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When the team arrived we had anecdotal information, so local residents were asked about the history of the crashes and to try and locate the site of the crashes. As well, an internet search was conducted to try and locate the site of the crashes. It was then determined that the site of the crashes was the site where the DC-3 crashed 60 years ago.

A crowd of workers and, protocolis at Irving Shipbuilding in Halifax wave mini-Nova Scotia flags at the announcement that Irving won the bid for the $25 billion contract to build combat ships for the Government of Canada.

By Peter Brett

Lest we forget

By Cesare Furlani

Rememberance Day Special Section

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Recognition for a job well done

By Virginia Sexton

The Admiral’s quarterly Honours and Awards presentation took place in the Wardroom on Wednesday Oct 12, 2011. Commander Laurence Hickey, Commander CANFLTLANT was the presiding officer. He told the audience that Grrrr! (a Rock Hiller always said that during awards ceremonies it was possible to think of those and friends of those being honoured by the smiles on their faces.

“And that’s certainly was here again today,” said Commander Hickey.

The first award was the Sacrifice Medal, presented to CPO2 Andrew Trittel of FDU (A). The Sacrifice Medal is awarded to CF members who have died or been wounded under honourable circumstances as a direct result of combat action.

The Southeast Asia Service Medal (SEAMS) recognizes participation while deployed to or in direct support of the operations against communism in South-East Asia. The 1st Rotation Bar is awarded to members who have served more than 210 but less than 390 days in theatre.

CPO2 Trevor Lightle received the General Campaign Bar (Gibraltar Retention Bar). The General Campaign Bar is awarded to CF members and to members of alliances working with the CF who deploy into a defined theatres of operation to take part in operations in the presence of an armed enemy.

PO1 Les Scheller and LS Sue Brooke received the Operational Service Medals (OSM), Expedition and Humanitas, presented to CF members who have worked in a theatre of operations or worked in direct support of approved operations or served under dangerous circumstances outside Canada.

CPO2 Karl Schust, PO1 Les Scheller, LS Sean Puszkar, PO1 Warrant Andrew Doucet, LS Mark McLean, PO1 Sail minced, PO1 Louis Stelk, PO1 MacDonald, PO1 Louis Stelk, PO1 Les Scheller, and PO1 Louis Stelk received the Operational Service Medal (OSM) with HUMANITAS ribbon.

The OSM with HUMANITAS ribbon is awarded to eligible persons who served in approved humanitarian missions conducted as a response to a humanitarian crisis including rescue, relief and reconstruction outside Canada for at least 20 days commencing on August 1, 2009, provided and service award other otherwise recognized by a service medal.

Dolphin Corner

By LS Domenic Brandon CANFLTLANT

The year was 1914. Firing on the BC coast, the premier of British Columbia, Richard McBride, was concerned about the vulnerability of the west coast and was worried that if war came, his province would come under attack from the powerful warships of the German Navy.

While he disliked the certainty of discussing fire control with Ottawa, he did not have the patience to wait to be provoked and immediately set out on a quest to secure protection for his province. McBride set aside the secrecy of a few government officials.

The answer lay in two submarines being used in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea, along with poaching in the classroom and at sea.
On Oct. 1, 2008, as the ship’s company cheered, Cmdre David Craig, said Cdr Oland, “You are truly an outstanding and dedicated officer who is passionate about and dedicated to noble work and the welfare of our comrades. You have served with distinction in various capacities and roles in the Canadian Navy. Today, we bid you farewell as you take your leave as the ship’s commanding officer.”

As he passed the sword to LCdr Vallis, Cmdr Craig said: “As the sword and the traditions that it embodies are passed on from one generation of officers to the next, so also is your inclusion in the proud history of the Royal Canadian Navy.”

Cdr Oland was thanked for his service throughout his career and for his dedication to the Canadian Navy and the Naval Reserve. He was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for his outstanding service as the ship’s commanding officer. Cdr Oland was also presented with a ceremonial sword and a commemorative plaque.

Cdr Oland expressed his gratitude to all who had supported him during his career and his family for their unwavering support. He also expressed his deep appreciation for the opportunity to serve in the Canadian Navy and the Naval Reserve.

