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## DAMAGE CONTROL

Shelley Lipke, Lookout  
Outside Damage Control School Galiano in Colwood last Tuesday, representatives from seven warships competed in the "Damage Control Olympics" to hone and practice crucial skills they need while at sea. Ships' teams took 25 minutes or more to battle the tough course, which included extinguishing a helicopter fire, attaching and charging hoses, fixing leaking pipes and practicing rescue techniques and flood control. Full story on page 2.

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Shelley Lipke, Lookout

During the final damage control competition of the day, HMCS Regina and HMCS Ottawa battled the obstacle course on each side of the flaming helicopter simulator. Each team raced to finish first, but this round proved successful for Ottawa's sailors.

**Above:** One of Regina's firefighter stands ready with a hose.

**Top right:** Firefighters from Regina extinguish the massive helicopter blaze.

**Middle:** Ottawa sailors attach hoses to a water source.

**Bottom:** Regina sailors saw a timber beam, which they used to secure a hatch to simulate flood control.



## Vancouver takes gold in Damage Control games

**Shelley Lipke**  
Staff writer

Last Tuesday sailors from seven Canadian Pacific Fleet warships battled for gold in the Damage Control Olympics, a highly competitive event that demonstrated expert firefighting, rescue, and flood control skills.

The day-long event was carefully scrutinized by the watchful eyes of red-capped Sea Trainers.

After all teams contended in the grueling timed pursuit to the finish, it was *HMCS Vancouver* who proudly stepped up to receive the sought-after Galiano trophy. The fastest team is awarded the Galiano trophy, which is named after a Canadian warship that was lost with all hands.

"These are the elite damage control teams on board the ship who are hull techs, elec-

tricians, engineers and firefighters," explains CPO2 Douglas Bell, chief hull technician for Sea Training Pacific. "Each ship sent on average 16 members of their damage control crew to demonstrate skills essential for survival on a warship in action. The ships are deployed into harms way and practicing these skills for survival at sea helps to ensure the crew comes home safely."

Gathered outside the Damage Control School in Colwood, teams reviewed the seven challenging stations set up to test their proficiency before picking them off one by one.

Smoke, water and flames filled the air as teams lugged hoses to extinguish an inferno resembling a helicopter fire on the flight deck of a ship.

They cut through large timber posts to shore up a hatch

that simulated a compartment lost to sea with the water flooding upwards through the damaged hatch. They patched leaking pipes, and used a gasoline pump to suck water from a barrel for firefighting.

Success was derived through teamwork, working simultane-

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-CPO2 Douglas Bell  
Sea Training Pacific

ously at the different stations.

Five Sea Trainers followed their every move making notes and awarding bonus points for speed, skill and confidence while handling the damage control equipment, or deducting points when performance levels were less than standard.

"They did a great job," said CPO2 Bell. "We had some very junior teams who put in 100 per cent and went up against some very experienced teams like *Vancouver*. The team from *HMCS Regina* was made up mostly of new sailors without the advanced skills and abilities of the more experienced hands on the other team, but they gave the challenges everything they had and made up the difference with good team spirit and lots of enthusiasm."

Many of the ships' Commanding Officers stood on the sidelines,

visibly supporting their crews in the thick of the action.

"After this event they are more prepared. It's a good opportunity for them to show their abilities and practice their skill," said CPO2 Bell.

"It was fun and I learned a lot today," said marine engineer technician OS Derek Rowland. "We had to work as a team and I found that I had to think about many things at once. Once one thing went wrong, other problems would come up too."

After penalties were awarded *HMCS Vancouver* had a time of 26:05, followed by *Protecteur* with 27:19 and *Winnipeg* with 29:04.

The Damage Control Olympics are held annually depending on the availability of the ships' personnel and the deployment schedule of the ships.



Shelley Lipke, Lookout

It may be tiny, but the vintage grenade on this Cook Street doorstep could have caused a lot of damage if it held explosive material. Explosive Ordnance Disposal team members (left to right) PO1 Leo McDonald, MS Giles Pease and LS Marcel Croteau were called out to remove the grenade.

# Bomb squad clears vintage grenade

**Shelley Lipke**  
Staff writer

When Saanich Police were called to a home in the 3200 block of Cook Street on April 1 by a resident who noticed a suspicious package on her porch, it was no April Fool's joke.

Police arrived on scene and took the necessary precautions by evacuating a one block radius of people and traffic.

Then upon inspection of the package, they realized it was military ordnance and called in the Maritime Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Team from Fleet Diving Unit Pacific (FDU(P)).

"We arrived to find a vin-

tage grenade that was inside a holder that could be clipped to a webbing belt," said PO1 Leo McDonald, one of three divers called to the scene. "We looked at the item and established it was safe."

The EOD team took it back to FDU to safely dispose of through high order detonation.

"There appeared to be no link to any crime related to this case," said Executive Officer of FDU(P) Lt(N) Bernie Perron. "It was probably a prank from somebody who made a bad choice of item to play a joke with. I'm sure the joke was on them, because the people that put it there didn't expect to get this

kind of attention."

