





HMCS Saskatoon deploys for Operation Caribbe

SLt Melissa Kia, MARPAC Public Affairs

Fleet Chief CPO1 Derek Kitching (left), and Cmdre Jeff Zwick, Commander Canadian Fleet Pacific, salute the ship's company of HMCS Saskatoon as the ship passes Fisgard Lighthouse. HMCS Saskatoon deployed for Operation Caribbe, Canada's contribution to combat the international drug trade. Read more on page 2.









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HMCS Saskatoon continues war on drug trafficking



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HMCS Saskatoon leaves Esquimalt Harbour, passing Fisgard Lighthouse for Operation Caribbe, Canada's contribution to combat the international drug trade.

Peter Mallett Staff Writer

HMCSSaskatoon deployed Feb. 20, beginning its latest contribution to Operation Caribbe, Canada's decade-long contribution to the multinational campaign against illicit trafficking by transnational organized crime in the Caribbean sea and the eastern Pacific Ocean.

The Kingston-Class

Maritime Coastal Defence Vessel and its crew are fulfilling Canada's commitment to Operation Martillo - the United-States led multinational effort among Western Hemisphere and European nations aimed at drug interdiction and counter smuggling operations in the area.

"By preventing the flow of illicit drugs and denying unlawful access to the sea, our sailors are

effectively interrupting a major funding source for organized crime," said Lieutenant-Commander Todd Bacon, Commanding Officer HMCS Saskatoon. "Our mission success during these operations is a result of the continued support our sailors receive from their family, friends and colleagues back home."

It's the second time in 12 months Saskatoon has participated in Operation Caribbe. On March 19, 2016, Saskatoon assisted members of the United States Coast Guard in the seizure of 10 bales of cocaine weighing approximately 360 kilograms. The drugs had been dumped in the water by a fishing boat before it fled the scene. That bust was part of the Royal Canadian Navy's contribution to the seizure and disruption of 5,570 kg of cocaine and 1,520 kg of

marijuana in 2016, and 66 metric tonnes of cocaine and four metric tonnes of marijuana over the past 10 years. Canadian warships deployed on Operation Caribbe, along with CP-140 Aurora aircraft from the Royal Canadian Air Force, act in a support role, locating and tracking vessels of interest. The annual operation directly supports the Canadian Armed Forces' mission to defend against

HMCS Saskatoon threats and security challenges to Canada's international defence and security

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Todd Bacon,

Commanding Officer

partners. 'Our people are amongst the most highly educated and trained sailors in the world; they are the competitive advantage in combatting terrorism and piracy, conducting fisheries patrols and drug interdictions," Rear-Admiral Art McDonald, Commander Maritime Forces Pacific.

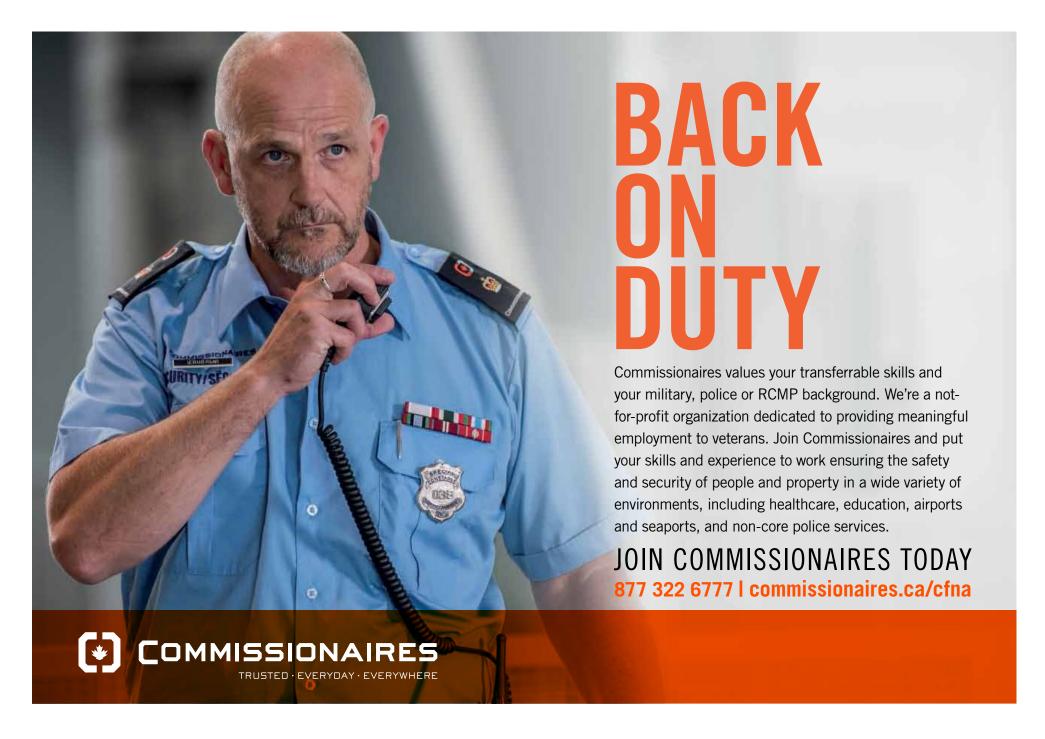




Photo by Leading Seaman Ogle Henry, Formation Imaging Services

Romanian Naval Ship Ferdinand sails in-between *HMCS St. John's* and the Spanish frigate Juan de Borbon in preparation for replenishment at sea approaches during their transit on the Black Sea Feb. 8, during Operation Reassurance.

