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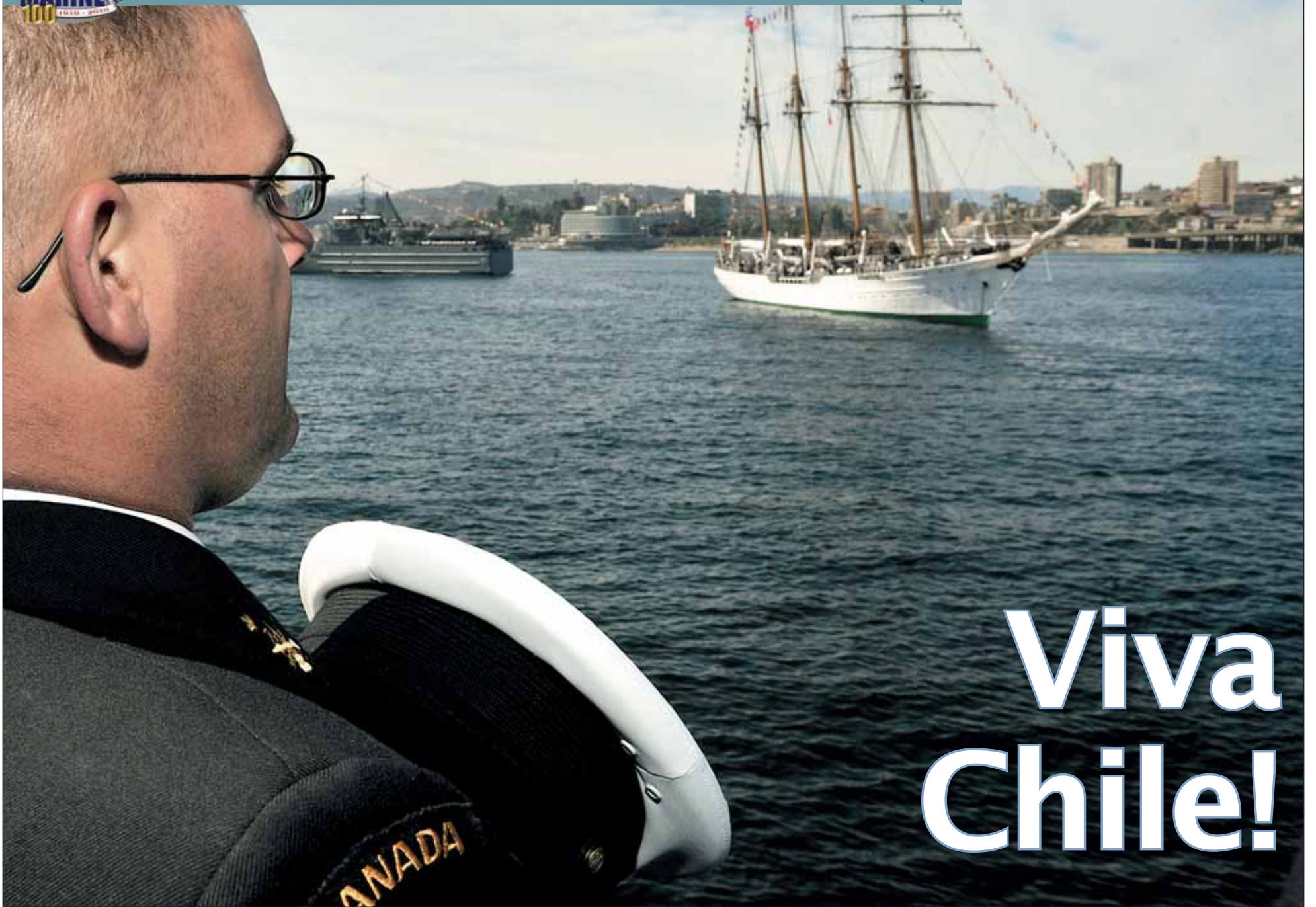


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PO2 Troy Stickley, an Electronic Warfare Supervisor aboard HMCS Algonquin, stands with headdress removed as the ship prepares to salute Chilean training ship Esmeralda during Chile's Bicentennial International Fleet Review. Chile held the celebration on Sept. 20 in Valparaiso Harbour. Esmeralda, a steel-hulled four-masted barquentine tall ship, was the reviewing ship and is the most known and beloved ship of the Chilean Navy. See the full story on page 3.