Lt(N) Perron says during springtime the EOD team receives weekly calls for unexploded ordnance and marine location markers. Two weeks ago there was another grenade found on the mainland.

"It's the time of the year when people are doing spring clean up. There are many war veterans and older folks who have served in Korea or in different conflicts that brought back souvenirs. When some of these veterans pass away the families are left with items like this, which haven't been made safe or marked inert or explosive free. All military ordnance found is the responsibility

of the military and must be disposed of through our EOD team."

On many occasions FDU (P) has been called out to homes and people had no idea they had a live grenade displayed for years on their mantle.

"If a child pulled the pin it could have been disaster. Some of these items are designed to last forever if preserved in ideal conditions. If anyone is aware of war relics or souvenirs and ordnance in their possession, they should call the local police or military police who will contact our EOD technicians to come out and properly dispose of any potentially dangerous ordnance."

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## People Talk

Lookout asked 14 student leaders from across Canada:

**What did you learn during your four day sail in HMCS Oriole through the Southern Gulf Islands March 29 to April 1?**



It was an awesome experience. I learned a lot of different knots, how to chart our locations, and about tides and winds. The toughest part in learning how to sail was remembering all the different names of the tasks we had to do while handling the lines. I will remember the crew the most from this experience. The buffer mostly, as his attitude and way of teaching us was intimidating, tough, and sweet, all at the same time.

**Carly Brohman,  
Waterloo, ON  
Elmira District Secondary  
School, Grade 11**



I learned a lot about sailing, tides and currents. The weather was different than Ontario. One moment it was sunny and the next it was rainy. The sleeping quarters are very small and we were constantly doing work. It was much harder than it looked, and took a lot of strength. There was also a lot of knowledge involved in knowing the terminology. I will remember seeing a pod of Orca whales. We were within 100 feet of them and the landscape was gorgeous. This was my first time sailing and I couldn't get over the scenery. The crew was strict but willing to help. I learned a lot.

**Brittany Nelson,  
Paradise Lake, ON  
Elmira District Secondary  
School, Grade 11**



I'm from a lobster fishing community with no sailboats. They are all power boats with diesel engines. I wanted to do this sailing, and it was a 180 degree difference than anything I've seen back east. I love the ocean and was glad to experience this. I really enjoyed the physics of how sailing works. The most dangerous thing on a lobster boat is walking on the outer deck. Here I was holding onto a line and was lifted right off the deck. You have to think quickly on a sailboat, and be careful. I will remember the whales. In Nova Scotia we have a lot of Humpback whales, but I've never seen Orcas and one breched right in front of us. That was incredible.

**Kayla Tidd,  
Digby, NS  
Digby Regional High  
School, Grade 12**



I'm in sea cadets back home in my last year and was on a YAG years ago. That is a different experience, as it's motorized. I really liked being on the ocean and having an opportunity to take the sails up and down and work as a team on a larger vessel. I enjoyed steering at the helm. It's a cool feeling to sail something really big. In cadets we don't talk about how to look at maps, but here we had to find our coordinates and that was great. I'll remember the whole experience for a long time.

**Krystalia Olsen,  
London, ON  
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I learned how to sail and a big part of that was discipline. We had to listen and act quickly and learn about leadership at sea. A lot of people never lived in small quarters like this and it was a bit like camping. I'll remember most the new people I met and when we went swimming. I couldn't believe how cold the water was, but it was so much fun too.

**Kurtis Rempel,  
Waterloo, ON  
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## SPORTS trivia

by PO2 Bill Sheridan  
Contributor

### Hockey

#### QUESTIONS?

1. What colours were the first jerseys of the Montreal Canadiens?
2. How did the Maple Leafs get their name?
3. Who is Delores Claman, and what part did she play in hockey?
4. Who was the first defenceman to win the Art Ross trophy?
5. Which Toronto team did the Blackhawks defeat in their first NHL game?
6. What Flyer holds the record for the most penalty minutes in a season?
7. What are the dimensions of an NHL ice surface?
8. Hockey Association of St Louis was the parent company that owned which team?
9. What two goalies have the most wins and losses in a single season at 48?
10. What team won the most consecutive regular season games?

- ANSWERS
1. Blue and White
  2. Conn Smythe named them after the Maple Leaf Regiment in WWI.
  3. She composed the Hockey Night in Canada theme song, now used on TSN.
  4. Bobby Orr, 1970
  5. Toronto St Pats, 1926 by a 4-1 score.
  6. Dave Schultz, 472
  7. 200 by 85 (feet) Minutes
  8. St Louis Eagles, 1934, former Ottawa Senators franchise
  9. Martin Brodeur for wins and Gary 'Suitcase' Smith for losses
  10. 1993, Penguins 17 games.

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# FILM *friday*

## 3D remake, a bad cash grab

**W. Andrew Powell**  
The GATE

Opening last week in theatres, Sam Worthington stars as Perseus in the remake, *Clash of the Titans*.

