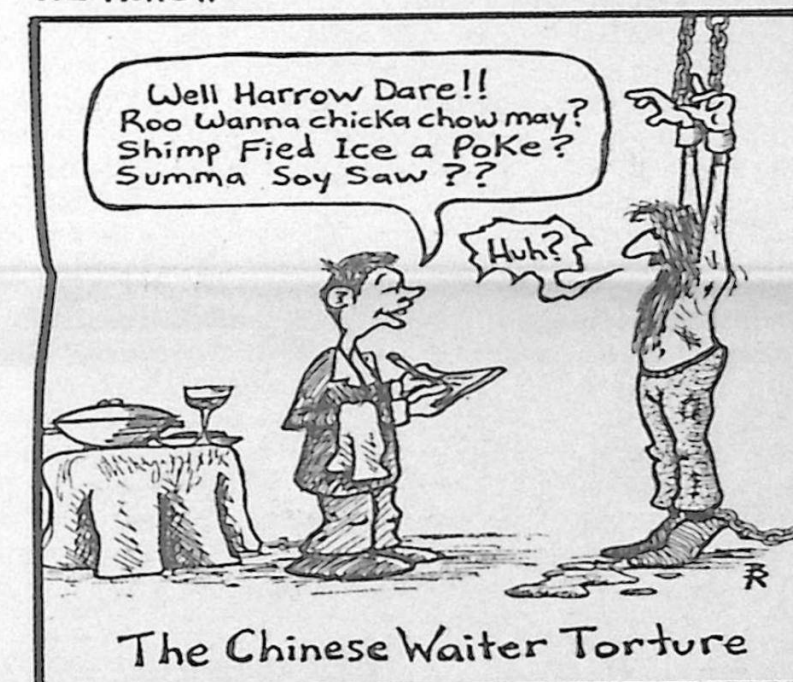
alive, if completely disoriented. We got them out of there quickly."

The fishermen have since completely recovered.

"Oddly enough," says Mel, "though there can be quite a while between calls, that week we had three. It only goes to show."

Volunteer service is not uncommon amongst CE personnel. Among others, Neil Williams of the Design Team is a Boy Scout leader, Craig Lafountain of Structural Team serves as Union Bay fire chief, Steve Eggiman, Plumbing and Heating Team Leader, is a lieutenant with the Comox fire brigade, where also serves plumber Dan Dupuis from the same CE team, and many others have joined various organizations where their contributions are most welcome.

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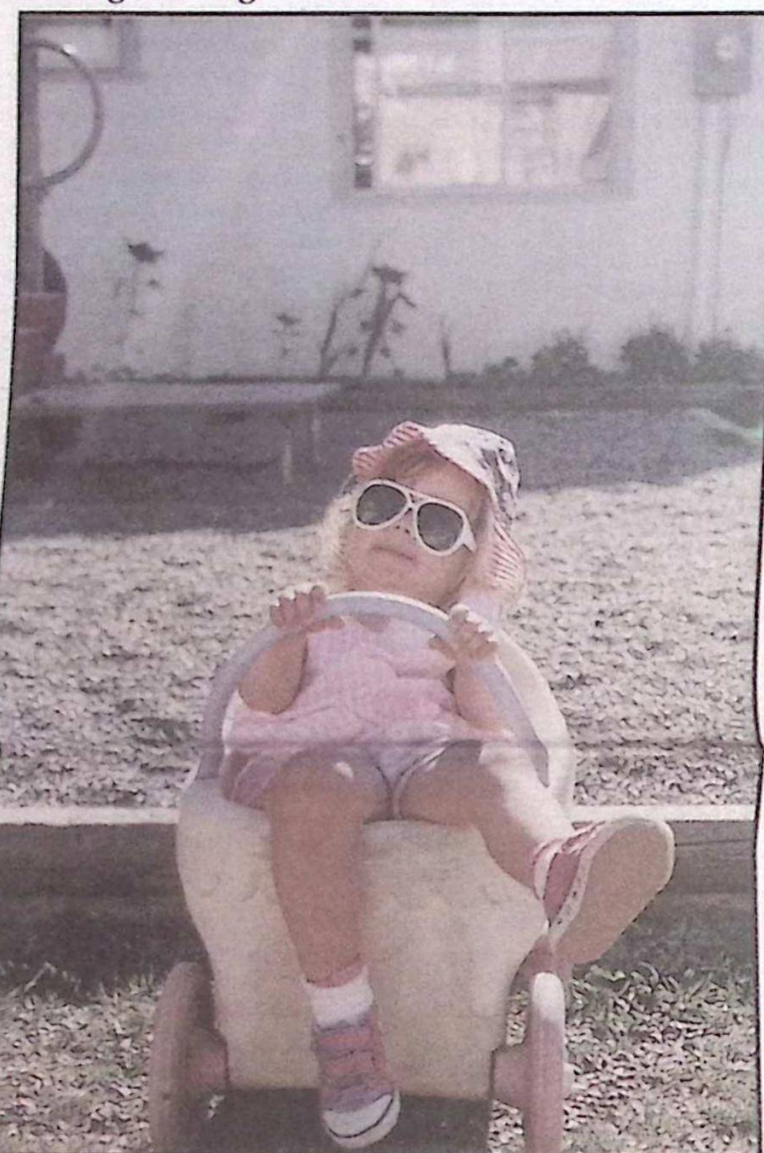
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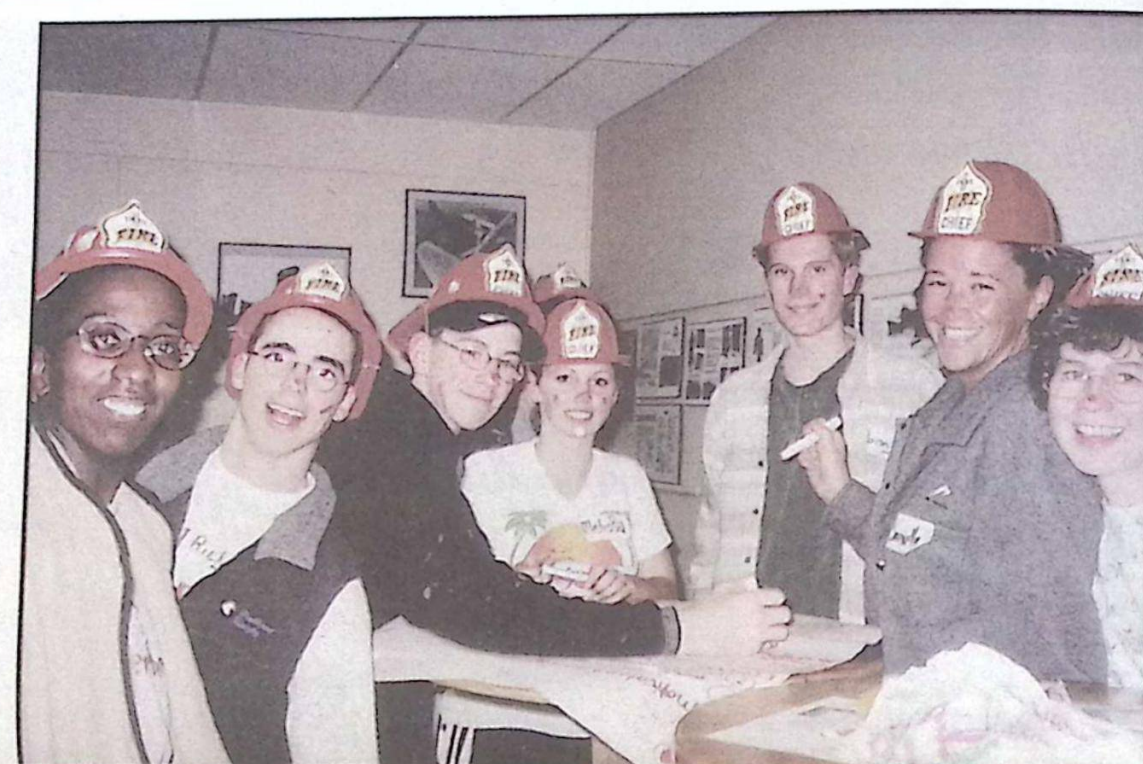
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CMFRC teens dreaming of the future.



