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A note from the editor

Well here we go again. Omicron has made its own plans for us. You know what needs to be done for you and yours to remain healthy. Season's greetings to all of you - celebrate wisely. In the last issue I included a photo at the top of the front page. There were no attempts to identify the location, so here it is. Good ole Cape Breton. It is the abandoned gypsum mines near Cheticamp that locals claim is about 100 feet deep and claim a grip on abandoned equipment. The masthead photo again is thanks to Marleigh Leaman (discover.explore.enjoy) and I have returned to Peggy's Cove. This photo is so indicative of the Winter Solstice upon us on this publication date.

This issue will reveal more Divisional history, wise & supportive words from a well respected former Parliamentary representative of our area (and a staunch advocate of Veterans issues),

H Division also has a new executive - details at a glance to the left and inside.

Should you have a story suggestion or wish to submit material for a future edition then please forward it to the communications address at novascotia.communicationsdir@rcmpva.org

Lastly, included web links should activate when you click on them.

PatMoran



Meeting Schedules for Nova Scotia RCMP Veterans' Association All times changed to 7:00pm.

Executive Meetings 2022 (format to be determined)

mid January TBD

General Meetings 2022

(Scheduled to be in person but subject to change)

- January 22, February 19, March 19, April 21, May 19, June 16, September 15, October 20, November 17, December 10





**Moody McKay -
Interview conducted by Garry McCay on November 24, 2016**

Moody was born in Little Bay Islands, Newfoundland, in 1936. His birthplace is located on the east coast of Newfoundland, a little island in the North Atlantic.

When asked about jobs he had prior to joining the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, he explained his experiences in this way. "I was a lumberjack, river driver and in the mining industry". As a lumberjack, he was "cutting pulpwood and the river driver was driving the pulpwood down river to the various mills and to various ships that would load it and take it to England. The mining was in a copper mine in a place called Telfo, Newfoundland. I worked in the catering business."

I learned that profession from my dad. "I was a pastry cook. My dad was a cook and a night chef. I started the lumberjack thing when I was about sixteen (16) years old. The chef thing, I would have been about seventeen (17) years old."

Moody joined the RCMP Marine Division "in Springdale, Newfoundland, February 21st. 1957. My father was very pleased but my mother not so much. She didn't want me to leave home. There you go".

He went "by train to Port au Basque. From Newfoundland, I took the boat across to Port Hawkesbury. We couldn't get into Sydney because of the ice and I took the train from Port Hawkesbury to Halifax and went on board the vessel. His first posting was the 'French'. "It was a barracks sort of vessel. Everybody went to the 'French'. That is where you got your postings. She didn't sail. She was a land locked vessel, de-commissioned in one sense. She couldn't leave the dock."

"If you were stationed on the 'French', you were accessible to the Force. We sailed on the 'Irvine', the 'MacBrien', the 'Fort Steele', the 'Blue Heron', the 'Standoff', the 'Centennial', the 'Adversus', the 'Slideout', the 'Burin' and the 'Lac La Rouge'."

“It was a year or more before I went to training because in February, the troop was already taken for that year and the next year, I didn’t make it”.

When asked if he remembered his first police call, he said that “the first real call that sticks in my mind was a drowning. We searched for a day or so and later in the evening we located the body. We had a 1950 Fargo truck, an RCMP Marine Division truck. We placed the body in the truck and being a relatively new member, I was placed in the back with the body. From the lake back to Halifax, it wasn’t a very pleasant ride.”

Moody recalled several highlights from his service in the Force. “In Marystown in 1971, the first pavement on the south coast of Newfoundland. I was home watching TV and the phone rang about 10:00 PM.” The caller said, “Moody get on your gear. Full uniform and revolver with boots and breaches and report to the parking lot at Marystown Shopping Centre. The local community was staging a garden party with local bands and the place was packed with three or four hundred, young and old”.