Black Sea deployment wraps up

Lt(N) Emily Anglin, HMCS St. John's

The Port of Istanbul is always busy. Dozens of ferries sail across the harbour in all directions, moving locals and tourists alike between terminals along the ancient Bosporus, which connects the Sea of Marmara to the Black Sea.

This trip gives the passengers a breathtaking view of the historic city.

On Jan. 31, they also had the opportunity to see *HMCS St. John's* transiting with Spanish frigate Almirante Juan de Borbon into the Black Sea, where the Canadian warship would conduct a threeweek deployment.

While there, St. John's conducted Exercise Sea Shield during its deployment on Operation Reassurance. The frigate, which was recently upgraded, integrated seamlessly into a task

group of Turkish, Bulgarian, Romanian, American and Spanish ships, aircraft and submarines. The exercise had serials that worked every department on board St. John's: manoeuvres, replenishment at sea approaches, combined antisubmarine and air defence exercises, maritime interdiction and vessel boarding, search and rescue of a stricken submarine, and communications via radio, flashing lights and flags.

The work of the embarked sailors, soldiers and aircrew did not go unnoticed.

"I am exceptionally proud of the officers and crew of this ship," said Commander Sheldon Gillis, Commanding Officer of HMCS St. John's. "After steaming 4,500 nautical miles to the Black Sea and seamlessly integrating with units of Standing NATO Maritime Group 2, we proved to ourselves and

to our allies that we are a first class navy, ready to demonstrate Canada's commitment to our collective defence obligations."

While in the region, St. John's visited Istanbul, Turkey; Constanta, Romania; Varna, Bulgaria; and Samsun, Turkey. These visits allowed crew members to meet sailors from other ships and learn about their cultures, and also to give back to local communities.

While alongside Constanta, 21 of *St. John's* sailors volunteered at a local children's shelter, demonstrating their commitment to community, even when 4,500 nautical miles away from their own homes.

On Feb. 20, St. John's left the Black Sea to carry on its seven-month deployment in the Mediterranean, continuing to enrich the bond between Canada and all members of NATO.

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People Talk

Lookout asked vendors attending the MARPAC Health and Wellness Expo on Feb. 16 at Naden Athletic Centre:

What is the most important thing a person can do for their health and wellness?



Moderation is the way to live your life. Going to the gym sometimes, but not being a gym nut about it. It's good to follow the same ideology with your diet; it's not good to be too restrictive but have some balance like some creamy, cheesy tortellini with your kale.

Alyssa Talley, co-owner, Local Urban Bites



Just getting outside would be the number one thing you can do for yourself. Just being outside and enjoying some activity at your own pace with the fresh air is far superior to exercising in a gymnasium or health club.

> Chris Bowes, Wildplay Element Parks



Exercise and other aerobic activities because it creates balance, is an outlet for stress, and also helps regulate your body.

Taneya Xing, Dream Maker Dance Studio



Pay attention to what you eat and put into your body. Think of your body as fueling a vehicle, you can either run it on alcohol, which is toxic, or a proper, healthy diet, which is good for you.

MWO Noah Rombough, 3005 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps, 11th Service Battalion

WHAT SAY WE

SPORTS trivia Skiing by Stephen Stone & Tom Thomson

Questions

- Who won all three men's alpine gold medals (slalom, giant slalom, downhill) at the 1968 Olympics in Grenoble, France?
- 2. Who won the first men's World Cup alpine ski championship in 1967?
- 3. Who won the first women's World Cup alpine ski championship in 1967?
- 4. Who was the top women's alpine skier at the 1968 Olympics?
- 5. Who is the only other men's alpine skier to win all three gold medals at a single Olympic Games?
- 6. Who were the "Crazy Canucks?"
- 7. Who is the only member of the "Crazy Canucks" to win an Olympic medal?
- 8. Who was the first North American to win the World Cup title in men's downhill?

- 9. Who is the only other Canadian to win a World Cup title in a men's alpine ski discipline?
- 10. Since Nancy Greene's wins in 1967-68, who are the only Canadian women's World Cup champions in any alpine ski discipline?
- 11. Who is the most successful World Cup alpine skier (all disciplines)?
- 12. Who is the second most successful Work Cup alpine skier (all disciplines)?
- 13. Who has won the most Olympic medals in men's alpine skiing (all disciplines)?
- 14. Who has won the most Olympic medals in women's alpine skiing (all disciplines)?
- 15. Which country has wont the greatest number of Olympic alpine skiing medals?
- 16. Who is the most successful men's downhill skier?

1983) and Olympic gold (1976).

- Austria 114 (including 34 gold).
 Franz Klammer (Austria) five World Cup titles (1975-78,
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- and two bronze.