Mud bath at the Kinnikinnik Child Care Centre.



Comox Military Family Resource Centre

The CMFRC offers a number of programs and services designed to enhance the quality of life for military members and their families. We invite you to drop by the Centre at 119 Kinnikinnik (across from the 19 Wing main gate) or call us to see how we can best meet your needs.

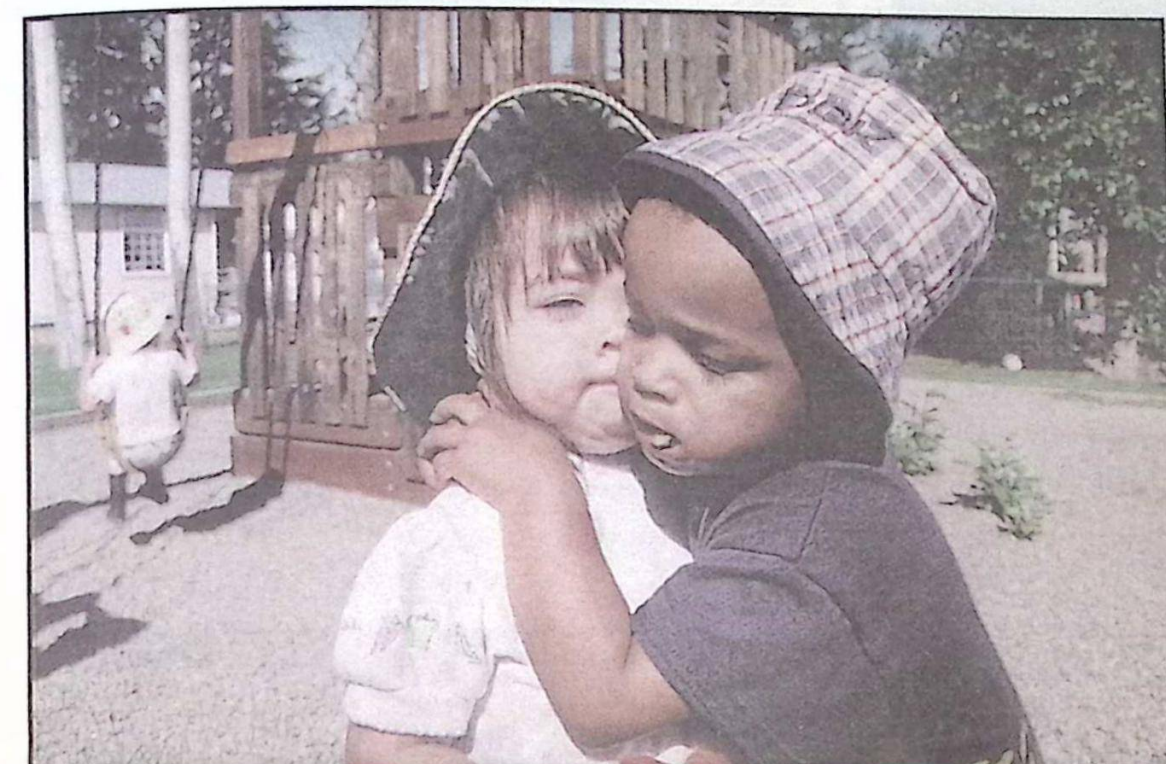
Executive Director	Glenn Turner	339-8211 (8340)
Executive Assistant	Brenda Ouellette	339-8290
Counselling Services	Coreen Cherry	339-8286
Employment Assistance	Michelle O'Neill	339-8211 (7004)
Deployment Support & Emergency Child Care	Alex Greenwood	339-8211 (8310)
Quality of Life	Mara Pungente	339-8211 (8310)
French Programs	Danielle Bernier	339-8211 (8656)
Child Care & Childrens Programs	Claudia Naaykens	339-5051
Youth Programs	Jill Sturrock	339-8211 (8656)
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CMFRC

Last Look At Summer



Bon Voyage!



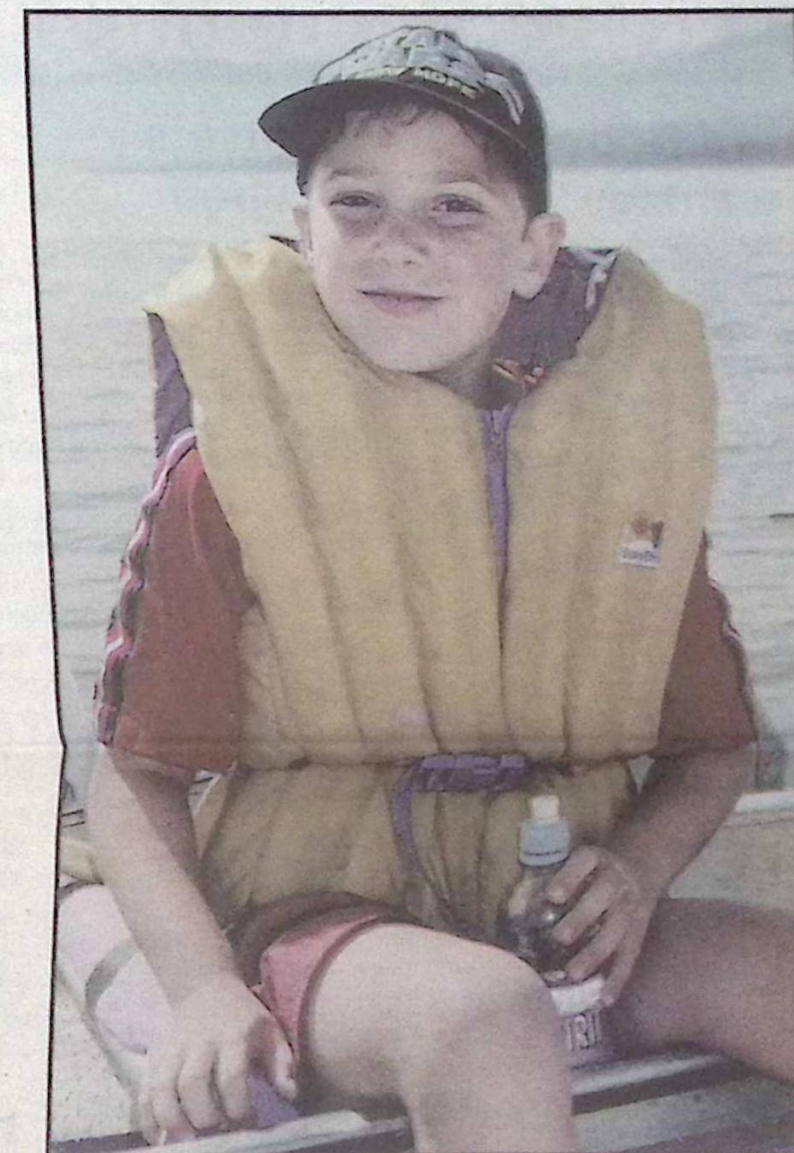
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Look who's in control!



CMFRC volunteers enjoying the great outdoors.



Captain of my own ship.



Centre de Ressources pour les Familles Militaires de Comox

Le CRFMC offre des programmes et services pour l'amélioration de la qualité de vie des militaires et de leur famille dans notre communauté. Nous vous invitons à venir nous rencontrer au Centre au 119 Kinnikinnik (en face de l'entrée principale de la base), ou nous téléphoner pour savoir, comment nous pouvons répondre le plus à vos besoins.