“When I arrived, things were ugly. Fighting with the crowd and members trying to get a handle on the situation. I recall when the smoke cleared, two (2) tires were slashed on one police car with the car loaded up with arrested ladies. They drove away to the detachment on bare rims. Billy Gardner and I were left alone to face the crowd. Things became subdued when the ladies were taken away. The idea was to get the women out of the area as they would side with their boyfriends. Fights would start. I recall Gerald Veinot in the ditch attempting to cuff a person he was trying to arrest. Gerald called for assistance and applying as much force as I could, we got the job done. At the jail, the guy wanted to know who the S.O.B. was who almost broke his arm.”

Another highlight that stood out in Moody’s mind “was while I was stationed on board the ‘Standoff’ in Burin in 1971. The sergeant in Burin Detachment had to go to St. John’s on a police matter. We received a call from the local customs that the Coast Guard vessel, ‘Alert’, had gone to St. Pierre with the Honourable Don Jamieson and friends on board. They failed to report to customs on arrival at Marystown and so they requested that we search the ‘Alert’.”

“A call from the commanding officer at St. John’s and I was now officer in charge of the search party. We put together a party and proceed to search the ‘Alert’. Several bottles of illegal liquor along with St. Pierre alcohol were found. After gathering the seized liquor and reporting to the C.O., I was advised to place the vessel ‘Alert’ under seizure. It was not allowed to leave port until a voluntary penalty of five (5) hundred dollars was paid.”

“I informed the captain and he was not a happy camper. His response, ‘I will phone Don Jamieson to clear this matter up. I passed the information on to the Officer Commanding. After a while I was advised by the Office Commanding to remove the seized items and release the vessel. It was the last we ever heard about the incident. My claim to fame down the drain. I can say I seized the Coast Guard ship ‘Alert’ during my career.”

When asked about a humorous event that occurred during his career, Moody answered in this way. “It was a calm, fine day. This incident took place while on patrol from Burin to Grand Bank. It was a fine and calm day on the water. I noted a radar target some distance from our position. We were always forced to investigate.”

“Before leaving Burin, we had to place our main power boat, this was a skiff, in for repairs. We had a standby boat. A twelve foot klinker built with a five horse power motor. On arrival at the position on the radar target, we noticed a dory with one person on board. It appeared that the boat was loaded with illegal items and on our approach, he started throwing the items overboard. We made several attempts to stop the vessel to no avail. He just kept heading for shore.”

“Finally, we launched our little craft and steamed close enough to the vessel so Andy Northcott and I could attempt to make a boarding. As we approached the vessel at close quarters, I jumped aboard the vessel and removed the wiring in order to stop the motor. The person, as I say, was ‘drunk as a skunk’. The last item he threw overboard was a wicker basket with a bottle of liquor which did not sink. We also located and seized a shotgun in the bow of the vessel. We placed the guy under arrest and seized his vessel and towed it into Grand Bank. The next day we took him to court and he was found guilty later and taken to St. John’s to serve his time.”

When asked about his experience with the ‘St. Roch’ re-enactment, Moody said “They decided to do a re-enactment of the ‘St. Roch’ back in 2000 and it came to fruition. They chartered a coastal ship, the ‘Simon Fraser’, to be the mother ship for the RCMP vessel ‘Nadon’, renamed the ‘St. Roch II’. The ‘Simon Fraser’ was a Coast Guard vessel and they enlisted volunteers from the captain down to the deck hands. They had something like twenty-one crew members on board. I applied for a position as 3rd mate and was lucky enough to get it.”

“We left Dartmouth on the 27th of May 2000 and steamed to Bermuda, then through the Panama Canal and up the coast to San Francisco and into to Vancouver. We had a mini refit in Vancouver as we found items that weren’t working well.”

“We left Vancouver and called in at various ports up to Alaska and then up to the Aleutian Islands. From the Aleutians, we went up to Point Barrow and passed the international line for Russia and the United States and then we proceeded to find our way through the North West Passage. We stopped at various places like Cambridge Bay, Tuktoyaktuk and Pond Inlet.”