### Clash of the Titans

Remakes are a hard business, especially for any fans who are willing to take a step back and look at the originals they are based on.

The release of the original 1981 *Clash of the Titans* on Blu-ray recently gave any willing fan a chance to see Ray Harryhausen's film before they walk into cinemas for Louis Leterrier's remake, and I wonder if it will affect other moviegoers the way it affected me.

Sam Worthington stars in the new film as the mythic Perseus, the half-human son of Zeus who has been living a sheltered, normal life, unaware of his heritage until a vengeful Hades, played by Ralph Fiennes, inadvertently kills his adoptive family. Left alone, Perseus is rescued by the only survivors of the incident; a group of soldiers who initially brought down the wrath of the gods because of their own orders to destroy a statue of Zeus.

Taken to the city of Argos, Perseus is once again witness to the wrath of the gods as Hades kills off a legion of soldiers and tells the king of the city that the gods are tired of their insolence. If Argos does not sacrifice their princess, Andromeda, Zeus will release the monstrous Kraken and destroy the entire city.

At this point, Perseus also discovers the truth: he's a demigod, and he might be the city's only hope, if he can just find a way to defeat the Kraken so that dear Andromeda doesn't have to die for her city.

With a small group of tough soldiers by his side, Perseus will hunt down the creatures of legend who might be able to help him, while he discovers a bit more about himself, and his father, Zeus.

Essentially, the story is unchanged from the original film. This is a hybrid of the original Greek myths that I actually think works quite well. The downside is that, although it might sound impossible, the dialogue is a notch more ridiculous than the original, and of course, the cast is but a shadow of Harryhausen's epic, which

included Laurence Olivier, Maggie Smith, and Ursula Andress.

Neeson does make a decent Zeus though, even if his part is a little on the light side. Ralph Fiennes as Hades, on the other hand, is the epitome of scenery-chewing exuberance. He's almost too manic, even though he is kind of a blast in this part.

Sam Worthington, on the other side of things, is not that exciting. He's a depressing lead with little charisma, and not nearly enough character to fill out the great role of Perseus. At the best of times, he's merely a body to run through the action sequences, and the script is as much to blame for that as the actor himself. He's never been a fantastic actor, but this is definitely a career low-point by my books.

His co-stars are actually a lot more interesting, especially in the case of Mads Mikkelsen as Draco, Gemma Arterton as Io, and the very entertaining Liam Cunningham as Solon.

Credit is also due for the special effects, which are generally quite good, especially in the battle sequences with the giant scorpions and the all-important final battle as the Kraken appears. The whole movie feels, in fact, like one giant setup for this sequence, and that's partly

why the story suffers so much - it's all just rushing to get to the end.

The gigantic failing point of the film, however, and the reason I had a hard time sitting through this version of *Clash of the Titans*, is the unbelievably bad 3D. Given the choice between seeing it in 3D or regular, old 2D, I might actually watch the film again in 2D. The 3D is so poorly done, it's hard to sit through.

Since the film was clearly not shot in 3D, they have worked some sort of cheap process on the film to make it appear in 3D, but the effect looks like it's sitting on top of the 2D background. There are times when you can see the edges of the 3D images repeating over the background. It's a bit like looking at an action figure that's been glued to a sheet of paper, and throughout the scenes all you can focus on is that sheet of paper.

In its glorious two dimensions, I might have enjoyed *Clash of the Titans*, but this 3D version is nothing more than a bad cash grab that looks worse than any bad effect I saw in the original claymation sequences of Harryhausen's version.

This *Clash of the Titans* lives up to the original in terms of revitalizing the action, but on all other points, it feels like a cheap knock-off.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS: CLUB LAUNCHING



Capt James Eke and Mark Midianga practice Kali – stick and dagger fighting – on the grass surrounding Naden during one of Capt Eke's informal lunchtime workout sessions.

Shelley Lipke, Lookout

## Bruce Lee style martial arts classes coming to Naden

**Shelley Lipke**  
Staff writer

Kicking, punching, trapping and grappling with smooth flowing transitional techniques is what Bruce Lee's eclectic martial art Jeet Kune Do is all about.

Considered the precursor to today's Mixed Martial Arts (MMA), this high-energy, combat training style of martial arts is coming exclusively to the Naden Athletic Centre.

Just posted last month from CFB Gagetown, artillery officer and martial arts instructor Capt James Eke brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to teach this one-of-a-kind class as the only Jeet Kune Do instructor in Victoria.

A veteran of martial arts for three decades and an instructor for the past 18, Capt Eke will focus on Lee's style of kickboxing and Filipino Martial arts, which incorporates stick and dagger fighting known as Kali.

With black belts in three forms of martial arts and schooled in part by Dan Inosanto, Lee's right hand man and training partner, and later by Rob Doley, one of Canada's leading Jeet Kune Do and Kali exponents, Capt Eke is pleased to be able to pass on these unique skills to base personnel.