Directeur général	Glenn Turner	339-8211 (8340)
Assistante/Direction générale	Brenda Ouellette	339-8290
Services d'intervention et prévention	Coreen Cherry	339-8286
Assistance à l'emploi	Michelle O'Neill	339-8211 (7004)
Services de garde en cas d'urgence et de déploiement	Alex Greenwood	339-8211 (8310)
Qualité de vie	Mara Pungente	339-8211 (8310)
Programme en français	Danielle Bernier	339-8211 (8656)
Programme de garderie	Claudia Naaykens	339-5051
Jeunesse	Jill Sturrock	339-8211 (8656)
Programme de bénévoles	Tina Matchett-Bianco	339-8211 (8655)

Happy 31st Anniversary

During the week of September 15 - 26, the Canex is celebrating its 31st Anniversary with various sales and activities. On Thursday, September 16 from 1100-1400 hrs, the Canex and Wallace Gardens Community Association are holding a barbecue. Buy a hotdog & Coke for \$1.00 or a hamburger & Coke for \$1.50. All proceeds go to support the Wallace Gardens Community Association.

Come on out and support your community!

WGCA announcements

Ward Reps wanted

The Wallace Gardens Community Association consists of volunteers who organize and promote projects and services to enhance the quality of life in our community.

All residents 18 years of age or over, are eligible to become members of the association. Our community is presently divided into nine wards, each having at least one representative on the community council. The ward representative acts as a liaison between their respective ward and the Wallace Gardens Community Association on all matters pertaining to their ward. A ward representative is required for:

Ward 5: Houses 66 to 83A

Please note that the representative does not have to be a military member; significant others are encouraged to volunteer!

A ward representative is required for each ward, and if no one volunteers for the position, one will be appointed.

If you live in this ward and are interested in becoming a ward representative or you would like more information, please call the Town Clerk at 339-8211 (8571).

Volunteers required

Wallace Gardens Community Association requires volunteers to deliver our flyers for the 1999-2000 season. If you are willing to volunteer your time and get into great shape at the same time, please call Jane Bekus at the Wallace Gardens office 399-8211 (8571).

Adult Craft Club - Bow making

All crafters are welcome to attend the first meeting of the Adult Craft Club Sunday, September 19 from 1900-2200 hrs in the community centre. Along with coffee and donuts, we are going to learn how to make different kinds of bows and plan our crafts for the year. You may pick up a materials list in the Wallace Gardens office Mon. - Fri 0730-1200 hrs.

This activity is free to members of Wallace Gardens, or there is a \$3.50 drop in fee for non-members. For more information contact Jennifer @ 339-7183 or Jane @ 339-8211 (8571).

Pet Registration

As of the 31 August 1999, all pets residing in the MQ area should already be registered as per Wing Standing Order 2-07.3 & 2-07.4:

2-07.3: No person shall acquire, own, keep or harbour any pet within 19 Wing Comox resident areas unless such pet is licensed as herein provided.

2-07.4: The owner of every pet shall each year pay a licence fee in accordance with the following schedule:

For each male and female dog or cat - \$20.00

For each neutered male and spayed female dog or cat - \$10.00 all other pets - \$5.00

All pets may be registered in the Wallace Gardens office Monday - Friday 0730-1200 hrs

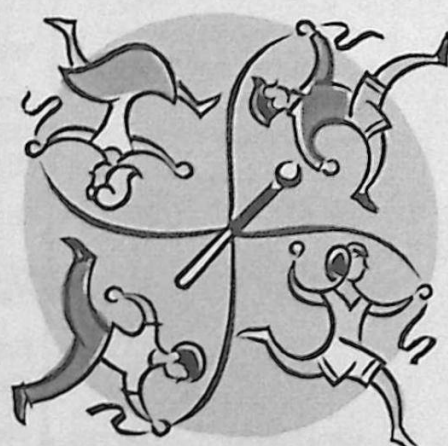
For more information contact Jane at 339-8211 (8571)

Bingo

Rhonda & Debbi would like to welcome all their regulars back for the 1999/2000 activity year. They would also like to invite any new residents to join them Sunday, 12 September from 1300-1500 hrs for their Family Bingo. Ten different games are played with a prize for each game winner.

This is a family activity and we encourage parents to come out and enjoy the afternoon with their kids, but please remember that all prizes are child-oriented. So, come on out to the community centre located between CFHA & the Post Office and try your luck.

Cost: 25¢/card members, \$1.25/first card non-members, 25¢/each additional card



Fall Yard Sale

Saturday, 18 September
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Bins will be placed in the school parking lot Friday, September 17 after school hours & picked up Sunday, September 19. They will be marked accordingly:

• **Scrap Metals & Appliances Bin:** refrigeration units will be accepted ONLY if they have been purged and are clearly marked as to be empty of all refrigerants. Propane bottles MUST be empty, devalued and purged.

• **Cardboard Bin:** please empty and flatten all cardboard boxes; contents of boxes to go into left over bin.

• **Furniture & Clean Wood Bin**

• **Leftover Bin:** this includes everything else. The contents of cardboard boxes, books, magazines, stereo's, TV's, pots, pans, etc.

TIRES & BATTERIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

Sorry, there will not be a bin for hazardous materials, paints, or wastes. Should there be any hazardous materials to be disposed of, please contact the W Env O at 339-8187 or Terry Hide at 339-8721. Empty dry paint & aerosol cans are considered garbage. Paint cans with leftovers may be returned to the supplier.

Youth events

Teen dance



Where: Community Centre
When: Saturday, 18 September

Time: 7:00 - 10:30 p.m.

Cost: \$1.00/members,
\$3.00/non-members

For more information, please call Mona Baird at 339-4627

Winter sports

Wallace Gardens Community Association is offering a fall and winter sports program for children ages 9 to 13 to be held Saturday evenings at the Base gym. If you are interested in this program, please call Jane Bekus at 339-8211 (8571)

Children's video afternoon

Susan Murray & Suzanne Cuerrier would like to invite all children 12 & under to the first video afternoon of the 1999/2000 program year. This will take place Sunday, 19 September from 1300-1500 hrs in the Community Centre, located between CFHA and the Post Office. Popcorn & juice will be provided to a cost of .50¢/members, \$1.50/non-members. For more information, please call: Susan Murray @ 339-0390 or Suzanne Cuerrier @ 338-2584



Sock Hop

12 years and under

Sadly, we say a fond farewell to the Taylor family who have moved on to bigger and better things. They will be sorely missed!

We would like to welcome Dolina Meaden and Shelley Ouellette as the new coordinators for the children's sock hops. They have lots of new ideas, which will make this season very enjoyable.

The first sock hop of the 1999 - 2000 activity season will take place Saturday, 11 September from 1800-2000 hrs. As room is at a premium, in the temporary Community Centre, the first sock hop will be held at the WARF in order to accommodate all the children. If we find this works well, all future sock hops will be held there until we move into our permanent facilities. The same rules apply as in previous years:

A parent/adult must accompany the child into the WARF; A parent/adult must pick up the child inside the WARF.
Cost of this activity: .50¢/member, \$1.50/non-member

For more information please call:

Dolina Meaden 890-0679 or Shelley Ouellette 339-4169

Glacier Greens Golf Shots



Brundige and Shaw win

By Len Doyle

On 26 August, 24 Maintenance, Pro-Shop and Club House staff members were greeted by no wind and clearing skies as they teed it up for their annual tournament at Glacier Greens.

The format was two person teams: six holes scramble, six holes best ball and final six holes - the dreaded alternate shot.

When the final putt had dropped and scores totalled it was the team of Dan Brundige and Ron Shaw (both from Maintenance) winning the coveted trophy with a score of 67. Second place, with a score of 72, went to Course Superintendent Steve Bailey and Bill Pipe (Maintenance). Last year's winner Larry Dasaluko (Maintenance) and his new partner, Frank Craig (Maintenance) came third with 73. It appeared that course knowledge was the key to success with the first three places going to Maintenance teams.

Pre-tournament favourites Doug Slauenwhite (Maintenance) and Len Doyle (Pro Shop) were fourth with 75 after a disastrous 14th hole during the alternate shot format.

A great time was had by all. Special thanks to Steve Dodd and Scott Fraser for providing food and refreshments for all the participants.

