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Colonel-in-Chief

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

Message from the Colonel-in-Chief



**The Countess
Mountbatten of Burma,
CBE, CD, JP, DL**

The year 2000 was another successful year for the Regiment. Patricia's have continued to perform extremely well on overseas deployments, whether deployed as a unit or on individual assignment, on professional courses, on exercise or during the performance of their normal garrison duties.

Once again, I was most fortunate to have had the opportunity to visit all three Battalions of the Regiment during the past year. I was able to visit along with my eldest son, Norton (Lord Romsey), Third Battalion during their recently completed tour in Bosnia. It was certainly evident that their presence and efforts had made a significant difference and that their dedication and perseverance with the mission had ensured a successful tour of duty.

It was again a pleasure to visit Canada this year and I was pleased to attend the Change of Command ceremony for the Second Battalion with my son, Micheal-John. They did an excellent job, despite being in the midst of pre-deployment training for their upcoming mission to Bosnia. I was particularly pleased to have the opportunity to participate again in the Presentation of New Colours to the First Battalion, having presented the old Colours in Calgary in 1977.

The Change of Colonels of the Regiment, which also took place, was an important event in our Patricias' history, which I always find a very important and moving occasion. On behalf of all the members of my Regiment I would like once more to thank MGen. Hewson for his outstanding service and dedication to the care of the Patricias, so ably helped and supported by his wife, Norah, to whom we are also most grateful.

We are very fortunate to have as his successor such a distinguished and well-known Patricia as General de Chastelain who we welcome most warmly and look forward to his contributions and involvement over the coming years.

I am sure that the year 2001 will offer more exciting challenges to all members of the Regiment. I am looking forward to the publication of the new Regimental History, which is being authored by David Bercuson. A considerable amount of work has gone into the planning and preparation of this volume and my thanks, on behalf of all ranks of the Regiment, go out to all those who voluntarily contributed so much of their time and energy to capturing the meaning of the Regiment. In addition, I am looking forward to my visit to the Second Battalion in Bosnia and then joining them in Winnipeg for the celebrations surrounding the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of Kap'Yong.

I am confident that Patricia's everywhere will continue to lead by example and that their professional endeavours and achievements will continue to be outstanding examples of our "PROUD HERITAGE."



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Colonel of the Regiment

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

Message from the Colonel of the Regiment

**General
A.J.G.D. de Chastelain,
OC, CMM, CH, CD**



The Regiment celebrated the year 2000 by having each of its three battalions deployed at one time or another on operational duty in the former Yugoslavia. As the year began, First Battalion was in the run-down to a very successful and eventful tour in Kosovo, and Third Battalion deployed on what was to be an equally successful tour in Bosnia. As the year ends, Second Battalion is half way through its tour in Bosnia, also serving with professionalism and élan.

As ever, our Colonel in Chief followed a demanding program during the year to visit each of her battalions and to meet as many Patricias and their families as possible. During the summer she visited Winnipeg and presided at the Second Battalion's change of command, and then moved to Edmonton to present new Colours to First Battalion and preside at their trooping of those colours. Also in Edmonton she presided at the change of Colonel of the Regiment, when Major-General Bill Hewson handed over to me after six years of highly active and dedicated service to the Regiment in that role.

That event gave me my first opportunity to see the regiment back in its new Home Station, and the centralised organisation of the brigade group with two battalions of the regiment side by side in the same garrison. Not only was it a great honour to be back in uniform and to fill the appointment of Colonel, but it was an excellent opportunity for me to see so many old friends and to renew regimental acquaintances that have been dormant for years.

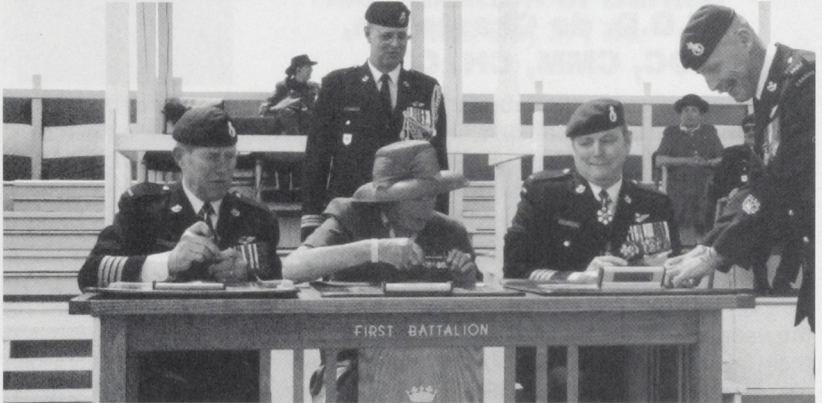
The opportunity to accompany Lady Patricia and her son, Lord Romsey, to Bosnia in July, and to visit the 3 PPCLI Battle Group there, gave me the chance to see at first hand how well our soldiers are conducting that difficult assignment.

One sad aspect of every year is the loss of old comrades within the regiment. This year ended particularly sadly with the death of Princess Patricia's son Captain Sandy Ramsay in Scotland, Colonel "Suds" Sutherland in Ottawa and with the untimely death in Croatia of Lieutenant-General Gord Reay. We grieve with their families, as we do for all Patricia's for whom Last Post sounded this year.

The year 2001 beckons with the promise of new challenges for all Patricia's, serving and retired. The ceremonies surrounding the 50th anniver-

sary of the Battle of Kapyong in the summer will give our Korean War veterans the opportunity to re-live once again their experiences of that conflict. It will give the rest of us the chance to reflect with pride on the outstanding role they and all the battalions of the regiment played in it.

CHANGE OF APPOINTMENT OF THE COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT



Lady Patricia is flanked by the out-going COR MGen Hewson, on her left and on her right by the incoming COR Gen A.J.G.D. de Chastelain.

The parade commenced at 1330 hrs with the members of First Battalion PPCLI being marched on to the parade square before nearly 3,500 spectators. The weather had been mildly co-operative. During Lady Patricia's inspection of the troops, the crowd whispered their concerns as the wind picked-up and the clouds rolled in. All were concerned that a sudden cloud burst would put a damper on things; however, this thought was quickly eliminated when Lady Patricia stepped onto the parade square to consecrate the Colours. The wind died down as the sun broke through the clouds and shone brightly over the honourable members of the 1st Battalion.

The consecration of the new Colours was followed by the change of appointment of the Colonel of the Regiment. The outgoing Colonel of the Regiment, MGen. C.W. Hewson (ret'd) had done much for the Patricia's during his six year tenure, and everyone was sad to see him leave; however, the incoming Colonel of the Regiment, Gen. A.J.G.D. John de Chastelain (ret'd) was warmly welcomed. Gen. de Chastelain is well known internationally for his reputation of being a peacekeeper and recently as a peacemaker, with his involvement in the Northern Ireland peace talks, which led to Good Friday Agreement.



HONOURS AND ACHIEVEMENTS 2000

MEDAL OF BRAVERY

SGT EARL
McCUTCHEON

CPL ROSS WEAVER

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

CAPT WADE
ENGLESBY

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MCPL TD WHITE
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CPL TV FORESTER
CPL QB MULLIN
CPL RD PEEL
CPL DC RAMOS
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CPL MA VONKALBEN

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Barr D.E.

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Ford R.J.
Sattler C.V.
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Campbell M.D.
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Moorehead G.J.
Pendergast K.

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Hacault L.A.J.
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Colonel W.B.S. Sutherland. CD, 1924-2001

Colonel William B.S. Sutherland, CD, former Colonel of the Regiment of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, passed away peacefully in Ottawa on 24 February 2001. He is survived by his loving Helen, son's; William, Robert, Brian, James, and daughters Patricia and Catherine-Mary.

Colonel (Suds) Sutherland was born in Nelson, BC on January 27th, 1924. He joined the Calgary (Tank) Regiment in 1941 and was subsequently commissioned from Sergeant to Lieutenant in 1944. He transferred to the Royal Canadian Infantry Corps in 1945 with the intention of serving with the Pacific Force, and later joined the PPCLI at Camp Shilo, Manitoba in 1946.



Colonel Sutherland served with the Canadian Army in a variety of appointments in the following years - with the First Battalion in its Mobile Strike Force (parachute) and mechanized roles, with the Third Battalion in Korea, and on attachment to the 17th Gurkha Division (22 SAS Regiment) during the Malayan emergency. Colonel Sutherland's active career, which spanned 33 years, also included senior appointments at Headquarters prior to his retirement in 1975.

Colonel Sutherland's significant contributions to the Regiment include being a President of the PPCLI Association, and head planner for the Regiment's Jubilee celebrations in 1964. As the Colonel of the Regiment PPCLI, Colonel Sutherland served from July 6th, 1983 to October 14th, 1987.

Upon his retirement from the Canadian Forces, Colonel Sutherland joined the Treasury Board's prestigious Temporary Assignment Program. He has since undertaken assignments with the Departments of Immigration, Justice, and Energy, and has served on several critical governmental Task Forces as Deputy or Director.

In addition to his public service, Colonel Suds Sutherland was a man of diverse intellectual and artistic interest with a deep love of family.

Lieutenant-General Gordon M. Reay **CMM, MBE, CD, 1943-2000**

Soldiers gathered in an Ottawa church on 12 January to pay tribute to a distinguished Commander. In a simple and solemn memorial service, Lieutenant-General(Ret'd) Gordon Reay was honoured as an exemplary officer and Chief of the Land Staff who served Canada with great distinction.

The service at Christ Church Cathedral was attended by family, senior officers, diplomats and soldiers. Those who spoke included the CLS, Lieutenant-General Mike Jeffery and Chief Warrant Officer Marius Dumont, Land Force Command Chief.

Lt-Gen. (Ret'd) Gord Reay died in the early hours of December 21 from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident in Zagreb, Croatia on December 13. He was working as a Special Advisor to Canada's Ambassador for Mine Action at the time of the accident. He was there to help establish a mine action co-ordination mechanism on behalf of the Stability Pact for Southern Eastern Europe.

LGen Reay was born in 1943 in England and completed his elementary and high school education in Montreal after moving to Canada with his parents. He graduated from the Royal Military College, Kingston in 1965 and joined the 2nd Battalion, PPCLI. He held a variety of appointments in Edmonton and Germany before attending the Canadian Land Forces Command and Staff College in 1971. He went on to serve in Cyprus, with the British Corps Headquarters in Bielfeld, Germany, with 1st Canadian Brigade Group Headquarters and as Commander of 1st Battalion, PPCLI.



After serving in a major post at NDHQ, LGen Reay was appointed to the Foreign and Defence Policy Secretariat of the Privy Council. He then commanded 1 Canadian Brigade Group. In 1989 he was promoted Major-General and served as Chief Land Doctrine and Operations. In 1991 he was appointed Deputy Commander, Land Force Command at St-Hubert before assuming command of it on 8 January 1993. He led the Army until September, 1995.

LGen Reay joined the Mine Action Team in the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in 1999 and served as Advisor to the Ambassador for Mine Action. His work focused on military-to-military relations and the destruction of anti-personnel mine stockpiles.



CAPTAIN ALEXANDER RAMSAY OF MAR 1919-2000

Captain Alexander Ramsay of Mars, who died on the eve of his 81st birthday, was among the last surviving great-grandchildren of Queen Victoria and was perhaps the least familiar member of the extended Royal Family. The Laird of Mar was the only son of Lady Patricia Ramsay, younger daughter of Prince Arthur, Duke of Connaught, who was Queen Victoria's third (and favourite) son.

Born Princess Patricia of Connaught, she had renounced her royal style and title upon her marriage in 1919 to Admiral Sir Alexander Ramsay, a son of the 13th Earl of Dalhousie, whom she had met when he was ADC to her father, then Governor-General of Canada. Their wedding, held at Westminster Abbey, was the first great royal occasion after the end of the war, and the focus of much public celebration.

Alexander Arthur Alfonso David Maule Ramsay was born in Clarence House, then home to the Duke of Connaught, on December 21, 1919. He was christened in the Chapel Royal, St. James's, in the presence of George V and Queens Mary and Alexandra. Sandy Ramsay was a play-mate of the present Queen when young and in 1937 was a page of honour at the Coronation of King George VI. He went to Eton, and in 1938 was commissioned into the Grenadier Guards; his grandfather, the Duke, was Colonel of the Regiment. He fought with them in North Africa during the Second World War, and in 1943 lost his right leg below the knee as a result of a wound sustained during a tank battle near Medjez, Tunisia. Thereafter he made use of an artificial limb.

From 1944, he was for three years the ADC to his cousin, the Duke of Gloucester, who was Governor-General of Australia. Ramsay knew that it was intended that he should inherit the MAR estates near Balmoral from his aunt, Princess Arthur of Connaught, and on leaving the Army in 1947 he went to Trinity College, Oxford, to read Agriculture.

In 1956, having obtained the necessary formal assent from the Queen, Ramsay married Flora Fraser, whom he had met at the Perth Hunt Ball. She later succeeded to her father's titles as Lady Saltoun and Chief of the Name Fraser, and they lived at her ancestral seat, Cairnbulg Castle, Fraserburgh, Aberdeenshire. There Ramsay was much occupied with estate and charitable duties; in 1971 he became a Deputy Lieutenant for the country.

Captain Ramsay was a devotee of family and Scottish history, and took a keen interest in heraldry. He also enjoyed shooting, sailing and travelling. He is survived by his wife and by their three daughters.



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Regimental Headquarters

Responsibilities

Regimental Headquarters (RHQ) is the only component of the Regiment devoted exclusively to Regimental Affairs; it is the general office of the Regiment. Regimental Headquarters is responsible for: being the Secretariat of the Regiment and the PPCLI Association; accounting for regimental funds; operation of the Regimental Kit Shop and Warehouse; operation of the Regimental Museum and Archives; editing and publishing all Regimental publications including the Association Newsletter, The Patrician and the Regimental Manual; liaison between Regimental soldiers, veterans, units, and Association Branches; maintenance of all Regimental and Association files; funerals, visits, protocol; and a variety of other tasks assigned by or on behalf of the Regimental Council.

Regimental Gratuities

The new Regimental Gratuities plan was approved in 1997. The following gratuities will be provided to all new Regimental members, serving and departing who have maintained their applicable rate of voluntary contributions since the commencement of the programme (01 January 1984) or since their enrolment, whichever is later:

- a. on joining the Regiment, regardless of entry plan, each new member will now be provided with a free issue cap badge and numbered Regimental Coin;
- b. during a career, members will receive an annual copy of *The Patrician*, and when promoted to Sergeant, a sash; and
- c. on honourable retirement, release or remuster, with:
 - (1) nine years of service or less - a small, unframed Regimental Certificate of Service (*unit or regional ERE representatives to action*);
 - (2) between nine and nineteen years of service - an engraved 4.5 " Pewter statuette (choice of 4 models) or a \$60 PPCLI Kit Shop Gift Certificate; and a small unframed Regimental Certificate of Service; and
 - (3) twenty or more years of service - an engraved 6.5" WWI Gianelli pewter statuette, and a large framed Regimental Certificate of Service. (*Individuals in this category are invited to a formal Regimental Retirement Dinner*)

Unit OPIs and ERE Regional Representatives are requested to immediately advise RHQ by e-mail, fax, or message of Patricians who are on release or remuster under the categories of sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) above. In order to prepare the applicable gratuities, RHQ needs the following particulars: name, rank, initials, decorations, enrolment date, approved retirement/release/remuster date, and forwarding address. The OPI shall provide a contact phone number to RHQ, and the proposed date of presentation of the gratuities if known.

The Regimental Museum

MUSEUM OF THE REGIMENTS, CALGARY, ALBERTA

The year 2000 was a very successful year for the Regimental Museum and Archives. The 260th Bn Canadian Siberian Expeditionary Force exhibit was installed in March and a very well attended media event was held at the Museum in August. Professor Robert Thompson, whose father is featured in the exhibit, came from New York to attend and speak of his father's involvement in the Battalion. Professor Thompson has also donated his father's rare 260th badge and accoutrements to the Museum. The Vimy Ridge Academy display featuring the Korean War was installed in Edmonton in August and a new exhibit is planned for later in 2001.

The upgrade of the weapons vault storage is now complete and the entire collection of approximately 500 firearms has been verified and the registration information submitted to the Canadian Firearms Centre. The Museum and Archives received and catalogued approximately 550 artifacts and archival items in 2000, for a total value of approximately \$20,000. The most notable acquisitions were the medals, sword and documents of Lieutenant Colonel Burness and the uniform, trench art and photographs of Captain Giou.



The new museum exhibit on the 260th BN that served overseas in the U.S.S.R. during 1919.

Approximately half of the photograph collection has been catalogued and scanned onto the archival database. This ongoing project has been supported by a grant from Alberta Lotteries through the Archives Society of Alberta. Archival staff have also been heavily involved in the History Book Project. The new Regimental history "The Patricias, The Proud History of a Fighting Regiment" should be in bookstores by late spring. The author, Dr. David Bercuson Director of Military and Strategic Studies at the University of Calgary will be holding a book signing at the Museum at that time. Funding for the book was received from the Canada Millennium Program, the DND Millennium Fund and the Donner Canadian Foundation.

In April 2001 a new exhibit will be installed in the Korea Gallery, just in time to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of KapYong. The exhibit, made possible by a grant from the Calgary Foundation, will be a touch screen interactive illustrating Canada's involvement in the Korean War. Students with the Multimedia Department at SAIT are designing the computer interface using photographs, maps

and film footage from the PPCLI Archives and the National Film Board.

Finally, we would like to say goodbye and good luck to Corporals Will Gallard and Ken Furdal both of whom have been with the Museum for years and are retiring to civilian life. Your assistance was greatly appreciated and you will be missed.



THE CALGARY FOUNDATION
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The Regimental Museum provided the materials and documents for a display at Vimy Ridge Academy, a High School in Edmonton Alberta. They plan to change the display every 6 to 9 months.

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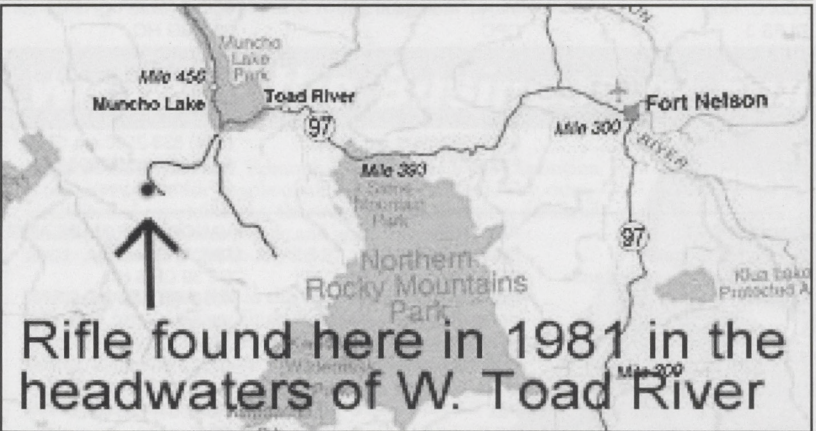
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CAN YOU HELP OUT?



Do you know anything about this Rifle?