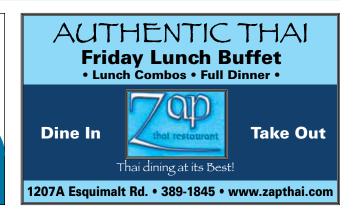
 14. Janica Kostelic (Croatia) six: four gold, and two silver;

 Anja Parson (Sweden) six: one gold, one silver, and four
- 12. Ingemar Stenmark (Sweden) 19 World Cup crystal globes.
- Michele Gagnon (Lac-Etchemin, Que.) combined, 2014.
 - 10. Besty Clifford (Ottawa, Ont.) Slalom, 1971; Marie-Michele Gagnon (Lac-Etchemin, Que.) – combined, 2014
 - 9. Erik Guay (Mont Tremblant, Que.) Super G, 2010.
 - 8. Steve Podbroski 1982.
 - skiing in the downhill event. 7. Steve Podbroski (Toronto, Ont.) – bronze, downhill 1980.
 - and Ken Read. They earned their reputation in the late 1970s and early 1980s for fast and seemingly reckless
- 5. Toni Salier (Austria, 1956).
 6. Jungle Jim Hunter, Dave Irwin, Dave Murray, Steve Podborski
 - 4. Nancy Greene (gold in giant slalom, silver in slalom).
 - 3. Nancy Greene (Rossland, B.C.).
 - 2. Jean-Claude Killy.
 - 1. Jean-Claude Killy (France).

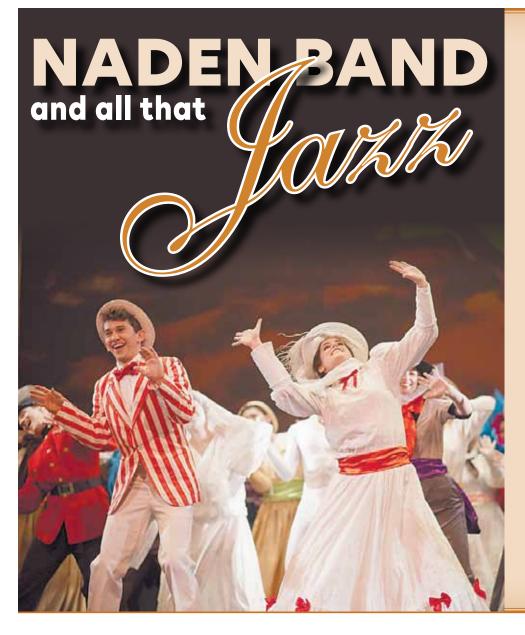
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For years the Naden Band of the Royal Canadian Navy has pursued partnerships and collaborations with many cultural institutions in Victoria, including the Victoria Symphony, Victoria Philharmonic Choir, Royal BC Museum, University of Victoria Faculty of Music, and the Royal and McPherson Society.

The latest collaboration is with the Canadian College of Performing Arts for "All That Jazz", a matinee and evening concert at 2 and 7:30 p.m. respectively at the Royal Theatre March 18.

These concerts will feature Canadian College of Performing Arts students, who are some of the country's top emerging artists. They will be acting, dancing and singing to music played live by the Naden Band.

The Canadian College of Performing Arts has been owned and operated by The Canadian Heritage Arts Society, a non-profit society, for over 20 years. Their commitment to excellence has propelled many alumni to careers in the performing arts. Graduates have starred on Broadway, Canada's Shaw, Stratford and Charlottetown Festivals, and major productions worldwide.

"It is an honor and thrilling educational experience for our students to perform with the Naden Band," says Darold Roles, Artistic and Education Director for the college. "We have some of the top raw talent in the country and they are ready to be fused with one of the finest concert bands in Canada. Not many students can boast about this electric experience on their resumes."

Tickets for both shows are \$35 for the main floor and lower balcony, and \$28 for the upper balcony.

Vouchers, exclusively available for military members and their families, which give a savings of \$7.50 per ticket, are available for purchase at

the Canadian College of Performing Arts office from Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. These vouchers can then be brought to the Royal or McPherson Box Office and exchanged for a ticket at no additional cost.

The Canadian College of Performing Arts is nestled between Theatre Lane and Poets' Corner on 1701 Elgin Road.

In conjunction with the concerts, the College is also holding a unique fundraiser on March 18 called POSH (a naval term Port Outbound Starboard Home) at CFB Esquimalt's Chiefs' and Petty Officer's Mess.

This special evening will include a ticket to the matinee concert, plus dinner and musical entertainment. All funds will go to support the College, their students and future productions.

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IN THE COURTS

Drug trafficking charges laid against military member, brother in Petawawa

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On Feb. 7, the Canadian Forces National Investigation Service's National Drug Enforcement Team charged a Canadian Armed Forces member and his civilian brother with drug-related offences under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act.

The charges relate to an investigation into illegal drug activity at 4th Canadian Division Support Base Petawawa. After an extensive investigation, members of the National Drug Enforcement Team searched a private residence on base Feb. 3, and arrested Corporal Philippe Serge Léveillée of 2 Combat Engineer Regiment, and

his civilian brother David Joseph Léveillée, who resides with him at the residence.

