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MESSAGE FROM THE COLOENL-IN-CHIEF



My Dear Patricias:

Reflections on 2010 are bittersweet. The 1 PPCLI led deployment to Afghanistan, although a success based on all metrics, saw more of our finest fall in combat, from the start of the mission in the fall of 2009. The return of the First Battalion from Afghanistan only marked the beginning of preparations for the Third Battalion based deployment which will be in its final stages of readiness by the time you read these comments. The Regiment continues to answer the call to duty with the same determination and zeal demonstrated by the originals when Hamilton Gault founded the PPCLI in 1914.

From the fall of 2009 to spring 2010, all three units had a significant number of soldiers deployed to Afghanistan. The First Battalion completed its second tour of Afghanistan in 2010 after conducting partnered operations with Kandak 2, living amongst the Afghan population, and working closely with our NATO allies. The Second Battalion deployed a composite company, A Company, to the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team (KPRT). And, from the Third Battalion, B Company was the centre of mass for the Task Force 3-09 Operational Mentor and Liaison Team (OMLT).

Those not deployed were busy with domestic operations and training. Majority of the Second Battalion deployed to Whistler, BC, for Op PODIUM to provide security for the Olympic Games. After Op PODIUM, 2 PPCLI hosted the Change of Appointment Ceremony for our Colonel of the Regiment: LGen (Ret'd) Crabbe took over from BGen (Ret'd) Gollner. In addition, 2 PPCLI conducted IBTS and level 2 Live Fire training in Shilo. The Third Battalion conducted numerous activities ranging from the inaugural French Grey Ball to the first-ever decentralized Parachute and Jumpmaster Courses. After their post-deployment leave, the First Battalion conducted a Change of Command between LCol Walsh and LCol Fletcher and started right away with the PCF training cycle.

Behind the scenes throughout all this were the trainers, administrators, and countless volunteers, without whom the machine does not function. Patricias in schools and training centres, from Wainwright to Gagetown, continued to produce excellent soldiers and leaders. The staff at Regimental Headquarters, unit rear parties, and Association members and volunteers across the country comforted our families and looked after the needs of our veterans. Your quiet professionalism and compassion lift the spirit of all those you touch and exemplify the true value of the Regimental Family during challenging times.

Whether in operations overseas or at home, the Regiment continues to uphold the tradition of excellence. On 29 November 2010, the Governor General presented the First Battalion with The Commander-in-Chief's Unit Commendation for its service as the Task Force ORION Battle Group on Op ARCHER in Afghanistan, making the PPCLI the only regiment with all units awarded this prestigious recognition.

I am extremely proud to be your Colonel-in-Chief and so very grateful to share in your personal and professional endeavours.

Yours faithfully,

Adrienne Clarkson, PC, CC, CMM, COM, CD
Colonel-in-Chief



MESSAGE FROM COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT



2010 has been another stalwart year for the Regiment from combat operations in Afghanistan to security duties during the Olympics in Vancouver. I was extremely proud and honoured to have been appointed Colonel of the Regiment in May during a ceremony in Shilo, hosted by the Second Battalion. The soldiers performed magnificently despite very little time for preparation.

In June, I attended the Change of Command Parade of First Battalion – recently returned from operational duty in Afghanistan. LCol Walsh handed over command to LCol Fletcher. In August, I had the opportunity to visit First and Third Battalions with the Colonel-in-Chief, accompanied by her husband John Ralston Saul. It was wonderful to be able to share a few relaxing days with the soldiers and attend the French Grey Ball hosted by 3 PPCLI. I had the opportunity in October to present Don Cherry his Honorary Patricia scroll on Hockey Night in Canada.

In November, I attended the Rededication Ceremony of the Hall of Honour in our Museum in Calgary where the Regiment paid tribute to the 12 Patricias who gave their lives in service to Canada, 2009 to 2010. Many family members of the Fallen attended this moving and emotional ceremony and all paid tribute to the manner in which the Regiment had assisted them under difficult conditions. Many expressed their appreciation for the manner in which their sons, husbands, and fathers were honoured in perpetuity in the Hall of Honour.

The highlight of the fall was the Vimy Dinner in Ottawa. Over 40 Patricias attended the annual Conference of Defence Associations event to honour our Colonel-in-Chief as the recipient of the 2010 Vimy Award for her outstanding contribution to the defence and security of Canada, and for her promotion and preservation of Canadian democratic values. This was a very proud and special event in the history of our Regiment.

In late November, the First Battalion received the Unit Commendation from the Governor General for the Unit's outstanding accomplishments in Afghanistan as Task Force 1-06. Despite short notice, the Battalion and members of the Task Force performed admirably. In December, I had the pleasure of attending the Second Battalion's Christmas dinner and annual 'at-home' and was very pleased to see the tremendous esprit that abounds in the Unit.

Plans for the 100th Anniversary have advanced rapidly this year and much progress has been made in finalizing the plans to commemorate 100 years of service to Canada. The Centennial is focused around three major commemorations: Edmonton (7 to 10 August 2014), Ottawa (18 to 21 September 2014), and Frezenberg, Belgium (5 to 8 May 2015). All those involved in developing the plans, including the Regimental Association, are to be commended for their outstanding efforts as we move toward celebrating our Centennial.

The Regiment also took a huge step forward by establishing a charitable Foundation with a view to secure the Regiment's financial future and to perpetuate the well-being of the Regiment in many ways. This will put the Regiment on a solid financial footing well into the future and will benefit all members of the Regiment and their families. Much remains to be done in this regard, but the efforts of the Trust Working Group and now the Foundation Board have been nothing short of spectacular in getting this much needed initiative to fruition.

I very much look forward to visiting the units as they continue their preparations for operations and undergo unique and exciting training to take on new challenges. I am fully confident that the Regiment will continue to meet these challenges as they have in the past.

Good luck and good soldiering to all.

Lieutenant-General RR Crabbe, CMM, MSC, CD (Ret'd)
Colonel of the Regiment



MESSAGE FROM THE REGIMENTAL MAJOR



With the changing of the calendar to 2011, I mentally ticked off one year down and three to go. I am not trying to conjure parallels between a prison sentence and the RM's job, but just noting how quickly the Regiment's centennial is approaching with so much still to do to properly prepare for this momentous occasion. In this issue, you can read more about the centennial projects in the final planning stages and a few that we have committed to already. Given the tight timeline, the Regimental Executive Committee approved two major projects that will allow us to reflect upon our great military heritage and share the same with our fellow Canadians: the Museum Improvement Project and the development and production of a book to commemorate the Regiment's Centennial.

In addition to the regular submissions from major contributors, you will find articles on the recent changes to the Voluntary Monthly Contributions, and the Constitution and By-Laws. To properly look after the needs of our soldiers, especially our

wounded warriors and the next-of-kin of our fallen, we had to re-think our financial policies. The soldier must feel that he is part of a living tradition and that all who serve with him and have served before are at his or her side. If the Regiment is to step up and provide service to our soldiers when formal avenues of assistance have been exhausted, we need financial depth that can only be secured through the generosity of Patricias and their fellow Canadians.

To communicate the on-going needs of the Regiment, I will use the chain of command, the Regiment's website (PPCLI.com), the Regimental Manual, and our Face Book site, as appropriate. To engage our fellow Canadians, the Regiment has turned to the newly created PPCLI Foundation. You can find out more about the PPCLI Foundation in the article by MGen (Ret'd) Barry Ashton.

The review of our policies and procedures for the care of our soldiers and their families is timely. As this edition of The Patrician goes to print, 3 PPCLI and B Company from 1 PPCLI will be in the final preparations for deployment to Afghanistan. Our thoughts go back to previous missions that demanded so many sacrifices from our soldiers and their families. As these Patricias say farewell and focus on the tasks that await them in Afghanistan, they can do so with the confidence that the remainder of the Regimental Family stands ready to assist them and their families, no matter what.

Before I let you get on with the rest of The Patrician, I would like to thank all contributors for their quick reaction to tight deadlines. Without your commitment, it would not be possible to publish this very important document in a timely manner. In particular, I wish to acknowledge the Regimental Headquarters Staff for their diligent efforts, long days and, on occasion, weekends lost, to meet the needs of the Regiment. I, for one, am extremely grateful and honoured to be deserving of such dedication.

Major H.J.S. Mandaher, CD
Regimental Major



100th Anniversary Office



The Regiment in the form of the Regimental Guard, the Regimental Executive, and the PPCLI Association have approved events that will make up the PPCLI Centennial. These events are in the form of a matrix held by the Regimental Secretary and OPs have been assigned. This matrix is in the process of being transformed into a written document entitled "The Final Regimental Plan," to be issued by 2012.

The main events remain unchanged. They are as follows:

National Reunion. The national reunion that will take place in Edmonton, AB from 7 to 10 August 2014.

Ottawa Commemoration. A commemoration that will take place in Ottawa, ON from 18 to 21 September 2014. There are four planned activities during this timeframe:

- (1) **Dedication.** 18 September has been earmarked for a dedication of a memorial at Lansdowne Park;
- (2) **Parliament Hill Parade.** 19 September sees a joint PPCLI and R22ndR parade on Parliament Hill with each regiment mounting a guard;
- (3) **Memorial Parade.** 20 September is the planned date for a memorial parade through the city; and,
- (4) **Drumhead Service.** 21 September is the final day where a drumhead service is planned at the National Cemetery.

Frezenberg. Capitalizing on the "Canada Remembers" program for significant historical events concerning Canada's history in the Great War, the Regiment plans to conduct a rededication ceremony in Frezenberg, Belgium on 8 May 2015.

Relay Run. The Relay Run is meant to mark the significance of the 100th Anniversary by bringing great exposure to the Regiment across a significant portion of Canada.

Two other Centennial items that may be of interest are a documentary on the Regiment and a Pictorial History Book. The Regiment is currently working on an agreement with Yap Films out of Toronto to produce a film on the PPCLI. As well, an author will be commissioned to write an illustrated history.

For any current information on the 100th Anniversary, go to www.PPCLI.com and click the 100th Anniversary link.

The next time you're passing through the Edmonton International Airport, go to the International arrivals area and look at the PPCLI Historical Display Book. Every 10 months a new page is turned, looking back on the Regiment's illustrious past.

If you have any questions or want to pass on info related to the 100th, email us at 100.PPCLI@forces.gc.ca

"Planning for the Future, to Remember the Past"



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By Alec Herdy

Once one has dealt with the litany of the Department of History and Heritage Museum Operating Instructions, Regimental Museum Operating Guides, and a host of other manuals, the mission and objective of the Regimental Museum and Archives can be simplified to "preserve and perpetuate." For readers of the 2010 Patrician, the following account of your Regimental Museum's activities will have you agree that we successfully accomplished this in 2010.

The Regimental Museum was opened in Calgary on 13 May 1954, and officially reopened on 18 June 1956. Fifty five years later, Sgt George Goulet, Museum General Manager; Sgt Christopher Mavin, Collections Manager; and Museum Register, Cpl Andy Mullett, in conjunction with members of the Calgary area 'Patricia Family' who volunteer in the museum detachment, contributed to a successful year.

February arrived with 'on the job training' in the fine art of power tools for Cpl Mullett. Under the direction of Sgt Mavin, work continued on the new Afghanistan display. Walls from the Passchendaele movie set were reconfigured to match walls in the full size photo of 8 Platoon, Charlie Company, from 1 PPCLI's 2006 Afghanistan tour. This is now the gallery exhibit back drop. Throughout the year, the echo of "still got all your fingers" faded as near completion was obtained. Assisting with this project was Pte Pyne from the IPSU Calgary. With much of the physical work completed,



To Preserve and Perpetuate



success was measured by comments from gallery visitors-many having served in Afghanistan. "It is eerie," one serving Patricia commented. Donations of artefacts from former Colonel of the Regiment, BGen (Ret'd) Gollner, WO Patrick Tower, and Cpl Hjalmarson from 1 PPCLI contributed heavily to the historical accuracy of this exhibit.

The gallery exhibit design company, Push the Red Button, operated by former Calgary Highlander Jessie Sinclair, spent long hours adding the "real life" dimension to both the gallery exhibit and the Founders Gallery display. Anthony Brogan, who served with our affiliated regiment, the Royal Green Jackets, volunteered his time to the "War Rugs" display construction in addition to loaning his service records from Northern Ireland for a Loughheed House presentation. As most activities are a family event here in Calgary, Anthony's wife Tina and Siobhan Mavin added their assistance into the wee hours of the morning. Denis Wright, a retired Coldstream Guard, is volunteering his time along with volunteer Tony Schwab and is completing an electronic over-hall of the Kapyong display. Again, the result for visitors is dazzling, with LED lights representing the actual battle fire. Further electronic wizardry incorporates the artillery fire Patricia's called in on their own positions and the rising of the sun after this heroic night.

In the archival portion of the Museum Detachment, the first part of the year saw the development and introduction of a dedicated program to assist visitors when researching their family history and the Patricia linkage by archivist and special projects volunteer Alec Herdy. Using a variety of archival materials such as war diaries, battle maps and photos, combined with an escorted gallery tour, left families such as

Pam and Neil Anderson from England (great uncle was 1186 A/RSM 'Jock' Anderson), and relatives of Pte George Quartly (KIA 23 May 1944), with a full understanding of their ancestor's proud history. This was by no means one sided however, as both families enhanced museum holdings with further donations, including up to date photos of cemeteries and battlefields.

Further visitors to the museum included the Wynne family, whose two uncles served in the Italian campaign as Patricia's, and the daughter of Victoria Cross winner, Sgt George Mullin. A visitation by Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT) Instructors to the museum, coordinated by Ken Furdel (PPCLI, Airborne), saw the museum detachment invited to tour the SAIT facility and participate in the opening of their annual chicken bingo game.

Official visitors this year included the Chief of Land Staff, LGen Leslie, given a private tour of the gallery by our regular volunteer, retired CWO Sam Simpson. BGen Jorgensen and the designate Commander of Land Force Western Area, BGen Wynnyk, both toured the gallery during the year. The current Colonel of the Regiment, LGen (Ret'd) Crabbe had the occasion to visit the museum on several occasions.



Cpl Mullett reconfiguring the Passchendaele walls



Provincial Minister Doug Horner and Sgt Mavin



PPCLI Regimental Museum

Non-military VIPs included the United States Consul General, Laura Lochman and her husband. Additionally, Alberta's Lieutenant Governor, The Honourable Col (Ret'd) Donald S. Ethell visited the museum on several occasions. Alberta Minister of Advanced Education and Technology and Minister Liaison to the Canadian Armed Forces, Doug Horner, spent an afternoon in the gallery and sharing with the museum staff his family's connection to the Originals. Alberta MLA, Manmeet Bhullar, was given a private tour of the gallery, collections and archives. Mr Bhullar is a proud supporter of the CF and a friend of the PPCLI.

Cooperating with in-house TMM activities saw the PPCLI Museum staff and volunteers George Arthurson, George Courture, Sam Simpson, and Harry Edwards give a variety of 'Serving Soldier' and 'Meet a Veteran' presentations to visiting school groups and Calgary area service organizations, in addition to gallery tours. Korean War veteran and author Hub Grey escorted former CBC Reporter Dan Bjarnason through the gallery, then spent two days examining archival records for Dan's upcoming book on the Korean War. Winnipeg Grade 11 High School student Dylan Thomas sought archival support for his term paper on First World War Patricia, 489755 Pte J.R. Duff (see next page). Mr Gregory Wright from Knox County provided a constant dialogue with the detachment this year as he investigated American born Patricias from Tennessee. The museum

wishes to thank Mr Wright, as his research enhanced several individual First World War files. This research is continuing now with the cooperation of the Knoxville and State archival representatives.

A visitor on Vancouver Island met Lt "Killer" Bird MacKenize of the Italian Campaign and made use of archive materials to further appreciate our Regiment's participation in that campaign. With the start-up of The Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Foundation, under MGen Barry Ashton (Ret'd), archive volunteers Nic "the Hamster" Ewaskiw and Kieran Maguire quickly supplied five computer discs with photographs from various Patricia eras for use on the Foundation website. These discs also included new Korean War era photographs from the photo album donation by Russ Piche, and the Test and Evaluation Trial photographs donated by Al "Steve" McQueen. Diagnosed with Cerebral Palsy, Nic's condition saw the museum detachment create a first in Canada for Military Museums- a fully accommodative work station. It may not be pretty but it works as Nic continues to update the archival digital holdings.

Collection area volunteers Doug Bedford, Marilyn Bedford, Joyce Parson, Kathryn Julien, Janine Gillispe, and Carissa Poppe maintained a brisk pace as donations from Garth Roberts, Helena Acikahte, Jim Fisher, James Burns, Jack Klokied, MGen (Ret'd) Stewart, Patricia Webb, the Barwise family, Robert McCaughley, Ron McKay, and Ron Fraser arrived steadily throughout the year. Archives volunteer Nicole Parson completed digitization of the Regiment's music and is further training in archival activities. Donations by the Kermack, Holton, and Sterling families, John McComber, Ann Gamel, and William Birney were gratefully accepted as their timeliness gave practical experience for Nicole.

Last but not least, the PPCLI Museum is grateful to the younger Patricias of 2554 PPCLI Cadet Corps for their dedicated service to the Regiment. The young Patricias were instrumental in the move of the Regiment's archives, TMM activities and the D-Day Anniversary. Without the help of the Cadets, and all the other dedicated volunteers, the PPCLI Museum could not meet its role to "preserve and perpetuate."



2554 Cadet volunteers for TMM and D-Day activities on 6 June 2010

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By Dylan Thomas, Grade 11

John Rutherford Duff

Private 489755

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry
No. 1 Coy

Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF)

Personal information: John Rutherford Duff was born on 27 June 1893, in Carberry, Manitoba. He was the youngest of four children born to James and Margaret Duff. His father owned a machinery dealership and knew E.T. Seton, a naturalist who helped found the Boy Scouts of America. During Duff's youth, his family moved to Outlook, Saskatchewan. When he became older, John would eventually move to Saskatoon to work for the Northern Crown Bank, which later became part of the Royal Bank of Canada. He never married.

On 27 March 1916, he enlisted in Montreal, even though he very easily could have enlisted somewhere much closer, such as Saskatoon or Winnipeg. He was enlisted into the 1st Reinforcement Draft of the 6th University Company, despite the company being comprised mostly of students from McGill University. His brother Gilbert enlisted on 18 February 1916, just thirty-eight days before John.

Military movements: After enlisting, Duff trained shortly at the McGill campus before leaving for general military training at Camp Niagara. He left for England from Halifax on 8 July 1916, aboard the S.S. Lapland. He arrived on 25 June 1916 at South Caesar's Camp in England.

Duff trained in England for approximately a month, before being taken on strength by the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) on 28 August 1916. He left to join in the field on 18 September 1916, and was one of eighty-nine reinforcements that arrived at the Somme that day. He and the rest of the battalion would spend three weeks in reserve.

On 8 October 1916, the PPCLI was involved in an attempt to capture German held Regina Trench. The attempt failed, and the PPCLI was relieved by the 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles. Two days later, they pulled out of the Somme battle and set out toward Vimy Ridge.

The PPCLI gradually moved toward Vimy, before entering Neuville-St.-Vaast on 23 October 1916. They were to hold a line of trenches approximately 900 yards long, known as the "La Folie" sector.

The final days: From 14 – 18 November, and again from 24 – 28 November, the PPCLI saw the front line. On 22 November, the PPCLI traveled to nearby Aubigny to purchase Christmas gifts for families back home. In a letter addressed to his sister, Duff mentions buying a spoon for her year old son Jack.

On 26 November 1916, at 4:30 P.M., John was stepping out of the dugout to "stand to" when he was struck by either a grenade or a flare. The explosion caused injuries in his chest, abdomen and thigh. He was carried to the dressing station. On the way to an ambulance he began haemorrhaging. He died on the stretcher. His last words were "will I live?"

Lest We Forget: John Duff is buried at the Ecoivres Military Cemetery near Mont. St. Eloi in the Pas-de-Calais region of France. He was buried with another member of the PPCLI. He was 23 years old when he died.

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HONOURS AND AWARDS



ORDER OF MILITARY MERIT

LCol Mills -	APPOINTED AS AN OFFICER
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Sgt L. Ford -	APPOINTED AS A MEMBER



MERITORIOUS SERVICE CROSS

Sgt J. Brink -	FOR EXCEPTIONAL BRAVERY AS THE SECT COMD DURING A SUICIDE VEHICLE BORNE IED ATTACK ON 15 JAN 06, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN.
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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

Capt J.W. Hooyer -	FOR LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONALISM AS A COY CSM DURING INTENSIVE COMBAT OPERATIONS, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, AUG 06 TO FEB 07.
Sgt C.S. Whalen -	FOR LEADERSHIP AND DEVOTION TO DUTY AS COMMANDER OF 2 PPCLI'S CARE OF THE WOUNDED SOLDIER CELL, JUL 06 TO JAN 10.



MENTION IN DISPATCHES

Capt C. Carthew -	FOR CALM LEADERSHIP AND DECISIVE ACTION AS HE INSTILLED A SENSE OF ORDER AND CONTROL AMIDST THE SHOCK AND CHAOS OF AN UNEXPECTED AND DEVASTATING ATTACK IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 3 SEP 08.
MWO P.J. Holwell -	FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND LEADERSHIP DURING TWO INTENSE COMBAT OPERATIONS IN SOUTHERN AFGHANISTAN, 2 JUN 08 AND 18 JUN 08.
WO R.J. Crane -	FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND COURAGE IN LEADING AN ADVANCE FOLLOWING AN ATTACK IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 30 MAY 08.



HONOURS AND AWARDS

- WO P.D. Sprenger - FOR COURAGEOUS AND DECISIVE ACTIONS AS HE LED AFGHAN SOLDIERS TO COVER AND RALLIED THEM TO ENGAGE THE ENEMY AFTER THE LEAD PLATOON WAS PINNED DOWN BY INSURGENT FORCES IN ARGHANDAB DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 18 JUN 08.
- WO E.M. Vollick - FOR UNWAVERING CALM AND DECISIVENESS THROUGHOUT MULTIPLE ENEMY CONTACTS AND OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AS COMMANDER OF A POLICE DETACHMENT AS A MEMBER OF THE OPERATIONAL MENTOR AND LIAISON TEAM IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, FROM JAN TO SEP 08.
- Sgt S.A. Corcoran - FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONALISM BY CONTINUING TO DIRECT HIS SOLDIERS FROM HIS STRETCHER AFTER BEING SHOT TWICE BY AN INSURGENT IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 2 JUN 08.
- Sgt W. Dunphy - FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP, COURAGE AND DEVOTION AFTER RECEIVING A GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE LEG, MAINTAINED CONTROL OF HIS SECTION AND HELPED REPEL AN INSURGENT AMBUSH IN ZAHRI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 6 MAY 08.
- Sgt D.A. Thompson - FOR DECISIVE LEADERSHIP IN IMPLEMENTING A SOUND EXTRACTION PLAN AND ENSURING HIS SOLDIERS MAINTAINED PERIMETER SECURITY FOLLOWING A SUICIDE BOMBER ATTACK IN PANJWAYI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 19 AUG 08.
- MCpl J.J. Boyes - FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND PROFESSIONALISM WHEN HE LAUNCHED AN ANTI-TANK WEAPON INTO AN INSURGENT POSITION, RESULTING IN THE SAFE WITHDRAWAL OF HIS TRAPPED COMRADES, AFGHANISTAN, 8 JUL 06.
- MCpl S.D. Copeland - FOR COURAGEOUS AND DECISIVE ACTIONS THAT ENSURED THE EXTRACTION OF THE SOLDIERS AND THE DEFEAT OF THE ENEMY AFTER AN INSURGENT AMBUSH IN PANJWAYI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 25 MARCH 08.
- MCpl D. Girard - FOR DECISIVE COMBAT LEADERSHIP AND AGGRESSIVE ENGAGEMENT OF THE ENEMY DURING AN INSURGENT AMBUSH IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 18 JUL 08.
- MCpl C. Vickerman - FOR COURAGEOUS AND DECISIVE ACTIONS THAT ENABLED THE FIGHTING WITHDRAWAL OF TWO ANA COMPANIES IN ARGHANDAB DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 18 JUN 08.
- MCpl Underwood - FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND DECISIVENESS WHICH ENSURED THE SUCCESSFUL DEFENCE OF A STRONGPOINT AND EVACUATION OF CASUALTIES FOLLOWING AN ATTACK BY INSURGENTS IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 7 JUL 08.
- Cpl C. Busche - FOR COURAGE AND SELFLESSNESS WHILE MOVING THROUGH INTENSE ENEMY FIRE TO REINFORCE THE ISOLATED AFGHANS, IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 28 JUL 08.



HONOURS AND AWARDS

- Cpl C. Kriwez - FOR COURAGE AND LEADERSHIP UNDER FIRE DURING AN AMBUSH THAT SPLIT HIS SECTION IN TWO. HE LOCATED THE ENEMY AND DIRECTED EFFECTIVE FIRE, ENSURING HIS SECTION'S SUCCESS DURING THE INTENSE THREE-HOUR ENGAGEMENT IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 14 JUN 08.
- Cpl L.A. Miller - FOR COURAGEOUS ACTIONS WHILE UNDER ATTACK, WHICH HELPED REPEL AN INSURGENT AMBUSH IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 6 MAY 08.



CDS COMMENDATIONS

- LCol Joudrey - FOR LEADERSHIP AND DEVOTION AS DCO OF 2 PPCLI BATTLE GROUP DURING OP ATHENA, AFGHANISTAN, FEB TO SEP 08.
- LCol M. Minor - FOR PROFESSIONALISM AND DEDICATION AS THE DEPUTY TO THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF OPERATIONS OF REGIONAL COMMAND (SOUTH) IN AFGHANISTAN, JAN TO NOV 08.
- Maj J.M. Bird - FOR EXEMPLARY LEADERSHIP THAT ENHANCED ANSF CAPACITY TO SUPPORT JOINT OPERATIONS AND ENSURED OPERATIONAL SUCCESS IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, MAR TO SEP 08.
- Maj E.A. Liebert - FOR EXEMPLARY DEDICATION AND PROFESSIONALISM AS THE PPCLI REGIMENTAL MAJOR SINCE 2006.
- Capt Pellerin - FOR LEADERSHIP THAT RESULTED IN THE SUCCESSFUL EXTRACTION OF HIS PATROL FOLLOWING INSURGENT AMBUSHES IN AFGHANISTAN, 16 MAR AND 4 AUG 08.
- Capt B. Semenko - FOR LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONALISM AS THE RSM OF THE BATTLE GROUP, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, FEB TO SEP 08.
- Capt Younghusband - FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP, DECISIVENESS AND SELFLESSNESS WHICH HELPED WIN A FIREFIGHT WHILE UNDER INTENSE AND PROLONGED INSURGENT FIRE, AFGHANISTAN, 4 JUN 08.
- CWO G. Cavanagh - FOR LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONALISM AS SERGEANT-MAJOR B COY DURING OPERATION ATHENA, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, FEB TO SEP 08.
- CWO C.A. White - FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONALISM AS THE RSM, JOINT TASK FORCE AFGHANISTAN, MAY 08 TO FEB 09.