We would also like to thank the following tournament sponsors: Comox Builders, C & N Rentals, Whorrall Supply, Hartman's, Aero Art, Storey Creek GC, Pacific Playgrounds GC, Sunnydale GC, Gold River GC, Mulligan's Golf Centre, Panagopoulos Pizza, Canadian 2 for 1 Pizza, Steve Dodd Catering, Scott Fraser Golf Shop, Glacier Greens Men's Club, Ladies Club, Senior's Club and Junior's Club.

Results

1999 Champion:
Doug McArthur
70+74=144.

First five placements in each category:

Gold "A"

Luc Labrecque 72+75=147
Randy Koppa 72+76=148
Kevin Maxwell 72+77=149
Mike Dinney 77+76=153
Dan Fremont 76+78=154

Gold "B"

Lou St. Onge 75+84=159
Mark Kalbfleisch 78+83=161
Floyd Merrill 80+82+162
Evan Webber 85+79=164
Bob Marshall 81+84=165
Silver "A"
Clayton Webber 64+70=134
Ron Carter 64+71=135
John Lahey 69+67=136
Al Richards 67+71=138
G. Van Boeschoten 68+70=138

Silver "B"

Ed Carefoot 66+69=135
Claude Dufault 73+67=140
Bill Krier 72+68=140
Rollie Rowland 65+78=143
Ken Erikson 77+68=145

KPs Saturday

#4 Mike Dinney, #7 Jack Pickard, #15 Randy Koppa.

KPs Sunday

#12 & #17 Bill Chiki, #15 Rick Paterson.

McArthur victorious again!

By Vic Crisp,

Tournament director

Doug McArthur proved his golf expertise by winning the 1999 Glacier Greens Men's Championship for the second successive year. After day one, five players (including last year's invited Junior Champion, Kevin Maxwell) were within two shots of each other but, in the end, Doug finished three strokes ahead of his nearest rival.

On the first day we had beautiful sunshine with a light breeze but the weather turned on the second day giving us very cold strong winds which played havoc with the 99 golfers who took part. Many hole scores recorded were in double figures, including one competitor who had a disastrous starting hole #10 on the Saturday. During a "practice" swing he hit his third shot into the water, then played a "genuine" shot into the water - with chips and putts he ended up with an 11.

Our Hole-in-One prize (not won) was supplied by Lynn Usher of Co-operators Insurance Agencies. The tournament was sponsored by Courtenay Transfer Ltd. Our thanks go to them and to Steve and his merry men for the superb condition of the course; to Robin Corbin, Jim Hulme and Doug Cull for monitoring #15; and, finally, to Scott Fraser and his very helpful staff for making this year's event such a success.

Monday Night Ladies

By Joyce Merrill

Twenty ladies teed up for a pleasant evening of golf on August 30. Caryl Diewert was the big winner with low gross, low net and least putts. Birdie winners were Janet Edwards, Joyce Merrill and Diane Bailey had a chip-in. All received a logo ball. Sponsor hole winners were: Pat Belanger (Aero Art - KP #3), Marion Carmichael (Panagopoulos Pizza - KP #4), Judy Fellbaum (Anderton Nursery), Marg Rushton (Canadian 2 for 1 Pizza), Diane Burke (Aroma Crystal Therapy - The Garden Gate), Marion Carmichael (Fish "N" Stitches), Jean MacCrea (Giffin Pub), Judy Fellbaum (Scott Fraser Pro Shop - longest putt), Pat Everett (Steve Dodd Catering - longest drive), Betty Pearsall (Mystery prize) and Teri Healey won the 50/50 draw.

Monday Nite golf will resume on September 13 with a two-ball tournament for 9 holes. The format will change every three holes and the computer will be picking your partner. Winners will be announced at the wind-up banquet on October 4.

Tuesday Ladies

Please note that sign up time will now be 4:30 p.m. for 5:00 p.m. now that it is getting dark earlier.

It was Pin Round #6 on Tuesday 31 August. First low net went to Lorraine Courtemanche with a 67. (Lorraine has won a previous Pin Round.) Four ladies tied for second low net with a 68. Congratulations to Fran Hume who was declared winner of the pin on a C/B. Third low net went to Joyce Merrill, Shirley Wallis and Irene Perry who also had 68s. High net was June Soper. All received a logo ball. Winners of a random draw for a Boston Pizza each were Marguerite Fournier and Fran Hume. Irene Perry won the 50/50 draw.

Enter at the Pro Shop for our second annual Shootout. The cost is \$20 per team (\$10 each).



19 WING BOWLING CENTRE

OPENS SEPTEMBER 14 FOR THE 1999-2000 SEASON
The winters are wet and long in the Comox Valley. League or casual bowling with friends is one great way to get through it in style.

All interested individuals, couples or teams interested in league bowling please contact the people listed below. Space is limited so don't dally!

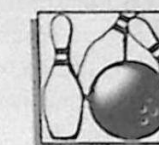
League Times		Contacts	
Monday Celics	2:00-4:00 p.m.	Doug Toombs	897-0406
Tuesday Ladies	6:45-9:00 p.m.	Moe Eisan	338-7569
Weds. Ladies	12:30-3:14 p.m.	Nancy Potvin	339-1782
Weds. Mixed	6:30-9:00 p.m.	Rod Spurr	339-6067
Thursday Mixed	6:30-9:00 p.m.	Rod Spurr	339-6067

Casual Bowling

Fridays 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Sundays 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

If you have any queries or are unable to contact the persons listed above, please call the Bowling Centre manager, Scott Teasdale, at 334-1937 or Pat Andrews at 338-8317.

We also take bookings for section parties, sports afternoons, various organizations, birthdays, etc.



19TH ANNUAL TERRY FOX MARATHON OF HOPE

Date: 17 September
Registration: 1130 to 1230 hours
Place: 19 Wing Rec Centre Parking Lot
Start: 1230 hours
Cost: Pledge sheet

*Pledge forms available at the FS&R secretary's office

Distance: 4 Km and 8 Km routes

JOG - WALK - CYCLE - ROLLER BLADE

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For more info contact Rec Coordinator at 339-8211 local 8989

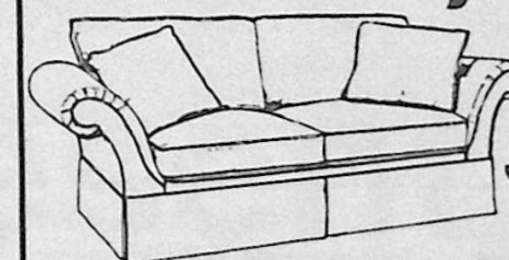


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This was an actual accident for which the driver should be commended for having taken the proper steps and evasive measure to avoid a larger and more dangerous collision. BZ to the driver, and to all of you who had the right response. DDC saves lives!

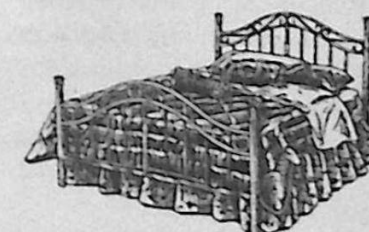
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HISTORY OF THE MILITARY AIR SERVICES OF CANADA - Part 11

(Original prepared by Capt D. Nicks. Editing and additional material by LCol Leversedge.)

Unification



It was argued in 1964 that the command, logistics, administration and training functions of the three services of Canada could be streamlined and unified.

In April 1964 the government introduced bill C-90 "Integration of the Headquarters Staff" into the house.

On 1 August this bill created a single commander of the armed services of Canada, the "Chief of the Defence Staff"; all element commanders reported to him instead of directly to the Minister of National Defence. This brought the functional command of the entire armed forces under one headquarters: Canadian Forces Headquarters (CFHQ). The Canadian Armed Forces were now broken down into six functional commands:

Mobile Command

Was formed to maintain a combat ready land and air force capable of rapid deployment.

Maritime Command

Embodied all sea and air maritime forces on the Atlantic and Pacific.