When asked about a special stop that was made along the way, Moody responded, “We stopped at Paisley Bay on August the 2nd. Paisley Bay is where the ‘St. Roch’ spent two winters icebound and while they were there, Constable Chartrand died of a heart attack. They buried him at Paisley Bay and the film crew decided they would place a plaque on his grave to commemorate his passing.”

“Before we left to go on the trip, provisions were made that we were to pick-up a plaque in Cambridge Bay. The plaque didn’t arrive but in the meantime, I acquired an RCMP crest from the previous RCMP vessel ‘Fort Steele’. It was de-commissioned by that time. I acquired the crest and wondered what to do with it.”

“Having been selected to go on the ‘Voyage of Re-Discovery’, I thought I would take it with me and I could say that the plaque had circumvented North America. That was my intention. But when we got to Cambridge Bay and there wasn’t any plaque to put on Constable Chartrand’s grave, I simply put the RCMP ‘Fort Steele’ plaque on his grave. We completed our task and went through the North West Passage to Halifax. No ice issues. Clear sailing. A little ice but nothing.”

After Moody retired from the RCMP Marine Division he joined the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and became a captain and acted as liaison person with the RCMP. “If they wanted us, they contacted me. We had a close connection with the Drug Section of the RCMP.”

“One particular time in 1980, I was captain of the Fisheries Patrol Boat ‘Louisburg’ and we were patrolling off the Georges Bank when we received a call that a fisherman had caught his hand in a drag and had lost two fingers. We were not too far from them so we got our boarding boat and went over, got the guy aboard and steamed to Yarmouth. They told me later that they reconnected his fingers because we had put them on ice and bandaged him up.”

“When we were leaving Yarmouth, I got a call from Halifax. They said that the RCMP in Yarmouth wanted me to go back to Yarmouth to look after something. We went back to Yarmouth and that is when they told me that they had information that a vessel was on its way to Canadian waters with a load of drugs on board.”

“They said that the vessel had left Bogata, Columbia and had come up the east coast of North America and they were to land in a place called Turkey Cove. Prior to this guy getting close to shore, he was to contact his contact. When trying to contact his contact, his radio quit so he stopped a local fisherman and asked the fisherman if he could make a phone call for him. The fisherman said sure. He gave the fisherman a phone number. Instead of the fisherman calling this number, he gave it to the Coast Guard. He figured something was awry. The Coast Guard found out that the number belonged to a drug dealer in Florida.”

“They put two and two together and sent a plane out to identify the vessel. When they tried to identify the vessel, the ship covered over its name making it difficult to identify it. When the guy in the drug vessel discovered they were on to him, he hightailed it out across to Canadian waters and this is when we got the call. The Drug Section got the call. They asked Fisheries if we could go out and try to locate this vessel.”

“We left Yarmouth and I think we had five drug guys aboard with all their armament, sawed off shotguns and whatever. We came out and around midnight we found what we thought was the target we were looking for. We kept patrolling close to it and by daylight we saw it was the target.”

“We had recorded every movement that we had made throughout the night when we had first spotted him and then in the morning we tried to board him. He wasn’t stopping. When he found out what we were doing, he hightailed right south. I don’t think he knew where he was going.”

“When daylight came, we got a call from the United States Coast Guard that it was in hot pursuit of this guy. It was on a weekend, Saturday or Sunday and they had to notify their authorities in Columbia, their Ambassador in Columbia, to get permission to board this vessel. They couldn’t board it on their own because it was in international waters. They couldn’t get permission to board it so they passed the duty to Canadian Fisheries to get permission to board the vessel.”

“The reason that we got to board it was there was a twelve-mile limit and then during prohibition, there was another nine miles added on to the twelve-mile limit so that you could seize any vessel within that twenty-one mile limit. You couldn’t arrest the guy but you could seize the product and the vessel. That was what we were going on.”