HONOURS AND AWARDS

- MWO G. Trenholm - FOR OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONALISM AS A MENTOR TO AN AFGHAN NATIONAL ARMY BRIGADE AND AS THE REGIMENTAL SERGEANT-MAJOR OF THE OPERATIONAL MENTORING AND LIAISON TEAM, AFGHANISTAN, FEB TO SEP 08.
- WO W. Cooper - FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND SUPERB MENTORSHIP WHICH CONTRIBUTED TO DEVELOPING THE ANA INTO A PROFESSIONAL FIGHTING FORCE, AFGHANISTAN, FEB TO SEP 08.
- WO J. Turnbull - FOR HIS RESCUE EFFORTS FOR ATTEMPTING TO SAVE THE LIFE OF A FELLOW SOLDIER WHO HAD FALLEN INTO A WELL IN THE PASHMUL DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 7 JUN 08.
- Sgt M. Pope - FOR DECISIVE FRONTLINE LEADERSHIP WHICH REPELLED AN INSURGENT ATTACK WITHOUT INCURRING ANY FRIENDLY FORCE CASUALTIES IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 23 MAY 08.
- Sgt D.A. Thompson - FOR OUTSTANDING CALM AND DECISIVE LEADERSHIP THAT LED THE PATROL IN A TEXTBOOK FIGHTING WITHDRAWAL AFTER BEING AMBUSHED BY INSURGENTS IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 26 MAR 08.
- Sgt S. Thomson - FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE AND DECISIVE ACTION THAT SAVED THE LIVES OF AFGHAN SOLDIERS AND PREVENTED THE OBSERVATION POST FROM BEING OVERRUN IN ZHARI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 21 JUL 08.
- Sgt T.R. Woods - FOR DEDICATED EFFORTS AND SOLDIERING EXPERTISE BY PROVIDING ACCURATE MORTAR FIRE TO SUPPRESS THE ENEMY AND CONTRIBUTING TO THE OPERATIONAL SUCCESS OF THE STRONG POINT IN SOUTHERN AFGHANISTAN, 16 JUL TO 31 AUG 08.
- MCpl M. Day - FOR COURAGEOUS AND DECISIVE ACTIONS IN PROVIDING ILLUMINATION MORTAR FIRE AND REMAINING IN POSITION FOLLOWING AN INSURGENT ATTACK IN PANJWAYI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 23 MAR 08.
- MCpl E.M. Doyle - (Posthumous) FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP, DEDICATION AND COMPOSURE DURING TWO SEPARATE INCIDENTS THAT SAVED CANADIAN LIVES IN PANJWAYI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 4 APR 08.
- MCpl S.D. Lavallee - FOR EXEMPLARY PROFESSIONALISM AND IMMEDIATE INTERVENTION THAT STOPPED TEN ANA SOLDIERS FROM BEATING A DETAINEE IN SOUTHERN AFGHANISTAN, 1 JUL 08.
- Cpl R. Gould - FOR DECISIVE ACTIONS THAT SAVED THE LIFE OF A FELLOW SOLDIER FOLLOWING A SUICIDE BOMBER ATTACK IN PANJWAYI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 19 AUG 08.
- Cpl R. Jackson - FOR COURAGEOUS AND DECISIVE ACTIONS WHICH HELPED THE POLICE SUB-STATION REPEL AN INSURGENT ATTACK IN PANJWAYI DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 23 MAR 08.



HONOURS AND AWARDS

Pte P.S. Duarte -

FOR OUTSTANDING COMBAT LEADERSHIP WHILE MENTORING AN ANA SECTION DURING SEVEN DAYS OF INTENSE COMBAT OPERATIONS IN MAYWAND DISTRICT, AFGHANISTAN, 22 TO 29 MAR 08.



COMMANDER COMMENDATIONS

Maj Lane - CLS Commendation

Capt Kamps - Commander JTF-A Commendation

Sgt R.D. Dolson - CEFCOM Commendation

Capt C. Carthew - LFWA Commander Commendation

WO Abrahamse - Commander CTC Commendation

Cpl Congdon - Commander CTC Commendation



US BRONZE STAR FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE

Col D. Barr

REGIMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Capt M.J. Reekie

MCpl G.H. Chin

MCpl J.M. Barrington

Pte S. Cousins

REGIMENTAL CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

BGen M.P. Jorgensen

BGen J.H. Vance

Mr. H. Dann

BGen K.A. Corbould

MWO D. Coble

Mr. J.P. Veitch

BASIC INFANTRY QUALIFICATION

DP1 INF 0073 BELLEWAERDE (12 APR 10)

Top Candidate - Pte Stiksma

Most Physically Fit - Pte Althorp

Top Shot - Pte Cebryk

Most Improved - Pte Kemp



HONOURS AND AWARDS



COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF UNIT COMMENDATION

His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada, awarded the Commander-in-Chief Unit Commendation to the First Battalion of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (1 PPCLI), in a ceremony held at Canadian Forces Base Edmonton on 29 November 2010. 1 PPCLI was recognized by this award "For exceptional determination and courage during relentless combat in Afghanistan, from January to August 2006."

All three Regular Force PPCLI Battalions have now been awarded a Commander in Chief Unit Commendation, distinguishing the PPCLI from all other Regiments in the Canadian Forces.

The insignia is worn on the uniform in accordance with A-AD-265-000/AG-001, CF Dress Instructions. The insignia will be worn for life by members of the unit or persons attached to the unit, on duty and directly involved in the action for which the Commander-in-Chief Unit Commendation has been awarded.

Individuals posted to the unit after the award of the Commendation may only wear the insignia during their affectation with the honoured unit.



L to R: Gov Gen David Johnston, LCol W. Fletcher, LCol I. Hope



Gov Gen David Johnston presents Unit Commendation to TF 1-06 members

Regimental Headquarters attempts to recognize all Patricias who have been promoted or received honours and awards. If you received a promotion, honour, or award during 2010 but were not mentioned in The Patrician, please contact:

thepatrician@hotmail.ca



The Regimental Veteran's Care Cell (RVC) continues its work with the chain of command, the soldiers of the Regiment, and our families. The past year has seen changes in our staffing with WO Les Duguid taking over from WO Dave Shultz. WO Duguid has been able to infuse the RVC with his enthusiasm and personal commitment to ensuring that each and every soldier is kept informed and receives the best possible care. Sgt Mike Rude has moved on from the Regular Force and is currently employed with the Canadian Rangers in Newfoundland and Labrador. He continues to stay in contact with the RVC and has offered his assistance in his new AOR if required. Cpl Jason Sinclair has joined our team as our Data NCO and is quickly becoming a valuable asset.

We continue to update the RVC portion of the Regimental website with information on programs and points of interest that everyone may find helpful and interesting. We will continue to monitor and assist as required, and encourage all of those who have any questions or suggestions to contact us.

The Regimental Veterans Care Cell can be reached by telephone (780) 973-4011 ext 5546 or 5505. Feel free to drop by Regimental Headquarters and speak with us directly.





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“Northern Tears”

Artist: Dolly Bolen



The Inukshuk is taken from a photo of the Inukshuk built by the 3 PPCLI Battlegroup in Afghanistan for the four fallen soldiers killed by friendly fire and all coalition soldiers in 2002. The poppy is a symbol of Remembrance. The tears on the poppy in my painting are for tears shed by the families and friends for all soldiers killed. The black background is for the empty void that we feel for all fallen soldiers.

“Northern Tears” was created with watercolor pencils on watercolor paper.

The painting “Northern Tears” now represents all the coalition soldiers who have died in Afghanistan.

Dolly would like to offer a “Northern Tears” Giclee print to each primary next of kin of all Canadian Soldiers who died in Afghanistan. Primary next of kin who have not received a print from Dolly Bolen please contact:

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COMMISIONED FROM THE RANKS

MWO W.C. Green to Captain
MWO Sauve to Captain
WO Janek to Lieutenant



*The following Patricias have taken their
retirement after 20 or more years of dedicated
and loyal service to the Regiment:*

Col M.J. Beaudette, MSC, CD (31 yrs)

LCol D.J. Banks, CD (27 yrs)

LCol W.D. Turner, CD (36 yrs)

Maj C.B. Barr, CD (27 yrs)

Maj S.J. Boyne, CD (24 yrs)

Maj T.J. McLeod, CD (21 yrs)

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MWO R.D. Hunt, CD (20 yrs)

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MCpl M.J.P. Decosta, CD (20 yrs)

Cpl K.E. Merritt, CD (27 yrs)

Cpl R.R. Sutherland, CD (20 yrs)





PRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY REGIMENTAL FUND

What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal - Albert Pine

PPCLI REGIMENTAL FUND

The official name of the Regiment's charitable organization is "Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Regimental Fund," commonly referred to as the "Regimental Fund." The Regimental Fund is the principle medium for charitable operations of Regular Force members of the Regiment, regardless of where they are employed.

The Regimental Fund was originally established under authority of the Department of National Defence (DND) Administrative Bulletin 53/1, dated 3 February 1953. Upon changes to the Income Tax Act in 1982, an Application for Registration [Reinstatement] dated 22 November 1982, was submitted to Canada Revenue Agency (CRA). The application was approved by CRA and the Regimental Fund was formally reinstated as a charitable organization. In a letter dated 21 January 2011, CRA accepted the changes to the Regimental Constitution and by-laws, as submitted on 18 October 2010.

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

The charitable objects of the Regimental Fund are focused on the promotion of efficiency, physical fitness, well-being, and morale of the armed forces; and the promotion of the goodwill and admiration of the public towards the armed forces (See Table of Charitable Objects for the specific charitable objects approved by CRA).

The provision of financial support and/or disbursement of funds from the Regimental Fund will only be made to qualified recipients as defined by the Income Tax Act (Canada). As per the Regimental Constitution, the Regimental Fund shall be operated without purpose of gain for its members, and any profits or other assets of the Regimental Fund shall be used solely to promote the objects as stated above.

GOVERNANCE

The PPCLI Regimental Fund Board of Directors consists of the members of the PPCLI Regimental Executive Committee (REC). The Chair of the REC acts as the Chair of the Board of Directors for the Regimental Fund. The Secretary of the REC (the Regimental Major) normally acts as the Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Directors, unless otherwise appointed by the Chair. The Directors will be replaced as new individuals are appointed to the REC and serving REC members relinquish their appointments.

VOLUNTARY REGIMENTAL CONTRIBUTIONS PROGRAMME

The primary source of income for the Regimental Fund is the Voluntary Regimental Contributions Programme (VRCP). The purpose of the VRCP is to enable the Regimental Fund to finance its objectives. A portion of the contributions received will aid in the financing of long-term regimental projects as approved by CRA Charities Division, thus ensuring that the Regiment retains the capability to preserve historical traditions and to define and promote the distinctiveness of the Regiment. A portion of the contributions will also be used to recognize the service of members to the Regiment.



GRATUITIES

The following gratuities will be provided to all new members upon joining the Regiment, regardless of entry plan. These gratuities shall be provided through the Regimental Fund:

- a. a Regimental Cap Badge;
- b. a numbered Regimental Coin; and,
- c. a copy of The New Patricia's Manual.

DONOR RECOGNITION

All paying members in good standing are donors to the PPCLI Regimental Fund. As is allowed by CRA, the generosity of donors may be recognized through gifts not exceeding 10% of the total amount donated by an individual.

During their career, members will receive an annual copy of The Patrician and on promotion to Sergeant, an infantry sash, which is not provided by the CF.

Based on the guidelines from CRA, the following tiers of donor recognition will be used when a soldier leaves fulltime service with the Regiment on honourable retirement, release or remuster:

- a. nine years of service or less - a Regimental Certificate of Service in a vinyl diploma cover;
- b. more than nine to nineteen years of service – a Regimental Certificate of Service in a VP embossed hard diploma cover and a 4 1/2" pewter statue with engraved nameplate; and,
- c. twenty or more years of service – a Regimental Certificate of Service in a VP embossed hard diploma cover and a 6 1/2" pewter statue with engraved nameplate. Individuals in this category will be invited to a non-commissioned member, officer, or combined Regimental dinner. The meal will be free of charge, however, the cost of transportation and lodging will be the member's responsibility.

TABLE OF CHARITABLE OBJECTS

Specific objects of the PPCLI Regimental Fund are to:

- a. promote the efficiency, physical fitness, well-being, and morale of the armed forces (in accordance with common law);
- b. promote the goodwill and admiration of the public toward the armed forces (in accordance with common law);
- c. provide financial assistance to members of the armed forces and the Regimental Family in periods of crisis when other social support agencies cannot cover or inadequately cover the members' needs;
- d. promote education advancement of members the armed forces, their dependents, Regimental Family members, and international students through the provision of bursaries;
- e. support collection, preservation, maintenance and public display of historical artefacts and archival material through financial support to the PPCLI Museum and Archives;
- f. support the development and operation of the education programs of the PPCLI Museum and Archives;
- g. support the research, identification, construction and maintenance of existing and new heritage and historical projects related to the history of the armed forces and its significant contribution to Canadian society;
- h. produce and distribute an annual historical journal (The Patrician);
- i. promote and support veterans' well being and morale through the provision of services, special programs and volunteer support to veteran organizations and activities;
- j. support the goals and programs of the Royal Canadian Army Cadet program through the provision of financial support to the Royal Canadian Army Cadet League and volunteer support to Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps;
- k. support of public events held to promote public goodwill and admiration of the armed forces;
- l. provide financial assistance to support visits of the Regiment's Colonel-in-Chief to promote the well being and morale of the armed forces and to promote public goodwill and admiration of the armed forces; and,
- m. provide and maintain ceremonial uniforms and equipment not provided by public means.



CONTRIBUTIONS

In October 2010, the REC authorized the change in monthly contributions to adjust for inflation, increased costs, and to help meet the needs of the Regimental Fund. The Voluntary Regimental Contributions were last updated in January 1993. In addition, the REC approved rates for the monthly contributions based on mess groupings. This reduced the number of contribution levels from 17 to five. This model will reduce inaccurate payments and cut down on the requirement for regular administration as soldiers are promoted. Effective 1 January 2011, monthly contributions have been changed to the following:

RANK GROUP	MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION
Pte to MCpl	\$5.00
Sgt to MWO	\$10.00
2Lt to Capt	\$15.00
CWO, Maj, LCol	\$25.00
Col to Gen	\$35.00

As authorised by pay administration staff, the new rates were changed centrally for personnel already making monthly contributions; however, if you were not paying the correct amount, the change most likely did not take effect or has changed to an incorrect amount. It is recommended that all members check their pay stub for January to ensure they are being assessed the correct amount. Any changes required can be addressed by your unit pay office.

As donors, all paying members will be issued a tax receipt for their contributions. Tax receipts for 2010 should already be received by the time you read this article. If you have not received the tax receipt for 2010, please contact PHO and one will be printed or e-mailed to you immediately.





FIRST BATTALION



ALPHA COMPANY

January 2010 saw A Coy conducting dispersed operations throughout Panjwayi District, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan. 1 PI operated out of Patrol Base Folad and was responsible for the villages of Salavat and Kairo Kala. 2 PI was the Coy Strike Element and conducted operations throughout the A Coy Area of Operations (AO). 3 PI, based out of Patrol Base Mohajerin, was responsible for its neighbouring village (of the same name) and the area north toward Route Hyena. Coy HQ was established at the Operational Coordination Centre District – Panjwayi (OCCD-P) with OC A Coy, Maj Ryan Jurkowski, working directly with the District Governor Haji Baran. Due to success of A Coy's close partnership with their Afghan National Army (ANA) counterparts, 2nd Coy of 2nd Battalion, 1st Brigade, 205 Corps (2/1/205), there were multiple high-level visits to Patrol Base Mohajerin. This culminated with the visit of several U.S. Congressmen to observe the Canadian direct partnership in action.

We conducted daily section and platoon-sized patrols throughout the Coy AO and executed a number of deliberate clearance operations in conjunction with our partnered ANA. Most notably, we participated in the ANA-led clearance of Bazaar-e-Panjwayi (a village of approximately 5000 inhabitants located on the southern edge of the Arghandab

River) in late February. This involved 1 PI, 3 PI and Coy HQ deployed within Bazaar-e-Panjwayi in support of the operation. The operation was considered a significant success as it demonstrated both the capabilities of the ANA leadership and our mutual steadfast resolve to bolster Local National (LN) security within our sphere of influence.

March 2010 saw a redistribution of the A Coy AO. 3 PI was tasked to transition to Forward Operating Base Masum Ghar and focus on Bazaar-e-Panjwayi. 1 PI remained in Patrol Base Mohajerin to oversee its closure while maintaining control of the villages of Mohajerin and Salavat. 2 PI established an austere patrol base in the village of Chalgowr to disrupt insurgent lines of communication, as the village had been identified as an increasingly important supply route for Improvised Explosive Device (IED) components flowing into Kandahar City; this importance was confirmed by a substantial increase in direct fire engagements, notably PKM and RPG fire was received shortly after establishing the patrol base.

From late April to early May, A Coy completed its handover and redeployment to Canada. By the end of the seven-month deployment, over 60 IEDs were found, multiple



Cpl Heptonstall, 1 Sect, 1 PI, A Coy
surveying the village of Salavat



FIRST BATTALION

ALPHA COMPANY



**A Coy (Elements of 11, 13 and Coy HQ)
at an austere range in Keyberi Ghar**

**Pictured in near ground from L to R: Afghan
interpreter “RAMBO”, Cpl Devoe (Coy HQ), and
Pte Lefurgey (1 PI HQ) with his back turned**

weapons caches were seized and a Counter-Insurgency (COIN) strategy was adopted. The implementation of COIN-based doctrine resulted in significant gains in support of Battle Group objectives. Most notably, there was a substantial increase in LN-reported insurgent activity. These informers were instrumental in the establishment of a secure environment for the local populace, and enabled us to disrupt insurgent activity by removing IED threats, seizing weapons caches and denying the enemy freedom of movement.

After post-deployment leave, A Coy went through many changes associated with reconstitution. Maj Lee Mossop has assumed command, with MWO Brent Doman as the new CSM. Of note, the 1 PPCLI Mil Skills Competition saw 1 Sect 3 PI, under MCpl Marty Amyot, win the Top Section Award within the Battalion. In addition, A Coy, while supporting a myriad of taskings, Primary Combat Function training, and career courses, remained focused on supporting the upcoming deployment of Op ATTENTION and the MissionTransition Task Force.



**Night mortar shoot, firing an illumination
mission in support of a dismounted patrol**

CHARLIE COMPANY

Based out of Patrol Base Sperwan Ghar (PBSG) in Western Panjwayi, C Coy developed a close working relationship with the 1st Coy, 2nd Kandak, 1st Brigade, 205 Corps (2/1/205), Afghan National Army. Most operations were planned and executed jointly between the Canadians and Afghans as security partners.

In January 2010, C Coy secured the main route into PBSG with Op GARDEN PARTY 2, by obliterating all cover and concealment on Route Brown. C Coy repelled numerous small arms attacks as the enemy surged to stop the operation, but the Coy preserved and secured what was formerly one of the most IED filled routes in Afghanistan.

With Route Brown secured, joint Afghan-Canadian patrols operating freely in the villages around PBSG, and Afghan locals reporting on insurgent activity, C Coy began to focus its efforts west. C Coy, partnered with the ANA 2/1/205, executed the OTASH series of operations which pushed west of the 28 Easting and disrupted the enemy's IED network.

Western Panjwayi, however, was the Task Forces' (TF) economy of effort and C Coy, complete or in part, was frequently deployed across the TF's AO. This included 7 PI working intimately with LdSH (RC) in providing security for the paving of Route Lake Effect, 8 PI holding Combat Outpost Walakan in support of the Recce Squadron, and 9 PI acting as the security force for the Tarnak Bridge

repairs. In addition, C Coy was used as the TF's Air Mobile Coy, planning and executing two air assault operations, Op TOFFAN and Op SHER II, in conjunction with the ANA.

C Coy returned home from Afghanistan by mid-May 2010, and took some well-deserved leave. When C Coy returned in August, a change of command occurred as Maj Wade Rutland and MWO Ray Brodeur handed over C Coy to the incoming Maj James L'Heureux and MWO Mark Pickford. The following months marked the Coy's reconstitution phase, during which time C Coy acted as the IRU for LFWA, with all kit, vehicles, and soldiers ready to react within 24 hours to any crisis in the area.

Coy training, with the absence of LAVs, consisted of getting back to dismounted infantry skills with a focus on winter warfare. This training focused on the basics of tent routine, snowshoeing and proper dismounted patrol techniques. The dedicated low-level training paid off as 7 PI took the top platoon award during Ex PATRICIA CHALLENGE, the Battalion military skills competition. In addition to the competition, C Coy took part in the Battalion's computer simulated CP exercise, Ex PATRICIA POWERSLAVE. During Ex PATRICIA POWERSLAVE, many excellent lessons were learned regarding radio procedure and working with the supporting arms. The year finished with C Coy preparing to train those soldiers deploying with the MTTF and Op ATTENTION.

COMBAT SUPPORT COMPANY

Combat Support Company has had an eventful year both abroad and within Canada. Unique from the remainder of the Bn, the events of the Coy have been divided by platoon organization.

Signals Platoon

For Signals Platoon, the year started literally with a bang, finding the platoon in the heat of battle during TF 3-09. With platoon members deployed across the AO, operating the BG CP and the two austere BG RRBs, keeping in contact and administering the platoon was an amazing feat of coordination and timings. Although they were not exactly in the season of merriment and happiness, their excitement continued to grow as redeployment dates approached.

Having the platoon completely redeployed by mid-May, the focus turned to leave, time with family, and postings. Saying good-bye to members of the platoon is never easy, but after living day in and day out with these members, a good-bye never seems to say enough.

Once back from post deployment leave, the platoon was hard at work again supporting PCF Basic and Advanced Comms courses, in addition to Bn Signals Platoon duties during various Mil Skills competitions, as well as a CAX. While most of the Platoon is remaining in Edmonton, we have had to say good-bye to a few friends who were posted and sent away for MTTF HQ tasks.

Recce Platoon

After returning from an eventful tour under demanding circumstances, the skilled soldiers of Recce Platoon returned to new companies to make way for the young privates and corporals eager to prove their mettle and fortitude. Now in a reconstitution phase, Recce Platoon is drawing the most motivated and skilled soldiers in the Battalion. Two serials of Basic Recce Patrolman courses have been completed, with the next level of training on the horizon during Ex IRON PATRICIA.



RECCE Platoon meets a sand storm while on patrol



FIRST BATTALION

COMBAT SUPPORT COMPANY

TF 3-09 Sniper Section

In 2010, the Sniper Group was extremely busy as well. Snipers were engaged in operations with TF 3-09 until May. Recce Platoon was employed throughout the entire BG AO during TF 3-09, often far from friendly forces for extended periods of time. As one of the last chinks to re-deploy to Canada, anticipation was building during their last few weeks on tour. Post-deployment leave and summer block leave were combined for the majority of Recce Platoon, so coming back to work was a good change of pace. After post-deployment leave, they began reconstitution of their ranks, by employing OJT snipers within their organization. Simultaneously, some of the members of the Sniper Group were course loaded on PLQ Mods 1 - 6, DP 3A, DP3B or supported the Basic Recce courses.

In the New Year, the Sniper Group will be busy expanding development of their skills by conducting a small unit exchange with the USMC sniper school, which will include attending a slant angle shooting course, the Sniper Det Commander Course, and Advanced Sniper courses.

ADMINISTRATION COMPANY

Soldiers of Administration Company began 2010 in Afghanistan, supporting Battle Group (BG) operations. A large portion of the soldiers supporting the A2 echelon during any operation came from Transport and Maintenance platoons (all trades). A point to note is that the majority of Administration Company personnel were spread out throughout the BG AO in support of rifle company patrol bases. During any operation, whether it was Combat Team or BG, these soldiers had to be regrouped prior to form the main body of the A2 echelon. This was a challenging feat in its own right. The main role of the A2 echelon was to bring combat supplies such as rations, water, ammunition, petroleum, oils and lubricants, recovery assets, and first line support forward to where the fighting troops were operating. There were many busy days for the A2 echelon, continually conducting re-supply runs and delivering essential resources to the front lines.

Transport Platoon was able to effectively maintain forward momentum of sustained BG operations. They drove the incredibly versatile Armoured Heavy Support Vehicle Systems (AHSVS).



These vehicles were capable of transporting all combat supplies that LAVs and soldiers in the rifle companies needed on the battlefield. Maintenance and Weapons Technicians were extremely busy prior to any operation, ensuring all fighting vehicles were working at 100% before crossing the LOD. This was a 24hr/day task, which every support person in Administration Company put 110% effort into, to ensure success.

Administration Company worked hand-in-hand with the Afghan National Police and Afghan National Army, conducting partnered re-supply operations. This partnership was extremely beneficial to both Canadian and Afghan operations using similar tactics to successfully accomplish the mission. Two countries that appear to be very different were actually surprisingly similar in the conduct of support operations.

Administration Company personnel proved that they were the Swiss Army Knife of the BG during all operations. With their wide range of skill sets and unwavering dedication to support the fighting echelon, when not conducting convoys, vehicle recoveries, or fixing vehicles on the fly, the troops worked in the staging areas, conducted OP shifts and performed security tasks. These soldiers also had to deal with the never-ending threat of Improvised Explosive Devices, and constantly dismounted to clear wadis, culverts and suspicious items, always ready to react to any situation.

ADMINISTRATION COMPANY

Success of the TF 3-09 BG, and combat team operations, rifle company daily patrol routines, and camp improvements was an incredible mark of professionalism portrayed in part to the hard work of Administration Company's Clerks, Weapons Technicians, QM personnel, Mechanics, Transport personnel, and Support staff.

Something we tend to forget when deployed are the people we leave at home station to manage behind the scene everyday tasks. This would include the Battalion's Family Support Center Staff and the Rear Party clerks, who fall under Administration Company. Without a doubt, they had a difficult job and were very much appreciated by every soldier in 1 PPCLI for their dedication, long hours, and the support they gave us while we were away from home. A big thank-you goes out to everyone involved.

Administration Company hit the ground running upon its return to Canada in June, and hasn't stopped yet. With a major overhaul (a big Maintenance word...) in the leadership within the Company, we have a new 2IC (Capt S. A. Zivkow), Maint O (Capt J. Legendre), QM (Capt T. Hammond), TO (Capt D. Nelson), FSC O (Lt J. Hancock), CQ (WO P. Cook), while 89 (Maj D.J Wright) remains at the top as OC. The Company recently formed a composite platoon team with soldiers from all trades to participate in the 1VP Military Skills competition and did extremely well, placing 1st in the LAV Pull with the soldiers giving it their all in every event.

The Company is now preparing and planning for exercises in 2011, including Exercises STRONG CONTENDER, IRON PATRICIA, DESERT RAM, and MAPLE GUARDIAN. The soldiers of Administration Company will always show their true colors in supporting 1 PPCLI with any challenge given. Whatever the need is, give us a call and we will be there to fix your problem.



Admin Coy prepares for another day, TF 3-09



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SECOND BATTALION

What a busy year! From downtown Kandahar to Whistler Village and back again to the prairie fields of CFB Shilo, 2 PPCLI deployed around the world and all over Canada in 2010. Once again we saw the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry as a wartime regiment. This was keenly felt in A Coy which formed the core of Task Force 3-09, Force Protection Coy with the Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) in Afghanistan. 2010 can be defined as a very busy year full of great achievement and exhilaration, but also of sacrifice. It will be remembered for the great things accomplished on operations, both overseas and at home, for the memory of our Fallen and for the ceaseless and untiring support of our families at home as well as the organizations that supported them.