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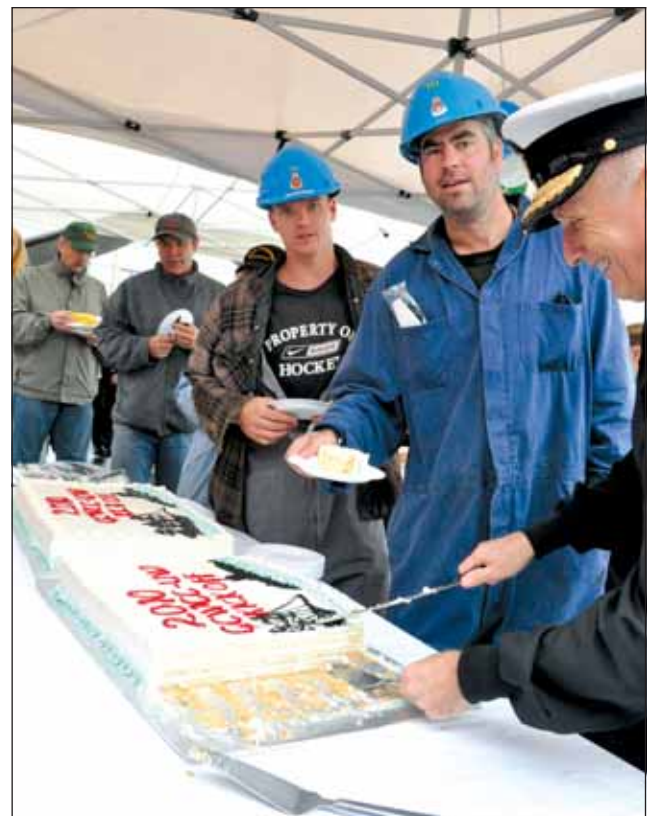
Photos by Lt(N) Michael McWhinnie, BPAO



Threatening skies and a light drizzle failed to dampen enthusiasm at CFB Esquimalt's Government of Canada Workplace Charitable Campaign (GCWCC) kickoff last Thursday as hundreds turned out to show their support for the Formation's annual fundraiser opening.

Clockwise from top left:

- AB Acreman eyes up the competition during team Big Boys' triumphant effort. He and Fleet School team mates OS Smith, LS Sherk, PO2 Aubry, OS Sheppard, PO1 Anderson, PO2 Reed, OS Leger, LS Abdel-Rahim, LS Butler, LS Rideout and LS Bork won bragging rights in the tug-o-war.
- Fleet Maintenance Facility workers display their third place trophy for the Tug-of-War.
- OS Juha Humalamaki serves one of 700 cobs of corn that, along with 900 hot dogs were consumed.
- RAdm Nigel Greenwood serves kick-off cake.
- United Way loaned representative Penny Waterman gets help with her fork from Stuart Olson sub-contractor Tony Laidlaw.
- PO2 Pat Goulet (left) plays lead guitar while LS Rolly Barrett (right) sings. They formed half of the quartet "Pack Dog" who entertained the crowd.



Left to right: OS Ron Humphrey, OS Matt Trombley, and CPO2 Gordy Howe man the ship's side aboard HMCS Algonquin during Chile's Bicentennial International Fleet Review.

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Algonquin sailors celebrate with Chilean Navy

Shelley Lipke
Staff writer

A spectacular fireworks display lit up the night sky in Valparaiso, Chile, Sept. 18 in celebration of the country's bicentennial.

Two days later the Chilean Navy had their own party when they hosted an International Fleet Review to honour 200 years of independence and 192 years as a navy.

Argentina, Brazil, Canada, U.S.A. and U.K. ships joined the Chilean ships, submarines and aircraft for the festivities.

Representing Canada was HMCS Algonquin.

After hosting the Lieutenant Governor of Canada in June during the west coast celebration of the Canadian Navy's 100 year anniversary, Algonquin sailors were excited to take part in the Chilean celebrations.

Twenty nine ships maneuvered into position to form a long line travelling north along the Chilean coast with Flagship Williams in the lead. Following close behind were the international ships and the Chilean ships and submarines.

"The last time Chile had an International Fleet Review was 100 years ago," said Lt Fernando Mendez, PWO-A (combat officer) in Chilean Frigate Cochrane. "All of the countries who are participating have a strong relationship with Chile and the Chilean Navy. We have built an important relationship with Canada and are happy they could join us. It's very important for us to host this International Fleet Review and it's a great honour to have shipmates from different countries celebrate our independence day with us."

Algonquin was the fourth ship to salute the reviewing ship. On board sailors donned their best dress as they lined the fo'c'sle and flight decks surrounding the ship's Sea King helicopter as they sailed

toward the 57-year-old reviewing ship Esmeralda.

Embarked on board the tall ship Esmeralda was Chilean President Sebastian Piñera Echenique, Commander-in-Chief of the Chilean Navy Admiral Edmundo Gonzalez Robles, and Minister of Defence Jaime Rabinet, along with a slew of media and invited guests including Canadian Ambassador Sarah Fountain-Smith.

People could even be seen from the tall ship's crow's nest, as they stood snapping photos at the passing ships.

An estimated one million spectators packed local beaches and bridges while others took to their fishing boats, kayaks or sailboats to get a closer view.

Williams was the first ship to salute the VIP's on board as it sailed past Esmeralda.

Four squadrons of F16 fighter planes whizzed across the sky and the Chilean Halcones aerobatic team performed overhead.

As each ship passed the reviewing ship, sailors removed their hats and shouted: "Viva Chile, Viva Chile, Viva Chile," while tipping their hats to the President.

From the bridge of the Cochrane, Chilean sailors were fixed on the TV screen that featured live coverage of each ship saluting.

And when they got close to the reviewing ship, the excitement mounted and all eyes turned to the sailors on deck and the Esmeralda as Cochrane passed in salute.

"It was a great day for the Chilean Navy," said Lt Mendez. "We are very thankful the other countries participated in our independence celebrations."

After the International Fleet Review, Algonquin broke free from the formation and began its voyage to Guatemala. The ship will also stop in San Diego for a port visit before returning to Esquimalt at the end of October.



