



**COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT
REGIMENTAL DAY MESSAGE
SUNDAY, 17 MARCH 2024**

To All Patricias,

On this day, 17 March, we celebrate the late Princess Patricia's (later Lady Patricia Ramsay) birthday which is our most important Regimental Day. Carol and I would like to extend to all members of the Patricia Family our best wishes as we provide recognition to her everlasting contribution to our Regiment but also the proud legacy of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

Our original Colonel-In-Chief's birthday has become the occasion in war and peace for Battalion parades, broom-i-loo games, and a gathering of Patricias in many locations around the world. We hope that each of you will find a way to suitably celebrate this day and be able to raise a glass or get together in some manner to reflect upon the proud legacy of her Regiment that is now in its 110th year and, of course, to honour the current efforts of our serving members, Association, Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund, and PPCLI Foundation.

This year is particularly special as we will celebrate our 110th Anniversary with special events in Edmonton 19-22 June, Ottawa 9-10 August, a PPCLI Art Display at the Calgary Military Museums 3 October through December 2024 and other activities as organized by 2 PPCLI in Shilo and Association Branches across the country.

The need for our Regiment and its highly trained soldiers is more evident than ever as the world is facing unprecedented challenges that are impacting our nation and, in turn, our military. We should each be incredibly proud of the commitment, resilience, and hard work of our Patricia soldiers who will once again be deploying on operations later this year.

In conclusion, wherever you are and whomever you are blessed to be with, take a moment on this special day to reflect on our original Princess Patricia and celebrate what it means to be part of a great Regimental Family!

Regimentally yours,

Brigadier-General R.R. Romses, OMM, CD (Ret'd)
Colonel of the Regiment
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