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## No Stone Left Alone



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Ordinary Seaman Santisteban Bazan from CFB Esquimalt watches as a student from Rockheights Middle School lays a poppy on a head stone at the Esquimalt Veterans Cemetery, God's Acre, for the No Stone Left Alone Ceremony on Nov. 4. Read the full story on page 8.

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# Continued support for Reservist leave

**Capt Graeme Kaine**  
39 CBG Public Affairs

The Government of British Columbia announced Oct. 27 that they have expanded job-protected leave for Canadian military reserve forces in B.C. to cover leave for military training.

The leave expansion was announced by Premier Christy Clark at Canadian Forces Base Comox on Vancouver Island, and by Shirley Bond, Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training, and Minister Responsible for Labour at HMCS Discovery, the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve base on Deadman's Island in Stanley Park, Vancouver.

Bond was joined in Vancouver by Brigadier General Rob Roy MacKenzie, Chief of Staff Reserves, Canadian Forces; Colonel Dave Awalt, Commander 39 Canadian Brigade Group; Lyall Knott, QC, B.C. Chair, Canadian Forces Liaison Council, Department of National Defence; and other military reserve forces representatives.

"I can't emphasize enough how important employer support is to our Reservists," said BGen MacKenzie. "It directly contributes to the operational readiness of the Canadian Armed Forces by helping ensure we have skilled members always available for duty."

This change will allow reservists unpaid leave from their civilian jobs for up to 20 days per year for training activities.

A reservist must provide at least four weeks of notice to his/her employer. This matches the general notice requirement that already applies to reservists going on leave for active duty.

The up to 20 days for training leave is per calendar year, and does not have to be consecutive.

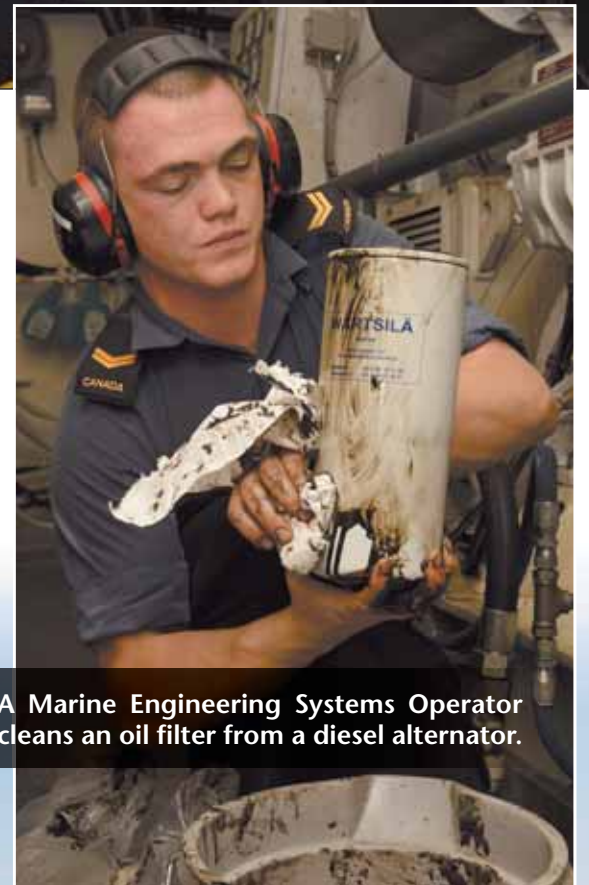
This change to expand leave for military training activities for reservists is effective immediately.

"The extension of job protection for reservists, for necessary training, is a significant step in strengthening the Reserves and will contribute greatly to the operational readiness of the Canadian Armed Forces Reserve," said Col Awalt. "As the Brigade commander for the Army Reserve in B.C., I know personally the challenges reservists face in balancing the demands of their civilian career with that of military service. I look forward to seeing the positive effect this change will have on the troops under my command."

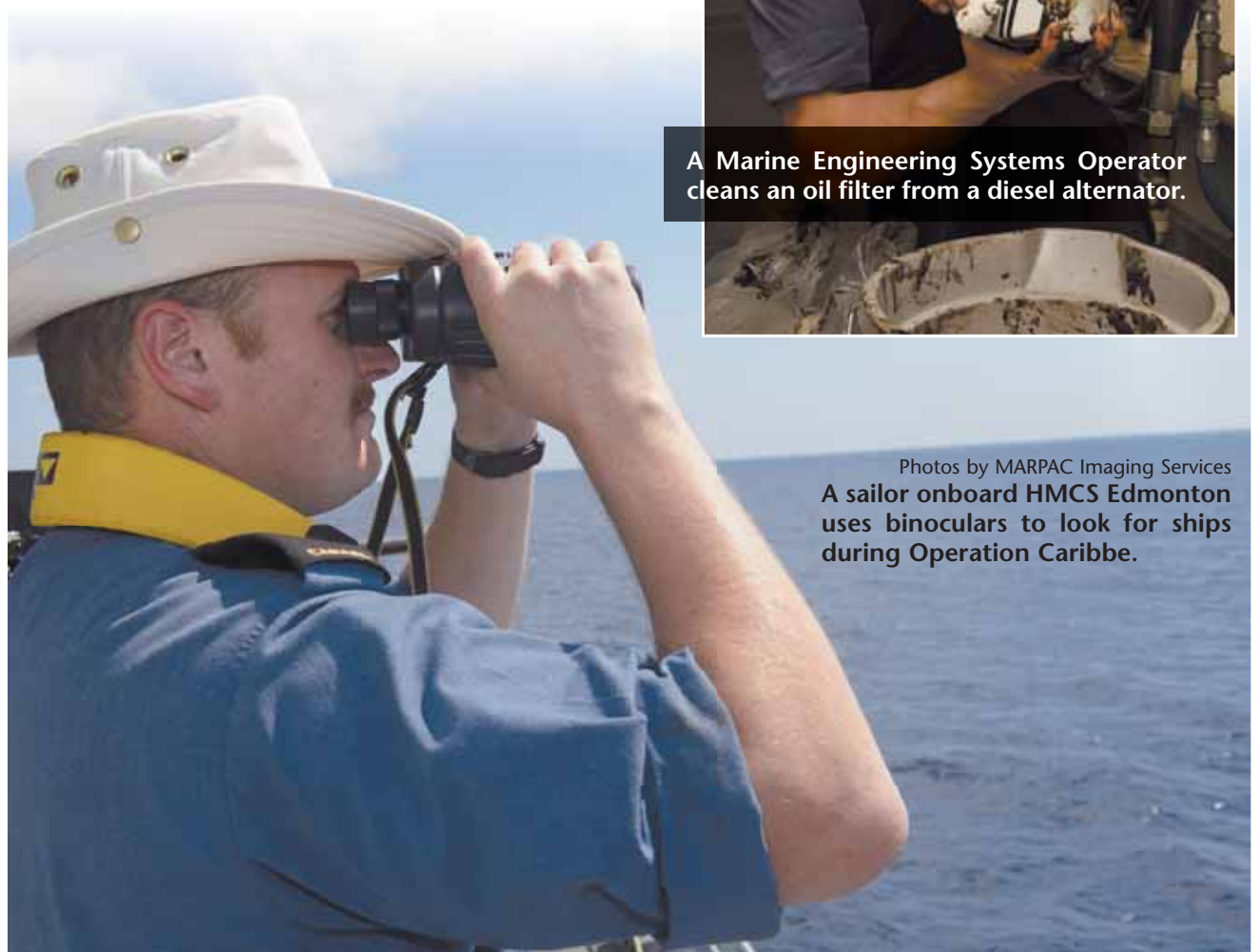


Two Maritime Coastal Defence Vessels, HMC Ships Brandon and Edmonton, crewed primarily by naval reservists, are currently on Operation Caribbe in the Caribbean Sea and eastern Pacific Ocean.

The Chief Cook on board HMCS Edmonton prepares biscuits.



A Marine Engineering Systems Operator cleans an oil filter from a diesel alternator.



Photos by MARPAC Imaging Services  
A sailor onboard HMCS Edmonton uses binoculars to look for ships during Operation Caribbe.



# Yellowknife to search for 50's lost weapon

**Peter Mallett**  
Staff Writer

The crew of *HMCS Yellowknife* will be heading to B.C.'s north coast later this month to investigate reports of submerged Cold-War era ordnance.

The ordnance is believed to be part of a B4 weapon jettisoned by a U.S. B-36 aircraft that crashed in the vicinity of Prince Rupert on Feb. 13, 1950. The object was recently discovered by a diver who had been searching for sea cucumbers off the shores of Pitt Island, located approximately 80 kilometres south of Prince Rupert. The diver reported the details of his find to the RCMP and the Canadian Armed Forces.