Both individuals face the following charges:

- two counts of Possession for the purpose of trafficking under section 5(2) of the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act; and
- two counts of Possession of a substance under section 4(1) of the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act.

"The National Drug Enforcement Team specifically targets drug offenders within the Canadian Armed Forces," said Lieutenant-Colonel Francis Bolduc, Commanding Officer, Canadian Forces National Investigation Service. "Their investigation of this case and subsequent charges against these individuals speaks to the effectiveness of this specialized team to help prosecute drug offenders and eradicate illicit drug activity within the Canadian Armed Forces."

During the search of the residence, members of the National Drug Enforcement Team discovered about one ounce (28 grams) of suspected cocaine and 20 grams of suspected cannabis (marihuana), as well as packaging materials, a scale and other drug paraphernalia.

The matter is now proceeding in accordance with the civilian justice system. The case is scheduled to be brought forward in Ontario Provincial Court, Pembroke, Ontario, on March 7, 2017.

Sexual assault charge laid against retired military member in Manitoba

DND

On February 16, the Canadian Forces National Investigation Service charged a retired member of Canadian Armed Forces with the one count of sexual assault under the Criminal Code of Canada and three counts under the National Defence Act.

The charges relate to a reported sexual assault in May 2016 against a mem-

ber of the Canadian Armed Forces while the accused was based at Canadian Forces Base Shilo near Brandon, Manitoba.

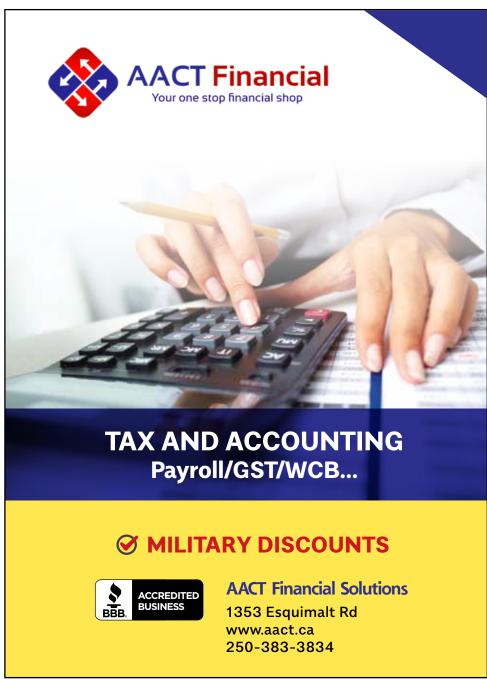
Warrant Officer (retired) Jason Buenacruz, a former Regular Force member, faces the following charges:

• one count of sexual assault under section 271 of the Criminal Code of Canada, punishable under section 130 of the National Defence Act;

- two counts of abuse of a subordinate under section 95 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.

The matter is now proceeding in accordance with the military justice system for possible court martial at a date and location yet to be determined.













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Fleet school goaltender honoured with

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Peter MallettStaff Writer

Despite just one game win at this year's CAF Old Timers National Hockey Championships, the Pacific Region's Comox Totems team still scooped a big award – the Sportsmanship Award for goaltender CPO2 Ken Simoneau of Naval Fleet School (Pacific).

"It was certainly a surprise to receive this award," said CPO2 Simoneau, who works as a Primary Leadership Qualification Instructor. "Nobody said anything to me about being named for this honour prior to the awards ceremony at the conclusion of the tournament; so I was really

taken aback when my name was called."

He normally tends goal for the CFB Esquimalt's Tritons, who won the regional battle against Comox but did not have enough players to send to Nationals. Four Esquimalt players suited up for Comox Totems to represent the Pacific Region, including MWO Paul MacQueen, 443 Helicopter Squadron; MS Brett Poulin; Base Information Services; and MCpl Derek Scott, Canadian Fleet Pacific.

National tournament play took place Feb. 18 to 22 at CFB Borden.

CPO2 Simoneau also won his team's Most Valuable Player Award after capturing single-game MVP hon-

CPO2 Ken Simoneau of Naval Fleet School (Pacific) receives the CAF Old Timer's National Hockey Championship Sportsmanship Award from Jessica Taillefer.

ours in two of his team's four games.

The Pacific Region managed to defeat the Atlantic Region's representative 2-1 in a shootout, but dropped their other three games to Quebec (CFB Valcartier)

8-1, Ontario (CFB Trenton) 5-1 and the Prairie Region (CFB Edmonton) 1-0. "The end result was not exactly what we wanted, especially after coming so close to moving on to the semi-final round," said CPO2 Simoneau. "It's just so tough and competitive playing at the national level, and overall I think the team did well if you take into account we were short on the bench throughout and had some key players missing due to injuries and operational requirements."

Heading into this year's nationals the Valcartier Lions were three-time winners of the title after defeating the Petawawa Stags 5-1 in last year's championship, held at Wurtele Arena in March 2016. But the Lions from Valcartier had their title snatched, falling 7-4 to the 8 Wing Flyers from Trenton in this year's championship game on Feb. 22, with CWO Richard Plante of Trenton winning the tournament MVP award.



