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14 - RCMP Veterans Ottawa Division Annual Golf Tournament  
Tournoi de golf annuel des Anciens de la Division d'Ottawa

27 - Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Service

Service commémoratif pour les policiers et agents de la paix

### October/Octobre

Dining In, HQ Mess / Dîner régimentaire, Mess du QG  
(Date to be determined / Date à déterminer)

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE DU PRÉSIDENT

Graham Muir



Greetings all:

Welcome to the summer edition of *The Spirit*. Let me begin by offering words of welcome to our new Editor, Wendy Nicol. Suffice to say, Wendy will have big shoes to fill as Suzanne Sarault's successor. Wendy joined our Association last year and has recently retired from the Force. She brings a wealth of experience as a career employee, including a 'better than average' familiarity with print media. Welcome Wendy!

We have also experienced a rather protracted, but seamless, transition to a new Internal Communications lead. Over the course of the winter, JC Malboeuf graciously stepped in to support Alison Straker who was balancing family obligations with commitments to the Association. Most recently, Ralph Mahar

has taken the reigns of Internal Communications. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Alison for her 'spark' and quiet wisdom; to thank JC for stepping into the breach for the good of the Association; and to welcome Ralph. In so many ways, the email broadcasts that we receive are the lifeblood of our day-to-day life with the Association.

I simply must – yet again – offer thanks and underscore the steadfast leadership demonstrated by Suzanne over this past year in managing the successful transition of our communications services. She will be the first to remind us that we are *still* in search of a new Webmaster to follow in the footsteps of Gary Walkling.

While Gary has agreed to stay on, for the time being to usher in the next webmaster, we cannot lean on him indefinitely. So then, if you know of someone within, or known to, the Association who is up for the challenge, please get in touch with Suzanne or Gary ASAP!

Another change on the Executive Committee is the departure of Scott Ferris, Director of Entertainment. Scott has moved

to PEI to pursue a great career opportunity. His talents and skills were a great asset to spruce up the social activities of the division and I thank him for his energy and creativity. While this is a loss for our Division, it is a great gain for PEI. I wish all the best to Scott and Gail and look forward to crossing paths at activities of the Association in the future.

We have certainly maintained a very vigorous pace since the last issue of *The Spirit*. Our protocol team, under the able leadership of Bill Stewart, has been exceptionally busy with ceremonial functions including the Sunset Ceremonies, funerals and celebrations of life. With the able support of Marc Dureau, we paraded a well turned-out contingent at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in July. By the time you read this, we will have also participated at the National Peacekeepers Day parade in August.

We convened our 'best ever' Honours & Recognition night at last June's Regular General Meeting, thanks in no small measure to the exceptional work and preparation of Joan Panich and her team. It was great to see the remarkable turnout and we were

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very pleased and honoured to receive an impromptu concert from our own RCMP Pipes, Drums and Dancers.

You may expect that we'll maintain the same tempo as we hit the fall season. We will most certainly experience some attrition on our Division Executive Committee as our December Annual General Meeting approaches. Immediate Past President Don Day will, once again this year, chair our Nominations Committee. If you are up to the challenge and care to give something back to the Association – now is the time. Please reach out to Don and express your interests!

Best regards,

Graham Muir



Bienvenue au numéro de l'été du *Spirit*. Permettez-moi de commencer par offrir un mot de bienvenue à notre nouvelle éditrice, Wendy Nicol. Il va sans dire que Wendy aura de grandes chaussures à remplir en tant que successeure de Suzanne Sarault. Wendy est membre de l'Association depuis l'an passé et a

récemment pris sa retraite de la GRC. Elle apporte une richesse d'expérience acquise au cours de sa carrière, y compris une connaissance «mieux que la moyenne» avec les médias imprimés. Bienvenue Wendy!

Nous avons connu une transition plutôt prolongée, mais de façon totalement homogène, vers un nouveau responsable des communications internes. Au cours de l'hiver, JC Malboeuf est gracieusement intervenu pour soutenir Alison Straker qui a dû équilibrer des obligations familiales avec ses engagements envers l'Association. Plus récemment, Ralph Mahar a pris les rênes de la communication interne. Je voudrais profiter de cette occasion pour remercier Alison pour son «éclat» et sa sagesse sereine; pour remercier JC de nous avoir donné un coup de main pour le bien de l'Association; et de souhaiter la bienvenue à Ralph. À bien des égards, les communiqués que nous recevons par courriel sont la pierre angulaire du quotidien de l'Association.