This rifle was found with a PPCLI collar dog on the butt. The picture shows Mr. Greg Shelton who found the rifle in 1981 in the headwaters of the West Toad River in Northern BC. If you have any information relating to this issue please contact MWO Blunden at RHQ number 973-4011 ext 5452, or Major Corbould at 1 PPCLI (780) 973-4011 ext 5559.



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Message from the National President

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

Mr Jac de Bruijne, CD

The Highlights of this past years' activites include the following celebrations with the serving Patricia's. On 16-17 March 2000, Don Ethell and I attended the Bi-Annual retirement dinners at both the WO & Sgt's Mess and the Officers' Mess at Edmonton Garrison. I presented complimentary one year membership cards to retiring soldiers, Sergeants and Warrant Officers, while Don did the Honours in the Officers' Mess. On March 17th, I attended the 41st Guard Meeting, chaired by BGen Kennedy. The main discussion points where the activities surrounding the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of Kap'Yong.

On 24 June 2000, I returned to Edmonton for the Presentation of the new Colours to 1 PPCLI. In conjunction with this parade, the Colonel in Chief, Countess Mountbatten of Burma, presided over the change of appointment ceremonies for the Colonel of the Regiment between MGen Hewson and Gen de Chastelain. Later that day I had the opportunity to brief the incoming COR on Association matters.

On 23 September 2000, I attended the Change of Command ceremonies of 3 PPCLI from Col Barr to LCol Stogran. This ceremony also marked the homecoming from Bosnia for that unit.

On 14-15 December 2000, in conjunction with Association business, I was able to attend both 1 and 3 PPCLI Men's Christmas dinner activites in Edmonton.

My many visits to Edmonton gave me lots of opportunity to chat with many serving Patricia's and I was constantly impressed with the professionalism of all who I came into contact with. I am looking forward to meeting as many of 2 PPCLI serving Patricias as possible this coming July, when we hold our Annual General Meeting in Winnipeg during the period 13-15 July 2001. See you there.

VP!



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(effective 1 January 2000)



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- a. *To encourage and promote public interest and support of the PPCLI;*
- b. *To perpetuate the esprit de corps and close bonds of comradeship;*
- c. *To foster, maintain and promote the tradition and well-being of the Regiment;*
- d. *To establish and maintain the Regimental Museum and its Archives;*
- e. *To assist members, widows and children of deceased members where necessary and possible;*
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- g. *To provide student bursaries through the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund*

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BRIGADER GENERAL A.H. GAULT ALL LIT UP

Maj (Ret) Harry Bloom

On the 19th September, 2000, on a glorious summer evening, the members of the Ottawa Branch had the pleasure of seeing the newly-installed lights on Hamilton Gault's statue turned on for the first time. The lights brightened the statue and that corner of the site of the National War Memorial which our regiment has the honour to occupy with a statue to our regiment and founder. The lights were turned on by Jean Pigott who was the prime mover in launching the lighting project. The funding for the lighting project came primarily from the members of the Ottawa Branch, serving members in the Ottawa area, the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund, and a most generous donation of our retiring Colonel of the Regiment, Maj. Gen. Bill Hewson and his wife Norah. A reception followed the 'lighting' ceremony in the Army Mess where several questions were raised regarding the origins of the statue and how it came to occupy such a prime location.

According to local media reports the Gault statue was provided for in the terms of Hamilton Gault's will, that it was the wish of Hamilton Gault to establish a statue in Ottawa to honour his memory. This interpretation of Gault's intentions has never made much sense. He was a most selfless man, dedicated to honour the memory of fallen Patricias and to perpetuate the continued existence of the regiment. He had lived through the anxious years of the Great Depression when the very existence of the regiment was constantly threatened. It is most likely that he wished to place a memorial statue in Ottawa to be a constant reminder to it's citizens of the sacrifice and huge contribution made by the regiment to preserve the freedoms of all Canadians.

The origins of the statue in Ottawa go back to February, 1988, when Leslie Gault, nephew of our founder came to Ottawa to press the National Capital Commission (NCC) to locate the Gault Statue at the National War Memorial. What he didn't realise was that Jean Pigott, then the Chairman of the NCC, already knew a great deal about the PPCLI and was well disposed to grant his request. She approved the placing of the site across the street from the National War Memorial and where lies today the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Jean Pigott's connection with the regiment was through her husband's uncle, Pte M. W. Kedey, a graduate of the

Ontario Agriculture College, who enlisted in the University Company, University of Toronto, 1915, was mortally wounded at Mount Sorrel, July 1916, and buried in Nottingham cemetery, Derbyshire, England, after a most amazing funeral. It happened that Bill Kedey was a Mason and papers were discovered at his death from Timiskaming Masonic Lodge. New Liskeard, Ontario, and these were brought to the attention of the Duke of Derbyshire, Provincial Grand Master, who had just been named as the new Governor General of Canada. The whole town of Derby participated in the funeral. The procession was lead by a firing party and regimental band of the Sherwood Foresters, the hearse carried the union jack draped coffin and was drawn by four black horses. Pte Kedey was buried with full military and Masonic honours by a town in England which felt a great feeling of sympathy for this fine young lad who died so far from home and friends. It was through this combination of circumstances that Gault's wish got the green light.

It was the link through Pte Kedey which determined that the statue site should be given such important prominence. That it now occupies ground that is almost sacred was enhanced this summer with the unveiling of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This site is now a 'must see' for every tourist's itinerary and the attraction of visitors to the Gault statue is now well established.

There are now proposals from both the Navy and Air Force to build memorials on the site and the Regiment should be aware that our statue could well become the focus of the "Army Memorial". The location of this statue is as much a memorial to Pte Kedey as it is to Brig Hamilton Gault and as such it honours all the gallant Patricias who have died in the service of their country .



Remembering the Patricia Family in Bosnia

On August 25th, the Third Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group gathered at Camp Maple Leaf in Zgon, Bosnia at dusk to remember Sgt Jerry Squires on the anniversary of his death.

Sgt Squires died in Greece during his 96-hour leave while serving with KFOR in Kosovo. The service of remembrance was attended by over



200 soldiers including his close friends deployed with the BG, and was led by the BG padre, Captain Neil Parker. We were fortunate to have Sergeant Dan McLean to guide us in choosing the most appropriate way to remember his friend.

As the padre began to speak, the Canadian Flag, the NATO flag and the Patricia flag were lowered. Following the Lament on bagpipes

and a moment of silence for Jerry, the flags were again raised for our lives that continue.

Our Padre spoke heart-felt words to explain what the loss of Jerry means to the Regiment. Using the words of Isaiah Chapter 49, he said ". . . I will not forget you . . . I have inscribed you on the palm of my hands." We will not forget Sgt. Jerry Squires.

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PILGRIMAGE TO HOLLAND 2000
55TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIBERATION
Col. (Ret) C. S. Frost

This is a report of my participation in the ceremonies marking this Anniversary. Due to illness, I was only able to take part in the main events and those of special interest to the PPCLI. I arrived in Apeldoorn on Thursday, April 27. The hotel and many of the houses were festooned with flowers, ribbons and balloons. Large signs declared: 'Welcome Canada, Thank You Liberators, We Remember.' The entire city was in a festive mood.

April 28 - Twello, Voorst, Wilp

Next day, April 28, I was picked up by Col. Ritse Reitsma and driven to Twello, (The seat of the Municipal government of the Municipality of Voorst.) On arrival at Twello, I was greeted by the mayor, Johannes van Blommestein and the Chairman of the local Liberation Committee, Major-General Messerschmidt, a former Dutch officer. The purpose of my visit was to take part in the opening of the Canadian Club, a hotel and restaurant which had been made into a central meeting place for the Canadian Veterans in Voorst.

Such wonderful friendly people. My friendship goes back to 1985 when I made my first Pilgrimage to a small village in the Municipality of Voorst by the name of Wilp. This village has a special significance for the PPCLI because it was the final objective of Operation "CannonsHOT", the crossing of the IJssel River, April 11, 1945. The Regiment repulsed a strong counter-attack by 120 German Infantry, three tanks, an SP gun and supporting vehicles.

The purpose of my visit in 1985 was to dispell a rumour that the 48th Highlanders were claiming it was they who had attacked across the IJssel and captured Wilp. After visiting the mayor of Voorst, Mr. van Blommestein, his chief engineer, Col. Reitsma, and other citizens of the municipality, and showing them the War Diary and History of the PPCLI, I had no difficulty in convincing them it was the PPCLI, who had crossed the river and captured Wilp, not the 48th Highlanders.

Consequently, as soon as Col. Reitsma heard the true facts, he insisted that he buy me a drink at the pub in Wilp. He escorted me, and two other Patricias, Bert Bolton and John Moore, to the pub and we duly toasted the liberation of Wilp some forty years earlier! Then as a tangible expression of the close ties between Wilp, Voorst and the PPCLI, we exchanged our regimental ties!

To return to Mr. van Blommestein, he made full amends for having overlooked the PPCLI prior to my visit in 1985. In 1990, he arranged for the Dutch engineers to erect a pontoon bridge at the very site of the original crossing. As I was 'D Company commander' within this operation, I was given the honour of leading a parade across the bridge in a jeep

instead of in a Buffalo that had conveyed me in 1945! It was an enormous undertaking, to say nothing of the expense involved.

The friendship and generosity of the Dutch people was truly overwhelming. These small villages are also important to the PPCLI because the Regiment liberated them in 1945. The citizens have never forgotten. In 1995, as part of the Anniversary Liberation Ceremonies, they erected a Monument to the PPCLI and buried a time capsule containing extracts, maps, and photos from the Regimental History.

On April 29 this year, the villagers organised a parade "to show the Canadian Liberators their gratitude". I was asked to lead the parade in a jeep. The people lined the streets, several rows deep and gave us a tumultuous welcome. The Veterans were conveyed in WW II vehicles restored by members of "Keep Them Rolling" organisation. This unique collection of vehicles even included a 1942 Chaffee tank.

The parade took three hours and during the whole time it poured with rain. I was soaked to the skin but the rain didn't seem to bother the people, many of whom had taken up strategic positions an hour before the parade started. It was truly an unforgettable demonstration of their love and respect for Canadian Veterans.

Many of the spectators were young children, four and five years old who bravely stood in the rain waving Canadian flags and crying, "Thank you Canada". Several of those tots (no doubt urged on by their mothers) ran to my jeep with all sorts of gifts: Flowers cookies, "art work" of their own making, decals, postcards with their name and address asking me to send them a postcard. I have dutifully complied with each request. After the parade there was a reception where we were served a typical Dutch meal: Kale and sausage stew. I had three helpings to restore my circulation!

May 2 National Canadian Liberation Monument

This is one of the few events which, I believe, received some notice in the Canadian Press. On May 2, a statue was unveiled to pay a lasting tribute to the Canadian Liberators and to express the deeply-felt solidarity between the Netherlands and Canada. The Statue, 4.6 meters high, cast from bronze, shows a male figure with both arms raised. Each hand holds a hat signifying freedom and Apeldoorn's Liberation in 1945. The Statue is referred to as the "The Man With Two Hats".

In a brief ceremony, General Gijsbers delivered a moving address and the Statue was unveiled by HRH Princess Margriet. The local school have adopted the Monument and it will be maintained by the students. The Dutch people would like to see a similar monument erected in Ottawa.

May 4 - National Remembrance Day Memorial Service

On this day the Dutch remember their own people who perished during the War. Shortly after I arrived in Holland, I was asked by Col. Reitsma if I would give an address in a church at De Vecht, a small village in the Municipality of Voorst. I had long felt that the sacrifices and suffering

the Dutch people endured during the War should be recognised. I was therefore honoured and pleased to accept Col. Reitsma's invitation to speak. After the service we all assembled for lunch at a nearby restaurant in the Teuge Airport. This airport has a special significance for the Dutch because it was here that the Dutch Royal Family first landed on Dutch soil after the War.

May 7 - National Parade - Apeldoorn

For many, this is the highlight of the weeklong ceremonies. Veterans from all over Holland converge on Apeldoorn to take part in this parade. Estimates of the numbers vary but probably about 2500 Veterans took part. Most of them were conveyed in WW II reconditioned vehicles driven by the "Keep Them Rolling" organisation.

The enthusiasm of the crowds was overwhelming. Our route through the city was lined with people, some standing 15 ranks deep. Parents and grandparents with their young children waved Canadian flags and gave us the "Thumbs Up" or the "Victory" salute. Shouts of "Thank you Canada", "We shall never forget", filled the air.

In a way this was the most significant Pilgrimage of them all. Fifty-five years is a very long time and memories do fade. But not in Apeldoorn. I could hardly believe the enormous crowds that greeted us wherever we went. And the pride and the enthusiasm of the veterans themselves was undiminished by the years. Perhaps it was because many of us, both Dutch and Canadians, realised this would be the last Pilgrimage and we all wanted to make it a good one.

As mentioned earlier, General Gijsbers had appointed me Parade Commander. I was picked up at my hotel by two Dutch Officers and driven to the forming up place for parade in the grounds of the Paleis Het Loo. Promptly at 1400 hours the parade moved off with my jeep in the lead. Immediately the crowds started to roar and little children advanced on my jeep bearing flowers and other gifts with letters asking me to write. It was



A section of Patricians in the National Parade in Apeldorn,
led by Wally Smith

Beekbergen all over again, but on a much larger scale. And thankfully, the weather was beautiful, unlike Beekbergen.

Soon I approached the Saluting Base. The jeep stopped, I got out, stood to attention and saluted Princess Margriet - "Canadian Veterans formed up and ready to march past Your Royal Highness". She then invited me to join her on the dais along with her husband, Pieter Van Vollenhoven, Mayor De Graaf and other dignitaries. The veterans were really magnificent and I felt very proud to be standing there with my Patricia blazer, beret and cap badge. As I say, most were driven in WW II vehicles but quite a number walked. A section of Patricias with a Regimental Banner marched past. I recognised some of them - Doug Armstrong was with wife Pauline, Wally Smith, Charlie King, Lloyd and Olga Rains, Elwood Birss and Rudy Deutsch. After the parade, Princess Margriet invited a group of us to her home for tea. I hitched a ride with General Gijsbers and we quickly arrived at the Royal residence before the other guests. Met by several uniformed guards, we were ushered into the garden to await HRH. In a few moments she appeared with her husband Pieter Van Vollenhoven, apologised for not meeting us and offered drinks. Until the other guests arrived, the four of us relaxed and talked about the Parade and "the wonderful Canadian Veterans". Her husband is a former pilot and was very interested in military operations. He and HRH wanted to know how the First Division was moved all the way from Italy to Holland in time to join the battle to help liberate Holland. I was happy to tell them about Operation Goldflake; how the First Canadian Corps was moved in great secrecy from under the very noses of the Germans along the banks of Senio River, to an embarkation area near Pisa; from there by ship to Marseilles; then by lorry up the Rhone Valley to Belgium and finally to a concentration area in Holland, all in a space of six weeks. The Germans did not have a clue as to the whereabouts of the Canadians until the Patricia's assaulted across the IJssel River in Buffaloes on April 11, 1945.

May 8 - Farewell Party

It is a long standing tradition that on the last night of the Pilgrimage the Veterans honour their hosts at a Farewell Party. This year the event was held in a large convention hall which had been transformed into a central meeting place for the Veterans and their friends and renamed the Canadian club. The hall was gaily decorated, a buffet was served and a band played throughout the evening. It was my last chance to thank my friends in Apeldoorn for all their kindness, not only during this Pilgrimage, but in many cases going back some fifteen years.

May 9 - Achteveld - Monument to PPCLI

From a Regimental point of view, my visit to Achteveld was probably the most rewarding. It was here that the Regiment ended the war. It was also the site of the famous Food Truce on April 30, 1945, held in the little schoolhouse right in my D Company area. On May 9, I participated in

a very impressive program that extended over the entire afternoon. The schoolroom where the truce took place is now a museum and was opened to the public. In my speech, I referred to the fact that 1000 miles from Achtevelt, near a little village in Sicily called Ispica, there stands another Monument to honour the soldiers of the PPCLI and the First Division who assaulted the beaches of Sicily on July 10, 1943. I concluded by saying, "Now we have two monuments marking the beginning and the end of the long march of the PPCLI from the rugged beaches of Sicily to the pleasant pastures of Holland". Thus ended a most remarkable day in the life of this Patricia. So ends phase I of my trip to Europe in May 2000. After a short rest in Amsterdam, I undertook Phase II - Sicily. But that is another story.

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New Regimental History Book



The Regimental Heritage Committee will produce a new book that captures the heritage of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) since its founding in 1914 to the year 2000. Financed by the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund, in partnership with the Canadian Millennium Partnership Program, the book will trace the history of the Regiment during World War I, World War II, the Korean War, NATO and peacekeeping operations.

"For the first time, the complete history of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry will be documented," said the Honourable Herb Gray, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister responsible for the Government of Canada's millennium initiative. "This early, permanent unit has played a vital role in the military history of our nation. The Government of Canada is proud to support this project with a contribution of \$14,592 through the Canada Millennium Partnership Program."

The book will feature first hand accounts by veterans and serving members of the Regiment on past military operations. Over the past year, members of the PPCLI Association have conducted interviews from coast to coast of both former and serving members of the Regiment. Archival research and compilation of interview material is being carried out by members of both museum staff and Heritage Committee members in Calgary.

Authored by well known historian Dr. David Bercuson, head of the Department of Strategic Studies at the University of Calgary, the book is slated for publication in April 2001 to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Kapyong. The 2nd Battalion of the Regiment was awarded the United States Presidential Citation for this battle. To date this is the only Canadian Army Unit to be so honoured. The book will document the contribution of Patricias in service to their country in war and peace and will serve as a resource to members of the Canadian military and students of military history.

The single volume entitled "The Patricias - Proud History of a Fighting Regiment" is expected to retail in the \$35.00 to \$40.00 range and will be available the spring of 2001, in the Regimental Kit Shop and through bookstores nationwide.

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First Battalion

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

Upon return from Kosovo and a well-deserved break with our families, soldiers of the First Battalion arrived back to work in January 2000 focused and ready to train. All ranks worked extremely hard to ensure that the transition from Kosovo to unit training went smoothly. This year was indeed historic as the Battalion received the new LAV III and the new communications system, and began the process of building a mechanized force equipped with the newest and finest Infantry vehicle in NATO. While soldiers and their skills remain foremost we are delighted to receive the new warfighting equipment.

A COMPANY

Alpha Company experienced many changes over the course of the Year 2000. The company's vehicles were left in Kosovo, the command structure of the company underwent a complete turn over during APS 2000 and for the first time in 2 years, newly trained Patricias from Wainwright were posted in.

The company was reconstituted on 17 Jan 00 upon returning from Kosovo. January was a sad month for the Company as we said "good bye" to our augmentees from C Company, who served with A Company in Kosovo. After disembarkation leave, the company participated in a very successful two-day ski school held at Marmot Basin, Jasper.

We spent February and some of March sharpening our patrolling skills, which culminated in EX SILENT DEVIL. This exercise was a four-day company level exercise that focused on dismounted patrolling, including reconnaissance missions and raids. The exercise was a great success and concluded with a series of platoon level fighting patrols.