As Cdr Oland and the ship’s company prepared to part ways, Cmdre Craig said: “You have demonstrated a commitment to excellence and a dedication to noble work that will be long remembered.”

And so, as the ship’s company bid farewell to their former commanding officer, Cdr Oland, they knew that their commitment to noble work and dedication to the welfare of their comrades would continue to inspire all who served alongside them.
Successful Day of Caring for GCWCC

One-day renovation blitz was a great opportunity

By Mike Bonin

Hammers were swinging in chairs taut with tension, paint brushes were colourfully creating art, and clothes were busting with the drill of the day. The United Way Day of Caring took place Thurs. Oct 13. This one-day renovation blitz was a great opportunity for folks across our community to give back to the city in the form of small jobs or repairs at United Way supported agencies.

Nearly 80 Defence Team members went to work on the day, assisting local agencies. The six agencies that the Defence Team supported locally were: the Ward Five Community Centre, Veith House, Metro Community Housing, Wee-Care Day Care, Feed Nova Scotia and Holly House. A team of 14 volunteers arrived at Veith House, a neighbourhood house whose challenge is to meet the needs of children, individuals, and families, working primarily with people living in poverty in order to give them much needed and timely assistance. The tasks included: repairing some wall damage, painting the art gallery (and raising moshrooms for them), and the hallway leading to it, painting the front entrance facade and de-weeding and cleaning the garden. Through hard work and enthusiasm, the volunteer team, mostly comprised of personnel from 15 Wing, accomplished all tasks in just one day and finished the day with the same smiling faces with which they began.

In an average year, the Ward Five Community Centre prepares and serves more than 10,000 hot meals to children and seniors, operates St. Mark’s Food Bank, and provides a wide range of programs and resources. By having the crew on site, it means it's fabulous and it saves us time and resources. By having the crew on site, it means it's fabulous and it saves us time and resources.

By all accounts, it was a great success. New stairs were built for the deck, dock boards replaced and the dock was replaced. Inside the house, all mouldings, doorframes and the three hallways on the main floor were repainted. Inside the house, all mouldings, doorframes and the three hallways on the main floor were repainted. "It is these community champions that make our work even more rewarding," stated Iroquois Milloy, Executive Director of the Elizabeth Fry Society.

The Wee Care Daycare is located on Young St. According to Dawn MacFarlane, the Day Care’s Executive Director, "Oh my goodness, it’s fabulous and it saves us time and resources. By having the crew on site, it means it’s fabulous and it saves us time and resources. By having the crew on site, it means it’s fabulous and it saves us time and resources."

The goal for the 2011 United Way was $500,000. According to the warehouse staff, the CFNES team was one of the most productive groups they have ever seen volunteer. In fact, through CFNES’ efforts, they cleared enough space to accommodate a large shipment that was incoming for receipt. The team engendered a constant pace and in the end, all participants felt Feed NS was a charity to be helped again in future.

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The CDT was tasked with the recovery of the aircraft from Resolute Bay with arrangements made through the United States government, Transport Canada, Environment Canada and the Canadian Coast Guard. The final location of the recovered parts was discussed with the Hamilton of Resolute council and it was decided that the parts would be left alongside those already on the lakeshore.

The engines and wing were relocated and after thorough investigation through Boeing and Pratt & Whitney it was found that the aircraft was a DC-3 US Navy C4M-1 Sikorsky leased to the RCN (RCAF 17523) that crashed in the summer of 1951 while taking off from Resolute airport. No fuselage was found and after further investigation it was found that it was common for the time to see aircraft lie as buildings and this new was recovered before the ice melted and used as the local movie theatre with another fuselage, the Arctic’s first cinema. A thorough inspection was completed on each piece with pictures and videos for condition and possible restoration and the possibility of future recovery.

The CDT for 2011 included Clearwater Divers, Port Inspection Divers and a team from the UCMC. The CDT was tasked with the recovery of the aircraft from Resolute Bay, with arrangements made through the United States government, Transport Canada, Environment Canada and the Canadian Coast Guard.