"Discussions with our NORTHCOM Liaison Officer have provided us with information on the disposition of the weapon at the time of the jettison and crash, including verifying that there was no radioactive material in the weapon during the failed test flight in February 1950," said Commander Michele Tessier, Commander Coastal Forces, who indicated the object's core likely contained lead.

According to accounts by author Dirk Septer in his book *Lost Nuke: The Last Flight of Bomber 075*, five crew members were killed in the crash of the B-36 and 12 were rescued after an engine fire, believed to be caused by ice

buildup on the wings, erupted on the plane. The crew dumped the ordnance in the ocean and then the pilot set the plane on auto pilot targeting it to crash into a remote area near Mount Kologe before he and the crew bailed out of the plane. The decision by the pilot to drop the ordnance in the ocean was made because the crew were uncertain of their proximity to populated areas and how far the plane could travel being weighted down.

During their upcoming sailing program, *Yellowknife* will embark the civilian diver who made the find and proceed to the area where he found it. The crew will employ their remote operated vehicle to the ocean's floor in an effort to gather information and capture imagery of the ordnance.

A team from Maritime Operations Group Four and the Fleet Diving Unit Pacific will operate the vehicle and provide oversight in determining what the object actually is and if it is the test weapon from the B-36 in question. Finding the precise location of the object itself may pose a challenge, said Cdr Tessier.

"We expect to capture imagery over the course of a couple of days on site, but this is dependent on how quickly the actual location of the object can be established," she said. "The diver did not have a GPS with him when he found it and we will be going with his visual I.D. of the location."

## Naden pool closed for repairs

**Peter Mallett**  
Staff Writer

Structural repairs and renovations will force an extended closure of the Naden Athletic Centre (NAC) swimming facilities in the coming weeks.

The main pool, tot pool and hot tub at the base' athletic complex will be drained and closed to the public on Dec. 12 and remain closed until April 16, 2017.

A private contractor will conduct structural repairs on small cracks that have formed in the side and bottom of the pools and hot tub, as well as replace the perimeter tile around the outside of the pool with a more structurally-sound steel.

Tom Campbell, NAC Facilities Coordinator, explained that if the cracks in the cement remained unaddressed, over time water seepage would threaten the pool's

structural integrity. The tile perimeter in the pools needs to be replaced due to years of wear and tear.

During its closure, NAC card holders can use the swimming pool at the Esquimalt Recreation Centre. The Township of Esquimalt has reached an agreement with the base and will allow NAC card holders free access to its facility located at 527 Fraser Street during the pool closure.



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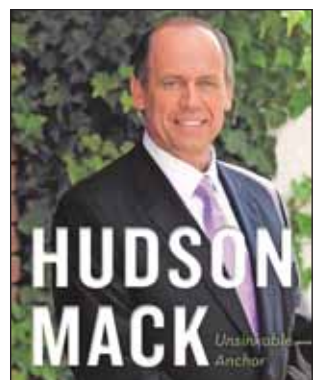
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**Tammy Harnish,**  
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**Cdr Jeanne Lessard,**  
Base Administration  
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## Olympic SPORTS trivia

by Stephen Stone  
& Tom Thomson

### Questions

1. This stadium in Montreal is named after a Canadian Olympian and Stanley Cup champion killed in the First World War.
2. This Canadian Olympian, killed in the First World War, was Canada's aboriginal police officer.
3. This Canadian Olympian, killed in the First World War, was the winner of the 1914 Boston Marathon.
4. This Canadian Olympian, killed in the First World War, captained Canada's Davis Cup tennis team in 1913.
5. How many Olympians are known to have been killed in the First World War?
6. This Canadian Battalion of the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) was known as the Sportsmen's Battalion.
7. This champion swimmer served in the Canadian Women's Army Corps in the Second World War and was the first Canadian to swim the English Channel.
8. Which Canadian Major League Baseball pitcher served in the Royal Canadian Air Force and was a POW in the Second World War?
9. Which members of the baseball hall of fame saw military service in more than one conflict?
10. This Canadian Olympian earned the nickname "Man of Bronze."

First World War.  
7. Winifred (Winnie) Roach-Leuszler.  
She dominated competition in swimming and softball during her service and was inducted to the Canadian Forces Sports Hall of Fame in 1996. She swam the English Channel on August 16, 1951.  
8. Phil Marchildon, Philadelphia Athletics.  
9. CEF, killed at the Second Battle of Ypres on April 24, 1915. His body was never recovered and his name is engraved on the Menin Gate Memorial to the Missing at Ypres.  
4. Robert (Bobby) Powell (48th Canadian Infantry Battalion, killed at Vimy Ridge on April 28, 1917).  
5. 138 – 70 competed at the 1912 Olympics in Stockholm.  
6. The 205th (Tiger) Battalion earned the designation because many of its early recruits were members of the Hamilton Tigers athletic club. The Tigers were the last team to win the Grey Cup before play was suspended for the duration of the

Answers  
1. Percival Molson (PPCL, killed by an artillery round at Avion, Pas-de-Calais, on July 5, 1917).  
2. Alexander (Alex) Wuttunee Decoteau (49th Canadian Infantry Battalion, killed by sniper at Second Battle of Passchendaele on October 30, 1917).  
3. Geoffrey Taylor (15th Battalion (48th Highlanders of Canada), CEF, killed at the Second Battle of Ypres on April 24, 1915. His body was never recovered and his name is engraved on the Menin Gate Memorial to the Missing at Ypres).  
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# Charges laid in three separate incidents

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## Drug charges laid

The Canadian Forces National Investigation Service laid charges under the *National Defence Act* on Oct. 31 against a Canadian Armed Forces member at Canadian Forces Base Shilo near Brandon, Manitoba.

The alleged offences relate to an investigation that resulted in the seizure of one ounce (31.8 grams) of cocaine, packaging materials, production equipment and pepper spray from the residence of the accused on Jan. 15, 2016.

Master Corporal Brent McCarthy of 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, faces the following charges:

- one count of Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking under section 5(2) of the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, punishable under section 130 of the National Defence Act; and

- one count of Possession of a Prohibited weapon: to wit Pepper Spray, under section 91(2) of the Criminal Code of Canada, punishable under section 130 of the National Defence Act.

## Child Pornography charge

The Canadian Forces National Investigation Service charged a military member of 5th Canadian Division Support Group with two counts under the National Defence Act in relation to accessing child pornography on Nov. 9.

The charges relate to reported accessing of child pornography while the accused was on duty at 5th Canadian Division Support Base Gagetown between June 26, 2014 and Sept. 22, 2014.

Sergeant Brent Douglas Hansen faces the following charges:

- one count of Accessing Child Pornography under section 163.1(4.1) of the Criminal Code of Canada, punishable under section 130 of the

National Defence Act; and

- one count of Conduct to the Prejudice of Good Order and Discipline, punishable under section 129 of the National Defence Act.

## Sexual assault charge

The Canadian Forces National Investigation Service charged an officer of the 4th Artillery Regiment (General Support), RCA, based at 5th Canadian Division Support Base Gagetown with one count of sexual assault under the Criminal Code of Canada on Nov. 9.

The charge relates to a reported sexual assault at 5th Canadian Division Support Base Gagetown near Oromocto, New Brunswick, in December 2010 or January 2011. The victim is also a member of the Canadian Armed Forces.

Captain Simon Duvall faces one count of sexual assault under section 271 of the Criminal Code of Canada, punishable under section 130 of the National Defence Act.

