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HAVE A GREAT 13 SUMMER!

Recapturing the AGM



A total of 185 people attended this year's Army Cadet League Annual General Meeting and Training Seminar; including 150 League Members and 35 Cadet Instructors Cadre making the event a great success! This AGM was held on April 10th and 11th at the Delta Toronto East in Scarborough, Ontario.

Eight different and insightful workshops were held on a variety of topics by amazing facilitators. Workshop

facilitators were as follows: BGen. Ret'd Ian Douglas, Maxime Corneau, Capt. Sue Lusk, Gail

Pivato, Roberta Shaw, Harry McCabe, Maj. Paul Preikschas, Dan Matthews, Surjit Basarke and Michele Cameron.

The members enjoyed a banquet on the Saturday evening with the accomplished Lt. Matthew Durand as the guest speaker. Lt. Matthew Durand, a former Cadet and son of Judi Luscombe, one of our Board Members; was posted to the Third Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment in Petawawa, Ontario and received both the Polish and American Parachutist Wings while he was de-

ployed in the Baltic Region of Europe in July of last year.





Awards were also presented at the banquet. Julie Coneron of 1913 RCACC Oshawa was the recipient of the *League Member of the Year* award for her hard work throughout the year at the Corps. The *Top Large Support Committee of the Year* award went to 2799 RCACC Aurora and 2835 RCACC Niagara Falls won the *Top Small Support Committee of the Year* award.

The Cadet Brass & Reed Band from 2824

RCACC Mississauga, provided the entertainment for the banquet.

The night concluded with an after party in the Hospitality Suite. See more photos on the second page.

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<u>Cadet Corps Held Appreciation Night</u> <u>for Deputy Commanding Officer</u>

Submitted by: Krista Torraville Support Committee Chair, 68 RCACC

On May 6th, the 68 Lincoln Welland Army Cadet Corps held an Appreciation night to recognize the impressive achievement of Captain John Brown. He was honoured and presented with the Canadian Decoration by Major S. Torak.

Capt Brown has a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and a Bachelor of Business Administration with a minor in Organizational Behaviour and a minor in Statistics from Brock University.

He retired from 613 Army Cadets (Fonthill) as a Cadet and joined 68 RCACC St. Catharines as a Volunteer and later became an officer in May 2002.

Over the last 12 years Captain Brown has held the following positions:

Deputy Commanding Officer
Training Officer
Special Projects Officer
Supply Officer
Admin Officer
Liaison to the regiment
Liaison to the legion
Unit conflict management advisor
Shooting Team coach

Outside of the unit, he has been an instructor for the Regional Cadet Instructor School where he instructs other officers in many different courses; including being senior instructor on the mountain bike instructor course, as well as many rank qualification courses.

He was chosen to develop and pilot the expedition instructor course in Winnipeg and participated on a committee to develop the current expedition program. He was an expedition instructor before it was even referred to as "expedition". He was also one of the original team leaders when the expedition training was still optional. Moreover, he has ran many expedition weekends for our region over the last 10 years.

Captain Brown developed and rolled out the Niagara regional expedition as the commander in 2010, 2011 and 2012; that will be returning in 2016.

He certifies officers as flat water canoe instructors, in addition to moving water canoe instructors and has worked as a senior instructor with Blackdown Summer Training Center on canoe trips in Petawawa for the last 10 years.

We congratulate Captain Brown on this great achievement and are proud to have him as a staff member of our Corps.



Capt. John Brown celebrates his achievements with a Cake

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Barrie Cadet Corps Promotes the Army Cadet Program at Local Mall

Submitted By: Craig Maidens Support Committee Chair, 2919 RCACC

On March 13th and 14th, the 2919 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps held a community event at the Georgian Mall in Barrie, ON. The pur-

pose of the event was to promote the Army Cadet program with promotional materials that were provided by The Department of National Defense for the event.

On hand to promote the Cadet program were members of the 2919 RCACC Barrie Support Committee, the RSM and several other Cadets from the Corps.

There was a lot of interest from the community. People came to the stand to reminisce about their time in the Cadet program. It was great to hear the impact that the program had on the lives of others. The Corps also had a lot of interest from youth wishing to participate.



2919 RCACC Barrie stand of promotional materials at the Georgian Mall in Barrie, ON

In the past couple of weeks there have been a great amount of new recruits!

Congratulations to...



2402 RCACC Toronto who received their *Buckley Grant* of \$3000 on June 7th, which was presented to the Corps by Gerard Buckley.