Je dois tout simplement - une fois encore - souligner le leadership inébranlable démontrée par Suzanne tout au cours de cette année dans la gestion de la transition réussie de nos services de communications. Elle sera la première à nous rappeler que nous sommes toujours à la recherche d'un webmestre pour suivre les traces de Gary Walkling.

Alors que Gary a accepté de rester pour le moment et de voir à la transition au prochain webmestre, nous ne pouvons pas appuyer sur lui indéfiniment. Alors, si vous connaissez quelqu'un au sein de l'Association ou connu de l'Association qui serait prêt à relever le défi, s'il vous plaît, entrez en contact avec Suzanne ou Gary le plus tôt possible!

Un autre changement au sein du Comité exécutif est le départ de Scott Ferris, directeur du divertissement. Scott est déménagé à l'Île-du-Prince-Édouard afin d'entreprendre un défi intéressant pour sa carrière. Ses talents et ses compétences ont été un atout pour rehausser les activités sociales de la division et je le remercie pour son énergie et sa créativité. Bien que ce soit une perte pour notre division, ce sera à l'avantage de nos collègues à l'île. Mes meilleurs vœux accompagnent Scott et Gail et ce sera un plaisir de les revoir lors des activités futures de l'Association.

Nous avons certainement maintenu un rythme très vigoureux depuis le dernier numéro du *Spirit*. Notre équipe du protocole, sous l'habile direction de Bill Stewart, a été exceptionnellement occupée avec des cérémonies, notamment les Cérémonies du crépuscule, des funérailles et des célébrations de vie. Avec le soutien de Marc Dureau, nous avons réuni une bonne troupe qui a défilé



devant la Tombe du Soldat inconnu en juillet. Au moment où vous lirez ces lignes, nous aurons également participé à la cérémonie annuelle de la Journée nationale des Gardiens de la Paix en août.

Nous avons organisé notre «meilleure» présentation de distinctions honorifiques et de prix de reconnaissance lors de notre rencontre générale mensuelle en juin. Ceci est en grande partie grâce au travail et à

la préparation exceptionnelle de Joan Panich et son équipe. Nous étions ravis du taux de participation qui a été tout à fait formidable et nous avons été très heureux et honorés de profiter d'un concert impromptu du Corps de cornemuses, de tambours et de danseurs de la GRC.

Vous pouvez vous attendre à ce que nous maintenons le même rythme cet automne. Nous aurons probablement une certaine attrition au sein du

Comité exécutif de la Division à l'approche de notre assemblée générale annuelle en décembre. Le Président sortant Don Day sera, une fois de plus cette année, le président du Comité des candidatures. Si vous désirez relever un défi et profitez de l'occasion pour redonner à l'Association - le moment est venu. Communiquez avec Don pour exprimer votre intérêt.

Cordialement,

Graham Muir

## And the tradition lives on !



Cpl. David Douangchanh wearing the suspenders at Depot Division on July 30, 2015.

In the Spring issue President Graham Muir thanked Ross Boyle, Reg. # 18158 for turning over pieces of kit for use by current Members.

Graham wore Ross' congress boots and spurs to the annual Officers' Mess Regimental Dining.

Ross' riding crop was given to Cpl. Scott Williamson of the Musical Ride Equitation Staff. Scott is a young member who truly appreciates and celebrates our regimental traditions.

Ross' suspenders were given to Cpl David Douangchanh \* of the Drill Staff at Depot.

Photos: Thank you to both members for their time in having their photo taken.  
By Suzanne Sarault

\*Apologies to Cpl. Douangchanh for spelling error in original text



Cpl. Scott Williamson holding the riding crop in his office after the Sunset Ceremonies on June 26, 2015.



## From the Editor

I am overwhelmed. When trying to think of the lead for this short introduction I couldn't think of anything more apt. I am overwhelmed by the many activities this Veterans' chapter is involved in, the reach and commitment of its members and the support I have already received when putting together the first of what I hope will be many editions of *The Spirit*.

My first career was in daily journalism, both as a reporter and an editor, and the skills I learned there served as a foundation for my RCMP career. As I move to my next 'career' as a retired member, I am pleased to, once again, be leveraging all those skills and to continue to contribute.

I must sincerely thank Suzanne Sarault. As most of you know, and as I have learned, Suzanne is a force of nature. She is talented and generous, driven and dedicated.

She has laid the groundwork for me here and I will continue to build on her legacy as the editor, while having all the advantages of the team and reputation she has built, as well as her guidance and counsel.

You have seen what Suzanne has accomplished with *The Spirit* and the question would be what else we can do together? I see many familiar names when I look over

the Executive and those participating in chapter events. Those I have worked with over the years know, I hope, that you can always come to me with an idea, or even the germ of an idea, and we can explore it together. I hope those I do not yet know will soon feel that way too.