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WHAT SAY YOU

Tiny town makes big naval contribution

Capt Quentin Wyne HMCS Algonquin

The tiny town of Ajax, Ontario, contains around .002 per cent of Canada's population.

But for some reason there are 10 times as many "Ajacians" by population aboard *HMCS Algonquin*.

Three former residents currently serve together aboard *Algonquin*, which is deployed on Operation Pacific Amistad 10 in South America.

AB Malisse Ogunniya enrolled in the navy in 2008. Her twin sister followed in her footsteps a year later, and now both are based at CFB Esquimalt.

AB Ogunniya is a records management systems clerk in the ship's office.

"I wanted adventure, a career and a good job," she says. "This gives me both."

OS Sonya Allison-Ryan is the second of the trio.

"It's nice to run into town-folk, especially when you are thousands of kilometres from the familiar surroundings of home," she says. "I speak to my Grandma there on a regular basis, and like to keep in contact with my old boss Linda, and other friends from the Superstore where I used to work. I love the community, I miss my family and friends from there, and if I hadn't of joined the CF I would still probably be living there."

LCdr Malcolm Butler could be considered the ring leader of the three.

"Ajax was a great place to

grow up and represented many of the great things about being Canadian: the hockey, the high standard of living, the quiet wide-open green areas and the culture. It was really an idyllic setting, and I'm proud to let people know it," he says. "I learned there were three of us aboard by chance. AB Ogunniya is the twin sister of another RMS clerk I met at the Base Orderly Room at CFB Esquimalt, who introduced herself when she assisted me in preparing to join *Algonquin*. I learned about OS Allison-Ryan only two weeks ago when the ship's company was holding a barbeque while en route to Callao, Peru."

LCdr Butler proudly displays an Ajax flag in his cabin. All three recently took the time to visit ashore in Valparaiso, Chile,

where they posed to take a photo for their families at home.

While most of Canada's Halifax Class frigates, and indeed many warships around the world, draw their names from towns and cities, Ajax draws its name from HMS Ajax, a British warship that was the flagship for the Royal Navy during the Battle of the River Plate near Montevideo, Uruguay during the Second World War.

The Town of Ajax also has another connection to the armed forces in that during the Second World War, it was the epicentre of the British Commonwealth's munitions production.

More recently, the Town of Ajax has launched a formal petition to have the Canadian Navy name a future Canadian warship after the town.



A trio of "Ajacians" from Ajax, ON, currently serve on board *HMCS Algonquin*. Holding up the city flag are AB Malissa Ogunniya, OS Sonya Allison-Ryan, and LCdr Malcolm Butler.

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Dental detachment adds to services

Shelley Lipke
Staff writer

A major addition to the dental services offered at CFB Esquimalt will be launched next month.

The Dental Unit Detachment Esquimalt, already a Regional Dental Specialty Centre, has added a new specialty department. This is oral maxillofacial surgery that corrects a wide spectrum of diseases, injuries and defects in the head, neck, face, jaws and the hard and soft tissues of the oral and maxillofacial region. It is a recognized international surgical specialty and it is one of the nine specialties of dentistry.

The new department is one of six offered at a Canadian Forces base.

Leading the clinic is Maj Terry Ratkowski. He has 20 years dentistry experience, working the past four years in this specialty field. He is one of five fully trained oral maxillofacial surgeons within the Canadian Forces.

"It's important to ensure that people

receive timely and appropriate care," said Maj Ratkowski. "We are getting the support we need to set up this centre and the right equipment for excellent care. I'm excited about the quality of care we will soon deliver."

This is good news for military members who, in the past, were referred to local civilian dental specialists for procedures such as wisdom teeth removal, jaw surgery, bone grafting and implant surgery.

As the only CF Dental Specialty Centre in British Columbia, military members from CFB Comox, Jericho Beach, Chilliwack and Masset can travel to CFB Esquimalt to receive specialized care.

Maj Ratkowski will team up with periodontist LCol Brenda Joy and advanced general dentist Capt Benoit Caouette to care for the patients when the oral maxillofacial surgery department officially opens.

"The Esquimalt military will have access to specialized care without hav-

ing long waits," says LCol Joy. "With this being a specialty clinic I expect less referrals downtown, which will make it easier for the patient to receive the care they require."

Some procedures will still be conducted by local civilian dental specialists who work hand in hand with CFB Esquimalt's dental experts.

"Our presence is not to replace the civilian community; we are here to augment what exists for our patients. We very much appreciate the care that our civilian counterparts have provided to our personnel and we will continue to utilize these cases as required," she adds.

In the next one to two years, the Dental Unit Detachment Esquimalt will continue to expand to include a prosthodontist who will specialize in complex oral rehabilitation such as placing bridges, crowns and implants.

The five other dental specialty centres in the CF are located in Halifax, Valcartier, Ottawa, Petawawa, and Edmonton.

Belmont Park's hungriest residents: bears

SLt Aaron Hawkins
Assistant to BPAO

Recent claims of black bear sightings in residential housing areas of Belmont Park in Colwood have rekindled the annual discussion surrounding the management of wildlife in populated areas.