Clearwater Divers, Port Inspection Divers, and the UCMC provided the sweat equity to give back to this city while doing it in just one day. Through cash donations made annually and the hard work of its volunteers, Joppo-jo has been a devoted supporter of this community icon for almost 40 years. Numerous small jobs such as moulding, drying racks, an activity center, replacing missing trim, constructing a tv rack and replacing electrical outlet covers, were all diligently executed by five volunteers throughout the day. Additional saints removed dangerous limbs from the outbuildings and small high tech storage room and handed off a hobby box of memorabilia. It was discovered while cleaning and taking the yard that the deck’s joint hungers were rotten. The next day, a work team removed, replaced the deck and removed more branches.

Metro Community Housing exists to provide support and residential services to persons who have experienced mental health difficulties. A group of people from HMCS Zinnon, FMFCS, ADAC(A) and CF Health Services Centre (Atlantic) provided the sweat equity to make their projects a success. The team was responsible for pressure washing, mold removal, painting and painting two rooms and building a 10m section of a fence. Although the weather was not cooperative for outside work in the morning, the crew managed to get all of it done. One of the volunteers, MS Don Macdonald from Zinnon... thought it would be a good charity to volunteer for due to the fact that two members of his family suffer with bipolar mood disorders. For him, this project had deep meaning and was very rewarding.

Our DND efforts during the Day of Caring were quite successful. Not only did several local charities benefit from our support, but it was a great opportunity for some of our Defence Team to get together and give back to this city while doing it as buildings and this new was recovered before the ice melted and used as the local movie theatre with another fuselage, the Arctic’s first cinema. A thorough inspection was completed on each piece with pictures and videos for condition and possible restoration and the possibility of future recovery.

Leadsman Sean Aaraj-Pearce (Standing) and LS Mont Andre Guinard conduct a dive on a wreckage of a C-54 Skymaster or DC-4 that crashed in 1951. It was on loan to the Canadian Forces when it crashed. OP NONDOOR 11 is one of three major recurring sovereignty operations conducted annually by the Canadian Forces in the north. Northern operations are conducted as part of the Canada First Defence Strategy and are intended to help defend Canada’s interests and advance Canada’s international standing. The Force is also directly responsible for exercising sovereignty in the area of Resolute Bay. Rangers taking part in the operation came from various communities across the north. Resolute Bay is Nunavut’s most northerly community. Located on the southern tip of Cornwall Island, Resolute is at about the 74th-degree North latitude.

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Thanksgiving at sea

By Lt(N) Tony Wright
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For many, Thanksgiving is an opportunity to visit and Reunite with loved ones who have travelled from across town or across the county to share this special time. For the crew of HMCS Vancouver, it was an opportunity to re-affirm existing friendships and camaraderie amongst the crew.

The crew of Vancouver celebrated Thanksgiving by the coast of Libya while deployed on Op MOBILE, working to protect Libyan civilians in accordance with United Nations Security Council Resolutions.

Despite the fact the ship was plying heavy seas, the galley staff treated Vancouver’s crew to a Thanksgiving feast with all the trimmings, just as though they were back at home in Canada.

“Everyone onboard loves Thanksgiving dinner and we’re very happy to make a meal that the crew really looks forward to and appreciates as much as this,” said PO1 Dean Easton, Vancouver’s Chief Cook. “The food we serve onboard is important for morale and Thanksgiving dinner is especially so.”

With Executive Officer Cdr Ryan Tettamanti and Vancouver’s Commanding Officer, CPO1 Gino Spinelli, Commanding Officer, Cdr Bradley Peats carved the ceremonial turkey and served the crew in the Master Seaman and Below mess. “We never forget our family back home,” said Cdr Peats. “But we are a family on this ship too. It’s important that we are always there for one another. I’m very happy to celebrate this special occasion with my Vancouver family.”

But this Thanksgiving was more than only celebration and friendship. Where the ship was and why it was there was never far from the sailor’s minds. Knowing that just beyond the shore, in the distance, Libyans were struggling to rebuild their lives and their country gave members of Vancouver’s crew an opportunity to be thankful for how fortunate they are as Canadians.

HMCS Vancouver’s Commanding Officer Cdr Bradley Peats, (centre), CO CPO1 Gino Spinelli, and Executive Officer Lt(N) Ryan Tettamanti serve the crew in the Master Seaman and Below mess during HMCS Vancouver’s Thanksgiving dinner.