“I was called upon to verify if I went to court that I could testify that the ship was in that area and I said no problem. We followed the vessel and circled him and we did everything we could do to contact him and he wouldn’t even answer the phone.”

“Finally we got word from Ottawa that we could fire shots across the bow. In case there was an accident, I took the wheel and took the ‘Louisburg’ in close enough you could pretty near jump aboard. He said give the guys the word to fire across the bow. Don McCrea was in charge of the guys and he had them fire across the bow. Seven slugs went through the wheelhouse window. He wasn’t long in stopping.”

“We got the boats over the side and within seconds we were on board and took the covers off the hatches and she was loaded with drugs level to the top, marijuana, eighteen tons. We put a boarding party on board along with a crew and steamed it into Shelburne and loaded the stuff on one of those eighteen wheelers and took it for destruction. They deported the crew. Eight people from Bogota and one guy from the United States. The eight guys were taken out of an unemployment line-up. They had nothing on board to eat. They were taken on board this vessel and the other guy was the coordinator of the thing. He was the only white guy on board and apparently his payoff was going to be a Mercedes Benz.”

“We went to court in Boston and we were down there for a week. He got seven years and he was appealing the sentence and got caught again. I don’t know what happened to him after that. That is my claim to fame.” “After that I joined the RCMP Veterans’ Association and have been volunteering since 1985. I volunteered at the Canada Games in Halifax, the Salvation Army Kettle Campaign and selling poppies during Remembrance Week. I also volunteered on the Woodland Trails’ Committee, establishing trails in the Woodland area. In between that, I had a business with a company that advertised the Quarterly and I served summons.”

Scotia Vets



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**Speech Given by Peter STOFFER at the NSRCMPVA AGM
November 13, 2021**

Thank you Brian for the invitation to speak before all of you today.
It is my honour to be among some of Canada's Heroes.

I wish to start off by saying NEVER APOLOGIZE FOR YOUR CAREER.

It drives me absolutely crazy to hear what the media and some in the general public have to say about the men and women who wear the Red Serge. To equate various negative incidents which have been perpetrated by a number of RCMP officers to all serving retired and passed on members is simply unconscionable. If you had the chance to read the hatchet job done on the RCMP by the latest edition of Walrus magazine you would understand what I am referring to. They made it sound like All the social ills of Canada are the fault of the RCMP. I remind the editors at Walrus, WHERE were they when Heidi Stephenson laid down her life for her fellow Nova Scotians. WHERE were they during the Swiss Air Crash. WHERE were they when the van carrying the Bathurst basketball team crashed and killed many young people. WHERE were they when our officers were killed in Moncton and Mayerthorpe. WHERE are they when the thousands and thousands of dangerous incidents that occur every day for all our police officers. I'll tell you where they are, at home or in their office protected and safe by the security that all of you and your brothers and sisters have and are currently still providing. What these ill informed people and many on those on social media fail to understand is that the RCMP receive their instruction from that of the Federal Government. I repeat there is no question that there are some bad apples in every organization and they need to be treated in accordance to the law. But please do not paint them all with the same brush.



When I hear the ignorant calls for Defunding the police, my answer to these people is defund what, their pensions, training, their wages, administration, the number of officers etc. They simply do not have an answer. In my view, the funding should be increased for all police forces so that they in turn can continue to provide the protection in our society that we all desire. When it comes to the social media, my advice is do not take the bait. You simply cannot win the war on ignorance. Just keep doing the great job you have and are still doing and the great majority of those silent Canadians will thank you. Let's not forget in many cases the wives of our former RCMP officers in small communities across the country that provided invaluable service without being paid or thanked by our government.