Under Suzanne's leadership, and with the support of her team and the Executive, the Ottawa Division RCMP Veterans Association has an outstanding communications program.

I am dependent on all members to keep up my end of that program. Let me know what is going on and definitely let me know if there is more we could be doing together. I have some ideas about things it might be interesting to pursue, and I will be asking you about them in the coming months. There is, however, a very good chance that you have better ideas than I do, things we could pursue in the short or long term that would be valuable and interesting.

The best way to reach me is at *The Spirit* email account at [spirit.bulletin@yahoo.ca](mailto:spirit.bulletin@yahoo.ca) or through my own email at [goldcanoe@bell.net](mailto:goldcanoe@bell.net). Please put *Spirit* in the subject line.

In closing I want to also thank my husband, Tim Lougheed, who not only provides great support and, as a working journalist, is a good sounding board, but who also

serves as my in-house technical support. This could not happen without him.

Wendy Nicol



Impressionnée! Lorsque je réfléchissais au début de cette brève introduction, je ne pouvais pas penser à autre chose de plus approprié. Je suis impressionnée de constater les nombreuses activités dans lesquelles la division est impliquée, la portée de celles-ci et l'engagement de ses membres ainsi que du soutien reçu pour produire ce numéro du *Spirit* qui, je l'espère, est le premier de plusieurs à venir.

Ma première carrière a été dans le journalisme quotidien, à la fois comme journaliste et éditrice et les compétences que j'ai développées ont été à la base de ma carrière au sein de la GRC. En tant que personne à la retraite, j'entreprends une nouvelle « carrière » et je suis heureuse, encore une fois, de pouvoir mettre à profit mes compétences et de continuer à contribuer.

(suite à la page 11)



## LAST POST - DERNIÈRE SONNERIE

REG. NO. RÉG.	NAME - NOM	DATE	PLACE / ENDROIT
28581	<b>BOARD</b> , Gordon William	Aug. 30	Kelowna, BC
20518	<b>WENZEL</b> , H.G. (Hubert)	Aug. 24	Rosetown, SK
15198	<b>ANDERSON</b> , George William Robert 'Bob'	Aug. 22	Darmouth, NS
	<b>ANDERSON</b> , Margaret Joan; predeceased by her husband Eric W. Anderson	Aug. 21	Toronto, ON
15482	<b>JOHNSTONE</b> , William F.	Aug. 18	Richmond, BC
14166	<b>THOMPSON</b> , Woodrow, Wilson (Member of Vancouver Division since 1985)	Aug. 16	White Rock, BC
16969	<b>BIGGAR</b> , William Reginald	Aug. 15	Cochrane, AB
	<b>SABOURIN</b> , Marc	Aug. 13	Ottawa, ON
16952	<b>HICKLING</b> , James Thomas	Aug. 12	Winnipeg, MB
20159	<b>NOVAK</b> , Myles Stanley	Aug. 12	Parksville, BC
16792	<b>CANAM</b> , Wayne Howard	Aug. 10	Pictou, NS
	<b>RENZI</b> , Jean, spouse of J.X. (Joe) <b>RENZI</b> , Reg. # 22890	Aug. 10	Sydney, NS
20723	<b>RIPLEY</b> , George Arthur	Aug. 9	Surrey, BC
37789	<b>CROWLEY</b> , Joseph Patrick	Aug. 8	Toronto, ON
30832	<b>ROBOTHAM</b> , David	Aug. 8	London, ON
11852	<b>MOHR</b> , George (at the age of 105)	Aug. 3	Penticton, BC
18919	<b>SEKULIC</b> , John	Aug. 2	New Westminster, BC
20321	<b>STEWART</b> , Garry R. (LM of Red Deer Association; Secretary for 18 yrs; past secretary in Regina for 3 yrs)	Aug. 1st	Red Deer, AB
26968	<b>CROWHURST</b> , Brent Robert	July 29	Mahone Bay
18681	<b>CHISHOLM</b> , Thomas Angus Peter	July 27	Toronto, ON
22477	<b>SAXTON</b> , Allin MacKenzie	July 26	Barrie, ON
18235	<b>BECKER</b> , Kirby	July 23	Courtenay, BC



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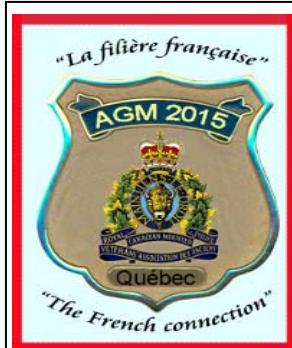