"Teaching this is a rewarding and fulfilling endeavour," says Capt Eke. "This is different than other martial arts, because it encompasses all forms of martial arts, like judo, karate, kickboxing, boxing, wrestling and jujitsu, and involves the use of boxing tools like focus mitts, speed bags, and mixing trapping and grappling methods."

The idea of this classical martial art is to break away from the rigid structure of other martial arts and find out what works for you, the individual, says Capt Eke. "It's not to master a particular form, but to master everything. We make a complete and individual fighter."

Capt Eke says it takes training to the next level. "It's hard training from the start. It's really preparing people for combat, and I think it's an ideal martial art especially for military personnel because it's combat effective."

He began martial arts at age 12, and held a fascination for Bruce Lee and his fighting techniques. "I watched a lot of action movies and read all his books and then in the early 90s I began training with Lee's best friend and training partner Inosanto by travelling to his seminars when he ventured to Canada from his famous Inosanto Academy in Marina Del Ray, California."

Inosanto helped Lee create this martial art in the 60s and continued teaching it after Lee died in 1973.

Later Capt Eke went on to train with Rob Doley, one of Inosanto's senior instructors.

"It was like a dream come true to train with him, because there are so few people who teach this. I think Jeet Kune Do makes me a better person spiritually, mentally and philosophically. Knowing I'm passing on something practical that can help change and perhaps save someone's life is a good feeling. Looking back at my life, I can't even imagine teaching what Bruce Lee taught. I read every book and I'm very thankful to be where

I am today to pass on these skills."

Capt Eke agrees with many that consider Bruce Lee the godfather of MMA. If it wasn't for him there would be no Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC) today, he says.

On base, word is already spreading about the classes this specialized instructor will teach and about 75 people have shown interest.

Every Monday and Wednesday from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. He works out informally with a small group of people.

Sticking with the ideal that Bruce Lee established, Capt Eke limits his classes to small groups, usually 15 or less.

"Working in partners or threes we transition as a group. There is sparring involved once people are ready for that, and only if they are interested in doing it."

It's inexpensive to get involved. People wear their work-out gear and need to invest in two rattan 28 inch sticks and a pair of gloves for hitting the pads.

A free class will be held April 19 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Naden Athletic Centre, and paid classes are tentatively scheduled to begin April 26 with classes every Monday and Wednesday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. For registration details and pricing phone Personnel Support Programs (PSP) Recreation Department at 250-363-1009.

Capt Eke will also hold monthly seminars held at outdoor locations. Anyone interested in signing up for these sessions should phone him at 250-363-2962 or email him at ekejam@gmail.com.

# Rustic adventures at the heart of Alpine Club

**Shelley Lipke**  
Staff writer

With its rugged landscape, breathtaking scenery, and moderate climate, Vancouver Island is a mecca for outdoor sport enthusiasts, and with spring in the air it's a perfect time to join the new Canadian Forces Alpine Club.

LCdr Ang Lopez, Fleet Maintenance Facility (FMF) Cape Breton Group Manager 8, has led and participated in adventure training expeditions involving kayaking, mountain biking, wilderness trekking, mountaineering, and rock climbing.

He thought a club to bring like-minded defence team members together would be a great way to promote fitness, improve wilderness safety awareness, and introduce an element of risk, a quality inherent in both adventure and typical Canadian Forces operations.

"Vancouver Island's diverse natural playground has always offered a great fitness alternative to the usual push-up/sit-up/weights routines. Given the positive feedback from many participants on past excursions, I believe there is an interest in these types of 'green' activities. All that is needed is some sort of

organized approach to exploring this playground," he says.

If enough interest exists, LCdr Lopez intends to lay the groundwork, and perhaps partner with local organizations such as the Alpine Club of Canada, Outward Bound, and Victoria Search and Rescue for training and resources.

Some trip ideas include short local hikes/climbs at Mt. Finlayson, Mt. Wells, Mt. Macdonald – and then progressing up island on Elkhorn, Mackenzie Range, Rugged Mountain, and Mt. Colonel Foster.

"Hiking, multi-day wilderness treks, technical rock climbing, and mountaineering are ventures that should be targeted as the primary club activities. They are all sort of an extension of walking, just with increasing skill and risk. Any specialized gear required is affordable and the fitness requirements within reach – this would likely allow more members to participate," he said.

Whether it is the fleet or base personnel, the aim is simply to expand the menu of outdoor activities for members to sample.

LCdr Lopez has already thought of a way this new club could celebrate the Naval

Centennial year. "A great expedition befitting the Canadian Naval Centennial would be to have some sailors plant the CNC pennant atop the highest peak on Vancouver Island, the Golden Hinde."