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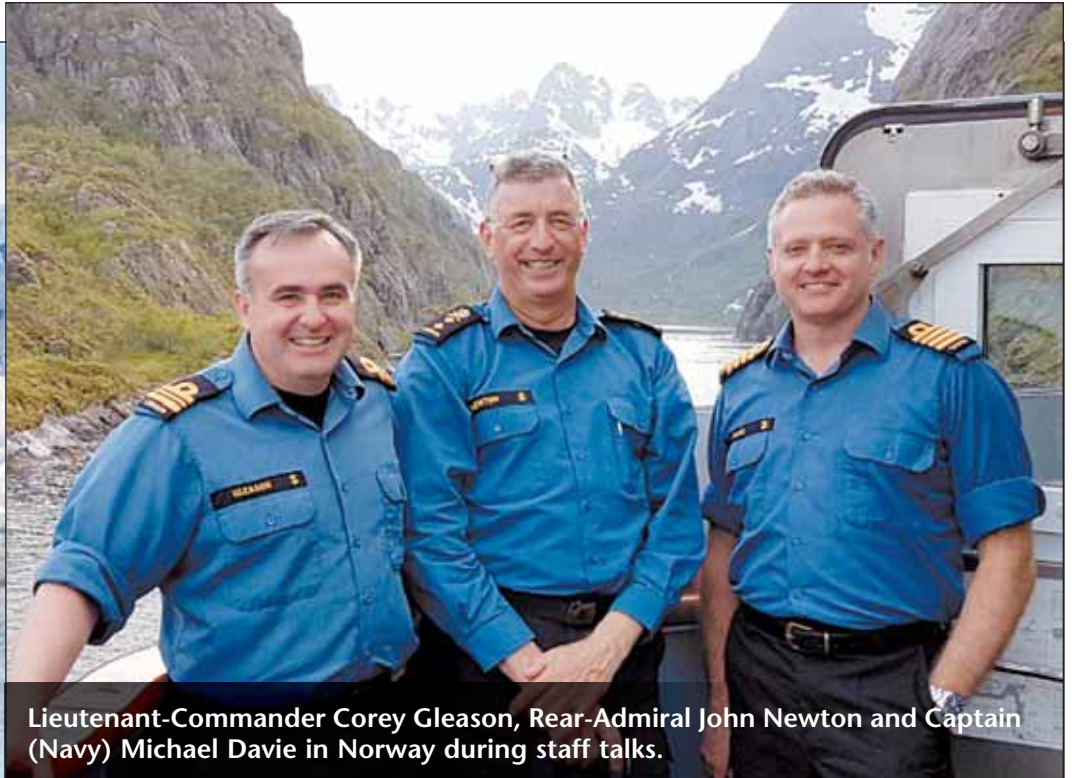
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An artist's rendition of the new Arctic Offshore Patrol Vessels.



Lieutenant-Commander Corey Gleason, Rear-Admiral John Newton and Captain (Navy) Michael Davie in Norway during staff talks.

# New ships prepare RCN for EXPANDED ARCTIC OPERATIONS

**Darlene Blakeley**  
Navy Public Affairs Ottawa

The commanding officer of the Royal Canadian Navy's (RCN) first Arctic Offshore Patrol Vessel has already been chosen, and work has begun to ensure everything is ready when *HMCS Harry DeWolf* is delivered in 2018.

Lieutenant-Commander Corey Gleason, along with a small preliminary crew, are preparing for the new vessel, one of six ice-capable offshore patrol ships that will conduct sovereignty and surveillance operations in Canada's ocean areas of interest, including in the Arctic.

"It's truly exciting to have this role as first commanding officer," says LCdr Gleason. "The first ship in its class is always a lot of work and there's a long road ahead – about five years between

shore office work and the first operational cruise for the lead ship. We get the opportunity to pave the way for everyone else."

This is essential work as the navy prepares for a busy future in Canada's North, says Rear-Admiral John Newton, Commander Maritime Forces Atlantic.

"We take note of the significant changes being felt in the environment, industry, commerce, tourism, society and culture. It is a timely development that the RCN will soon take delivery of the first Arctic Offshore Patrol Vessel."

He adds that the pending arrival of these vessels inspires the RCN to undertake bolder activities in all of Canada's ocean areas. This past summer, maritime coastal defence vessel *HMCS Moncton* patrolled in Hudson Bay, while its sister ship *HMCS Shawinigan* was far west along the Northwest Passage, creating new

learning experiences for sailors in the fleet.

"For several years now our crews have been increasingly busy familiarizing themselves with Arctic waterways and the communities that struggle with shifting economies, climate, and human activities," says RAdm Newton. "We have engaged in new partnerships with government agencies that are keen to benefit from the support of the RCN."

As things continue to change at a fast pace in an increasingly accessible Arctic – whether it's the historic passage of the cruise ship *Crystal Serenity* through the Northwest Passage this summer, a refueling port for the navy at Nanisivik, Nunavut, scientific research, or increased external interests in the Arctic – the RCN's role in the North is expanding rapidly and the new Arctic Offshore Patrol Vessels will bring new responsibilities.

Construction of *Harry DeWolf* began in September 2015, and Irving Shipbuilding in Halifax is building the Arctic Offshore Patrol Vessel using a progressive build approach. Over the course of time, 65 smaller units become 21 larger blocks, which then become three mega-blocks.

LCdr Gleason says the engines have now been installed, the middle section is upright, and the entire ship will be soon sitting in the water.

"Trials will begin in 2018 and more routine seasonal deployments will be underway commencing in 2019," he says. "However, there is a great deal of work to do before those deployments can take place."

Also assigned to the ship at this time are LCdr Scott Meagher as executive officer and Chief Petty Officer First Class Gerry Doucet as coxswain.



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**- Mayor Barbara Desjardins and Members of Council**

# Students, CAF team up in poppy initiative

**Peter Mallett**  
Staff Writer

All eyes were on Grade Six student Gerry Duffy as he read his essay to the group gathered at Veterans Cemetery, God's Acre on Nov. 4. His essay, chosen from among the many written by Rockheights Middle School students, was a fictional account of a soldier writing from the front line during the First World War to his sweetheart.

Military members, students, veterans, and invited guests, listened earnestly as his voice resonated throughout the cemetery. "I think the students' essays and the writing process really allowed them to sympathize or empathize with someone in that [combat] situation, and it was really gratifying for members of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) to hear their thoughts and feelings," said LCdr Mike Erwin, who spoke at the event on service and sacrifice from the point of view of a member of the CAF.

They had come together for the No Stone Left Alone ceremony; a special event that has Rockheights Middle School students joining veterans and serving members in placing a poppy on each grave marker.

Base Commander, Capt(N) Steven Waddell attended the event, while the Naden Band of the Royal Canadian Navy provided musical accompaniment, including one member who performed The Last Post and Reveille bugle calls.

Prayers were made, and students and staff from the school performed Aboriginal drumming.

To close the ceremony, there was a moment of silence before students proceeded to the graveyard to place approximately 3,000 hand-made cardboard poppies on the graves.

Since the first No Stone Left Alone ceremony's founding six years ago, the event has spread across Canada and into the U.S. and Great Britain. This year's events saw over 44,000 poppies laid on graves in 102 cemeteries and involving 68,000 students from 51 schools.



Students from Rockheights Middle School take a moment to reflect after laying wreaths during the No Stone Left Alone Ceremony on Nov. 4.



Ordinary Seaman James Banjavcic from CFB Esquimalt and a student from Rockheights Middle School lay poppies on the head stones at the Esquimalt Veterans Cemetery.



Students, veterans and Canadian Armed Forces members gather around the Cenotaph. Photos by MCpl Chris Ward, MARPAC Imaging Services





Photos by Jeanne Gagnon, Guard of Honour Newspaper  
Master Corporal Richelle Provost cleans headstones at the National Military Cemetery in Ottawa on Oct. 27.

## Volunteers spruce up Veterans' headstones

**Jeanne Gagnon**  
Guard of Honour Newspaper

Headstones of veterans buried at the National Military Cemetery in Ottawa looked their best for Remembrance Day as volunteers, using brushes, dish soap, water, and a lot of elbow grease, removed the dirt covering the inscriptions. Warrant Officer Julie Archambault first discussed with the Commonwealth War Graves Commission what could be done to clean the headstones at the cemetery.

"I saw the gravestones needed maintenance," she said, adding for three days after sending the email invitation to participate, one message a minute came into her inbox. "The response was really very enthusiastic," she said, adding military and civilians, some coming as far as Petawawa, participated in the cleaning.

In the end, more than 250 volunteers cleaned the approximately 2,000 markers and headstones at the national cemetery between Oct. 6 and Nov. 7. The Commission provided the cleaning materials, said WO Archambault. Thirty people daily cleaned between eight and 10 headstones each. In the newer section it took about five minutes to clean one headstone, while in the older section it took up to 30 minutes of good effort to get the job done.



Sergeant Graham Frampton (left), and Captain Alban Massimba scrub clean the grave markers.

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"There will be a few small tasks left, but at least the worst of it has been dealt with. This stopped the damage and you can tell who is buried here," she said. "We hope this will become an annual project, depending on need. We could also extend it to other NCR cemeteries where many of our veterans have been laid to rest."

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# Special objects donated to War Museum

**Jeanne Gagnon**

Ottawa Guard of Honour

Two wartime artifacts, one a stark reminder of the tragedy of war, and the other a morale booster, made their way from the battlefield to the museum.

A Vimy Ridge grave marker and a ventriloquist puppet were donated to the Canadian War Museum on Nov 7, in a formal ceremony marked with emotion.