At the start of the year, A Coy had already been deployed overseas for over three months and was decidedly acclimatized to the busy urban operating environment within Kandahar City. Their primary role was in support of the Whole of Government partners operating in Kandahar Province. Life was busy but manageable for all ranks, with security operations and patrolling being the major focus. A Coy had their fair share of VIPs throughout, but a cherished highlight was the visit of the Colonel of the Regiment (COR),

BGen (Ret'd) Gollner. It was doubly important as first, this was BGen Gollner's last visit to Afghanistan as the COR and second, the vast majority of A Coy soldiers could miss the COR Change of Appointment ceremonies in CFB Shilo held in May. The efforts of the Second Battalion's Rear Party were extraordinary in supporting A Coy throughout their deployment. This was most clearly demonstrated in the repatriation of five Fallen and eight wounded soldiers.

As well during this period, the remainder of the Battalion was hard at work conducting final preparations and training for deployment in support of the Olympic Winter Games in BC. Once deployed around Whistler Village, there was a lot of work to be done before the games commenced. B and C Coys were very busy establishing a wide perimeter and were quickly patrolling the mountain ranges surrounding Whistler. Though mostly unseen, the soldiers of the Second Battalion worked closely with a number of other municipal, provincial, and federal police forces, and external agencies to provide a secure area for competitors and spectators alike. Again, the Battalion's performance in the field was 'second to none' and LCol Schreiber and CWO Waugh received a great deal of praise for the professionalism of our soldiers.



**Colonel of the Regiment, BGen (Ret'd)
Gollner on his visit to Afghanistan**



COR Change of Appointment from BGen Gollner to LGen Crabbe

By the end of April the bulk of the Second Battalion had redeployed from Whistler and A Coy soldiers were just starting to redeploy from Afghanistan. We had the ability to conduct Ex KAPYONG SPARTAN, focused on getting back to the basics with great low level training. In May, the Second Battalion was privileged to host the COR Change of Appointment from BGen (Ret'd) Gollner to LGen (Ret'd) Crabbe. A beautiful weekend marked this prestigious event which was capped off with a flawless parade and the gracious hospitality of all ranks within the Second Battalion. The TF 3-09 memorial was conducted in June to commemorate those A Coy soldiers killed overseas: Sgt Kirk Taylor, Sgt George Miok, Cpl Zachery McCormack, Cpl Joshua Baker, and Pte Garnett Chidley.

July and August were focused on supporting a myriad of summer tasks and resulted in a split leave block. During this period, MCpl Hartling and Pte Peters had the opportunity to deploy to the Netherlands to participate in the annual Nijmegen March. As well, Capt Bowerman led a small group of Second Battalion soldiers during a number of shooting competitions with excellent results. All the Ex MOUNTAIN MAN competition preparations resulted in Pte Johnson finishing as the top female competitor and Sgt Schmidt third in the Masters division.

September and October were dedicated to Exercises KAPYONG LIGHTNING and THUNDER. Plans to conduct live fire training up to level 3 almost failed due to a severe shortage of ammunition. The Battalion's operations and training staff worked double overtime to bring everything on line. In the end, the Battalion had generated nine well trained infantry platoons in patrolling and offensive operations.

The month of November was dedicated to a major PCF cycle. Mother Nature brought the snow and cold early this year which caused a little havoc to the driver courses and range weeks but, that's Manitoba. In addition, all the subalterns of the Second Battalion travelled to Edmonton for Exercise Ric-a-dam-doo. Incorporated into this major Regimental event was a trip to The Military Museum in Calgary to commemorate names of the Fallen onto the Wall of Honour. This was an emotional but extremely important event for families of the Fallen and for the Regiment. For Remembrance Day, the Second Battalion participated in a number of ceremonies in the western Manitoba area. Lt Wong and Sgt Corcoran led a platoon of B Coy soldiers to conduct Remembrance Day ceremonies with the community of Moosimin, SK where Major Mullin is buried. Maj Mullin was one of three Patricias to have been awarded the Victoria Cross (VC); he was a Sgt at the time of earning the VC.



SECOND BATTALION



2 PPCLI live fire training



December was focused on preparing for a busy 2011 and, of course, taking some much needed Christmas leave. Unlike years past, the Second Battalion had the opportunity to ease into the holiday season. It was a great privilege to have the COR participate in this years' Men's Christmas Dinner and the 'at home' hosted by the WO's and Sgt's Mess. Finally, it was good to see the north end of the horse go to the Officers' Mess after the 10-2 win in hockey!

2010 was a tremendous year in which the Second Battalion performed exceptionally well and maintained the high standard of dedicated and professional service for which it's known. We reflect on the past year with satisfaction over what has been accomplished and forever commit to memory our Fallen. As we look forward to 2011, it will be another busy year for the Second Battalion as we prepare for the NEO Task, deployment to the Far North and USA, as well as provide support for TF 1-11 and 2-11 preparations.



SECOND BATTALION



ABOVE: Members from 2 PPCLI take a quick break from training to pose for the camera

BELOW: 2010 Mountain Man Competition



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THIRD BATTALION

3 PPCLI has had an interesting year. The Battalion conducted numerous activities to transition toward a mechanized order of battle and meet its specific high readiness task for 2011. In addition, the Battalion championed training initiatives such as improved urban operations training and decentralized parachute courses. On 28 August, the Battalion hosted the inaugural French Grey Gala which was attended by the Colonel-in-Chief. In September, the Battalion team dominated the annual Mountain Man triathlon, placing first in the "major team" category. This performance was

repeated on the Army Run in Ottawa, where Third Battalion collected honours as top team in the Military Men's Half-Marathon category. On 11 November, members of 3 PPCLI attended Remembrance Day ceremonies with the families of Lt Justin Boyes and Cpl Darren Fitzpatrick who died on operations last year. In November, the Battalion hosted the Grey Cup and held its own "French Grey Cup." Capping off the year, 36 members of the Battalion were promoted at the annual Soldier's Dinner in December. 2011 promises to be an even more exciting year as the Battalion prepares for deployment to Afghanistan.



A Company Jump Training

A COMPANY

2010 proved to be a busy year for A Company (Para). In preparation for the Combat Team Commander's Course, A Company deployed to Wainwright on exercise SPARTAN STRIKE. Even with its busy schedule, A Company found time to fit in three parachute descents from CH 146 Griffon helicopters onto Drop Zone BUXTON in mid-February. Late April saw A Company return to Wainwright in support of the Combat Team Commander's Course.

Just three days after re-deployment to Edmonton, paratroopers, primarily from A Company, deployed to Cold Lake on Exercise PEGASUS SPARTAN II. In all, 12 parachute descents were conducted from various NATO aircraft. In addition, exchanges of parachute wings were conducted with German and French paratroopers. The exercise marked the first time a multi-ship, multi-plane, and multi-drop descent was conducted in Canada. It was a major success, increasing the experience of our jumpers and fostering excellent relationships with other NATO countries.

In July, A Company ran the first ever decentralized Basic Parachutist and Jumpmaster courses in Edmonton. Prior to these courses, all Canadian parachute training had been conducted in a centralized school or depot.

Following summer leave, A Company conducted Exercise SPARTAN DAGGER II, which focussed on urban operations. In early September, A Company started LAV III courses in preparation for the Battalion's high readiness tasks in 2011.

In the fall, A Company deployed to Wainwright for Exercise AGGRESSIVE SPARTAN, to complete Individual Battle Task Standard and road-to-high-readiness training. The Company completed a series of ranges culminating in dismounted and mechanized platoon attacks.

Although the Parachute Company has been extremely busy, we are still leading the way in the parachute role on behalf of the Regiment and are always looking for more opportunities to get rounds down range and more time under the canopy. AIRBORNE!





THIRD BATTALION



B COMPANY

In April 2010, Task Force 3-10 Operational Mentor and Liason Team (OMLT) personnel redeployed from Afghanistan. After some well deserved post-deployment leave, the bulk of the OMLT personnel returned, standing up B Company in May. Fresh off their own tour, B Company personnel are supporting the Unit's preparations for deployment in 2011.

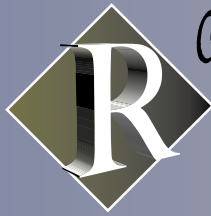
Ex SPARTAN DAGGER III, the Company's first exercise since returning from overseas, focussed on honing urban operation skill sets from individual to platoon level. The three weeks of entry drills, quick-aimed shooting, and force-on-force simunition training culminated in a series of successful urban assaults in the Canadian Forces Base Edmonton sea can village. Exercise AGGRESSIVE SPARTAN, held in October, began with a week of long-range dismounted patrolling before transitioning into construction and supervision of a complex dismounted live-fire platoon

attack range for platoons preparing for the MTTF and TF 2-11.

In November, the Battalion held the annual French Grey Cup. Chalk full of bumps, bruises and the occasional concussion, it was a tough battle all the way to the finish for B Company. Each successive game ended in overtime. The winning point came from MCpl Guimond's blocked field goal recovery and subsequent touchdown with C Company's Lt Kruger a step behind in hot pursuit. Unfortunately for the winning team, the Grey Cup's visit to the unit coincided with their deployment on Exercise WANDERING SPARTAN, a winter survival exercise. Instead of the commemorative picture with the Grey Cup, our French Grey Cup winners faced temperatures reaching -41C with wind chill, around Camp Wright in Coolidge Catching just North of Edmonton.



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THIRD BATTALION

C COMPANY

The Company began its training this spring with support to the Combat Team Commander's Course in Wainwright. On the course, the Company developed an appreciation for the firepower and mobility that a combat team can bring to bear on an enemy. The exercise also acted as a confirmation of the Company's newly acquired mechanized skills, and aided in solidifying the Company's ability to communicate and coordinate assets in the fast-paced and technically demanding mechanized fight.

C Company's main effort for the summer was development of Exercise SPARTAN DAGGER, which saw training focus on the transition to dismounted urban operations. Through this exercise, C Company achieved two main goals. The first was proof of concept for a proposed Assistant Urban Operations Instructor Course which provided companies a sufficient integral cadre of instructors to conduct training within their own means. The second, and most important, goal was



A column of LAVs move to the next objective on the Combat Team Commander's Course

to establish proficiency in the basic combat functions at a section level, enabling company personnel to effectively shoot, move, and communicate in complex urban operations.

In October, the Company challenged individual and collective skill sets developed over the previous year's training when

it deployed to Wainwright on Exercise AGGRESSIVE SPARTAN. C Company now looks forward to training at the company and battle group level with a view to achieving operational readiness for deployment to Afghanistan.





THIRD BATTALION

Combat Support Company

2010 was a very busy year for soldiers from Combat Support Company, 3 PPCLI. The Battalion deployed on Exercise SPARTAN SNOWFLAKE in January, which focused on basic winter warfare skills. This set the stage for Exercise SPARTAN SNOWBALL, held in February, during which the Battalion honed offensive operations at the company level.

Spring brought about Exercise SPARTAN STRIKE, which involved a transition to mechanized drills and work at combat team level. This exercise allowed for a smooth transition into the Combat Team Commander's Course which ran in May. The course gave many Combat Support soldiers their first experience of mechanized operations.

The fall brought refresher training and confirmation of individual battle task standards, both in Edmonton Garrison and subsequently, in Wainwright on Exercise AGGRESSIVE SPARTAN.

In November, Signals Platoon supported Exercise SPARTAN EDGE II, a week-long computer assisted exercise. This training was focussed on battle procedure and the Operational Planning Process at battalion level. In addition, it allowed the recently expanded intelligence section to hone their skills and abilities as, this year, they tripled in size.

Sniper Platoon conducted conversion training on the Timber Wolf .338 Lapua sniper rifle and sent two Snipers, with the Timber Wolf, to the International Sniper Competition in Georgia, USA. They placed 2nd out of 32 of the top sniper teams in the world in the Field Firing at Unknown Distances event.

Combat Support Company continues to prepare for deployment to Afghanistan by conducting LAV training and honing specialist skills.



A LAV III has some mechanical difficulties

Administration Company

Administration Company went through a period of adjustment to many this past year. With a new chain of command, including OC Maj Darren Hart, CSM WO Richard Davey, Company 2IC Capt Dennis "Moose" Maringer and CQ, WO Charles "Chuck" Cote, the Company has worked hard to support the transition from a light infantry battalion to a mechanized battalion in support of operational tasks.

In May, Administration Company deployed to Wainwright on Exercise SPARTAN STRIKE in support of the Combat Team Commander's Course. This was the first time Administration Company was exposed to a battalion level mechanized exercise and it posed many challenges. With over 200 deployed vehicles (included 50 LAV IIIs) employed on the course, Maintenance Platoon, lead by Capt Craig McKeown, learned quickly how to manage resources to keep the vehicle fleet combat effective. Transport Platoon, lead by Capt Cory Foley and Sgt Gerry Fraser, conducted numerous delivery points, convoy and refuelling operations.

A major success for Administration Company was the orchestration of Exercise MOUNTAIN MAN, the annual 1 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group triathlon, held in September. The competition involves a long run, canoe portage, and canoe paddle, all with a heavy rucksack. By all accounts, this year's competition was one of the best run MOUNTAIN MAN exercises in recent memory. Adding to this success, third Battalion secured honours as the top Major Unit team.

Administration Company again deployed to support the Battalion on Exercise AGGRESSIVE SPARTAN. From the onset, the deployment and bivouac setup was seamless, in part, due to the energy provided by the RQ, MWO Sloan and the day-to-day coordination of support activities by the 2IC. The quality of the meals delivered by the Kitchen Section under KO, WO Ulrich was outstanding. Administration also conducted its own IBTS training during the exercise, reminding everyone in the Company that we remain soldiers first and tradesmen second.



LAV III's moving through brush at sunset

Despite being few in number, our Regiment has greatly contributed to the Afghanistan mission in the Kabul area during 2010.

Cpl Donovan Wiebe, Cpl Adam Mcleod, Cpl Jeff Coffey, and Cpl Matt Reinold-Cowles (2 PPCLI), Cpl Dane Graham, and Cpl Scott Alm (3 PPCLI) have all distinguished themselves through their excellent service as members of the Close Protection Platoon during Roto 9. Their unfailing commitment to the mission, and tireless efforts allowed several key events to go off without a hitch. Most of these soldiers are on their third tour in Afghanistan.

Of particular mention are their contributions to the security umbrella during the Special Parliamentary Committee from 28 May to 3 June 2010, involving the Chief of Defence Staff, the Minister of National Defence, and Minister Bev Oda.

In addition, this team of Patricias was called upon to assist on the Canadian embassy close protection team for the ambassador to the Afghanistan mission, Mr William Crosbie. Cpl Wiebe also completed a stint at Kandahar Airfield, providing protection for BGen King and BGen Vance. The team's principle duty was to ensure the safety of the Deputy Commander of Police Forces, first MGen Ward and presently MGen Beare. Their professionalism and dedication to duty has bestowed great praise and credit to our Regiment and left an extremely favourable impression of the quality of our soldiers with the international military community here at ISAF Headquarters and at the US installation, Camp Eggers.

Most of our soldiers will have ended their tours in November 2010, with the exception of Cpl Mcleod who will remain in theatre until the end of the year. Sgt Pete Carlos is the sole Patricia at the Kabul Airport, North KAIA installation, where he is doing a fine job as a Watch keeper with the ISAF Joint Command (IJC) IED cell.

Over the summer, Col Malcolm Bruce and Maj Ralf Urzinger arrived at Camp Eggers to take on advisor duties within the Combined Security Transition Command Afghanistan. Col Bruce astonished the Afghans with his physical presence and rumours were heard about the Canadian Yeti. After only three months into the job as Senior Advisor to the Vice Chief of the General Staff, Col Bruce was moved up to the Chief Advisor job. The fun has ended, as his wings are now clipped, and he spends most of the time chained to his desk responding to requests for information by senior US Generals and coordinating the efforts for his team of US Colonels. As always, Col Bruce brings calm to the situation and in his typical way, he gets it done without much drama.

Maj Urzinger works as an advisor in the Coalition Joint Planning Team (CJ 5) and advises several Afghan flag officers both at the Ministry of Defence and General Staff. Despite long hours and demanding work schedules, we Patricias do get together once a week over some of the finest deep fried US cuisine and share Regimental camaraderie.

Col Jamie Hammond was the latest Patricia to join the crew in December 2010. He will take over as the Director of Assessment in the IJC HQ for one year. Unfortunately, at the time of the group photo, only three of us were available due to operational duty and most of the soldiers from the security detail had departed in early November.



Col Bruce standing with two Afghan soldiers during battle field circulation in the Herat area, Sep 2010



L to R: Col Bruce, Cpl Donovan, and Maj Urzinger



ST. JEAN PATRICIAS

Keeping busy at the Warrior Factory

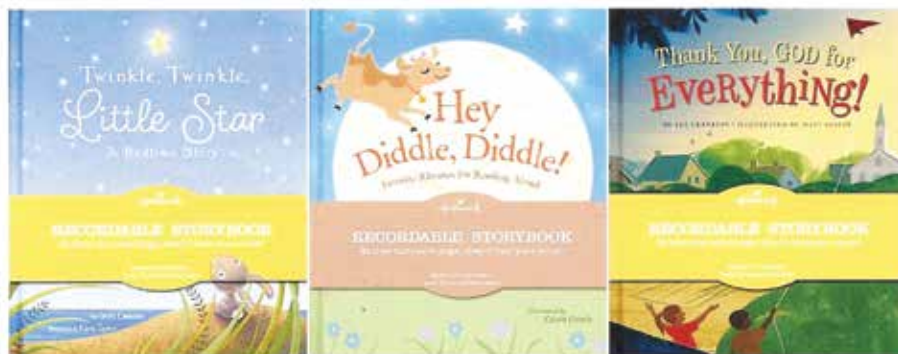
By Capt J.P. Wright

The last year has been a very busy one for Patricias in St-Jean. With recruitment numbers up and important missions ongoing around the world, much work and dedication has been needed to transform new recruits and officer cadets into warriors and warrior leaders. Under an impeccable new leadership team led by LCol Ermel of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, the Canadian Forces Leadership and Recruit School (CFLRS) continues to be dedicated to furthering retention while still maintaining the high physical and mental standards required by members of the Canadian Forces. This has been a formidable challenge, but an exciting one, as more and more methods and ideas are being discussed and tried by the leadership team and its cadre of instructors. With the assistance of 14 Patricias posted to CFLRS in the Recruit Division, Leadership Division, Weapons Cell, and Standards, the school continues the work of instructing with new challenges and new courses. Dedicated to being the premiere center of excellence in the training of warriors and of warrior leaders, the school has continued to provide leading edge basic training and advanced training methods that are the envy of recruit schools around the world. Based on this vision, CFLRS has taken on additional responsibilities that have, and will bring, added challenges and changes in the years to come. For the first time in years, the Officer Colloquium has returned and has been entrusted to CFLRS as an important transition of NCM to officer. Also, the school has been tasked with running some Primary Leadership

Courses to relieve some of the strain from other units throughout the Canadian Forces. These new challenges are welcomed ones that require the expertise of Patricias, among others in fulfilling the school's one very clear mission: to prepare CF members morally, mentally and physically for the profession of arms.

In the last year, CFLRS has seen the posting in of new Patricias and the posting out of others. Capt Chow and Sgt Sgarbossa were posted to 1 PPCLI and Capt Panchana-Moya was posted to CANSOFCOM. Also, we are proud to announce the promotions of Sgt Sgarbossa, WO Chouinard, Sgt Wilkens and the commissioning of WO Janek to the rank of Lt.

After six years of dedicated service to the CF, MCpl Drewes has retired. As a member of 1 PPCLI, MCpl Drewes served with the PRT on Task Force 1-08 and with the Battle Group in Task Force 3-09. The PPCLI has also seen the retirement of Capt Ryan Hall after eight years of impeccable service. Capt Hall served with 3 PPCLI in Afghanistan on Op ATHENA Roto 0 and on Task Force 1-07. He will be pursuing a business career with his wife Jenifer in Ottawa. In addition to these two, MWO Paul Wiseman has retired after thirty-five years of service in a career that has taken him to all three PPCLI Battalions, as well as the Canadian Airborne Regiment. He will be retiring in St. Jean and wintering in Florida with his wife Michelle.



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Another First for Patricias in Afghanistan

By Capt Adam Petrin

It was another first for the PPCLI in Afghanistan, mentoring Afghan National Police (ANP) at Regional Training Centre - Kandahar (RTC-K), situated at FOB SCORPION. It was a truly Regimental affair as soldiers from all three Battalions worked alongside Canadian Military Police from August to December as mentors for Afghan instructors, assisting them in the development of their instructional techniques and practical skills. The training centre was built in 2006 to provide training for ANP students by Afghan instructors who are in turn mentored by coalition staff. Up until this year, RTC-K mentors had been largely civilian contractors, but in July 2010 the decision was made to transfer this role to

the military. As usual, while Canadians were reading about a possible transition in Canada's mission from combat to a training role, Patricia soldiers were already living it on the ground, providing their knowledge and tactical acumen to help ensure effective instruction in the skills students would need to survive on the mean streets of Kandahar. Fifteen soldiers from the First, Second, and Third Battalions provided direct mentorship to Afghan instructors, and oversight on their training. While serving at the RTC-K, Patricias took part in the training of over 700 Afghan Uniform Police and Afghan National Civil Order Police candidates, contributing directly to the development of a more professional police force.



FOB SCORPION Patricia Contingent (Rear Row from L to R): Capt A. Petrin, Pte B. Hovdebo, Pte B. Capiak, Pte B. Halloran, Pte C. Silverson, Cpl C. Jones, Pte A. Dixon, Cpl J. Iverson, Pte D. Melsted, Pte D. Martens, Cpl C. Winter, MCpl G. Hayter (Front Row from L to R): WO K. Heselton, MWO P. Holwell



EDMONTON PATRICIAS



1 CMBG G3, Maj Rutland leads HQ Staff through a planning cycle during Exercise PROGRESSIVE RAM, Wainwright

Patricias make up a substantial part of Headquarters 1 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group (1CMBG). CWO Jerry Scheidl, fresh off his French course, assumed the appointment of Brigade Sergeant Major. LCol Mike Wright moved from the G3 spot up to the Brigade Chief of Staff, directing the day-to-day affairs of the Brigade. In the operations department, Maj Wade Rutland has filled the G3's position and has under him a bevy of Patricias: Capt Mike Graver (G35), Capt Rob Clarke (G3 Training), Capt Derrick Bisson (G3 Training 2), Sgt Shawn Needham (G3 Tasks), and Sgt Ben Sullivan (G3 Resources). Capt Cole Petersen went from the highs of commanding a platoon with TF 3-09 to his current role, learning all about personnel management as the G1 Management. Finally, Cpl Rob Lefurgey is currently serving as the Brigade Commander's driver, ensuring that Col Omer Lavoie (RCR) always has at least two Patricias in the Suburban.

Going into 2011, these Patricias find themselves directly in the middle of the transition of Canada's mission in Afghanistan. The MTTF stood up on 1 November, and counts amongst its ranks LCol Jim Fitzgerald and Capt Matt Aggus. 1 CMBG is also involved in the developing plans for 3 PPCLI's training mission in Kabul.

Patricias are also very well represented at Land Force Western Area Headquarters, with 18 officers and three NCOs fighting the paper war. There is significant PPCLI representation in the Commander's hallway with the Regimental Colonel, Col Dave Anderson, serving as Chief of Staff. With him are the Commander's Executive Assistant, Maj Gord Macleod and Personal Assistant, Capt Morgan Burn.

LFWA HQ has its largest concentration of Patricias in the G3 Branch with the G3, LCol Mike Patrick, Maj John Shorten (full time reserve PPCLI member), Capts Rob Lowe, Ira Shuman, Craig Green, Mike Reekie, and Geoff Robinson (full time reserve PPCLI member), WOs Chris Thorne and Lawrence Thom (full time reserve PPCLI members) and Sgt Woods (currently a Door Gunner with 408 Squadron, deploying on Task Force Freedom, Afghanistan).

We also maintain a significant presence in the G1 Branch with Maj Ralph Sears and Capt Andrew Kang, the G5 Branch with Maj Brian Hynes and Capt Joe Jasper, and the Standards Cell with Capt Trevor Sherstan.

Dispute Resolution Centre

By MWO Billy Bolen

Good day, Troops!

Well, for those who don't know me, I am writing this letter to explain to the world where and what the hell I am doing at the Dispute Resolution Centre (DRC) in Edmonton. For the troops who know me and have not fallen off their chairs, yes it's true - Billy is at the DRC!

What is the DRC? For me, I think, it is one of the most secretive units in the entire Canadian Forces because no one seems to know about it. If you were like me you would not have the complete understanding of what goes on here at Grid 355 397 (Map WGS 84), or Lat N 53° 40' Long W113° 29', or the big blue building behind the Canex.

It is all about conflict. There are only two types of people in this world that don't have conflict, the unborn and the dead. If you fall between these categories, you WILL have conflict.

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What is conflict you may ask? A Conflict is when two or more troops/people are unable to agree on a situation or subject. In most cases people think that conflicts are bad. However, sometimes it causes change which is good for all.

Here at the Edmonton DRC we are not troops that go around and give out group hugs (heart punches maybe). Rather, we are a group of military and civilian practitioners that can assist all members (both military and civilian employees) with their conflict situations. Being the lone Infantry MWO, I am here to help train and promote the DRC.

There are 24 hours in a day. On average, most people sleep anywhere from six to eight hours and go to work for eight hours each day. Ideally, you should be going to work each day conflict free and mission focused. If you do have conflict in your workplace, your eight hour work day is going to seem more like a 16, as well morale and productivity will be low.

The Edmonton DRC runs local courses and for those outside the Edmonton area, we do a travelling road show too. The Edmonton DRC provides services to all regular and reserve units, all civilian employees, Cadet Units, and Canadian Rangers. We also provide the same services for Wainwright, Suffield, Calgary, Whitehorse, Yellowknife, and all other units within Alberta and the Territories.

The good news is money! Your unit does not pay for any training or other DRC services, even if we have to travel. All of our travel expenses are covered by us (TD, Hotels, etc.).

Here are some of the courses we offer:

- Resolving Conflict Effectively (RCE): three Day course
- Conflict Management for Leaders (CML): two Day course
(note: Must have the RCE course first)
- TMST briefings

Troops, as I said before, this is not a "touchy feely" place. Over my 35 years in the forces and being around the block a few times now, I have learned that there are many things taught here at the DRC that can help you at your workplace, or on operations within or outside Canada. So don't be afraid to pop in and see us.

**There's a new gun at the
Edmonton
Dispute Resolution Centre!**





ERE PATRICIAS

Guarding the Western Flank: The Pacific Patricias

British Columbia, while traditionally known for scenery, outdoor lifestyle, and a lack of Regular Army presence, was a busy place for a handful of Patricias this year. Op PODIUM and support to security for the 2010 Olympics was the main effort, while the uninvited arrival of the migrant Motor Vessel Sun Sea, support to naval operations, and domestic contingency planning kept the routine interesting.