By Lt(N) Tony Wright
TF Vancouver Op MOBILE

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Keeping fit at sea

A few years ago there was an opportunity to deploy as a Sports Instructor for NCMs and officers. The opportunity arose as a direct result of the deployment on Operation CARIBBE. I sailed for 11 weeks, 5 of which were spent on the Athabaskan, making 45 weeks at sea.

Most classes took place on the flight deck, which presents challenges not faced in a standard gym. There are deep and slippery helicopter anchor points, two sets of three hole mucks, the perfect width to capture a running hose and twist in an ankle, and yellow paint that decreases the friction created by a mangled deck surface of scratched and compressed glass or non-skid. Also flights the helicopter is sprayed off with water jets and canyon into the hangar by the rear steps.

Muscule memory learned by improper workouts and revitalizedOne new revelant consequence is the awareness of a body's abilities divorced from the control of a conscious mind. This awareness is more progressively made useful as class structures adapt to challenge and new horizons forged; and one must break down the bad habits and reset the group's abilities. These exercises are made progressively more challenging as class structures adapt to create an awareness of a body's abilities. They challenge and new horizons forged; and one must break down the bad habits and reset the group's abilities. These exercises are made progressively more challenging as class structures adapt to create awareness of a body's abilities.

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Born and raised in Belnan, she is currently working at Kandahar Airfield

By Capt Susan Magill

Capt Hilary Bendle-Veinot was born and raised in Belnan, Nova Scotia but she is currently working at Kandahar Airfield in Afghanistan. Capt Hilary Bendle-Veinot (the Vehicle Platoon Commander in the Maintenance Company of the Mission Transition Task Force (MTTF)) is responsible to execute the logistic closure of Operation ATHENA. The MCU is responsible to conduct the logistic closure of Operation ATHENA. The MCU will receive, consolidate, inspect, repair, dispose, preserve, pack and move equipment and material to Canada as well as issue equipment and material to Operation ATTENTION in Kabul. The MCU will also close out contracts, and provide support for movement and contracts management. They will execute this closure by establishing a production capability which will create, clean, label and maintain various pieces of equipment and material.

As the Vehicle Platoon Commander, Capt Bendle-Veinot is responsible for all vehicle inspections and reports out to the travelling and welfare of all 46 individuals of all ranks, who work under her command to execute that mission. Capt Bendle-Veinot currently resides in Edmonton, Alberta, but was born and raised in Belnan, NS. This is her first deployment overseas and she is very grateful for the opportunity to utilize her years of training and to gain more experience. She plans on taking a few trips when she returns to Canada, one to a nice relaxing location with her best friend Megan and two to visit her parents, Randy and Valerie Bendle. While in Nova Scotia she will also visit her sister Lori and brother-in-law Cory, her brother Steven and sister-in-law Tiffy and their respective children, two-year-old Sylvia, and six-month-old Sophie. Capt Bendle-Veinot is thankful for the support she receives from her family and her friends back in Canada while she is away. While overseas she has the simple things about being home like baking cookies, lazy weekends, and branches with friends and Yogan Prat.

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The Stadacona Band of MAR-LANT recently completed a four-week tour of Quebec and Newfoundland as part of the Great Lakes Deployment (GLD) 2011. We kicked off the tour by spending six days performing alongside HMCS Montreal, docked in Old Montreal, while visitors lined up to go onboard and experience Navy life first-hand. The audience was of all ages and included tourists from abroad. There was even a bride-to-be, who tied her hand at conducting the band.

In Montreal, we travelled to Pointe-aux-Pierres, where we performed at a free community concert for their local hospital charity. They were an enthusiastic audience, who sang along when given the chance. Band member and vocalist, PO2 Brad Davidge, was a huge hit during his rendition of Michael Buble’s song, ‘I Just Haven’t Met You Yet.’

With the Quebec portion of the GLD complete, we flew home for a well-deserved three days break before flying to Newfoundland. We began in Corner Brook, where we greeted Montreal at the city’s port. Although the crowds were smaller, the community was excited to have the ship in town and many locals visited the ship during the three-day port of call, while enjoying our music.

