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# ON THE ROAD TO Nijmegen

The MARPAC (Maritime Forces Pacific) Nijmegen marching team belts out a song as they cross the Selkirk Trestle during a 40 kilometre training march in preparation for the upcoming four day marches in Holland. Read more on page 3.

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# ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY WELCOMES New Commander



**DND**

Vice-Admiral Art McDonald assumed the duties of Commander of the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) from Vice-Admiral Ron Lloyd in a formal change of command ceremony on June 12, presided over by General Jonathan Vance, Chief of the Defence Staff.

During the ceremony there was also a change of appointment for Chief Petty Officer First Class David Steeves who assumed the role of Command Chief of the RCN from Chief Petty Officer First Class Michel Vigneault.

The ceremony was held at HMC Dockyard Halifax, home of Maritime Forces Atlantic.

"I have been exceptionally blessed to finish my career as the Commander of the Royal Canadian Navy," said VAdm Lloyd. "On a

daily basis for the last three years, the Command Chief and I have had the pleasure and privilege of witnessing firsthand the incredible difference Canadian sailors are making globally on behalf of Canada and Canadians. The future of the RCN is exceptionally bright, and I could not be more pleased with how the leadership is embracing the once-in-a-half-century opportunity that the largest recapitalization in our peacetime history represents. The Command Chief and I are so incredibly proud of Vice-Admiral Art McDonald, Chief Petty Officer Dave Steeves, and the entire One Navy Team and their loving families who provide them such incredible support. On behalf of the both of us, a heartfelt thank you to you all."

VAdm McDonald assumes Command as the 36th Commander of the

Royal Canadian Navy. He has served in a variety of command and staff roles throughout his career, most recently serving as Deputy Commander of the Royal Canadian Navy.

After three years as Commander of the Royal Canadian Navy, as part of his 38-year naval career, Vice-Adm Lloyd will enjoy retirement with his wife Louise.

Photos by Mona Ghitz



From the left: Vice-Admiral Ron Lloyd, General Jonathan Vance, and VAdm Art McDonald sign the change of command certificates, officially marking the relinquishing of command from VAdm Lloyd to VAdm McDonald.



**Robin&AJ**  
Good morning. Good times.







The 2019 MARPAC Nijmegen marching team.

Photo by SLt M.X. Déry

# Stepping it up for Nijmegen

**SLt M.X. Déry**  
MARPAC PA Office

The final selection for the MARPAC (Maritime Forces Pacific) Nijmegen marching team has been made and the 11 members and one spare are on the home stretch of training before departing for Europe on July 11.

Leading the team this year is Warrant Officer Nathan Verhoog who was part of the team last year.

"The experience was so wonderful. The pride you get from completing the marches is an incredible feeling. I look forward to the feeling of leading 10 great people across the finish line."

Aside from the leadership challenge, the march is personal for him.

"The Nijmegen marches has always had a special significance for me. My Great-great-grandfather did it in 1925 and I found out about that five years ago. It just seemed a great way to come full circle for me."

The Marches, four days of 40 kilometre sections totalling 160km, were originally a means for Dutch infantry to increase their long-distance marching and weight-carrying abilities, but has evolved into an international four-day event that draws military teams and 45,000 civilian marchers from 69 countries.

For many members of the Canadian Armed Forces, it is also about remembrance for the Canadian soldiers that died in the Netherlands during the



Second World War and the special relationship Canada has with the Dutch people.

That was part of the inspiration for the morale patch design for this year's MARPAC team.

"I wanted to venture away from the traditional badges and patches that we've used before," explained Master Corporal Matt Lucas, designer of the winning patch. "I wanted a more modern design."

The red, white and blue colours represents the Dutch flag.

"I wanted to incorporate that and blend it into our biggest national symbol, the Maple Leaf. The script for the text is coloured using the Nijmegen flag. Incorporating the tulip was important as it is also a recognizable Dutch symbol."

There were many submissions from team members and after three rounds of voting MCpl Lucas' entry was picked; however, he is quick to point out he had some help.

"I had a lot of help from my very talented spouse, Kara Tibbel. She is proficient in graphic arts and imaging."