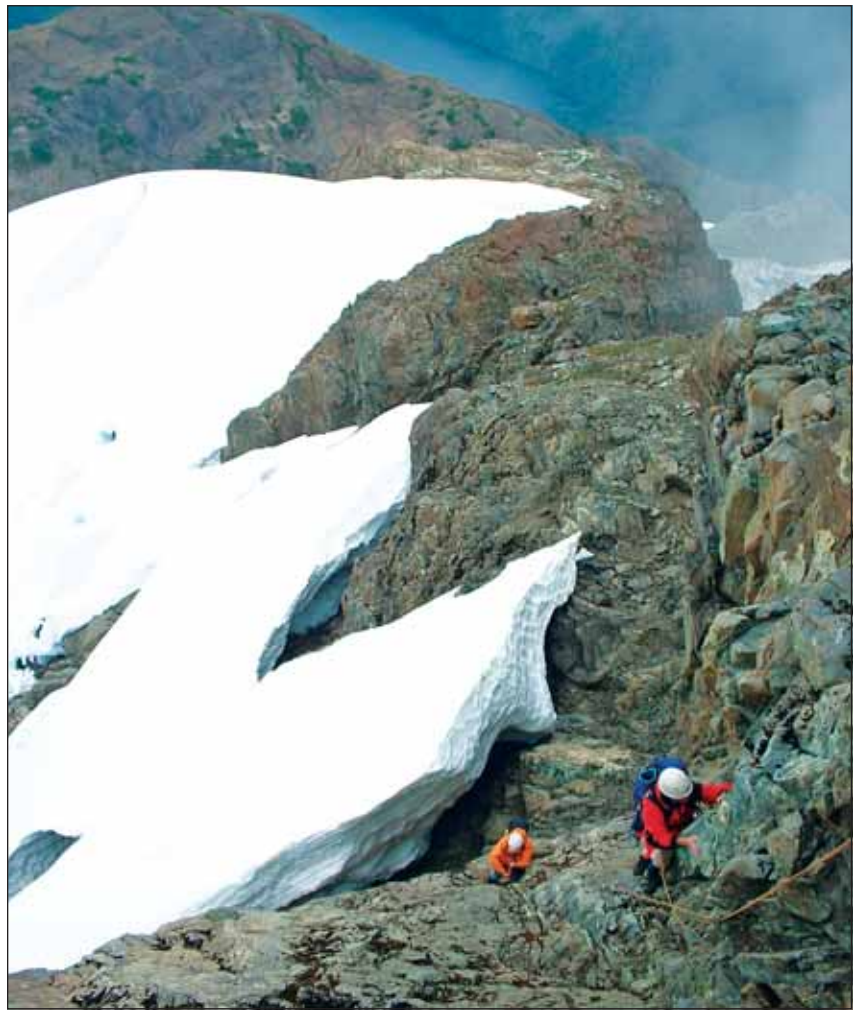
At 2,200 metres, this peak was named after the galleon captained by Sir Francis Drake on his global circumnavigation voyage during 1577-80.

If interest exists, this Personnel Support Programs sponsored club would include expeditions or activities planned and conducted by experienced members willing to step up. There are many military and civilian outdoors folks with the initiative, know-how, and leadership to make this concept work.

"It would be great if there was lots of popular support. This idea is particularly appropriate given the health and fitness focus from the Chief of the Defence Staff, and the need for better wilderness understanding in terms of the environment and safety," he said.

LCdr Lopez says interest from about 20 people may be enough for this club to be "ready for sea."

Interested members or for questions/comments, email LCdr Lopez at [alpinesailor@gmail.com](mailto:alpinesailor@gmail.com)



LCdr Ang Lopez, Contributor  
Civilian and military climbers from CFB Esquimalt ascend Rugged Mountain with Woss Lake far below them in a 2004 alpine excursion hosted by LCdr Ang Lopez.

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# A NEW NUCLEAR MASTER

## *An analysis of Brazil's nuclear submarine program*

**Dex Zucchi**  
Office of the Asia Pacific Advisor

The Federative Republic of Brazil is largely recognized as an increasingly important power. Brazil has already achieved regional economic dominance, and traditional military rivals such as Argentina can no longer compete with this rising nation. With its economy growing

at an annualized rate of five percent, economists speculate that Brazil will become the world's fifth largest economy by the end of this decade, surpassing Britain and France.

Along with Brazil's unprecedented economic growth is a significant transformation of its military: since 2005, the defence budget has increased 10 percent per year to roughly USD \$28 billion today. The air force is poised to purchase 36 new generation fighters, the army will receive 2,000 new armoured vehicles over the next twenty years, and the navy has plans for new submarines, dozens of patrol boats, frigates, and possibly even new aircraft carriers.

The centerpiece of Brazil's military expansion is its nuclear-powered submarine program, which has drawn considerable attention from other countries. However, whether this project is based on military or political considerations is a matter of debate. This month's *In Focus* explores Brazil's attempt to master this coveted technology, and presents competing explanations of its nuclear aspirations.

### **The Nuclear Project and the Return of Maritime Ambition**

Brazil's nuclear program began in 1979 when it first sought to build a dual-use reactor that could both propel submarines and generate electricity for the country's cities.

This scientific initiative, however, languished until the summer of 2007 when Brazilian President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva declared that the government would significantly increase the navy's funding to allow it to complete its nuclear program and build a small prototype reactor that could power a submarine.