The remainder of March and April was spent gearing up for EX STALWART RAM. This exercise, which was broken into three phases. The first phase had us situated in a company size patrol base from where the company conducted reconnaissance patrols, which provided the Battalion with vital intelligence on the enemy. Phase two consisted of a Battalion sized deliberate attack on an enemy strong point based on the information provided by us. It was only fitting that we were inserted by helicopter to set the stage for the Battalion attack. The final phase of the exercise saw us attached to the LdSH(RC) to be enemy force against the remainder of the Battalion. Needless to say, the Red Devils struck fear into the hearts of their enemies, proving to be an insurmountable force.



WO Greg Forsyth making
The Mountain Man
look easy.

We moved quickly into PCF Cycle 0001 after the exercise. While some began their gradual exposure to the LAV III others were involved with running the Driver Wheel Course and attending other PCF courses.

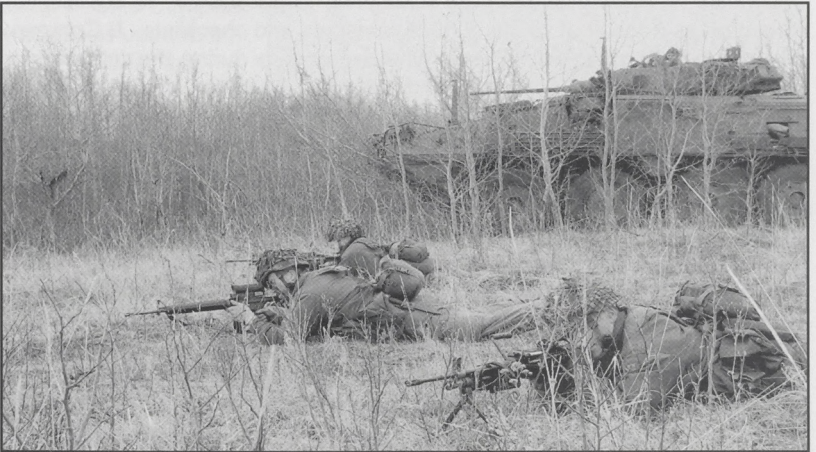
June was marked by the arrival of 13 new privates from WATC and the departure of the OC (Maj Sharpe), 2IC (Capt Liebert), and the CSM (MWO Hamilton). No sooner had they left when their replacements arrived led by the new OC (Maj Reeves) and 2IC (Capt Johnston) and CSM (MWO Ames). After a month of IBTS training the

Company rolled into PCF Cycle 0002 which was followed immediately by 0003.

Once again, a good portion of the Company was involved in various courses including: LAV 3 Driver, LAV III Gunner, Basic Communications, and Driver Wheel (a task that once again fell to us to run - oh joy.)

Early December saw the Red Devils take flight again only this time it was a joint airmobile operation involving 1 CER, 1 PPCLI, 408 Sqn and more visitors than you can imagine. The Red Devils and 4 Troop 1CER were inserted into Wainwright to destroy the only navigation aid in the Wainwright training area, the water tower. After moving silently during the night, a dawn attack was conducted and the tower was demolished. Finally, the decades long questions of many a Log Toady was answered, both sides of the water tower were the same colour.

The year 2000 proved to be an interesting and exciting year. The Company looks forward to the challenges that the new-year will bring - after all, the Red Devils Rule the Ground!



"LAV III and section working together"



B COMPANY

Largely due to the necessary reorganization of the Battalion after Kosovo and the integration of the LAV III, B Company has had its share of fast and slow periods this year.

Following a week of winter patrolling, the company deployed on the Brigade exercise, STALWART RAM. Initially, as enemy force, elements of the company proved their soldiering skills when they annihilated Charlie Company in a series of defensive actions (not much of a bite in that old Bear). Upon completion of this task, we became part of the Brigade reserve and conducted a series of patrols and offensive actions that were important in assisting the Brigade in maintaining its momentum.



"Cpl Weaver, comparing his ATV Reece Vehicle with the Coyote."

PCF courses were also prominent throughout the year as the soldiers were introduced to the LAV III. The technical aspects of the vehicle completely destroyed the myth of the infantryman that many other units held and proved that today's soldiers had better do a bit of training on the old "Playstation" - many soldiers are attempting to get the CF-18 qualification written off as a result of all the buttons, switches and checklists. B Company also ran a very successful Driver Wheeled course during the fall, working through a myriad of breakdowns and grounded MLVWs. Eventually, after several attempts, we managed to get all the vehicles back from Wainwright.

We also took part in a combat boot trial. Each of the different styles of boots had their good and bad points. Hopefully, all of the good aspects will be incorporated into the Infantry "Dream Boot".

Notable accomplishments during the year included Sgt MacDonald's performance in the Annual International Sniper Concentration in Gagetown and Pte Stratford's best of the Battalion showing in the Mountain Man Competition. The Company proved to all that we had the right stuff when we easily walked away with the Fall Aggregate Sports Trophy.

The year ended with an enjoyable Junior Rank's Christmas Dinner and the prospect of a new and challenging year for 2001.



C COMPANY

"BEWARE: You Are Entering Bear Country"

How are things in Charlie Company, 1 PPCLI you ask? "Just GRRREAT!" Upon returning from Kosovo, soldiers in the newly formed Charlie Company set off on a year long adventure which started with skiing in the Rocky Mountains and continues to this day; a non-stop happening company! The bears commenced the New Year by acclimatizing to the ski slopes at Sunshine Village and Nakiska in the heart of bear country, affectionately known as Kananaskis, Alberta.

Do bears sit in the woods? Not likely, there's too much to discover out there in the wild. The company of young cubs would "cut their first teeth" at the battle of YUKON GOLD. Their mission: to seize and destroy a bridge in the Dundurn training area. It was an impressive sight to watch as eight helicopters descended upon the objective area that cool night in March. Unfortunately for the enemy, they missed the spectacular twilight show. By first light the bridge was firmly in the claws of Charlie Company, and within the hour, the accompanying engineer party had blown it sky high!

The reputation of the bears spread rapidly. Few wanted to wrestle with the giant beast. But in April the opportunity for the bears to defend against the entire advancing Brigade would present itself. Charlie Company was called upon to act as OPFOR for the annual 1 CMBG spring exercise, known this year as STALWART RAM. Rams don't often

venture into bear country, and for good reason. The mighty bears unleashed their fury and wreaked havoc on the Brigade advance. By day two, Charlie Company ambushes had dislocated the forward recce elements from their logistical support, thereby grinding to a halt the Brigade advance. The bears held their ground for another week until the ram lowered its head in defeat; victory was achieved once again.

As May approached, the battalion prepared for the commencement of PCF courses. By now Charlie Company had received fifteen LAV III and the main effort of the company shifted to training LAV drivers and gunners. Sergeants Karl Hanna, Paul Cook and a cadre of Charlie Company NCOs spent the previous ten months preparing to introduce the



Major Dan "Breakaway" Brister,
Stopped by a northing



new vehicles to the Battalion and Charlie Company would be the first to benefit from their unprecedented efforts. Private Neil Spicer was awarded the Top LAV Gunner Award and when coupled with Cpl Scott O'Leary as the Top LAV Driver, they formed an unbeatable team. All in all over two thirds of the company were qualified as LAV drivers and gunners during the spring and summer months.

Following summer leave the company turned its attention to conducting annual refresher training. Top marksmen in the company included Ptes Madero Kendall and Paul Singbeil, Cpl Ronald Canning and MCpls Kevin Kosowan and Sheridan Ellingson, all of whom challenged the well-seasoned company master sniper, CSM Art Chase for recognition as "top shot".

The inaugural BEAR CLAW Tri-Sport Challenge was conducted in August with Seven Platoon, led by Warrant Officer Glen Kerr, taking first place honours. Few will forget the final penalty kick of Pte Brendan "Gonzo" Galenzoski, which sealed the victory for the soldiers of Seven Platoon. Sports is "big...real big" in Charlie Company and it was with great pride that the company accepted the Battalion aggregate sports trophy for the summer season. In the course of an entire year Charlie Company has dominated battalion sports, not losing one match of football or basketball (bring it on!).

CBT SP COMPANY

After some well-deserved time off following a deployment to Kosovo, Combat Support Company returned to its lines only to find them bare. The first few months of the year were dedicated to refreshing individual skills and scrounging equipment. Anti-Armour Platoon under Capt J.F. Duperre and WO Kenny traveled to Dundurn in order to provide an enemy force for C Company. The "bears" learned the hard way that passwords only work if you don't advertise them to your foe! Anti-Armour Platoon also deployed to Wainwright to participate in a TOW concentration with the 2nd Battalion.

As the snow disappeared, the platoons set off for Wainwright in preparation for the Brigade advance (or was it retreat?) toward Edmonton. Mortar Platoon managed to drop a few bombs alongside the gunners before packing up and supporting the various airmobile assaults. At first, Recce Platoon seemed lost without its cozy Coyotes, but cunning, ingenuity and good looks more than made up for their lack of technology. Signals Platoon once again performed its thankless job of providing reliable communications for the Battalion, no small feat when sub-units are scattered everywhere.

After having chased the Brigade over the better part of central Alberta, the Company provided support for the first of three PCF cycles con-

ducted throughout the year. As always, a significant portion of the Company's leadership disappeared to fulfill various tasks. Some (Sgt Snow) were away so much that they decided to leave their kit in Gagetown for good!

The summer season brought with it new colours for the Battalion, and new leadership for the Company. Maj Dan Brister and MWO Ed Haines grabbed the reins and tackled the never-ending problem of doing more with less. While the majority of the Battalion broke for summer leave, Capt Owen Savage toured the land with the Small Arms Team comprised largely of troops from the various Support Platoons. Cpl Devin Ramos of Recce Platoon emerged as the team's top shot and proved his prowess again in the fall by topping the Basic Sniper Course. Sgt Blake Ives and Sgt Randy MacDonald represented the Battalion at CTC Gagetown's annual Sniper Competition, doing their bit to keep the art of sniping alive.

The Company busied itself throughout the fall with more individual training in the form of PCF and advanced courses. Of note, Signals Platoon conducted the first Basic Communications Course using IRIS. Meanwhile, a composite platoon drawn from across the company participated in a trial of the new Army Fitness Manual, with Cpl Foell emerging as the group's poster child.

Only a few days before Christmas leave, elements of Recce and Mortar Platoon did their part in supporting the demolition of Wainwright's venerable water tower during EX SAPPER STRIKE. Navigation will never be the same!



Sgt Blake Ives takes aim, "Are you sure I missed?"

Congratulations are in order for the Company's Regimental Achievement Award winners. MCpl Cameron was top candidate on the Advanced Anti-Armour Course, Cpl Verret placed top candidate on a JNCO Course, Cpl Peel finished top candidate on a JLC course, and Cpl Ramos finished top candidate on the Basic Sniper Course.

As the year came to a close, OC Combat Support strapped on the



skates for the first time in his life and emerged as the First Star in the Officer vs Senior NCO hockey game, proving that a little humour goes a long way. Maybe next year we'll give him a smaller helmet so he can see where he's going and a pillow to cushion the fall(s).

ADMIN COMPANY

Over the past year, Administration Company has seen many challenges and changes such as the introduction of the LAV III and the departure of some key personnel. This year the RQMS MWO Morrison departed after five years of exceptional service to the Battalion, his distinctive laugh will be missed by all especially when trying to locate the QM at night in a hide.

It has been a year since our return from Kosovo, and though we did not take up residence in Wainwright or Suffield like in the past, the pace of our workload in Maintenance Platoon has been just as hectic. We saw the first of the new LAV III with all the challenges of conducting training, both user and technical, to incorporate them into the Unit. The Battalion received its new colours and numerous members of the Platoon demonstrated their skill at arms and drill, helping to produce a superb performance. Wrapping up the year, we had three successful PCF courses to our credit, where we supplied not only maintenance support but also detailed



1 PPCLI Transport Platoon Heavy Lift Section

technical instruction for the Driver Wheel and LAV III courses. In addition we were kept busy with the return and inspection of some 53 vehicles from Kosovo in less than two weeks. The New Year can only hold new challenges that we are prepared to face with the professional vigor our Branch is so well known for.

The year 2000 was another notable year for Transport Platoon. We continued to provide POL and heavy lift support for the Battalion's activ-



ities. The major exercise of the year, STALWART RAM, saw our personnel provide troop lift for the Battalion, as well as lift for targetry and ammunition. We followed the Battalion's advance from Wainwright to Bruderhiem, enjoying our stays in various towns such as Vegreville and Lamont. Throughout the year, we provided support for PCF courses, the 1 PPCLI Change of Colour Parade, and the 3 PPCLI Change of Command Parade. 2000 was also a year of great individual accomplishments for the soldiers in Transport Platoon.

Stating that changes occurred this year at the Quarter Master Platoon is an understatement. The past APS saw a multitude of personnel changes including the departure of the RQMS, MWO Morrison. For five years he was involved in a myriad of Battalion activities and provided excellent support; however, the most found memory he leaves behind is his distinctive laughter and good sense of humour. The other major change currently on-going is the upgrade to the current Canadian Forces Supply System. The whole QM Staff will have to learn new ways in acquiring material for the Battalion's various activities.

All of the sections have been busy, especially when dealing with the receipt of equipment that was used in Kosovo as well as the arrival of the new LAV III. Thankfully, the platoon was increased in strength and that made the workload easier to handle. Overall, despite several major changes, the atmosphere amongst the Platoon's soldiers continues to be excellent. The road ahead will be very busy but interesting as we plan on automating all of our procedures, continuing with upgrade training and supporting the Battalion in their activities.

"No you cannot get a rash like that from ..." Activities in the 1 PPCLI UMS in the past year were exciting and challenging for each and every one of us. After a much deserving post-deployment/Christmas leave period, we found ourselves spread out with different taskings until the Brigade exercise in the spring. After exercise, it was post ex-drills and right into parade practice for our Change of Colors parade.

Block leave in July was followed by the PCF cycles. The Coy medics were busy providing medical support to their respective Coys for the LAV III gunner, driver and MG courses. The Bn personnel as well as the UMS have been forced to live without a Unit Medical Officer with the departure of Capt Currie (still going thru growing pains).

For the last few months we have kept very busy trying to keep up with the everyday things that go on in a UMS. Paperwork and filing is enough to keep most of us going on a daily basis.

All in all, we all appreciate the quality time we enjoyed with our families over the holidays and are looking forward to another hectic but rewarding year in the 1 PPCLI UMS.



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Second Battalion

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

YEAR IN REVIEW

As the new Millennium started, the Battalion was on alert status with Op Abacus- the threat of Y2K, "the bug that never was". Once we quickly realized that life would continue, we prepared for a host of exercises, a Change of Command in June and another tour in Bosnia-Herzegovina with Op Palladium, Roto 7 in September.

The winter, in the land of frozen prairie, could only be described as balmy. There was very little snow and the ground began appearing in late February. The winter went down in the record books as one of the warmest in decades.

Combined with the preparations for the overseas tour, the Battalion was to grow with the influx of augmentees. Starting in May, the Battalion began our work-up training in Winnipeg at Kapyong Barracks. The training followed a pattern of classroom refresher training with mine awareness, Bosnian cultural and language training, first aid and weapons handling skills.

In preparing for Bosnia-Herzegovina, we progressed quickly through the garrison activity. In between warfighting training, we said goodbye to LCol Matthew Overton and welcomed our new Commanding Officer, LCol Marv Makulowich. As well as the Change of Command, we also said goodbye to the Regimental Sergeant Major, Chief Warrant Officer John



Members of the 2nd Battalion march past during the change of command ceremony.

McGregor during his Change of Appointment. He ceremoniously passed his Regimental duties to Chief Warrant Officer Larry Surridge, another long time Second Battalion soldier.

Switching roles into peacekeepers, Exercise Palladium Response began. We moved immediately to the interlake region of Manitoba, from Shilo, and inhabited small town communities, such as Arborg, Teulon and Inwood. The townfolks never experienced such an influx of soldiers. We were genuinely welcomed with open arms. Peacekeeping exercises came with the usual mine strikes and civil uprising. We even had an opportunity to conduct a war memorial service for the township of Ericksdale.

The Year was also filled with uncertainty. Kapyong Barracks, our home garrison for a number of decades, has been in need of upgrading and repair for a number of years now. The army launched a study, forwarded a report with three primary recommendations and debated with local and federal politicians concerning the move status of the Battalion. We will either be moving to Shilo, Edmonton or staying in Winnipeg. We left the year with uncertainty as to our future garrison home.

EXERCISE STRONG CONTENDER

Second Battalion entered the annual Brigade competition with high expectations, and saw them realized, even despite the fierce competition provided by the other Brigade units. Every one of the four events saw our teams advance to the final, pitting the best of the Battalion against the best of the rest of the Brigade. The Battalion swept the four sporting competitions- hockey, broomball, volleyball and ball hockey. Gold medals were awarded to each team as well as the trophy for the Grand Aggregate Winner.



MCpl Morrison giving final instruction on Cavity searches.

EXERCISE PALLADIUM PATRICIA

At the end of July, more than 800 soldiers, including augmentees, traveled once again to Shilo, Manitoba. We met up with the sub-units from Edmonton and Shilo who would form the Battle Group for Op Palladium, Roto 7.

B Battery from 1 RCHA, B Squadron, LdSH(RC) and 12 Field Engineering Squadron 1CER, as well as over 200 augmentees from various units across Canada, regular and reservist, gathered as a combined Battle Group. The exercise would test their combined warfighting skills for the first time.



Cpl Hearey's sing-a-long: "the engine bone's connected to the tranny-bone, the tranny bone's connected to the thing-a-ma-jig"

The soldiers experienced rare drills that proved to be intriguing and enjoyable, such as Close Quarter Combat fire team partner drills. In the 'killhouse', settled into a dug out protection pit, the soldiers with their fire team partner, were taught to clear a room, discriminately selecting armed targets. This involved split-second reactions to identify who was either friend or foe.

The finale in Shilo produced more than 800 soldiers in a battle group advance moving across open terrain against a company-sized enemy force.

"You have to be combat-capable. That's essential, because if not, we're placing our soldiers at risk and we won't accomplish our mission." - LCol Marv Makulowich, Commanding Officer.

EXERCISE PALLADIUM RESPONSE

Razor wire, Grizzlies winding around town streets, vehicles being stopped and occupants arrested. And the 2PPCLI Battle Group hasn't even left the province yet for Bosnia- Roto 7- Op Palladium. The last time Manitobans saw as extensive a military operation was during the great flood of 1997- Op Assistance. This time the scenic Interlake area, which expands between the glacial lakes of Lake Winnipeg and Lake Manitoba, was turned into the Slavic land of Bosnia-Herzegovina between 12-16 August.

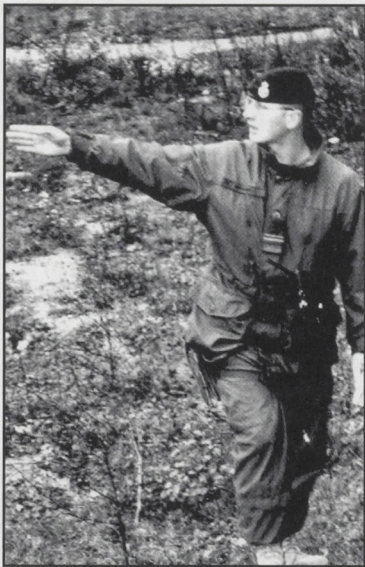
The Battle Group was into its final phase of peacekeeping training by setting up camps in seven primary towns and focussing on the idea that we were in Bosnia. In a short time the towns became Zgon, Drvar, Bihac, Velika Kladusa, and so on.