The grave marker is the original wood cross placed at the burial site of Private John Ferman Ashe. Pte Ashe, born in New Brunswick in 1891, enlisted in the military in April 1916, before being sent overseas in July of that year. He was killed at Vimy Ridge on April 9, 1917.

Pte Willie Whitebone is the ventriloquist puppet of Sgt Russ Whitebone, who served with the Canadian Army show from 1942 until he left active service in 1946. A New Brunswick native, Sgt Whitebone entertained military personnel stationed at home and abroad.

General Jonathan Vance said the grave marker is a reminder of the horrors of war.

"On the day he died and on the days that followed, he was buried, and his grave marked temporarily. That grave marker is with us now and always will be," he said. "A poignant reminder of him and his sacrifice, and the sacrifice that military people across this great land of ours are willing to make."

As for Sgt Whitebone, Gen Vance said he is part of the human dimension of war.

"The maintenance of morale, the abil-

ity to keep the troops focused and able to conduct the operations necessary, under incredible circumstances, is what Sgt Russ Whitebone is all about," he said.

Holly Riley said her father, Sgt Whitebone, followed the troops, performing in opera halls and barns, depending on the location.

"I hope it brings to light the important part the Canadian Army Show played in the Second World War," she said. "It was an important contribution, like Gen Vance said, to the morale of the troops. It's not a well-recognized thing. It's an interesting story that's a little different from the normal war stories, maybe a happier story."

Pte Ashe was the brother of Jim Landry's grandmother. Landry said donating the grave marker to the museum was a relatively easy decision.

"It's all about remembrance. In John's case, he was very typical of his time. [He was] a poor young farmer from rural New Brunswick that signed up and went to war and never came home," he said. "I think that's what I'd like people to reflect on."

The artifacts are "extremely significant," said Stephen Quick, Director General, Canadian War Museum and Vice-President, Canadian Museum of History.

"You have a grave marker that is probably one of only three in Canada. It's a physical reminder of a burial or an honour in the field, which is very, very rare," he said, noting the artifact is almost 100 years old.

Referring to the second artifact, Quick noted Sgt Whitebone continued to

entertain troops after the war, which is a way of keeping up the morale of the men and women transitioning from the battlefield to civilian life.

"The ventriloquist marionette is really important because, as the general said, it shows the social side and the morale boosting side of conflict," said Quick.



Photos by Corporal Chase Miller, CAF Imagery

Alan Whitebone and Holly Riley prepare to present General Jonathan Vance, the Chief of the Defence Staff, with a Canadian Army Show ventriloquist puppet that was the stage prop of their father, Sergeant Russel Whitebone. Sgt Whitebone joined the Army in 1942 and entertained troops throughout Canada, England and northwest Europe as a member of the Army Show with his puppet, 'Pte Willie Whitebone', until his release in 1946. The Army Show puppet was donated to the Canadian War Museum at a presentation held on Nov. 7, at National Defence Headquarters in Ottawa.

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# Head of Naval Reserves inspired by breakfast club

**Peter Mallett**  
Staff Writer

When the Commander of Canada's Naval Reserves, Commodore Marta Mulkins and her colleagues gathered for an informal breakfast on Persons Day in Ottawa last month, they reflected on the accomplishments of women in the Canadian Armed Forces.

Joining her at the table were several high-ranking female military officers, including Lieutenant-General Christine Whitecross, Major General Tammy Harris, Brigadier General Lise Bourgon, as well as Commissioner Jody Thomas of the Canadian Coast Guard.

Patricia Hadju, Canada's Federal Minister for the Status of Women, also dropped by to join them.

"We decided to have an informal gathering, so it was very inspiring that she dropped by to recognize the success of women in the military," says Cmdre Mulkins. "We are constantly looking forward, but it is nice for a moment to recognize where we have been and our accomplishments."

One such accomplishment is Persons Day - Oct. 18, 1929, the day when Lord Sankey, Lord Chancellor of Great Britain, announced the decision of the five lords that women were persons. The decision forced the Canadian federal government to allow women to be appointed to the Senate or to any public office in the land. This decision paved the way for women, including those at the breakfast table.

Thirty-one years ago Cmdre Mulkins joined the Naval Reserves; as the years passed by the thought of reaching one of the highest ranks was not in her sites. But like her male counterparts, good, hard work paid off with promotion after promotion.

"I would say the military and the Canadian government have been ahead of the curve in both pay equity and opening opportunities to women many years ago, and helped set the tone for advancement in the rest of society," she says. "The entire process has taught us a valuable lesson, to never underestimate strength in diversity and that everyone in Canada brings something to the table and we are stronger for it."

Although she brushes off the historic significance of her rise, she has, nonetheless, paved the way for women in the Royal Canadian Navy. She was the first woman to command a warship in the RCN, and later commanded



**Cmdre Marta Mulkins**

Naval Reserve Division HMCS Carleton.

"I suppose because I was the first to command a ship that I am a trailblazer," she says. "Sure it's important to be the first, but also being the second, third, and fourth is important because it proves the first wasn't an anomaly, and that that path will be well travelled by women in the future."

Last year she assumed command of all 24 naval reserve units and its 3,200 personnel located across Canada.

As the Naval Reserves looks to expand their numbers over the next few years, Cmdre Mulkins hopes her perspective resonates with young female university students and other women currently contemplating their career path. The Reserves, she says, are "a great starting point to get a true sense of what the military is really like."

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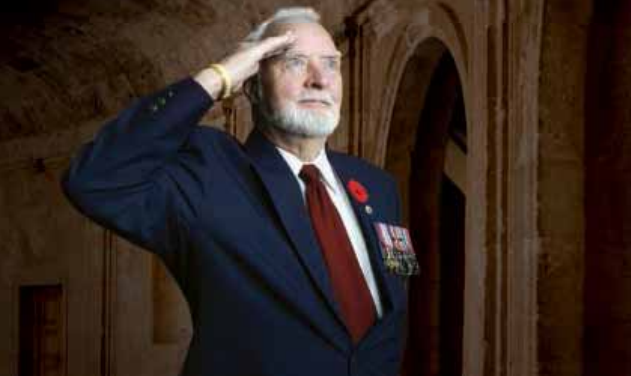
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CH148 Cyclone crews conduct an Operational Test and Evaluation with HMCS Montréal, the first ship to support a Helicopter Test and Evaluation Facility Detachment.

# Another first for the new CH148 Cyclone helicopter

## Captain Peter Ryan 12 Wing Shearwater

A CH148 Cyclone helicopter from 12 Wing Shearwater, N.S., recently conducted its first anti-submarine warfare (ASW) event with submarine HMCS Windsor off the coast of Nova Scotia.

The exercise was linked to an ongoing Operational Test and Evaluation being conducted by the Helicopter Test and Evaluation Facility (HOTEF) at 12 Wing Shearwater.

Anti-submarine warfare is a component of underwater warfare that employs surface warships, aircraft and other submarines to find, track and deter, damage or destroy enemy submarines.

This was the first time a Cyclone has engaged in such activity, representing an important milestone in the evolution of this new aircraft that provides wings for the fleet, and state-of-the-art air power for the Royal Canadian Air Force.

According to Major Erik Weigelin, a pilot with Helicopter Test and Evaluation Facility, the

Cyclone's sonobuoy processing system was tested to detect and track Windsor using passive sonobuoys.

"This system allows us to track submarines without making any active noise, thereby denying the submarine knowledge of the helicopter's location or potentially even the fact that they are being tracked at all. Anti-submarine warfare by use of sonobuoys can be very challenging, but having Windsor as a target allowed the crews to hone our equipment and develop a solid baseline of performance for the tracking of real submarine targets," said Maj Weigelin.

When Windsor was otherwise tasked, CH148 crews employed Expendable

Mobile Anti-submarine Warfare Training Targets to simulate submarine movements and noise patterns, which allowed Helicopter Test and Evaluation Facility crews to further develop those tactical procedures that will be used by operational crews following CH148 release to service.

"Accurate and effective initial equipment settings, in combination with clear, concise and easily repeatable procedures, is key to maximizing the crews' effectiveness in challenging tactical situations," said Maj Weigelin. "These procedures need to be trained and practised to ensure peak operational capability of front-line crews once they are deployed with the Cyclone."

During their week at sea, CH148 crews conducted 16 hours of embarked Operational Test and Evaluation with HMCS Montréal, the first ship to support a Helicopter Test and Evaluation Facility Detachment. The purpose of ongoing Operational Test and Evaluation is to continue to assess the aircraft's combat effectiveness, develop tactical procedures, and validate doctrine before the new maritime helicopter can be turned over to front-line squadrons.