With the GLD complete, Montreal headed home while we continued our Newfoundland tour, performing two school concerts in the Corner Brook area. One of these concerts will likely not be forgotten by any of us. We performed for more than 1000 high school students, who came from all over Canada to attend the Canadian Student Leadership Conference. The enthusiasm of these students was overwhelming. You can imagine our surprise when they got up from their chairs and crowded as close to the stage as they could to the stage, eyes wide open. The opening bars of ‘Don’t Stop Believing’ sent them into a frenzy, and we had them dancing and cheering during most of the concert. This performance will stay in our minds for a long time.

After Corner Brook, it was time to get on the bus and travel to St. John’s. Here, we performed at six different schools, over a 3-day period. Our final performance was at a shared concert with the Royal Newfoundland Regiment Band, in historic St. Thomas’s Church. The concert ended with members of both bands coming together for three marches, which brought the audience to their feet. With both tours successfully completed, we were happy to return home in time for Thanksgiving. After a few days off, we got right back to rehearsals, preparing music for upcoming concerts. Next on the schedule is the annual ‘Til We Meet Again concert, being held on November 8th, at the Bella Rose Arts Centre, 233 Thomas Road Drive. Tickets are $20 and available online at www.bellaroseartscentre.com or by phone at 437-3230. The concert is in support of the Camp Hill Veterans Memorial Garden. We promise to perform something that will make you tapping your toe or singing along, so come out and support this important charitable event and Your Navy Band.

By PO1 Heidi Twellmann
Stadacona Band
The Ship’s Company of HMCS Scotian, Halifax’s Naval Reserve Division, will lead the parade to this year’s Remembrance Day ceremony at Point Pleasant Park.

Last year, more than 1,200 people gathered on Nov. 11 at the Sailors’ Memorial to pay special tribute to the men and women of the navy, army, air force and merchant navy of Canada who died in the First and Second World Wars and have no known graves.

The sailors from Scotian consider it an honour to lead the parade to the water’s edge each year at Point Pleasant Park. Often called citizen sailors, members of Scotian serve and train part-time as members of the CF while maintaining their civilian careers and roles in our community.

LCdr Derek Vallis, the Commanding Officer of HMCS Scotian, noted that many of the sailors who served on the convoys that departed Halifax during the Second World War were members of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve and citizens of Halifax who volunteered to serve in Canada’s Navy.

“The Naval Reserve sailors who serve and train at Scotian today are the keepers of their legacy of service,” said LCdr Vallis. “We’re proud to conduct this Remembrance Day service each year and I hope the people of the HRM join us in honouring them.”

The ceremony at the Sailors’ Memorial will begin at 10:45 a.m. Last year, more than 30 wreaths were placed at the foot of the Sailors’ Memorial. The White Ensign Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion was the first group to place a wreath. Some other groups included the Micmac Branch of the Navy League Cadets of Canada, the 27th Halifax Brownies, and HMCS Sackville, Canada’s Naval Memorial Trust.

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Maring at 7pm on Sunday, Nov. 11 at the VIA Rail Station, 1181 Hollis St. in Halifax, Remembrance Day will bring together choirs and performers of all ages to recognize the unsung and under-heroic heroes of the First and Second World Wars.

Along with the veterans who are symbolically celebrated at these occasions, Remembrance-features (1) Acadian singer Suzie LeBlanc, young spoken word artists and tap poets from the Anti-Racism Action and African Nova Scotian communities; (2) a live performance of a new Remembrance video set to be released on Nov. 11 on YouTube; (3) young Mi'kmaq from Membertou First Nation; (4) the CPC Gospel Choir; (5) the Canadian Centennial Choir from Charlottetown; (6) the Studio Singers of Mi'kmaq Native Friendship Centre; (7) Le Vox De Acadie; and (8) storytellers Todd Labrade, Lyn McCarroll and many more.

The evening will conclude with the launch of a song called Remember Me, specially written by Brank HarveyJones to honour our Veterans. This free event is open to the public and we encourage members of the community to come out with their families to enjoy the tributes. Highlights of the evening’s events include: The Sons of Memorial; drummers from Member for Prince Edward Island and a Grand Entry by Canadian Forces. RCMP and members of the Maritime Regional Police and will include the carrying of the Canadian Forces Eagle Flag. By telling the stories of our veterans so that a younger generation so that a younger generation so that a younger generation so that a younger generation can understand the sacrifices made by those and all veterans so that a younger generation may have greater understanding of their sacrifices when lighting for privileges some enjoy today, though many of these unsung heroes were not afforded the same privileges themselves.