Although normally not considered a threat to humans, and in most cases are non-aggressive, black bears, like any wild animal, need to be given a wide berth. The animal reported in the Belmont Park area left a trail of garbage and fruit refuse scattered across residents' yards, prompting advisories from B.C. Conservation officers.

"These types of incidents, while in some cases can be

attributed to hungry bears, are not confined to these animals. Regardless of what type of animal is involved, the best practice is to keep residential areas free of garbage and report any bear, wolf or cougar sighting to conservation officials," advises Peter Pauwels, a B.C. Conservation Officer. "Many other species can also take advantage of this food supply, including raccoons, squirrels, and various species of birds. Keeping a clean yard and ensuring that garbage bins and bags are stored indoors for the next six weeks will decrease the possibility of unwanted animal encounters."

CFB Esquimalt administers large parcels of federal land in the Capital Regional District, with many of these areas being rural or semi-rural

in nature. As bears seek out food in order to fatten up for winter hibernation, their normal diet of berries and fruit can often be supplemented by household organic garbage disposed of outside the home.

B.C.'s Conservation Officer Service states that most people are not aware of the potential role their actions play in the destruction of bears. By allowing bears to access non-natural food sources such as garbage, humans help to create 'problem' bears that must often be destroyed to avoid property damage and reduce potential threats to human safety. According to provincial statistics, every year over 1,000 'problem' black bears are shot in British Columbia because of perceived or actual threats to human safety. Most

of these cases involve an element of poor human management of non-natural food sources.

B.C. Conservation officials are asking residents to keep their garbage indoors until the day of pick up, at which time it should be moved curb-side. Residents should continue to store their garbage inside their homes until the end of October.

Anyone who encounters a bear or a cougar on MARPAC/CFB Esquimalt property should contact the Military Police at 250-363-4032, and then inform B.C. Conservation officers at 1-800-663-9453. For more information on human-bear interactions visit: www.env.gov.bc.ca/cos/info/bearaware/index.html

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Exercise tests basic warfare

Shelley Lipke
Staff writer

For three days in September HMC Ships *Algonquin* and *Protecteur* practiced interoperability with ships and aircrafts from the Chilean Navy during Exercise Terra Australis.

The two-and-a-half day exercise, held Sept. 13-15, was short, but worthwhile according to *Algonquin's* Commanding Officer, Cdr Angus Topshee.

"From a training point of view the pace was faster than RIMPAC (Rim of the Pacific), and in two and a half days we got as much training as we did in any comparable period during RIMPAC," he said.

Both Canadian ships and the Canadian maritime patrol craft *Aurora* joined British ship *HMS Portland*, Chilean ships, and four helicopters to conduct the exercises.

"This exercise was designed to test our basic warfare skills," said Cdr Topshee.

Simulated war games such as advanced search, locate and attack by aircraft, coordinated anti submarine warfare exercises, weapons firing at a high speed inflatable tow target, and a force protection shoot were all packed into the busy flex schedule.

"Initially we expected one or

two Chilean ships, but we had their flagship and four others with a sub and F16 aircraft as well. It was everything we could ask for in an exercise, and as good as the exercises we do in Canada. My only regret is I wish it was longer," he said.

In any task group the most challenging thing on the first day is to establish good communication and radio links. Cdr Topshee said it was surprising how quickly they acquired communication in a task group of this size. "I was surprised, despite the language barrier, how well we all communicated. The Chilean comments were very favourable about how quickly the communication developed."

The Force Protection Yellow shoot was perhaps the most visual as four ships took turns moving in patterns and shooting an inflatable target while passing it.

"This involved four ships firing weapons safely while in close proximity. It was a matter of hitting the target without hitting anyone else involved in the exercise," said Cdr Topshee.

They also took part in two anti submarine warfare exercises against a Chilean submarine, which proved a very capable opponent. "We managed to avoid it and our helo also got some good time with

the sub exercising multi-helo tracking," he said.

During one of the early exercises, one disposition that was ordered by the Chileans surprised Cdr Topshee.

"Generally we all used the same features, so if we had to deal with a submarine we would be taking the same approach. The Chileans used different dispositions when they had to order ships in positions; they used a two whisky grid, which has been in the books forever and has fallen out of use in Canadian practice. We haven't used that in 12 years, so we had to go look up how to plot and it took us longer to get into place, but it made me realize how simple and effective it was for relocating ships," said Cdr Topshee.

Cdr Topshee was last in Chile in 1998 and was impressed with the progress the Chilean Navy has made since then.

"In 1998 they seemed like a navy on the rise and had fairly old ships. They didn't sail out to exercise with us then; this time I was very impressed," he said. "I think the most common thing I hear from the crew of *Algonquin* is how professional the Chileans are and how well the two countries worked together. It was a great experience for all parties involved."



Shelley Lipke, Lookout

Top: Officer of the watch SLt Matt Bowman checks the coordinates on the Pelorus during Force Protection Yellow.

Below: MS Corey O'Neil and LS Shawn Landry operate the helm and throttle of HMCS *Algonquin* during the exercise.



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Canadian Navy Ball preparations heat up

There is a month to go before the final Canadian Naval Centennial event on the west coast.

The Canadian Navy Ball is the gala evening to be held Oct. 28 at the Victoria Conference Centre.

For one guest the fun will get an early start.