While the patches are being printed, training must continue.

"We still train Monday through Friday," said WO Verhoog, adding that he has changed the training compared to last year. "We've added a little more diversity in our marching routes. We did the same march every Friday last year. It got a little boring."

The awareness of anatomy, physiology, and how to take care of sore feet has been incorporated in the training to prevent injury.

For any CAF members thinking about participating next year, WO Verhoog suggests staying active and going on hikes.

"Our training plan is a very slow but steady escalation towards the proper distance and the proper weight. We have fantastic support from the Personnel Support Programs staff who help us develop the core strength needed for these marches. If you have a good baseline of fitness and you know how your feet react to long distance marching, you're going to be set and ready to go come next February."

If you'd like to meet the MARPAC Nijmegen team, their members will be manning the Naden and Dockyard gates on Tuesday June 18 with a boot to collect funds for Soldier On and Family First. They will have signs and be singing marching songs.

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## WHAT SAY WE



**Hazel Desharnais**  
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**M**aster Corporal Roman Clark Joseph died of a sudden brain hemorrhage in the company of friends on Oct. 11, 2018. He was 50 years young.

Growing up in Vancouver, Roman was a boy scout, before he began his military career by joining the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada Army Cadets. In September

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## Remembering MCpl Roman Joseph

1987, he joined the Canadian Armed Forces as an Army Radio Operator, now known as an Army Communications and Information Systems Specialist.

During his 31 years of service, Roman participated in numerous tours earning the United Nations Protection Force Medal for his work in the former Yugoslavia; a Canadian Peacekeeping Service Medal for his work in Croatia; two South-West Asia Service medals for completing two tours in Afghanistan; and two Canadian Forces' Decorations for his continued service in the Canadian Armed Forces.

Family and friends remember Roman as an especially kind man who would take care of whatever task needed doing. Even in death he served others, as he had signed up to be an organ donor.

Roman was close to his family, especially his mother and stepfather.

"He was such a good son," remembers his sister Mercy Mura. "Roman never took holidays, he came home on vacation to stay with my parents."

Roman descends from the Joseph (Squamish) / Trimble (Nisga'a Snuneymuxw) families from his paternal side; and the Carpenter (Heiltsuk) / Mason (Kitsao) families on his maternal side. He was a member of the Squamish First Nation.

Upon returning home from a tour in Afghanistan, the Squamish Nation honoured and thanked Roman for his military service with a traditional blanketing ceremony. Mercy says he was touched, and humbled to be recognized, and the occasion is one of many that are fondly remembered by the family.

Roman's mother, Lynn, had a dream the night her son collapsed. She dreamt he was walking across a big field with the spirit of his late stepfather crossing to the other side where other relatives were waiting for him. The dream was so vivid that she wasn't surprised when she was awoken with the news that Roman had been hospitalized. The vision comforted her in the days that followed; certain he was with family who were seeing him safely on his next journey.



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Left: Lieutenant (Navy) Katrina Giesbrecht of HMCS Regina's bridge crew. Centre: Sub-Lieutenant Etienne Pouliot-Maillette (left) and Leading Seaman Bin Ruan (right). Right: Commander Jacob French (left) conducts the Navy Shadow Bike-A-Thon.

# HMCS Regina, families and the halfway point

**Melanie Tetreault**  
Contributor

Deployments are a unique test of a family's endurance and resolve.

There's the pre-deployment stress, the deployment routines, and then the post-deployment reconnection.

Military families come in all shapes and sizes, which means they all have different successes and needs during the deployment process.

There are also lots of milestones. We mark the first 30 days, the countdown to Leave Travel

Allowance, and the last days before homecoming. The families of *HMCS Regina* are experiencing, or have experienced, all these moments, whether this is their first deployment or one of many.

The milestone we conquered recently is the halfway point.

The halfway point can feel like a somber celebration; yes, three months of separation have gone by (technically four now), but there remains more than two months to go. That's another two months of an empty bed, long distance communications, and activities without our family

members. It is important, however, to celebrate the triumphs of the first half of the deployment and really give ourselves a pat on the back for our efforts.