Brazil's economy had grown enough to support a revitalization of its armed forces, and harnessing the power of the atom

for use in submarines would become the hallmark of Brazil's military modernization. This ambition was enshrined in Brazil's defence white paper, the 2008 *National Defence Plan*.

This document states that Brazil must "develop its capacity to design and manufacture both conventional and nuclear submarines and will speed up investments and partnerships in order to complete the nuclear submarine program." With his program reanimated, Admiral Julio Soares de Moura Neto, the navy's commander-in-chief, boasted that the navy's first nuclear-powered submarine would be seaworthy by 2020.

To launch its nuclear submarine, however, Brazil must complete three tasks.

First, the navy must finish building a small reactor, known as Angra 3, which will produce energy for submarine propulsion.

Second, Brazil's own scientists must master the entire fuel cycle. Currently, Brazil's yellow cake uranium is shipped to Cameco in Canada for processing into hexafluoride gas, which is then enriched in Europe by Urenco, a British-German-Dutch consortium. After enrichment, the gas is returned to Brazil where it is converted to powder and subsequently made into nuclear pellets that fuel reactors. However, Brazil's own enrichment program is evolving rapidly: in 2007 the government approved financing to finish construction of a Uranium Hexafluoride Plant (USEXA) to convert yellowcake into uranium hexafluoride gas at the navy's Aramar Technological Center in Sao Paulo. The navy expects to finish USEXA in 2010, and start producing enough hexafluoride gas for its needs (estimated at 40 tons) shortly thereafter. With respect to uranium enrichment, Brazil has been installing centrifuges at its enrichment plant in Resende, Rio de Janeiro, and plans to supply the navy's nuclear fuel by 2015.

Constructing the submarine itself is the third and most difficult task. China

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and India have spent decades on developing their nuclear vessels, and the Soviet Union's submarines were only comparable to those of the United States near the end of the Cold War. For this reason, Brazil has developed a strategic partnership with France, a nuclear power, to acquire submarine technology and expertise. During his state visit to Brazil in December 2008, French President Nicolas Sarkozy signed an agreement with Brazil on cooperation in this area, and then a more detailed one covering submarines on Sept. 3, 2009. Specifically, Paris agreed to transfer the technology to Brasilia for the construction of four diesel-powered *Scorpen*-class attack submarines, as well as joint development of the hull of the nuclear submarine. The deal, valued at USD \$8.4 billion, will see the first *Scorpen* submarine in the ocean by 2014, with another submarine following every two years, finishing with the nuclear submarine in 2020.

estimate that up to 33 billion barrels of oil lie in the area's seabed, enough to make Brazil a top oil producer over the next twenty years. Considering that 45 new oil platforms, 90 support vessels, and 70 tankers will be necessary to extract, refine, and ship this amount of petroleum efficiently, nuclear submarines are considered a strategic imperative to defend its maritime assets.

An alternative explanation is that the submarine program is based on political rather than strategic considerations. While Brazil's burgeoning economy has made the nation a regional hegemon, the country has broader ambitions: Brasilia aims to become a leader of the international community. This foreign policy goal is reflected in Brazil's behaviour in the United Nations – the country has not only contributed 1,200 soldiers to the UN Stabilization Mission in Haiti, but volunteered to provide military leadership of the peacekeeping effort there. Moreover, ever since former UN Secretary General Kofi Annan stressed the importance of UN reform, Brazil has aspired to obtain a permanent seat on the Security Council.

For his part, President da Silva stresses that the acquisition of a nuclear submarine would enhance Brazil's candidacy to the Security Council, stating in 2008 that "Those who have nuclear submarines sit on the United Nations Security Council. All permanent members have the technology, which none of them give up. We have to develop our own."

Consequently, Paul D. Taylor of the U.S. Naval Institute surmises that the allure of naval strength has convinced Brazil's leadership of the political capital afforded by nuclear submarines. History illustrates that many empires and leaders have considered navies symbols of national greatness: the ancient Romans built colossal fleets of triremes to consolidate their power in the Mediterranean, Imperial Germany constructed titanic dreadnoughts to telegraph its maritime prominence to Britain, and Theodore Roosevelt had the Great White Fleet circumnavigate the globe from 1907-1909 to demonstrate America's rising status in the world. Today, nuclear submarines are celebrated as hallmarks of scientific innovation and military prowess, vessels capable of projecting both martial and diplomatic power across the globe.

Applying Brazil's foreign policy against the mirror of historical analysis reveals an alternative reflection of the country's nuclear aspirations: nuclear fission will not only fuel its submarines, but empower its sailors, diplomats, and citizens to adopt global roles in the twenty-first century.

In a world where economic affluence and technology is the currency of civilization, Brazil's political and military leadership has demonstrated its penchant for an indigenously developed nuclear submarine. This undertaking will be difficult, but Brazil is ready to spin centrifuges, split atoms, and cut steel to master this endeavour.