All those who have purchased tickets to the Ball by Oct. 1 will be entered to win an early-bird prize that includes a \$50 gift certificate to Haven Spa at the Sidney Pier Hotel & Spa, as well as a \$50 gift certificate to Pescatores Seafood & Grill. Purchase tickets now for a chance to win this pre-gala preparation and celebration.

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The Canadian Navy Ball will have lively entertainment by the Emily Carr String Quartet. The menu features a mix of hors d'oeuvres - including grilled vegetable and truffle tarts with goat cheese; lemon, garlic and cilantro prawns, mini spanakopita, and grilled black bean beef skewers. Dinner will be served at Crystal Gardens. A fall game paté, duck confit and local greens with cranberry vinaigrette appetizer are the perfect introduction to a main course of beef tenderloin and sablefish.

Throughout dinner, Master of Ceremonies, A Channel broadcaster Bruce Williams, will guide commemorative addresses and introductions of special guests, including Guest of Honour, Steven Point, Lieutenant Governor of B.C.

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City a world away feels like home for some sailors

CP02 Gordon Howe
HMCS Algonquin

HMCS Algonquin was blanketed in fog and somewhere ahead of us HMCS Protecteur had received their pilot and was coming alongside Valparaiso, Chile. Dim shapes of other ships were barely visible in the haze of the harbour. As we waited for our pilot, you couldn't help but notice the still coolness of the sea. Somehow it felt Canadian.

We hadn't even come alongside and already I had the feeling of coming home.

Later, after we had tied up outboard of Protecteur, we went through the usual routine of landing gash, storing ship and getting some long awaited mail from home. During all this we were able to shake off these strange feelings and get the job done. Of course the usual nausea of Customs came and went, and finally the brow was opened to the ship's company.

The fog had lifted and the sun was shining on the densely packed buildings that lined the hills of Valparaiso. As we stepped ashore, once again we were struck with a curious feeling of home. The busses, arranged for us by Fleet Logistic Staff, were waiting on the jetty and one driver was wearing an HMCS Calgary ball cap, a souvenir of Calgary's stay here last year. The drivers were friendly and

spoke enough English to give us a brief "heads up" on what to expect downtown.

As we passed through the city, we noticed a strange contradiction in the buildings. In the midst of rundown older structures, modern office buildings and restaurants poked up. The contrast of old and new was comforting. The driver explained that Valparaiso had been declared a world-heritage city and that emphasis was on restoring the older structures before building new ones.

The bus made several stops, a shopping mall, Starbucks and the casino. The people were friendly and helpful and smiles were found on many faces all around us. I had already changed some money into Pesos, so my first stop was Starbucks to get a Wi-Fi connect and touch base with my family back in Canada.

Ordering a coffee was so familiar, in spite of the language difference, that when I sat down and opened my laptop, I was surprised that I couldn't plug my power cord into the 220 volt outlet. I still managed to call home and talk to my wife while on the laptop battery. Later, when I returned to the ship, a fellow crew member told me of a helpful local that told him where to get an adapter for his laptop. The next day I picked one up for about three and a half bucks.

Valparaiso is once more on the climb to greatness and this is never more obvious than in the attitude of its people. An attitude than I find familiar, very Canadian.

Valparaiso is a very old city, first established as a major seaport. In the pre-Panama Canal days, ship's travelling to the west coast were forced to sail down the eastern coast of the Americas, through the perilous Straits of Magellan and then up the west coast. This transit was so difficult that most ship's required repairs afterward. The best harbour for these was Valparaiso, Chile. This allowed the city to grow and take on a greater role in international shipping. To facilitate this, the Port was declared a "free" port. Ship's could come in, transfer cargo and carry on without worrying about being taxed by the Port.

Before too long, Valparaiso was the richest city in Chile.

Then, on Aug. 16, 1906, at 7:48 p.m., Valparaiso was hit by a massive 8.2 earthquake, which killed over 3,000 people immediately

and flattened large sections of the city. Fires and collapsing buildings killed several hundred more over the weeks that followed. The wealthier landowners and men of commerce were least affected by the earthquake, living further from the city itself and with most of their homes built on solid bedrock. As much of the wealth of the city was unaffected, the decision to rebuild was inevitable. But less than a decade later, with reconstruction still ongoing, another disaster struck the port of Valparaiso.

On Aug. 15, 1914, the cargo ship SS Ancon, became the first ship through the newly opened Panama Canal. The opening of the Panama Canal proved to be the undoing of the reconstruction of Valparaiso. The Canal provided a shipping route from the Atlantic to the Pacific that took the port of Valparaiso entirely out of the equation. With the city's main source of income gone, the wealthy populace moved inland to the capital city of Santiago, leaving behind a half rebuilt city struggling to find a place for itself in this new world.

The answer to Valparaiso's woes came from an unlikely source. Because of its isolation in a pocket of the Andes, Valparaiso and its surrounding valleys have perfect conditions for agriculture. Grapes that were imported hundreds of years before now flourished in the Chilean microclimates. The

Andes also provided an enormous shield against the insect pests that attacked the agriculture of other South American countries. While most of the old world vine stock had been destroyed in the Great Wine Blight of the mid-nineteenth century, the Chilean wineries were unaffected by the aphids that caused it because they could not cross the Andes. Several varieties of grapes were found in Chile and re-imported to France and other countries, while still others remained exclusive to Chile.