On the issue of RCMP veterans and their families, when I was a member of parliament, my office had introduced several private member bills to address some of the shortfall to your benefits. They were VIP programs, eliminating the CPP and CPP disability claw back and the marriage after 60 act. Unfortunately I was not successful as both Liberal and Conservative governments denied these attempts. In fact, in a face off I had with then Commissioner Bill Elliot at Rideau Hall, he accused me of trying to get more for his members than they deserved. This is the attitude you get when you put a politically appointed civil servant in charge of the RCMP. I hope that no government will ever do this again. I told him that HE is the one who should be leading the charge on the benefits and not just be a spokesman for the government. Needless to say we didn't become friends.

In conclusion, I would like to announce that the VETERANS LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND that I have the honour of being the chairperson has a new program where we give free consultation and advice to all military, RCMP members and their families. All you have to do is go on our website to get further info. So please never say you're sorry for being MY HERO. I wish to thank all of your families for sharing you with all of Canada and remember, never regret growing older. It is a privilege denied to so many.

Thank you.



2022 Nova Scotia



Police Curling Championships

Held at the Glooscap Curling Club
in Kentville, NS

January 28th-30th, 2022

Price per team \$400

(Curlers without a team, contact the Host Chair.)

Host Chair: Mike Robinson

Contact: michael_g_robinson@bellaliant.net or 902-890-9596



Our Primary Event Hotel: The Slumber Inn in New Minas (902) 681-5000

Event Rate \$109.00 for 1 queen or 2 twin beds, hot breakfast.

Book by Jan 12, 2022.

Saturday celebration dinner at Maritime Express Cider Co.



Teams will be competing for the Alexander Keith's Stu Ryder Cup
Stu Ryder a long-time friend to NSPCA & Honourary Lifetime Member to the NSPCA and CPCA.



Any Peace Officer can curl in this Championship.

The criteria for eligibility under the "Peace Officer" designation is as follows:

- "That any full time Peace Officer be permitted to participate in any CPCA sanctioned event, specifically Provincial and Canadian curling championships and be allowed to enter and compete using a team consisting solely of full time Peace Officers. This may include but is not restricted to full time **Police, Canadian Border Services, Military Police, Customs Officers, Correctional Officers, Conservation Officers and Fisheries Officers** on a two-year trial basis."
- Are members in good standing within the Provincial or Territorial Association in which they reside.
- Retired Peace Officers with a minimum of 15 years' service in the employ of their agency.



The NCPA is a proud supporter of Tourette Canada. **The Host Committee is asking that each player bring an item to the event for a fundraiser to be held in support of this of tremendous group of volunteers.**

Proof of vaccination will be required for both players and spectators.





Pat Moran, Ian Atkins, Fred Hildebrand, Howard Eaton -having a nap!!, Dan McNaughton, Brian Carter
(missing Paul Smith & Joanne Caruso)

It is with pleasure that I pass along the names of your newly elected Executive:

- President – Howard Eaton
- 1st Vice President – Dan McNaughton
- 2nd Vice President – Paul Smith
- Secretary – Fred Hildebrand
- Communications – Joanne Caruso
- Treasurer – Ian Atkins
- Master at Arms – Pat Moran

Brian Carter will now fill the position of Past President.

Our collective thanks to Sandy Glenn for his hard work and assistance during his term as Past President.

The Provincial lottery commission has approved our 2022 Lottery application, and issued a license: AGD 312882-21. We haven't done up a fancy bulletin yet, but here are the prize details.

Prize Value: One cash prize of \$1,000 in January, February, March and December; and one cash prize \$500 in each of April, May, June, September, October and November, for a combined total of \$7,000.