**Brazil will have a nuclear submarine because it is a necessity for a country that not only has the maritime coast that we have but also the petroleum riches that were recently discovered in the deep sea pre-salt layer.**

-Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva  
Brazilian President

While France will not help in the construction of the propulsion system of the nuclear submarine, Brazil's engineers will learn valuable design information that is applicable to its nuclear vessel from working hand in hand with French engineers on the *Scorpenes*.

**The Rationale: Strategic Deterrence or Political Trophy**

Why Brazil wants to develop indigenously a nuclear submarine is much harder to explain than how it intends to do it.

According to President da Silva, Brazil "will have a nuclear submarine because it is a necessity for a country that not only has the maritime coast that we have but also the petroleum riches that were recently discovered in the deep sea pre-salt layer."

The treasures to which da Silva alluded are the massive reserves of oil and gas recently discovered in the Santos Basin off the country's southern coast. Geologists

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With the introduction of new clothing, some items will be discontinued or restricted to certain users. For example, distinct environmental T-shirts for sea, land, and air personnel will be introduced, and the grey T-shirt and shorts will be restricted to recruits only. Similarly, navy personnel who had access to two scarves – one white and one black – may now acquire only the black scarf.

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Historical usage analysis has highlighted areas where efficiencies can be made, benefitting the user and saving the department money.

Personnel should note that, based on usage data, the maximum quantity of some items for purchase in one year has been reduced. That said, individuals may still purchase additional clothing items on-line at the published prices.

An individual may petition for increased points allowance through the chain of command, if special work related circumstances warrant additional points.

For further information, please consult the FAQs on the Clothing Online site [www.logistikunicorp.com/](http://www.logistikunicorp.com/) or contact DSSPM 2-C7, Richard Lepage (Richard.lepage@forces.gc.ca) Clothing Online administrator.

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# First Nation sailors highlight navy at Aboriginal Youth Conference

**CPO2 Gus Greer**  
Contributor

LS Katerina Stewart and OS Greg Moore, two young Bosuns from *HMCS Ottawa*, recently attended the provincial Aboriginal youth conference "Gathering Our Voices 2010" in Vancouver.

This 8<sup>th</sup> annual conference was jointly produced by the B.C. Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres and the Provincial Aboriginal Youth Council and ran from March 10-13.

The theme for this year's conference was "Our health and our environment."

This annual conference continues to grow in stature. This year the Premier of B.C., Gordon Campbell officially opened the conference and welcomed participants.

The conference provided attendees with motivational guest speakers, workshop facilitators and top notch Native performers. Notable among the motivational speakers was Waneek Horn-Miller, a female Mohawk athlete from Kahnawake, Quebec, who participated in the 2000 Olympics as the captain of the ladies' water polo team and who holds a BSc from Carleton University. Two great acts, Inez, one of Canada's top Aboriginal musicians, and Kasp, from East Vancouver, pumped up the youthful crowd, interspersing their music with deeply personal stories of hardship and providing inspiration by sharing their path to success.

LS Stewart and OS Moore were each able to select six workshops to attend from an offering of 47. Workshop topics ranged from dealing with discrimination to self empowerment and caring for Mother Earth.

LS Stewart found the workshops "Ghetto to Glam," which provided the tools to identify talents in order to set goals to build a positive lifestyle, and "We Are All Connected," which used a holistic approach to teach the concept that everything is related, to be her favourites.

OS Moore enjoyed all his workshops but found the interactive ones that involved role playing, such as "Conflict



**OS Greg Moore and LS Katerina Stewart fielded many questions about life in the navy during this year's Aboriginal Youth Conference.**

Resolution," to be the most enjoyable and insightful.

Both felt that although the workshops were attended by participants who were, for the most part, much younger than they were (age limit was 16-24 yrs), they were still able to take away a great deal of useful information. As an added benefit, both sailors found themselves leading much of the discussions and keeping their younger workshop participants engaged and focused on the topics being presented, a position neither of them had been in before and one that they found to be empowering.

There was also a Health and Environment Fair that featured crafts vendors, environmental organizations, health care providers and post-secondary and industry recruiters. It was here that OS Moore found a CF recruiting table manned by the very recruiter who had recruited him two and a half years ago.

Many of the participants were impressed when they discovered the two were in the Canadian Navy, and were very active in peppering them with navy/military related questions.

"As a young First Nation's member of the navy I was approached by these

kids because I was seen as being one of them. They were not intimidated by either Katerina or me, which allowed them to ask us many questions which they would never have asked a recruiter," said OS Moore.

LS Stewart is a member of the Nisga'a First Nation and grew up in New Aiyansh and Terrace, B.C. She attended Nisga'a Elementary Secondary School and graduated from Caledonia Senior Secondary School in 2002. Looking for a career that allowed her to travel, she settled on the navy and after completing the CF Aboriginal Entry Program's Pre-Recruit Training Course she went on to recruit training at CFLRS St Jean, QC, in 2003.