A CH148 will progress planned Operational Test and Evaluation by participating in combined warfare exercises in the Atlantic Ocean from late October to mid-November.

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# HMCS Charlottetown's legal advisor supports Operation Reassurance

**Lt(N) Benoit Plante**  
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As HMCS Charlottetown prepares to transit the Strait of Gibraltar, the Bridge is getting crowded. There are the usual personnel on the Bridge, such as the Helmsman, the Naval Communicator and the Officer of the Watch.

More surprisingly, there is the legal advisor to the Operation Reassurance Maritime Task Force, Lieutenant-Commander Mike Baker.

The legal advisor is a Canadian Armed Forces Legal Officer deployed with the ship during Operation Reassurance. He provides legal advice on operational, international, and administrative law, military justice, and all other legal matters of particular interest to the Commander.

"When we are transiting the Strait of Gibraltar, for example, the ship is passing through either Spanish or Moroccan territorial waters," explains LCdr Baker. "So part of my job is to provide advice to the Commanding Officer on the implications of passing in those waters, and to help him determine what types of activities Charlottetown can and cannot do at any

given time."

As Charlottetown is transiting back into the Mediterranean Sea from the Atlantic to continue with Operation Reassurance, LCdr Baker says "from a law of the sea perspective, the Mediterranean Sea is a complex legal environment, in part due to its long history and the many different states that surround it."

Therefore, he needs to advise the Commanding Officer on the general provisions of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea, which is the primary reference for understanding maritime law. Moreover, ships operating in the Mediterranean Sea need to understand that passage between it and the Black Sea is governed by the Montreux Convention, that the Strait of Messina represents an exception to the rules about international straits, and that the countries bordering the Mediterranean Sea have varying claims to the extent and types of maritime zones off of their coasts.

The use of the boarding party is yet another operational activity requiring sound legal advice. Charlottetown sailed with an Enhanced Naval Boarding Party embarked, and has an organic Naval

Boarding Party as well.

"The boarding of a vessel in international waters is something which is only allowed under very specific circumstances in international law. My first job during a potential boarding situation is to assist the Commanding Officer in determining whether or not those circumstances exist, and if they do not, then advising him as to what further action needs to be taken in order to make the boarding compliant with international law," said LCdr Baker.

"The Legal Advisor's advice regarding our activities on Operation Reassurance is crucial for me," said Commander Andrew Hingston, Commanding Officer of Charlottetown. "There are a lot of concurrent activities happening on board the ship; it is important for me to count on the sound and valuable advice from my legal advisor to make sure we respect our legal obligations."

Charlottetown is currently deployed on Operation Reassurance in support of NATO's assurance and deterrence measures through the provision of military capabilities for training, exercises, demonstrations, and assigned NATO tasks.



Lieutenant-Commander Mike Baker, legal advisor to HMCS Charlottetown command team.

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Members of the boarding party from HMCS Montreal race to catch up to HMCS Fredericton.



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Petty Officer Second Class Andrew Childs, a Marine Systems Engineer onboard HMCS Fredericton, machines new parts on the metal lathe during Exercise Spartan Warrior.



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HMCS Montreal (left) and HMCS Athabaskan (center) prepare for a sail past to bid farewell to the Spanish tanker ship ESPN Patino (right) during Exercise Spartan Warrior 16.

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# People at Work

## MS Jonathon Gendron Fleet Diving Unit (Pacific)

**Capt Jenn Jackson**  
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For many of us, the idea of working under the water with nothing but a tank of air on our back sustaining our life is pretty daunting to think of. Add in that the job includes locating and neutralizing mines while under the waves and the prospects get even more challenging.

For Master Seaman Jonathon Gendron of Fleet Diving Unit (Pacific), working beneath oceans around the world and helping to make our waters safer is all in a day's work.

Originally from Saint-Georges, Quebec, MS Gendron joined the Canadian Armed Forces in August 2004 and completed training as a Naval Electronic Sensor Operator in early 2006. His first posting was to *HMCS Regina*, and it was there he developed an interest in

becoming a Navy Clearance Diver.

"I had heard about ship's divers while posted in *Regina*," says MS Gendron. "I had also heard that the Navy Clearance Diver course was demanding and challenging, something I was really looking for. I decided to apply to become a diver as soon as possible."

Following that goal, MS Gendron completed diver selection in February 2007 and began his training the following September. Once qualified as a diver, he hasn't looked back.

"Our work is never routine; there is always variety and somewhere new to explore," he says. "I have travelled to a lot of different places and I have gone places most people never get to go."

When asked if there is an area of the dive world he particularly enjoys, MS Gendron without hesitation, says mine counter-

measures, usually in shallow waters.

"Mine countermeasures is a big focus for us right now and it is something very relevant and needed today," explains MS Gendron. "We are still finding mines from the Second World War, and every mine we find and neutralize makes the water and shoreline safer."

"One of my most vivid memories as a diver was during an operation, and a small child came up to me and gave me what turned out to be a live ordnance. At that moment, it really came home to me how important the work was we were doing."

That incident took place in 2013 during Operation Render Safe in the Solomon Islands. After the Second World War, both the U.S. and Japanese forces left their ordnance behind and locals have been finding them ever since. Operation Render Safe continues

today and is just one example of how Royal Canadian Navy Clearance Divers make a difference.

"The operating tempo for us is very high and we are very busy," says MS Gendron. "There is never a lull, but we can rest assured that if our family needs anything while we are away the members of the unit will support them. It's an honour to be a part of such a close group of people."

In 2016 alone, MS Gendron has been deployed to Guam, San Diego, the Yukon, and Korea on mine countermeasures training and operations. When not working or diving, he can be found cycling in the summer and hiking the hills surrounding Victoria in the winter.



MS Jonathon Gendron receives a citation from Vice-Admiral Kim, Republic of Korea Navy Education and Training Command, for the work he did above and beyond during Clear Horizon 16.



Photos by Capt Jenn Jackson  
MS Christopher Cooper from Fleet Diving Unit (Pacific) conducts safety checks on MS Gendron before a Very Shallow Water mine countermeasures dive during Clear Horizon 16 in Chinhae, Korea on Oct. 18.

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Members of the Combat Systems Engineering (CSE) department replace the ammunition in the Close in Weapons System on board HMCS Charlottetown, in Souda Bay, Greece, during Operation Reassurance.



Weapons Engineering Technicians transport a torpedo from the hangar to the torpedo lobby during Operation Reassurance in the Black Sea.

# Keeping a warship ready for the fight

**Lt(N) Benoit Plante**  
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Every sailor and officer in the Royal Canadian Navy is taught during their training that a warship needs to do three basic things: float, move and fight. HMCS Charlottetown's Combat System Engineering (CSE) department is responsible for ensuring the ship is ready to fight at all times. The CSE department is composed of three officers and 28 weapons engineering technicians working in one of the five

major specialties of their trade: radar, sonar, communications, armament and fire control. "Within the CSE department, we have personnel with the technical skills and knowledge to repair and maintain all of our combat systems," said Lieutenant (Navy) Hubert Tong, Combat Systems Engineering Officer onboard Charlottetown. "My team is responsible for keeping those systems operational so the ship has maximum combat capability at all times to respond to any situation at sea." Since being deployed on Operation Reassurance in July 2016, Charlottetown has continuously employed its suite of combat systems, such as the sonars, radars and fire control systems. These systems provide situational awareness to the ship in order to manoeuvre and fight. Availability of communications systems onboard is also critical to operations conducted at sea, from exiting harbour, to replenishing at sea, to returning alongside. Moreover, as part of Operation Reassurance, Charlottetown participates in training exercises such as Exercise Sea Breeze and Exercise Joint Warrior and has the opportunity to use the weapons systems during gunnery and air defence exercises. The CSE department appreciates opportunities where the ship can use the weapons systems. Operators use most of the sensors and communication systems on board on a daily basis; however, firing weapons systems is not something that happens every day. "Operation Reassurance offers us invaluable opportunities to fire our 57mm Main Gun and the 20mm Close-in Weapon System (CIWS), as well as exercises our fire control systems. This is great; successful shoots validate the hard work that our technicians do to keep these systems in peak condition," says Chief Petty Officer Second Class Matt Boniface, CSE Chief. Charlottetown is currently deployed on Operation Reassurance in support of NATO's assurance and deterrence measures through the provision of military capabilities for training, exercises, demonstrations, and assigned NATO tasks. Charlottetown has a crew of approximately 250 personnel of all ranks, including a CH-124 Sea King helicopter and air detachment.