Participate for the first time prior to:	Ticket Cost	No. of prize draws eligible to participate in.	Prize value
January 22, 2022	\$50.00	10 prize draws	\$ 1,000
February 19, 2022	\$45.00	9 prize draws	\$ 1,000
March 19, 2022	\$40.00	8 prize draws	\$ 1,000
April 21, 2022	\$35.00	7 prize draws	\$ 500
May 19, 2022	\$30.00	6 prize draws	\$ 500
June 16, 2022	\$25.00	5 prize draws	\$ 500
September 15, 2022	\$20.00	4 prize draws	\$ 500
October 20, 2022	\$15.00	3 prize draws	\$ 500
November 17, 2022	\$10.00	2 prize draws	\$ 500
December 10, 2022	\$ 5.00	1 prize draws	\$ 1,000
TOTAL PRIZES			\$ 7,000

As per the past two years, **electronic ticket purchasing (e-transfer and credit card) will not be allowed**, so tickets must be purchased by cash or cheque, with cheques dated not before January 1, 2022. When a ticket is purchased, it will be valid for all subsequent draws: so a ticket purchased prior to January 22, 2022 will be valid for all 10 draws.



Nova Scotia RCMP Veterans' Association

President's Message

Greetings from your new President! I am honoured to assume this role and can only hope to equal the outstanding efforts of past presidents whom we in Nova Scotia have been fortunate to have lead us to our present position in the Association.

Firstly, I would like to introduce myself to you. I served for 35 years, being sworn in October 1980 in Halifax. My career took me to Alberta, BC, NWT, Nunavut, and Afghanistan. I retired from the Force in 2015 from Edmonton and we moved to Nova Scotia where we live on the shores of the Minas Basin in Kingsport NS.

I have been married for 38 years and Sharon and I have two grown sons, one works for DND in Ottawa and the other is in the Force and has just relocated to "K" Division from "F".

I have been involved with the Vets Association since 2015 and have served as the 2nd VP and then 1st VP prior to my ascension to the role of president. Somewhere along the way someone forgot to tell me that if I took on the role of VP, I would end up in the president role!! I only hope I can maintain the position the way Brian did for the past two years.

With the impending Christmas season upon us, most people were looking forward to the gathering of friends and family associated with the season and then omicron came along and seems bent on spoiling the party. We did have the Christmas Luncheon at Oakfield last week and it went off very well (thank you Danny). However, as the numbers continue to climb, we all must take a step back and revert to our pandemic precautions and stay healthy. We have been through a lot over the past two years; let us hope this is the last of it and remain vigilant and stay safe!

Our first Executive meeting will take place in early January. We have new 1st and 2nd VPs with Dan McNaughton (1st VP) and Paul Smith (2nd VP) stepping up to fill those roles and Fred Hildebrand taking on the Secretary role. We are fortunate to have Ian Atkins and Pat Moran stay on with the Executive as well as most Directors and Committee members. Thank you all!

One of the things we are going to discuss is priorities for the upcoming year - if you have any thoughts on this, please send them along to me. We are planning a general meeting for the third Saturday of January, but the way things are going this may be virtual - stay tuned.

In the meantime, please make the very best of the festive season and enjoy family and close friends. Eat lots of turkey and have two pieces of dessert!

All the best to everyone and let us hope that 2022 will be good to us!
Reach out to those who cannot get out and make sure they know we are here for them!

Howard Eaton
President
NSRCMPVA



Dave Coleman is now 96 and as a Second World War veteran, RCAF, he participated in three Remembrance Day events this year, including taking the salute with his son, John Coleman (Retd Insp) at the Joggins ceremony that he attends every year. He has some great stories about his time in the North when dog team patrols and igloos were day to day events. At 96 Dave must be one of our most senior active Vets.

PS The man beside Dave is 97 year old Russell Clark from Amherst, who served in England and Europe with the Royal Canadian Artillery.