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RAdm Gilles Couturier and former Toronto Maple Leafs Captain Rick Vaive are set to drop the ceremonial puck for the opening game of the CAF Old Timers National Hockey Championships held at CFB Borden Feb. 18.

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efit immediately from the return of individuals who have the skills and experience that the Air Force needs.

The AFI<, which is based in Ottawa, works to identify and put into action initiatives that improve the re-enrollment of skilled former members into the RCAF. The team works closely with the Recruiting Group and the career managers to streamline and expedite the re-enrollment process. In addition, they can provide individual support and guidance to each re-enrollee's file, which helps ensure the process moves forward as smoothly as possible.

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Find your place in the lacrosse box

Community spirit can often times be attributed to sport. Like a stimulating activity or hobby, sport can help assimilate Canadian Forces members and their families into a new community.

There is no shortage of sports in the Westshore community, but its love affair with lacrosse runs deep. At the heart of it, lies the Belmont Park Lacrosse Box. For over 40 years it has been many military families' first exposure to this amazing team sport. The Belmont Park Box, located on the south side of John Stubbs Memorial Elementary School, is the former stomping grounds of Western Lacrosse Association's superstar Jesse King, a forward for the 2015 Mann Cup Champion's, the Victoria Shamrocks. "Belmont box is one of the foundations to my box lacrosse career." King recalls. "I look

back on practicing at Belmont and realize that it was a place where some of my greatest memories, and friendships were made. Two of my best friends to this day are two guys who I met at that lacrosse box. For this, Belmont lacrosse box is more than just a place to play lacrosse."

Being one of two outdoor lacrosse boxes in the Westshore community, Belmont comes to life during the April – June box lacrosse season, and even in the off-season, hosts many kids coming out to practice their skills.





Complete with the perfect concrete wall for practicing "wall ball", it is a great place for parents and siblings to watch the fun. In recent years, box lacrosse has become one of the fastest growing sports in North America. Although not widely known, the National Sports Act of Canada named lacrosse our national summer sport in 1994. Due to BC's mild climate, lacrosse is a sport that players can practice outdoors all year round. For families looking for an exciting sport, consideration should be given to enrolling their youngsters in lacrosse. Children as young as five years old can participate. For more information, check out your local Minor Lacrosse

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Jesse King, Victoria Shamrocks Forward





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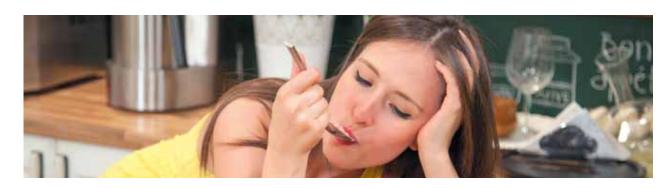
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GET THE FACTS: Use facts from credible sources to decide what needs to be done to solve the problem.

Craving food when you feel stressed instead of hungry is called emotional eating. It can be helped with mindful eating, which includes learning to eat when hungry and stop when full.

Recognize your eating patterns:

- Eating too much without realizing it.
- Craving foods that are high in calories, fat and sugar.
- Feeling even more stress and anxiety after eating too much.

Learn about mindful eating as a way to manage eating habits. It involves paying attention to eating using all senses: really seeing, tasting, hearing, smelling and feeling food.

So instead of eating a whole bag of chips when stressed, learn to be more mindful of your choice – perhaps eat a smaller portion or choose a more nutritious snack. Mindful eating can help a person become more aware of the reason why they are eating, so eats when you feel hungry and stops when you feels full.

With the help of a dietitian, you can become more aware of your emotional and physical responses to food. With training, you can manage stress-related eating and pay more attention in the present moment when making food choices.

SEEK SUPPORT: Put the plan into action with support from a dietitian, family and friends. Many dietitians are coaches who offer mindful eating principles during individual or group counselling sessions. Find a dietitian at www.dietitians.ca/find to help with stress reduction techniques and mindful eating. Check out these healthy recipe www.cookspiration.com.



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Eating should be joyful, not a source of everyday frustration and confusion. If you're fighting with food, try this three-step approach:

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2. Get the facts.

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Naden Band musician PO2 Savich was able to fulfill a dream prior to retirement by joining the crew of HMCS Chicoutimi during sea trials near Victoria.

Celebrate women - be bold for change

International Women's Day (IWD) is an annual celebration that takes place March 8 to commemorate women for their economic, political, and social achievements.

Maritime Forces Pacific (MARPAC) will celebrate the event under the International Women's Day theme: "Be Bold for Change", and the DND theme: "Change begins with you. Change begins with all of us."

Both themes focus on the importance of embracing change. In order to commemorate the day, MARPAC and the Defence Women's Advisory Organization (DWAO) will host events on March 7 and 8.

All defence team members and their families are welcome to attend.

The event will begin with a women's day walk at noon in front of the Pacific Fleet Club and then on to Saxe Point and back. Attendees are encouraged to bring co-workers and friends.