Air Transport Command
Would provide strategic airlift capability.

Air Defence Command
Would contribute squadrons for the defence of North America.

Training Command
Was responsible for all individual training, and

Material Command
Was to provide the necessary supply and maintenance support to the other functional commands.

Additionally, there were two other elements: Communications Systems (in 1970 elevated to command status), and Canadian Forces Europe which was an independent organisation reporting directly to CFHQ.

On 6 November 1966, bill C-243 "The Canadian Forces Reorganisation Act" was introduced to the house. This bill would amend the National Defence Act to reflect the unification process. Under the previous National Defence Act, Canada supported three separate forces (the Canadian Army, the Royal Canadian Navy and the Royal Canadian Air Force); under the amendment there would be only one force. The Canadian Forces Reorganisation Act came into effect 1 February 1968. Unification brought

many external and internal changes. The most visible change was the move to all green uniforms by most personnel and the standardisation of ranks with the air element adopting army style nomenclature for ranks. The post-unification period, however, also brought continuous changes in structure and evolution/devolution of responsibilities.

Some of the significant changes over the following years included:

- Material Command became Associate Deputy Minister (Material) ADM (Mat).

- Air Command was formed in September 1975. This change brought Transport and Air Defence Command (both had be-

come groups), Tactical Air Group and Maritime Air Group under overall command of Air Command.

- The formation of Air Command also brought changes to Training Command with a name change to Training Systems and an associated move to Trenton.

- 1988 saw the re-introduction of distinctive environmental uniforms (DEU) as the Air Force returned to light blue uniforms.

- In 1994 Canadian Forces Europe closed its doors marking in part the end of the Cold War era.

Re-Formation of Wings

An RCAF F-86 Sabre in European camouflage.



The basic organisational structures and nomenclature of Canada's military aviation were first established in WWI. With the formation No. 1 Canadian Wing RAF in 1918, the wing became standard in air operations, along with commands, groups, squadrons and flights.

In using this structure, Canada followed the well-established Royal Air Force model.

Many RCAF wings were formed during WWII including famous ones such as No. 127 (Fighter Wing where Wing Commander Johnny Johnson was the first Commanding Officer. A Spitfire wing, No. 127 comprised Nos. 403, 416 and 421 Squadrons. No. 143 Wing, another famous wartime formation, consisted of Nos. 438, 439 and 440 Squadrons flying Typhoon aircraft.

After the war, new wings were established, many in response to the NATO build-up in Europe. There were four RCAF NATO wings, Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4, in England, France and Germany flying Sabres, Canucks and Starfighters. Wings were also established in Canada such No. 14, an air reserve wing in Toronto overseeing Nos. 400 and 411 Squadrons.

When the Royal Canadian Navy, the Canadian Army and the Royal

Canadian Air Force integrated in February 1968, the RCAF structure, including wings, disappeared. The Canadian Armed Forces adopted a new organisation structured on the Base concept. Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Air Reserve Wings were re-established in the 1970s and No. 3 (Fighter) Wing, Lahr, and No. 4 (Fighter) Wing, Baden were also re-established in the late 1980s to meet

NATO air force command and control requirements.

Finally, beginning in 1993 the Air Force re-established the wing structure and nomenclature across the entire organisation.

Each of the existing bases then received a numerical designation ranging from 1 to 22 (i.e. 19 Wing Comox) in some cases based on the previous historical affiliations of the base.

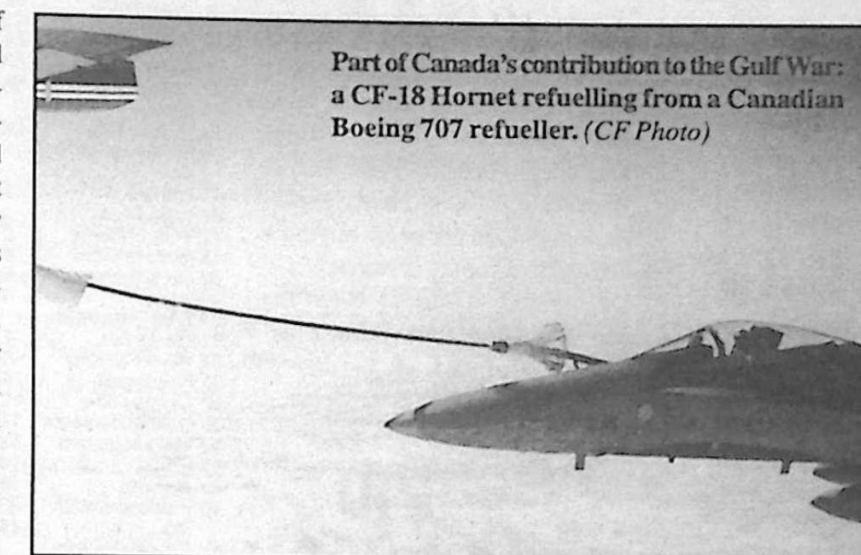
The latest change in structure for the Air Force was brought about in 1997. Previous studies had established the need to eliminate at least one layer of headquarters in the overall establishment, which had gradually shrunken with periodic budget cutbacks and personnel reductions. The Air Force decided to eliminate the existing Air Command Headquarters in Winnipeg along with each of the Group Headquarters. In their place, the Chief of the Air Staff (CAS) amalgamates the strategic level functions of each of the five previous HQs. 1 Canadian Air Division (1 CAD) in Winnipeg amalgamates the operational level functions of AIRCOM, 10 TAG, MAG, ATG and FG. In addition, 1 CAD assumed the responsibilities for Canadian NORAD Region (CANR) Headquarter functions and is officially known as 1 CAD/CANRHQ. The nomenclature for both CAS and 1 CAD re-introduces historical terminology in that both these entities previously existed in the RCAF/CF.

Re-Formation of 1 Canadian Air Division and Chief of Air Staff

Persian Gulf

On 2 August 1990 Iraq invaded Kuwait. This act of aggression precipitated the Persian Gulf war. The world in unison chastised this act of violence and a coalition of forces was formed to liberate Kuwait. Diplomacy failed and the United Nations Security Council issued an ultimatum to Saddam Hussein: leave Kuwait by 15 January or suffer the consequences. Shortly after mid-night, 17 January 1991, the coalition forces opened their strategic bombing campaign. This campaign lasted until the cease-fire on 28 February 1991. The ground assault started on 24 February 1991 after the most successful air assault in history. This ground assault swept through the Iraqi defensive lines and turned the battle into a rout.

Canada joined the coalition in condemning Iraq and committed her forces. Initially Canada's contribution was two helicopter destroyers (DDH) and a supply ship (AOR) to assist in the blockade in the Persian Gulf (Operation Friction); included in this task group were the ships complement of Sea King helicopters. These aircraft flew many missions to investigate unknown sea traffic. To protect her men-of-war, Canada committed a squadron of 18 CF-18s (Operation Scimitar). After a long recce of the in-theatre airfields, Doha



Part of Canada's contribution to the Gulf War: a CF-18 Hornet refuelling from a Canadian Boeing 707 tanker. (CF Photo)

in Qatar was selected as the deployment base. The deployment to Doha started on 4 October 1990 from the available forces in Canadian Forces Europe, and the first operational missions were flown on 9 October 1990. The commitment later increased to 24 and then 28 CF-18s.

The original task for Canadian Air Task Group Middle East's (CATGME) was Combat Air Patrol (CAP) for the fleet in the Persian Gulf; this changed later to a coalition CAP of the Persian Gulf. This task continued until 24 January 1991

when sweep and escort missions were authorised and flown by the Canadian Forces, and then finally on 24 February 1991 air-to-ground missions were authorised and flown.

Included in our air commitment to the coalition was an air-to-air tanker. This arrived in-theatre on 8 January 1991 and joined the other tanker resources of the coalition. Their first mission was flown on 9 January 1991 and continued until the cease-fire.