Months of preparation by Civilian-Military liaison officers (CIMIC) dealing with the town reeves and mayors produced a well-prepared area the soldiers could drive into and call "home".

The townships of Lundar, Inwood, Teulon, Ericksdale, Ashern, Arborg and Fisher Branch knew the military were coming in but weren't truly prepared, as one clerk at the local convenience store commented, "These soldiers are buying us out."

It was difficult to determine who was having the better time; the soldiers who had a chance to mingle with the townsfolk or the belligerent members of the Exercise Assistance Team (EAT) who were frustrating the exercising soldiers. The local volunteers were also an important part of the exercise but a line had to be drawn. One night, three eager men brought in their paint guns and 1,500 paint balls, offering to shoot at the troops. But the senior liaison officer declined.

Lt. Alain Aube, 21, a reservist from Regiment du Saguenay, had real-life opportunity to help injured people at a very serious accident. "Two vehicles had a head-on crash in Fisher Branch, in front of a community center, at a social. There were two very serious injuries... broken legs... I was with my driver Pte Joe Penman and Rifleman Colin Woodward (C Company). Everyone was drunk (not our guys, the civilians), but we managed to apply first aid and get the injured medical assistance."



"Tim Hortons is that way-about 8 thousand miles, hang a left at Scotland," Lt Shuman identifies the only obvious feature in his AOR.



OP PALLADIUM ROTO 7

The Brigade Commander, after assessing Exercise Palladium Response, declared 2PPCLI Battle Group "Op Ready" for Bosnia.

Second Battalion started deploying to Bosnia late August with an advance party of Civil Military Affair liaison officers. Shortly afterwards, early September, the Battalion embarked on Roto 7.

The weather was hot and humid, with an average daytime temperature of 35C. Second Battalion officially took over authority for the Canadian Area of Responsibility from 3 PPCLI on 15 September.

Battle Group Headquarters was established in the mountainous terrain of Zgon in Camp Maple Leaf. Alpha Company moved into the scenic valley town of Drvar (Castle Greyskull!). Bravo Company positioned themselves with B Battery in Tomislavgrad and Charley Company held a position in Camp Holopina, Coralic.

Combat Support and Admin Companies centered around Zgon and supported the Battle Group throughout the AOR.

Traditions of life back in Canada followed our deployment. The French Grey Cup was held. The invitations went out to all units and the final game, held on a rugby field in the Sanica valley, pitted Bravo Company against B Squadron LdSH(RC). For a short time...very



Rick Mercer of this Hour has 22 minutes with A Coy in Dvar - Wondering why am I the only one with a flak jacket.

short...the thought actually occurred to everyone that a Patricia company might not win the French Grey cup. This proved highly unfounded after the first two touchdowns by B Company occurred within the first 10 minutes. They emerged victorious 35-14.

Throughout the tour, companies not only focussed on the miles of patrolling, they brought sea containers of humanitarian assistance to the needy of Bosnia-Herzegovina. Helping with projects, such as Operation Warm Hearth (preparing homes for winter) and Op Three Kings (Christmas donations to the needy orphanage of Kulen Vakuf and Children's Ward of the Cantonal Hospital of Bihac) brought a strong sense of pride and accomplishment to the Battalion soldiers.

Remembrance Day ceremonies were postponed until the 12th November while in theatre due to national elections for Bosnia on the 11th.

Christmas came with the traditional Men's Christmas Dinner. Sapper Daren Gallagher, a reservist from Alberta, donned the "CO For a Day" epaulets from LCol Makulowich.

New Year's festivities followed the next week with traditional AK47 tracer rounds lighting the sky around the outskirts of the Canadian camps by the Bosnian people during the coolness of the Balkan winter, ushering in the new "true"millennium.



Maj. Bruce showing the CDS his secret stash of beer. Note the expression as they contemplate the severity of the task at hand.

Third Battalion

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

2000 THE YEAR IN REVIEW

The year 2000 for 3 PPCLI focused on its tour in Bosnia on Op PAL-LADIUM ROTO 6. Much of the first two months was spent conducting catch-up training for attachments and members of the Battalion that had been on career course training during the previous fall's work ups. The tour officially began 1 March and ended with the Transfer Of Command Authority to 2 PPCLI on 15 September. Upon return to Canada the Battalion launched into a Change of Command parade and then a much-needed disembarkation leave. Follow the Battalion's return from leave in the end of October the usual Primary Combat Function cycle was conducted while taking over the Immediate Reaction Unit tasking in November and December.

GLAMA AND SLOVINI FACTORY RAIDS

Only weeks after the Battle Group's arrival in theatre, A Company was engaged to provide assistance to the International Police Task Force (IPTF) - led raid on two factories in the town of Glamoc. Large amounts of mis-appropriated humanitarian aid were discovered in both the Glama and Slovini Factories. In total, approximately 10 tons of goods, valued at more than \$2.5 million, were found. A Company provided assistance with surveillance and security of the area and in the transportation of some of the goods for the IPTF.



Soldiers of B Coy participate in Exercise Encouraging Lion, preparing NATO countries for crowd control contingencies in Bosnia.

BOSNIAN MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

The period leading up to and including the day of the elections saw extensive preparations by the Battle Group for almost all contingencies. Several units from outside the Battle Group were brought into the Canadian area of responsibility, as the main flashpoint for the Division was believed to be the community of Drvar in B Company's area of operations. With patrols out in force and liaison officers monitoring the situation alongside the international community in key locations, it was to everyone's relief that very little occurred. While it would be presumptuous to assume that the lack of incidents was solely due to the Battle Group's presence, it is certain that the increased presence had an effect. One of the few incidents that took place was the bombing of the Café Palma in the town of Glamoc, which would later play a large role in triggering Operation RESTORE FAITH.



A section from A Coy conducting a turret shoot range with French soldiers near Mostar, Bosnia.

OP BAROSSA

The move of 1 Guards Brigade was the operational highlight for ROTO 6. The overwhelming presence of 1 Guards Brigade had been recognized as obstructive to the Displaced Person, Refugee and Evacuee (DPRE) return process and the main obstacle to the resettlement process in Drvar since 2000. For many reasons, the Bosnian Croat unit had been able to delay their departure for several years and the International Community had never been able to come up with a unified plan to implement the much-needed move. In late March, a plan was put forward by the Battle Group and by the end of April it had gained wide acceptance by SFOR and the international community. It was subsequently known as the 50 Day Plan and saw the majority of 1 Guards Brigade units moved out of Drvar and into existing cantonment sites in the southern portion of Canton 10. The move went extremely well and, once the Entity Armed Forces



understood in no uncertain terms that the move was going to happen, showcased excellent cooperation between 1 Guards Brigade and the 3 PPCLI Battle Group.

BN HQ AND ADMINISTRATION COMPANY MOVE

With the increase in size of the Canadian area of operations that occurred at the end of ROTO 5, it became increasingly clear to the Battle Group that the location of Battle Group Headquarters and Administration Company in Coralici was no longer satisfactory. The decision was quickly made to pursue the move and planning commenced at the end of April with the first preparations beginning on 21 May. Within a six week period, about 160 personnel, 40 vehicles, 167 accommodations and numerous storage containers had been moved approximately 200 kilometers, all while continuing normal operations and Op BAROSSA.

VISIT OF THE CINC AND THE COR

Lady Patricia, General de Chastelain and Lord Romsey visited the Battle Group at the end of June to visit with the soldiers and share the Bosnia experience with the Battalion. They also took this occasion to present attachments to the 3 PPCLI Battle Group with PPCLI Regimental Coins. On Canada Day, they presented SFOR medals. Their stay with the Battle Group was rounded out with visits to all of the Canadian camps and Lady Patricia was the guest of honor at the re-opening of a school near Velika Kladusa. Lady Patricia's visit was an honour for all members of the Battle Group and served to strengthen the great bond between her and her Regiment.

OP RESTORE FAITH

This operation was triggered by a series of ethnic related violence that jeopardized the secure environment of the Glamoc Opstina. The destruction of several cafés, the burning of a barn and other incidents of direct intimidation were clearly a case of Bosnian Croat intimidation of the Bosniac minority. This situation, combined with a clearly corrupt Mayor and ethnically influenced and biased Local Police, led to the decision to deploy A Bty and other Battle Group assets in an enhanced state to Glamoc in late August to re-establish a safe and secure environment and the confidence of the local population. After a few weeks the number of troops in the area was scaled back, but the increased patrol posture continued through to the hand over with 2 PPCLI in September.

OP WARM HEARTH

Throughout the tour the Battle Group was actively involved in Civilian-Military Cooperation (CIMIC) operations at all levels. By the end of the tour, the Battle Group managed the expenditure of approximately \$220,000 from various organizations including CIDA and DFID. The majority of this money was spent by the CIMIC cell on major repairs to schools and small businesses in the Battle Group's area of responsibility; however, all of the Companies were able to complete their own civil assistance projects.

Near the end of the tour it became evident that due to the many DPRE returns in A Company's area of operations, there were many houses still in need of repair for the winter. With considerable effort the CIMIC cell sought additional money from CIDA. The amount that was granted was approximately \$320,000. This money was spent entirely on the winterization of 85 houses in Canton 10. Of special note was the fact that once the money was obtained, the entire operation was based solely on the efforts of soldiers at the section-level. It was the soldiers' intimate and detailed knowledge of the areas that they patrolled that allowed the money to be spent quickly and efficiently.



Personnel from 3 PPCLI UMS participate in Exercise in Velika Kladusa, Bosnia in April.

CHANGE OF COMMAND

Upon the Battle Group's return from Bosnia on 18 September preparations and rehearsals began for the almost immediate Change of Command parade. As a large number of soldiers did not have DEU's readily available for parade, permission was sought and granted for the parade to be conducted in combats. As was voiced by the CO, it only seemed appropriate that the Battalion parade in combats, as over the past two years they had amply proven their ability in the field having completed no less than eight



Col Barr presenting LCol Stogran with the Battalion's Colours on the Change of Command Parade

major battalion exercises and deployed on an operational tour that encompassed four major battalion operations. Following a brief but moving speech by Col David Barr the stewardship of the Battalion was handed over to LCol Pat Stogran.

PCF COURSES AND 1 CMBG IRU



Soldiers from A Coy man a mortar during a live fire practice near Tomislavgrad, Bosnia.

Following the end of block leave in October the Battalion returned to commence the annual Primary Combat Function cycle. The courses covered basic recce, basic mortars, basic machinegun, and basic communications. During the running of these courses the Battalion prepared for and took over the Brigade Immediate Reaction Unit task on 1 November.

NOTABLE EVENTS 2000

Two most notable events occurred in the Battalion this year. The first event was the continuing dominance of 3 PPCLI in the Mountain Man Competition, which was no small feat on behalf of all the Battalion Mountain Man Team members who competed so soon after returning from Bosnia. Particularly impressive was Cpl Di Capua's fourth consecutive win of the Mountain Man Competition.

The second event was Capt Neufeld's completion of the US Army Ranger Course. In just completing the course, individuals prove themselves to have extraordinary mental and physical toughness in the most demanding of circumstances. Not only did Capt Neufeld achieve this, but he was also selected as the Distinguished Honour Officer Graduate and was awarded the William Darby Award that is only rarely bestowed on individuals whose performance achieves a rare and extraordinary level of distinction.



Capt Troy Neufeld at the completion of the US Army Ranger Course receiving the William Darby Award.



MCpl Tom Krasniuk participates in pistol training near Coralici, Bosnia.



Loading of 1 Guards Brigade T-54/55's in Drvar, Bosnia during OP Barrossa in June.



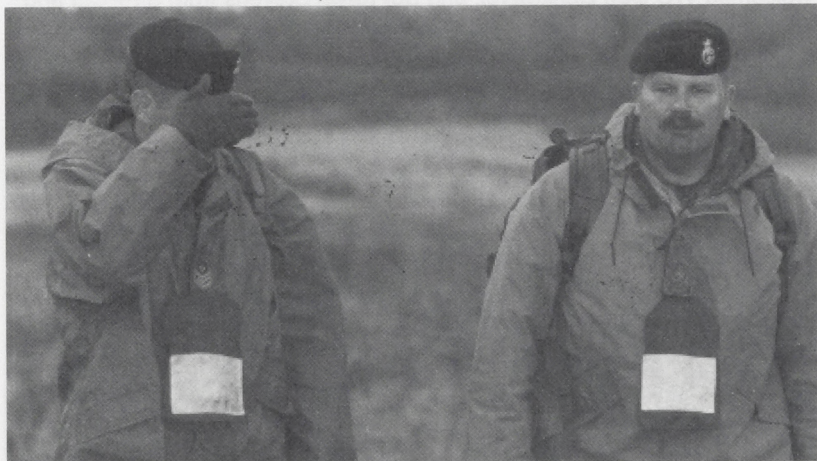
WESTERN AREA TRAINING CENTRE

Camp Wainwright, Alberta

THE YEAR IN REVIEW LFWA TC HEADQUARTERS

The beginning of the year came in with more of a fizzle than a bang, as the much anticipated Y2K problem never materialized. However, things quickly picked up following the Y2K stand down, and WATC was back to business as usual.

The summer's training culminated in the annual military skills competition. Basic Training Company again dominated and QL3 (Reserve) Infantry course 0001, led by Lieutenant Grant Macdonald (from our sister regiment, the LER) and Warrant Officer Steve Mitchell (RSS Seaforth Highlanders), won top prize. Land Force Western Area Training Centre also bade farewell to Lieutenant Colonel Dan Maclean, who retired in the Wainwright area after 35 years of service. The Company's four QL 3 (Reserve) Infantry courses and one QL 2/3 (Reserve) Infantry course totalled 178 all ranks for this parade.



"WO Spencer tell me when its over."

The year came to an end in the usual fashion culminating in the Sr. NCO - Officer Hockey Game, in which the Sr. NCO's won back the much "avoided trophy". An un-daunting offense and a solid defence produced an Officer victory of 5-1. Following the game, the Men's Christmas Dinner was served and the Officer's were invited to the Sr. NCO's Mess to gloat. Following a few glasses of "cheer", the pain inflicted on both sides quickly vanished as thoughts and wishes turned to home, family, and holidays.



The only big change in HQ this past year was MWO McNaughton being posted in to become the new QMSI, as MWO George decided to take his commission, and was posted out. Although Patricia's come and go here in Wainwright, one thing remains constant; There will always be Patricia's here ! So if you're in the area on course, training, or just passing through, stop by and say hello; The coffee is always on !

Another year of turning-out inspired, future leaders for Land

ADVANCED TRAINING COMPANY

Forces Western Area has come and gone. Advanced Training Company saw a few personnel changes during APS 2000 with the only continuity being our OC, Major Steve Dunn, behind his desk with his faithful clerk, Tammy Fisher, actually running the company. The Coy 2IC, Capt Steve Folkins, moved on to greener pastures in Saskatchewan and was replaced by Capt Chris Henderson from the First Battalion. We also said goodbye to WO Bob Primmer and Sgt Darren Guitard, posted to the Third battalion, and Sgt Mike "Flood" Todd went back to the Second Battalion. The coy welcomed WO Dan Denkowycz and Sgt Kevin Stevens from 3 PPCLI and Sgt's Bob Fribance and Mitch Leblanc from 1 PPCLI.



"Basic Sniper Course engages long range targets on Range 16."

Newly promoted WO Pete Palmer was shipped-off to Basic Training Standards, only to return to Adv Trg Coy a month later to run the Advanced Winter Warfare Course. To replace him in the Standards Cell, we sent-over WO "Gunny - When's my next surgery" Mansbridge with Sgt Ian Keer to keep him company. WO Tim Turner has been busy playing the



role of A/CSM while MWO Don Schaffel is deployed with the British Army in Sierra Leone to preserve democracy and "shake"-up their army! Advanced Training Coy kicked-off the New Year with a full compliment of CF JLC and LFC JNCO courses. As well, the coy was tasked to provide Basic Winter Warfare training to the British Army as part of EX SNOW-SHOE. The spring and summer were spent conducting several courses in support of the Reserves. After a short break, we were quickly "ramping-up" for the fall trg cycle of leadership trg and the Basic Sniper Course. WO Scott Cowan and his crew of instructors were able to graduate four new Snipers for the Regiment. Luckily, the course trg timetable was not too much of an inconvenience for Sgt Terry Doiron's high school football coaching career! Sgt Jim Therrien and MCpl Joel MacLaren were able to break-free and participate in the Canadian International Sniper Competition in September, gaining valuable experience and finishing with a respectable score considering the calibre of the competition. As the year 2000 drew to a close, Advanced Training Coy was busy preparing for the next serials in the endless cycle of leadership courses. We look forward to seeing fellow Patricias, via the never-ending task bill, throughout 2001. VP!

BASIC TRAINING COMPANY

The year 2000 began on a banal note. Basic Training Company was tasked to provide the core of a deployable company in case of difficulties arising from the now infamous Y2K. The Company Headquarters, NCOs and recruits were to be joined by soldiers from a variety of sections across Land Force Western Area Training Centre. Fortunately, no untoward events arose and the company returned to business as usual in January.

At the beginning of the year, the company welcomed a new Company 2IC, Captain Rory Fowler, as the outgoing Company 2IC, Captain Glen Zilkalns moved to the Individual Training Officer post in the Operations and Training Cell. The pace of training picked up as QL3 (Regular) Infantry Course 0001 began shortly after our return from Christmas Holidays. Second Lieutenant Wade Rutland and Warrant Officer Bill Murphy quickly began organizing the first course of 2000. QL3 (Regular) Infantry Course 0002, led by Second Lieutenant Lee Mossop and Warrant Officer Les Leighton, began close on the heels of its predecessor and began training in February, just in time to prepare for the festivities for Regimental Day. February also saw the graduation of QL3 (Regular) Infantry Course 9906. The recruits trained by Second Lieutenant Sheldon Schmidt and Warrant Officer Gord Charlebois departed Wainwright for the 2nd Battalion to begin their new careers as infantrymen in the PPCLI.



17 March, as is usual for Patricias around Canada and the world, witnessed activities typical for that time of year. Course 0001 defeated 0002 in a closely fought contest. Unfortunately, the officers were unable to repeat their grand victory of 1999 and the much "avoided trophy" returned to the Officers' Mess in 2000.

Training continued throughout the spring and culminated in the graduation of Courses 0001 and 0002. After a very short respite, the company began preparing for the onslaught of summer courses. In total, Basic Training Company conducted two QL2 (Reserve) Bold Eagle Courses, four QL3 (Reserve) Infantry Courses and a QL 2/3 (Reserve) Infantry courses. In addition, Basic Training Company assisted the QL2 Company with four initial QL2 (Reserve) Recruit courses. The summer witnessed several landmark activities. The Bold Eagle program welcomed 97 candidates, the most ever to participate in this popular youth development activity. A large number of candidates who completed training would later take part in further military training. The Company also conducted a trial QL 2/3 (Reserve) Infantry course. This course would provide invaluable feedback to the Directorate of Army Training in order to prepare for future QL 2/3 courses.