The Mystery of the Jarvis Bugle

Submitted by: Major Paul Filion Commanding Officer, 162 RCACC



Douglas McWilliams who found the bugle in 1960, presents the horn to the Cadet Commanding Officer, Carter Filion after the Remembrance Day ceremony on November 11th, 2014

In 1960, eight-year-old Douglas McWilliams was enjoying a long weekend with his parents in eastern Pennsylvania. While exploring a trail in the woods, young Douglas tripped over what he thought was a tree root. Upon closer examination, he discovered a brass bugle partially buried in the ground. He removed the horn and brought it back to his parents' cabin. There, his father placed it on the floor and gave it a good bang to remove the accumulated dirt and leaves. "Then my dad gave the bugle quite a blast," he said. "And then for about 50 years, I've had possession of this thing."

On the brass bugle, made in 1916, is an inscription – "Presented to Ridley College Cadet Corps in the memory of Lt. W.D.P. Jarvis killed St. Julien 24th APL. 1915." William Dummer Powell Jarvis lost his life during the Second Battle of Ypres which featured the first mass use of poison gas by the Germans on the Western Front.

The 24-year-old Canadian Army infantryman, known as Bill, and a native of Toronto, Jarvis had graduated from Ridley College only four years earlier. He was a noted yachtsman, rugby player and amateur boxer. "How, why, and when the bugle was removed from Ridley College and how, why and when it found its way to that camp in the Pennsylvania woods are a mystery to me."

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Douglas McWilliams, who is a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers employee and was also deployed as a civilian to Afghanistan for a year; has his own family history of loss in the Great War, so the bugle had been a tangible link for him to the past. "It was my connection to real people who didn't survive it."

On November 11, 2014, the bugle was returned to Ridley College. Douglas MacWilliams, along with his wife and daughter, drove from their home in Baltimore to attend the Remembrance Day Service in the Ridley College Memorial Chapel and to present the bugle to the school.

"I felt at this point in my life this is something that means something more to a lot more people," McWilliams explained. "And it was my duty to contact Ridley and ask them if they'd be interested in receiving it". It should be with Ridley's archives and I'm excited about turning it over."



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Cadet Corps gets Creative to be VimyBound!

Submitted By: Cheryl Cannon VimyBound Sub-Committee Chair, 2799 RCACC



The Queen's York Rangers 2799 RCACC in Aurora, ON have been busy raising funds because they are VimyBound! Their recent spaghetti dinner held March 7th was a big success thanks to the support of the Aurora Legion branch 385, their hardworking Cadets, parents, support committee members & staff. Many friends, family and federal members of parliament were in attendance. 280 guests were served! There was a silent auction, penny raffle, re-enactors and games. The highlight of the evening however, without a doubt, was the voting for a

pie-in-the-face of your favorite Cadet Officer! Thank you Ocdt. Charlebois for "taking one for the team" - it was an epic moment!

"As people were getting their coats and leaving, a lot of them stopped to tell us that the spaghetti night was a huge success. Everyone had a great time and a great dinner with great service. They're all looking forward to the next one!" commented Cadet Sgt. Wong. The committee couldn't agree more.

Campbellford Army Cadet Corps Celebrates its 50th Anniversary

Submitted by: Robert Bennett Support Committee Chair, 2777 RCACC

This year is the 50th Anniversary Annual Review and reunion for 2777 RCACC Campbellford. The event will take place at the Campbellford Arena on June 13th at 3:00 pm. Former Cadets of the 2777 RCACC are asked to attend and inform any former Cadets that they know.

After the Review, the Corps will be having a dinner and dance that will allow time for catching up with old friends and seeing what other adventures former Cadets have been embarking on in their lives. It

will allow new Cadets to reflect on their future endeavors after they leave the Cadet Corps.

Anyone can check out the facebook page 2777 RC (ARMY) CC 50th Anniversary 2015. The response has been well embraced by both the 2777 RCACC of present and they have had a good response from former Cadets.





We Welcome Your Help.

In order to continue; as well as improve our support of the Army Cadet program and activities, the Ontario Branch of the Army Cadet League needs your help! If you are able to help us monetarily, please make a

Donation to the Army Cadet League in Ontario. All donations of \$10.00 or more will receive a charitable tax receipt for income tax purposes.

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Cheques may be mailed to:
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If you would like to see your story in our next newsletter,

Do not hesitate!

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Lrft to Right: Mcpl. Max Martin, Mcpl. Darren Huang, Lt. Luk, CWO Best, Cpl. Trinity Cone and Cpl. Harley Smyth hold the regional trophy for first place with first place medals

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Zero Percent

While the Daisy air rifles don't produce much sound, the 48th Highlanders RCACC Toronto shooting team definitely ended this year off with a bang. This past April, the team competed in the Regional shooting competition (in essence, all of Ontario), followed by the National competition. 5 members of the Cadet Corps, (CWO Adrian Best, Mcpl. Darren Huang, Mcpl. Max Martin, Cpl. Harley Smyth, and Cpl. Trinity Cone) along with their shooting officer (Lt. Luk) took part in a weekend of calm breathing, steady hands and minimal amounts of sugar (not to mention any caffeine). After successfully placing in Regionals for the second time in two years, the team was glad to have simply competed

among the best teams in Ontario. What happened after was completely unexpected.