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30232	DUBOIS, Jacques	July 19	Sainte-Thérèse, QC
C/M	LÉVEILLÉ, Jocelyn	July 18	Ottawa, ON
15555	HAWKINS, Norman Alderson	July 15	Wiarton, ON
32429	JENKINS, Jim	July 15	Rochon Sands, AB.
	TIRABASSO, Rosetta (25 years in the Tailor Shop at National Headquarters)	July 13	Ottawa, On.
25757	WALKER , Earl E.	July 13	Falmouth, NS
33694	SANTAROSA, Vincent J.	July 11	Montréal, QC
17664	SIMONSON , Gordon Kenneth	July 10	Kamloops, BC
21977	COX , Gilbert Leslie	July 8	Golden, BC
22126	FANNING, Suran Dean	July 6	Taylor, BC
17584	ANDREAS , Cornelius Jacob "Neil"	July 5	Sherwood Park, AB
19166	KROPINAK, Robert (Bob) .	July 5	Cranbrook, BC
19154	POWER, James Lawrence (Larry)	July 5	St. John's, NL
21613	BOLES, Harry Albert	July 3	Carleton Place, ON.
18271	MILLER , Dennis Grant	June 27	Winnipeg, Man
29380	SMITH , Robin J.	June 26	Port Saunders, NL
17903	LAST, Wilfred (HOOK)	June 26	Winnipeg, Man
18494	MAJOR, Peter Joseph	June 26	Stittsville, ON.
P/S 51236	MALLETT , Diane	June 25	London, ON



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23148	KILLAM , Colin	June 23	Glen Margaret, N.S
37995	HENLEY, Gregory J.	June 21	Sheet Harbour,N.S.
18845	HAUBRICK D.A. (Don)	June 20	Vegreville, AB
18242	STRAIN , John Edward	June 19	Calgary, AB
19623	HALL, Howard Watson "Howie"	June 19	Wasaga Beach, ON
16825	UDAHL , Robert Edwin	June 16	Ladysmith, BC
30743	SPENCER, William John	June 15	Swan River, MB
19293	GUILD , Donald Alexander	June 10	Brampton, ON
19292	PETERSON , Peter Donald	June 9	Wetaskwin, AB
44041	SEARLE, Harry Edward	June 7	Regina , SK
24654	SINCLAIR, David Gary	June 6	Richmond Hill, ON
32675	HARAPIAK, Ernest Morris	May 26	Calgary, AB
17587	PRIMEAU, Joseph Normand	May 22	Laval, QC



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On May 6, Members of GI Squad, 52/53 presented Chaplain Pierre Belanger of the RCMP Veterans Association Ottawa Division with a Regimental Stole and Alb. It is difficult to express how appreciated and important this gesture has been. Several decades ago the members of GI Squad, 52/53 created and contributed to a fund to send flowers or condolences on the passing of one of their members, or for a deceased spouse of a squad member.

The 11 surviving members of GI Squad asked Chaplain Belanger what they could do to support the Chaplaincy program in a tangible way. Most of the surviving members of the Squad are now in their 80s, and a few members of the Ottawa Division had long recognized the role of Chaplains. One of their Members noted 'It would put into perspective that our relationship with the Chaplaincy is not of recent vintage, brought about by our advancing years and the upcoming prospects of meeting our Maker.'

After meeting with GI Squad members Frank Korycan and Ted Yeomans, it was decided the acquisition and gift of the Stole and Alb would be a significant gesture which would recognize the members of GI Squad, and serve the Chaplaincy by putting its Crest at the fore at all religious services where the participation of the Chaplain was requested. The stole, which was made to RCMP specifications by the Master Tailor at the RCMP Tailor shop in Ottawa, bears the RCMP Veterans Crest over a large gold embroidered cross on the lower portion of either side of the stole. Over the shoulder appears a third gold embroidered cross. To recognize the gift from GI Squad, a gold personalized label states: '*Presented to Deacon Pierre Belanger, Chaplain. From the Members of GI Squad 1952/1953.*'

Making this presentation more meaningful was its blessing by Reverend Wes MAULTSAID Reg. # 17938, a former member of GI Squad and an ordained Anglican Priest.

The stole and alb have been proudly worn at several funeral services and internments of deceased RCMP Veterans. A funeral is, first and foremost, a religious and spiritual celebration of the passing of a family member, or friend, but can also be a time to recognize someone's service to the RCMP and to the Veterans' Association. A vestment recognizing the member's service adds to the dignity of the celebration of life.