March 8

Celebrations continue with a presentation and panel discussion in the Rainbow Room at the Chiefs' and Petty Officers' Mess from 10 a.m. to noon with key note speaker Honorary Capt(N) Mandy Farmer. The TedTalk "So We Leaned in, Now What?" by COO of Facebook Sheryl Sandberg will also be shown, and a panel discussion will follow.





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The purpose of the contest is to grow the CFOne membership by challenging cardholders to spread the community members. The CFOne Card gains access

to tailored morale and welfare services and benefits such as CANEX and the CF Appreciation Program.

For the month of March who referred them have a chance to win a prize valued at \$7,000.

Further information about the contest and prize, and word and refer other eligible how to register for the contest can be found at www. cflfc.ca after March 1.

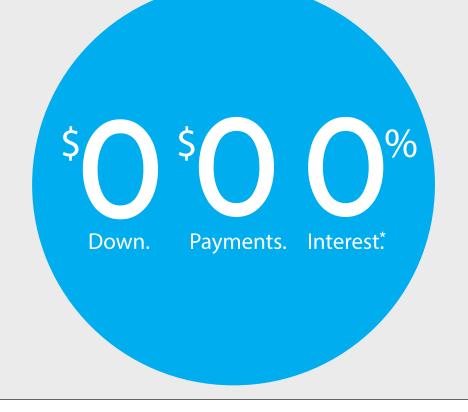




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Navy set to celebrate Canada 150

Darlene Blakeley Editor Crowsnest Magazine

A regatta of tall ships. An international tattoo. Naval boarding party demonstrations. A navy bike ride.

These are just some of the events that will take place as the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) celebrates the 150th anniversary of Confederation this year. Focusing on events from coast to coast, community involvement will be a special part of the festivities.

"The RCN is proud to commemorate Canada's strong naval heritage with Canadians from all backgrounds as part of this year's celebrations," says Vice-Admiral Ron Lloyd, Commander RCN. "As we mark this special year, we remember and honour the bravery of generations of sailors who fought to defend Canadian values at home and abroad."

Rendezvous 2017

A signature event marking celebrations will be Rendezvous 2017 (RDV 2017), when more than 40 tall ships will sail Canadian waters from June 30 to Aug. 20.

Québec City, home of Canada's Naval Reserve Headquarters, will be the main rallying point on the tour. The tall ship fleet, along with over 3,000 crew members and youth trainees, will be in the Port of Québec for a grand celebration from July 18 to 23. A host of free activities is planned for families and visitors, showcasing local and national culture as well as Canada's proud maritime heritage.

"RDV 2017 will bring Canadians to cities, towns and villages along the St. Lawrence River and help to promote a greater understanding of these communities and the vital role this iconic Canadian waterway played in the creation and development of our country," says Lieutenant-Commander Kevin Jutras, Naval Reserve Coordinator for RDV 2017.

The Québec City rallying point is one stop along a transatlantic race of 7,000 nautical miles taking place over the course of five months in 2017. The race starts at the port of Royal Greenwich in Great Britain on April 13 and finishes in the port of Le Havre, France. There will be stops in Portugal,

Bermuda, the United States and Canada along the way.

The tall ships are scheduled to stop at 30 different ports in Ontario, Québec and the Maritimes during the tour, giving thousands of Canadians the opportunity to admire the majestic beauty of these cathedrals of the seas.

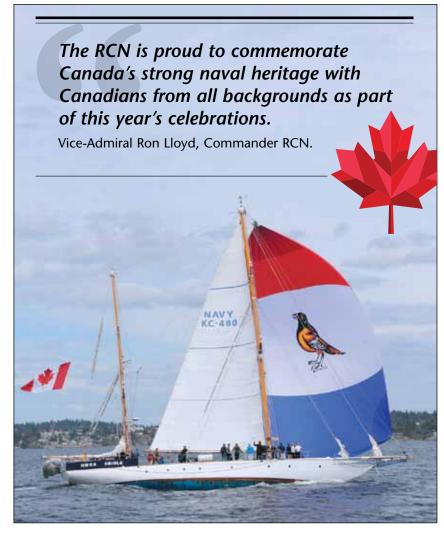
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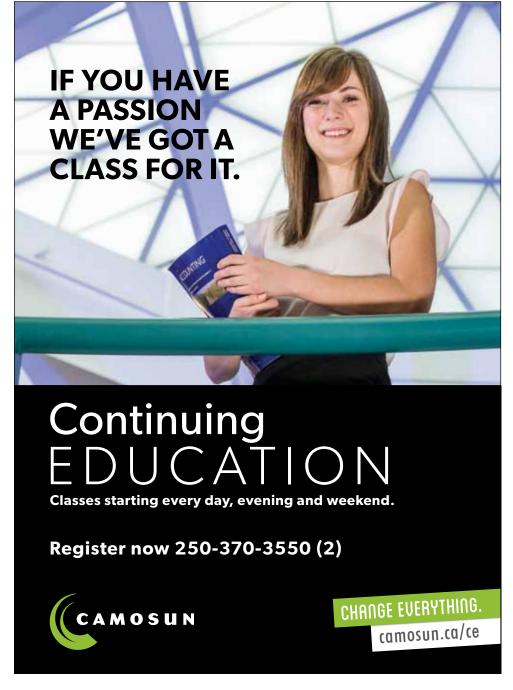
2017 marks the 10th consecutive year that Joint Task Force Pacific and Maritime Forces Pacific have participated in Canada Day at Canada Place in Vancouver, the largest Canada Day celebration outside the nation's capital.