Says CWO Best, "I asked an experienced shooting officer what the chances were of the 48th making it to Nationals as a team?" I was told, without them missing a beat, "zero percent". I trusted their opinion and after having finished the shooting, figured we'd at least have someone advance to Nationals individually. It turns out, both the zero percent and the advancement as an individual were both very wrong! The 48th team was on one of the first relays to shoot, meaning that while their scores were up fairly early on, there was still a lot of waiting to be done in order for the other scores to be posted. Initially, the 48th was in first place, but with 6 more relays to go, who knows what could happen?

But as the day went on, the 48th team was still in the lead. With several other experienced teams left to shoot, the team was anxious to find out if their high placement would last. After finding out they had a supposed "zero percent" chance of making it to Nationals, the team decided to relax, play cards, do homework and let the day unfold accordingly. However, as the day progressed and more results came in, the marksmanship team continued to hold on to its first place. As it turns out, even if you have zero percent chance of something happening, it can still happen.

As the final relay was shot and the scores were calculated, the 48th team was, against all former expectations, still in first place as the top team in Ontario. It seems that the scores the aforementioned officer was looking at were individual scores – the 48th received no individual metals, but collectively did well enough to advance to Nationals as the team representing the Region of Ontario. Thus, when looking at the individual scores, it seemed unlikely the team would advance past Regionals, but it did!

The Nationals simply consisted of many more prone and standing relays. Team Ontario (the 48th unit team, as well as 10 qualifying individuals) achieved second place overall in the final standings for all of Canada!

Team Captain, CWO Adrian Best 48 RCACC Toronto



YOU ARE INVITED TO

League & Sponsor Appreciation Day at Blackdown Camp



Saturday, 25th July, 2015 Start Time 0830 hrs Parade at 0900 hrs

Tour of the Camp

After the parade, Guests will have the opportunity to tour the facilities with a "tour guide" provided by Camp staff.

This will be an opportunity to observe training and possibly participate in some of the training activities the Cadets are doing that day.



First come, First Serve Basis, so please respond well in advance to ensure a seat!

RSVP To

armyleag@bellnet.ca 1800-561-4786 or (416) 431-2792 No Later Than Monday, 13th July, 2015

The League & Sponsor Appreciation Day is an opportunity for the Sponsors and League members to receive recognition for the outstanding support that they provide to the Cadet Corps in Ontario. Also, this event is to reinforce existing sponsor support and to help generate new sponsor support for the Cadet

Program at the community level!



Cadet Corps Went Weekend Camping

Submitted by: Lisa Vivian Support Committee Chair, 2250 RCACC



April 24-26th was a great weekend for 2250 (Army) Bracebridge, 3133 (Army) Kearney and 844 (Air) Huntsville. They were fortunate enough to attend the Tim Horton Memorial Camp in Parry Sound, Ontario for a weekend of team building, leadership skills, sports, archery and confidence building. Thanks to the Tim Horton Children's Foundation, 82 Cadets and 14 staff were able to enjoy a great weekend filled with activities that challenged our Cadets and staff.

Cadet Receives Gold Pin

Submitted by: Marilyn Walkom National PR Committee Representative



Darcy Harper (third from left) received the Duke of Edinburgh Gold Pin at a Cadet function on January 28th. The son of Floyd and Ruth Harper needed to perform at least 60 hours of community service in 12 months (he actually did 100), 50 hours of physical activity (jogging, hiking, etc.) in 20 weeks, 3 - 4 camp weekends and learn a skill, which was how to play the bagpipes. Darcy got involved with the program through Peace-keeper Camp in Avon, ON. Attendees for the presentation were: Officer Capt. Bev Bast (left); camp director from Peacekeeper Camp; Jim Craigmile, St. Marys councilor; Walter McKenzie, West Perth Mayor; Randy Pettapiece, Perth-Wellington MPP and Captain Bruce MacKinnon, CO of 223 Cadet Corps in Stratford. In the spring Harper will receive his Duke of Edinburgh certificate from a member of the Royal family.

2344 RCACC New Liskeard New Fundraising Venture

Submitted by: Rachelle Plante Support Committee Chair, 2344 RCACC

The Algonquin Regiment of the Royal Canadian Army Cadets Corps 2344, located in New Liskeard, ON, just finished doing a "Halenda's pepperette blitz" and much to everyone's surprise, they reached amazing results. The Cadet Corps decided to start conservatively with 5 cases, which is equivalent to 1200 pepperette stix. Amazingly, they sold out in a matter of 1 week! The Corps has since ordered 8 additional cases and cannot believe the success that they have had.