The following members of GI Squad contributed to the fund.:

Reg. # 17932 Charlie SPOFFORD, Smith Falls, ON; Reg. # 17950, Edward BURNELL, Almonte, ON.; Reg. # 17958, Harvey BLYTHE, Cambridge, ON.; Reg. # 17938, Rev. Wes MAULTSAID, Ottawa, ON; Reg. # 17935 Ted YEOMANS, Greely, ON; and Reg. # 17947 Frank KORYCAN, Ottawa, ON.

Surviving members not in attendance, due to their living outside of Ontario are:

Reg. # 17933 Neil ANDERSON, Lethbridge, Alta.; Reg. # 17948 Ian BROWNLEE, Calgary, Alta.; Reg. # 17936 Gil GRANT, Coldbrook, N.S.; Reg. # 17942 Dale JENKINS, Salmon Arm, B.C.; and Reg. # 17952 George MORTON, Surrey, B.C.





## Larry Power

Larry Power, a Governor and former Association President, Director, Newfoundland and Labrador Division President, died in St. John's N.L. on July 5.

Larry took on leadership responsibilities at the Divisional and National levels, and had a comprehensive knowledge of the Constitution and By-laws, Robert's Rules of Order and as a member of the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act working group drafted new Articles of Continuance and amended By-laws for the Association for registration in 2014.

Larry was the Association-appointed representative to the Veterans Ombudsman Stakeholders Group from 2010.

*Excerpt from a tribute by National President Dave Leblanc*

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Je dois remercier sincèrement Suzanne Sarault. Comme plusieurs le savent déjà, et comme je l'ai appris, Suzanne est une force de la nature. Elle est talentueuse et généreuse, motivée et dévouée. Elle a bâti une fondation solide pour moi et je vais continuer à construire sur son héritage en tant qu'éditrice. J'ai aussi l'avantage de pouvoir compter sur l'équipe qu'elle a mise sur pied et de sa réputation et, de bénéficier de sa direction et de ses conseils.

Vous avez vu ce que Suzanne a accompli avec Le Spirit et la question serait que pouvons nous faire ensemble? Je reconnaissais beaucoup de noms quand je regardais le comité exécutif et ceux et celles qui participaient à des activités de la division. Ceux et celles avec qui j'ai travaillé au fil des ans savent, je l'espère, que vous pouvez toujours m'apporter vos idées, ou même le germe d'une idée, et que nous pouvions explorer ensemble. J'espère que ceux et celles qui ne me connaissent pas encore auront ce même sentiment bientôt.

Sous la direction de Suzanne, et avec le soutien de son équipe et du comité exécutif, l'Association des

Anciens de la GRC, division d'Ottawa a un programme de communication exceptionnel. Je dois dépendre de chacun de vous afin de maintenir ma part de ce programme. Faites-moi savoir ce qui se passe et faites-moi savoir s'il y a quelque chose que nous pouvons faire ensemble. J'ai quelques idées qui pourraient être intéressantes à poursuivre, et j'y reviendrais dans quelques mois avec vous. Il y a, cependant, une très bonne chance que vous ayez de meilleures idées que moi, des choses que nous pourrions poursuivre à court ou à long terme qui seraient utiles et intéressantes.

La meilleure façon de me joindre est au [spirit.bulletin@yahoo.ca](mailto:spirit.bulletin@yahoo.ca) ou à mon courriel au [goldcanoe@bell.net](mailto:goldcanoe@bell.net). SVP, assurez-vous de mettre Spirit dans la ligne d'objet.

En terminant, je tiens également à remercier mon mari, Tim Lougheed, qui est d'un grand soutien, et, en tant que journaliste, il me donne aussi un bon son de cloche et m'apporte également une assistance technique interne. Cela ne pourrait se faire sans lui.

Wendy Nicol



Photos: The Canadian Association of Veterans in United Nations Peacekeeping.  
Photographer, Richard Lawrence

National Peacekeepers' Day is marked every year on August 9 to honour and remember all Canadians who have served, or who are currently serving, in support of peace operations around the world. This year marks 20 years of municipal and provincial police participation in international peace operations.

Marc Dureau was the Parade SSM for the police contingent while Suzanne Sarault acted as the Master of Ceremonies. The ceremony was organized by the Colonel John Gardam (Ottawa) chapter of the Canadian Association of Veterans in United Nations Peacekeeping, in partnership with the Canadian Forces Support Unit Ottawa, the RCMP and Veterans Affairs Canada.