This year a keepsake photo postcard of visitors with Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) members will provide a lasting memory with the wording. "I'm celebrating Canada 150 with the Canadian Forces."

The CAF Zone will consist of 17 unit displays, a Halifax-class frigate and two Orca Patrol Craft Training ships. A Fun Force Fitness Test will challenge participants to test themselves to see if they have the right stuff for the CAF. A fog-filled tent

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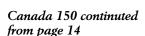






We have many wonderful activities planned for this special year, and I hope that all Canadians will have the chance to celebrate this milestone alongside members of the RCN.

Vice-Admiral Ron Lloyd, Commander RCN.



will allow participants to use a thermal imaging camera to find hidden personnel. Visitors over 19 years of age can try the firearms training simulator.

Live demonstrations will include the rarely seen naval boarding party demonstrations, performed on three custom-painted, stacked sea containers. Visitors will be able to try on a bomb suit and equipment used by the Maritime Tactical Operations Group – the specialized unit designed to manage high-risk threats at sea.

The Canadian Army will provide a selection of vehicles as well as a forward operating base with a "selfie station" for guests. The Royal Canadian Air Force will invite visitors to learn about search and rescue, and airframe maintenance. Overhead, two parachuting SkyHawks will appear to be making their approach virtually over the CAF Zone.

Visitors can attend one of several live performances by the Naden Band of Maritime Forces Pacific, one of which will provide musical support for the live broadcast of a citizenship ceremony, presided over by Rear-Admiral Art McDonald, Commander Joint Task Force Pacific.

Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo

The 2017 Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo (RNSIT), held in Halifax from June 29 to July 6, will also be a signature event in support of the Canada 150 celebrations. Approximately 295 personnel, including 50 cadets, will be employed in

support of this year's event.

"The RNSIT is a public spectacle which provides the CAF the opportunity to showcase personnel and their specialized skills," says LCdr Sidney Green, Executive Officer RNSIT. "As this is a multinational event, it also provides the opportunity to build upon already established relationships with not only the community, but with other nations as well."

This year's Tattoo will be one of the biggest yet as it celebrates how Canada's diverse landscape and culture define the nation on its 150th birthday. "From the moment the opening note rings out and until the final note fades, the Tattoo will recognize Canada as the strong nation it is," says LCdr Green.

The 100th anniversaries of Vimy Ridge and the

Halifax Explosion will also be commemorated. From the bravery and courage exhibited by soldiers at the battle of Vimy Ridge to the military personnel and first responders rushing to help after the Halifax Explosion, Canadian history and honour will be on full display.

The RCN will have a strong presence at the Tattoo with the Stadacona and Naval Reserve bands on hand, and will proudly showcase its Maritime Tactical Operations Group. The navy will also compete in the ever popular CAF Obstacle Race.

Navy Bike Ride

As part of its Canada 150 celebrations in the National Capital Region, the RCN will be hosting the inaugural Navy Bike Ride. It will take place May 20 with the option of doing either

a 10km ride or 30km ride around downtown Ottawa and in Gatineau Park. Registration is open to both avid and recreational cyclists of all ages.

"There are many avid cyclists within the navy community, myself included, and I look forward to leading the first-ever Navy Bike Ride through Canada's Capital Region during our nation's 150th birthday," says VAdm Lloyd.

MacKenzie River Run

In the North, the RCN will operate small boats on Great Slave Lake in July. Two boats will potentially circumnavigate Great Slave Lake, while an additional two boats will proceed from Hay River up the MacKenzie River to Tuktoyaktuk.

Using Joint Task Force North's Operation Nunakput, an annual surveillance and presence operation, as a backdrop, the RCN will gain valuable insight into small boat internal water operations and Canadian Ranger cooperation. Sailors will celebrate Canada 150 as modern-day voyageurs of Canada's internal waters.

These signature events are just a sample of what the RCN has planned for the year, as a host of other events will be held in communities across the country from ships' visits to maritime galas to participation in the Invictus Games.

"This is an exciting time to be a Canadian and part of the navy," says VAdm Lloyd. "We have many wonderful activities planned for this special year, and I hope that all Canadians will have the chance to celebrate this milestone alongside members of the RCN."









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Naval Fleet School (Pacific) Divisions Presentations and Awards

Commander Todd Bonnar presented awards during the Naval Fleet School (Pacific) Divisions Presentations and Awards ceremony Feb. 17.

Photos by MCpl Brent Kenny, MARPAC Imaging Services



Lt(N) Andre Bard is presented the Canadian Forces' Decoration First Clasp for 22 years of service.



Lt(N) William Corbett is presented the Canadian Forces' Decoration for 12 years of service.



Lt(N) Meghan Lobb is presented the Canadian Forces' Decoration for 12 years of service.