Cpts Brian Semenko and Chris Lindsay anchored the current operations planning team. Capt Slade Lerch, after spending months churning out staff work for Maj Dave Proctor in JTFP Land Plans cell, whined enough to deploy to Afghanistan again. This seemed only fair as Cpts Chris Scott and Tim Walshaw returned from Task Force 3-09 and into key plans positions in JTFP. LCol Pat Quealey also

transitioned from a recent tour in Afghanistan and Strategic Joint Staff responsibilities in Ottawa to take over as DCOS Plans. Meanwhile, across the harbour Maj John Bagnall, Base Operations Officer, supported by WO Dave Pickett and Sgt Mike Bell kept CFB Esquimalt on a steady course throughout the year.

Capt Scott Macdonald continues to ramrod daily business for the Canadian Scottish; and WO Steve Sandahl retired in Kamloops from his position at the Rocky Mountain Rangers after handing over to WO Mike Nohels. Capt Bill Annand was commissioned and carries on as Operations Officer for the Seaforth Highlanders. Finally, we welcomed newly commissioned Capt Wayne Sauve as the most recent Patricia to the area, taking on responsibilities within the Regional Cadet Support Unit.

North of 60 Patricias

True North, strong and free- not just words in the national anthem anymore but now an objective for the Government of Canada as their focus shifts to the north. Op NANOOK, one of three major exercises conducted by JTFN annually, was a resounding success. Approx 1500 personnel, warships from Canada, US, and Denmark along with Coast Guard ships from both Canada and the US, land elements from LFCA and supported by CANOSCOM and 1 CAD made this Operation

a challenge. Anyone with any experience in the north would appreciate the challenge of deploying these forces against the forces of Mother Nature.

As part of the JTFN "Team North," Patricias from across the north contributed to the success of the JTFN mission. Maj Bob Saunders spent most of the year keeping an eye on the Yukon as the JTFN Det Comd Yukon. In the summer he is tasked

off to JTFN, in Yellowknife, to become the J3 for for Op NANOOK. Yellowknife is where the rest of the Patricias are hiding. In JTFN HQ, Capt Casey Balden occupies the J3 Plans shop and the only Patricia in the HQ now that his winger, Capt Dusty Macleod jumped ship, first to 1CRPG then off to 3 PPCLI. 1 CRPG holds most of the Patricias in the north with Capt Mike Wickson, Dusty's replacement, arriving fresh off the TF 3-09 OMLT. WO Gresty is keeping busy with the youth of the north with the Junior Ranger Program. Sgts Stevens, Budd and MCpl Dawatsare are all working hard to keep the Rangers trained up and ready. Sgt St. Pierre will be getting back to the grind of 1 CRPG when he returns off his 3B. Last but not least MWO Neatby remains active with RCSU(N), keeping the Cadets of the Central Arctic Region on their toes.

Op NANOOK 11 looks like it will be bringing up a Bn (-), so perhaps we will see some of you sooner than you think!



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FRENCH GREY BATTALION



It was a fun and challenging year for all the serving members of the French Grey Battalion (FGB). Service in the FGB is symbolized by variety, adjustment, and change. This is true for all those who serve at the Infantry School, on Bases and in HQs. Whether involved in the mentoring of junior leaders (NCM DP3A and 3B, and BMOQ-L, Officer DP 1.1 and 1.2), instructing advanced Corps training (i.e. ARP), or fulfilling Centre of Excellence roles, Patricias in Gagetown must be resilient. It is not uncommon for our NCOs and officers to be instructors on two or three different courses throughout the training year. The demand on these leaders is to bring, in some cases, slightly different skill sets and approaches to this training. Perhaps the greatest contribution that members of the FGB make to training in Gagetown - The Home of the Army - is bringing a wealth of operational experience to the curriculum and the students. The result is delivery of training that is of the highest calibre, operationally relevant, and focussed on professionalizing the Corps.

Another aspect of service in the FGB is change. A number of Patricias left the Atlantic area this year with most returning to service in the Battalions; however, the last APS was also marked by a larger number posted into CFB Gagetown. The Infantry School in particular is fortunate enough to be heavily influenced by dozens of fine Patricias who work hard to support the various training cells. Soldiers, NCOs and officers from all three battalions demonstrate daily that

leadership is a team effort. They work well together and with our peers from the other Infantry Regiments to the benefit of the Combat Training Centre and to the individual training system.

The FGB has also had the opportunity to conduct and support a number of gatherings and celebrations this past year. 17 March was celebrated with a very spirited game of Broom-i-loo. Nobody remembers the score but the drinks, pizza, and camaraderie that followed are remembered fondly. For the second year in a row, in the fall FGB supported the AGM of the Atlantic Branch of the PPCLI Association here in Gagetown. The opportunity to share stories, photos and beers during the evening Meet and Greet with those who served the Regiment before us, is something each of us cherished. On the Sunday morning we gathered for a poignant Memorial Service to honour those the Regiment had lost over the previous 12 months.

A handful of FGB Patricias were recognized for their hard work, dedication, and professionalism this year. In keeping with the Regiment's unique style and brand of leadership, FGB members worked hard to stay true to Tenet Four of "The Patricia Way" - Be the best you can be. Various commendations were awarded and noteworthy recognition bestowed upon members of the FGB this past year.



FRENCH GREY BATTALION



Above: WO Pickard battles Capt Schamuhn

Below: Maj Schaub introduces UK exchange NCO, WO2 Symons, to Broom-i-loo, 17 Mar 10





Above: Capt Redburn, Sgt Mullin, LCol Joudrey, Capt Ferris, Maj Schaub during a very spirited game of Bromm-i-loo on 17 Mar 10

Specifically, CDS Commendations to LCol Joudrey and MWO Seymour, Comd JTF-A Commendation to Capt Kamps, and Comd CTC Commendations to WO Abrahamse and Cpl Congdon.

The FGB command team changed during the summer. The former CO, LCol Wilson, was posted OutCan and back to the US in order to work alongside our USMC brothers. LCol Joudrey has since joined CWO Penney and MWO Seymour as the command team of the FGB. A number of Capts returned to Regimental duty in 2010 along with some newly 'minted' WOs, Sgts, and MCpls. While the make up of the FGB changes with each APS, what does not change is the commitment and professionalism of the Patricia soldiers and leaders in Atlantic Area. On behalf of the Regiment, FGB Patricias will keep making our mark and continue to influence the Army's training system in Gagetown for the greater good of the Corps.



SUFFIELD PATRICIAS



Greetings from sunny CFB Suffield, home of British Army Training Unit Suffield (BATUS), Defence Research, and Development Canada (DRDC) Suffield, and the Counter Terrorism Technology Centre (CTTC). CFB Suffield is home to the largest military training area in Canada. At 2690 square kilometres, or roughly half the size of PEI; you can easily fit Wainwright, Shilo, and Gagetown within the boundaries of Suffield, with room to spare.

Unique to CFB Suffield is the National Wildlife Area, created in 2003 and dedicated to the preservation of 458 square kilometres of native habitat along the west bank of the South Saskatchewan River. This is one of the last unbroken tracts of natural occurring prairie in existence in Canada. The Base exists to support the training area, which is used primarily by BATUS and DRDC, although since the stand up of CMTC in Wainwright, interest by Canadian formations and units to train at Suffield has increased dramatically.

Adding to the complexity of operations at Suffield, the oil and gas industry has over 12,000 wells and some 10,000 kilometres of pipelines within the Base property, much of it sub-surface so as to minimize interference with military training. A small, but mighty cadre of military personnel are employed at the Base to support these diverse activities, including some Patricias: LCol Dan Drew (absent from photo), Majs Kevin Conrad and Charlie McKnight, Sgts Ken Lockie and Stuart Waldron, MCpls Trevor Smith and Wesley Spencer, and Cpls Derek Bergseth, and John Maddison.



Why are everyone smiling in this photo? Because it was taken on 8 December, the temperature was above zero, the annual Officers/Senior NCOs grudge match had been settled on the ice (albeit unsatisfactorily), and the Men's Christmas Dinner was less than an hour out. It was a great day to be a Patricia!



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L to R: MCpl Emery, Capt Carthew, LCol Mills, CWO Payette, and Sgt Link

Patricias Holding the Ground at LFCA TC

By Sgt Brad Kauffeldt

From all our "Patricia" brothers and their families, which includes the Commanding Officer, LCol Darryl Mills, Capt Chris Carthew, CWO Gill Payette, Sgt Brad Kauffeldt, Sgt Norm Link, Sgt David Thompson, and MCpl Benjamin Emery—we say hello from Land Force Central Area Training Centre (LFCA TC) in Meaford, Ontario.

The past year has been a fast and furious one at LFCA TC. During Op CADENCE, the TC saw close to 3000 troops roll through the gates to conduct training for the G8 and G20 summits, as well as the regular Reserve Summer Training (RST) which saw LFCA TC staff running on all cylinders. We have also had the privilege of being visited by both the MND and CDS within a three month window. As busy as the year has been, LCol Mills has stuck with his word to continue training the finest soldiers, balancing mission, soldier, and family.

This year also saw the transfer of Capt Dennis Maringer back to Regimental duty with his posting to 3 PPCLI, and Capt Lowe was posted to LFWA HQ. The new Patricia reinforcements were welcomed with open arms. Capt Chris Carthew, our new Information Officer, arrived in style placing fourth in the 2 CMBG Ironman competition. As such, he led the LFCA TC team which won first place. CWO Payette arrived at the TC in the fall as the Command Chief Standards Organization Representative (CCSOR). His chain of command resides in Kingston under LFDTS, however he is hosted and accommodated by LFCA TC. His area of responsibility encompasses most of Southern Ontario to include both Regular force units and the three Reserve Brigades. CWO Payette is not surprised that the TC has treated him with open arms since arriving in Meaford, and the posting has been a great experience in his career.

Sgt Link and Sgt Thompson, "the Patricia tag team," have now been split up as we will be saying good-bye to Sgt Dave Thompson in January 2011. Sgt Thompson has enjoyed his time here in Meaford but is looking forward to going back to school and starting a new career.

Sgt Link has also enjoyed his time here, working with some great Patricia and RCR NCOs and Officers. This year he has been employed as a Section Commander on 2 different DP1 Infantry courses, training fine Patricia and RCR soldiers. He was also tasked with running a Rappel Master course, and has since assumed the position of Rappel Master SME at the TC. He was tasked with setting up a practical demonstration for a journey through military trauma seminar. The demonstration was second to none, providing local medical, social service, and clergy representatives with a realistic snapshot of the challenges faced by our soldiers in combat. This summer Sgt Link will be posted back to 3 PPCLI.



Sgt Kauffeldt came to Meaford in June of 2008 and has been employed as a Section Commander on several BMQ(L) courses, doing an outstanding job mentoring and acting as an advisor on training and techniques that are Infantry specific to the BMQ (L). Sgt Kauffeldt has found that it is an excellent course for inoculating all trades with Basic Combat Skills.

B Coy CQMS 2IC is home to MCpl Emery, previously employed as a Sect 2IC on several DP 1 Inf courses. He now manages 15 Cpl storemen, supporting all the different courses. During his visit to LFCA TC this summer, the CDS presented MCpl Emery with his coin for the hard work and dedication he has put forth on a regular basis.

According to the Patricias posted to LFCA TC, the quality of life in Meaford has surpassed all expectations. As well, working for LFCA TC is an exceptional soldiering environment, where there is no distinction between Regiments. "Patricia or Royal, first and foremost we are infantry." VP



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THE RIFLES

Forged in Battle – An Overview of the First Three Years

On the 1st of February 2007, The Rifles were formed out of a merger of The Devonshire and Dorset Light Infantry (DDLI) with The Royal Gloucestershire, Berkshire and Wiltshire Light Infantry (RGBWLI), The Light Infantry (LI) and The Royal Green Jackets (RGJ). The RGJ and The LI each contributed 2 battalions to the new regiment and the DDLI and RGBWLI amalgamated into one battalion just prior to the creation of The Rifles. The Regiment consists of 5 Regular battalions (1-5 RIFLES), 2 Territorial Army battalions (6&7 RIFLES), 2 Independent Territorial Army companies and over 100 affiliated Cadet Detachments. The Regimental strength numbers about 460 Regular Officers, 220 Territorial Army Officers, 4,500 Regular Riflemen, 1,500 Territorial Army Riflemen and in excess of 12,000 affiliated Cadets (Army Cadet Force and Combined Cadet Force).

The Regular battalions are stationed permanently in Chepstow (1 RIFLES) on the English/Welsh border; Ballykinler, Northern Ireland (2 RIFLES); Edinburgh (3 RIFLES); Bulford Camp, Salisbury (4 RIFLES) and Alanbrooke Barracks Paderborn, Germany (5 RIFLES).

The frequent three to six yearly battalion moves (Arms plotting) to different theatres in different roles are a thing of the past and the battalions of The Rifles now remain in their permanent home base locations and deploy from there on operations.

The Territorial Army battalions are based on Wyvern Barracks, Exeter, Devon (6 Rifles covering the SW of England) and Brock Barracks, Reading Berkshire (7 RIFLES covering the Home Counties). There are also Independent Companies; D (Rifles) Coy, Bishop Auckland, Durham and E (Rifles) Coy, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, with Y (RIFLES) platoon based in Doncaster.

01 Feb 2007



OC, 2IC, CSM of C Coy 3 RIFLES on Formation Day in Helmand

The size of the Regiment and its different operational roles and locations offer soldiers and officers a variety of career opportunities and places to serve, unmatched by any other infantry regiment in the British Army.

In just over three years since formation all our battalions have deployed on operations at least once.

2 RIFLES have deployed three times (Iraq, Kosovo, and Afghanistan) making the guideline gap between operational tours of two years something of a hollow promise. Now that the turbulence of forming the Regiment and the infantry reorganisation has subsided we look forward to this routine becoming established!

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“In just over 3 years since formation all our battalions have deployed on operations at least once.”

CO 2 RIFLES Lt – Col Rob Thomson at the opening of the Miteree/Devic Bridge Kosovo built by 70 Gurkha Field Support Squadron



Iraq – First In Last Out

In Iraq 2, 3, and 4 RIFLES were deployed in Basra during some of the heaviest fighting of the campaign, including covering the withdrawal from Basra Palace. 2 RIFLES and elements of 3 Rifles were in Iraq at the time of formation in early 2007, so giving the new cap badge a true baptism of fire. They were relieved by 4 RIFLES in April 2007 who continued to defend Basra Palace until its successful handover to the Iraqi security forces in early September 2007. Following this, they were employed on operations in the Iran/Iraq border regions, which made a welcome change from the urban fighting of Basra.

Sept 2007



Lt-Col Sanders, CO 4 RIFLES, hands over Basra Palace to Col Sadi, Iraqi Army

May 2009



A Rifleman of B company 5 RIFLES embarks in a helicopter in Iraq shortly before the battalion handed over responsibility for their TAOR to the Iraqi Army and US Forces

Later, in May 2009, 5 RIFLES handed over the remaining UK ground force presence in Southern Iraq to Iraqi and US Forces, giving them the distinction of being one of the first British infantry regiments to enter Iraq in 2003 (as 1 LI) and the last to leave on handover.



Afghanistan – Toe To Toe with Taliban

In Afghanistan, elements of 3 RIFLES saw the change of cap badge in Helmand Province on 1 February 2007. In October 2009, the Regiment began a series of back to back tours by RIFLES battalions beginning with 1 RIFLES. They deployed from October 2008 to April 2009 on a six month tour mentoring the Afghan Army in Helmand as part of 3 Commando Brigade. 1 RIFLES had formally joined the brigade following a test exercise in Belize in early 2008.

Since this tour they have enjoyed a well deserved break from operations during which they have started to develop and refine the water related and other skills needed in the Commando role. They now look forward to another stint in Afghanistan in early 2011. Battalion Headquarters and elements of 4 RIFLES deployed during summer 2009 to provide reinforcement cover for the elections and to take part in Operation PANTHER'S CLAW.

Winter 2008/2009

1 RIFLES on mentoring operations in Helmand

20 August 2009

2 RIFLES Javelin gunner in action on Election Day Sangin, Photo: Eros Hoagland



Concurrently 2 RIFLES were deployed in Sangin dealing with both the “Pac Man” Improvised Explosive Device challenge and the elections. As a result of not being part of the main effort, they enjoyed less manpower and resources than have been allocated subsequently to this testing and often deadly area of operations. Nevertheless, they made several small steps of progress to build a firm foundation for those who came later. Their commitment to the mission, courage and fortitude in these circumstances has been exemplary and has been matched by 3 RIFLES who, with A Coy 4 RIFLES, took over from them. Building on 2 RIFLES’ success, 3 RIFLES significantly expanded the area denied to the Taliban, opened more schools and increased the levels of legitimate commercial activity in the Sangin Bazaar and elsewhere. It is to be hoped that additional US troops arriving in the area will create force levels and resources which will be adequate for the task of securing this area from the Taliban permanently and at reduced cost to NATO troops and local civilians.

Territorial elements of the Regiment have also played a significant part in our Iraq and Afghan deployments in the form of composite companies and many individual reinforcements. Their support has been of a very high standard and they have made their share of the sacrifice in full measure.

The high operational tempo has forged the identity of the new Regiment and brought it close together through shared hardship and experience of battle. Hardly a patrol or convoy, in all the operational theatres, has returned to base without having had some sort of contact or fire fight, often at uncomfortably close quarters and employing every weapon in the armoury including hand-grenades. In one incident a Rifleman, with great coolness, returned a Taliban grenade to sender! Even when back in their bases they have been subject to intense indirect and direct fire attacks.

The Riflemen’s steadiness under fire is testimony to the excellent basic and pre-operational training they receive before deployment. On recent operations, sniping has come to the fore as a skill of great utility and all battalions are placing emphasis on creating a large pool of riflemen trained in the art.

Summer 2007

4 RIFLES sniper in Basra

Since formation the exploits in battle of The Regiment and individual Riflemen have been recognised with the award of 2 Conspicuous Gallantry Crosses, 6 Distinguished Service Orders, 13 Military Crosses, 1 George Medal and 2 Queens Gallantry Medals.

The Regiment’s operational experiences and achievements, together with the casualties we have suffered and shared, have contributed to a rapid building of the strong new regimental identity and a network of proud supporters. This has paid dividends both in recruiting and in creating a network of moral and practical support for the Regiment in a time of considerable stress and need.

The wider regimental network extends to the family, friends and supporters of past and present riflemen and all those living in the areas where we are based, recruit and enjoy relationships by virtue of our antecedent regiments and their associations. The Regiment is greatly indebted to this wider family and service charities for their moral, practical, and financial support, which sadly remains so necessary in a time of continuous operations. Since formation (as at 1 June 2010), 53 Riflemen have been killed in action and 290 wounded, including over 40 with life changing injuries.



Summer 2009



The 2 RIFLES Battlegroup Padre Mark Geraint-Jones after a service in Sangin for one of our 53 KIA

To meet future demands of this casualty toll, The Rifles Charities are running a fundraising campaign, "The Care for Casualties Appeal", to raise £1 million in 2010. To find out more about this initiative, and how to support it, please go to www.careforcasualties.org.uk

The Regiment as a whole will enjoy a 12 month gap before they return and go "toe to toe" with the Taliban again in early 2011. This has provided a welcome respite for Regimental Headquarters from their duties of attending repatriations and ensuring the best possible care for the next of kin of our casualties in the immediate aftermath of their loss. In contrast, our long term involvement with the care of our wounded and bereaved next of kin never ceases. To manage this process we have established, with charitable funding, a Regimental Casualty Officer at RHQ in Winchester, responsible for monitoring the care of our wounded and their rehabilitation. This post is only established and funded for an initial two year period whilst the Army puts in place its own recovery capability. It is almost certain that it will have to continue, because we will have an enduring need to keep a regimental eye on all aspects of long-term care for our bereaved and wounded to ensure no one is failed by the system.

Finally, in spite of our operational commitments since formation, members of the Regiment have achieved much in the fields of sport and adventure including walking unsupported to the South Pole, a challenge for the British super flyweight boxing title and winning the Queens Medal for shooting at Bisley once in the Regular Army category and twice in the Territorial category.

RHQ Winchester 1 June 2010



On watch the evening before handover of Basra Palace

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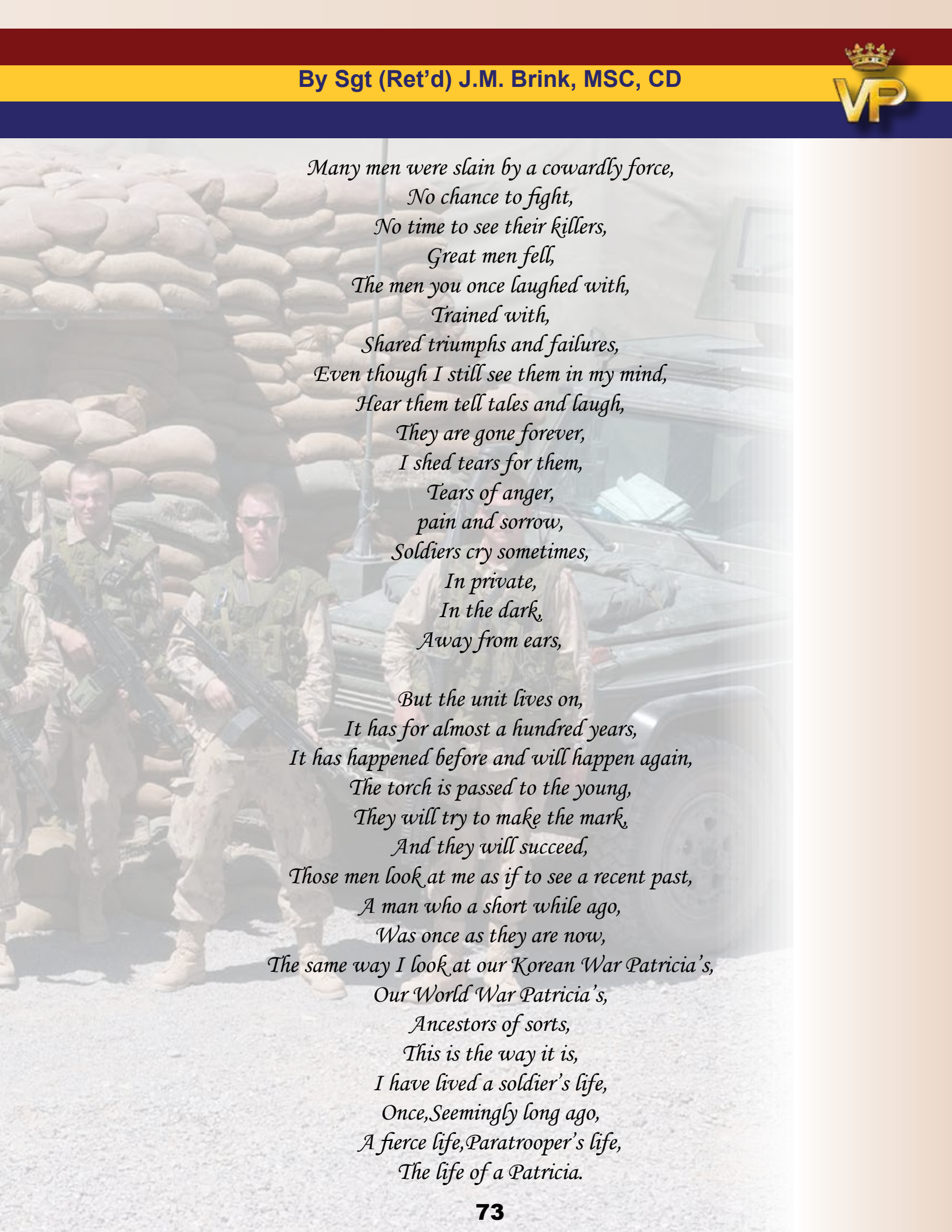
ETERNAL PATRICIA



*Often, I reflect on another life I once had,
A fierce life,
Full of hardship,
friendship and loyalty,
A young man's life,
And a constant struggle to be good enough,
Tough enough,
Smart enough,
Fast enough,*

*These men became my brothers,
We ate our own and we were hard as steel,
We jumped from the sky and were not afraid of anything,
Nothing could separate us,
We would do anything for each other,
Any day, anytime, anywhere,
We were Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry,
And we were the teeth and claws of our great nation,*

*My brothers and I were sent into a far away land,
A barren desert,
A formidable landscape owned by a stern and resourceful
people,
We were called upon to route out the enemy,
They would not engage us face to face,
They would lurk,
Stalk,
Lay in wait for their opportunity,*



*Many men were slain by a cowardly force,
No chance to fight,
No time to see their killers,
Great men fell,
The men you once laughed with,
Trained with,
Shared triumphs and failures,
Even though I still see them in my mind,
Hear them tell tales and laugh,
They are gone forever,
I shed tears for them,
Tears of anger,
pain and sorrow,
Soldiers cry sometimes,
In private,
In the dark,
Away from ears,*

*But the unit lives on,
It has for almost a hundred years,
It has happened before and will happen again,
The torch is passed to the young,
They will try to make the mark,
And they will succeed,
Those men look at me as if to see a recent past,
A man who a short while ago,
Was once as they are now,
The same way I look at our Korean War Patricia's,
Our World War Patricia's,
Ancestors of sorts,
This is the way it is,
I have lived a soldier's life,
Once, Seemingly long ago,
A fierce life, Paratrooper's life,
The life of a Patricia.*

No Mountain Too High

By MGen (Ret'd) Lewis MacKenzie

In March of 2010, MCpl Jody Mitic and Cpl Andrew Knisley of The Royal Canadian Regiment (RCR) participated in the opening ceremonies for the Para Olympic Games in Vancouver. Celebrating with a drink(s?) at a local bar later that evening they glanced at the TV and caught a few minutes coverage of the 2009 Targa Newfoundland, a five day 2,200 km high speed tarmac rally on the back roads of Newfoundland. They speculated that if they entered the event they might be able to raise money for the Soldier-On Fund. They had both been helped by the fund during their recovery from very serious combat wounds, as Jody and Andrew only had one complete leg and three good arms between the two of them.

In 2007 MCpl Mitic was a sniper on patrol in Afghanistan when he stepped on a mine which removed both of his legs below the knee. Less than two years later he completed a half marathon. In 2009 while Cpl Knisley was on patrol, two artillery shells buried in a mud wall were detonated and took off his entire right leg and severely damaged his right arm. Less than a year later he completed a five km walk for charity.

Someone advised the two soldiers that I had yet to grow up and was still racing formula cars and that in 2004, along with my co-driver Nigel Mortimer, had entered our first rally and won our category at the Targa. There are only three Targa (Italian for plate) events in the world: Tasmania, New

Zealand, and Newfoundland. There are two divisions, one for the technical time distance teams at modest speed and an Open division for the “faster you go the higher you place” teams. Naturally race car drivers favour the latter getting up to 200kph on the narrow and windy back roads of Newfoundland where a braking point mistake can (and has) deposit a car in the Atlantic.