Now Valparaiso is once more on the climb to greatness and this is never more obvious than in the attitude of its people. An attitude than I find familiar, and very Canadian.

The people of Chile are a very happy people, always eager to help with a smile on their face. They have a "can do" attitude and seem to get the most enjoyment possible out of life. They will sometimes complain, about the government or the weather, but don't we all? When it comes right down to it, the most foreign thing about Chile was the Spanish language; that, and the ownerless dogs that freely roam the streets. People seem to like them, feed them, and scratch behind their ears, even though they don't know them. A very Canadian attitude, if you ask me.

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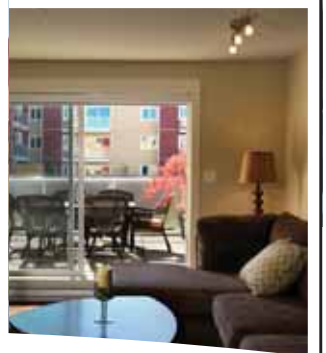


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CPO2 Brad Main examines his award-winning model of a Sea King helicopter in its display case at Maritime Forces Pacific Headquarters.

Victoria's next top model on display

SLt Aaron Hawkins
Assistant to BPAO

Regional modelling enthusiasts congregated in Sidney Sept. 18 at the Mary Winspear Centre for the Victoria Scale Modellers Club annual Scale Model Show and Contest.

Young and old displayed the fruits of what is often months of labour while competing for trophies in several categories. Devotees displayed over 220 miniature replicas on subjects ranging from cinematic themes, to science fiction staples to sport cars.

MS Chris Welch and his seven-year-old son built a model from the "Make and Take" table, and entered it in the competition. They won a trophy for the Best

Family Entry

"Modelling is a key to getting people, especially young people, interested in detail," said organizer Tim Cotey.

Cotey, a Reserve Chief Petty Officer, is quick to point out that while most entrants came from those 30 and older, examples such as MS Welch and his son getting involved bode well for the future of modelling on Vancouver Island.

"Anyone can build a model. In fact, when I was at sea I used my fleeting moments of down time to build a model of HMCS Brantford (which was on display at this year's show). Although many of us abandon it in our early teens, the creative experience and sense of accomplishment that went along with finish-

ing a model as a kid can be rekindled at any age," says Cotey.

That enthusiasm he describes was palpable during the event as visitors of all ages discovered, or rediscovered, the pleasures of model building at a table set aside for the assembly of kits, either purchased onsite or drawn by raffle.

The competition included several military-themed trophies including Afghanistan armoured vehicles, the Battle of Britain, and in honour of the Navy's 100th anniversary, the Best Naval Centennial Subject, which was awarded to Paul O'Reilly, an employee with the Maritime Museum, for his model of HMCS Warrior.

Top honours for the day went to CPO2 Brad Main,

whose model of a CH-124 Sea King won in a number of categories, including Best in Show. That model is normally on display in a closed display case on the mezzanine deck of the Maritime Forces Pacific headquarters building.

The Victoria Scale Modellers Club meets on the second Monday of every month at the Chiefs and Petty Officer's Mess. Membership fees are \$20 per adult, \$10 for children under 15, and despite the success of many of the club's advanced modellers, the emphasis is on having fun and enjoying the hobby.

For further information and to join the Victoria Scale Modellers Club, visit their website at www.vsm.bc.ca

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QL5 Steward trainees follow along with PO1 Greg Conway, Senior Instructor at the new Steward training cell in the newly renovated training classroom at the Stettler Building, Naval Officer Training Centre Venture.

West Coast is the new home for steward training

SLt Aaron Hawkins
Assistant to BPAO

For the first time in over 40 years, CF members of the Steward occupation will be trained on Canada's West Coast, and with a significantly greater emphasis on the operational aspects of their ship borne responsibilities.

The Stettler Building at Work Point received its official christening as the newly renovated home for QL5 and QL6 Steward training last Wednesday, Sept. 22. Under the direction of Canadian Forces Fleet School Esquimalt (CFFSE), this new Steward 'cell' takes over instructional duties from the Canadian Forces School of Administration and Logistics (CFSAL) located at CFB Borden, Ont.

Henceforth, Steward occupational training will be the mandate of CFFSE on the West Coast and Canadian Forces Naval Operations School (CFNOS) in Halifax. The two Fleets will welcome future 'home-grown' QL5 and QL6 graduates who will be assigned increased responsibilities in the mission-critical area of First Aid and Casualty Clearing. The new vision aims at sustaining a high level of operational readiness and create a self-generation capability within the Steward occupation.

Changes to the Steward trade have been a long time in the making. Stewards formed part of the CF Logistics Branch until 1 September 1998 when they were

reassigned to the Sea Element and designated as part of the Naval Operations Branch.

During the past two weeks the Stettler Building has metamorphosed from lifeless storage space to dynamic training facility. Senior representatives from CFFSE, Base and Fleet were on hand last Wednesday as instructors acquainted the first group of students with course materials and training resources.

"As this is a pilot course, final evaluation of the impact of the changes will come at the end of their training," said Standards evaluator PO1 Michael Jarrett. "The added responsibility for First Aid and the operational focus for these students once they get posted will go a long way to helping us tweak the current training system to better serve the Fleet."