WO Murphy explains some of the finer points on firing the C9 live.

Basic Training Company also organized a very successful visit from executives from around Alberta under the auspices of Executrek. These executives had the opportunity to visit and participate in a variety of military training and activities conducted by soldiers at Land Force Western Area Training Centre. Soldiers from across the Training Centre put forth a great deal of effort in order to make the event a great success.



During the summer, the Company bade farewell to the Officer Commanding Basic Training Company, Major Charlie McKnight, who is now sunning himself in lovely Australia. Major McKnight will be spending the next couple of years instructing at the Australian Army's tactics school. We wish him, his wife Nicole and son Kristofer the very best in these endeavours. He will be greatly missed. Taking the helm of the company upon Major McKnight's departure was Major Bob Ferguson, who arrived from Land Force Central Area Headquarters in Toronto. Major Ferguson lost no time in steering the company to a successful conclusion of summer training and is a welcome addition to the team.

Captain Fowler, 2IC Basic Training Company, departed after eight months with the team and took up his new post as the Training Co-ordination Officer in the Operations and Training Cell. He was replaced by Captain Trevor Sherstan, who arrived from 3 PPCLI in October.

After a short break, Basic Training Company resumed its training schedule with the beginning of courses 0003 and 0004. QL3 0003 was led by Second Lieutenant Gord MacLeod and Warrant Officer Corbett, while QL3 0004 had Second Lieutenant James Dawe and Warrant Officer Spence at the helm. Both courses are headed to Edmonton with QL3 0003 going to the 3rd Battalion, and QL3 0004 going to the 1st Battalion. Both courses will graduate early in the New Year.

November saw the arrival of the 15 candidates for the Regular Infantry QL2/3 Tommy Prince course. Candidates spent their time in Wainwright adapting to military life while awaiting the start of their course in the New Year. Under the direction of Second Lieutenant Scott Leblanc and Warrant Officer Gord Charlebois, graduates of the Tommy Prince course will be off to the 2nd Battalion in Winnipeg.

MILITIA TRAINING SUPPORT CENTRE

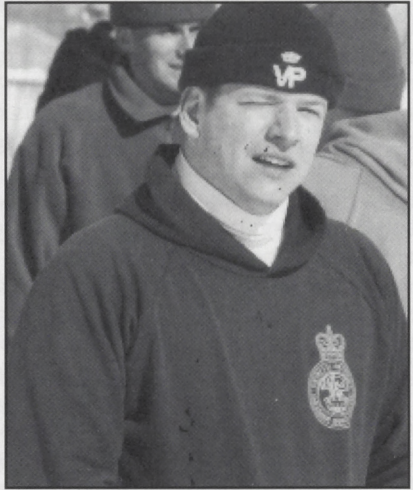
Within WATC there is a little known entity called the Militia Training Support Center. It is a collection of Capt's and WO's who have the job of assessing the eleven reserve Infantry units of Land Forces Western Area, normally in two Capt/WO teams. This year, as there were no new Officers posted in, the assessments fell to WO Gord Hill and WO Gord Trelnuk. WO Trelnuk was posted to Range control in Oct and WO Ken Ryan came on board.

This year had all of us working hard as all the written assessments were done completely by the WO's for the first time. This includes writing up the Battle Tasks Standards of their Exercise from battle procedure, to ambush and defence consisting normally of five to fourteen Battle Task Standards on a single report. They have at least provided us with new laptops so we can do the work both in the field and on the road. The year has



taken up most of our weekends until Christmas leave period with trips to Thunderbay, Shilo, and Dundurn for a total seven weekends Ex's. As well, there were five trips to the field in Wainwright all in three months. With this much time away from home its no wonder that not too many people want to come to MTSC.

The outlook for the New Year is good. The only trips away are to Fort Lewis for one week in February and one, two-week period in March. No shortage of volunteers for those trips! Missing some of the Wainwright winter is not hard to take, one of the few perks of the job. Once finished we will all be off to one of the other Coy's for the summer task of running courses.



"We may not be winning the game, but if I wink at the camera man maybe we will get a few extra points," hopes Capt Rory Fowler

LWFA TC OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Once again, it was a very busy year for Ops & Trg at WATC. This year saw numerous personnel changes and daily changes in planning, to the point that even the Magic 8-Ball stopped trying to predict the future.

Y2K saw the departure of Capt James Heth to Bosnia, and the arrival of Capt Rory Fowler as the new Training Coord Officer. It saw the replacement of MCpl Anthony by MCpl Piercey in the Training Library, and it saw Sgt Gauvin arriving to ease the burden of day to day operations on Capt Chris Barr and WO Lovett. WO Marchioni departed for CFB Edmonton, and was replaced by WO Kelly. Personnel changes happen so quickly in WATC Ops & Trg that you cannot keep up with them, even if you have a scorecard.

The Operations Cell was kept very busy co-ordinating the numerous training visits from Area units and the British Army, with the high point undoubtedly being the co-ordination of the demolition of the old water tower. The Tasking Cell (Sgt Danser) spent the year frantically moving personnel around to fill the incremental staff brique, and somehow managed to find solutions to the problems that arose on an hourly basis. The Individual Training Cell (Sgt Acheson and Katey Lacasse) was kept hopping trying to



manage a myriad of courses and instruct every unit in LFWA on the use of ITMIS. Providing direction and supervision to the entire organization was the Chief Instructor, Major Keith Macdonald.



"RSM...what did you slip into my coke I am getting a little dizzy?" asks
MWO George

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French Grey Battalion

Combat Training Centre, CFB Gagetown

The Infantry School experienced what was easily one of the busiest and more productive years in recent memory. The School received heaps of well-deserved praise for their efforts in the year 2000, praise that was earned through the contributions of serving French Grey Battalion members and the dozens more Patricias of all ranks sent to assist as course staff. Granted, every unit endeavoured to support our requests for augmentation, it was the First Battalion's contribution of instructors that put us over the top in fulfilling the summer slate of officer training. Their recent experiences as part of the Battle Group on ROTO 0 in Kosovo also served to provide a fresh perspective on the methods used to train soldiers and provided food for thought on ways to streamline it. All told, Patricias helped to train over one thousand officers and NCMs in a very busy year here at the Infantry School.

"What exactly gets done at the school?" and "Why do you need help from us?" are two common questions asked by augmentees upon arrival. However, by the time they leave they have a pretty



WO Sheidl receives the QL7 Top Candidate's sword from the R22R's Colonel of the Regiment Gen. Belzile.

good idea why they were sent and why their presence was so appreciated. Take last year's slate of courses as an indication of what Patricias contributed to. With regards to officer training, we ran 1 x RESO, a complete BCT 1 through 3 serial, 8 x Phase II Common, 5 x BIOC Phase II, 3 x Phase III and 2 x Phase IV for 684 students. Regarding NCO specific training, the School was responsible for 2 x Advanced Small Arms, 2 x QL6B, one each of QL6B (Reserves) Part 2 and Part 3, and one each of QL7 and QL7 (Reserve) for 247 students. Finally, we ran a scaled down compliment

of cell-specific courses including Master Sniper (1), Advanced TOW (1), Recce (1), Pioneer (1), Mortars (2) and one each of the LAV-III Driver and Gunner/Crew Comd courses for another 149 students.

Not only were Patricias tasked with running and teaching these courses, they were on the receiving end as students. Once again, they left their mark on the School by topping a handful of courses. Congratulations go out to all graduates, particularly the following: Lt Barry (1 PPCLI) who was the top candidate for the winter serial of BIOC Phase III; Lt Clark (3 PPCLI) who topped the Advanced Mortars; WO Scheitl (DHTC) who placed first on the QL7 course; MCpl Cameron (1 PPCLI) who topped the Advanced TOW; and MCpl Jensen (1 PPCLI) who was the top student for one of the Advanced Small Arms serials.



Infantry School Patricians Class of 2000

Which one are you slated to replace?

The past year was witness to the departure of various officers including Capt Smith who finally made his way back to a Battalion (read escaped) after five years here. Capt Weber's personal PT regimen proved fruitful as he landed a position at DHTC. Capt Jasper left a noticeable void as he packed up his mountain bike and custom built monster Jeep and headed for the Third Battalion. On the arrival side, the Second completed their spring cleaning by posting a number of officers here including Maj Haverstock (OC A Coy) and Cpts Patrick (Ops O), McLeod (2IC Support Coy) and Fletcher (OIC QL6B). Capt McLaughlin joined us in Gagetown but only to work across the parade square at G3 Trg. Capt Frederickson (OIC Advanced Mortars) linked up with Capt Boyuk (OIC Advanced Pioneers) in representing the First.

On the NCO side of things, there were several departures and arrivals as well. WOs Treger and Stone both retired from the Forces after long and productive careers as Patricias. Three WOs were posted out



including WO Francis (back to the Second), WO Murphy (back to the First) and WO Jacobs (RSS for the Regina Rifles). However, WO Corriveau was not posted in order to extend his streak as the longest serving Patricia WO at the School. Cpl McKillop retired while three other NCMs including MCpl Dowe, Cpl Dunfield and Cpl Welsh released from the Forces to pursue civilian ventures. Good Luck to all. On the arrival side, we welcomed WO Dearing (Advanced Recce) and Sgt Littlejohn (Small Arms) from the First, WO Kawa (Advanced Pioneers) from the Second and WO Meir (Advanced Recce) from the Third. Rounding out the contribution of NCOs were WO Clancy and MCpl Camilleri.

In keeping with tradition, Patricias at the school paid tribute to Regimental Day with a high spirited game of broom-a-loo complete with end-to-end action that saw both young and old take their best shots or at least, get their shots in. In the end, there could only be one winner, the NCOs, whom incidentally, did so with the help of an outsider. Some would even say that it was the crafty play of WO Verch that backstopped the NCO team to victory. Another tradition that could not be organized in time for the Fall 2000 was the French Grey Cup game, but have no doubt that the new year will be witness to so good old-fashioned Officer-NCO football.

The newly appointed Colonel of the Regiment, General de Chastelain was on hand this summer to witness the CTC graduation parade. More importantly was the privilege bestowed among more than a dozen phase graduates who had the privilege of receiving their cap badges from the Colonel of the Regiment in a small ceremony prior to the parade. Two graduates of special note were Lt (formerly WO) McConnechy and Lt (formerly Sgt) Barry who commenced a different chapter in their careers by returning to their battalions to take up positions as qualified mechanized platoon commanders. Shortly after the summer, the officer ranks added some speed and cunning to their broom-a-loo line up with the commissioning of WO Jenkins to Lt.

We ended the year with a week dedicated to fostering a solid working relationship between all ranks by bringing the staff closer together through a variety of sporting activities, professional development training and social engagements. The annual Men's Christmas dinner was the venue for a few special events for Patricias. Firstly, was the retirement of Cpl McKillop who had been the longest serving member of the French Grey Battalion. He retired after 24 years of service, the last fourteen plus having been served at CTC Gagetown, and will undoubtedly be missed as one of the Patricias everyone knew here at the School. Secondly, were the promotions of Cpls Brocklebank and Mclver to MCpl. The holidays were well-deserved and this time, we actually enjoyed it without having to worry about any interruptions caused by bugs. Everyone keep in touch and remember that we are more than eager to host fellow Patricias here at the School. Really, just ask your career manager.



Atlantic ERE Patricias

Hello from Canada's East Coast, yes even further east than Gagetown. We have Patricia's serving on the Atlantic Seaboard in this land of fog, rain and drizzle, keeping a watchful eye on the military activities along our eastern flank.

In LFAA HQ located in Halifax NS, where you can find LCol Bryan Bailey, Acting Chief of Staff and the Comanding Officer of 5 Canadian Ranger Patrol Group, and Sgt Lou Short working with G3 Operations (taskings). In Halifax with the Princess Louise Fusiliers we have WO Gerard Kennedy as the unit training WO. A short drive north to Truro we have MWO Bud Gilfoy Ops/Trg MWO with the 1st Bn Nova Scotia Highlanders. At Camp Aldershot we find Sgt Don McNab the training Sgt for the West Nova Scotia Regiment. In Moncton, NB, home of 37 Bde HQ, our Patricia's representatives are Maj. Jake Bell, G3, and Captain Eugene Squires, G3 Ops O. In Corner Brook NF we have Maj. Ralph Schutte just returned from a two year posting with UNTSO in Lebanon. He should be impressed with the two meters plus of snow in the area.

5 Canadian Ranger Patrol Group Ops/Trg Detachment is located at Gander NF. Patricia's working here are Capt Gord George as the unit Ops O and Ranger Instructors WO (ret) Frank Legge, and Sgt (ret) Erine Mugford. We also have Capt (ret) Peter Goldie working out of Halifax as the Adj. 5 CRPG is composed of 30 patrols covering the entire province of Newfoundland and Labrador. Patrol strength is between 20 and 28 and to assit in defence against incursions and sabotage in war in those sparsely settled Northern, coastal or isolated areas of Canada which cannot conveniently or economically be provided by other components or sub components of the CF. Commanded by LCol Bryan Bailey, 5 CRPG has approximately 650 Rangers on strength. The training program is conducted on weekends at patrol locations, and consists of marksmanship training, patrolling, navigation, observation, frist aid, search and rescue, and winer survival. Rangers are also tasked with reporting enviromental concerns, and suspicious or unusaul activities that occur within their area of operations. For more information on the Canadian Rangers see www.rangers.dnd.ca. VP



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Canadian Parachute Centre

Trenton, Ontario

The Canadian Parachute Centre (CPC) is presently home to twelve Patricia's spread throughout the School. LCol Bartlett the Commanding Officer; Maj Morneau, Capt Hildebrandt, Sgts Kiens, Speed, Gillis, Mailhot and Hillier in Trg Coy; WO Bolen in Standards; Capt Innis with the Airborne Trials and Evaluations Section (ATES); and WO Mclean and Sgt Hulan with the Canadian Forces Parachute Team (CFPT) "The Sky Hawks". There are also several former Patricia's employed as riggers in Support Coy.



Sgt Dan Speed(bow) and Sgt Rene Kiens take part in a high speed water extraction during the patrol pathfinder crse.

The 99/00 season has been extremely busy for members of the Regt. The CF Parachute Capability Study occupied most of LCol Bartlett's jumping time and OP ABACUS had most of CPC's personnel deployed in three man teams throughout Ontario as the LFCA HQ CIMIC Liaison Unit. The CFPT had a busy year with 101 demonstration jumps in 60 locations across the US and Canada. Trg Coy was continuously active in conducting the full suite of both static line and freefall parachute courses as well as the DZ/LZ, Basic Aerial Delivery and Basic Hel Ops courses. Trg Coy also ran the Advanced Mountain Operations (MOI) and Patrol Pathfinder courses. The transformation from the venerable CT3 free fall parachute to the new CT6 was completed and the certification of the CT6 in the static line mode is on going.

Despite being housed on an air base there are a large number of Ex Patricia's who now wear blue but are quick to point out their earlier regimental affiliation and their burning desire to participate in any Regimental celebration. As always, the Regimental gossip brought to us by students arriving from the various battalions out west is always much anticipated and most appreciated. We are not looking forward to the loss through postings and

releases of several key members of the Regimental family. LCol Bartlett, Maj Morneault, the legendary WO "Billy" Bolen and Sgt Hulan will be leaving APS 2001. However, we look forward to the arrival the new Patricia's posted in. VP. Airborne!

Ottawa ERE Patricia's

Not another Patrician!? It hasn't been a year since our last Ottawa update, has it? What can we possibly put in this year to capture your interest? Service in Ottawa lacks many of those things that would keep you from wanting to read our article - we don't have the Annual French Grey classic to tell you about - similarly, we don't have the Broom-i-Loo games either - nor do we have any Wainwright exercise stories to pass on. So



Soldiers and Civilians alike gather at LGen Reays Memorial in Christ Church in Ottawa. LGen Reay was killed in a car accident while working in the former Yugoslavia.

what could we possibly have to say to capture your interest?

Well, what we do have is a tremendous range of seasoned Patricias who were once serving alongside most of you in the battalions. (And most of us are itchin' to be back there as well!) What changes have we witnessed? There were many.....On the promotion front, we saw the following promotions: BGen Vince Kennedy, LCol Mike Day, Maj Greg Burton, and Capt Fred Curson. Newly posted in were Col John Turner, LCol Romas Blekaitis, LCol Steve Bryan, LCol Matthew Overton, Maj Greg Burton, Maj Martin Kenneally, Maj Dave Marshall, Capt Todd Hisey, Capt Bill Laidlaw, Capt Barry Lewis, and CWO John McGregor. We lost due to postings out.....Col Walter Semianiw, LCol Bill Turner, Maj Jon Gri, Maj B.J. MacLean, Capt Alfred de Boda, and Capt Mark Johnson. If I've missed anyone, I apologize profusely!

One of the benefits of serving here in Ottawa is the proximity of some of our most senior appointments and distinguished personalities. In



leaving his position as the Colonel of the Regiment, we have still been proud to have MGen Hewson and his wife, Norah, keep a close eye on us. When his busy timetable permits, we are also blessed with the attendance of our new Colonel of the Regiment, Gen de Chastelain and his wife, MaryAnn. No commentary on senior distinguished personalities in the Ottawa area would be complete without mention of one of our former Colonels of the Regiment, Col "Suds" Sutherland, and his wife, Helen. In fact, a PPCLI Association Certificate of Merit presentation to Col Suds served as the backbone to one of our gatherings. The event was all the more special since Maj (Retd) Rod Middleton came all the way out from Calgary to be on hand for this one.

Another benefit of service in Ottawa is the extremely strong ties we enjoy with our Association members. We have also gone out of our way to embrace into our ranks all those who served by our sides as Maint Os, QMs, Sig Os, and Fin Os for example. None of our functions are complete without ALL of the Regimental family. Although many of us will look back with fond memories over the last year here in the National Capital, we were all tremendously saddened with the loss of LGen Gord Reay at the end of the year. He touched many of us throughout his career and had a tremendous impact on most of us. We share in the loss with his wife, Lesley, and son, Brendan. A moving testimonial to his popularity across the military was the turnout at his Memorial Service here in Ottawa - about 700 strong. We celebrate his life and soldier on as he would have wanted us to do.

And one last word? If you hear you're posted to Ottawa, don't give up on PT! About once a month we have the infamous Regimental gathering where Col Peter Kenward takes us out for a jog. It's somewhat of a sprint, and followed by, you guessed it, lots of push ups and sit ups. Incentive to come out and participate is the obligatory mess gathering thereafter where we get to nurse our wounds.

So, if it's great camaraderie you're after, don't forget the Ottawa crowd - and bring your running shoes! We wish you well in all your endeavours and hope our paths cross soon.