## National Peacekeepers' Day Journée nationale des gardiens de la paix (Casques bleus)



Soulignée le 9 août de chaque année, la Journée nationale des gardiens de la paix (Casques bleus) vise à honorer et à commémorer les Canadiens qui ont servi ou servent actuellement dans des opérations de paix partout dans le monde. Cette année, nous soulignons le 20<sup>e</sup> anniversaire de la participation des services de police municipaux et provinciaux aux opérations de paix internationales.

Marc Dureau était le s.-m.c. pour le défilé du contingent de police alors que Suzanne Sarault a servi comme maître de cérémonie. La cérémonie a été organisée par la section du Colonel John Gardam (Ottawa) de l'Association canadienne de Vétérans des forces de la paix des Nations Unies, en partenariat avec l'Unité de soutien des Forces canadiennes – Ottawa, la GRC et Anciens combattants Canada.



Check our calendar of activities and events regularly at [www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca](http://www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca) and participate!

Consultez notre calendrier d'activités et d'évènements au [www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca](http://www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca) et participez!



## 70th anniversary of the end of the Second World War in the Far East

## 70ième anniversaire de la fin de la Seconde Guerre Mondiale en Extrême-Orient

A moving ceremony was held on Aug. 15 at the National War Memorial with approximately 25 Veterans who fought in the Far East and some who were prisoners of war in Hong Kong. These Veterans came from all across Canada to remember their colleagues who never returned.

Participants at the ceremony included French students who are members of the Westlake Brothers Souvenir Association. Mark Gaillard placed a flower at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Garth Hampson sang the Anthems and Suzanne Sarault was Master of Ceremonies.

Une cérémonie émouvante a eu lieu au Monument commémoratif de guerre du Canada le 15 août. Environ 25 Anciens Combattants qui ont combattu en Extrême-Orient et certains qui ont été prisonniers de guerre à Hong Kong sont venus de partout au Canada pour rendre hommage à leurs collègues qui ne sont jamais rentrés à la maison après la guerre.

Participant entre autres à la cérémonie, un groupe d'étudiants français, membres de l'Association Westlake Brothers Souvenir. Mark Gaillard a déposé une fleur à la tombe du Soldat Inconnu. Garth Hampson a interprété l'hymne national et l'hymne royal alors que Suzanne Sarault a agi à titre de maître de cérémonie.



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RICHARD LAWRENCE PHOTOGRAPHY





Mitch Owens, centre, is surrounded by family at the Orchard View Living Centre in Greely on July 6, where he was honoured for his 50-plus years of work with the RCMP Veterans' Association.

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By [Brian Dryden](#)

Mitch Owens has kept himself busy during the first 94 years of his life.

He's been a business owner, a civic politician, serving as the interim mayor of Gloucester for a spell, before eventually retiring from politics in 1991 at the young age of 70. His efforts in the community have had such an impact that one of the routes to get to his current residence at the Orchard View Living Centre in Greely is Mitch Owens Road.

But through all the years, one of the deepest and most cherished roles he has cast himself in has been as a member of the RCMP, and his long-standing association with the RCMP Veterans' Association. It explains why an event to honour Owens's association with the national police force attracted former RCMP Commissioner Bill Elliott, numerous past RCMP colleagues and generations of family members, including great-grandchildren to the Orchard View Living Centre on Monday, July 6, to pay tribute to the man who is still proud to wear the red colours of the RCMP.

As friends and colleagues came up to shake his hand, Owens – dressed in his red RCMP alumni blazer – was the star attraction at a ceremony that honoured his 50-year association with the RCMP Veterans'

Association. When added to his 20-plus years as an active member of the RCMP, it makes his connection to the national police force span more than seven decades.

"I don't think it is lost on anybody that to get here you take Mitch Owens Road," said Suzanne Sarault, director of communications for the RCMP Veterans' Association Ottawa Division.

"Mitch is held in very high regard and esteem and I'm humbled to be here to share this moment with you," said Bill Elliott, who was the first civilian commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, serving as commissioner from 2007 to 2011.

Graham Muir, president of the RCMP Veterans' Association Ottawa Division, said Owens work with the association over the years has been invaluable and that everyone in the veterans' association knows who Owens is.

"As you can see, you have a lot of friends," Muir told Owens during the ceremony. "When you were up in the North, the men then were tough, and those who know you, know you are certainly tough."

Owens joined the RCMP in 1942 and spent much of his time in the North. He served on the St. Roch during part of that ship's historic voyage through the



Northwest Passage, and after spending time in the Arctic region he moved to the Ottawa area in 1953, and retired from the RCMP in 1963. Since then, along with his other business and civic politics activities, he's been an active member of the Veterans' Association.

While the dignitaries and former colleagues attending the ceremony praised and honoured Owens association with the RCMP that dates back to the 1940s, perhaps the greatest tribute he received at the July 6 ceremony was the large contingent of family members who attended.