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## Baked goods sweeten the charity purse

Peter Mallett, Lookout Newspaper

Base Administration staff (centre) Tammy Harnish, PO2 Jessica Mann (left) and LS Stephanie Hamilton show off a tray of sweets and goodies for their National Defence Workplace Charitable Campaign bake sale held in the the Base Orderly Room lobby, Nov. 8. The bake sale is just one way personnel around the base are pitching in for the annual fundraising effort that raises money for the United Way and Health Partners.

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# The Evolving Role of the Royal Canadian Navy Clearance Diver

**Capt Jenn Jackson**  
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While deep-water salvage operations remain a staple of the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) Clearance Diver occupation, there is a role that has re-emerged and become the "bread and butter" work of the trade - mine countermeasure.

The word clearance in the trade name originates from when the trade was first established in the 1950s for the purpose of mine clearance. Naval mines have been used as an effective tool in warfare since before the First World War.

As technologies and warfare evolved, so too has the number and types of mines used in waters both offensively to block sea lines of communication, and defensively to protect harbours from penetration by enemy vessels.

It is estimated that approximately 235,000 sea mines were laid during the First World War and mines laid by North Korea during the Korean War caused 70 percent of the casualties suffered by U.S. naval vessels.

Following a war, it is not always possible for all laid

mines to be removed due to factors such as currents and weather, as well as bottom type and conditions. As such, there are several areas of the world where mines remain a threat—not only to military, but to civilian populations.

In addition, because of the effectiveness of mines in the realm of naval warfare, the threat of mines in any future international crisis remains very real, requiring forces to develop and practice effective means of finding and neutralizing mines in the water.

While ships such as mine sweepers and mine hunters can be used to search and eliminate the threat of mines in many sea lines of communications, there remains many kilometres of coastline where shallow waters make ship navigation unsafe and limit the effectiveness of ship mine countermeasures. It is in these very shallow waters of depths between nine to 15 metres that navy clearance divers conduct very shallow water mine countermeasure operations.

These operations typically involve clearance divers being inserted into a location

where mines are suspected, and conducting a thorough search of a specified area.

Royal Canadian Navy clearance divers make use of the Shark Marine Navigator, which uses sonar for detecting objects on the seabed floor, and allows divers to navigate in a limited or no visibility environment. The use of the Shark Marine Navigator helps divers to distinguish mines from other objects that may be in the water, such as rock formations or other debris.

Because of their versatility, divers can be inserted into an area of concern by a few different methods. The most common is by sea via small boats such as a zodiac, although they can work from shore, and even be inserted via helicopter, a deployment of a diver known as a "pouncer operation", where divers jump from a hovering helicopter into the area of operations.

RCN divers conducting these operations also make use of the Canadian Clearance Diver Apparatus, commonly known as CCDA, a Canadian-designed re-breather specific to Mine Countermeasure operations. This re-breather

operates with a very low magnetic signature that differentiates it from other commercial rebreathers. This, plus it operates without emitting high frequency noise or vibrations, makes it a safer option by reducing the risk of potentially triggering mines in a very shallow water area. This is an example of Canadian innovations being used in this type of operation for RCN Clearance Divers.

If a mine is verified, divers have options for neutralizing

it safely, including disposal through detonation, rendering safe for movement, or recovering it for intelligence purposes.

Safety of divers remains the primary concern during any dive operations. Before a diver enters the water, safety checks are performed, a plan for dealing with a dive-related casualty is discussed and rehearsed, including locating the closest dive chamber and medical support, a stand-by diver is fully suited up if needed

to aid a diver in distress, and RCN divers dive in pairs, joined underwater by a buddy line attached to the RCN diver safety harness. The harness can also be used to recover a diver as it is worn directly by the diver and not attached to equipment that may be lost.

RCN Clearance Divers have been involved in mine countermeasure operations around the world, including Europe, Solomon Islands, the Middle East, San Diego and Korea.



Photos by Capt Jenn Jackson  
MS Jonathon Gendron from Fleet Diving Unit (Pacific) surfaces after completing a one-hour Very Shallow Water mine counter measures dive, during Clear Horizon 16 in Chinhae, Korea on Oct. 18.



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# Nijmegen marchers remember a special veteran

**Peter Mallett**  
Staff Writer

As members of the Nijmegen Marching Team paused for two minutes of silence Nov. 11, taking that time to reflect on those who served before them, their thoughts rested on Maurice Hundleby, a 93-year-old Second World War veteran who died March 19.

Their paths crossed at the Veterans Memorial Lodge at Broadmead before heading to Holland to tackle the Four Day Marches in 2013, 2014 and 2015. Hundleby was part of the

Canadian contingent who helped liberate the Dutch people from German clutches.

"The memories and experiences he shared certainly made a difference to me and the entire team," said MWO Kevin Legg, who marched with the team in 2014 and 2015.

With the military members gathered around him, he would flip through his photo albums, stopping to detail an anecdote with an aged finger tapping on a faded black and white image. He felt it was important for the young people around him to understand the historical context of the Marches, and the importance of veterans such as he made during that time. He wanted them to have a picture of the destruction of the Second World War as they marched through the Dutch countryside.

One photo showed the devastation in the streets of Nijmegen during "The Hunger Winter", Germany's 1944-1945 blockade of Holland that resulted in 22,000 deaths.

"He remembered every detail in his pictures so vividly and had a story about each one," said NCdt Sylvain Dostie. "I can remember him describing in great detail everything. For example the smell and what he was feeling when he entered Hitler's bunker. I felt like I was there with him."

Hundleby's son Walt says his father never talked about the war when he was growing up.

"I never saw the photo album. I never knew it existed, so I guess Dad

had it well hidden somewhere in our house," he says.

It wasn't until Hundleby moved to Broadmead and met NCdt Dostie that the stories began to flow.

NCdt Dostie, a former Marine Systems Engineer, was awarded a Sacrifice Medal in 2009 after his service in Afghanistan, but suffered from PTSD in the year's following his deployment. He says they bonded immediately upon their first meeting when he volunteered at the residence in 2012. "Maury gradually became like a second father to me," he says.

The two began swapping military service stories, which NCdt Dostie says helped him heal.

"Sharing stories with someone who had gone through something similar definitely helped me in my recovery," says NCdt Dostie. "If I hadn't had that interaction with him and some of the other residents I don't think I would still be in the military today."

When WO Kevin Legg learned that Hundleby had died, he realized those visits to Broadmead would never be the same.

"I will never be able to recreate the feeling of honour I experienced when looking through Maury's albums, knowing I was going to be walking in the footsteps of men like him, visiting the same ground he crossed so many years before. The legacy he and all the Canadian soldiers left behind in the Netherlands is what made this country great."

## ABOUT MAURICE ALAN HUNDLEBY

**Born:** Oct 26, 1922

**Died:** March 19, 2016

**Graduated:** Victoria High School (1940)

**Military Service:** Conscripted 1942; Discharged March 8, 1946


**Rank:** Gunner, Royal Canadian Artillery

**Medals:** France and Germany Star and Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp


**Civilian Career:** 31 years working at National Health and Welfare Canada's Old Age Security and Family Allowance Branch.




Photo by Peter Mallett, Lookout  
Second World War veteran Maurice Hundleby at Victoria's Broadmead retirement home in Saanich. Before his death in March of this year he met yearly with the Nijmegen marching team.