Kingston ERE Patricia's

Another year has passed and we have seen friends depart and in their place a raft of new Patricias have emerged. The changes seem to be happening faster than we can update our phone list. Many have headed back to Battalions and we who remain are jealous. The new CF Joint Operations Group has been developed with Col Calvin on point, Maj Minor and Sgts Cameron, Cook and Noseworthy close behind. LFDTS is expanding with Col Semianiw, LCol Fisher, Majs Hope and Reinelt, Capt Ascah, Sgt McIndoe and Cpl Brousseau as our Regimental representa-

tives. Hanging their hat with the Brockville Rifles are Capt Smith, WO Harris and MCpl Cowan while the PWOR is now "home" to Cpl Grogan. Within the slowly shrinking Base you'll find Sgt Vanalstyn and Capt Gosse in the hot seats. CFRC Det Kingston has but one Patricia: Capt Paquin searching for the Patricias of tomorrow. As for determining which Patricias are within the confines of RMC, well that's another story. It seems as though once you pass through the Arch, whether it be as a Cadet, Staff, or a student for the Advanced Military Studies, Post Grad or Civilian University courses, you're effectively "cloaked" until you reemerge enlightened.

Without doubt, Kingston and area are well represented by the Regiment and we will forge ahead to another successful year. With any luck, by this time next year we may know exactly who was here last year. VP!

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West Coast ERE Patricia's

This year has seen limited events for the lotus land Patricia's to report on. The majority of Patricia's have taken the soldiering challenge to a different level. News from Patricia's posted to 39 Canadian Brigade Group

Captain Wade Englesby was recently posted to The Rocky Mountain Rangers. In August Wade was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. Captain Englesby formerly of 1 PPCLI was officially presented the Meritorious Service Medal from the Governor General of Canada during an awards ceremony in Quebec City on 15 Sep 2000. Captain Englesby was awarded the medal for his actions during a multinational climbing expedition in Pakistan in 1995.

Captain Dave McAllister was posted as RSSO to the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada from 1 PPCLI. He will likely now spend the remainder of his career giving tours, arguing with veterans, and slowly getting wider. Assisted by WO MacDonald, and recently posted from CFRC Vancouver, The Seaforth's now have a distinct Scottish RSS flavour.

Capt Darcy Wright and WO Gary Sundquist are filling the RSS jobs at the Royal Westminster Regiment. Capt Rob Dodds WO Boustead, and Sgt Whittall are filling the RSS Jobs at The Canadian Scottish Regiment (Princess Mary's). Sgt Whittall is currently attending the 6B course in Gagetown.

Two Summer's ago Patricia's from the Vancouver and Victoria area had the privilege of renewing their acquaintances with our Colonel in Chief. Lady Patricia visited both Vancouver and Victoria PPCLI Associations. Maj Saunders, Capt Lindsay and MCpl LePatourel assisted Lady Patricia and her husband, Lord John during the course of their visit to British Columbia.

MCpl Bill LePatourel passed his SACC in Gagetown. Looks like he will be heading back to a battalion and saying goodbye to his condo on West 4th.

Releases

Capt MacKenzie has released from the Regular Force. Rob Roy will continue to serve his country with The Seaforth Highlanders and the Vancouver City Police. We wish Capt MacKenzie and his family the very best in his new life.

WO Mitchell has released from the Regular Force. We wish WO Mitchell and his family the very best in his new life.

Major Waddell and Sgt Muehlberger have travelled West, again. They are providing a strong Patricia presence in the recruiting ranks of CFRC Vancouver. MARPAC, Domestic Operations, Base Operations and Cadets at CFB Esquimalt



Major Doug Oliphant (MARPAQ HQ), Capt Newman (Domestic Ops), MWO Usipiuk (Base Ops) have dug into Victoria and are firmly guarding our West Coast. Capt Salmon and Sgt's Arnold, and Noyes remain employed at Pacific Region Cadet Headquarters.

To Sum Up- As you can tell budget management, organising weekend exercises for 39 Canadian Brigade Group, recruiting and guarding our West Coast occupy the majority of our Patrician days. Living in Lotus land certainly has its drawbacks.

North of 60 ERE Patricia's

As the new Millennium begins and the APS ends the Patricias of CFNA find themselves in good numbers and good spirits.

CFNA saw the departure of three Patricias, Maj Drew and Sgts Deffner and Morris. The influx gave us one up with Capts Saunders and Migadel, WO Leighton and Sgts Peterson and Walker finding Yellowknife their new home. Of course for corporate knowledge WOs Sandahl and Jure stayed behind for at least another year.

The summer kicked off for the newly arrived (that would be the majority) with a change of command from Col LeBlanc to Col McLeod on 25 Jul 2000. The 26th of July to the present has been a blur with activities from Northern Training to Arctic Security Interdepartmental Working Groups to Sovereign Operations to Ranger Patrols to Pandemic Influenza Working Groups to Arctic Winter Games 2002 to Drill competitions to, well you get the picture. I guess that is what you get when you have about 98 personnel to oversee 3.8 million square kilometers.

Now that all the sniveling is aside I would like say that CFNA sits in the part of Canada that only 4 % of Canadians ever get to see. A part of Canada that is just as beautiful in the summer as it is in the winter. On behalf of all the Patricias of CFNA I would to extend an invitation to impose on the hospitality of the CFNA Patricias should you find yourself in Yellowknife, NT.

QUÉBEC ERE Patricia's


Greetings once again from your Regimental brothers-in-arms in La Belle Province. The year 2000 unfolded as one of the busiest ever for the Québec Patricia's, especially for those posted to the Canadian Forces Leadership and Recruit School(CFLRS). Over 4000 OCdts and recruits passed through the MEGA, for their first experience within the CF. The school is the entry point for all Regular Force inductees, as well as the home for the SLC, OIC and CWO courses. Of the 14 Patricia's serving in


Québec, 12 are posted to CFLRS.

The Québec Patricia's celebrated Regimental Day with a luncheon, followed by an enthusiastic game of Broom-i-loo, supplemented by those Patricia's visiting from the language school. This of course, was followed by a few post game libations, and a good time was had by all. During the year, well deserved promotions came to WO Genest and Sgt Sarault. Those Patricia's who had honourably served their time in Québec, and who were once again able to rejoin battalions in 2000, saw WO Power and Sgts Cooper, Mullick and Patterson posted to 2VP. Cpl Lamarche went to 1VP, and long-time ERE holdout, Capt Sbarra, finally found a new home in 3VP. The extended Patricia family welcomed the arrival of LCol Southern, who took over command of CFLRS in June, and WO Humphrey and MCpl Chabot, both of whom came to CFLRS. Rounding out the remainder of Patricia's at CFLRS are: Capt Green, WO Campbell, Sgts Meihuzen and Roy, and MCpls Beckman, Cochrane and Fullerton.

Outside of CFLRS, Capt Sheehy-Tremblay is ensuring the West isn't forgotten, being the sole Patricia working in LFQA HQ. Following in the footsteps of past legendary exchange officers with R22R, Capt MC Wright(a.k.a. Capt Carnaval) is taking that honoured position to ever new heights. Capt Wright has been able to turn the Citadel and surrounding environs into an ex-officio mess for the Québec and Atlantic Area Patricia's.


In closing, while it has been a productive and busy year for us in Québec, we have watched with pride, the performances of our battalions, both here in Canada and overseas. We will endeavour to continue representing the PPCLI well, until the time comes to rejoin battalion life. And for those of you thinking of joining us in Québec, just a word of caution. The wine is mediocre, the food bland and the nightlife(and all of the sights inherent thereof) is boring...yeah, right! VP





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KOREAN WAR VETERANS REUNITED 50 YEARS LATER

Forty-seven years ago, former Bowsman resident Fred Schooley aided a wounded fellow officer on the battlefields of the Korean War. Decades following the rescue, Schooley found himself reunited with the same officer, Lew Mowry. Schooley traveled from his home in Osoyoos, B.C. to a Kelowna Korea Veterans Unit meeting and was reacquainted with Mowry on May 18 of this year. Mowry and Schooley shared recollections of the rescue began one October night, 1952 - the night Mowry was wounded while working the night patrol. "I remember carrying you out that night," Schooley said, as he introduced himself. "I remembered the night, but I don't know how I became rescued," added Mowry, an active volunteer and fund-raiser who still uses the aid of a cane because of his wound. "I do not remember Fred, or much else. I recall the shelling, shooting and shouting and being hit. I remember bits and pieces of evacuation to hospital in Japan." Schooley recalled the events which brought him to Mowry's side. "In October 1952, a Baker Company patrol passed through our C Company, going out to Bunker Hill," Schooley remembered. "About an hour later we received a call. The patrol was hit and we had to go out and retrieve the dead and wounded. We went out and started to pack them in. That is where I met Lew Mowry - as myself and a man, by the name of Wilmot, carried Lew out. The next time I met Lew was here, now, May 18, 1999." Both officers were members of the First Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (1 PPCLI) - one of the Canadian and



Fred Schooley(left) is reunited with Lew Mowry at a Kelowna chapter of the Korean Veterans Association of Canada



other United Nations units which carried out similar routine patrols while peace talks took place in nearby Panmunjom. "Our B Company platoon patrol was out in front of Bunker Hill to the right of 355 (Little Gibraltar)." Mowry recalled of the exploits leading up to the eventful night. "We were out there all the time. It's hard to remember - shelled, shot at, hit in the leg, all kinds of racket." The evening scene was vivid in Schooley's mind. "There were about eight or nine wounded," he said. "About 18 or 20 of us were told 'you and you' were sent out. It wasn't hard to find our way. We had been out on these patrols many times too. It took about five or six field dressings to cover Lew's wound from the back of his heel to well above his knee. I broke off the glass over a needle and stuck Lew - to help kill the pain. We loaded him on the stretcher and carried him about a mile and a half back past Bunker Hill to Charlie Company CP (Command Post)." The events of the night were not as clear in Mowry's memory. "I remember being scared - with the gawd-damned pain or whatever - waiting to be picked up," Mowry recalled of his evacuation. "It seemed like a lifetime. Kinda remember going through Charlie Company. I must have been flown to the hospital in Japan. It was gawd-damned rough. I was pretty drugged up. I don't remember leaving Korea." Schooley continued to share his side of the story. "The odd shell came in while we were out there," he described. "On our way back we came across a wounded radio operator walking back. We patched up his sucking shoulder wound and convinced him to be carried back in another stretcher." Bunker Hill, Schooley explained was where there were many American casualties - the Americans occupied the outpost when they held the particular sector, which was one of the reasons why Canadians left Bunker Hill unoccupied. Mowry remains grateful to Schooley. "It's great to meet the guy who patched me up and carried me out that night," Mowry admitted. "I'm thankful I still have my leg."

REGIMENTAL HISTORY QUICKIE QUIZ

1) TRUE OR FALSE- ONLY 10% OF THE ORIGINAL PATRICIAS WERE OF CANADIAN BIRTH.

2) THE ORIGINAL PPCLI CAP BADGE WAS A MARGUERITE FLOWER AND CHOSEN AFTER MARGUERITE, GAULT'S WIFE. WHEN WAS THE BADGE REPLACED WITH THE PERSONAL CYPHER AND CORNET OF HRH (VICTORIA) PRINCESS PATRICIA. A- 1957 B -1937 C-1934 D-1946.

3) WHAT DAY IS THE REGIMENTAL BIRTHDAY?

ANSWERS PG 95



2483 PPCLI

Army Cadet Corps (Esquimalt)

The year 2000 was a busy one for us. We have trained throughout the year on the star program that is the core of the army cadet curriculum. Additionally, we have had several exercises and activities which maintained a high level of interest in our cadets.

Our shooting program was maintained at a very high level this year due to the interest of Lt Bart Yarmoshuk who is a national calibre shooting coach. Our .22 calibre shooting team placed second in the Pacific Region Shooting Competition against very stiff opposition. Cdt WO Wilkinson was a member of the Canadian Cadet Bisley Team during the summer of 2000 and Cdt Sgt Hollinger qualified to be a member of the 2001 Bisley Team. This will make three straight years (and four out of the last five years) that our corps has had a representative on this team. The cadets trained at least once per week on either the air rifle or the .22 calibre rifle and most were able to qualify for shooting badges to be worn on their uniforms.

We were able to send most of the cadets to camps during the summer of 2000. Most went to Vernon, but some were able to get to Whitehorse. Two of our senior cadets, Cdt MWO Dean and Cdt WO Harper, were chosen to participate in an exchange program to Wales. During the fall of 2000, the corps was able to participate in a 5 day exchange trip to Verdun Manitoba. We visited a Hutterite community, and a pioneer museum there and also went on a trip to Regina where we visited the Saskatchewan legislature, the Saskatchewan provincial museum and the RCMP Depot. The host cadet corps also sponsored a formal dinner in which our cadets were able to participate.

Our local activities for the fall 2000 included wall climbing, bowling, rappelling, assisting the Legion in their poppy campaign, marching in the Remembrance Day parade in Esquimalt, a map and compass exercise as well as an introductory bushcraft exercise. The winter and spring of 2001 will see us participating in some more training exercises as well as activities including bowling, skiing, a winter survival exercise, an orienteering exercise, first aid training and more rappelling. Our annual inspection will be at Work Point Barracks on 27 May 2001.

Two of our Cadets, Cdt MWO Dean and Cdt WO Becvar achieved the standard for Master Cadet, the highest award given by the Royal Canadian Army Cadet Movement. Cdt MWO Dean was also the recipient of the Lord Strathcona medal on the Annual Inspection for 2000. Congratulations to all the cadets who had achievements which are too few to mention.

Finally, we were sad to lose two of our officers this year. Capt Rick Chan and 2Lt Paul Shields dedicated a lot of time to our corps and will



be missed greatly. We are pleased to welcome Mr Bob Russel as our supply officer, 2Lt Cheryl Harland as our administration officer and Maj Steve Sawyer PPCLI, (ret'd), who has come out of retirement to assist us in our training.

3003 PPCLI

Army Cadet Corps (Battle River)

The 3003 Battle River Army Cadet Corps. of Edgerton, Alberta had a very successful Busy 1999-2000 year, holding our parades on Wednesday nights from 1900 hrs-2130 hrs. The cadets throughout the year participated in various weekend and day exercises. We Started off with a "Kick Off Exercise" in September followed by a Hunters Education Course, Largebore Shoot and Rappelling , First Aid Course and a Air Rifle Competition.

Shoot at the Octoberfest at WATC. November found us mainly at the range and helping with Remembrance Day services at the Edgerton School, Chauvin Legion Hall and Edgerton Ag Hall with the Edgerton Legion. We held a Fire Arms Safety Course and Christmas Party in December.

The New Year found us at the range again most weekends, practicing and doing our DCRA competition's. We also attended at Sports Weekend in Macklin. February started with curling at St. Paul, range, getting ready for our Supper and Games Night Fundraiser and then a weekend at Lac La Biche.. Three of our Cadets participated at the Shooting Federation of Canada/Crossman Airgun Prix Competition 2000 with Capt. Belanger as coach. The Provincial Shoulder to Shoulder with both the .22cal shooting team and the Air Rifle shooting team competing and escorts for the Edgerton Carnival the same weekend started the month of March. The month continued with finalizing the collections and events for the Supper and Games Night, range and the Supper and Games Night, which was very well attended. Three Cadets attended NSCE in Penhold. In April we held our spring Largebore shoot and rappelling weekend . May began with Decoration Day at Edgerton , Rosedale, Prospect Valley and Luthern cemeteries.

Operation Green Paint weekend was Held 12-14 May with Cadets from the Wilkie Air Cadet Squadron and Holden Sea Cadet Corps and our Legion Rep attending. This was a testing weekend for all Cadets and fun was had by all. Annual inspection was held on 7 June and a clean up Of the Edgerton Fair grounds on 9 June for Cadets Caring for Canada followed by a Movie night sleep over.

We sent several cadets to summer camps. Cadets attended camps in Vernon, Whitehorse Rocky Mountain . Cadets at Vernon were



enrolled in basic cadet, cadet leader, and cadet Leader instructor courses, while in Whitehorse one cadet attended Cadet leader. One cadet attended Cadet Leadership and Challenge Rocky Mountain and four senior Cadets held staffing positions, two in Rocky Mountain, one in Vernon and one in Connaught. Every one did well and all want to return to camp again in the next training Year.



2551 PPCLI

Army Cadet Corps (Edmonton)

The 2551 PPCLI Cadet Corps has once again had a year of both challenge and fun, with a little rough time in between. The year was started with a Field Exercise at Camp Mac where both staff and cadets upgraded their skills. It was also a time for staff to get re-acquainted with senior cadets and meet the new Green stars as well.

In November the cadets worked in conjunction with the Norwood Legion on Poppy Sales, and paraded at the University of Alberta Butterdome for the city's Remembrance Day activities. The Legion also put on an excellent Christmas Dinner for the corps in celebration of the season, and a great way to end the first part of the year.

In early spring, we packed up our tents and rucks, and headed out to Camp Wright for some advanced training, and although we were soaked and full of mud for set-up, Mother Nature blessed us with sun for the remainder of the weekend.

May brought about many busy weekends, the highlight being the FTX 2000 Cadet Concentration where Corps from across Alberta met at Steele Barracks for some stiff competition on over 20 different disciplines. Our team, led by MCpl Matthew Paul took the Mock Tower



portion with Flying colors, showing the province what the corps can do. The cadets also participated in the MS Super Cities walk through Rundle and Gold Bar parks in Edmonton's River Valley. The Cadets walked 22 kms in just under 4 hours, and also won the prize for the largest group to take part. Our favorite time of year arrived too quickly once again, and it was time to head to summer camp! Staff and cadets represented the corps at Training Centres throughout the world, including the Leadership and Challenge course, Para, Whitehorse, Bisley, and one hard working cadet was chosen for the German Exchange.

In remembrance, the year was halted in February with the death of our Commanding officer Captain W.W. (Bill) Sadler. Both Officers and cadets were greatly hurt by his death and he will be remembered by all who knew him.

The 2000-2001 year will be a challenge we are looking forward to, with a New Commanding Officer, and a bunch of new positive training unfolding. Special thanks go out to all of our volunteers, whether you are Regular, Reserve, or Civilian.

ACER ACERPORI! VP!

UFI CORNER

The word "toque," which is a uniquely Canadian word, is actually from the Italian word 'tocca' which means a small cap for a man or woman.

(Concise Oxford Dictionary)

Legend has it that British Colour Sergeants used the tassels on their sashes to keep track of casualties, by tying a knot on a string for each man wounded or killed.

During WW I, the PPCLI sustained 1318 casualties killed in action. Of these 629 have no known gravesite.

The author of the "Lassie" series, Eric Knight was a Patricia.

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ATLANTIC BRANCH

The Atlantic Branch being quite expansive, has few opportunities to come together, This year we managed meet on the 22-24 weekend of September and held our Annual General Meeting, in Fredericton, New Brunswick.

The AGM began with a "Meet-and-Greet" hosted by Buck and Gladys Roger, at the Royal Canadian Legion. This was a great opportunity for everyone to renew old friendships, as well, as to meet some new Patricias that we had not met before.

Saturday morning saw the Annual Meeting called to order by President Rick Muise. There were 35 members attending, including Major Haverstock, and MWO Leduc from the French Grey Battalion. President Muise welcomed all, then asked for a minute of silence. This year James L. MacKinnon and Roy P. Ivey were added to the ranks of Fallen Comrades.

The President reported that they had a slight increase in membership with a total of 44 paid members with a roll of 58 as of the 23 of September 00. Maj. Haverstock from the French Grey Bn, gave a very detailed presentation over viewing the Battalions and the training systems. Bill Minnis brought the branch up to speed on the Regimental History project, which many are anticipating.