Radio Canada’s French- and local television EastLink Television will be recording the event for broadcast on Nov. 11, VE Day, Battle of the Atlantic Day, and other days of significance in Canada’s history. The night of the performance, the show will be livestreamed so that viewers can watch it anywhere in the world.

The Remembrance event is funded by the Office of Aboriginal Affairs, The Canadian Legion, the NS Dept. of Communities, Culture and Heritage, The Maritime Playoff of the District of St. John, the D250 Youth Engagement Legacy Trust and Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

Community partners are the Mi’kmaq Native Friendship Centre, The Maritime Environment Company, Pink Dog Productions Inc. and V-Fractured Media Inc.
DND Appreciation Night set for Nov. 4

By Benjamin J. Deery

The DND community has received a special invite to the annual Halifax Mooseheads game, affectionately titled DND Appreciation Night, taking place at the Halifax Metro Centre, Friday, Nov. 4. Ticket prices are reduced for DND employees and CF members. For more information, contact Information Kiosk in the Stadaco cafeteria area or call 721-1201.

While the Mooseheads hope to have a sold-out game, they are reserving 157 seats to remain empty for the duration of the game. Each seat will be marked in honour of the CF members who have fallen while serving in the Afghanistan mission.

A reception will follow at the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans of Canada club on Main Street. The location is 137 Main Street, Dartmouth NS. The sponsor is the Main Street Dartmouth Business Association. For more information, contact William Mills at mainstreet@wanlink.ca or telephone 407-3533.

On Monday Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m., there will be a Veterans Week Candlelight Tribute in the foyer of Camp Hill Veterans Memorial Building. This annual event honours Canada’s veterans. A reception will follow in the adjacent cafeteria area. The building is located at 3955 Veterans Memorial Lane, Halifax NS. For more information, contact Judy Burke at jdy.burke@cdha.nshealth.ca or telephone 407-3533.

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**Soldiers from LFAA visit concentration camps in Poland**

By Sgt Katherine Greer-Hulme

Solders from LFAA were in Zagan, Poland recently to take part in Exercise Maple Arch, which is conducted every two years. The exercise is unique because the soldiers were given the opportunity to take part in professional development training and learn more about their host nation, Poland. Fifty kilometers west of the city of Krakow, Poland is the site of Auschwitz, the Nazi concentration camp. The Nazis opened Auschwitz I in 1940, three km away from the first camp and Auschwitz I-Birkenau, constructed in 1941, three km away from the first camp and Auschwitz II-Monowitz, six km away.

Beginning in 1942, the Auschwitz complex was the scene of the largest mass murder in human history committed against the Jewish people of Europe as part of the Final Solution to the Jewish Question. 

**The gate to the Auschwitz I-Birkenau camp was part of the main SS guard house. Prisoners referred to it as the 'Death Gate' and many met their end here. As they entered the camp believing that if they worked hard, they would be free. Noth-**

**ing could have been further from the truth. As they walked through the rooms and saw the belongings of the people who passed through this place, it affected them. In one display there were thousands of shoes piled up and once your eyes focus and you notice that there are children's shoes amongst the pile, it is heart-breaking,” he said.**

**As the soldiers from LFAA made their way through the displays, they came to one room that was dimly lit and had a sign that read: “Shoes of the Camp” as it was one of the most disturbing leaving many speechless and tearful.**

**The sheer volume of hair was indescribable but is estimated at almost two tons. The handful shown were from female prisoner’s heads that had been cut off. “Prior to coming to Auschwitz we had some knowledge of the camp but when you set foot inside the gates and you begin to think of all the people that died here and what their last days must have been like, it changes you,” said Bdr Hale. “Each of us has taken away something different from our experience here but one thing is for certain, we will never forget.”**

CPO Max Bernays sculpture

**Official unveiling and presentation of CPO Max Bernays sculpture. From left: Commanding Officer CPO1 Claude Laurendeau; Robert Chisholm, Member of Parliament Dartmouth-Cole Harbour; Member Chief Petty Officer RCN RP2 Smiodkowski; Helen Mark Norman, Deputy Commander RCN; Sculptor Christian Corbatt; and Command Historian Rich Oglebey.**
Shearwater brings out the families

By Benjamin J. DeLong

It was beautiful weather in Shearwater as DND Family Fall Fest and the Shearwater Family Fly Day took place on Saturday, Oct 22. Fly Day gave opportunity to Shearwater military members and their families to fly in a Sea King helicopter. This was the inaugural Fall Fest event, open to all of CFB Halifax.