My personal survival tactic to getting to the halfway point, and this is my third time doing it, is staying busy and staying connected. I finished my last semester of college. I continue to volunteer at the Military Family Resource Centre (MFRC) as the family contact for the ship. The kids and I attend MFRC and PSP events such as potlucks, movie nights, and hiking. The children attend extracurricular activi-

ties such as swimming, skating, Pro-D day camps, and deployment workshops.

We talk every day about their father's deployment. We visit our friends, we make new friends in the community, and we take time to relax and be lazy.

This is not a strict road map. Lots of families make it through the first half of their deployment in vastly different ways. Some take new jobs, or go back to school, some enjoy working on their home, some get a new pet, some travel, and some just continue as if no one had left.

The family deployment jour-

ney is as diverse as the stars and we work hard to make sure those journeys are shining bright and are supported.

The Halfway Party for *HMCS Regina* families was a celebration of these bright journeys. It is an important reflective time for families and especially for me and our children, as we continue through the next couple of months.

We celebrate their father's dedication and hard work, yet we also celebrate our dedication and hard work. We will make it through, whatever happens, and the halfway point signals that success.

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# From Russia to Newfoundland to the navy

**SLt M.X. Déry**  
MARPAC PA Office

With a Russian last name like Loganov, one might think there is only one Leading Seaman preceding it in the Canadian Armed Forces. But like the unusual last name, so is the story of Leading Seaman Iouri and Victoria Loganov, father and daughter in the Royal Canadian Navy.

Their story begins in 1991 with the collapse of the Soviet Union that left Iouri Loganov struggling to find work as a mechanic. So a year later, he took a plane destined for Cuba, with a stopover in Canada, in search of a better life.

At the airport in Russia he met a young woman who was travelling to Quebec to stay with her sister and apply for refugee status. They established an instant connection and she gave him her sister's address.

During the layover in Newfoundland, Iouri walked off the plane and applied for refugee status.

Choosing to work over taking free English lessons, he sought out employment in Newfoundland.

"I learned English in the car garage."

After a few months, he decided to write the young woman in Quebec because he couldn't shake the odd feeling she gave him at the airport.

They wrote back and forth and fell in love through letters, and he asked her to move to Newfoundland to start a life together.

Two years later, their daughter Victoria was born. While it was tough financially, Iouri says the East Coast hospitality helped his family survive.

"I was living in a big apartment building designated for refugees. I have no family in Canada, but if I needed something, I went to my neighbours, and when they needed something, they came to me."

In 1998, the family moved to Ottawa, and six years later Iouri joined the Royal Canadian Navy.

It was his goal all along, having been a mechanic in the Russian military, but he needed time living in Canada before he could apply.

He was posted to the West Coast, and for Victoria, on the cusp of being a teenager, this was a radical shift in lifestyle. She struggled for direction and dreamed of becoming an illustrator.

"I wanted to follow suit in my mother's family lineage of artists. Every family member of hers, from her great grandmother onwards, were artists. It was a dream written in my DNA. I was planning on attending Ontario College of Art and Design University, like my sister."

But her father, concerned about an unsteady career path, pointed her in the direction of the recruiting office.

"At first I was very upset, but in the long run, he was looking after me," said Victoria.

She was offered hard army trades but settled on steward, a trade determined by her Canadian Forces Aptitude Test score. But she wanted to become an image technician, so she studied to improve her CFAT to make the transfer.

Two years ago, her transfer came through, and her dream of being an artist became a reality.

"Doing something I'm passionate about is mind-blowing," she says. "Photography is my creative outlet."

Father and daughter, of the same rank, with the same last name, share a bond beyond the navy - their admiration for each other.

"I have a picture of her, so young, with two medals already, having seen so much of the world, serving the country. Prouder than if she

had been doing anything else," said the senior LS Loganov.

In retort, the younger sailor replied, "I have big expectations to fill. This is why I strive to be perfect."

"You are perfect," he said.



Father and daughter: LS Iouri Loganov and LS Victoria Loganov.

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# HMCS DISCOVERY JOINS CANOE JOURNEY

**Peter Mallett**  
Staff Writer

If you want to paddle a traditional First Nations canoe, take part in cultural sharing, and have fun, consider joining the navy on their upcoming canoe journey.