Dave served 25 years in the Force. Joined a year after returning from the war when he served with the RCAF in England. Started in Newfoundland then into the Arctic where he had the Commissioner of the day join him on a dogsled patrol for two days along with a Special. Posted back to NS after his Northern service and retired as a Sgt. with 25 years. Son John retired a few years ago from "J" Div as an Insp. John joins his Dad each year in Joggins, near Amherst, which was Dave's home town. In the pictures he is wearing his RCMP Vets blazer and tartan tie or his Vets tie but often wears his air force wedge cap for Remembrance Day.

submitted by Paul Calder

VAC Presentation for RMs/CMs and Their Families

Veterans Affairs Canada – Halifax gave a presentation on VAC benefits for RCMP Regular Members, Civilian Members, and their families on October 19, 2021.

The presentation was recorded and will be available for a three-month period (to access the recording, please click on the link in the attachment on the next page).

Did you know that Nova Scotia Division of the Veterans Association has 913 active members. From time to time we find ourselves making life changes by design or through other reasons so it is a job sometimes to keep the database current. Doing so ensures that you get information in a timely manner and enjoy all of the benefits of the Association. I have included instructions below for you to enter into and update your profile.

- To Update/Modify your Member Contact Information on National Membership Database
- To access RCMP Veterans' Association Member Profile Website enter <https://membership.rcmpva.org/> in your web browser.
- Select Member Login to access your profile
- Input your email address
- Input your Password
- At RCMPVA Member Profile page select View Profile / Edit Profile
- After you make changes click on SAVE to save changes or CANCEL to exit Profile page without saving.
- After selecting Save or Cancel Sign Out of the RCMPVA Member Profile Update page
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- If you forgot your Password Select Forgot your password? to have your password reset.
- If you have not logged in previously or are having difficulty logging in send email to Member Administrator [membership.admin@rcmpva.org] and request assistance.
- If you update/modify any of your contact information on the National RCMPVA Member Profile Website please notify the Director of the Nova Scotia Division Database of the changes made by sending an email to [novascotia.databasedir@rcmpva.org]



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Another Successful Big Foot Moose Mountie Campaign

Fall 2021



The third **BIG FOOT MOOSE MOUNTIE** campaign ran from September 8th until October 31, 2021. Again, the Nova Scotia RCMPVA members quickly stepped up and sponsored enough Moose ensure support to the Nova Scotia RCMP Detachments well into 2022!

Many thanks again to those who were repeat donors, to those who donated for the first time, to those who sponsored multiple Moose, and our heartfelt appreciation to those who donated in memory of coworkers, friends and family. We honor all the “Moose sponsors” here!

Our Treasurer has received donations totalling just over \$2816.00, enabling the RCMP VA Nova Scotia Division to purchase 98 Big Foot Moose Mounties!

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BUCHANAN, Don

CARTER, Brian

CONNELL, Mark

In Memory of Phil Callen

COOK, Darryl

In Memory of S/Sgt. R.B. McKinnon – “B” Division

EATON, Howard

ELLIOTT, John

GALLOP, Fred

GERRARD, Barry & Lynn

GLENN, Linda

GRAHAM, Fred

GRAHAM, Steve

GREENE, Richard (Dick)

HALLIDAY, Anne

HILDEBRAND, Fred

INESON, Peter

JOHNSON, Phil

In Memory of Cst. Eric Glinz

KELLY, Scott

KRAMERS, Maarten & Donna

In Memory of Cpl. David Johnston

LORD, Roberta

MacINNIS, Harold

MacNEILL, Wayne

MALLET, Goretti & Danny

MASON, Archie

MATTHEWS, Julie & GRANT, Gary

McKAY, Alan

MILLS, Steve

MITCHELL, Lloyd

MOLLOY, Gary

MOSHER, Angus

MURRAY, Rita

In Memory of Cpl. Brian Murray

NYMARK, Peter

PARKER, Chris

In Memory of Bill Parker

REID, Tom

RICHARDSON, Brian

ROY, Ruth

SHERWOOD, Keith

SMITH, Roy & Betty

SOUCIE, Mitch

SOUTHERN, Don

ST. MARY'S LIONS CLUB (via Russ & Verna Ward)

TAYLOR, Vicki

THIEMANN, Myra

TOWNSEND, Tom

URQUHART, Barry

WALSH, Donald & Ed

WARD, Verna & Russ

WARNELL, Devri

In Memory of Heidi Stevenson

WARNICA, Ken

WEST, Donna & Gordon

WOOLRIDGE, Peter

WOOD, Vince

THANK YOU!