Children and adults were treated to inflatables, amusements, and a concert in F Hangar. The three-day event was the largest lure of the Fall Fest, which took place on Saturday, Oct 22. Fly Day gave the Shearwater families the opportunity to fly in a Sea King helicopter out across the ocean. The show was flown by Shearwater Bluefins Swim Club, Shearwater Scuba Club, and Shearwater Aviation Museum.

Other displays included the Shearwater Aviation Museum, Shearwater Scuba Club, and Shearwater Bluefins Swim Club. At night the Fly Day stopped with dancing crowds, and Blueberries singer pub-style band, Bent, belted out some classic pub songs for the dancing crowds, and Blueberries Grant put their own spin on some other crowd favourites.

The event organizers would like to thank generous sponsors for providing the opportunity to continue to host large events for the CF, DND and NFP families. Sponsors of the event included Lockheed Martin; Canadian Tire; Bank of Montreal; GASCAN; TOPS, Survival Systems; Labatt Breweries of Canada; Tim Hortons; Dill Farm; Glow Parks; and Pepsico Beverages Company.

The overall goal of the event is to promote careers in skilled trades and technologies to youth, particularly in the case of the CF. The CFRC will be present at the event to answer any questions that the students may have, and help promote the career opportunities offered by the CF. Cdr Carosielli said that the learning experience could be easily translated to many other careers, but that the main purpose in hosting this event was to provide a more technical spin to it, “The aim here is to be able to provide something hands on so that students can get an understanding of what the skilled trades are about and how they can relate it, specifically in our case to the Royal Canadian Navy and the naval technical trades.”

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CFNES hosts first CF-focused Skills Canada workshop

Program related to various naval technical trades

By Benjamin J. DeLong

CFNES is preparing to host a Skills Canada Nova Scotia (SCNS) youth project, the first time, in a military setting. Groups of high school students will take part in hands-on learning environments related to various naval technical trades.

“This is something very similar to what we do with Youth Force,” said Cdr Carosielli, CFNES CO, of the SCNS youth project which is taking place at the school. “Youth Force is a four-day student outreach program where high school students tour CF Bases and learn about various jobs. The SCNS youth project will have ‘a more technical spin to it,’ says Carosielli.

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Mike is one of a fast-growing group of Maximizers who are making their mark in the Northwest Territories.

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“Do this in remembrance of me.” (Luke 22:19)

One of the more central roles of religion in any given society is to remember: to remember the love of God, to remember the lessons we have learned from our relationship with God, and to remember who we are and whose we are as a people of God.

The Christian Church has a special name for this type of remembering – anamnesis (anamNEEsis) – which literally means, “to bring to mind.” Remembering in this way means more than reviewing past events to evaluate lessons learned...as important as this may be. It is also more than treasuring the past, even though this too is important. Anamnesis involves actively recalling the reality of our past experiences in order to remember our history, of ourselves, of others.

In a world where we often feel lost and struggle with questions like, “Who am I?” and “What does it all mean?” religion seeks to offer an answer by calling us to remember our sacred history. A good example of this kind of remembering occurs when Christians gather for the Lord’s Supper. Whether Eucharist, Mass – whatever name you prefer to call it – in this highly symbolic meal, not only does the community recall the last meal of Christ with His disciples, but they take part in that meal in a real way — sharing bread and wine — and in doing so, claim their identity and its purpose as present day disciples of Christ.

Anamnesis is at the heart of what we do on Remembrance Day. It is more than taking the time to look at the wars of the past to learn lessons for the future, as important as this may be. A nation that doesn’t reflect on its past is doomed to repeat its follies. It is more than cherishing victories, mourning losses and celebrating our veterans, even though this too is important. Those who “...short days ago lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, loved and were loved, and now...lie in Flanders Fields”, as well as those who were lucky enough to return home should never be forgotten or ignored; but Remembrance Day means even more than this.