L-R Mike Rickets, James McNutt, Major Norm Richardson, Sherry Richardson and Norman Ray at the presentation of the new Peacekeeping Medal

A new executive for the Atlantic Branch was elected, the results are as follows:

President - Errol Monkley, Sec/Treasurer - Norman Roy, VP - NB - George Springer, VP - NS - Jim McNutt, VP - PEI - Bill Minnis, We would



like to pass on our thanks to the past executive for the work and dedication during the last term.

The second memorable event was a large gathering of Veterans and their wives from branches of the PPCLI and the KVA at the Veteran's Wing of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Halifax to honour, Major Norman Richardson.

During a moving ceremony Rick Muise, had the privilege to present Major Richardson with his Peacekeeping Medal. Major Richardson joined the army in 1950, and served his country faithfully, loyally and with distinction for over 35 years. On release from the Canadian Armed Forces in 1985, He had the Distinction of being the most decorated Officer in the Canadian Armed Forces.

The next Annual General Meeting is to be held in Truro N.S. next fall. Hope to see as many of you as possible. VP!

OTTAWA BRANCH

The Ottawa Branch is alive and well and with a growing membership. The branch normally holds three meetings a year with other meetings being called as needed. Our first meeting of the year was the Association Dinner held on March 16 at the Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess. The dinner was a success with a good turnout of both Association Members and serving Patricia's from the Ottawa area. The Annual General Meeting took place on the 8th of May, which saw the present executive being continued in office for the next year.

At the AGM, it was decided to commence a fund raising drive in order to raise some \$7,000.00 to pay for the installation of lighting for the Hamilton Gault statue. Bill Love agreed to take on the chairmanship of the project. A number of meetings attended by Major-General Bill Hewson, Bill Love, Harry Bloom, and officials from Public Works were held to determine the types of lighting required, location and costs. The project was finally completed when on 19 September, 2000 Mrs Jean Piggot, former Chairperson of the National Capital Commission, threw the switch to officially turn on the lights. A dinner was held at Ottawa Army Officers' Mess prior to the lighting ceremony at which the Branch hosted Mrs Piggot and the two key Public Works members and their ladies in order to thank them for their assistance in seeing this project through. Many of our donors were in attendance. Following the ceremony, a reception was held with a good turnout from both the Association and our serving Patricia's. A well deserved thank you goes out to Bill Love for the effort and determination that he put into this project and in meeting the financial goal of the fund raising drive.



On 17 November, the Ottawa Branch held it's Annual Remembrance Day Service at the Regimental Cairn at Landsdowne Park. The event was attended by over 150 Patricia's both retired and serving, wives, children, grand children, and friends of the Regiment. This was the largest attendance ever at this service. Following the Remembrance Day service, the Association Certificate of Merit was presented to Lloyd Swick in appreciation for his many years of service to the Association and it's members. twenty-four Association members and three widows of members were also presented with the Canadian Forces Peacekeeping Medal. Colonel "Suds" Sutherland ably assisted by Major-General Bill Hewson made the presentations. A small reception followed these presentations.

A special noon time meeting was called for the 21st of December in order to present Colonel "Suds" Sutherland with the Association Certificate of Merit. It had been hoped to have our Colonel of the Regiment, General de Chastelain, present to do the honours but unfortunately his duties in Ireland kept him away. Major-General Bill Hewson stepped into the breach and did the honours. Unfortunately the event was marred with news of the death the evening before of Lieutenant-General Gord Reay as a result of injuries sustained in a vehicle accident in the former Yugoslavia. All in attendance remembered General Gord with a moment of silence. A Memorial Service will be held on 12 January at 1100 hrs at Christ Church Cathedral in Ottawa to commemorate his life.

The Ottawa Branch would like to take this opportunity to wish all members of the Regimental Family much success, good health and good fortune for the New Year.

S.W. ONTARIO BRANCH

Greetings to all members of the Patrician Family

Our branch sends its congratulations to the newly elected members of the National Committee. We also send our thanks to the outgoing executive for their support and hard work during their tenure in office. We especially want to acknowledge our own Ted Sutherland, our outgoing Vice President East. This information should have been in our last Patrician but due to some mix-up, our entry did not get published.

Our Annual General Meeting Weekend in May was very successful and we had a good turnout of members and guest. It was held in St. Catharines, and it must be noted that our membership spreads over a very large area in Ontario. The Toronto branch folded and we are pleased to have these members with our South Western Branch. Our guest speaker for the evening dinner was Mr. Bill Pilkington, from St. Catharines. He was both informative and humorous and spoke on several subjects, which drew interest from the members.

The Regimental birthday in Base Borden was attended by branch



president Edison Macdonald, along with Bruce Paxton, Jack Murray and Louis McLean. A tour of CFSAL was arranged and enjoyed by all. After this, we attended the broomball game on what turned out to be a chilly afternoon. In the evening it was a most enjoyable dinner with good food and refreshments at the WOs' and SGTs' Mess. It was good to see some old friends such as Gil Hyde and his wife in attendance.

During our annual weekend in May a new executive was elected. They are as follows: President Edison Macdonald, 1st Vice President Ken Gawthorne, 2nd Vice President Louis McLean, Secretary Elaine Gillespie, Treasurer Ann Stringer, Sgt at Arms Romeo Daley, Directors John Gibson, Bruce Paxton, and Hal Snelgrove. Our membership now stands at 71 current members.

Bruce Paxton, our local Director attended the Regimental Guard Meeting in Ottawa on the 9th of November and represented the President of the Association. This was certainly a chance for meeting long time friends. Bruce met with Jim Stanton, Peter Stevens and Roger Beauregard, whom he had known respectively since 1957, 1959 and 1972. To top the day off, Bruce shared a game of golf with Harry Bloom and Dave Snowball. Meeting and getting together with old friends is what it's all about.

Our next Annual Meeting and Dinner Weekend is scheduled for May 4-6, 2001 at the Howard Johnson hotel in St. Catharines. We invite anyone travelling in our neck of the woods to come and join us, as you will be most welcome.

The Annual General Meeting for 2002 is scheduled for the Southwestern Ontario Area and plans for that will be forthcoming at a later date.

MANITOBA & N.W. ONTARIO BRANCH

Our year officially started with the Branch Annual Meeting on January 26th where D'Arcy Best was re-elected President and Bob Cumming elected Vice-President. The Secretary-Treasurer's office was split with Stu Weeks becoming Secretary and D'Arcy Best taking over the bookkeeping duties. Directors Monte Allison, Brian Henwood, Ed Higham, Len King and Nick Oshanski were re-elected and were joined by newly elected Fred Breurkens.

Regimental Day on March 17th featured the usual fun and games with Second Battalion at Kapyong Barracks where the Officers finally defeated the WOs and Sergeants at Broom-I-loo in a six round NHL style shoot-out. It was a bitterly cold day but after the games we warmed up in the Officers' Mess and witnessed the departure of the Horse's butt and the Association gas mask to their new home in the WOs' and Sgts' Mess. Two



The Old Guard - Kapyong Day, 25 Apr 2000

days later, on March 19th, we were joined by a dozen of our ladies, including widows Kay Bonnallo (Dodd), Mary Dewick (Hayes), Doris Hidlebaugh and Sadie Hillyard, at our Regimental Birthday Social in the WOs' and Sgts' Mess.

The Battle of Kapyong was remembered on April 25th with a drumhead service on the Kapyong Barracks Parade Square. The Second Battalion were formed up in Hollow Square with the Old Guard on the right and Kapyong Veteran Ed Higham read the Citation. At 87 years, WWII Veteran Reg Clark was the oldest man on parade.

On June 23rd, Association members, family and friends joined the Colonel-in-Chief and the Colonel of the Regiment at Kapyong Barracks to watch Lieutenant-Colonel Matthew Overton and RSM John McGregor lead Second Battalion on their final March Past before handing over Second Battalion to Lieutenant-Colonel Marv Makulowich and RSM Larry Surridge. Following the hand-over ceremonies, the Branch President presented Lieutenant-Colonel Overton and RSM McGregor with plaques in appreciation of their support of the Association. After the parade, Association members and their ladies were treated to an excellent luncheon in the WOs and Sgts Mess, attended by the Colonel-in-Chief, Colonel of the Regiment, Brigade Commander, and the outgoing and incoming COs and RSMs.

Our Annual Dinner on October 21st was another memorable occasion with 46 members and guests enjoying a delicious meal in the convivial atmosphere of the second Battalion WOs and Sgts Mess. We were especially pleased to have the company of WWII veterans Lloyd and Helen Kreamer, Alf and Joan Rooke, Andy Schaen, Jim Wall, and Art de Keruzec's widow, Aleta. Following dessert, the Branch president presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Vice-President Bob Cumming in recognition of his dedicated service to the Branch during many years as Vice-President, President and Secretary, and Major Terry Wilson, OC Second Battalion Rear Party, provided a brief update on the Battalion's deployment in Bosnia.

On November 11th, Branch members lined up with Second

Battalion Rear Party and Cadets from 2701 PPCLI Cadet Corps and 553 Sgt Tommy Prince, MM Cadet Corps for a Remembrance Service in the Kapyong Barracks Drill Hall. Following the service, wreaths were laid at the Kapyong Monument by WWII veteran Alf Rooke and Major Terry Wilson, OC Rear Party. The following day, on November 12th, Second Battalion's Colours accompanied members and their families at the Annual Memorial Service in All Saints Church.

December 14th was a bitterly cold day but it was nice and warm in the Mess Hall when 16 members of the Association sat down for Christmas Dinner with the men and women of Second Battalion's Rear Party. Association members were dispersed among the troops so we could exchange war stories and it was agreed that this was much better than sitting in a separate group as in we had done in past years.

"Always a Patricia"



The Ladies -

19 Mar 2000. Front, l to r: Rhae Lewis, Kitty King, Annette Higham, Doris Hidlebaugh. Rear, l to r, Maureen Blake, Mary Dewick, Maureen Johnson, Kay Bonnallo, Jean Snell, Alma Gallant, Sadie Hillyard.

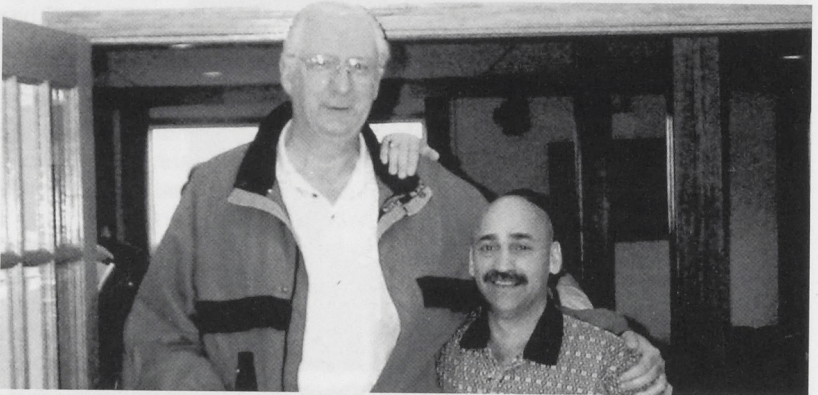
KINGSTON BRANCH

The Kingston Branch continues as the newest and smallest Branch of the Association, hence a short report. During the past year we lost several members, both serving and retired, to postings and moves away. Nevertheless, the Branch continues to be modestly active, is endeavouring to locate new members in the Kingston region and assembles periodically for a pub lunch. Among our most active members are Bert Bolton and Don MacCulloch, both WW II veterans. They are an example for all of us. The Kingston Branch looks forward to the challenges of growth over the next few years.

WAINWRIGHT BRANCH

The Wainwright Branch had an active year 2000. Branch membership is 29 and we gained new members, Maj Keith MacDonald, RSM Barry Veysey, MWO Bob Thibeau, MWO Gord George, MCpl Rob Schwartz, Don Hoffart, and Pete Peterson.

The highlight of our year was the hosting of Operation Marguerite II, 90 members and guests attended from Calgary, Edmonton and Wainwright Branches, as well, as we had the honour of hosting the Colonel of the Regiment MGen. Hewson and his wife Norah. The three day event provided many interesting activities, starting with a Meet & Greet on Friday. On Saturday the participants (those that managed to climb out of bed) returned to the Training Area (after many years of absence for most) and watched Mount Sorrel Platoon annihilate the enemy in a live fire exercise



Murray Forbes and MWO Bob Thibeau during Op Marguerite II.

after which the COR presented their Patricia hat badges. Upon, returning a golf tournament followed as well as tours of the Wainwright Museum and other highlights of Wainwright (Park Hotel, Wainwright Hotel, Legion etc). That evening a BBQ and social was held in the WATC WOs' & Sgts' Mess where prizes were handed out and presentations made. It was rumored that some of the participants saw another magical sunrise in Wainwright. The weekend was considered a great success and we are looking forward to hosting Op Marguerite III in 2001.

A number of members of the branch traveled to Edmonton to view the First Battalion receive their new Colours and the Change of the Colonel of the Regiment.

Branch members participated in Remembrance Day Services with the Wainwright Branch of the Legion and Jack Revoy represented the



Branch at the WATC Service and laid the wreath on behalf of the Branch.

Our Annual Christmas Dining-In was held on the 9th of Dec at the WATC WOs' & Sgts' Mess and all 35 that attended enjoyed a great meal with lots of wine.

CALGARY BRANCH

Depending on how you look at it 2000 was really something, we are among the very few who will not only see the end of a century but also the end of a millennium. It did come in very uneventful. But the Calgary Branch had an eventful year!

It started off with the election of a new President Mr. John Burke with Mr. Bill Davies as Vice-President, and Mrs. Dianne Litchfield our new Secretary/Tresurer, Jim White Hospital Rep. George Arthursen has stayed on as our Entertainment Representative; Bob Adamson remains our Kit Shop representative / flag custodian. The entire Calgary Branch thanks you for taking time from your busy lives to keep our Branch alive.

We a lost few members but gained some new ones. It is our goal to get all Patricia's of all former ranks into our Branch. We make an active effort to recruit new younger members of the Regimental family into the Branch making them feel welcome. So if you are living in the Calgary area please contact us. For information or meeting times you can phone anytime at 1(403) 249 - 8107 or bzubkow@attcanada.ca

The Calgary Branch works hard to keep the members interested by providing gathers on a regular bases. We have meeting from January to June - September to November. We rotate our meetings at the Ogden Legion Branch No. 238 between a Saturday morning breakfast followed by a meeting or a Thursday night meeting. We also have a happy hour the last Friday of every month. This does vary from place to place, but is usually at Erika's Deli. We urge you to stop in at a meeting or happy hour when you're in town.

March 17th 2000 the Calgary Branch held its last Regimental Day at the Garrison Curling Club. Many fellow Patricia's passed through the doors to have a glass of Moose Milk while visiting with old friends. The Curling Club is completely torn down now This year we are looking to get together in the museum on the 17th.

April found us in anticipation of "Operation Marguerite I". This was a gathering of the Calgary, Edmonton, Wainwright Branches in Wainwright for the weekend of April 28 - 30th with 13 members of the Calgary Branch attending. The Wainwright branch put on a proper Patricia gathering with lots to keep us busy. Some members had late night's blurry eyes with one little angel not being able to make it to the recruit live fire in the morning. The Live fire was the final exercise for the recruits followed by the Colonel



of the Regiment presenting the recruits with their Patricia hat badges as we looked on. I don't think the recruits will forget that day I know we won't.

No May would be complete without a memorial service commemorating the Battle of Frezenberg". 10 Members of the Calgary Branch with some of the Museum staff gathered at Hammies statue on the museum grounds, the weather was cool, but sunny. It was hard to believe standing there listening to Last Post that 85 years previous, Patricia's fought such a desperate battle.

June 2nd several members were off to the AGM in Victoria. Our spring BBQ 17th of June was held at the Forest Lawn Legion with 60 members their wives and guests dancing well into the night. Followed by our annual golf tournament in Turner Valley on June 24th thanks to the effort of Doug McNeal.

July brought a special occasion with the Aboriginal Veterans holding a dedication ceremony receiving a service medal recognizing their contribution to Canada and the Armed Forces. This well over due ceremony took place at the Tsuu Tina Nation on July 22nd. With members of the Calgary branch receiving medals. The Calgary Branch again with support from RHQ and the Edmonton Branch held another successful Casino July 25 -26 leaving us tired but the Association a little wealthier.

The annual RV camping weekend was in Aug at SanRay Acres. The farm of Jack and Sandi Rayner, just east of Strathmore. This always turns out to be a great weekend of Rving and tenting. We had a fun playing golf past horses, I'm still trying to get my ball back from the gopher on Jack's home made 18 hole course. Jack also had a 9 hole mini course based on Regimental history which proved to be as challenging as our history. Later we sat around the campfire listening to Bob Finney playing the guitar and sing. Things got a little ruff when the rest of us joined in, we out sang the coyotes.

Saturday morning started with Regimental music and a Stampede breakfast. By Sunday everyone was played out and happy to head for home. We hope to see you out there next year.

In September Bob Zubkowski was presented with the new Merit Pin as past holders of the pin were also present with the new numbered pin.

October the UN Association organised a medals parade for all eligible recipients which numbered over 750 on parade with the Patricia's being one of the largest groups. This was extremely well put on. Our hats go off to the UN Association with many thanks.

Remembrance Day we were spread over the city and outlying areas representing the Patricia's in, Drumheller, Strathmore, Turner Valley, Camrose, and other locations.

We slowed down in December just so we can catch our breath for another busy year in the Calgary Branch... With some surprises coming this year!

SASKATCHEWAN BRANCH



L-R Claude Petit, Norris Petit and Leon Ferguson, with a class of school children after a Remembrance Day Presentation

The Saskatchewan Branch is small in numbers but big in heart. Most of our members are scattered around the province making organized events few and far between. Individual members make the extra effort to get into the community at every opportunity. Our next Annual General meeting is set for March 17, 2001, at the Hughs Cairns Armouries in Saskatoon at 1300hrs. Any and all Patricians are invited to attend. VP!



CWO DG Palmer with Claude Petit during the 55th Anniversary of the liberation of Hong Kong Prisoners of War



EDMONTON BRANCH

As we approach the end of the year 2000, we reflect on activities of the past months, giving thanks for good friends and the opportunity to be a strong witness in the community upholding the proud traditions of the "Patricia's."

The Edmonton Branch maintains a high level of participating members - (64 regular, 31 Associates) with a monthly meeting of 35-40 regular attendees. The willingness of our members to serve on committees or help at special events is gratifying and is much appreciated by the Executive. Two dinners are held annually, the first commemorating Frezenburg and the second, is a special Christmas gathering. Members are encouraged to invite friends and relatives and there is usually a good representation from the Garrison. During these occasions he have managed to donate substantial funds raised by raffles, to such charities as the Christmas Bureau, the Salvation Army and the Mewburn Veteran's Centre.

As with every aspect of life, change happens and we would like to note the departure of Mrs. "Mickey" McCannel to Newfoundland, "Chic" & Ethel Query to Oliver, B.C., Herb Taylor to Lethbridge, B.C., and a more final farewell to Jim Waniandy, to which we dedicated this years Frezenberg dinner.