Formation Chief and the CF senior Steward, CPO1 Robert Cookson highlighted the importance of Wednesday's facility launch. He addressed those assembled by saying, "The opening of this new cell today comes as a result of the efforts of many within the trade to advance the steward occupation across the Canadian Forces. I couldn't be prouder of what has been accomplished so far, and this pilot course on the West Coast represents a major step towards recognizing the importance of stewards in their traditional roles as well as in their increased operational capacities."

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Sailors visit children's hospital

Shelley Lipke
Staff writer

An outreach visit on Sept. 17 to the Sanitorio Maritimo San Juan de Dios hospital in Chile tugged on the heartstrings of 21 HMCS Algonquin sailors.

It was an emotional and touching experience to meet some of the 52 children who live at the hospital and suffer from varying degrees of cerebral palsy and other difficulties associated with the neurological disease.

All have been abandoned by their families and rely on volunteers and community members for support.

Alexandra Llanos, pub-

lic affairs representative at the hospital, greeted the sailors upon their arrival and explained, "It's very important for people to visit the children so they feel important. They have no family. We are very thankful you are here to see them."

It was a special day for the children and hospital volunteers who had been preparing and practicing a cultural performance for the past week, which they performed for the sailors and community members in attendance.

In an outdoor courtyard, Spanish music played representing different regions of Chile and the children were wheeled around in their

wheelchairs by volunteers in an array of patterns to the beat of the music.

The children smiled with delight as everyone clapped and cheered.

They were in the limelight.

Then Father Nivaldo Hernandez Diaz invited the sailors to visit the children who are in the final stages of this disease - terminal cases who live in a separate ward.

Sailors presented armloads of diapers, toys and crayons.

The visit was a humbling experience for the sailors who had volunteered to take part in the outreach visit. As they toured the ward, they split up to each spend

time with a child, show them stuffed animals and talk to them.

AB Ron Humphrey has volunteered at the Montreal McGill Chest Institute, a hospital dedicated to people with respiratory illnesses.

"This event brings back many painful memories. The lifespan is greatly reduced for children in these conditions. These kids won't get to live life to fulfillment. I had to leave the room a few times, and I can't help but think this could have been any one of us," he said. "I had mixed feelings about participating in this event, but I wanted the experience and I wanted to do this. Thank God centers like these exist for these children."

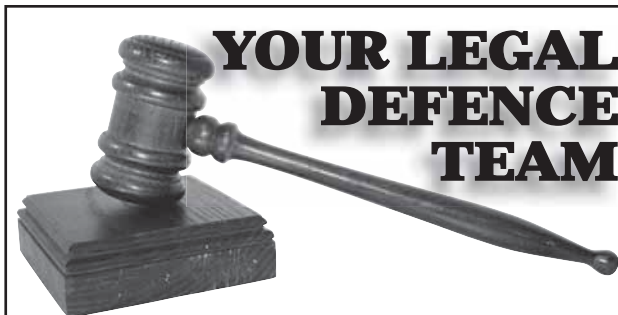
The hospital itself is a clean, modern building, with caring volunteers who repeatedly kissed the cheeks of the children throughout the day.

"The hospital has been running for 82 years in Viña Del Mar, Chile," said Father Diaz. "Some of the children can still have relations with other people, but there are children who can't go out at all and are in major degrees of difficulty. They are left behind from their families and will die soon. This hospital provides a way to show them love. The most important thing we can give the kids is love. I am grateful for your visit and God bless you."



Shelley Lipke, Lookout

LS Joe Inverarity brings a smile to Rita at the Sanitorio Maritimo San Juan de Dios hospital in Vina del Mar Sept. 18. Sailors from HMCS Algonquin visited the children who have cerebral palsy and live at the hospital.



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Restaurant in Chile a taste of home

Shelley Lipke
Staff writer

For the past 25 years, sailors from around the world have had a place to hang their hat and feel at home when they visit the port of Valparaiso, Chile.

Walking into the Hamburg Restaurant for the first time is like stepping back in time and experiencing a living naval history museum.

Ship's bells, kisby rings, oars, plaques, mugs and countless other naval memorabilia line the walls, ceiling and floors.

It's one of a kind, and a sight to behold.

Sixty-four-year-old German restaurant owner Wolfgang Scheuber can usually be found behind the bar, socializing, laughing and making jokes with the patrons at the barstools.

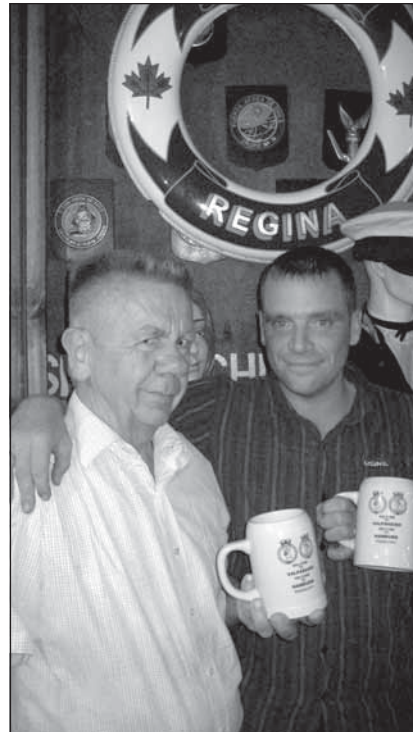
He travelled the seven seas for more than 22 years as a cook in the merchant navy before he dropped his anchor in Valparaiso in 1985 to serve sailors from all over the world good food and drink.