Jody and Andrew paid me a visit and based on their post-amputation accomplishments to date, I had no doubt they could race in the open category or at the very least compete. Five minutes later I was managing the effort. Let's face it, how do you say no to a couple of truly outstanding role models- even if they are RCR! We decided that it was too late in the year to be ready for the event in mid-September. There were a few things we needed and they would all take time to source or complete: a car prepared to the toughest safety standards demanded by the rules; rally computer; in-car communication system; race driver school; rally instruction; certified fire-proof driving suits; special wheels and tires for testing and race; transport to move the car; at least \$40k for expenses; accommodation and meals in Newfoundland for at least 10 days; airline tickets for the team to and from Newfoundland; a thousand “hero cards” that all the teams needed to satisfy the autograph seekers at each stop along the rally route and a myriad of other minor expenses along the way. We agreed that we should be ready 18 months later for the 2011, tenth anniversary event.



The next day I prepared a proposal for supporters to consider and sent it to some racing contacts. When I came back to my computer an hour later I was shocked to see a week's worth of messages cued up waiting for a response. The Targa organization had waived the five thousand dollar entry fee and was arranging as much free accommodation for the drivers as possible. Doug Metham, Targa's man on the mainland, had some ideas where we might source a car. The Motorsport Club of Ottawa (MCO) where I'm a member waived the fee for the two soldiers to attend race driver school at the new track at Calabogie outside Ottawa and the owners of the Calabogie race track offered free track time for practice. Glen Clark, also an MCO member and a past outright winner of the Targa, volunteered to provide rally instruction and offered free participation at his rally schools in Ottawa and Newfoundland and Country Racewear offered to make the expensive special driving suits, team jackets, and shirts.

I called Jody and Andrew and said, "If I can arrange a car and expense money within the next month, do you want to forget 2011 and compete this year?" Jody's response was, "Andrew, get your driving shoe (singular!) ready, we're going racing!"

Now I needed help on the mechanical side if we were going to find and prepare the right car. That was easy. My friend and team mate at the 2004 Targa and the owner and crew chief of the formula car team I race with, Nigel Mortimer, volunteered to take on the coordination of preparing the car. Nigel is also the Chief Instructor at the MCO driving school where I also instruct so we would be able to personally deliver the race driving instruction.

Initially, Doug Metham recommended we contact Toyota as they were getting a good deal of bad press regarding multiple recalls. We knew they still had the race prepared hybrid Toyota that participated in the Targa a few years back. I figured "hybrid" soldiers in a hybrid car would garner a lot of publicity. Toyota was keen for a couple of weeks and then backed out allegedly because of their concern that isolating the on-board batteries in the event of an accident would be more challenging for multiple amputees. They obviously didn't know Jody and Andrew.

Toyota's turning us down was the best luck we had during the entire six month project for it pointed us in the direction of Honda Canada, thanks again to Doug Metham. I called Richard Jacobs (retired US Army), the senior public relations officer at Honda and briefed him on what we were trying to do. Within hours Honda Canada was fully committed and authorized by the President himself, Mr. Masahiro Takedagawa.

Now that we had the car, we needed money for expenses and I didn't want to spend a cent of tax-receiptable support as any such donations should go to the Soldier-On Fund. I sit on a number of mining boards within the Forbes & Manhattan group led by Stan Bahrti. Stan has an annual golf tournament in Muskoka for the many Bay Street investors who finance his operations. In July after the tournament dinner I gave a short presentation on Jody, Andrew and their plan to compete in this year's Targa and less than three minutes later I had every dollar I needed to do the project without cutting corners.

Over the next two months the Acura TL SH-AWD was race prepared in Toronto, including a modified roll cage with easier access, Jody and Andrew excelled at the race car driving school, did a couple of practice rallies, were fitted for driving suits and helmets and managed to keep their day jobs.

A press conference was held at the Canadian War Museum in August to officially introduce the team during which both soldiers demonstrated their ease with the media which augured well for all the publicity they were about to get! Early on, CTV's Tom Clark, my friend and reporting mentor on a number of trips to Somalia, Bosnia, Belgrade, and Kosovo, promised W5 would cover the story from day one. Inside Track, Canada's premier motorsport magazine offered constant support and gave the project lots of print.

Honda Canada provided us with two crew members, Rob Zarcone and Eric Vlasic who knew the Acura inside out and were great support to Nigel. Bearing in mind the beating the car would be subject to at the Targa a number of modifications to brakes and cooling were made before the car was put on the trailer and sent off to Newfoundland.

On 8 September we all flew to St Johns in time for a reception for Jody and Andrew hosted by the Lieutenant Governor John Crosbie. The room was filled with Afghan veterans from The Rock. As everyone wanted a piece of our two drivers I had to exert my "mommy" role making sure they got a good night sleep as once the competition started they would get very little.

The competition started on Monday the 13th of September and ended five days and 2,250 kms later. Each day there were eight special stages varying in length from five to 40 kms. Each stage had a very quick minimum time that had to be achieved and if you made that time on all forty stages you won a Targa plate. Less than half the 60 teams would do so. The other time that had to be met was in many stages impossible to achieve but the team who was quickest in each stage received the fewest penalty points and at the end of the week the team with the fewest penalty points was declared the winner.

Some days the weather was appalling (a hint of what was to happen a week later when the area of the competition was severely damaged by Hurricane Igor) and Jody and Andrew had forty chances to make one driving error that would mean no Targa plate. Some teams were back for their sixth time without once winning a plate. Our team was in a strong second place on the third day and were putting pressure on the leading factory entry in their category when its engine grenaded just in front of them. A piece of the piston imbedded in the Acura's Michelin tire but it only caused a slow leak and the car made it to the finish line- now in first place!

Late on the fifth day at the St John's harbour wharf the results were announced and MCpl Jody Mitic and Cpl Andrew Knisley not only won their Targa plate but also won their category (Modern-large displacement). Motorsport history was made and the Soldier-On Fund was the beneficiary. One of the messages on my answering machine when I got home was a fifty thousand dollar anonymous donation. A great start towards our \$150,000 target.

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Cpl Andrew Knisley (left) and MCpl Jody Mitic (right)



2010 Vimy Award



Congratulations to our Colonel-in-Chief on her receipt of the 2010 Vimy Award. The Vimy Award honours the bravery and sacrifices of Canadian soldiers who were victorious at the Battle of Vimy Ridge in April 1917, and is awarded annually to recognize one Canadian who has made a significant and outstanding contribution to the defence and security of our nation and the preservation of our democratic values.

The Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson is the 20th recipient of the Award which was presented on 19 November 2010, by His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada, at the Canadian War Museum in Ottawa. Our Colonel-in-Chief joins a list of distinguished Canadians heavily dominated by Patricia's who have received the award in the past. For more information on the Vimy Award and the 2010 Vimy Award presentation visit the Conference of Defence Associations website at: www.cda-cdai.ca



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PPCLI Foundation Established

By MGen (Ret'd) Ashton



On Friday 27 August 2010, a Deed of Trust was signed establishing the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Foundation. Left to right: Maj Manny Mandaher, Regimental Major and Trustee; LCol Peter Dawe, CO 3 PPCLI and past Chair of the Regimental Executive Committee; Maj (Ret'd) John Hunter, Secretary PPCLI Foundation; MGen (Ret'd) Barry Ashton, President PPCLI Foundation; Madame Adrienne Clarkson, Colonel-in-Chief; LGen (Ret'd) Ray Crabbe, Colonel of the Regiment; CWO P. Leger, RSM 3 PPCLI and Trustee; CWO (Ret'd) Bert Scott, President PPCLI Association and Trustee; and LCol Bill Fletcher, CO 1 PPCLI and Chair of the Regimental Executive Committee.

Background

For several years there has been talk of the need to set-up an organization for the Regiment, similar to the RCR Trust, with an ability to raise funds beyond the Regimental Family. In March 2010, a Trust Working Group was formed to consider the options and recommend an approach. The Working Group recommended the establishment of a PPCLI Foundation and has produced several documents that support this approach, including:

- a PPCLI Foundation Deed of Trust;
- an application for charitable registration to the Canada Revenue Agency;
- by-laws;
- a business plan;
- first in the Field, a Fundraising Plan with a financial goal of raising in excess of \$5 million by 11 November 2018, the centenary of the armistice in World War I;
- a policy on sponsorship; and
- a site plan for the Foundation's website, which while not yet complete is operational at www.ppclifoundation.ca

Charitable Purposes and Activities

The Foundation has been created as an autonomous, self-sustaining charitable body for the purpose of acquiring, accepting, soliciting or receiving legacies, gifts, grants, settlements, bequests, endowments and donations of any kind whatsoever in furtherance of the following proposed charitable purposes and activities:

PURPOSE	ACTIVITIES
1. To fund and carry out activities and programs to support and care for Canadian military service personnel and former military service personnel	a. Financial Assistance When in Need b. Welfare in Operations c. Provide Information and Help in Emergencies
2. To promote the efficiency of the armed forces of the Crown	a. Support of Events and Activities that Commemorate and Celebrate the Service of Patricias b. Acquire and Protect Artefacts and Items Reflecting the History and Service of the Regiment c. Promote PPCLI Traditions d. Promote Education and Teaching of Military History
3. To fund and carry out activities and programs to establish and preserve monuments relating to military service by Canadian soldiers and service personnel	a. Maintain and Preserve Existing memorials at Lansdowne Park and Constitution Square in Ottawa, Hamilton Gault Memorial Park in Edmonton, The Military Museums in Calgary, at Frezenberg and Elsewhere b. Create New Memorials to the Service of Patricias
4. To make gifts to qualified donees	a. Regimental Fund, including the Museum and Archives b. Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund c. Cadets and Youth d. Canadian Colleges and Universities e. Military Family Resource Centres f. Those that Conduct Medical Research Related to Mental Health for Soldiers and Veterans g. Other Registered Charities that Contribute to the Charitable Purpose of the Foundation

Structure

It is anticipated that the application for registration will be approved by CRA in 2011. The work of the Foundation is volunteer led and volunteer driven. A Board of Trustees (11 trustees – two appointed by the Association, one appointed by the Regimental Guard, two appointed by the Regimental Executive Committee, and up to six elected by members of the Foundation) has been appointed to plan, oversee, and do the work. Regional committees of volunteers will be established to assist in identifying prospects in various regions of the country.

Initial Focus

Initially, the focus for fundraising will be support of events and activities to commemorate the Regiment's 100th Anniversary. Plans are taking shape that will see leveraging of 100th Anniversary events and activities for fundraising purposes to offset some of the 100th Anniversary costs as well as begin the building of an endowment. The Foundation will be accepting donations from individuals on its website as well as by membership in the Foundation or by mail subscription. It is also expected that the Foundation will seek funding and/or sponsorship from other charitable bodies, governments, and corporations.

Longer Term

The longer term goal is the creation of an endowment that will provide a sustainable source of funding in support of the charitable purposes and activities described above. Further details concerning the Foundation and its plans will be provided as they become available.

Get Involved

Without any solicitation whatsoever, the Foundation already has \$21,000 in pledges.

If you would like to get involved within your region, or simply to make a pledge, send an email to:

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Top View





A Patricia Legacy Rekindled with Calgarians

By Capt Rick Dumas

The Lougheed House is a mansion built in 1891 by Senator James Alexander Lougheed and is located in downtown Calgary, Alberta. Since completion it has been the family residence of a prominent Alberta family, a training centre for young women, a women's military barracks, and a blood donor clinic. Like so many other iconic heritage sites, a time came when it temporarily fell from grace and was not used until restoration began in 2000. Today, the Lougheed House is a national historic site and is operated by Lougheed House Conservation Society, an independent non-profit organization dedicated to its preservation and to ensuring its public enjoyment. The historic mansion and gardens are magnificent.

HRH Prince Arthur, Duke of Connaught and Governor-General of Canada from 1911 to 1916 was good friends with Senator Lougheed and his wife. He and his daughter, HRH Princess Patricia of Connaught had visited Calgary and the Senator at the Lougheed Mansion in 1912, 1914, and 1916. Given the Princess' mother's grave illness, she would often act as hostess at Rideau Hall and accompany the Governor General on business trips. Appreciating our shared heritage, Lougheed House invited the Patricias to their "Ride Through

Time" event on 25 July 2010, whereby Minister of National Defence, The Right Honourable Peter MacKay was the guest of honour. The Regiment responded in kind with the provision of indoor museum displays, a Third Battalion LAV crew and small arms display team, and by providing the flag party comprised entirely by our Regimental museum staff. Third Battalion's roster was made up of; Capt A. West, Cpl B. Phair, Pte J. Newell, Pte M. Pagliaro, Pte S. Marczak, Pte J. Brown, and Pte M. Brazil.



Featured in one of several museum displays are many of Princess Patricia's personal artefacts and the famous and very rare Canadian "Patricia dollar bill," circa 1917.

Pictured is the gem: the classic Lougheed House and Garden by contrast to modern downtown Calgary





As Minister MacKay addresses Calgarians and visitors, the Flag Party takes post. The flag was a period Union Jack. From left to right are Cpl Mullett, Sgt Mavin and Sgt Goulet. Note the period costumes in the background.

As it turns out, the Senator shared the same passion as our founder, Hamilton Gault, being a huge supporter of our First World War veterans and getting the Royal Canadian Legion started. As part of the Lougheed House's annual fundraiser, "Christmas All Through The House", held 12 November 2010, Patricias were again invited to participate; partly in gratitude for a budding partnership and in order to make a donation to the PPCLI Benevolent Fund.





A Patricia Legacy Rekindled with Calgarians



Pictured above is the Christmas splendour within, “Christmas All Through The House;” open to the public annually.

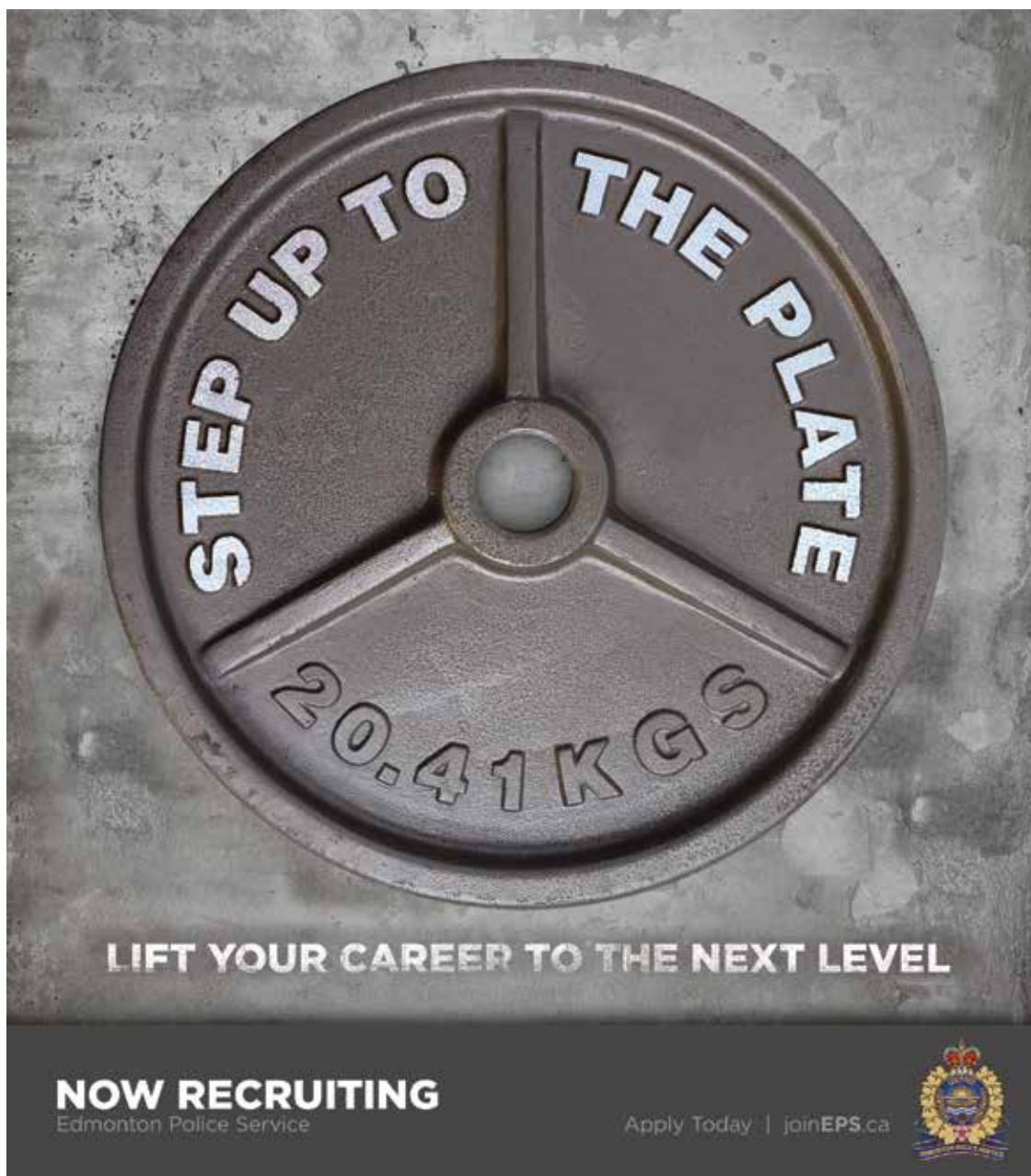


Pictured above, from left to right: WO D. Shultz, Regimental Warrant Officer, Mr Ron Robertson, Chairman Lougheed House Board of Directors, Capt R. Dumas, Regimental Adjutant, Mr Blane Hogue, Lougheed House Executive Director and Maj Mandaher, Regimental Major

Princess Patricia's legacy and relationship with Calgarians has endured the turbulent 1900's and well into the 21st Century vis-à-vis Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Shortly after returning from the Second World War, the Regiment moved from Manitoba to Currie Barracks, Calgary on 10 June 1946, and become Canada's first peacetime parachute regiment. On 15 August 1950, a Second Battalion of the Regiment was formed for immediate deployment to Korea. Having a major role in preventing the capture of Seoul, Korea's capitol city, 2 PPCLI was awarded the United States Presidential Unit Citation. The Regiment had earned further distinction and honour by exercising its "Freedom of the City" in Calgary on 25 April 1952, thanks to Calgarians' appreciation and generosity. Freedom of the City is the highest honour that a municipality can bestow upon a military

unit. With both battalions back from Korea, the First and Second Battalions alternately served in Cold War Germany while rotating its airborne role. By 1957 the Patricias had moved from Currie Barracks to Edmonton. The First Battalion and Regimental Headquarters returned to Currie Barracks in 1968 where they remained until closure of the base in 1998; but not before exercising another Freedom of the City parade on 11 June 1997.

Today, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry's legacy in Calgary is perpetuated by having a Calgary Branch of the PPCLI Association that does a brilliant job. Also located in Calgary is 2554 PPCLI Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps and our PPCLI Museum & Archives inside TMM (The Military Museums), where one and all are always welcomed.




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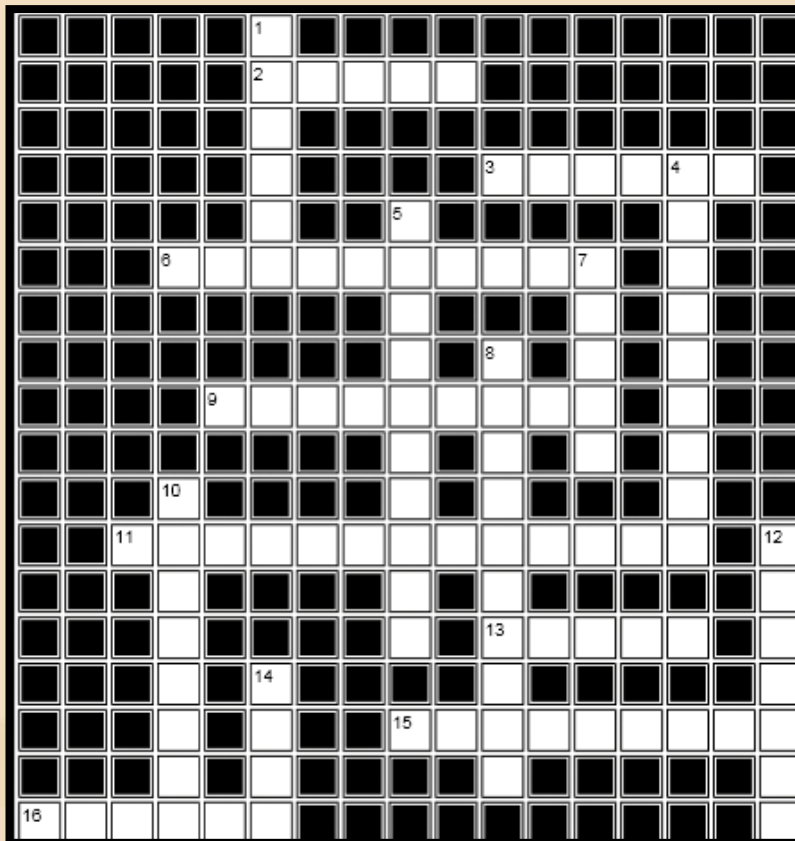
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ACROSS

2. Which Battalion was formed on 30 November 1950?
3. Andrew Hamilton Gault was educated at Bishops and?
6. Where is Patricia Hill?
9. Name of first cap badge issued to Patricias for WWI
11. Lt McKenzie and Sgt Mullin received the VC for action during which battle?
13. What month is Regimental Day celebrated?
15. Regimental sport
16. Where was Blue Beret Camp?

DOWN

1. Where did the Regiment first see action during WWI?
4. In what park did the Originals meet prior to departing for WWI?
5. Graveyard of the Originals
7. How many PPCLI Battalions have been awarded a Commander-in-Chief's Unit Commendation?
8. The Regimental Colour is commonly referred to as the?
10. First Commanding Officer
12. The anniversary of which battle is on 24 April?
14. Where was the Regiment when WWI ended?



Answers on page 125



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Soldier for Peace

By Bruce Gowen and Darcy Lavallee

*The echo of war is still in the air,
For those lives lost; is truly unfair.*

*I am just a soldier, standing in the destruction
Not understanding why two sides wish;
For the other's reduction.*

*Hate that goes back to years gone by,
Makes no sense under the shining blue sky.*

*Peace should not come under United Nations,
It should come from within, peaceful relations.*

*Peacekeeper from around the world travel afar,
Take risks and die.
In hope of making peace last,
Or at least try.*

*Ultimately it is up to those at war,
Maybe someday the raging water will gently break on shore.*



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Raising of Ranch Sign



Lieutenant Andrew Richard Nuttall

Andrew, or 'Andy', 'Drew' (or 'Nutts' as he was known in the Military), loved the outdoors. He enjoyed camping, hiking, and surfing with his friends.

In 2005, his family bought property near Alexis Creek, in the Chilcotin area of British Columbia. When he visited the property, he took to it immediately, the grassy benches, the groves of trees, the Chilcotin River. With his father, he picked the site where he wanted to build a cabin. He said we should put up a sign, and this was his first priority for the ranch this summer.

Over the years, the property was a source of many enjoyable conversations; it embraced many of his dreams for the future – camping, building a cabin, and taking care of the land.

The sign was discussed often during his conversations on the satellite telephone from Afghanistan. About one week before he was killed, he asked again if we had ordered a sign to be made.

In January, in a casual conversation with BGen Andre Corbould, then Commander of the First Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group, Andy's wish to have a sign at the ranch was raised, and BGen Corbould said he thought it would be a great idea if his platoon could come and do this on their return from Afghanistan. BGen Corbould said his family lived in Bella Coola, and he knew the area well.

This sign was designed by Len Gibbs of Victoria and carved by Ken Sheen of Riske Creek. Our neighbors from Alexis Creek, the Madley family (Al, Bev, Garrett, and Brooke), have generously assisted us with this project.

We are proud that the men of Nutts's platoon- 12 Platoon, D Company, First Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, based in Edmonton were here to raise this sign for Andy. We are thankful the Canadian Forces supported the Platoon to be here, and recognize the assistance of Maj Wayne Niven, D Company Commander, Andrew's 'boss.' This was a time for Andrew's parents, Richard and Jane, his brother John, family and friends, to share stories with the soldiers from 12 Platoon who had recently returned from a seven month deployment to Afghanistan and to acknowledge Andrew's sacrifice.

12 PI, D Coy, 1 PPCLI



Trail Riders Support Soldier On

By Lori McNabb

Edmonton Garrison Saddle Club

This Canada Day was a little different than previous years at the Edmonton Garrison Saddle Club. This year someone planted an idea in the minds and hearts of our members. We wondered if we could host a trail ride that could raise money for the Soldier On Fund. What started out as a simple suggestion with great intentions blossomed into something wonderful that Saddle Club members hope will be the first of many more to follow. Our trail ride was open to the public and we were determined to make this the best organized ride ever. Riders arrived on June 30 to prepare and rest before the ride which was scheduled to take place (rain or shine) on July 1 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Riders came from all over with their horses in tow. We had 33 horse riders participate and many volunteers who made this day a huge success. Riders saddled up their four-legged friends for a three-hour trail ride through approximately 13.5 kms of the base training area. The sun was shining and it was a wonderful day for a trail ride.

The Edmonton Garrison Saddle Club hosted this ride to raise money for the Soldier On Fund which provides rehabilitation services to soldiers severely injured in conflict. The Fund helps get them involved in a variety of athletic programs. We were very fortunate to have Maj Mark Campbell and his family attend. We presented him with a cheque for \$4,500 that will be forwarded onto the Soldier On Fund. Maj Campbell explained to everyone how much it meant to him that we hosted the trail ride to raise money for this worthwhile cause. He told us about how he was able to enjoy a ski expedition thanks to the Soldier On Fund.



Photos courtesy of Lori McNabb, Edmonton Garrison Saddle Club



Maj Campbell accepting a cheque on behalf of The Soldier on Fund from EGSC club president, MWO John McNabb and club treasurer Sgt Dianne Weir

There are a few people we need to thank for supporting this important event, and they are listed here in no particular order. Thank you Mark Weisner from Northlands for donating the rentals of temporary stalls, Cliff and Bonnie Fawcett of Doubletree Creations who donated a framed mirror which raised a substantial amount of money from the silent auction. Also, Donna Murray from Lethbridge, who donated her hand crafted horse hair key chains, and Wendy Muise from Fiske's Animal Health who donated a beautiful basket of Fiske's products. We would also like to express our appreciation to all riders from Blackfoot Trailriders who raised money for this great cause - Linda VonGrad and Dennis Davis thank you! And we especially thank the CFB Edmonton for their support and 3 PPCLI for assisting in some resources required. Thank you also to all the volunteers who made it run so smooth. We look forward to conducting the 2nd annual Trails for Troops in 2011.

Please join us for our second annual Trails for Troops trail ride, to help us raise money for the Soldier On fund.

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Honouring The Old Guard

By Sgt K.T. MacEachern

In May 2009, a handful of Second World War veterans walked the ground in Italy from the landing in Sicily, through the Gustav, Hitler and Gothic Lines, all the way through to the towns of Cassino, Ortona, Rimini, and Villanova. 2 and 3 PPCLI each sent five representatives along with one RCR and three Strathcona soldiers to accompany and honour our veterans as they returned to the battlefields they had fought on.

Along the way, up the boot of Italy, we stopped at each graveyard. It was humbling to see soldiers' grave stones with a Maple Leaf etched on top and Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry written above their name. Some had quotes from families etched near the bottom. Personal and touching, the age of each soldier when he died carried the weight of what the country had lost and sacrificed. Marking each graveyard was the Commonwealth Cross, a monument to the soldiers of the Allied force.