OS Moore is also a member of the Nisga'a First Nation but grew up in Laxgalts'ap (Greenville) B.C. He graduated from Nisga'a Secondary School in 2006 and, like LS Stewart, also had the travel bug. He graduated from the Aboriginal summer youth employment program Raven in 2006, which he believes opened up a whole new world to him and entrenched in him the core values of respect, honour and discipline. He joined the CF in 2008 and would recommend a CF career to all First Nation's youth.

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## Sailor of the quarter MS Allan Kobayashi

**CPO1 Paul Helston**  
Fleet Chief

The Canadian Fleet Pacific initiative to recognize a sailor for outstanding achievements has selected its first quarter sailor of the year. Commodore Ron Lloyd approved the selection of MS Allan Kobayashi, Marine Engineer from HMCS Ottawa.



MS Kobayashi was born in Trenton. He was exposed early in life to the CF by his father, who at the time was serving with 424 squadron as a search and rescue technician. This inspired him to join the military.

He spent time in the army as a member of the first Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Since 1997, he has been deployed to Kosovo and Afghanistan where he garnered a life time's worth of lessons in a very short period of time.

In the fall of 2004 he accepted an occupational transfer to the navy as a Marine Engineer. The navy held true to tradition by embracing him, and in a very short time he completed his initial training and as a QL5 graduate and received the Trainee Exhibiting Dedication award. The "TED" award is presented to the member showing the most perseverance, dedication and desire to become a Marine Engineer Technician.

After his QL5, MS Kobayashi went back to sea gaining invaluable experience and training to complete his 2E certification.

MS Kobayashi is also enthusiastic in his pursuit of fitness, a practise he garnered in the army. He is a ship's diver and was the top student in his class.

MS Kobayashi was nominated by Maritime Forces Pacific for the Canadian Forces Recognition Program and was subsequently selected to represent the Canadian Navy in Ottawa on Remembrance Day by standing sentry on the cenotaph. To MS Kobayashi, this was truly,

an experience of a life time.

He recently completed his PLQ course and was awarded the Formation Chief Petty Officer Award.

His Commanding Officer, Commander Frederick Caron, stated MS Kobayashi has constantly demonstrated his commitment to the CF, the ship and its crew. He holds himself to the highest standards of conduct both on and off duty, taking the initiative in a wide variety of situations. He has shown not only the willingness to volunteer for ships requirements but also to mentor and train his shipmates.

MS Kobayashi's outstanding performance and dedication make him an outstanding choice as Sailor of the Quarter. Bravo Zulu.



OS Josianne Girouard (centre) of Base Logistics received her promotion to Able Seaman from Cdr Ballantyne (left) and CPO1 Bombay.



Anita Blais (centre) of Base Logistics receives her 25-year award from LCdr McNab (left) and Cdr Ballantyne.



MS Dawna McGladrie (centre) of Base Logistics receives her promotion to Petty Officer Second Class from Cdr Ballantyne (left) and CPO1 Bombay.



MS Ryan Pollard (centre), of J31-JOC, is promoted by Cdr Guy Bolduc (right), Commanding Officer of Maritime Forces Pacific/Joint Task Force Pacific Headquarters, and Lt(N) Philip Hagell.



CPO2 Gordon Dolbec (centre), from N34, receives his new shoulder slip-ons from Cdr Bolduc (right) and Lt(N) Karl Hoener.



Cpl Travis Frerichs (right) is promoted to MCpl by Cdr Allyn Holborn (left), Base Information Services Officer, on March 31 at Maintenance Detachment Matsqui.



LS Jeff Lewis (right) receives the BIS Level 1 Achievement Award from Cdr Holborn at Maintenance Detachment Matsqui for his recent contributions to the technical library, maintenance record keeping, and outstanding technical support to antenna contractors.

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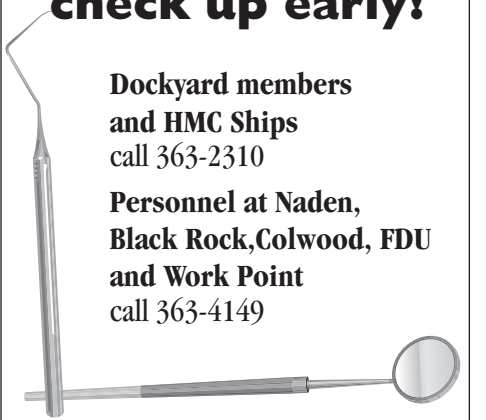
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- Talk to your children and teach them what to do if they encounter a cougar.

- Children playing outdoors should play in-groups. Children shouldn't be left unsupervised.

- Consider getting a dog or using a dog as an early warning system. A dog can see, smell and hear a cougar sooner than a human.

- Consider erecting a fence around play areas.

- Keep a radio playing
- Make sure children are home before dusk and stay indoors until after dawn - the period of time cougars are most active.

- If there have been cougar sightings, escort children to the bus stop early in the morning. Clear shrubs away from around the bus stops, making a radial area of nine metres.

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