The Christmas dinner was held on December 11, 2021 at Oakfield Golf and Country Club. A full turkey dinner was served, it was delicious and enjoyed by all. The group was smaller this year, which is easily explained, but those attending did enjoy the chance to catch up.

Pension & Benefits Reference Contacts – September 2021

Pertains To	Website	Phone #	Details
<p>RCMP Pension administered by</p> <p>Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">www.rcmp-grc.pension.gc.ca</p> <p style="text-align: center;">https://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/remuneration-compensation/index-eng.html</p>	<p>1-855-502-7090 (all ranks other than below)</p> <p>1-855-502-7088 (for levels EX-01-C/Supt. & above)</p> <p>1-800-561-7930 Public Servants</p>	<p>Have the Pension number and/or HRMIS number available.</p>
<p>Veteran's Affairs Canada (VAC)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">www.veterans.gc.ca</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Select My VAC Account Select Sign In Sign-in Partner or GC Key Input Username & Password</p>	<p>1-866-522-2122</p>	<p>Have the CSDN – "K" Number available.</p>
<p>Canada Pension Plan (CPP) Old Age Security (OAS) Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) Survivor's Benefit Disability Payments</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/publicpensions.html</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Select language of choice Select Benefits Select Pensions</p>	<p>1-800-277-9914</p>	<p>Have the Social Insurance Number (SIN) available.</p>
<p>RCMP Group Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment Plan</p> <p>Administered by SEB Administrative Services</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">www.pbs-sra.ca</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Input User ID & Password You may enter as GUEST or SURVIVOR</p> <p>On June 14, 2021, the administration of the RCMP Group Life Insurance Plans was transferred to SEB Administrative Services. For information or to make changes to your group life insurance coverage, please visit https://fp.seb-admin.com/fpconnect/#/rcmp-grc or contact the RCMP Group Life Insurance Centre from Monday to Friday between 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time (E.T.) at: 1-877-778-8084.</p>	<p>1-877-778-8084</p>	<p>Have Pension number &/or HRMIS number &/or other personal information available.</p>
<p>Public Service Health Care Plan (Sun Life)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">www.sunlife.ca/pshhcp</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Group CONTRACT Number is 055555 Each member has a Certificate Number on their card Input Access ID & Personal Password</p>	<p>1-888-757-7427</p>	<p>Have Group Contract Number & Certificate Number available.</p>

Blue Cross - Medavie	www.medaviebc.ca Select Account Login Select VAC Input Username & Password	1-888-261-4033	Have Client Number available.
Pensioners' Dental Services Plan (Sun Life)	www.sunlife.ca/pdsp Group CONTRACT number is 255555 Each member has a Certificate Number on their card Input Access ID & Personal Password	1-888-757-7427	Have Group Contract Number & Certificate Number available.
Bureau of Pension Advocates (VAC)	www.veterans.gc.ca <u>How to review or appeal a decision - Veterans' rights - Veterans Affairs Canada</u>	1-877-228-2250	If you applied for disability benefits from VAC & received a negative response to the application, you may qualify for support from the Bureau of Pensions Advocates.
Canada Revenue Agency Disability Tax Credit (DTC)	https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/segments/tax-credits-deductions-persons-disabilities/disability-tax-credit.html	1-800-959-8281	Require SIN
GST Office	https://www.google.com/search?client=firefox-b-1-d&q=gst+office+canada	1-800-959-8281	
VAC ASSISTANCE SERVICE	24/7 PSYCHOLOGICAL SUPPORT FOR VETERANS & FAMILIES	1-800-268-7708	NO FEE