The Royal Canadian Navy is joining the Pulling Together Canoe Journey July 4 to 13. The annual 10-day journey is on the territorial waters and lands of the Tla'amin Nation near Powell River, B.C. The event aims to recognize the past and enhance understanding between Aboriginal peoples and public service agency employees by canoeing together on the traditional highway.

Chief Petty Officer Second Class Rod Tulett, skipper of the navy's canoe, is looking for 12 military paddlers to staff the navy's new First Nations designed canoe. Participation in the event is open to all ranks and trades of the Canadian Armed Forces, and those interested

in taking part are encouraged to contact their Personnel Coordination Centre.

CPO2 Tulett says the skill level of paddlers can range from beginner or novice to experienced. He will balance the team with a few hand-picked First Nations paddlers familiar with ocean paddling in the region.

The navy has traditionally provided logistical support for the event, and the use of rigid hull inflatable boats [RHIB] and Mark V Special Operations Craft for escort, along with personnel and trucks to help transport supplies.

Military personnel who take on the support role will assist with the transport of supplies and equipment for the approximately 400 paddlers and 22 canoe teams participating in the event.

CPO2 Tulett has been involved with the journey for the past five years but notes other personnel have been involved for much longer, such as Petty Officer First Class Rob

Longley of *HMCS Discovery*, who has been involved for the past 12 years.

*HMCS Discovery* and the chain of command have shown strong support for the journey and CPO2 Tulett says that's likely because Pulling Together goes far beyond typical outreach efforts by the military.

"I fully believe this initiative builds respect between the military and First Nations communities. Participants really get to know each other after spending hours each day in a canoe, and through the numerous cultural activities that help build trust and understanding."

One of the marquee activities for the paddlers at this year's event will be a Feast Dinner in Powell River sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion. Military participants will also receive a commemorative Pulling Together long-sleeve t-shirt.

For more information about the Pulling Together Canoe Journey visit their website: [pullingtogether.ca](http://pullingtogether.ca)



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# D-Day *sacrifices remembered*

**Ryan Melanson**  
Trident Newspaper

As part of the signature Government of Canada events to mark the 75th anniversary of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy, members of the public gathered with dignitaries and military members for a special wreath-laying ceremony at the Halifax Memorial in Point Pleasant Park on June 5.

The crowd stood in the rainy and windy weather to honour the sacrifices of those who took part in the invasion of German-occupied France that began on June 6, 1944, an operation remembered as one of the critical turning points of the Second World War. More than 14,000 Canadians, among the 90,000 total allied troops, went ashore on Juno Beach in Normandy, and more than 10,000 Royal Canadian Navy or Merchant Navy sailors played a role in mine-sweeping and transporting troops, weapons, food and other cargo.

"From the landings at Juno Beach, through the grueling push across the French countryside in the weeks that followed, Canadian Forces joined our allies in battle and helped change the course of the Second World War and the world we now live in," said SLt Edith Sullivan, who served as master of ceremonies for the day. "This is a story about the young men and women who left their homes, families, hopes and dreams behind to serve in the cause of peace and freedom. More than 5,000 young Canadians ultimately gave their lives in Normandy; today, we remember all of them."

Dignitaries present included: Arthur J. LeBlanc, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia; Deputy Minister of Veterans Affairs Gen (Retired) Walt Natynczyk; RAdm Craig Baines, Commander Maritime Forces Atlantic, and local political representatives. A delegation of veterans of D-Day and the Second World War were also present, including 94-year-old Fred Turnbull, who stepped to the microphone to read the Act of Remembrance as *HMCS Fredericton* sat offshore in the background.