As we toured through the battlefields, we went through many small towns that had been liberated by Canadians. Each had dedicated plaques and held ceremonies for our soldiers in celebration of the anniversary of their liberation. It was impressive to see the town peoples' knowledge of each regiment that had walked through and liberated them from the Germans. In one case, a town parade had escorted the veterans in three WWII jeeps up Main Street as the locals lined the road, cheering as they passed.

Walking the fields of Italy is just a small step in honouring our veterans. Dressed for a memorial parade at the Commonwealth Cemetery in Monte Casino, the Allied force graveyard for fallen heroes of Gustav and Hitler Line, I saw more than one old soldier with two or three campaign crosses. One in particular, Tom Baker, carried three crosses above his left chest pocket as well as a medal for Dieppe. To survive through the campaigns of North Africa, Italy, and



Northern Europe is no small feat but to also have been on the assault at Dieppe and survive is a testament to the fortitude of our heroes. Another veteran, Rudy Deutsch, has powerful memories of his experience as a medic/stretcher bearer for the PPCLI during the battle for Ortona and the breaking of the Hitler Line. Bill Ford was a Strathcona veteran until half way through Italy, where in one day he lost his entire troop at the battle of Torrice Cross Roads. He then became a stretcher bearer for the remainder of the war. Bernie Pelletier tells the story of when he engaged and destroyed a German aircraft in his Bren gun carrier, running from the aircraft's wingman as he avoided the aerial machine gun strafing fire. All these stories impress upon the professionalism of the soldiers before us. We hope to one day carry the torch they so proudly passed.

In each area traveled we met local historians, officials, hobbyists, and collectors. They are all extremely proud of the Canadians and their contribution to the war.

Karen Koonar, the historian working with the PPCLI Regimental Museum and who coordinated the tour, has built lasting friendships with some of these historians. One in particular, Alessandro Campagna from the town of Frosinone located 80 km south of Rome, made his first visit to Western Canada for a reunion of travelers and veterans at The Military Museums in August 2010. I was able to attend the reunion on behalf of the other Patricias who had traveled to Italy and the time was spent telling stories, sharing photos and videos generated during the 2009 tour. The effort by Alessandro in traveling to Canada to honour our veterans and the work that is being done to preserve the history of the Italian Campaign here at home is remarkable. Alessandro's presence with the veterans at the reunion inspired a coming together of the old guard, giving these soldiers an opportunity to show off their medals as badges of honour and rekindle old friendships both Canadian and Italian.

Soldiers never die, we just fade away.





Celebrating 122 Years at Lansdowne Park

By Capt Rick Dumas

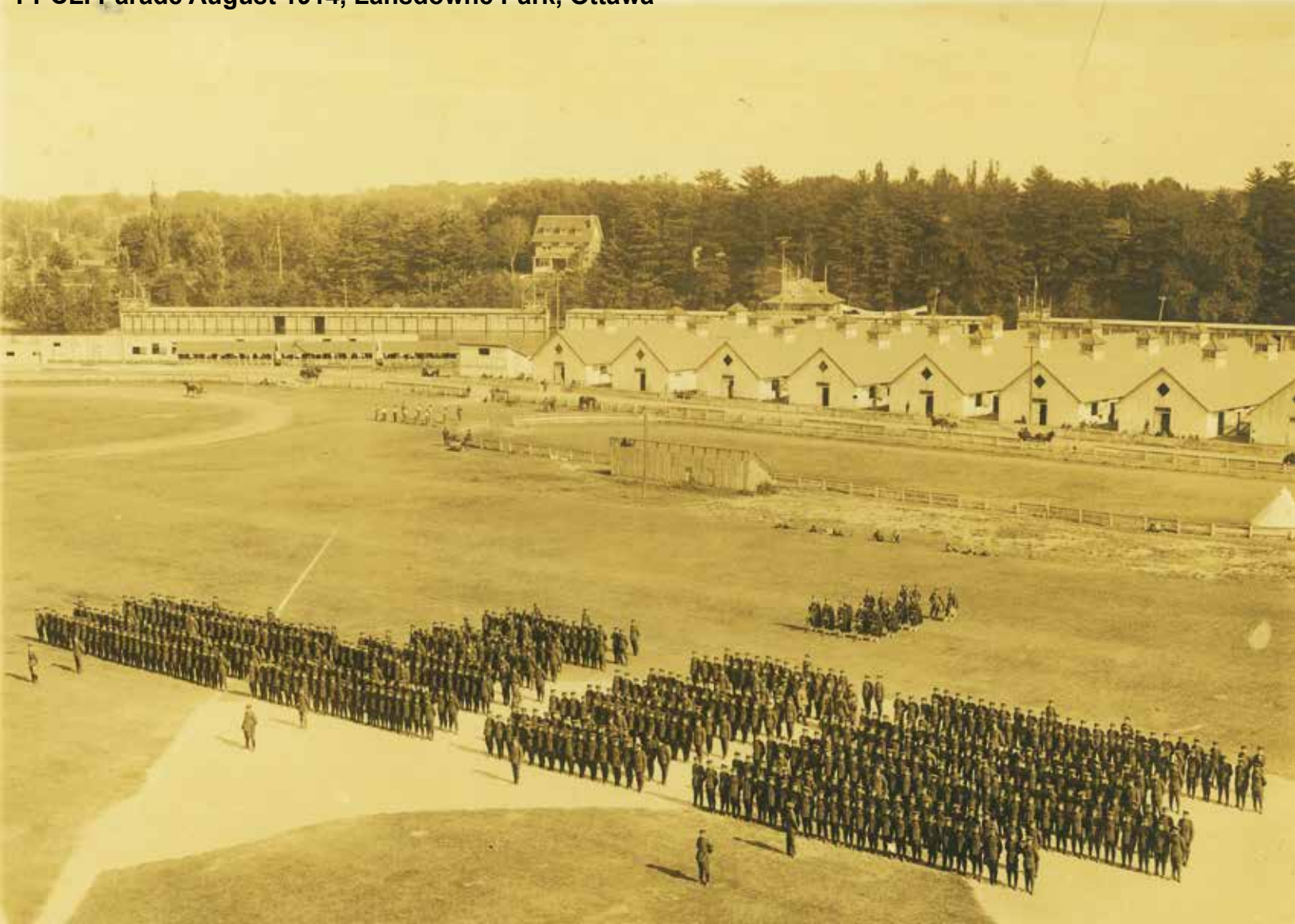
From 19 to 29 August 2010, Ottawa SuperEx celebrated its 122nd Anniversary at Lansdowne Park. Lansdowne Park is not only a huge heritage site at our nation's capitol, but it's also where our Regiment was first stood up on 10 August 1914. Upon the Regiment's return from the First World War, after four years, six months, and 16 days of overseas service, Lansdowne Park is also where PPCLI was welcomed home, and temporarily disbanded as Canada pondered what its peacetime army would look like. That parade was held on 19 March 1919, with our founder, Hamilton Gault leading the way. The Central Canada Exhibition Association, in recognition for our service, had kindly extended an invitation to participate. The PPCLI Museum and Archives provided archival material for the production of excellent static displays, sponsored by SuperEx. Patricia's serving in the area, as well as the Ottawa Branch of the PPCLI Association were welcomed.



The Laurentian Pink Marble monument (shown above and below) was unveiled on 6 October 1974, by an original member of the Regiment, Mr R.D. Whitmore, Regimental Number 1005. It's approximately four feet tall by two feet square and is found in the vicinity of the Frank Clair Stadium, where the CFL Ottawa Rough Riders once played. The Memorial was sponsored by the Ottawa Branch, PPCLI Association.



PPCLI Parade August 1914, Lansdowne Park, Ottawa



Photos below: Lansdowne Park today





Patricias Working in Concert with Canada Lands Company

By Capt Rick Dumas

Canada Lands Company (CLC), while redeveloping Currie Barracks, has taken an impressive stand on maintaining its proud and lengthy military heritage in Calgary. Approximately one year ago Canada Lands Company had invited the Patricias regarding the provision of a historical placard, highlighting the Regiment's place within the history of Currie Barracks since 1946. Other regiments included were LdSH (RC), The Fort Garry Horse, and the Queens Own Rifles of Canada. Two of those fine regiments suffered at the hands of unification of Canada's military (army, air force, and navy served as one, wearing the same generic uniform) in 1969 and were struck from Regular Force strength. All regiments having served at Currie Barracks are well represented at the former Officers' Mess, now the Currie Barracks Sales Centre. The public is welcomed to visit. You may also be interested in knowing that there are two streets named after distinguished Patricia's in another one of CLC's communities called Garrison Green; one after MGen (Ret'd) Mackenzie and the other after Col Ethell.

His Honour, Colonel (Retired) The Honourable Donald S. Ethell, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, inaugurated two commemorative parks at Currie Barracks on 25 September 2010. Valour Park is dedicated to the men and women of Canada's armed forces, and Victoria Cross Park honours Canadian recipients of the Victoria Cross of the Second World War. Later, there was a classy reception at the Sales Centre. The former Officers' Mess still retains its lustre and many artefacts reminiscent of its storied past.

Of note, the Lieutenant Governor served with the Queens Own Rifles of Canada as a senior NCO and as senior Patricia officer. In 1988, as United Nations Peacekeepers were awarded the Noble Peace Prize, LCol Ethell was featured on CBC television's Front Page Challenge, given his unmatched and unparalleled U.N. experience in the Middle East. That same year he was included in Maclean Magazine's "Honour Roll". The Canadian Peacekeeping Service Medal's roots can be directly traced back to when peacekeepers were awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.



The Honourable Donald Ethell, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, cuts the ceremonial ribbon



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Patricias Excel at First Major Museum Exhibition

By Capt Rick Dumas

(Photos courtesy of Grant Cree, Editor, The Western Sentinel and Assistant Public Affairs Officer, 1 ASG HQ and Ms Julie Vincent, TMM Photographer)

The Founders' Art Gallery at The Military Museums (TMM) in Calgary rotates exhibitions that combine art and military culture quarterly to semi-annually. The gallery was at one time a school gymnasium and its magnificent hard wood floor is still preserved. The school, once for "base brats" at the former Currie Barracks, was developed into the Museum of the Regiments. Today, both are part of the multi-million dollar TMM which officially opened on the 65th D-Day Anniversary (Allied invasion of Normandy) on 6 June 2009. Her Royal Highness, The Countess of Wessex was the Guest of Honour during the official opening ceremony. Since then, many more VIPs have visited and have taken part in the many ceremonies held at TMM such as the annual Remembrance Day service, etc.

With the full support of LCol (Ret'd) Tom Doucette, Director of TMM, and under the generous tutelage of Ms Colleen Sharpe, Art Curator of TMM, an idea and partnership was born. War rugs, part of the Fyke Collection of Afghan War Rugs, were put on display while on loan from The Nickle Arts Museum, University of Calgary. Each of the Afghan rugs reflected experiences and interpretations of the circumstances and politics of war and conflict throughout different regions over several decades. Two very influential men of Afghan history are also featured. Shah Amunullah Khan, of the Third Anglo-Afghan War and Ahmad Shah Massoud, undefeated leader of the Northern Alliance throughout the Taliban's regime. Staff of the PPCLI and Archives supplemented each rug with corresponding and supporting artefacts, historical text, and technical data boards explaining Soviet arms and equipment woven into several war rugs (special thanks is in order to Mr Alec Herdy for the countless volunteer hours and great deal of archival research). Sgt Mavin and Cpl Mullett built a diorama from scratch featuring a shura and were also on hand for local promotional media coverage given their role as veterans of the ongoing Canadian effort.

After several months of hard work, the grand opening of "Unravelling the Yarns: War Rugs and Soldiers," took place on the rather poignant Anniversary of 9/11. Ms Laura A. Lochman, the United States Consul General for Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Northwest Territories was on hand as guest of honour. Later, the R Adjt would indicate to the US Consul General that Patricias are no stranger to working with our American neighbours. We were the first Canadians to fight with US troops in both Korea and Afghanistan while doing so alongside the US 75th Heavy Tank Regiment at Kapyong, Korea and the 101st Airborne Division in Kandahar, Afghanistan. She was impressed to learn that in fact, for our actions at Kapyong, 2 PPCLI was awarded the US Presidential Unit Citation, the first Canadian unit to do so.

Fast forward to 29 September 2010, His Honour, Col (Ret'd) The Honourable Donald S. Ethell, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta would visit the exhibition after his speaking engagement with hundreds of high school students at TMM.



His Honour addressing the many students, U.N. veterans and visiting Patricias while inside the Naval Museum of Alberta at TMM





Patricias Excel at First Major Museum Exhibition



As is always his pleasure, the Lieutenant Governor is speaking with veterans

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The R Adjt briefing the Lieutenant Governor as Director TMM looks on

Of note in this photo is the diorama built by two infantry NCOs and a painting by Roger Chabot who served with the First Battalion PPCLI Battle Group in 2006 depicting close quarter fighting in Afghanistan. Cpl Hjalmarsen (senior) of 1 PPCLI donated a hand-made bugle he constructed from a brass artillery casing while serving in Afghanistan. That and a medal from the Third Anglo-Afghan War are also amongst notables on display within the exhibit.

The Patricias, on their first attempt, had excelled at producing their first major museum exhibition even though it was a “trying” learning process, at times. Since its opening day, thousands have visited “Unravelling the Yarns: War Rugs and Soldiers” and have expressed their marvel. Other museums have expressed interest in having this exhibit used as a travelling exhibition. The PPCLI and Archives have an impressive art collection including original works from Princess Patricia, Ms Silvia Pecota, W.B. Wollen (original Frezenberg painting), a painting by Hollywood actress, Pilar Pallete (John Wayne’s third wife), and several works of art by Molly Lamb Bobak. As we forge ahead toward our centennial, our art collection will appeal to thousands of art fans.



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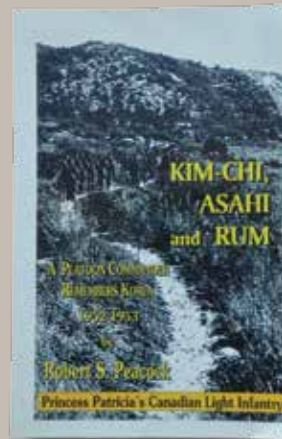


By Capt Rick Dumas

First established in 1975 (reference the 1975-1976 Patrician), the PPCLI Korean Student Bursary perpetuates the legacy of our 3,800 plus Patricia veterans of that war, including the 429 wounded, 107 killed, and the one taken prisoner of war. It was on 15 August 1950, that a 2nd Battalion of our Regiment was formed (the second time since 1 June 1945, in anticipation of fighting the Japanese), as part of the Canadian Army Special Force. On the same date, the serving unit was designated as the First Battalion. On 26 November 1950, the Second Battalion deployed to Korea from Seattle, Washington. In autumn of 1951, 2 PPCLI was relieved by 1 PPCLI as they headed off to Calgary and assumed the airborne role. On 30 November 1950, the 3 PPCLI was formed, providing reinforcements to 2 and 1 PPCLI. In the fall of 1952, they relieved 1 PPCLI; occupying Hill 355, "Little Gibraltar," when the ceasefire was declared on 27 July 1953. Later, on 8 January 1954, 3 PPCLI was stricken from strength. The CO, RSM and selected men remained and formed the nucleus of the newly formed Second Battalion, Canadian Regiment of Guards. It wasn't until 26 April 1970, that the First Battalion, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada were physically re-designated as 3 PPCLI at Work Point Barracks in Esquimalt, BC. For its valiant fight at the Battle of Kapyong on 25 April 1951, 2 PPCLI was awarded the US Presidential Unit Citation, the first Canadian unit to earn such an award. Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg was re-named Kapyong Barracks on 17 May 1973. Individual awards earned include; two DSOs and one Bar, two OBEs, five MBEs, six MCs, four DCMs, 11 MMs, two British Empire Medals, 31 MIDs and six foreign medals (Volume III of the Patricia's History refers by individual battalion). Not mentioned in our official historical publication is that a Coat of Arms presentation was made to Mike Levy in recognition for his calling in artillery fire on 2 PPCLI's position at Kapyong.

This spring Cpl Cronk, the Regimental Accounts NCO will facilitate the Regiment's annual financial transaction. The presentation in Korea usually takes place at a ceremony on or near the anniversary of Kapyong, this year being the 60th anniversary of that battle. The \$ 2,000 cheque is made possible by way of the Regimental Fund (\$ 1,500) and an initiative by Col (Ret'd) Robert S. Peacock, former CO of 2 PPCLI, 6 August 1967 to 12 July 1969 (\$ 500). He also authored the book, "KIM-CHI, ASAHI and RUM" which is available through the Regimental Kit Shop and is his personal account of that war as a platoon commander.

Our Korean legacy is indeed a proud one.



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Regimental Adjutant, Capt Dumas, receives a donation on behalf of the Regiment from Mr Klaus Rimke, President of the 3rd CAV Ypres Unit

By Capt Rick Dumas

The CAV (Canadian Army Veterans) is an interesting group of veterans. They are not necessarily just horsemen as the name may suggest; but rather retired members of the Canadian Forces at large, regardless of field, element or rank. What sets them apart from the many associated groups is their love to ride motorbikes. For 11 September 2010, Sgt Mavin of the PPCLI Museum provided assistance to 3rd CAV with logistical assistance for one of their annual functions on TMM (The Military Museums) grounds. The 3rd CAV is also referred to as the Ypres Unit, out of Calgary and area. As is the case with each branch of the CAV, a battle honour is perpetuated. As a token of their esteem, a donation was later presented to the PPCLI Museum & Archives.



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Grapes Accepts Honours from PPCLI

By Capt Rick Dumas

Patricias admire and respect Don Cherry's unabashed pride of being a Canadian, his unstinting public support for Canadian Forces members, and for the recognition of their families. Therefore, on 16 September 2009, Mr Don Cherry was appointed as an Honorary Patricia although the formal presentation did not occur until 9 October 2010.

As announced in The Toronto Star, 9 May 2010: Expressing gratitude to a select few Canadians, four hockey sweaters were created in Afghanistan from scrap camouflage material, each with a maple leaf and Battle Group crest stitched onto the chest. Between 17 February and 23 March 2010, the sweaters were worn by soldiers in every sub-unit and section within Task Force 3-09 Battle Group inside their area of

operations, Kandahar province. They were worn in a manner satisfying the chain of command, draped over vehicles as flags, and even worn during a route clearing operation. The four sweaters were gifted to mixed-martial arts superstar Georges St-Pierre and New Brunswick country musician and singer Julian Austin, who performed for troops in Afghanistan. Don Cherry's nomination for a sweater was unanimous within every section and the remaining "game sweater" will go to the PPCLI Museum and Archives, Calgary. The sweaters were made by Cpls Neil Wall and Tommy Burke of the National Support Element.

Both presentations to Don Cherry were formally made on Coaches Corner, 9 October 2010.



Presentations were made on behalf of PPCLI by our Colonel of the Regiment, LGen R. Crabbe, Regimental Adjutant, Capt R. Dumas, and soldiers from 3 and 2 PPCLI, Cpls M. Dumas and G. Dumas. The RCR WO, WO C. King was a spectator during the taping of Coaches Corner by invitation of Mr Don Cherry prior to his return to an OMLT in Afghanistan.



First Decentralized Basic Parachutist Course

By Lt Jeff Chupik

Photos courtesy of The Western Sentinel

On 19 July in the 3 PPCLI building at Edmonton Garrison, 48 candidates began the CF Basic Parachutist course. This particular serial was unique because it was the first jump course that has ever been exported from the CF Land Advanced Warfare Centre located at CFB Trenton, Ont. I was one of the candidates on the course which ran from 19 July to 6 August 2010.

The course was divided into two phases: ground training and jump week, or J-stage, as the instructors kept saying. The first 10 training days consisted of ground training which consisted of equipment, aircraft drill, flight, and landings. During equipment training we learned how to prepare our rucksacks and weapons for parachuting. Aircraft drill is exactly what it sounds like - learning all the drills involved with the aircraft from the time you board the plane to the time you exit.

Flight included everything you need to know once you exit the aircraft to just before you land. Although flight sounds like fun, it consists of lots and lots of time hanging in the "racks," the nickname given to the training harnesses which simulates a parachutist under canopy. Just imagine pulling chin-ups for seven consecutive minutes and you'll start to get a feeling of how hard it is. Flight training was exhausting to say the least, as well as uncomfortable.

Landings consisted of learning the proper body position and technique to employ the proper parachute landing fall. One of our instructors told us, "If you're going to be good at only one thing on this course, hopefully it's landings." We all found out on J-stage just how right he was. I still have bruises on all five points of contact but walked away "all okay" after every jump. I'm glad I paid attention in those classes - not like I had a choice.

A typical day during ground training started with morning physical training at 0530 hrs. It usually consisted of a quick run with the course officer. By quick run, I mean a quick pace. After that, we had time to shower, eat, and get ready for the days training. We would be ready at the battalion by 0730 hrs.

A typical day consisted of six lessons. After we were taught a lesson and shown the standard, we immediately started practicing it. The days training usually went until 1630 hrs and ended with light physical conditioning consisting of a thorough stretch. I think this is the part of the course that all candidates enjoyed the most. By the time the course got to afternoon physical training, we could barely put our hands above our heads due to the "racks."

One of the more "enjoyable" parts of the course was the mock tower. The mock tower is a 32-foot high replica of a

CC-130 Hercules parachute door. Candidates wearing their parachute training harnesses are dispatched by parachute instructors out the door, and are assessed on exits from the mock aircraft. The training harnesses are attached to a cable and when the candidates jump from the door, we fall 10-feet and then "glide" down the cables to a grass mound where we are disconnected from the cables. The mock tower training consisted of three days and included single exits, mass exits and exits with full equipment. I can confidently say that not a single candidate left without bruises, also known as "riser kisses," on his shoulders and neck. Following the mock tower training, all candidates were tested on everything we had been taught. Thankfully, the majority of us passed and were able to move on to J-stage.

The start of J-stage was very exciting for us for a few reasons - it meant that we were going to start actually jumping out of a plane. We soon learned that jumping out of the plane was the easy part. A typical jump saw us exit the aircraft, conduct our flight procedures, and then land ... 30 to 40 seconds in total.



Under the watchful eye of a Parachute Instructor, candidates practice aircraft drills in the mock-up of a CC-130 Hercules aircraft



Two candidates exit the mock tower which is a 32-foot replica of a CC-130 Hercules aircraft parachute door. Experienced Parachute Instructors pay attention to detail as they assess how each candidate exits to ensure the proper drills are demonstrated.

I think that special attention should be given to landings because that's when the majority of injuries could occur due to improper form. If a landing is done properly, candidates perform a nice roll and the impact of hitting the ground is absorbed through the entire body. The great part is that even in high winds, if a parachutist does a good landing, they barely feel the ground.

On the other hand, if a candidate doesn't do what they were taught, they risk broken ankles, slipped discs in their backs, concussions, and a number of other injuries which unfortunately some of the guys experienced first hand. After packing up the parachute we would then run back to the drop zone rendezvous. I guess that's why the course officer ran us every morning.



Candidates buckle up in a Casa C-212 aircraft which is designed specifically for parachutists. A similar aircraft is used by the CF SkyHawks Parachute team

Forty two of the original 48 candidates completed the necessary five descents. Our jumps ranged from no-equipment to full equipment in order to qualify. After that, we did some extra jumps to gain more experience. On average, we completed J-stage with 10 jumps each - and at least triple the number of bruises. I can tell you that this course is a highlight of my career, and the bonds formed between the candidates on Basic Parachutist Session 104 will carry on for the rest of our lives. I can say for certain that every candidate, including myself, is looking forward to the next jump and getting more time under canopy.

Airborne!



A candidate on the CF Basic Parachutist course jumps into Drop Zone Buxton at CFB Edmonton. The course was conducted by 3 PPCLI from 19 July to 6 August. This was the first jump course that has ever been exported from CF Land Advanced Warfare Centre located at CFB Trenton, ON.



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PPCLI Association President's Report 2010

As my term as President of the PPCLI Association draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank my executive, past and present, for all their assistance and hard work during the past four years.

The Association has been faced with many challenges and road blocks, although with determination we have prevailed; maybe not in ways that some would do it, however. The executive and council made things work to the best of their ability. The biggest challenge is membership and if we want to have 2,014 members for 2014, we have to start now. The membership plan for 2011-2015 will be a discussion item at the AGM in Wainwright and the membership committee has put a lot of work into this plan.

Over the past year, as an Association, we have donated a great deal of money to worthwhile projects such as \$30,000 to the Museum and \$4,500 to each PPCLI cadet corps. As the Regiment moves closer to the 100th

anniversary, many hurdles will have to be overcome by the Regimental Family which includes the Association.

In May 2011, a new executive will be elected to lead the Association into the Regiment's 100th anniversary. I hope that the Council will support them as they did me.

In closing, I must point out a couple of items that everyone should be made aware of. When it comes time for association members to step up and volunteer to take on a challenge, simply ask them and without hesitation they step forward and accept the challenge. So think of this, what are we as an association and where are we going?

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By David Snowball

Warm greetings to all Patricias from members of the Atlantic Branch!

Since our last report in 2008, we have held two Reunions/ AGMs in September 2009 and 2010 at CFB Gagetown, hosted by the French Grey Battalion (FGB). Both meetings were organized and coordinated by CWO Tim Penney, RSM of the FGB and also a member of this Branch. We are most grateful to Tim and his wife Linda for their hard work and dedication. These two meetings gave us the opportunity to socialize with many FGB members and to hear first hand of some of their experiences.

Both AGMs were chaired by President Brian Furlong who retired after the 2010 AGM. We want to thank Brian for his excellent leadership during his time as president, especially since he was operating from St John's, NL while the majority of the membership is in the other Atlantic Provinces. Brian was replaced by Donn Miles who lives in Wolfville, NS. Other Branch officers elected at the 2010 AGM are: VP at large-Bev Earle; VP-NB-George Springer; VP-NS-Bud Gilfoy; VP-PEI-Errol Monkley; Secretary/Treasurer-David Snowball; and Assistant Sec/Treas-Brenda Forbes, wife of CWO George Forbes.

At the 2009 AGM, Vince and Wendy Kennedy were special guests and Vince gave a briefing on plans for the 100th in 2014. At the 2010 meeting, arrangements were made for Dave Pentney to provide a remote briefing on the major projects for 2014. This was of particular interest because Atlantic Branch is responsible to coordinate the Frezenberg memorial project. A detailed briefing on the status of this project was provided by Dave Snowball, who chairs the Frezenberg committee.

The Atlantic Branch maintains a paid membership of about 45 members who are scattered throughout the Region, with sizeable groups in Truro, Kentville, and Bridgewater, NS. We also have four Honorary Members who are the parents of Patricias killed in Afghanistan.

We are attempting to reach out to any retired Patricias in the area in hopes of increasing membership for 2014. We welcome any information that might help us achieve this goal. As in all branches, there is a shortage of younger members and the rest of us aren't getting any younger.

In closing, it should be noted that at both reunions, we enjoyed great meet and greets, good dinners and most important, wonderful Patricia fellowship.

