

FLIGHT TO THE FINISH

VAMPIRE PAVILION Honorary Colonels' Challenge



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The end of the \$1 Million Vampire Pavilion Fundraising Campaign is now in sight with over **\$820,000** raised to date!



To mark the 100 year anniversary of the Royal Canadian Air Force in 2024, 19 Wing and the Comox Valley Air Force Museum Association are fundraising to construct a pavilion in the Comox Air Force Museum Heritage Air Park to house the DeHavilland Vampire Mark III, tail number 17031. Due to its wood construction it cannot be stored outside and is currently being stored on the Base away from public sight.

As we approach the end of this RCAF Centennial Year we are asking all to consider donating to this historical project. 19 Wing Honorary Colonels past and present have initiated the campaign by contributing \$40,000 and we are now asking you for your support. We are so close! Let's see the Vampire Pavilion completed for the summer of 2025 for all to enjoy.

Donate online and receive a tax receipt immediately.
<https://comoxairforcemuseum.ca/rcaf-2024/vampire-pavilion>

Project Update

- The ground has been cleared and compacted, forms made for the anchor bolts for the 4 columns.
- The first pour took place on Tuesday, Nov 12th 2024.
- The anchor bolts are on site and will be put in as the foundation forms are placed and poured.
- The slab will be placed in the spring.



TIMELINE

1943
SEPT
20

DeHavilland Vampire
took first flight

1948
JAN

RCAF took possession
of first 85 *Vampires*

1948
APR

Vampire #17031 assigned to
442 "City of Vancouver" Sqn

2000
MAY

Vampire #17031 flew
into CFB Comox

Quick Facts



Top speed
470 knots/540 MPH



Range
1200 NM or 1930 KM



Rate of climb
4700 ft/p/m

Armament

4 HISPANO 20mm Cannons

To date we have raised \$820,000! Help us reach the goal... **\$1 mil**