HMCS Fredericton stands offshore of Point Pleasant Park on June 5.  
Michael Bayer, FIS Halifax

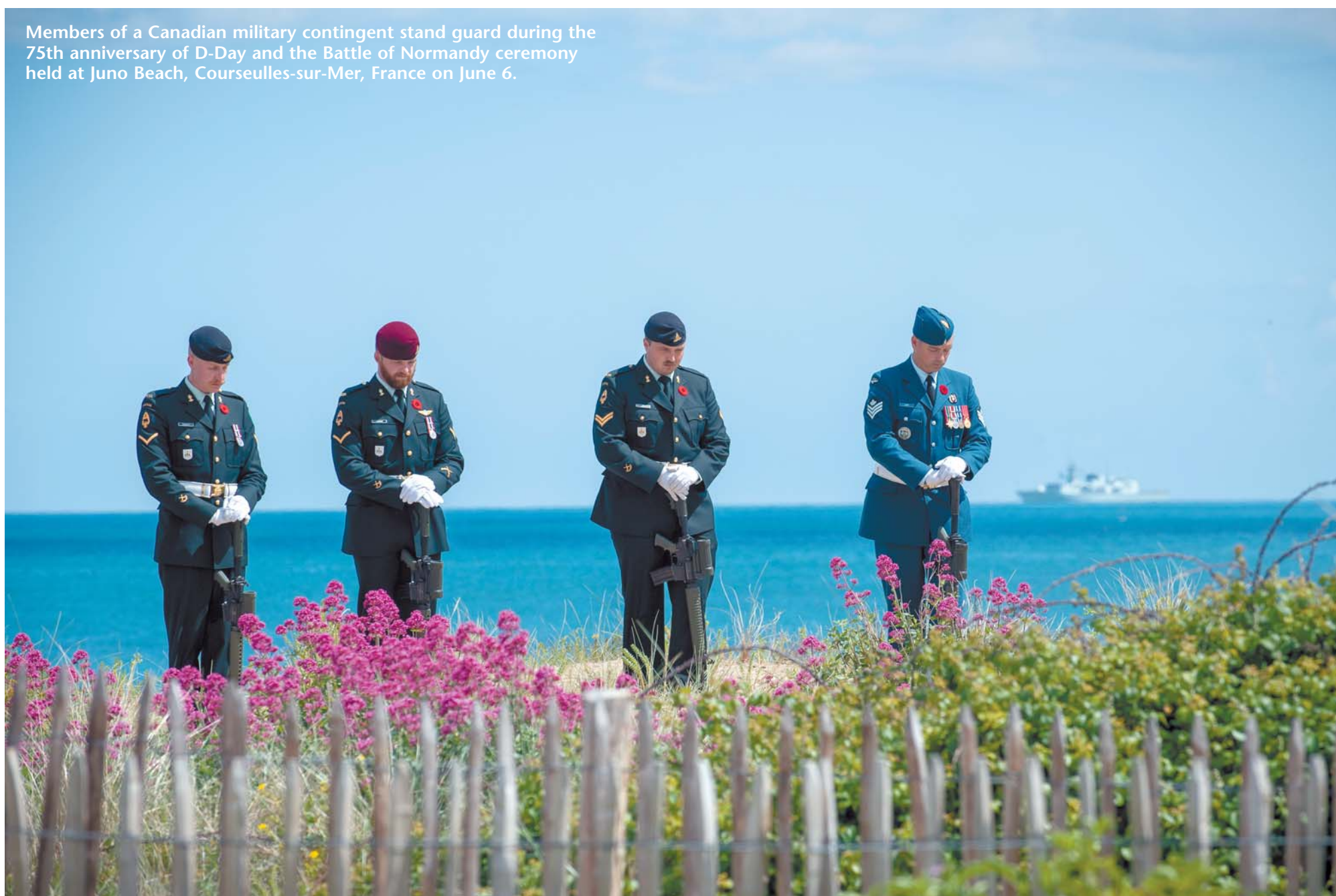


D-Day veterans are joined by Gen (Retired) Walter Natynczyk, Deputy Minister Veterans Affairs (left) during the ceremony.  
Michael Bayer, FIS Halifax



## POINT PLEASANT PARK CEREMONY

Members of a Canadian military contingent stand guard during the 75th anniversary of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy ceremony held at Juno Beach, Courseulles-sur-Mer, France on June 6.