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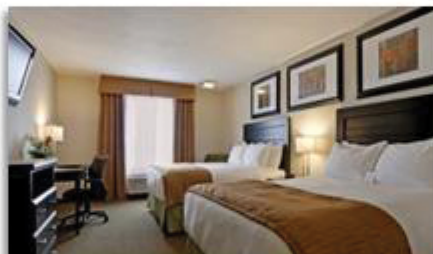


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We started 2010 with our annual March 17th festivities, again this year at Betty's restaurant in Niagara Falls. Member turnout was good with positive feedback to repeat this function again in 2011. The Branch supplied the PPCLI decorative cake with plenty to go around and some left over for the restaurant staff to enjoy.

Our AGM took place on 1 May 2010, at the Holiday Inn in St Catharines, as our normal location was unavailable due to renovations. Again we had a good turnout for all our functions. At our dinner we had two special duties to perform, the first was to mug out WO Kevin Ryan who was retiring from the service and joined our Association. The second task was to award WO (Ret'd) Bill Johnson with the Governor General's special citation which was given to his unit for action in the Medak Pocket, Former Yugoslavia. When the unit was given this award in 2002 Bill had already retired from service so was not available at that time to receive it. Bill, on a previous occasion had already been awarded the Medal of Bravery for his rescue of a wounded French soldier from the minefield in that same action. Our AGM for 2011 is scheduled for the weekend of 7 to 8 May.

On 19 June the Branch was invited to take part in another wonderful event for our Association. Doug and Pauline Armstrong, both members of our Association invited our members to celebrate with them on their 65th wedding anniversary. Doug, a young Lt in the PPCLI, and Pauline, a nurse in the Army Corps, met in England in 1943. They were married on 20 June 1945 in Bloemendaal, Holland by the local Burgomiestre and later had a Regimental wedding in a local church by a Patricia Padre. The Armstrong's held this event at their home in St Catharines with many family members, including their two sons and one daughter. Several of our local members turned out to help them celebrate this special event. Doug, Pauline, and their 3 children are shown in the picture.

Our Summer BBQ on 20 July had a low attendance this year. The weather cooperated nicely with plenty of sunshine. We believe this was due to the last minute announcement from Via Rail to offer free rail travel again this year in the month of July. For 2011 we will make sure not to plan it in summer months and aim closer to the end of the summer season, this way we hope not to interfere with vacation plans usually taken in that time period.

The Association attended various functions within our region to support things such as Warriors Day, UN Peacekeeper Day, Remembrance Day, etc. On 23 September 2010, we attended a ceremony to officially commemorate and change the name of Highway 420, which leads into Niagara Falls, to **NIAGARA VETERAN'S MEMORIAL HIGHWAY**. We were informed that there are now only 12 Highways in North America with such distinction, eight are in the USA and four in Canada; ours was number 12.



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Our year began with the Branch Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 31 January. This was an election year but, as we were preparing to host the PPCLI Association (National) AGM in May, we decided to defer our Branch elections until that was over. Our first social function was our Regimental Day celebration on 14 March at the Charleswood Legion where we hoisted a few and toasted the Regiment and the Ladies.

The PPCLI Association AGM and associated events at the Marlborough Hotel in Winnipeg on 14 to 15 May was a grand reunion. Patricias came from the West Coast, the East Coast and points between. Don Cook came all the way from Nagasaki, Japan. A great reunion with old comrades and, with members' service ranging from the Korean War to recent operations in Afghanistan, we heard some great stories at the Meet and Greet. We were fortunate in being joined by our Patron, the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, as well as outgoing Colonel of the Regiment, Larry Gollner and incoming Colonel of the Regiment, Ray Crabbe as well as several serving members of the Regiment. We also had a kitshop provided by Second Battalion that was particularly appreciated by those members who don't have convenient access to the kitshops in Edmonton or Shilo. The Association Dinner was very enjoyable with fine food, good service, and music played at a volume which actually allowed us to converse without yelling. The Branch held a General Meeting on 6 June, primarily for the Election of Officers which had been deferred at the Annual Meeting in January. The following were elected or re-elected: President Stu Weeks;

Vice-President Cliff Fox; Secretary Maureen Blake; Treasurer D'Arcy Best; Directors Mike Czuboka, Taffy Gray, Susan Holfeuer and Norm Mayo. We were pleasantly surprised to have Vince Kennedy, Co-Chairman of the Regiment's 100th Anniversary Planning Committee, attend our meeting. He gave us an update on the Regiment's preparation for the 100th Anniversary and dropped a few hints on how we might raise funds for the Frezenberg Memorial.

We had our Branch Barbecue at the Charleswood Legion on Sunday, August 15th. The rotten weather spoiled our Bocce Tournament but the food was excellent. 25 members and guests, including a few who we hadn't seen for a while, enjoyed some fine food and good company at our Fall Luncheon at the Marlborough Hotel on 26 September.

A few of our Branch Members attended the November 11 Remembrance Day Service at Oak Park High School. The auditorium was literally packed to the rafters with people from the Charleswood Legion, 17 Wing, RCMP, Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, Air Cadets, and the general public. Bud Hawkins, escorted by Archie Moore, laid a wreath on behalf of the PPCLI Association. It was also a proud moment for the Patricias when Cpl Ryan Elrick, who lost both his legs in Afghanistan, marched down the aisle to lay a wreath on behalf of the Afghanistan Veterans. In contrast, our All Saints Church Remembrance Service on 14 November was not very well attended, by our members or the Congregation, although we did have some support from our 2701 PPCLI Cadet Corps. It is sad to see the declining attendance at this annual event as this church has been associated with PPCLI since the Regiment came to Winnipeg in 1920, and our first Colours were laid up there in 1934.

Our planned trip to Shilo for the Second Battalion Christmas Dinner on 16 December had to be cancelled when weather conditions caused the highway to be closed between Portage la Prairie and Brandon. This was a big disappointment for some of us who have attended every year since the Battalion moved to Shilo in 2004.

New members in 2010 include Roy MacEachern who served with Second Battalion in Croatia, two tours in Bosnia and one in Afghanistan; Cpl David Hancock of Second Battalion and his wife Tamara who was recently awarded a PPCLI Association Student Bursary; and recently retired CWO Jim Zelazny. On the down side, Len Quinlan passed away in January and Muriel Griffiths in September; and John and Sandra McGregor and Dennis Moore have transferred to the Ottawa Branch.

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By Michael Austdal

I'm not sure how many of you out there reading this short article has had the opportunity to experience Wainwright in the winter. Perhaps memories of setting up a ten man tent, breaking trail as the lead in a toboggan harness, or stove watch just before morning stand-to come to mind. Maybe -40C with 50 km winds is more exact, but don't forget it is a dry cold and the sun is shining.

The Branch has had an active year and continues to maintain a membership level of approximately 45. Our attempts to get members out to local events remains hit and miss and the core group of about 12 continue to attend our monthly meetings. We did have a good turnout at our Christmas party which was held at the Legion as part of their larger evening of food and entertainment.

The Association National AGM will be held in Wainwright 13 to 15 May 2011. The AGM will follow the same format as last year. On Friday, the Council will hold its working group, followed by the annual Council meeting. The Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund Board of Trustees will meet on Saturday morning, followed by the AGM. Socially, there will be an early bird Happy Hour on Thursday night at the WO and Sgt's mess. On Friday we will hold a smoker at Buffalo Park Hall, including a Regimental trivia contest. The Saturday night mixed dining-in will be held at Elks hall and will include the Artillery band and the LER Drumline, along with a DJ and a silent auction. The evening will be a fundraiser for the 100th.

Locally there have been a couple of leadership changes with Mike Austdal and Dave MacDonald stepping down as the Vice-President and Entertainment/Sports representatives respectively. Kyle Jensen has stepped forward as Vice-President and the Entertainment/Sports portfolio has been taken over by Al Whitehall.

Our President Paul Mansbridge and Vice-President Kyle Jensen also presented the Edgerton PPCLI Cadet Corps with a donation of \$3700. On a final note, the Branch members of Range control and Camp Wainwright undertook the project to refurbish, on their own time and at their own expense, a Frezenberg memorial cross that had been erected in the training area. The before and after photos tell the story.



2010 proved again to be another busy and productive year. Locally, the Branch was again very active and prominent in a number of venues. Remembrance Day saw our members take in seven different Remembrance Day parades as well as attending some school ceremonies. The Branch was represented again at the First and Third Battalion Soldier's Christmas dinners. Several members attended the Edmonton Branch of the Korean Veterans Association for their Christmas dinner. Exercise Bold Eagle 20 was also attended by members of the Branch. Our Christmas party was well attended and members were gracious once again with their donations and gifts to the food bank and to Santa's Anonymous. Several members made the journey to Winnipeg for the AGM and were treated very well. The Branch again was in attendance at the 2551 PPCLI Cadet Corps' year end parade. A highlight for the Branch was the induction of the 32 members of the Edmonton Police Pipes and Drums as Honourary Associate Members.

The Branch was deeply saddened with the passing of Harry Moore in August, and Ted Bastein in December. We were able to recruit seven members who joined at the end of the year. Our membership not only dwells in Edmonton, but we have members residing in Saskatchewan, China, Japan,

Prince George, Kelowna, the USA, Wetaskiwin, Spruce Grove, Peace River, Manitoba, Bawlf, Montreal, St Paul, Red Deer, Barrhead, etc, just to name a few. We even have a few snowbirds who go south to Mexico and Arizona for the winter. We had a number of members who decided not to continue their membership for 2010 after their first free year of membership that is given after leaving the service.

Locally, the Branch made a number of donations to the Kipness Centre, a retirement and care facility for WW2 veterans, The Royal Canadian Legion Kingsway Branch, and the 2551 Cadet Corps. The Branch also presented a cheque to the cadet Corps on behalf of the PPCLI Association.

As the AGM for 2011 is in Wainwright, we hope to see quite a few of our members attend and they will no doubt be looking forward to seeing old friends and comrades.

We still hold our meetings on the 4th Saturday of each month, except in July and August and on the 2nd Saturday in December. As the Kingsway Legion is moving, our meetings will be at their new temporary location in the Londonderry mall until the new site is built. Drop in if you're in the area.



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By Alec Herdy

For Association members of the historic Home Station Branch here in Calgary, 2010 was another year full of activity in numerous facets. Proof of Branch activity began at the January Branch meeting with awards presented to Philip Fisher, outgoing Branch Treasurer, Al Simard, current Sgt-At-Arms, Faron Brown, past Branch Vice President, Alec Herdy, Branch Newsletter Editor, Ted Lewis, Branch Poppy Fund and Hospital Representative. Branch Association Awards were also presented to members Earl Wicks and Fred Blackmore for their year-long volunteer efforts in Branch activities. Additionally, the Branch recognized the many years of volunteer hours of member Joe Schulz in his various Association roles.

February saw Branch membership planning Regimental Day Celebrations and the Second Annual Lady P Dinner Dance, both held in March. As this Branch is well known to all Patricias for getting things done, both events were a resounding success. The Regimental Day festivities held at our host Royal Canadian Legion #275 saw a packed room full of Association members, wives, and other Calgary area Patricias. The second March event, the Annual Lady P Dinner Dance again had members and their wives out for an agreeable evening. The end of March saw members under the direction of Rudi Radit, Joe Schulz, and Bob Zubkowski leave the social aspect to ensure all positions of the 28th Calgary Casino were manned. This annual branch effort ensures that PPCLI Cadet Corps, the Hamilton Gault Fund, and Museum operating funds were secure for another year. Members also attended the fundraising dinner and silent auction held at the Silver Dollar Casino which supports the younger Patricias of 2554 PPCLI Cadets. The prime rib dinner was as excellent as the support these cadets gave the Branch.

In May, more gatherings were held to help plan The Military Museum's (TMM) June 6th Anniversary and D-Day Celebrations. It is also the month of the superb Annual PPCLI Golf Tournament coordinated by member Jerry Bowes. As in the past, the limited number of entries quickly filled and forty Patricias strolled the links, followed by dinner at the Turner Valley Golf and Country Club. The end of the month saw Branch members Bruce Nickel, Christian Stenner, and Alec Herdy in their other volunteer roles. For Bruce and Christian it was their roles with 2554 PPCLI Cadet Corps. Alec, as the Archivist/Special Projects volunteer in the Museum with the assistance of Museum Detachment member Sgt Christopher Mavin, relocated the Regimental Archives. Cadets paraded at 0930 hrs at TMM, were inspected, received a safety briefing and then shifted the entire archival holdings across the hall prior to noon. After a field style lunch under direction from Sgt Mavin, the cadets proceeded back into the archive area to move things back again. This entire Exercise was completed by 1530 hrs.

The 6th of June had both the Branch and the Cadets out at "o' dark thirty" setting up for the TMM Anniversary/D-Day Event. May's planning sessions saw sections of Mod tents, camafloge scrim, tables and chairs, and three large grills quickly placed before the arrival of the 2500 visitors who attended this event. The Branch fed the milling crowds, sold a wide variety of items from the Branch Kit-shop under Jimmy Lee and Chessley Gordon's "good UN Deal plan." The Branch was also honored as members were invited to attend the Cadet's Annual Ceremonial Review in the middle of June and witnessed the impressive improvements in drill this young corps is achieving. Branch President Jim Croll presented several awards on behalf of the Branch to deserving cadets including third generation Patricia, Cadet Corporal Nickel. Further activities included Hub Gray volunteering his time and expertise to assist former CBC



Al "Steve" Mc Queen, wife Susan, and Defence Minister Peter MacKay at the Lougheed House July 24th Ride Through Time

reporter Dan Bjarnason in his research for an upcoming book on the Korean War. The month concluded with members out in the sunshine supporting the annual Loops for the Troops event held on the 20th of June.

While most branches take the summer off, we here in Calgary continued the pace. Members and cadets gave up weekends in July to help out Jack and Sandy Raynor prepare the "Raynor Ranch" for the annual campout held on their property. The "bunker" was rebuilt and a multitude of other tasks quickly disposed of. This led to a relaxing and sunny August weekend of camping for area Patricias. July had members down at Calgary's Lougheed House for the year's Ride Through Time held on the 24th. Doug Bedford and his wife Merylin volunteered several days of their time to replicate a table from the 1919 Welcome Home Dinner in Ottawa for the returning World War One Patricias in addition to his regular volunteer duties in the museum collections cage. Area members came out to enjoy the day and, as in the case of Al "Steve" McQueen and his wife Susan, converse with visiting dignitaries.

The end of August brought forth the Annual September Meet and Greet scheduling and coordination. Held each year, this event allows members and their wives to spend a relaxing evening discussing summer activities, grand kids, and for many of us, the family dog(s). Various members also use this event to congregate in groups and work out details of the upcoming events the Branch holds in the fall and winter. Other activities saw fulfillment of the summer long research progress to the walls in support of TMM.

The changing fall colours brought members out to the resumption of monthly meetings with the October Branch Annual General Meeting. A full house of members made this meeting a lively event as this is the meeting where direction for the upcoming year's Branch efforts is discussed. The Branch Regimental Living History experts planned out this year's Regimental Living History Night, while other discussions revolved around supporting the Poppy Campaign, school Remembrance appearances and the yearly setting up of the Crosses on Memorial Drive here in Calgary.

96 years of Regimental history was covered for cadets on the night of November 9th. Held in a round robin format, Branch members bring in personal artifacts of their service time and for fifteen minutes, explain their service experiences to a different section of cadets. Cadets in sections rotate from era to era. First World War author and historian Bob Zubkowski captivated cadets with his tales of the founding of the Regiment and the Originals. George Couture in his "Little Black Devil" regalia recounted his experiences of D-Day and that of a German P.O.W. prior to becoming a Patricia. Korean War veteran Ken Villiger discussed the Regimental achievements for that era.

New comer to this group Don Milwater donned the Blue Beret and gathered a wealth of material from non-attending members to ensure cadets had a full understanding of Patricia Peacekeeping. No less a cadet favorite was Al Simard in his maroon beret demonstrating the proper way to exit an aircraft and using Philip Fisher's hand written Free Fall Manual to awe cadets and their parents. Our Branch expert in the realm of Aid to Civil Power, George Arthursen fascinated his audience with machine gun nests and the FLQ crisis. Rounding out the crew and covering our contemporary era was Branch member and serving WO Pat Tower. Both WO Tower and Branch President Jim Croll shared the honour of inspecting the cadets prior to their history lessons, with Jim presenting the cadets a cheque for \$3,750 on behalf of the Association to support their training.

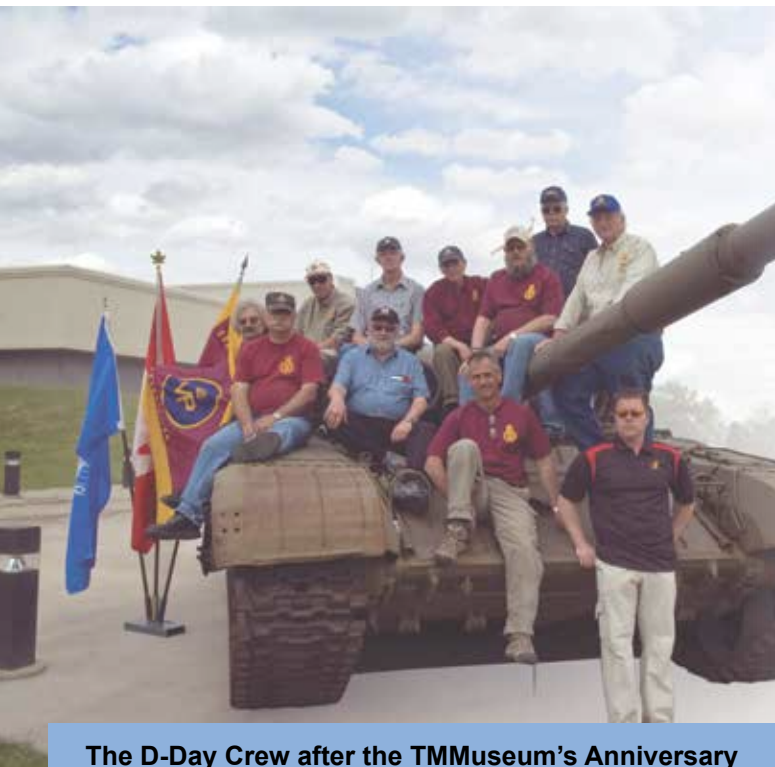


**2554 PPCLI Cadet Nickel and Calgary Branch
 President Jim Croll at the Cadet Annual
 Ceremonial Review**



2010 Calgary Branch Regimental Living History at 2554 PPCLI Cadet Corp

Front L to R: Bruce Nickel, Al Simard, Chessley Gordon, Don Milwater, Jim Croll, Alec Herdy, George Arthurson, Bob Zubkowski, Ken Villegers



The D-Day Crew after the TMMuseum's Anniversary and D-Day celebrations. Photo by Aaron Yates
From Front: Sgt Goulet, Alec Herdy, Earl Wicks, Bob Zubkowski, Chessley Gordon, Philip Fisher, Ted Lewis, Jim Croll, Fred Blackmore, Alfred Sullivan, Al Simard on the East German T-72. Missing Jimmy Lee, Faron Brown and Carl Graham.

The remainder of November saw members out in full force selling poppies, addressing school audiences several times a week, and participating in November 11th Ceremonies. Other members lent their support to the November 4th Hall of Honour Rededication. Hub Gray gave the reading in this somber occasion. Double duty continues as the museum gallery gang of members: Harry Edwards, Ken Villiger, the two Georges; Arthurson and Couture, and Sam Simpson provided exceptional tours to a wide ranging spectrum of visitors. These ranging from the American Consul General, LGen Leslie and the new Colonel of the Regiment and Association Honourary Chairman, LGen (Ret'd) R. Crabbe (Ret'd), to the families of our past and recent fallen. Joe Schulz could be found putting students through TMM, drill sessions, and in the process becoming both a teacher and student favorite yet again.

In addition to aforementioned activities, Doug Bedford continues to catalogue, identify and impart history to those donating items to the museum. Including supporting the second Lougheed House event of this year, the magical, Christmas All Through The House. While I am busy in the archives or correcting young subbies historical research. This year's most memorable request; "war diaries and any other reports which indicate how well the Third Battalion did at the Battle of the Somme."

In closing, the Home Station Branch of 2010 welcomes all Patricias to drop in for a visit to Calgary. Something of interest is always on the go.



This year has certainly passed rather quickly, or maybe we are just getting older and time passes us by faster. It has been a fairly quiet year for the Branch.

We had our Branch Annual General Meeting at the end of March, before our annual Regimental Day Luncheon. The event was a little late this year as the Armory was being used by the RCMP for the Olympics and Para-Olympic events. As there were no elections slated, the meeting went quickly and we moved onto the Social Hour before the Luncheon.

One of our members who we had lost touch with, Robert "Smiley" Douglas Izatt, was found to be in the George Derby, and Bob McDonald was planning on bringing him to the luncheon but unfortunately he passed away suddenly. We had 16 members in attendance and 11 guests. The PMC of the WO's & Sgt's Mess and his wife were once again representatives for the Seaforths. The President gave a brief talk on an article printed in the Sunday Telegraph in the United Kingdom which saluted the quality of a Canadian soldier. Two of the guests at the meeting, wives of present members, became members themselves.

A former Patricia who we had helped get a Regimental 90th Birthday Certificate for in January, Hugh Tinney passed away in May. Although he hadn't been a member of the Association, we were able to facilitate the Certificate for the family who were having a surprise party for him in January. Being a very shy man he didn't want a big fuss but the family was thrilled at the Regiment's handling of the matter. In August, we had our annual BBQ at the home of Val Tutte and again our numbers were down but a great time was had by all. Helga and Don Boyce dropped in from the hinterlands of Agazzis, giving us a total of 13 members and four guests.

On 12 December we had our Xmas Party at Jenny Urquhart's lovely home with 14 members and two guests who became members. Though the numbers were down a bit, everyone had a good time and there was no snow which is always a plus. Although two of our members died this year and one dropped out, we gained four new members so our membership numbers are holding steady, especially in a city that is not big on the military retirement list or near a support base.

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PPCLI Association Student Bursary Report 2010

By Michael Austdal

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2010 Recipients

There were nine applicants this year and seven bursaries were awarded; two bursaries of \$1,000, one bursary of \$800, two bursaries of \$500, one bursary of \$400 and one bursary of \$300, for a total disbursement of \$4500.

The committee was convened on 27 July in Calgary, Alberta at The Military Museums and the following personnel formed the committee from the Association: Vice President, Vice President West, and the Association Treasurer.

The following individuals were awarded a PPCLI Association Student Bursary from the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund:

Ms. Rebecca Aitken – daughter of Sgt (Ret'd) William Aitken who served in the Regiment from 1985 – 2009 and is currently a Member at Large in the Association. Ms Aitken is pursuing Health and Community Studies at Algonquin College. Bursary was awarded in the name of Dr Jack Cathie.

Mr Mike Rogers – a retired Patricia who served with 3 PPCLI and with Joint Task Force II for over 10 years; Mr Rogers is pursuing an education in dentistry at The University of Western Ontario. Bursary was awarded in the name of Lady Patricia.

Mr Bryan Guscott – son of Captain William Guscott, a retired Patricia; Mr Guscott is pursuing an education in Engineering at University of Calgary (U of C). In the past year he has become involved in the building of the U of C's Solar Car, eventually competing in the American Solar Challenge. The car finished six out of 16 entries.

Ms Tina Thomas – spouse of a serving member of the Regiment is currently in her third year of studies in the Bachelor of Science program at Brandon University and hopes to eventually enter medical school. Ms Thomas has recently joined the Reserves and will train as a Medic.

Ms Tamara Hancock – spouse of a serving member of the Regiment is entering her final year for a Bachelor of Education at Brandon University. Ms Hancock is juggling the demands of school, motherhood, and being a military spouse.

Ms Andrea Pacholuk – spouse of a serving member of the Regiment is entering her second year of Business Administration, Accounting diploma at NAIT in Edmonton. Ms Pacholuk is pursuing her goal to become a Certified General Accountant (CGA).

Ms Sarah Komadina – granddaughter of CWO Wally Komadina, a retired Patricia. Miss Komadina is pursuing an education in Radio and TV Arts at Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) in Edmonton and is working for the summer in the Visitor Information Centre for the Town of Wainwright.

The PPCLI WO's & Snr NCO's Club (Ret'd) gathered once again in Penticton, BC on 26 and 27 May for the Annual Get-Together and 34th Anniversary Frezenberg Dinner. There was unseasonably cold weather, along with intermittent rain during the two days. Sunny dispositions reigned, when 80 members gathered and many memories were relived. Faces you haven't seen all year started showing up for a drink and chit-chat. They attended, celebrated wonderful years, and reminisced. Patricias greeted and chatted with Patricias.

For an event like this, they come from far away; Art and Linda Sutton from Winnipeg, MB traveled a distance of 1998kms. You also find all ages represented: "Robbie" Robertson at age 87 was sure he was the oldest attendee while Richard Engel claimed to be the youngest at 18- close if your dyslexic; besides he lied already as he was 17 when he joined the Army in 1947 as I recall. On Wednesday nothing was scheduled, it was a day set aside for the people in attendance – truly a nice touch.

Very often, following meet and greets in the hospitality centre, and prior to retiring to the rooms, time is spent in quiet conversation with comrades. This is perhaps the best part of the routine. Now, just imagine how much reminiscing gets done. You would certainly pick up a bunch of new tales for back home. Patricias are a piece of real military history, and it is safe to say that one or more stories are hidden in the minds of many. Many bring impressions of war indelibly etched in their memory. Still today, they are ever aware of what's happening daily between North and South Korea. Time passes, yet it is a time some recall. With the Patricias being actively engaged in Afghanistan this action was not far from anyone's mind or memory. A happy balance of activities met all interests; including shopping, two indoor pools, golfing, and a walk along the waterfront. Thursday afternoon, the first thing I became aware of was the wonderful smell of food. So, we would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to Frank Oertel, head chef and caterer.

Thursday, a crowd of Patricias were gathered around the Piklee draw drum to watch and hear as the draw helps sustain the Club. The excitement grew as another winning number was called. The last number called, Bill Wilkinson and Don Boyce trail by the crowd, leaving the rest of us to visit, admire, and exclaim over the winners newest possessions.

The 34th Anniversary Frezenberg Dinner was attended by 77 Members. Prior to dinner, this happy group, men all in Club dress and ladies in their finery, gathered for a group photo. Then the Patricias rolled through the doors to the dining area, obviously having a good time - with more to come.

Ed, The Prez, went up to the podium to say a few words and was greeted with a rousing cheer as he shared a few jokes we never tire of hearing.

Looking to 2011, the 35th Annual Frezenberg Dinner is scheduled for May 2011. With the cooperation and input from members, the collective efforts of the Volunteers and Committee members, once again a well deserved "THANK YOU!"

Without a doubt, we'll be there next year – See you there!



Harry & Laara Chatry, Penticton, 2010



Joey & Ray Ellis, Penticton, 2010



Rollie & Dolores Phillips, Penticton, 2010



90 Years Old and Still a Patricia at Heart

By Capt Rick Dumas

Gilbert John Hyde, Regimental Number 22313 of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, was born in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan on 5 October 1920. Gilbert enlisted in Winnipeg, Manitoba and joined the Regiment on 18 October 1938, at just 18 years of age. While found on Canadian Sailing List # 66, 22 December 1939, Gilbert left Canada, sailing for Europe where he would continue serving throughout the Second World War, specifically in Britain and within the Central Mediterranean Theatre. After the war Gilbert continued to serve honourably until 29 December 1974. It was at the rank of WO 2, whereby he was commissioned, retiring at the rank of Capt with approximately 36 years of military service. His medals and decorations include the 1939-45 Star, Italy Star, Defence Medal, Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with Clasp, War Medal 1939-45, and Canadian Forces Decoration with Clasp.