"I love collecting," said Scheuber. "I collect plates, spoons, bells – anything and everything I can."

He started his restaurant with two life rings and one plate when he first opened in 1985 and built his collection to more than 300 life rings, 150 ship's bells and he even has a 150-year-old cannon that was a present from the Chilean Navy.

"Sailors keep bringing me more presents all the time," he says. "Every ship that comes here leaves something behind."

HMCS *Algonquin* was no exception. On Sept. 18 sailors from the ship packed the restaurant to see Commanding Officer Cdr Angus Topsy and OS Trevor White present a kisby ring and Canadian Naval Centennial flag to Scheuber.



LS Lee Mihalcheon stands with restaurateur Wolfgang Scheuber in front of a Regina kisby ring.

OS White's father visited the Hamburg 15 years earlier on board HMCS Kootenay and left behind a kisby ring and plaque. Following in his father's footsteps, it was only right he do the same.

"When I came here I was astonished at the place my father told me about. It put me on cloud nine. I was floating on a high of happiness. I felt very proud to be in the same trade as a bosun as my father, and 15 years later to be in the same bar as my father presenting this kisby ring. It was a very special moment when my Commanding Officer allowed me to present these gifts. It was a highly rewarding experience. I think my father will be proud of me," he said.

Scheuber can be described as a charismatic, energetic workaholic

who loves spending time with the sailors. He takes only four hours of sleep each night to recharge his batteries in his six day work week, and bounces between two houses and two restaurant locations.

He often takes patrons to his villa nestled between two mountains an hour away from Valparaiso to see grapefruit, peaches, apples, walnuts, cherries, grapes for wine and other fruit and vegetables he grows. At this location he has a large hall where he hosts parties for sailors, and cooks dinner for his guests. It's reminiscent of the Hamburg Restaurant as it is loaded with memorabilia from ships and sailors.

He's also adopted five street dogs that live in his villa.

His second Hamburg Restaurant is an hour away from Valparaiso and is much larger. A Canadian flag blows in the breeze beside two cannons as you enter. This restaurant is open for large groups and parties.

"This restaurant serves good food and has a good atmosphere," he says. "Most of my employees have worked here for 20 years."

Glancing around the room you can see why. For every picture there is a story, and for Scheuber he's got countless pictures and even more stories.

"I have no wife, because I don't have money for the wife," he jokes in a thick German accent.

He's quick and eager to pour a shot of Jagemeister and have the servers deliver it to your table, as a way of saying thanks for coming to the Hamburg Restaurant.

When asked what he'll do with his thousands of naval possessions upon retirement, he said, "I'll probably have my own museum of all these things. I don't know maybe I'll sell them."

Either way, Scheuber has no plans of moving anywhere. He's got way too many worldly possessions.



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LCdr Malcolm Butler (left) and OS Trevor White of HMCS *Algonquin* present the owner of Restaurant Hamburg, Wolfgang Scheuber, with a ceremonial kisby ring. Scheuber has been collecting maritime items for many years and showcases them in his restaurant.



MS Andres of Canadian Fleet Pacific Headquarters MWV Technical Support Section is promoted to PO2 effective Sept. 15 by Cdr Ellis and LCdr Szabo, MWV Tech Officer.

CFB Esquimalt buys soldiers a coffee

Some time ago, Denise Wood of Building 66, Storage Operations, received one of those chain emails at home that we all get from time to time. This one was a petition asking Tim Horton's to set up coffee fund donation boxes in their stores for our service men and women in Afghanistan.

Denise thought, why wait for something that may or may not happen, so she decided to start a fund at work. She obtained some old combat boots and made up signs encouraging her co-workers to contribute their spare change by tossing it into the boots.

Sgt Paula Hawkins, Clothing Stores Team Leader, heard about Denise's idea and arranged to have a similar boot set up in the Clothing Stores and Tailor Shop section where employees and cus-



Denise Wood and the gang from Building 66 hand over a Timmie card from donations raised in house to PO1 Wist, who will take it to Afghanistan.

tomers alike have contributed to the cause.

After several months of collecting, there has been a total of \$275 collected in Building 66 and another

\$254 collected in Clothing Stores and the Taylor Shop.

Two Tim Horton gift cards have been purchased and PO1 Steve Wist has agreed to carry them with

him to Kandahar where he will be inviting the logistics staff there to have "a coffee on CFB Esquimalt Main Warehouse or Clothing Stores/Tailor Shop."

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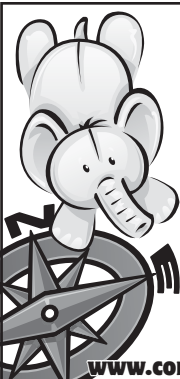
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We are inviting residents to participate in community workshops to help us solicit feedback on possible funding options for an enhanced curbside collection program and the revenue shortfall resulting from the proposed kitchen scraps restriction.

Feedback from these workshops will be recorded to help guide the decisions in this project. We're committed to finding the best options and we need your input.

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