A Second World War veteran is brought to tears on Juno Beach moments after the 75th anniversary of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy ceremony held in Courseulles-sur-Mer, France on June 6.  
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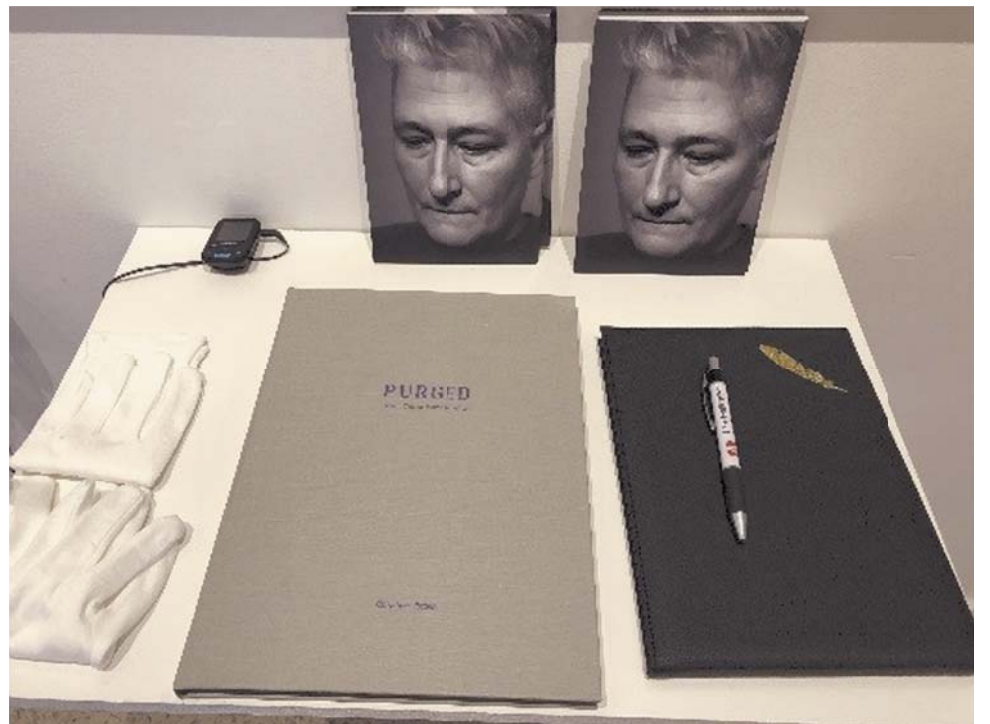



Photo by WO (Retired) Christine Potvin

# EXHIBITION TELLS THE STORY: LGBT PURGE SURVIVORS

**Litigation Implementation Team Communications Section**  
Chief Military Personnel

An art exhibition by Warrant Officer (Retired) Christine Potvin, recently displayed at the School of The Photographic Art: Ottawa, tells the stories of 14 Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) survivors of the "LGBT Purge," a dark period during which LGBTQ2 Canadians serving in the public service, the military and the RCMP were unfairly targeted by federal policies due to their sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.

"This is just the beginning, silence is not an option," said WO (Ret'd) Potvin speaking about her exhibition that included photographs, audio files, and a book of stories of the CAF survivors of the "Purge", which lasted from the mid-50s to the mid-90s.

"This is not about opening the floodgates or finger pointing," she added. "Rather, we must educate anyone who takes the time to listen. One individual could potentially reach 10 others and so on and so forth."

WO (Ret'd) Potvin is a CAF veteran. She served 29 years in the medical branch and was deployed, on three missions to Afghanistan. In 2017, she was released for medical reasons and enrolled in a full-time diploma program at the School of The Photographic Art: Ottawa.

Her exhibition was on display from April 26 to May 5. In addition to framed

prints of photographs that WO (Ret'd) Potvin took of her subjects, visitors could explore the book of stories and listen to excerpts from the compelling, emotional and highly personal interviews she conducted with the survivors.

The book is being published with an official launch on Oct. 5. A copy of the book will be kept at the War Museum in Ottawa and the audio interviews in the National Archives of Canada as a historical reminder. WO (Ret'd) Potvin is also organizing a book tour across Canada, accompanied by Purge survivors, visiting high schools, colleges and universities.