In January 1991 it was decided to bring all of the Canadian Forces units deployed to the Persian Gulf under one Canadian Commander. The headquarters were set up in Bahrain and they were provided with a light transport/utility Challenger. Operational command of all Canadian resources was assigned to the Canadian commander, while operational control was delegated to the coalition.

After the cease-fire, Canada quickly repatriated her forces back to their original bases and the deployment bases in Bahrain and Doha were closed out in March 1991.

CF-18s in Doha, Qatar



(CF Photo)

To the Present

In the face of ever decreasing budgets and resources, the Canadian Air Force has remained extremely busy ever since the Gulf War, with operational deployments of every kind around the globe: airlift missions into the former Yugoslavia, into Africa, into Russia and many other parts of the world have been a frequent occurrence in support of both operational deployments and humanitarian assistance.

CF-18s have been deployed operationally to NATO bases in support of missions in Bosnia and the former areas of Yugoslavia. Tactical aviation missions have been flown in Haiti in support of the UN. CP-140 maritime patrol aircraft deployed to Italy in support of the UN maritime embargo on the former Yugoslavia.

Within Canada, Air Force missions in support of relief for various disasters such as the Manitoba and Saguenay region floods and the Quebec/Ontario ice storms have also added to the operational tempo. Even Air Force personnel, particularly from the support echelon, have themselves been increasingly committed to CF operational deployments around the world. In all cases, the finest traditions of the Air Force have been and continue to be upheld.

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Newcomers' Club

For women new to the Comox Valley within the last two years. Join us Monday, September 13 at 7:15 p.m. for our first 1999/2000 meeting at the Florence Filberg Centre, Evergreen Seniors Lounge, 411 Anderton Avenue, Courtenay. For more info: Karen 703-2611 or Dorothy 897-1089.

**Officers' Mess Ladies' Club
Calendar of Events**

Wednesday, September 15 at 7:00 p.m.
Wine & Cheese
Welcome new members and catch up with old friends.

Wednesday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m.
Craft Night
Learn new crafts for fall and Christmas.

Wednesday, November 17
Fall Fashion Show
Doors open 7:00 p.m. show starts at 7:30 p.m.
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Registration 12 noon at Driftwood Mall Courtenay parking lot. Ride leaves mall at 1:00 p.m. Stuffed toys available to buy for \$5.00 each at Registration Desk. Help support St. Joseph's Hospital by buying a Teddy Bear for the children.

Our Motto: A Teddy Bear for Every Child that enters St. Joseph's Hospital.
Any contribution is welcome.

**Search
for 10,000
students**

The Rotary Club of Ottawa has launched a nation-wide search to find past participants in its highly successful annual Adventure in Citizenship program. To celebrate the millennium and explore Canadian citizenship in the 21st century, the Rotary Club is planning a 50th anniversary gathering of these 10,000 Adventurers and their families. It will be held in Ottawa, 4-7 August 2000 as part of the millennial celebrations in the nation's capital.

Each spring since 1951, the Rotary Club of Ottawa has hosted over 200 outstanding high school seniors from across the country for a 5-day Adventure in Citizenship program. Some former Adventurers, such as the Rt. Hon. Joe Clark, Adrienne Clarkson and the Hon. Ed Broadbent, have become prominent in public life and are easy to find. But Rotary needs help in locating many others.

If you are a former Adventurer, or know of one, please contact the Rotary Club of Ottawa, P.O. Box 9041, Ottawa, ON K1G 3T8. Phone: 613-241-6003. Fax: 613-445-6438 or e-mail to rotary@ottawa.com. For additional details, visit the web site at www.rotaryottawa.com

**TODAY'S
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6 Church vestment
9 Slow mover
14 Pierre's farewell
15 That's neighbor
16 Multitude
17 Unimportant person

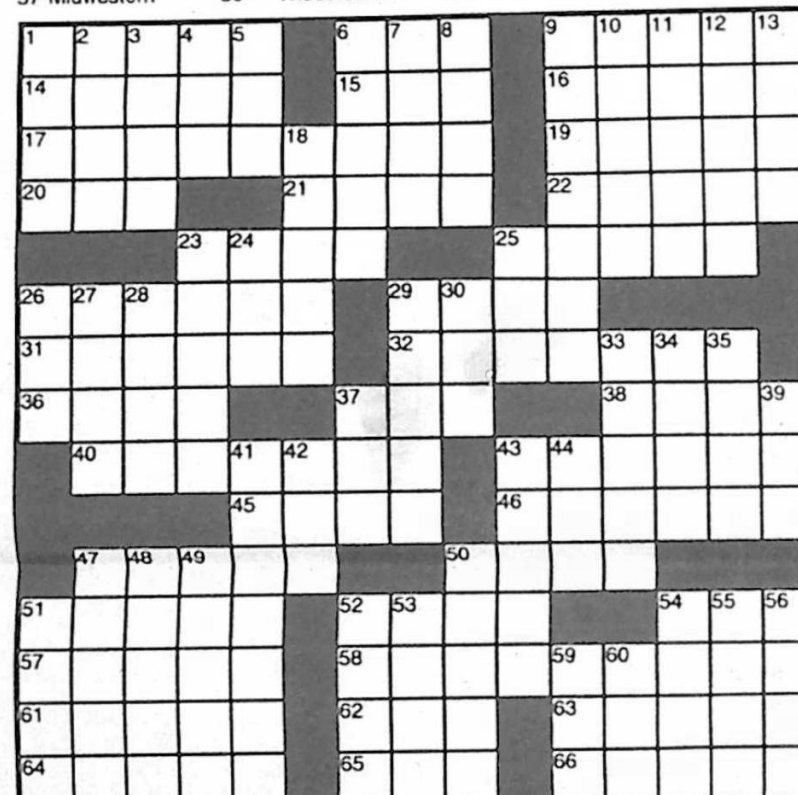
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19 Novelist Zola
20 Broad-antlered deer
21 Cheers
22 Light beam
23 Wife of Osiris
25 More ancient
26 Grow incisors, e.g.
29 Foot Teasdale
31 Decks out
32 Wheel covers
36 Hoosegow
37 Clumsy one
38 Holster contents
40 Melodious bird
43 Ghost
45 Impulse
46 Fourscore and ten
47 Chandelier trim
50 Have a yen (for)
51 Dim
52 Take — (be recognized)
54 Enemy
57 Midwestern
33 Maturing, as brandy
34 Not diluted
35 Tizzy
37 Assn.
39 Dirty place
41 Sheens
42 Tentacle
43 Drifting?
44 — the Tail on the Donkey?
47 Out-of-date
48 Cowboy's rope
49 Gold bar
50 Loamy soil
51 Type of shaving cream
52 Site of the 26 Down
53 Raised, as horses
54 Finance
55 First word in fairy tales
56 Garden spot
59 — do I love thee?
60 "Yes," to Yves

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**Community Expo 99**

See the exciting recreational clubs and activities that are available in the 19 Wing community. Many clubs will be offering registration opportunities. In a one-stop visit discover information about the activities which are of interest to you and your family. Check out the great volunteer opportunities in local clubs or community organizations.

Participate in CMFR's Annual Fun Event where there will be lots of activities and prizes for children

When: Saturday, September 11
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**Canada's
fire loss facts**

Each year thousands of fires are caused due to the careless or improper use of cooking equipment. Never leave cooking appliances unattended when in use.

Every year children playing with matches and lighters start approximately 1300 fires. Keep matches and lighters out of sight and out of reach of children.

Cooking related fires are the number one cause of home fire,

causing many deaths and hundreds of injuries every year. Leaving cooking appliances unattended when in use is dangerous and could be fatal. Take care when cooking with oil. All cooking fires are preventable — select the correct temperature for food preparation and keep stovetops clean and clear at all times.

Careless smoking is the leading cause of home fire deaths. Never allow smoking in bed. Before leaving a room check upholstered furniture for embers and ensure that all smoking materials are extinguished.

A hostile fire occurs approximately every eight minutes.

Fire Departments answer over 67,000 fire calls annually.