The Corps, consisting of about 30 Cadets, 6 Officers and 3 Support Committee members decided to attempt the pepperette sale as a fundraiser to purchase Corps jackets. The goal of obtaining the jackets were to be better recognized in the community when not in uniform. The jackets, jazzed up with the Corps number and colours would help make everyone feel united as one team. All Cadets, Officers and Support Committee members would represent one big happy family! They all did their share with sales and managed to pull it off.

Not only did the pepperette sales help them obtain the jackets, but they were also able to outfit everyone with matching pants. Way to go TEAM!

"We are very proud to be part of this amazing team and hope to see continued growth in the upcoming years".



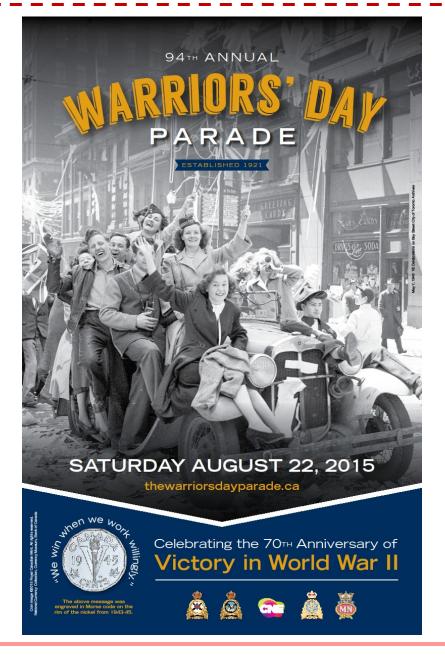
Pictured with their new attire and the Stratcona Award of Excellence are New Liskeard 2344 Royal Canadian Army Cadets, Algonquin Regiment

Front row sitting from left to right are: 2Lt. Adams, Lt. Schenk, MWO Schenk, Ocdt Tremblay, OCdt Roy Standing from left to right are: Mrs.Plante/Chair, behind is Bob Mikkola/Sponsor Rep., LCpl Neimi, NCpl Hurtubise, MCpl Doire, LCpl Boucher, Cpl Green F, LCpl Roy M., Cpl Green B, Cpl Bates L, LCpl Peters, Cpl Seed, Mrs. Roy/Treasurer, Mr. Briand/Support committee

Back row left to right: Mrs. Girard/Secretary, Mr. Pittman/Support committee, LCpl Bougie Chouinard, MWO Briand, Sgt Bates P, MCpl Plante, WO Matton, Cpl Roy R, WO Larabie, LCpl Talbot, Sgt Pypher

Missing from photo are: Capt. Lapointe, WO Paquette, Sgt Eckert, MCpl Girard, MCpl Renaud, LCpl Gilmour, LCpl Harmer, LCpl Woolley, LCpl Scalise

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Warriors' Day Parade Canadian National Exhibition

The Warriors' Day Parade Council will be hosting this year's 94th Annual Warriors' Day Parade at the CNE on Saturday 22nd August 2015. Cadet participation is requested to carry the marching unit identification signs on the right flank of each participating marching unit and assist otherwise as required. Cadets are required to wear summer uniform and report directly to the Cadet/Scout Registration Desk in Gore Park no later than 0930. Gore Park is the small triangular park located immediately east of the Princes' Gate, north of Lakeshore Blvd and immediately south of Fort York Armouries. Upon completion of the Parade, participating Cadets will receive a stipend of ten dollars (\$10). Queries regarding this Parade may be directed to Lt(N) Wayne Closs (whcloss@sympatico.ca) / (416) 453-2696 Cellular).



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Blackdown Cadet Training Centre

Sunset Ceremony

Friday, August 7, 2015

Guests to be seated by 1745 hrs for 1800 hrs

The ceremonial parade is the culmination of the Cadets training and showcasing their newly acquired skills in a spectacular display of pageantry. Extra travel time should be allowed due to the anticipated traffic volume.

There will be a reception at Officer's Mess and NCM Mess following Sunset Ceremony.



Final Graduation Parade

Thursday August 13, 2015

Guests to be seated by 1745 hrs for 1800 hrs Musical Displays commence 1730 hrs

To Register for any of the above Please RSVP to the League Office No later than August 4, 2015 (limited seating) (416) 431-2792 or 1-800-561-4786 Or e-mail: armyleag@bellnet.ca



The League appreciates all our volunteers for their dedication, time and support to our Cadets!

Reminder

For speedy processing, please submit all four volunteer screening documents directly to:

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A Great Summer!