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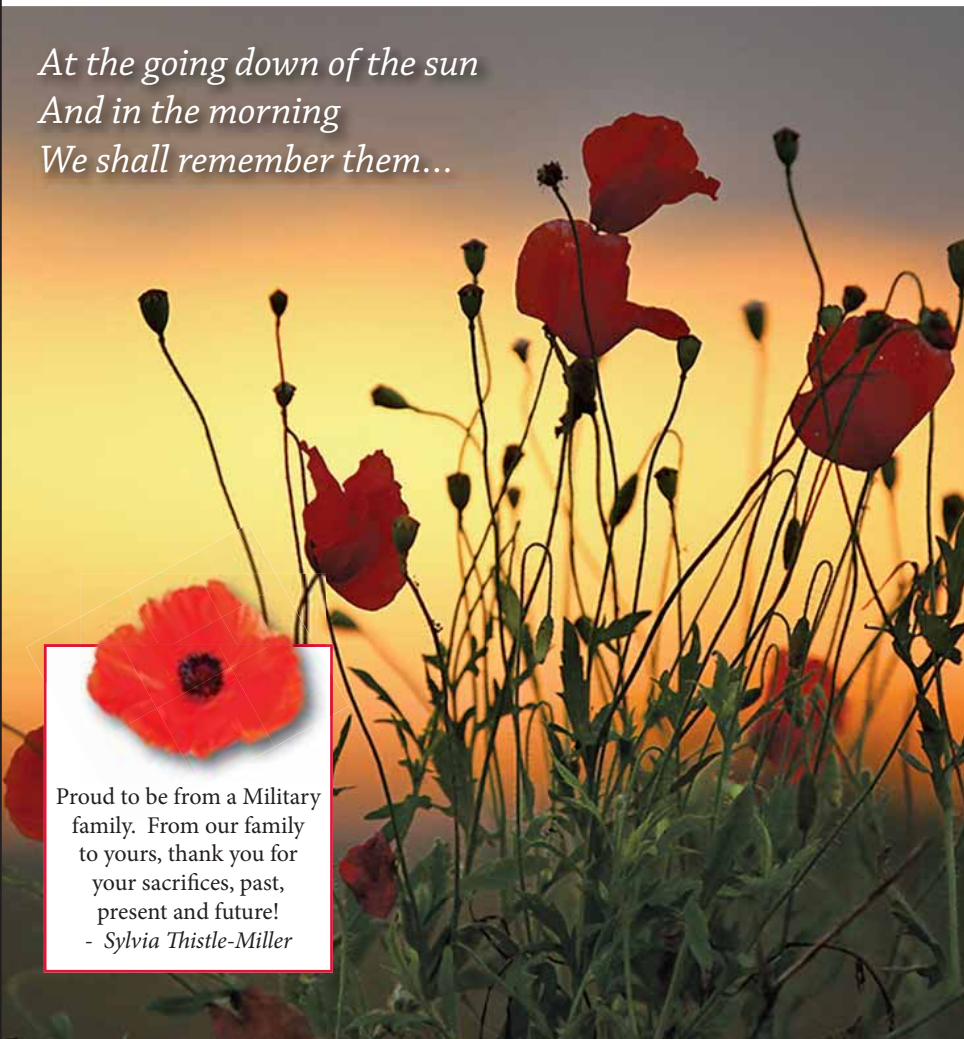




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## HMCS Montréal begins first deployment as X-Ship

**Darlene Blakeley**  
Navy Public Affairs Ottawa

HMCS Montréal is now at sea on its first deployment as the Royal Canadian Navy's (RCN) experimental ship.

The modernized Halifax-class frigate deployed Oct. 24 with a full schedule of missions including combat enhancement training, crew trials and operational testing and evaluation of the new Cyclone shipborne helicopter.

The experimental ship – or X-Ship – program is designed to advance innovative and leading edge naval concepts in all areas of warship deployment, crewing and sustainment. Many of the trials conducted will focus on human factors such as variations of crew size and impacts on crew rest and performance, as well as some operational trials.

"We have been given the extremely important mission of setting the course for the future fleet in manning, innovation and air operations," says Cdr Chris Sherban, Montréal's Commanding Officer.

As the sea portion of the X-Ship program gets under way, Montréal is transiting south with the rest of the Canadian Task Group, HMC Ships

Fredericton, St. John's and Athabaskan, along with Spanish Navy replenishment oiler ship Patino, conducting force generation and force development work.

According to Cdr Sherban, the first part of this trial is called the SCORE 217, which will be used to validate a crewing model that is being used by defence research scientists in Toronto.

This evaluation will require X-Ship to conduct a modified work-ups scenario with its full crew of 217. The scenario was specifically developed by the Directorate of Naval Personnel and Training in Ottawa, with experts from Sea Training (Pacific).

Outside of the evolutions in the scenario, the crew will be asked to conduct watches, departmental work (including maintenance), meetings, fitness, meals, and so on, in accordance with their regular shipboard routine.

The crew will fill out daily questionnaires on their activities and wear actigraphs (sensors that measure activity) to monitor work/rest balance. The intent is to confirm that estimates made with respect to the time needed to complete evolutions and the time available for activities other than watches and evolutions is consistent with reality. This data will enable

improvements to the SCORE model and provide greater confidence in crew requirements for future platforms.

"The crew is very excited their efforts will directly influence the structure and shape of the future fleet," says Cdr Sherban. "As an example, defence scientists hoped that we would have 150 officers and sailors willing to conduct sleep and fatigue studies. We had 178 sailors volunteer."

Although Montréal has a dedicated trial program, it will not be completely removed from everyday naval requirements and will continue to participate in scheduled engineering repair, docking work periods and fleet training exercises. The ship will increase its operational readiness with other RCN ships, as well as USN ships and Patino during exercise Spartan Warrior 16 during November.

After this deployment, Montréal will enter a work period until early January when it will return to sea in support of the Cyclone project.

"We will be searching for the worst weather in the North Atlantic so that we can test the operating limits of the helicopter," Cdr Sherban says.

Montréal is expected to continue trials as part of the RCN's experimental program for five years.



HMCS Montréal's Commanding Officer, Commander Chris Sherban, supervises replenishment-at-sea approaches with Spanish Navy ship Patino, HMCS St. John's (under the rainbow), HMCS Athabaskan (centre), and HMCS Fredericton (left).



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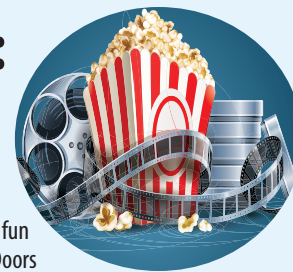
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## Ceremonial cannons make long-awaited return to D70

**Peter Mallett**  
Staff Writer

A pair of ceremonial cannons that have been fixtures in front of Dockyard building 70 for as long as anyone can remember, have undergone a full refurbishment.

The two saluting miniature cannons were removed from the front of the building when full-scale renovations and seismic upgrade construction began in the spring of 2014.

In late August, the cannons were taken out of storage for reinstallation.

"The cannons were tarnished and their wooden base was completely cracked and weathered, and looked dusty and beaten from the elements," says Doug Ko, Real Property Operations Project Manager. "I can definitely see the difference now. They have been transformed much like a heritage car: all shined up and gleaming and glistening."

Staff in the carpentry and metal shops each had a hand in the project. New wooden bases were fabricated, the chrome and stainless steel barrels were polished, and the cannons repainted.

They were re-assembled and returned to D70's entrance at the end of October.

According to Government of Canada records the Federal Heritage Building DY70 was built in 1937 and was the

first major Canadian-built structure erected in Dockyard by the Royal Canadian Navy following the acquisition of the site by Canada in 1910.

It first served as the Command and Administrative Centre for the base during the Second World War. The brick structure was originally two stories when it was built, but a third story was added in 1941.

While the history of DY70 is well documented by military historians, the arrival of the cannons and story behind them remains a mystery. There is brief passage in the book *CFB Esquimalt Military Heritage* by LCol F.D.H. Nelson and Dr. N.E. Oliver mentioning that the entranceway of the building is "flanked by the saluting cannons." Imagery of the cannons in the museum's archives dates as far back as the mid-1960s, with the two cannons clearly visible in the cover shot of *The Crowsnest* 1964 issue.



RP Ops employees Anthony Bertoia, Ivan Duck, and Brent Snelling all worked on the cannons.



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## HMCS Brandon intercepts estimated 700 kg of cocaine

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HMCS *Brandon*, in cooperation with the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), seized an estimated 700 kilograms of cocaine in international waters off the Pacific Coast of Central America on Nov. 5.

The cocaine, worth an estimated \$28 million (USD), was recovered from the ocean after being jettisoned by suspected smugglers in a panga-style fishing vessel that had been spotted by a USCG HC-130J aircraft patrolling the region.

*Brandon* launched two rigid-hulled inflatable boats (RHIB) with USCG law enforcement teams onboard to pursue the vessel and secure the 14 jettisoned bales.

"This latest seizure serves not only as a testament to the dedication and hard work by the crew of HMCS *Brandon* and the U.S. Coast Guard law enforcement detachment, but to their ability to work in concert," said Lieutenant-Commander Jolene Lisi, *Brandon's* Commanding Officer. "Our efforts, both leading into this operation, and on the operation itself, have led to this interdiction, which ultimately means fewer drugs reaching our shores. I am incredibly proud of my team."

*Brandon's* RHIB was unable to apprehend the suspected panga vessel.

Since February 2016, the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) have seized or disrupted a total of approximately 3,630 kg of cocaine and 1,520 kg of marijuana.

Operation Caribe is Canada's participation in the multinational campaign against illicit trafficking by transnational organized crime in the Caribbean Sea and the East Pacific Ocean.

Joint Interagency Task Force South, a subordinate command of United States Southern Command, oversees the detection and monitoring of illicit traffickers and assists US and multinational law enforcement agencies with the interdiction of illicit traffickers.