A fire death occurs on average every 20 hours. About 80% of all Canadian fire deaths occur in home fires.

-A fire injury occurs on average every two hours.

-Over 39,000 fires occurred in structures (about 26,000 in residences).

B.C. burn facts

Did you know that:

-Every hour a fire causing damage occurs in B.C.

-Every day someone is injured by fire in B.C.

-Fire causes approximately \$450,000 damage each day in B.C.

-Fire kills in B.C. every 10 days.

-43% of burn injuries in B.C. are caused by fires.

-Persons aged 1 to 14 years have the second highest incidence of burns injuries from fire.

Association Francophone de la Vallée de Comox

"The mission of the Association Francophone de la Vallée de Comox is to promote the French language and culture by means of educational, cultural, economic and social activities within the community at large."

Notre mandat est de promouvoir la langue et la culture francophone dans la Vallée de Comox en répondant aux besoins de la population dans les domaines communautaires, socio-culturels, éducatifs et économiques par la réalisation de activités et de services.

Activités et Classes Septembre — Décembre

(M = membre, NM = Non-membre)

Français Débutant I: Le 30 septembre. Les jeudis de 18h30-20h30. M/\$64, NM/\$80 (10 sem.)

Conversation française (jour): Le 21 septembre. Les mardis de 10h-12h. M/\$48, NM/\$60 (12 sem.)

Français Int./Avancé: Le 27 septembre. Les lundis de 18h30-20h30. M/\$64, NM/\$80 (10 sem.)

Français Débutant II: Le 28 septembre. Les mardis de 18h30-20h30. M/\$64, NM/\$80 (10 sem.)

Espagnol Int. Avancé: Le 28 septembre. Les mardis de 18h30-20h30. M/\$64, NM/\$80 (10 sem.)

Espagnol Débutant I: Le 30 septembre. Les jeudis de 18h30-20h30. M/\$64, NM/\$80 (10 sem.)

Conversation française (soir): Le 27 septembre. Les lundis de 18h30-20h30. M/\$50, NM/\$40 (10 sem.)

Chorale adulte: (Pauline: 338-2193) Le 15 septembre. Les mercredis de 19h-21h. M/\$30, NM/\$37.50

Club Jeunesse — Septembre

Marche rapide - 21 septembre. Les mardis et jeudis à 9h.

Chorale enfants 4e+ Le 16 septembre. Les jeudis de 15h-16h. M/\$16, NM/\$20

Mini Franco-fun - Octobre. 2 fois par mois — les mercredis de 15h15-16h30. M/\$2, NM/\$2.50

Vente de pâtisseries: Le 27 novembre. Le samedi de 12h-17h. Driftwood Mall.

Souper partage: Halloween. Le 29 octobre. 17h-20h. Jeux, concours de costumes, musique.

Souper partage: Noël - Le 4 décembre. Le samedi à 17h30

Concert et Soirée de Variétés de Noël. Le 18 décembre. Le samedi de 19h30-21-30. M/\$5, NM/\$6

Air Force orders special inspections of jet fleets

A special inspection will be conducted on all 27 Canadian Forces CT-113 Silver Star aircraft, a small single-engine jet more commonly known as the T-Bird. The inspections will be carried out before next flight to replace a part of the aircraft's ejection system.

Flight test personnel conducting tests to qualify a larger parachute at the Aerospace Engineering Test Establishment at CFB Cold Lake, Alberta detected the problem after two of four T-Bird seat ejections failed to function normally. This led to re-examination of a CT-114 Tutor ejection system test conducted in July that also failed to function normally. It was determined that a particular cartridge activated device (CAD)

on the ejection seat was the source of the problem. It was further determined that the CADs in all three affected ejection test were from the same manufacturer's lot number.

Aircraft parts are tracked electronically and through the use of hard copy forms kept in the aircraft maintenance logbooks. These records provide a history of the life cycle of specific components, accessories or parts for each aircraft, including these particular CADs. A review of the records for the CT-133 fleet reveals that parts from the suspect lot are installed in 24 of the 27 currently active T-Bird jets. All suspect cartridges will be replaced.

Although a review of electronic records indicates that not one of

the 93 currently active CT-114 Tutors has suspect cartridges installed, a further review of the hard copy records for each individual aircraft has been ordered to verify this. These particular CADs are also installed and will be replaced in all of the CF-5 jets retired in 1995 and awaiting disposal through Crown Assets Disposal Corporation.

Each inspection will take up to eight hours per aircraft. Minimal impact to flying operations is anticipated as a result of this special inspection.

The T-Bird has been in service with the CF since 1953. The 27 active T-Birds are located in Comox, B.C.; Cold Lake, Alta.; Bagotville, Que. and Greenwood, N.S.



Royal Canadian Legion

Branch 17 Courtenay (334-4322)

Dance: every Friday evening, 8:00 p.m.

Sep 10 Alley Cats
Sep 17 Vested Interest
Sep 24 Island Country

Special Events:

6th Annual Bob Pearce Memorial Slowpitch Ball Tournament - Lewis Park 4-6 September.

Come out and enjoy some excellent ball and support our local team on to victory. Refreshments available.

Zone Meeting - 12 Sept at Branch, commencing 1:00 p.m.

All members invited to attend.

Games Night - 18 Sept - crib, darts, euchre, pool.

Registration 6:30 p.m. play 7:00 p.m.

Hillbilly Hoedown - 24 September. Come out and enjoy some Tennessee foot stomping hillbilly music - dress accordingly.

Crib Tournament - 26 Sept.

Registration noon, play starts 1:00 p.m.

**Branch 28 Cumberland
(336-2361)**

Every Wednesday, Bingo 7:00 p.m.

Hall rental: non-members \$75, members \$50, kitchen use \$25.

Branch 160 Comox (339-2022)

Mondays...Ladies Auxiliary Drop-in Bingo

(Upper Hall doors open 6:30 p.m., Bingo 7:00 p.m.)

Friday Night Dances 8-12 p.m.

Sep 10 Norm's Combo
Sep 17 Double Play
Sep 24 Alley Cats

General Meeting: Thursday, Sep 16, 8:00 p.m.

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Air Force Association of Canada

Calendar of Events

Battle of Britain Parade - 19 September: form up at CFB Ice Arena 10:30 hrs. A maximum attendance by members is requested. Dress - traditional, regalia.

Sunday Brunches & Games: First Sunday each month, commencing September 3.

Candlelight Supper - 25 September: Seating plan, music by New Music Man. Tickets September 8.

Pub Grub starts September 10. Horse Racing, Darts, Cards.

Oktoberfest - October 23.

Next Wing General Meeting: Wednesday, 6 October, 8:00 p.m.

Regular Force Members Welcome!

888 Wing hours:

Monday - closed*

Wednesday, noon - 6:00 p.m.

Friday, noon - 1:00 a.m.**

* Bar open on Holiday Mondays. ** Bar could be closed as early at 9:00 p.m. if there are no customers, at the discretion of the Bar Manager.

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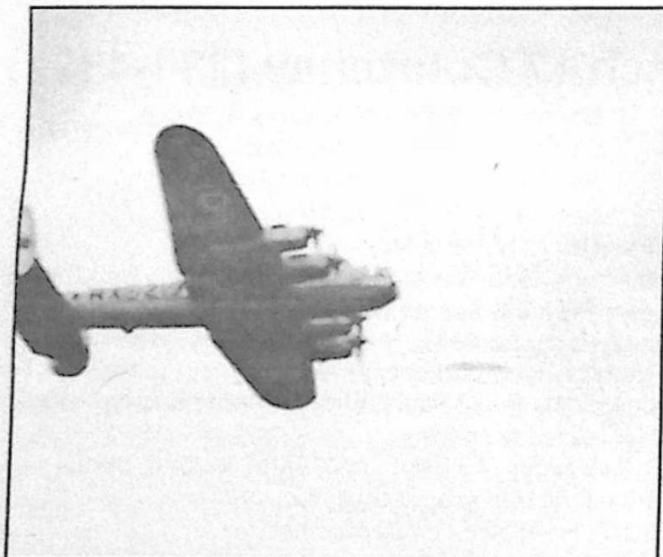
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The Canadian Cancer Society still has lots of daffodil bulbs for sale. Please contact the local office at 102-1509 Cliffe Avenue, Courtenay. Phone 338-5454.