Owens son, John Owens, said his dad has always been proud to be associated with the RCMP and that the Association has always been front and centre within the family.

"To him it was never just a job, it was 'the' job," John said.



*Photos by Brian Dryden, Jeff Morris and Suzanne Sarault*

### *Evening Program*

- Opening song by Garth Hampson "If the fish swam out of the ocean"
- Presentation of RCMP Veterans: President Graham Muir, Dan Carroll, Ian Cooper, Commissioner (Rtd) Bill Elliott, Garth Hampson, Joan Panich, Suzanne Sarault and Bill Stewart
- Remarks by Commr. (Rtd) Bill Elliott
- Remarks by President Graham Muir and Presentation of Pin and Bar
- Remarks by Mitch Owens' son John
- O'Canada





**MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARDS/PRIX DU SERVICE MÉRITOIRE** Group Award / Prix de groupe  
AGM Organizing Committee / Comité organisateur de l'AGA, RENDEZ-VOUS Ottawa 2014

**Front row L > R** Al Rivard- Fundraising and Information Sessions/Kiosks, Lia Eichele-Strategic Planning, Diane Ghanem-Transportation, Graham Muir, Joan Panich, Jackie MacDonald-WIVES Association, Suzanne Sarault- Publicity and Promotion, Tim Killam-Kiosks and Information Sessions and Anne Sorensen-Entertainment

**Back row L > R** Bert Hoskins-Accommodations (AV&Translation), Richard Proulx- Accommodations, Rick Reynolds - Treasurer, Bill Newcombe - Secretary, Bill Bauer-Transportation, Marc Chabot-Silent Auction, Brian Sparrow -Volunteers and Bill Stewart -Protocol.  
Absent : Jean Claude Malboeuf- Registration, Gary Walkling- Publicity and Promotion



**President's Commendations  
Mentions élogieuses du  
Président**

Alex Geddes,  
Garth Hampson,  
Roy Berlinquette  
with  
President Graham Muir

Absent: Bill Lenton



## Service Awards – Prix de reconnaissance

**Front row L > R** Al Dzikowski, Bernard Limoges, Joe Borsa, Graham Muir, Joan Panich, Bill Fridgen, Michel Pelletier, Garth Hampson, Richard Proulx

**Back row - - L > R** Bill Bauer, John Murray Dent, Al Rivard, Raymond Craig, Phil Chartrand, Mel Oickle, Lloyd Larose, Ron Henry, Karen Appleyard, Lia Eichele, Roger Newman, Allen Bowes



<b>40 years/ans</b>		<b>25 years/ans</b>		<b>15 years/ans</b>
Joe BORSA	17999	Roy Albert DZIKOWSKI	17085	Melvin OICKLE
William FRIDGEN	13967	Garth HAMPSON	19201	Al RIVARD
<b>35 years/ans</b>		Ronald HENRY	19581	<b>10 years/ans</b>
Bernard LIMOGES	16762	Lloyd LAROSE	18600	Roger NEWMAN
<b>30 years/ans</b>		<b>20 years/ans</b>		Richard PROULX
Allan BOWES	22751	William BAUER	31422	
John Murray DENT	20737	Phil CHARTRAND	21217	
		Raymond CRAIG	22769	<b>5 years/ans</b>
				Karen APPLEYARD
				C4653
				Joan PANICH
				PS9051
				Michel PELLETIER
				26469

### An evening at Alta Vista Manor

On July 22, President Graham Muir spoke to residents at Alta Vista Manor about the RCMP Veterans' Association. Many residents attended the presentation which was very well received and followed by a number of questions and comments.

During the presentation, surrounded by friends and former colleagues, Bob Roy Reg # 17548 was presented with his RCMP Veterans' Association Pin and his 25 year service bar by President Graham Muir.

It was great to see Bob and we spent a lovely evening with him and fellow residents. We thank Bob for hosting a delightful dinner and, once again, offer him our sincere congratulations.



**Bob Roy and  
Graham Muir**



**Guests:** Back row:  
President Graham Muir,  
Joan Panich,  
Lynn McNamara,  
Jean Thompson , Bob Roy,  
Front row: Suzanne Sarault,  
Bobbie Cain, Lia Eichele



**Good friends John Jerome and Walter Terentiuk**



**Special RGM for Honours and Recognition - June 9, 2015  
RGM Spéciale pour Distinctions et Reconnaissance le 9 juin.**

What a great evening that was! A full house filled with laughter, camaraderie, respect and recognition and an impromptu concert by the Pipes, Drums and their Dancers. Make sure to join us for the Fall presentations on November 10.