The Edmonton branch is privileged to be located so close to the PPCLI RHQ, two of the three battalions and the old Battle School, as we are able to attend many of the Regimental activities. In April many of our members were invited to attend an open house at WATC, code named Operation Marguerite III. The activities included a tour of the new facilities, a barbecue, a fire power demonstration, and the participation of Cap Badges to the graduating platoon members.

The Edmonton Branch was also well represented at the 1st BN presentation and consecration of new Colours held June 24. During the same ceremony MGen Hewson signed over command as the COR to Gen deChasteline which was attended by the Colonel in Chief. Another Highlight for a few of our members, was an afternoon tea held at the Edmonton Garrison WOs' and Sgts' Mess on the 8h of September which was attended by Una Travis and Patricia Munro.

To conclude, we invite all visitors to attend any of our meetings. These are always held the 4th Friday of the Month, Jasper Place Legion 102 Ave., 156 St., 11:30 hrs. VP!

MORE UFI- The PPCLI were the first Candian infantry regiment to land in France, on 21 December, 1914, as part of the 80th Brigade. This also led to the affiliation with our Allied Regiment, The Royal Green Jackets.



OKANAGAN/THOMPSON BRANCH

The Okanagan/Thompson Branch extends from Hefley Creek in the north to Oliver in the south, a distance of about 300 kilometres, which presents quite a challenge to many of our members driving on Highway 97 when the weather becomes nasty. As a result, attendance at meetings becomes pretty slim during the winter months. At present our membership stands at 35 regular and 15 associates. We regret the loss of one Patricia, Bill Dechant, who passed away in January. Attendance at our luncheon on 17 March - Regimental Day was very disappointing, but the faithful members approved the purchase of a building block in memory of the deceased members of the Branch.

On 25 April the Kap'Yong memorial was celebrated by a gathering at the Patricia Way cairn at the Vernon Army Camp, attended by members of the PPCLI and Korea Veterans Associations, followed by luncheon at the Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club. All of the Branch's luncheon/meetings will be held at this site until October. On 23 May we welcomed Ken Villager to our meeting. His purpose was to interview several Patricia members for contributions to the new Regimental History.

Dick Callaghan, President of Branch 25, Royal Canadian Legion and Unit #37 KVA invited PPCLI Association members and guests to a barbecue at the Legion's campsite at Gardom Lake on 22 Jul. On 12 August the catering staff at the Cadet Camp provided a barbecue for the Branch, at which 39 members and guests were in attendance. On 25 September one of our very popular associate members, my wife Patricia, succumbed to cancer after a very long and painful sickness. All of the efforts in behalf of the Branch will be sorely missed. On 16 September the Branch's regular meeting was held at the "Days Inn" in Kamloops. On 21 October the Branch's Annual General Meeting was held at the Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club, at which a disappointing 17 members were present. The following slate of officers was elected at this meeting:

President Thomas Tyson
Vice Pres William Davis
Sec/Treas Jerry Richard
Sgt-at-Arms Walter Jans

Directors John Fossett
James McDougall
George Cook

George Cook was also chosen to represent the Branch on the PPCLI Association Heritage Committee.

On 11 November, Remembrance Day, it was encouraging to see the growing crowds of dedicated people attending the cenotaph services. Canadians across the country are finally remembering. There was no Branch activity planned for the month of December.



Members of the Okanagan/Thompson Branch who served in Kap'Yong with 2 PPCLI on April 25-26 1951. Photo taken 25 April 00 L-R Ken Barwise, MM, Micheal Melnechuk, Brian Anderson, George Croucher, George Cook.

FRASER VALLEY BRANCH

The year 1999 was wound up for the Fraser Valley Branch by our usual Christmas dinner at our friendly local restaurant. We dedicated the dinner and the evening in Felix Carrier's name since several of us had just got back from his funeral in Surrey. It was a good dinner followed by, what has become, our normal after dinner routine on these occasions. That is a joke-telling time that is led by two of our skilled, story-telling ladies. These are Liz Brown and Joey Ellis. They invariably have a stock of funny stories to tell that keeps the members laughing, (and helping the digestion of their just-completed dinner!)

The next two months went by with our usual regular meetings.

March brought our next "occasion," the 17th March. Once again our dependable crew of helpers purchased, produced and presented both the food and suitable decorations for the event. We even had some out-of-town Pickley visitors join us to help celebrate the appropriate toasts for the occasion.

May took us to the branch AGM and the annual elections. These were relatively painless this time around as all the incumbents volunteered to stay in place for another year. That left us with: Mel Canfield as President, Marc Gagne as Vice President, Peggy Hart as Recording Secretary, "Grouch" Grouette as treasurer, and Bill Wilkinson as Sgt-at-arms, Colour bearer and, "keeper of the branch Colours." (He even washes and irons them when necessary! Erika has him well trained!)

Because the "Wos and Joes," have their annual get-together in June, and some people take off travelling immediately thereafter, May is also our wind-up meeting for the year. As some of our members tend to

do, some drove clear back to the east coast and back again. This usually makes for a thin meeting in September because some members are still finding their way back to the "Wet Coast."

October normally brings everyone out to our meeting while we prepare for Armistice Day and our December dinner, again. Joey and Liz, of course, have been collecting and saving good jokes for our Christmas dinner so our branch can wind up another year in an appropriate manner.

VANCOUVER BRANCH

The Branch started their year off with the Annual General Meeting, where the members agreed the Executive were doing a good job and could therefore remain in place to the end of their second year.

On Sunday, March 19, 2000 we met in the Anderson Room of the Seaforth Armory for our Annual Regimental Day Luncheon. Though our turnout was down from the year before, we still had a very successful day with 36 members present. We held a raffle through the generous donations of several members. We also gained two new members at this event. Thanks to Jim Shaw generously donating back the door prize (a bottle of Glenfiddich & tumblers) he had won, we re-raffled the item and made some more money and broke even on the Event. Thelma Holland won the second raffle and kept it for Tom for an Easter gift. Lucky Tom.

In June, our President Don Urquhart and his wife Jenny attended the Annual General Meeting of the National Association in Victoria. Several other members attended as well, where they saw our own member Donald (Don) Parr-Pearson receive the Certificate of Merit from Major-General C. W. Hewson, OMM, CD. It was a well deserved honour for a member who put a lot of hard work into the Branch, plus the special project involving the placing of a plaque at the Walter MacKay Draycott Memorial, in time for Lady Patricia's visit in July 1999. Well done Don.



Don Parr-Pearson, Receiving his award from MGen Hewson.

At the end of August we held our Annual BBQ at the home of Val & Ken Tutte. Though Val had been ill she rallied (with the help of her daughter & granddaughter) to put on her, as always, magnificent BBQ steak dinner. A good time was had by all, and the weather co-operated this year with much sunshine. We had 30 members present, plus we were pleased to have two couples visiting from Victoria; John Carson & Ed



Don Parr-Pearson, CD with
award, giving acceptance
speech

Hanson and their Ladies. Always glad to have fellow Patricias visiting. A much deserved well done to Val & Family. Through the hard work of Gary Jantzen who sold tickets for the raffle, and generosity of members who donated items, we were able to top up our funds. Thanks Gary.

On Sunday, December 10th we held our annual Xmas Party at the lovely home of Jenny & Don Urquhart. The catering was handled by Jenny Urquhart & Thelma Holland, with Tom Holland offering up his famous Deviled Eggs. We had an excellent turnout and a donation from every member of an item for the raffle or cash donation toward expenses. Once again Gary Jantzen swung into action and did a marvelous job of selling raffle tickets. Thanks to everyone for

a successful function.

We finished the year with a total 66 members. John Notschke, Frank Norris and Ron Bracey passed away, 2 new members joined and 2 members returned to the Branch. So we are basically staying stable, but as the membership ages it is harder for people to get out to the events.

The Executive: President Don Urquhart, Vice-President Tom Holland, Secretary/Treasure Thelma Holland, Directors at Large Don Parr-Pearson, Glenn Palmer, and Don Boyce thank the members for their help over the last two years and wish the new Executive much success in the coming term.

VICTORIA BRANCH

The Branch Millennium Year got off to the same start as most years with the first event being the Annual General Meeting on the 29th of January. In the face of the usual competition (nil) the Branch Executive remains the same with the exception of our new treasurer Larry Davies, who took over from our long serving Jac de Bruijne. As in the past two years we held our Regimental Birthday Dinner at the Langford Legion, where Harry Groom and his staff did their usual excellent job of catering for us.

The National AGM held here in June went according to plan, but dealing with unionized establishments is a far cry from the good old days of the work point Sergeants Mess.

Two major events held here in September, while not strictly Regimental Activities saw large numbers of ex Patricia's attending. The



first held on the 15th of the month was a candlelight tribute to veterans held in the Esquimalt Military Cemetery. It was a perfect evening and almost all ex military veterans' organisations in the region were represented. Since it was a DVA and CF sponsored event it was well organised, but marred by overlong speeches by too many dignitaries who wanted to get in on the act. Ex Patricia and Legion Stalwart Roy Aylesworth did the honours as Sergeant at Arms and Brian Vernon represented the peacekeeping veterans.

The weather held out fine the next morning on the 16th when the BC Lieutenant Governor Garde Gardom presented peacekeeping service medals on the lawn of the legislator. Eligible members of the Regiment were out in force to get their gong. Many like myself find it a little ironic to get two medals in Retirement after long regular service in which many of us were awarded just two. Never having been shot at, I wear mine with a slightly guilty pride but not like the snooty Guards officer who said of a veteran "he was never a real soldier, he was only in during the war."

REGIMENTAL HISTORY QUICKIE

QUIZ ANSWERS

FROM PAGE 74

1) TRUE -ONLY 10% OF THE "ORIGINAL" PATRICIA WERE OF CANADIAN BIRTH. THE RECRUITING STATIONS LOCATED IN OTTAWA, CALGARY, EDMONTON, WINNIPEG, TORONTO, AND MONTREAL PROCESSED MORE THAN THREE THOUSAND APPLICANTS. ONLY 1098 MEN WERE ACCEPTED, OF WHOM ALL HAD PREVIOUSLY SEEN ACTIVE SERVICE WITH OTHER UNITS.

2) C-1934 THE MARGUERITE WAS REPLACED IN 1934 WITH THE PERSONAL CYPHER AND CORNET OF HRH PRINCESS PATRICIA.

3) THE REGIMENTAL CHARTER WAS SIGNED ON AUGUST 10, 1914. HENCE OUR REGIMENTAL BIRTHDAY FALLS IN THE SUMMER. MARCH 17 IS OUR REGIMENTAL DAY IN HONOUR OF PRINCESS PATRICIA BIRTHDAY THE ORIGINAL COLONEL IN CHIEF.

HONOURS AND AWARDS



Sgt McCutcheon and Cpl Weaver were awarded the Medal of Bravery for saving the life of a landmine victim while serving in Kosovo.

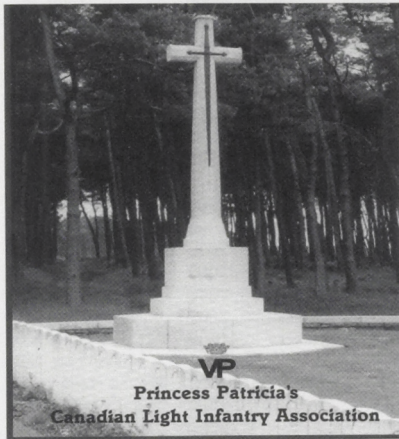
The Governor General of Canada has approved the awarding of the Medal of Bravery to two soldiers from the First Battalion PPCLI. Sgt Earl McCutcheon and Cpl. Ross Weaver, both of Reece Platoon have been recognized for their courage and dedication demonstrated when they entered an unidentified minefield to rescue an elderly civilian who had stepped on an anti- personnel mine in Kosovo. They recieved the insignia at an investiture ceremony at Government House in Ottawa.



Above, Capt Wade Englesby recieves the
MSM from the Governor General

Captain Wade Englesby was recently posted to The Rocky Mountain Rangers. In August Wade was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. Captain Englesby formerly of 1 PPCLI was officially presented the Meritorious Service Medal from the Governor General of Canada during an awards ceremony in Quebec City on 15 Sep 2000. Captain Englesby was awarded the medal for his actions during a multinational climbing expedition in Pakistan in 1995.

LAST POST



*Those whom this list commemorates
served King & Queen, Country
and Regiment.*

*At duty's strident call, they left all that
was dear to them, endured hardness,
and faced danger so that others might
live in peace and freedom.*

*Not all soldiers die in battle or glory,
but they too served the Regiment.
Let those who come after see to it
that their names be not forgotten.*

Bell	Doug	Reg F	July 14, 2000	Victoria, BC
Bernardin	Napoleon	WWII	December 16, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Bodnar	Donald	Reg F	January 27, 2000	Whitehorse, YK
Boyko	Martin	WWII	April 26, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Boyle	James	Korea	April 21, 2000	Ottawa, ON
Bracey	Ronald	Korea	October 29, 2000	
Brown	James	WWII	March 27, 2000	Lanigan, SK
Buchan	W.A.	Reg F	November 01, 2000	Alboney, Og
Cahoon	Don	Korea	September 27, 1999	Picton, ON
Campbell	Chuck	Korea	September 05, 2000	The Pas, MB
Campbell	John	Korea	March 01, 2000	Ingersoll, ON
Carlson	William	Korea	December 16, 2000	Surrey, BC
Carriere	Felix	WWII/Korea/Reg F	December 13, 1999	Chilliwack, BC
Cunningham	Ken	WWII	January 02, 2000	Prince George, BC
Dechant	William	Reg F	January 17, 2000	Westbank, BC
Dee	Robert	WWII	June 06, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Desjarlais	Albert	Korea/Reg F	March 02, 2000	St. Boniface, MB
Desjarlais	Emile	WWII	August 28, 1999	MB
Dougall	Thomas	WWII	June 10, 2000	Calgary, AB
Durrant	Jack	WWII	June 03, 2000	
Edwards	Lorne	Korea	November 10, 2000	Chapleau, ON
Elefson	Reuben	Reg F	December 20, 2000	Calgary, ON
Esler	Roy	WWII	December 06, 2000	Victoria, BC
Evans	Robert		September 16, 2000	Calgary, AB
Fahr	Henry	WWII	May 28, 2000	Toronto, ON
Folster	George A	WWII	March 16, 2000	Gravenhurst On
Fontaine	Louis	WWII	November 13, 2000	Pine Falls, MB
Fontaine	Leon	Korea	May 18, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Fox	Reginald			Winnipeg, MB
Fraser	Gordon	WWII/Reg F	March 26, 2000	Winnipeg MB
Garlinski	Antoni	WWII/Reg F	December 04, 2000	Adlergrove, BC
Gusul	Harry	WWII	January 18, 2000	Terrance Bay, ON

Hall	Lorne	Korea/Reg F	April 07, 2000	Greenwood, BC
Hamaulka	Joseph	WWII	April 23, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Hamburgh	Bill	Reg F	April 30, 2000	Wetaskiwin, AB
Haskins	Al	Reg F	December 30, 1999	Edmonton, AB
Hatch	Douglas		May 17, 2000	
Hearn	Garry	Reg F	May 24, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Henson	Arthur	Reg F	July 05, 2000	Calgary, BC
Higgins	Howard	WWII	February 24, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Hinkel	Melvin	WWII/Reg F	August 01, 1999	Grand Forks, BC
Jacobson	Gudmundur	WWII	December 26, 2000	Arborg, MB
Kasprick	Paul	WWII	February 22, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Kelly	Robert	Reg F	December 18, 2000	Victoria, BC
Kusyk	John	WWII	September 17, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Lank	Ernest	WWII	February 02, 2000	Pincher Creek, AB
Legge	J.			Girvin, SK
Linklater	Frederick	WWII/Reg F	March 02, 2000	Stonewall, On
Lyndon	Harry	WWII	March 14, 2000	Regina, Sk
Martin	Edwin	WWII	April 08, 2000	Belair, MB
McCabe	Victor	Korea	March 05, 2000	Sudbury, On
McCallum	Leroy	Korea	November 30, 2000	West Lorne, ON
McCormack	Leonard	Reg F	December 31, 2000	Belleville, ON
McCullough	Cecil	WWII	September 22, 1999	Benito, MB
McIntosh	Harvey	WWII	January 08, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
McMaster	Clarke	Reg F	November 01, 2000	Siksika Nation, AB
Melville	William	WWII/Korea/Reg F	October 12, 2000	Sandy Hook, MB
Merrill	WM	WWII/Korea/Reg F	December 11, 2000	Hinton, AB
Meyer	Ronald	WWII	March 03, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Norris	Francis	Reg F	July 11, 2000	Vancouver, BC
Notschke	John	WWII	June 23, 2000	Port Moody, BC
Olinvk	Michael	WWII	January 23, 2000	Rainy River, On
Oliver	W.J.		January 27, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Oxley	T William	WWII/Reg F	October 12, 2000	Victoria, BC
Parker	John	Korea	December 25, 2000	Selkirk, MB
Paul	Francis		July 11, 2000	
Penner	John	WWII	May 02, 2000	Calgary, AB
Philpott	Albert	WWII	May 18, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Pickets	Ralph		March 14, 2000	
Pollard	Robert	Reg F	September 20, 2000	Trenton, On
Pombert	Joseph	WWII	January 06, 2000	Nanaimo, BC
Ramsay	Alexander	WWII	December 20, 2000	Aberdeen Scotland
Raven	Phillip	WWII	January 11, 2000	Petawawa, ON
Rawluk	Edward	Korea	May 16, 2000	Windsor, ON
Rawluk	Edward	Reg/Korea	August 06, 2000	Windsor, On
Reay	Gordon	Reg F	December 21, 2000	Ottawa, On
Richard	Joseph	WWII	September 30, 2000	Teulon, MB
Ried	Albert	WWII/Korea	March 16, 2000	Collingwood, On
Robert	Robert	Reg F	October 07, 2000	
Rudd	Albert	WWII/Korea/RegF	March 16, 2000	Collingwood, ON
Scanian	Clarence Arnold	WWII	November 21, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Scarrott	Melvin	Reg F	October 23, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Setter	John	WWII	April 29, 2000	Courtenay, BC
Stanford	John		December 24, 1999	
Stodgell	Norman	WWII	September 14, 2000	Hodgson, MB
Stringer	Frank	WWII	April 17, 2000	Stoney Creek, On
Stutt	Joseph	WWII/Korea	October 01, 1999	Surrey, BC
Tate	Ken	Korea/Reg F	January 08, 2000	Creston, BC
Thomas	Earl	WWII	February 22, 2000	
Thomas	William	WWII/Reg F	October 12, 2000	Victoria, BC
Thomas	Douglas		July 20, 2000	Winnipeg, MB

Thompson	Kenneth	Reg F	January 06, 2001	Winnipeg, MB
Thompson			January 11, 2001	Salmon Arm, BC
Turnbull	George	Reg F	April 30, 2000	Kingston, ON
Whalen	William	Korea	May 12, 2000	Bathurst, NB
Wilkins	Gordon	Reg F	January 10, 2001	Victoria, BC
Wilmot	William	Korea/Reg F	January 23, 2000	Wetaskiwin, AB
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Youngs	Myron		April 10, 2000	Edmonton, AB

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