For Remembrance Day to be complete, it must be more than this. We must be open to honestly and frankly recalling the reality of the wars and conflicts that have formed us as a nation. Remembrance Day is scholarly only in the restricted sense of the word – a holy-day for Canadians. It is not a day of rest as much as it is a day of dedication. As we gather at memorials and cenotaphs across Canada and take part in Remembrance Day ceremonies, we become a part of the story.

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The act of remembering

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Chief eases into retirement by biking across Canada

By Ben DeLong

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HMCS Kootenay sailors recognized

By Virginia Baxter

Fifty years after the explosion that killed ten sailors in HMCS Kootenay, the ship’s company received a Commemorative Service of Remembrance from Rear Adm. D.C. Gardam, Commander Maritime Forces Atlantic (MARLANT), and MARLANT told the Kootenay sailors who gathered for the annual commemoration ceremony in Point Pleasant Park, “You will not be forgotten.”

At 8:21 a.m. on Oct. 23, 1969, HMCS Kootenay was off the coast of England en route to her homeport of Halifax. There was an explosion in the gearhouse on the ship’s engine room, causing a fire that killed nine men and resulting in serious injuries to 53 more. The ship’s CO, Cdr Neil Norton, later said that “a less professional crew could easily have finished the day in life rafts.” Norton told the crowd that at the time of the fire, “We were As One.”

“We lost nine men that day, but they will not be forgotten. Their names are inscribed on our hearts and in our memories.”

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PO2 Wayne “Fozzie” Warford retires after 40 years

By PO2 Wayne Warford

The Stadacona Band recently bid farewell to one of the Branch’s most seasoned members. A commemorative ceremony for PO2 Wayne “Fozzie” Warford was held on Oct. 1 at St. John’s CF to celebrate Wayne’s 40-year career in the Regular Forces as a euphonium and bass trombone player. The band was in Newfoundland finishing up the Great Lakes Deployment with HMCS Montreal at Corner Brook, then performing school and community concerts on the Avalon Peninsula.

PO2 Warford was born in Long Pond, NL, and learned how to play in the Salvation Army band when he was young. He continued his training in the navy, and and four were buried in England.

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One might think that a low-born player or maybe get into some scrapes during a 40-year career, but when the event organizers started casting around for names to tell at the party, no one seemed to have any. PO2 Tom Roach, who escorted the function, did read aloud a story from former Stad Band CO LT(N) Jim Finnie (sort of) about a conductor’s horn that had been encased in ice for the night before a concert, but in general, Wayne seemed to always gain sympathy. He was well-liked as a quiet guy who was never the centre of the shenanigans, but who was certainly always present for them. At any rate, there were a number of funny anecdotes recounted, with some stories from many friends. LCol Ray Murray, CO and Director of Music, presented PO2 Warford with certificates from the Peacekeeper, the Lieutenant-Governor, the CDS and others, along with a Canadian flag that was flown aboard HMCS St. John’s upon its entry into Halifax.

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L'expédition Américaine a commencé en avril 2011 avec l'arrivée dans la région de Kandahar des premiers des quelque 950 membres des Forces canadiennes qui déployeront au sein du contingant canadien de la mission de tâche spéciale intitulée Operation ATTENTION à l'Otan en Afghanistan. Leur mission consiste à apporter un cadre de suivi, d'évaluation, de développement de l'instruction et des programmes de formation aux membres de l'Armée Nationale Afghane (ANA) et des Forces armées canadiennes.

L'objectif de cette mission est de transférer aux forces armées nationales l'expérience et la compétence des forces canadiennes en matière de suivi de la formation. Cela comprend des mesures d'évaluation et de programme d'assistance. L'objectif principal est d'aider les forces nationales, dirigées par le Lt Gen. B. L. Paterson, à développer une capacité à diriger leurs propres programmes de formation et de maintien des compétences militaires. L'objectif est d'offrir à ces forces un cadre d'évaluation suffisamment robuste pour s'assurer qu'ils ont acquis les compétences requises.

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