Museum's model Lancaster on show in Victoria



Model in full flight.

The Comox Air Force Museum packed up its flying Lancaster model and took it to Victoria for the weekend of 28-29 August. During a two-day event, sponsored by the Victoria Radio Controlled Modelers Society, the Lancaster was flown twice in front of a crowd of about 500 people. Capt Mike Benoit, an Air Traffic Controller from 19 Wing, flew the Lancaster off a 500-foot grass strip and provided some excitement for the crowd with his take off technique and low flybys. The crowd really appreciated the unique sound of four engines in harmony as the large model cruised leisurely over their heads. Even the lands were well handled and the model survived intact to fly another mission.

The next engagement for the Lancaster is at the opening of the Nanaimo Collishaw airport at Cassidy, B.C. Mr. Ted Brothers of the Vancouver Island Military Museum (Nanaimo) has been active for many years in promoting a name change of the Nanaimo/Cassidy airport. Raymond Collishaw, the famous World War I aviator with the RNAS, originally came from Nanaimo and Mr. Brothers and his supporters have always maintained that the airport should be named in his honour. Well, Ted has finally succeeded in his mission and the airport will be named Nanaimo Collishaw on 2 October. He has submitted a formal request for a 19 Wing flyby and Comox Air Force Museum support for a flying model demonstration of military aircraft.

Battle of Britain Day finally official

By Tet Walston

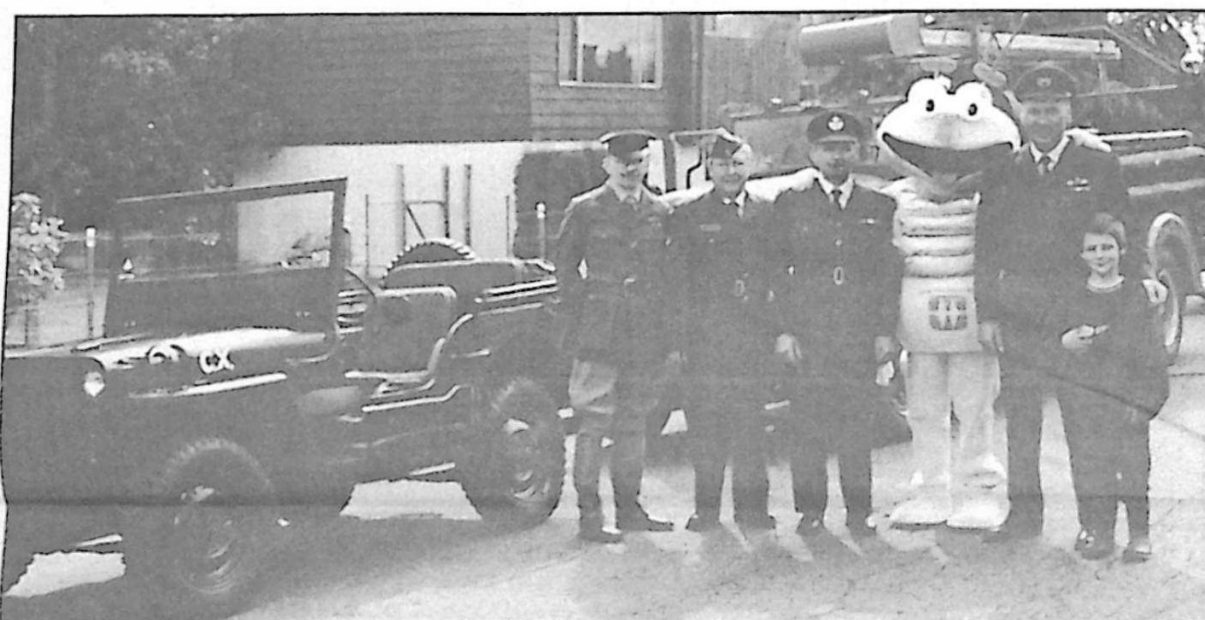
For the past 56 years or so, 15 September has been accepted as Battle of Britain day, and Battle of Britain Sunday has been the Sunday on or following the 15th.

The Royal Air Force Association has finally succeeded in its efforts to have the Air Council declare that 15 September is officially Battle of Britain Day.

This declaration does not alter the dates of Battle of Britain Sunday, which have been published earlier; it promotes them to being official.

For the purists, Battle of Britain Day on 15 September 2002 will also be Battle of Britain Sunday. WW2 Veterans, please do your best to attend this Parade!!

Per Ardua ad Astra



Museum personnel on parade. The yellow bug in the middle came from the windshield of the jeep, while the good looking lad on the extreme right hitched a ride in the '53 ambulance. Circa July 1/99.

Organization of military museums' course Camp Gagetown Aug 15-20

By Joel Clarkston

"The Organization of Military Museums of Canada is comprised of organizations and individuals committed to the preservation and the promotion of public interest in Canada's military heritage. Since 1967 museums, historians and military history enthusiasts have looked to the OMMC for support in the promotion and development of effective military museums. Members include Department of National Defence base and regimental museums; Parks Canada historic sites; and a wide variety of other military, aviation and maritime museums."

So states the opening paragraph of the brochure distributed to promote membership in the Organization of Military Museums.

What the brochure does not tell you is that up until the early 1990s, the OMMC was sponsored and supported by the Canadian War Museum.

There then occurred a separating of the ways and the OMMC cut loose to form its own separate entity with a five-member executive and a ten-member board of directors.

In 1997, I was happy to be nominated and elected to a board position on the OMMC. Up to that date, there had been limited representation by the Air Force on the board and the principal focus of the activity was directed at the land and sea elements. During my term I cannot say that I had much direct influence on the board's activity, but during the most recent OMMC conference at Camp Gagetown, New Brunswick, the membership elected two new Air Force representatives to the board. B/Gen (ret'') Brace was elected to the position of Vice President, and 1 CAD SSO Heritage Don Pearsons was elected to the position of Director. This is good news for the Air Force museums as their

profile and involvement will increase along with the success of the OMMC. And make no doubt about it, the OMMC has been very successful with a membership that continues to grow and an influence at the government level that continues to expand.

One of the keynote speakers at the OMMC conference was Dr. William Atwater of the United States Army Ordnance Museum. This museum houses and displays a variety of military weapons including tanks, self-propelled guns and artillery pieces complete with ammunition types. An interesting topic brought up by Dr. Atwater was the involvement of the environmental movement within the operation of the Ordnance Mu-

seum. It seems that some of the material within the tanks was declared to be hazardous waste, and this determination included the luminous dials painted on the instruments within the tanks. Given the low radiation levels emitted by these dials, Dr. Atwater contended that the only way that they were of a hazard to a person was if said person removed the dial face from the instrument and ate it! Despite that contention, he has been directed to remove all of the instruments and have them sealed in appropriate containers. This includes those tanks that have been welded shut to prevent intrusions by the public. He has to go to the extraordinary step of cutting open the armoured vehicles and tanks

that have been sealed shut in order to remove the offending instruments. And he has been given a budget of \$1 million (American) each year for the next eight years to do so.

We sincerely hope that this level of scrutiny does not reach across the border and touch some of the northern museums.

The OMMC puts on an annual course of museum studies and has room for about 120 people at the course. For the last two years that course has been over-subscribed and has been very popular with museum personnel across the country.

The Comox Air Force Museum has been well represented at the course and has regularly sent a representative. This year, the museum's Spitfire project was highlighted with a 30 minute slide presentation being given to all of the air museums in attendance.

Given the high profile of OMMC and its success as an organization, it is positioned to have a great deal of influence over the federal governmental matters as they pertain to military history and heritage.



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