RAdm Jennifer Bennett, Director General Litigation Implementation, was in attendance on the opening day of the exhibit and met with WO (Ret'd) Potvin and Purge survivors. The Litigation Implementation Team, under Chief Military Personnel, is currently working on implementing the CAF portion of the final settlement agreement of the "LGBT Purge" class action lawsuit. The settlement offers recognition and reconciliation measures, as well as financial compensation to eligible claimants.

"The exhibition was very powerful in conveying the injustice suffered by those survivors and each photo shows the incredible negative impact of their experience and the toll it has had on their lives. WO Potvin's works are a reminder that no such discrimination should ever happen again," said RAdm Bennett after visiting the exhibition.



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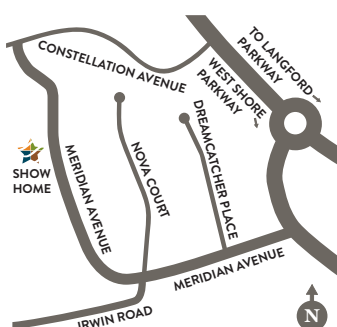


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# In search of Liberation voices

As part of Second World War anniversaries, the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) has created an online sound archive called Voices of Liberation.

It is also launching a call for Canadian content for this worldwide initiative.

It is looking to record the voices of veterans, relatives and pilgrims for a unique online sound resource that explains why the

Commission's war graves, cemeteries and memorials are as poignant today as when they were first built.

It wants the Canadian public to record their stories and feelings relating to the Second World War and the sites of remembrance. The stories will reinforce these sites as unique places of memory and create a resource that is both a moment in history and a fitting tribute to those who died.

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"Being fit is important, not only to my husband's career but to us as well, she said. "We want to teach the kids to move more and we want to offer healthier options for playtimes. Recreational activities like biking and martial arts keep the heart pumping and our kids moving."

Personnel Support Programs (PSP) recreation department plays a role in developing active families.

"By reinforcing a more complete integration of families through recreational programming, there is a profound impact on the Canadian Armed Forces' (CAF) operational capability," said Dr. Michael Spivock. "A family that is committed to physical activity will have a stronger influence on the individual CAF member's lifestyle, choices, and commitment to fitness training."

The Canadian Physical Activity Guidelines rec-

ommends at least 60 minutes of daily physical activity for children, and at least 150 minutes per week for adults. While that may not sound like much, only about 11 per cent of children and 15 per cent of adults currently meet that standard.

PSP Recreation celebrates Recreation Month every June by drawing attention to the many benefits of participating in recreational activities.

"We love how many options there are," said Kerry-Ann. "From participating in classes, to using the recreational facilities, to renting a canoe so we can be active over the weekend. PSP is a great resource to have on base."

Visit [www.cafconnection.ca/JRM](http://www.cafconnection.ca/JRM) to learn more about how you can participate in June is Recreation Month celebrations. Find local events and be sure to enter the national contest for a chance to win a Grand Prize outdoor adventure package valued at \$2,500.



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# Swift messengers on motorcycles

## DISPATCH RIDERS

Dispatch rider  
Frank Shaughnessy  
of the 2nd Anti-  
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### Jay Rankin Army Public Affairs

Tucked in the LeBreton Gallery in Ottawa's Canadian War Museum are two motorcycles bearing the history of a special trade that was prominent in the First and Second World Wars.

The museum has a Harley-Davidson and a Norton motorcycle on display that were used extensively by Canadian Dispatch Riders. A Dispatch Rider, called DR, Don R, or Despatch Rider, which was the British spelling, were military messengers on motorcycles in a time of low-tech solutions.

It was a Canadian Dispatch Rider who carried the first films of the D-Day landing away from the beaches of Normandy for shipment back to Britain.

Before motorcycles were put into service, Dispatch Riders rode on horseback or bicycle. In Egypt during the First World War, even camels were used to carry these military couriers.

#### Duties of Dispatch Riders

The duties for the riders, a trade in which both women and men served, commonly involved delivering maps, orders, intelligence and situational updates that could not be sent – for security and logistical reasons – through telephone or radio.