Lt(N) Julien St-Aubin is presented the PO2 Donald Saunders is presented the LS Eric Keen is presented the Canadian Canadian Forces' Decoration for 12 years of



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Operational Service Medal - Expedition 1st **Rotation Bar.**



Gordon McGee is presented the PO2 Erwin Alexander is presented the Lt(N) Gregory Atkinson is presented the General Campaign Star - South-West Asia Service Medal.

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LS Pilouzoué is presented a Commander of the Lt(N) Simard (middle) is promoted to Lt(N) by Naval Reserve Coin from Cmdre Mulkins (right), Commander Naval Reserve, and LCdr Jacques (left).



Cmdre Mulkins, Commander Naval Reserve, and Cdr Findlater.



MS Pelletier is presented a Commander of the Naval Reserve Coin and promoted to MS by Cmdre Mulkins, Commander Naval Reserve, and LCdr Jacques.

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AB Morrison is promoted to his current rank by LCdr Graham, Regina's Executive Officer.



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Promotions and Awards



LS Bocanegra-Beltran is promoted to his current rank by WO April Levigne and Cdr Jeff Watkins, **Commanding Officer Base Logistics.**



AB Paradis is promoted to his current rank by Lt(N) Krista Seguin and Cdr Jeff Watkins, Commanding Officer Base Logistics.



Maj (Ret'd) Yvonne Pratt is presented with her **Engineer Branch certificate from LCol Honorio after** serving the Canadian Military Engineer Branch for over 27 years.

WHIDBEY ISLAND NAVAL AIR STATION



SLt Rudee Gaudet Contributor

At Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island in the San Juan Islands, a group of Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) personnel, embedded with the United States Navy (USN), diligently analyze a continuous flow of acoustic data, as they hunt for the telltale signs of submarines.

Operating out of a secure building dubbed by locals as the "prison" for its secure gates and barbed wire fences, they, along with their USN counterparts, are the eyes and ears of the Pacific Ocean.

The prison is the Naval Ocean Processing Facility Whidbey Island (NOPFWI), one of two highly secure USN Integrated Undersea Surveillance Systems (IUSS) facilities in the United

A detachment of 37 Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) personnel, consisting of operators, maintenance technicians, and a support cell, work alongside the USN to accomplish the mission of continuous maritime domain awareness.

To achieve their mission,

acoustic data is supplied real-time to the NOPFWI watch floor by permanent acoustic sensors on the ocean floor, allied ships, submarines and long-range antisubmarine aircraft around the world.

"Finding a submarine is a big deal here. The entire team on the watch floor is focused on it. From the ships, planes and acoustic sensors to the watch floor, we are using real-time assets to find and track threat submarines 24-hours a day, 365 days a year," said MS Angelo Aires, a Sonar Operator nearing the end of his posting at NOPFWI.

The CAF has been directly involved in IUSS with allied nations since the 1950s, with joint USN and CAF acoustic processing facilities in Argentia, Nfld., and Shelburne N.S. These were two of over a dozen such facilities in the early days of IUSS, tracking Soviet submarines in the North Atlantic. The facilities would eventually be shut down following the end of the Cold War with service re-directed to other facilities such as NOPFWI.

The RCN has been comanning NOPFWI since its beginning in 1987.

"RCN members are highly valued here. They arrive with years of exceptional training and experience under their belt," said LCdr Graham Collins, Commanding Officer of the Canadian Detachment. "NOPFWI located and tracked many threat submarines last year, and when a threat submarine is found, that information is shared with the Regional Joint Operations Centre Pacific."

The majority of the NOPFWI Canadian Detachment consists of 28 Sonar Operators between the ranks of Leading Seaman (LS) and Petty Officer First Class (PO1) and two Maritime Surface and Sub-Surface (MARS) Officers who serve as Tactical Watch Officers. These 30 RCN members are fully integrated with the USN, staffing the watch floor in various positions.

"Sonar operators will start as sensor operators, the first step in the tracking process. They have the opportunity to move up into different roles such as track reporter and watch supervisor throughout their posting," explains MS Aires who is currently part of a team of six in the Standards and Evaluation Department of NOPFWI, separate from the watch floor. His job is to implement training simulations and assess both USN and RCN operators in their qualifications.

"We (Sonar Operators) come to NOPFWI from an environment of mostly simulated exercises and training in the RCN, so we have a different level of focus and attention to detail when we have the opportunity to track a real target. We will find and track more submarines in a year at NOPFWI then for the rest of our careers in the RCN; it's an incredibly rewarding challenge."

The joint manning of NOPFWI is specifically designed to share oceanographic expertise, experience, assets and professional knowledge between the USN and the CAF.

On the East Coast, south of Virginia Beach, is sister site NOPF Dam Neck, where the USN works with the navy, listening to the Atlantic and sharing information with RJOC Atlantic.

When asked about the importance of underwater surveillance, LCdr Collins compared it to the North American Aerospace Defence Command (NORAD).

"The NOPF sites are the NORAD of the Pacific and Atlantic oceans, just as NORAD knows who is flying in our airspace, we know who is sailing under our oceans."

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