Photo by U.S. Coast Guard

Fourteen bales of cocaine weighing an estimated 700 kilograms rest on the sweep deck of HMCS *Brandon* after being jettisoned by a suspected smuggling vessel, a small fishing boat known as a panga, off the Pacific coast of Central America during Operation Caribe on Nov. 5

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MS Stevens, with children Peyton (left) and Landon, receives her Certificate of Service from LCdr Judith Harlock, Officer in Charge of Joint Personnel Support Unit (Pacific), on her retirement Oct 20.



LS Robert Knezacek receives his Canadian Decoration from LCdr Judith Harlock, Officer in Charge of Joint Personnel Support Unit (Pacific).



LS Mendonca receives his graduation Certificate from LCdr Maier, Naval Fleet School (Pacific) for Reserve RQ NCIOF LS mod 1-3 Serial 0002 and 0003.



LS Goodhew receives his graduation certificate from LCdr Maier, Naval Fleet School (Pacific) for Reserve RQ NCIOF LS mod 1-3 Serial 0002 and 0003.



CPO2 Christopher Magee is promoted to his current rank by Cdr Todd Bonnar and LCdr Syrus Stogran, from Naval Fleet School (Pacific).



Capt Bryanne Materi was presented with the Canadian Decoration by Commander David Coulombe, Commanding Officer of Regional Cadet Support Unit (Pacific).



# Bravo Zulu

## QL5 Steward Graduation

Lieutenant-Commander Daniel O'Regan presented certificates during the graduating ceremony for the Steward QL5 course on Oct 26.  
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AB Victoria Loganov receives her certificate.



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RDML Moises DelToro, Commander Naval Undersea Warfare Centre, Newport, presents Cdr Darren Rich with a plaque from the US Navy's PMS-415 project team (Undersea Defensive Warfare) in recognition of CFMETR's support Surface Ship Torpedo Defense Contractor Test 4.



Cmdre Simon Page, DGMEPM, presents Terry Berkley, CFMETR Range Engineer, with an ADM(Mat) coin for his outstanding support to several high-profile, multi-national test events.



Cmdre Simon Page recently acknowledged David Niven, Chief Engineer of CFAV Sikanni for his 30+ years of service with Queen's Harbour Master. *Left to right:* Cmdre Simon Page, Satinder Singh, David Niven, RDML Moises DelToro and Cdr Darren Rich.



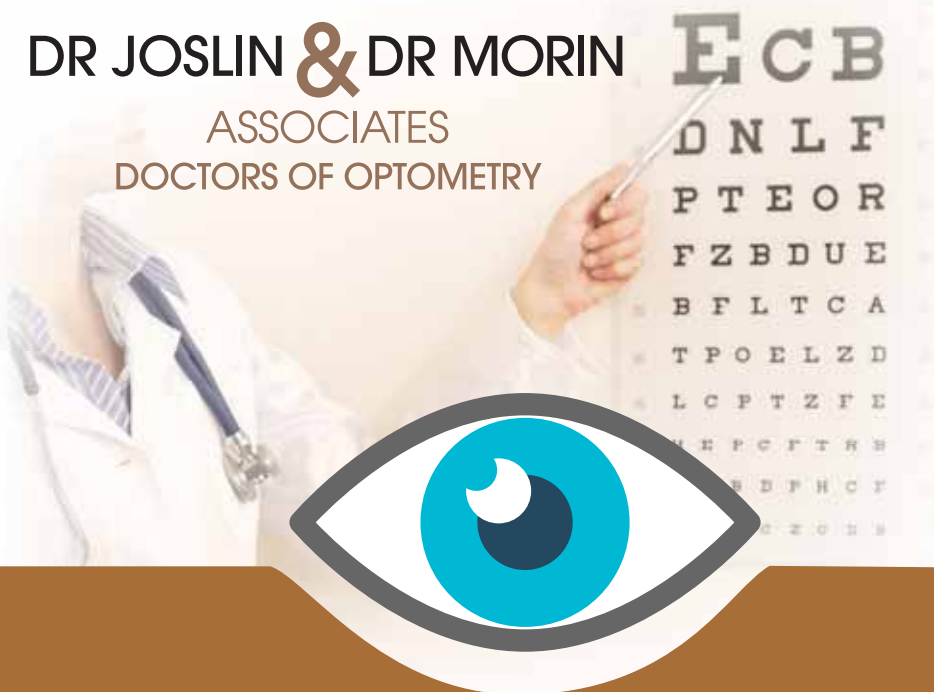
Lieutenant (Navy) Morgan Francis was awarded the Commander Maritime Forces Atlantic Certificate of Achievement (Bravo Zulu) from Rear-Admiral John Newton in recognition of his outstanding leadership and enthusiasm as the Deck Officer on board HMCS Fredericton during Operation Reassurance.



Cdr Darren Rich, Commanding Officer CFMETR, presents Bob Beauregard, Master CFAV Stikine, with a CO's Commendation Coin for his consistent and unfailing support to CFMETR operations since his arrival at Nanoose in 2014.

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# The Imjin Hockey Classic:

## Canadian Army competes in 63-year Hockey Rivalry

The Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry and the Royal 22e Régiment competed in the 4th annual Imjin Classic hockey game at the Canadian Tire Centre in Ottawa on Saturday Nov. 5. This game, co-hosted by the Embassy of the Republic of Korea and the Canadian Army, was in honour of Canadians who served in the Korean War and played Canada's favorite winter sport on the frozen Imjin River in 1952 while taking part in combat operations in Korea.

It was a well contested, albeit short, match with the PPCLI squeaking by for a 1-0 win in front of a enthusiastic crowd of military, families, and dignitaries.

The Imjin Hockey Classic is held to convey sincere gratitude to the Korean War Veterans in Canada.



Two players battle for the puck.



The special contingent led by Bill Black, Korean Veterans' Association, make their way to centre ice. Following him are Col Yoon, Defence Attaché, Republic of Korea; Kent Hehr, Minister of Veterans Affairs Canada; Major-General Christian Juneau, Deputy Commander Canadian Army; Lieutenant General Retired Evraire, and Juno, the Canadian Army mascot.



The much-coveted Imjin Hockey Classic trophy, awarded their year to Team Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

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Base Commander Capt(N) Steve Waddell gets things started with the ceremonial opening puck drop as MS Pat McKernan of Canadian Forces Fleet School and MCpl Joanne Lyster, Canadian Forces National Investigation Service Pacific Region, are Ready-Aye-Ready on the draw.

# NDWCC Victoria Royals / DND Hockey Challenge

**Pucks For Bucks:** For the sixth consecutive year the Victoria Royals took part in the Department of National Defence Hockey Challenge at Wurtele Arena. The good-natured, non-competitive contest between members of the Western Hockey League team and military personnel serves as a fundraiser for the National Defence Workplace Charitable Campaign.

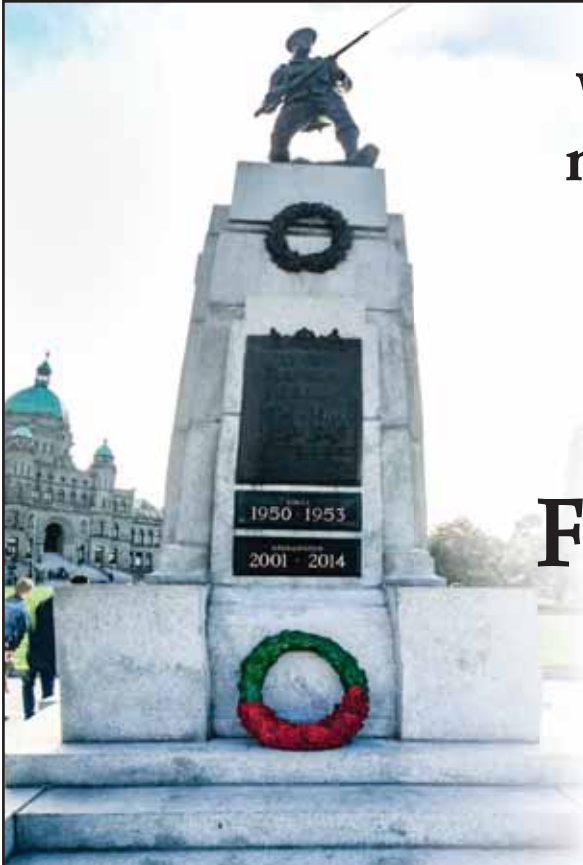
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Goaltenders LS Shea Connor and Royals' Griffen Outhouse pose with the Championship Cup following the final buzzer.



Goaltenders LS Shea Connor stops a shot as both sailors and Royals battle for the rebound.



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