They often led the way to new locations after delivering new orders. Sometimes the riders would even deliver equipment, caged live homing pigeons and medical supplies.

It was a dangerous job that required all forms of skills with the bikes, from quickly navigating dangerous terrain to fixing a bike in the field, all while under the constant threat of enemy fire. Among other tactics, the enemy would set neck-level trip wires across dark roads and known trails.

"Because they were on their own and they had to use their own wits, Dispatch Riders, if they came under fire, or their access to road was denied by enemy fire, then they would have to go cross-country," said Eric Fernberg, Canadian War Museum Collections Specialist for Arms and Technology.

"These are the original off-rovers," he said.

Quick reaction to enemy fire, cranking up the speed, and getting off the road was usually the best defence for a Dispatch Rider, who often travelled alone by day and under cover of night and carried little in the way of weaponry.

#### Norton vs Harley

The Norton was the preferred bike of Canadian riders, even though Harley-Davidson today

is a better-known brand. The Norton was a British-made vehicle, meaning it was favoured by Commonwealth forces over the American-made Harley. The Norton also had a higher clearance from the ground, making it superior for off-roading. The Harley also did not perform as well in wet conditions, "particularly on European roads – they tended to slide off the road," noted Fernberg.

The Harley was favoured more by other trades that employed motorcycles, such as military police from the Provost Corps who spent a lot of time patrolling on paved roads. It was heavier than the Norton and was meant to be driven on maintained asphalt. As well, there just were not enough Nortons being produced to go around to everyone who rode.

"We ended up purchasing Harleys just because of the great demand," Mr. Fernberg said. "There's an absolutely great demand for these bikes – or any type of bike. We ended up using over 10,000 of these bikes."

#### Only those with own bike could apply in early days

Generally, the Dispatch Rider was a niche, volunteer job, initially requiring previous motorcycle experience, and soldiers had to bring their own bikes to service.

It was a dangerous job that required all forms of skills with the bikes, from quickly navigating dangerous terrain to fixing a bike in the field, all while under the constant threat of enemy fire.





# Naval Warfare Officer Graduation

Captain (N) Jason Boyd, Base Commander, promoted graduates during the Naval Warfare Officer graduation ceremony.

Photo: MCpl Carbe Orellana, MARPAC Imaging Services



Capt(N) Boyd and Cdr (Retired) Rod Hughes present SLt Liam Moors the Commodore Michaud Trophy for Top Student.



SLt Darcy Ballard is promoted to his current rank.



SLt Miguel Couturieur is promoted to his current rank.



SLt Jesse Grigor is promoted to his current rank.



SLt Jesse Hallock is promoted to his current rank.



SLt Harrison Irvine is promoted to his current rank.



SLt Aaron Jacques is promoted to his current rank, joined by Lt(N) Meghan Jacques.



SLt Fahad Kabir is promoted to his current rank.



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SLt Justin Leong is promoted to his current rank.



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SLt Christopher McGill is promoted to his current rank.



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SLt Liam Moors is promoted to his current rank.



# Bravo ZULU

## Naval Warfare Officer Graduation

(Continued)



Capt(N) Boyd and Capt(N) (Retired) Ken Scotten present SLt Joshua Partridge the Captain Jackson Memorial Award.



SLt Severn Mozer is promoted to his current rank.



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SLt Joshua Partridge is promoted to his current rank.



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Capt(N) Boyd and Brian Groos present SLt John MacEachern the Captain David W. Groos, Royal Canadian Navy Memorial Shield.



Group photo of the graduating Naval Warfare Officer course and staff.



## HMCS Victoria Change of Command

Capt(N) J.S. Ouellet, Commodore C. Robinson and LCdr J. Isabelle sign the change of command certificates June 6 marking the handover of HMCS Victoria to LCdr J. Isabelle.



At the conclusion of Operation Trackshoes at the University of Victoria June 14, CPO2 Matt Goodwin, with his daughter Azlynn, presented the Royal Canadian Navy Trophy to a North Surrey Secondary team representative. The annual sports festival is for British Columbia residents with a developmental disability. Chief Goodwin is the Unit Chief for CAF Transition Unit BC.



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