NOTES: The PPCLI 90th Birthday Program is a joint PPCLI, Association, and RHQ initiative. It's simple. Recipients are essentially self-identifying through their families or friends vis-a-vis the nearest PPCLI Association Branch to ensure adequate sponsorship and a function that includes the provision of sufficient information required for acknowledgement and suitable presentation. This is an immense part of maintaining our Second World War and Korean War legacy. Members and families are also reminded that by contacting their Member of Parliament or by going direct, family and friends' birthdays and wedding anniversaries can be acknowledged as follows:

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Origins of Mademoiselle From Armentieres

Submitted by LCol (Ret'd) Hans J. Brink

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Last week there was told in this column the story of the origin of that famous wartime song, "Mademoiselle From Armentieres." Since then there has arrived on my desk a copy of the London Sunday Express with some more information. Here is the story as it appears in the London newspaper:

Yesterday a man walked into the "Sunday Express" office and claimed to be the author of the immortal ditty. He is Mr. Reginald Rowland, Sergeant "Red Rowland," late of the A.S.C., and now the manager of a cinema in Putney. This, he says, is the authentic history of the song:

Early in 1915 Sergeant Rowlands organized a concert for troops billeted in Bailleul. The men were sick of sloppy sentimentality, and songs like "Come Back to Erin," or "Don't go down the mine, Daddy," would have been howled down. "The men asked for a song with some go in it, and I had to write it," said Mr. Rowlands.

"What were they interested in? Girls? Food? Drink? In a flash the inspiration came. There was in Armentieres a girl who had set the hearts of almost the whole British army throbbing. Marie of the Cafe de la Paix was the embodiment of universal womanhood. She was vital, alive, silent and magnetic. With her great mane of blonde silken hair she would stand before the cafe door challenging life and commanding adoration. Her aloofness became legendary along the whole British line. Men worshipped her, but with none did she become friendly. I thought of Marie as my mind searched wildly for a subject for a song with pep and snap to it."

"Mademoiselle. Our mademoiselle. Mademoiselle and Armentieres. Mademoiselle from Armentieres. As soon as I had said that to myself I knew I had found the song. The subject was one they all knew. 'Mademoiselle from Armentieres!' The lilt was there. You could feel yourself marching to it. Within half an hour the verses were written. In fifteen minutes that lightning music composer, Gitz-Rice, had set it to music. That night I put over a winner. The original verses somehow became garbled. Some of the later verses do not quite carry out the song's original theme, as many ex-soldiers will know. I have never heard what has happened to Marie, but England owes a great debt of gratitude to this cafe waitress who made it easy for men to march resolutely to what, for many of them, was death."

MADemoiselle FROM ARMENTIERES

Mademoiselle from Armentieres,
Parley Voo,
Mademoiselle from Armentieres,
Parley Voo,
Mademoiselle from Armentieres,
She hasn't been kissed for twenty
years,
Hinky, Dinky, Parley Voo.

Father, have you any good wine?
Parley Voo,
Father, have you any good wine?
Parley Voo,
Father, have you any good wine?
Fit for a soldier of the line,
Hinky, Dinky, Parley Voo.

Daughter, I have very good wine,
Parley Voo,
Daughter, I have very good wine,
Parley Voo,
Daughter, I have very good wine,
Fit for a soldier of the line,
Hinky, Dinky, Parley Voo.



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2551 PPCLI Royal Canadian Army Cadets

2551 PPCLI Army Cadets take pride in pushing themselves always to higher standards. In 2010, we carried on that tradition. Cdt Sgt Eugen Kolesnik and Cdt Sgt Ahsan Hassan started the year by taking the top two positions in Alberta for the National Star Certification Examination. Not to be outdone, the marksmanship team consisting of Cdt Cpl Robert Danylchuk, Cdt MCpl Srosh Hassan, Cdt MCpl Stephen Larsen, Cdt WO Eugen Kolesnik, and Cdt WO Ahsan Hassan set a new personal team record at the Provincial Marksmanship Championship by achieving 1515 out of a possible 1600. Danylchuk and Kolesnik advanced to Nationals in the junior and open categories respectively. The fact that it was Danylchuk's first year shooting made it even more remarkable. The amazing coaching of Civilian Instructor (CI) Charles Bernatchez helped establish the fact that this is the 10th consecutive year where a member of the Corps has advanced to the National Marksmanship Championship. The team also performed well in the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association Competition where Cdt CWO Taha Hassan got honours for top score and the team finished 6th in the country.

Financial restraints on the unit resulted in a fairly quiet year. However, the cadets came together to organize and run a bottle drive in order to finance our annual May long weekend expedition, Wild Patricia. We spent the long weekend mountain biking in beautiful Kananaskis. Although preliminary introduction took place around our campground, a full day of biking the trails of the Canmore Nordic Centre provided plenty of opportunities for pictures and stories that were shared around the campfire that evening. Our ability to adapt to Alberta's ever-changing weather was tested when we returned to the campground for supper and a freak hailstorm hit. The makeshift dinning hall that the senior cadets created with a tarp and some string became the social hot spot for the evening.

June brought the closing of my first year as CO. Although filled with more challenges than expected, the attitude of the cadets and staff to persevere and help improve the unit was encouraging. We were honoured with Maj Gerhard

Hildebrant, as our Reviewing Officer during our Annual Ceremonial Review and Open House. The cadets had many interactive displays and activities running in order to demonstrate to family and friends all that they had learned throughout the year. The Marksmanship and IMP tasting stations were, as usual, quite busy. This year a new display chronicling the history of the Corps was put forth and it was interesting for the staff and cadets to look at pictures of the unit over the last 55 years.

It's good to note that our cadets went out and represented our Corps at a number of summer camps including: General Training; Basic; Physical Education & Recreational Training; Adventure; Marksmanship; as well as exchanges to Germany and Wales. Although Cdt CWO Taha Hassan has aged out as the RSM of the Corps, his performance at Bisley over the previous two summers earned him a spot on the Bisley team staff as a CI and we were excited to welcome him back as a CI to the unit as the new Administration Officer in September. Both of the cadets that attended exchanges received special note of outstanding performance on their performance reports. In fact, most of the cadets that attended summer camps received comments regarding the high standard they had demonstrated.

September not only welcomed back our returning cadets and staff, but also 20 new cadets and several new staff members. The new staff consists of 2Lt Alexandre Lord who is an RCMP officer in his civilian job; CI Helen Croll who just retired after 22 years in the British military, and CI Ryan Rosenthal who was a previous RSM at this unit. We were also privileged to receive assistance from 2Lt Casey Anderson from the Intelligence unit at Brigade Headquarters. But most of all we were especially pleased to welcome the return of MCpl Tom Millar of 3 PPCLI who had recently returned from tour in Afghanistan. Returning with him was our Corps jacket that he took to be signed while he was there. It's expected to be formally presented to the cadets in the New Year after being framed.

The cadets and staff of 2551 PPCLI are extremely thankful to the Edmonton PPCLI Association for their continued support and the members of 3 PPCLI and all Patricias for continuing to be an inspiration for us.

2554 PPCLI Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps

By Cdt WO Alexis Daley

Our Cadet Corps has worked very hard over this past year. Even though we work hard, we still have a lot of fun doing it. We try to have as many field training exercises as we can; we often have other Cadet Corps join us. We make them enjoyable while applying the tools that we learn in our classroom lessons.

On our weekend exercises we conduct outdoor lessons like learning how to build your own improvised shelter, survival fires that would be used for heat as well as cooking, and signal fires. Throughout the weekend the cadets practice map and compass skills which help them with orienteering. On our last night out, we have a night navigation course where the cadets practice their orienteering and teamwork skills. These are a lot of fun and the cadets really enjoy doing this. At the end of the weekend right before we leave, we conduct team building games so the cadets can have fun hanging out before the busses come, and they still learn that working as a team can be a lot more fun than expected.

On the May long weekend we got together with four other Cadet Corps at Rocky Mountain National Army Cadet Summer Training Centre to have a three day adventure training exercise. The first year cadets went hiking and the second year cadets did mountain biking and slept in tents outside. As the younger cadets went through their training, the senior cadets had the chance to staff the weekend. It was fun and was a great learning experience for everyone involved.

We also got to participate in the first Army Cadet Challenge at the Edmonton Garrison in October which was a great success. The competition consisted of booths where each team of cadets would be tested on their cadet knowledge and fundamental training. Other than the competition we got to hang out with some of the PPCLI soldiers to see what their jobs consisted of. That included completing an obstacle course and the mock tower. We learned how soldiers do building clearance and about mine awareness while some of the younger cadets got to ride around in the armored vehicles.



Field Activity



Cdt MCpl in the Bore biathlon race

Other weekend activities consisted of going to the rifle range, which we did in October. Cadets shoot the 22 calibre Lee Enfield No. 7 rifle and the 177 calibre air rifle. The male biathlon team for our Corps won bronze in the zone competition, and the rifle team won Bronze as well. One cadet from our team was able to make it to the Provincial Championships for Biathlon as an individual competitor. He will be going to compete on a composite team with cadets from other Corps.

Earlier this year our Corps had the chance to help the PPCLI Museum & Archives. It was great because the Cadets had the chance to see and browse historical documents that you cannot find displayed in the museum itself. We helped rearrange shelves and organize some of the documents. Looking through the Regiment's history was very interesting for the cadets. They were excited to know that there was a lot more to our history than they have studied or heard about. Our cadets take great pride in what our Cadet Corps stands for. Some of the cadets even learned that some of their family members were enrolled with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry!

On 9 November we had veterans and present day soldiers come to teach us about military history. This was during our Regimental History Night. The cadets split into groups and each group went to a different table where the soldiers and veterans had displays of historical items. There were letters, pictures, medals, and items from the PPCLI kit shop. We spoke to soldiers that have been in active wars such as Afghanistan, and World War II. We all appreciated the time and effort these men put into coming to see us. We learned a lot from them.

On 11 November we took part in the Remembrance Day ceremonies at the Military Museum in Calgary. For the cadets this is very important as it gives them an opportunity to pay their respects to the people that have served their country.

All in all we hope our Cadet Corps continues to grow, we have planned many more events for the coming year. Last year there were 27 cadets enrolled. This year there are 36 and hopefully more to come!

2701 PPCLI Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps

By Cdt CWO Lucas Mayo



Capt Turko presenting service medals to Cdt WO Castagner, Cdt WO Buzahora, and Cdt WO Branton

2010 was a very good year for 2701 PPCLI RCACC.

In March we had three cadets complete their National Star Certification exam, all with passing marks.

In May we had our last exercise of the training year at Birds Hill Park. During the exercise, cadets learned basic survival and bush craft skills. Overall it was a good learning experience for all who attended.

In June we sent a few of our senior cadets to be in the guard of honour at Winnipeg National Airport for the Queen when she was on her Royal Visit across Canada.

The summer saw a lot of our cadets heading off to summer camp. We had two cadets, Cdt Sgt Buzahora and Cdt Sgt Branton, go to Rocky Mountain with our current Cdt CSM staffing the course.

After summer camp, and with the beginning of our training year, we saw a very good influx of new cadets to the corps which vastly improved our overall numbers. Our first exercise of the year in September was a success for the new cadets as they learned basic bush craft, map and compass, and survival skills.

In the beginning of October we sent a team of cadets to Shilo for the Army Cadet Challenge. The weekend event consisted of corps competing against each other in various skill-at-arms expose activities. The end of the weekend saw 2701 prevail as the top team overall.

During the month of October Cdt CWO Mayo participated in the international expedition to Mt Everest Base Camp. Cadet Mayo was the representative selected from Manitoba and one of three cadets from Prairie Region to attend the expedition. The expedition consisted of a trek from Lukla to Everest Base Camp on the Nepal side.

To round out the year, so far four of our cadets have been presented with the army cadet service medal for four years of service.

Overall 2010 was a very good year for 2701. We proved that we are one of the top corps in Manitoba and North Western Ontario, and we hope to have continued success in the coming years.

Cdt CWO Mayo at Everest Base Camp



2837 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps

By Cdt MCpl Aiden Forsyth

2010 was a very unique and rewarding year for 2837. It included accomplishments at our Local Headquarters and at the Whitehorse Cadet Summer Training Center.

One of the most noticeable improvements for the Corps was our change in facilities. We had been parading out of a rented gymnasium during the previous training year but beginning in September we changed locations and now have the upper floor of a local school. The school generously gave not only a gym, but also an office, several classrooms, and a supply room. This would not have been possible without building effective, positive relationships between 2837 and the community. To do this the cadets worked to earn the trust of the community by volunteering to clean-up the local shooting range, conducting poppy drives for the Legion, providing cadets for school and community Remembrance Day ceremonies, and completing an all-night vigil on the night of 10-11 November.

2010 started off with promotions and our winter Field Training Exercise (FTX) Race Day. The brisk January morning started off very early in order to make the most out of the day. The cadets were split into teams and the teams were required to complete a series of challenges at various checkpoints along a course. The challenges included building a snow shelter, building a stable flagpole on which to hoist the PPCLI flag, moving a casualty up a hillside, and setting up and subsequently dismantling a five man arctic bell tent. During this, the cadets needed to regulate their pace, food consumption, and maintain their own morale. However, as all cadets soon became aware, it was not by who was strongest or fastest that allowed a team to pull ahead, but how well the team followed direction and worked together.

In February of 2010, 2837 went to Quebec City to visit 2846 (Ancienne-Lorette) for a week. There, the Corps went on tours of the Old City, watched a "Carnavale" night parade, went snow-tubing at the Valcartier Village de Vacances, experienced a cabane à sucre, and had the privilege of staying in La Citadelle de Québec the whole time they were there. For many, it was their first time away from home and was a great cultural experience. We left with many new friendships that will last for a long time.

The Corps' marksmanship program is in the middle of some major changes. We're trying new techniques and changing the way we look at shooting, which is a huge challenge but is already beginning to show great results. Spring of 2010 was an exciting time for the team, who went to the regional competition in Whitehorse with high hopes and expectations. In May, two cadets travelled to the national championships in Edmonton, where Cdt WO Jennings shot a perfect target. With our new batch of talented shooters and training program that is steadily improving, we continue to aim for new heights in the year to come.

Well run FTXs are very important to the development of all cadets. From the day that they join to the day that they age-out, FTXs provide an opportunity to learn how to operate as a unit in the field, under all the pressures and stresses that this entails. 2837's FTXs have taken a big step forward, with our success being due in part to the efforts of our newly appointed Exercise

NCM, Cdt Sgt Fyfe, who diligently attended to the logistics and timings on our FTX Sapling in September and made sure that everything was running smoothly- start to finish. The Commanding Officer, Capt McCann, had praised the exercise, calling it the best FTX Sapling to date. It was a great introduction for our new green stars to get a feeling about what army cadets did in the field. It was an opportunity as well to provide senior cadets opportunity to continue to develop their leadership skills through activities such as directing the set up of a five man bell tent, organizing cadets to pass by another section undetected, and surviving with the infamous rations.

All in all, 2837 has made vast improvements over the course of the 2010 training year! From the development of junior and senior cadets seeking leadership roles to the enrolment of our brand new green stars looking for a great experience with the cadet program, all the training we've received will serve us well for the next training year and beyond!

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3003 PPCLI Battle River Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps

The 3003 PPCLI Battle River Army Cadet Corps from Edgerton, Alberta had a very successful 2009-2010 training year. Our parades were held on Wednesday evenings from 1845 to 2115hrs. Cadets throughout the year participated in various weekend and day exercises. We started off in September with the Gold Star cadets attending the Gold Star Expedition and doing ranges. October found us out in the field building hoochies, learning how to light lanterns and stoves, tying knots, building improvised shelters, cooking, and lighting fires with only what the cadets found in the area. We also did the challenge weekend, and marksmanship training. November and December was busy with ranges, sports, and our Christmas Party.

In the New Year we continued with ranges and canvassed for donations to support our Annual Supper and Games Night. February was summer camp sign up, range, canvass call back, and Operation SPRING HOPE (A Winter Exercise), which was concluded with a day of ice fishing. The ice fishing proved successful for some, but everyone enjoyed the day. The month concluded by taking part in the Zone Marksman mail-in.

March started with NSCE Testing for Cdt Sgt Clifford, and range practice. Then came the Annual Supper and Games Night which was once again very successful thanks to all the Cadets, their parents, all the businesses that donated prizes or money, and to all of the community members who attended. We went to Lloydminster to Jodi Lee Archery where the Cadets were given instructions in archery and then had a chance to practice shooting at targets. April was a little slower with just range practices and the Provincial Marksman Competition. May began with Decoration Day and along with Edgerton Legion #168 graves of veterans in four different cemeteries were decorated. We did a Navigational exercise and then spent the long weekend in May going to Calgary. While in Calgary we visited Heritage Park, Gasline Alley, Police Interpretive Centre, Space Sport (where the Cadets got to operate Space simulators), Calgary Zoo, and the big highlight was the Museum of the Regiments. There is never enough time to see everything there. All the Cadets that were on the trip want to return to the Museum of the Regiments. It was a great trip and everyone, including the chaperons, enjoyed the weekend.

Annual Inspection was held on 26 May 2010. The Cadets received many awards. Summer Camp this year included eight Cadets with one of the Cadets, cdt Sgt Clifford, being on the Bisley Shooting Team. He was very successful in his shooting in England, winning some medals.



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Wounded Soldiers Learn to Ski

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On a foggy and calm morning, MCpl Adam Cyr did something he never thought he would do again: he strapped on a pair of ski and shred some powder down a mountain. Just 18 months earlier, he was ambushed during the last patrol of his second tour in Kandahar Province with the 2 PPCLI BG. The attack was costly; he lost his right leg blow the knee and suffered severe burns to much of his body. It was a long road to recovery.

On 1 February 2010, MCpl Cyr, along with a sit ski, took part in the third Soldier On and Vancouver Island Society for Adaptive Snowsports (VISAS) Veteran's Learn to Ski program. He was joined on the slopes by Canadian Paralympics Ski team member, Andrea Dziwior, a VISAS veteran and, by the fourth day, was feeling pretty confident in his abilities. "I was going to race her [Dziwior] today, but I didn't want to psych her out before the Olympics," said MCpl Cyr. "I think definitely one day I'd like to try and get seriously involved and maybe try for the Paralympics, but being from the prairies, I'd probably have to move here first.

"These guys are a ton of fun and so willing to go outside their comfort zone, they're always willing to try a hill that's just a little steeper. I'm not sure if it's because they like the challenge or chasing a girl," said Dziwior. "But in all seriousness, I have so much respect for what our soldiers do, and even more respect for the courage these soldiers are showing in their recovery. And this is such a great program because sports as a part of rehabilitation are as important for the mind as it is for the body."

MCpl Cyr, who has participated in four other Soldier On events, works in the unit's support cell and is working on an initiative, called "Good to Go," to build a support group in battalions for members with Occupational Stress Injury. His hope is that the model can be applied to other large units to help members help themselves.

"Having been blown up myself, I think it's really important to help out the other guys who've been injured. They know they can trust me when I tell them

about what they can expect during their recovery," said MCpl Cyr. "I think that events like this are also really important for recovery. Being here, being able to ski and to learn how others are recovering helps me personally more and more each time."

The Veteran's Learn to Ski week is a partnership between Soldier On and VISAS. Soldier on picks up the cost of airfare and accommodations for the member and an attendant, while VISAS and Mount Washington provide the facilities, equipment and instructors. Many other community organizations including: Royal Canadian Legions in Bowser, Comox, and Courtenay; the Ladies Auxiliary of the Comox Legion, Barry Vandusen at the Whistle Stop Pub, 888 Wing RCAF Assoc and the Herb Bradley Coke Classic play a key role in financially supporting the program.



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Introducing Alberta's new Lieutenant Governor



Courtesy of Grant Cree,
The Western Sentinel

On May 11, Col (Ret'd) Donald Ethell, OC, OMM, MSC, OStJ, AOE, CD, was appointed Lieutenant Governor, the Queen's representative for the province of Alberta. Col Ethell joined the Canadian Army in 1956 at the age of 17 as an infantryman with the Queens Own Rifles of Canada and later served with the PPCLI.

In 1972 he was commissioned from the ranks as a Warrant Officer and rose through various appointments to the rank of Col. Upon his retirement in 1993, he had served Canada's military for 38 years. Col Ethell is a veteran of 14 United Nations peacekeeping tours, and was the Director of Peacekeeping Operations at National Defence Headquarters in Ottawa.

Col Ethell is considered Canada's "most experienced peacekeeper", and he is certainly one of the most decorated. His peacekeeping tours include the Middle East, Cyprus, Africa, Central America and the former Yugoslavia. Col Ethell also served with NATO in Europe.

Col Ethell served on the CF Advisory Council that contributed to the development of the New Veteran's Charter and he continues to serve on the Charter's Advisory Committee.



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He has served as Chairman of the Operational Stress Injuries Social Structure Advisory Committee and the Joint VAC-DND-RCMP Mental Health Advisory Committee, both of which are committed to assisting veterans and their families. He is a leading member of several military and charitable associations and in recognition of his many achievements, he was made a member of the Order of Alberta in 2002. In 2006, he was invested as an Officer of the Order of Canada. Among his many other awards, he is an officer of the Order of Military Merit and the Order of St. John. In 1989, Col Ethell was featured in Maclean's Magazine as one of Twelve Canadians Who Made a Difference.



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Canadian Forces Combat Shooting Team visits Lady Patricia

By Capt Joe Jasper

Land Forces Western Area's Combat Shooting team has had remarkable success in the last two years and big wins in 2009 led to an experience of a lifetime for several Patricias from 3 PPCLI. Six 3 PPCLI shooters in 2009 won the much coveted Letson Trophy at the Canadian Forces Small Arms Concentration (CFSAC) that summer which gave 3 PPCLI the honour of leading the Canadian Forces Combat Shooting Team (CFCST) to the 2010 British Army's Central Skill at Arms Meeting (CENTSAM) in June 2010. This competition is held near the town of Bisley in Surrey, England and it is one of the oldest and most prestigious marksmanship competitions in the world.

The Patricia members of the CFCST were Team Commandant Maj Gerhardt Hildebrandt, Adjutant and shooter Capt Joe Jasper, and shooters - MCpl Mike McLean, Rob Masih, and Jon Billingsley, and Cpl Leander Volz. They were joined by five other LFWA teammates including ex-Patricia Coach WO Dave Oakie and four shooters from other Land Force Areas. The team had good success with Patricias bringing back two major wins with Cpl Lee Volz winning the difficult Standing match with a perfect score and Capt Joe Jasper winning gold with his team on the Brinsmead cup team match.

LtoR: Cpl Leander Volz, MCpl Jon Billingsley, Maj Gerhardt Hildebrandt, MCpl Mike McLean, Captain Joe Jasper pose with Lady Patricia



At the end of the competition there was a day of rest built into the schedule and the Patricias took advantage of it to travel by car to South Eastern England to visit The Countess Mountbatten of Burma, Lady Patricia Brabourne at her home. The team Commandant, Maj Hildebrandt had arranged the visit with the help of Regimental Headquarters and it was an inspiring and rewarding personal glimpse into the personal life of our beloved former Colonel-in-Chief. Lady Patricia welcomed the six of us into her home and graciously showed us around her home to see some much cherished artwork, memorabilia, and family heirlooms. She took great pleasure in showing us a framed picture of her out on a day of shooting – with Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, both of them smiling in the English rain with Lady Patricia proudly wearing her maroon PPCLI windbreaker.

The stately manor and grounds was a picture perfect setting for this once in a lifetime kind of meeting with Lady Patricia, she described her beautiful home as being “renovated and modernized” by her family before Canada was even a country! The Patricia shooters arrived well turned out in our Bisley Team blazers and Regimental ties, a fact that Lady Patricia seemed to greatly enjoy and she patiently posed for photographs with us in one of her parlours before inviting us out into the garden for tea. Our garden tea party could not have been more inspiring or surreal, it was an experience that none of the Patricias there will forget. Lady Patricia served us cake, cookies, raspberries and cream from her own garden, and cold local beers to combat the heat of the perfect summer day. Lady Patricia chatted about life during her time spent in India and about life during the war. She brought out a large tome that was a biography of her father Count Mountbatten of Burma and asked us to listen while she read to us several passages. In a strong voice she read passages about her father’s courage during his time as Captain of H.M.S. Kelly off the shores of Norway. Then, while we listened spellbound, she segued into how she thought her Patricias exemplified that notion of courage in the modern day and how proud she was of us.

After that she presented each of us with a fantastic gift of a print of the H.M.S. Kelly signed by her father, the artist, and personally signed by her to remind us of the visit and her stories of courage. After signing her guestbook, it was time to go and on Lady Patricia’s advice we would visit Dover and the castle there on the way home to Canada House in Bisley. It was a perfect experience to end our time in England and one the Patricia marksmen will never forget.

**Right:
Patricia’s on the CF
Combat Shooting Team
pose in front of The
MacDonald-Stewart
Pavilion (Canada House)
at Bisley National
Shooting Center for
Canada Celebrations**

**L to R - MCpl Rob Masih,
Maj Gerhard Hildebrandt,
MCpl Mike McLean, MCpl
Jon Billingsley, Capt Joe
Jasper, Cpl Leander Volz.**



EXERCISE CAMBRIAN PATROL 2010



2 PPCLI's Silver place team from L to R: Kneeling - Cpl Horth, Cpl Boyes Standing - Cpl Hackinen, Cpl Solbodian, Cpl White, MCpl Nadasdy, MCpl Webber, Cpl Luebke

On 13 October 2010 eight soldiers from the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry began the fifty kilometre patrol during the British Army's premier patrolling exercise, Exercise CAMBRIAN PATROL (Ex CP). Ex CP took the team through the arduous terrain in the Brecon Beacons, Wales, where they competed to not only finish the patrol within the time constraints, but to also achieve maximum scores on the scenario based stands throughout the patrol. The team, lead by MCpl Jason Webber, was assessed on such tasks as reconnaissance patrols, mine field extraction, casualty care, and a tactical river crossing, striving to cross the finish line as the best team in the competition.

This event is a competition in which the teams battle for the top score they can achieve. However, defined score ranges are awarded a specific medal, as opposed to Olympic style presentation of first through third place. This year, the 2 PPCLI team achieved a Silver Medal, the second highest award on the exercise, and the best medal of the Canadian teams that participated. The intensity of the long, difficult patrol forced several teams out of the competition, while many others finished on time, but did not merit a medal. The 2 PPCLI team demonstrated superb physical stamina and a mental robustness typical of a Patricia soldier, as our history has repeatedly demonstrated. The result of their strong will and determination is the honour and pride of holding a Silver Medal.

Congratulations to the 2 PPCLI team for representing Canada abroad with such professionalism and bringing home the Silver Medal. In anticipation of improving for next years potential gold win, 2 PPCLI has begun planning the training that will take them there.



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Photo: Lady Patricia visiting graves of the Fallen at Beechwood National Cemetery of Canada, 2006