Quelle belle soirée! Nous y étions en grand nombre, beaucoup de plaisir, de camaraderie, de respect et de reconnaissance et un concert tout-à-fait impromptu du Corps de cornemuses, tambours et de leurs danseurs. Assurez-vous de vous joindre à nous pour les présentations de l'automne, le 10 novembre prochain.

**Photos: [www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca](http://www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca)  
“Members’ only”**



Dimanche le 5 juillet 2015, des membres de la GRC ont monté la garde de la Tombe du Soldat inconnu au Monument commémoratif de guerre du Canada. Les Anciens se sont réunis afin de rendre hommage.

Le 5 juillet est significatif pour la GRC. C'est ce même jour en 1900 que le sergent Arthur Richardson, membre de la Police montée du Nord-Ouest, a été décerné la Croix de Victoria lors de la guerre en Afrique du Sud.

**Back row L-R**  
Mark Gaillard, Barry Cale, Michel Pelletier, Hank Dzuba, Scott Ferris, René Danis.

**Front row L-R**  
Marc Dureau, Harold Pretty, Bill Stewart, Graham Muir, Maz Mufti and Lia Eichele

On Sunday July 5, 2015 members of the RCMP stood sentry at the National War Memorial to guard the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Veterans gathered and paid their respects on this special occasion.

The significance of July 5 is important for the RCMP. It was on this day in 1900 that Sergeant Arthur Richardson, a member of the North-West Mounted Police earned the Victoria Cross during the South African War.

To read more about it - Pour en lire davantage,

[www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca](http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca)



The RCMP Pipes & Drums performed at this year's edition of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo from August 7th to 29th. It represented a national program comprised of seven bands from cities and provinces across Canada. Its members are drawn from among the best pipers and drummers of each of the bands. In appearing at the Tattoo, the Pipes and Drums entertained an international audience of some 220,000 people over the course of the 23-day event.

Source: [www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca](http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca)

Our very own Graham Muir is Drum Major.

Addendum: The name of Michel Pelletier should have been included to those whose collaboration I underlined in the message of my final edition (May 2015). Le nom de Michel Pelletier aurait dû être parmi ceux dont j'ai souligné la collaboration dans le message de mon dernier numéro (mai 2015). Suzanne Sarault



Thank you to those who volunteered for the  
Sunset Ceremonies

*Barry Cale, Dan Carroll, Henry Dzuba,  
Scott Ferris, Don Harrison,  
Graham Muir and Ross Stewart  
Coordinator, Bill Stewart*

Merci à ceux qui se sont portés bénévoles  
pour les Cérémonies du Crépuscule



### Working together for a great cause

The Bruce Denniston Bone Marrow Society, Ottawa Chapter, is as active as ever raising awareness and funds. If you would like to know more, would like to get involved, or to make a donation, visit their website at [dennistonsocietyottawa.org](http://dennistonsocietyottawa.org).

The Commissioner's Inspection of the Musical Ride conducted on May 14 this year is an annual opportunity for members of the Ottawa Chapter of the Bruce Denniston Bone Marrow Society to get together with members of the RCMP and with Ride members to strengthen the commitment to such a worthwhile cause.



**Left -** RCMP Veteran  
Dave Sear and Mike Kirby at  
the Sunset Ceremonies

**Right -** President of the  
Ottawa Chapter of the  
BDBMS and RCMP Veteran,  
Brent MacDonald and  
Commissioner Bob Paulson  
at the Commissioner's  
Inspection.



# CHI SPIRIT



## Ladies des dames

Many Veterans, spouses and family members gathered at the Annual BBQ hosted by the Ladies. It was indeed a full house at the Long Island camp ... with the heavy rain we had that day, everyone ate indoors.

It was a great afternoon – great company, delicious steaks, a variety of tasty accompaniments and desserts prepared by the Ladies, and door prizes.

A big thank you to Joan Rudd and all the ladies for such a wonderful afternoon. It sold out early, so mark your calendars for June 10, 2016; you won't want to miss it!!



## Perth Golfers



Wes Rideout, Kirke Hopkins and Tim McNulty warming up



Thanks to Ches Banks and Bill Irwin, for the success of the 50/50, and the photographs of the day.

Another great breakfast and Golf Classic were the highlights in Perth, June 2. Despite an 'iffy' day to start, 34 hardy souls showed up for the breakfast, and 20 played golf at beautiful Lanark Blue Heron Golf Course.

A draw for the free breakfast went to Ken Sinclair's wife Karen, and the 50/50 draw was won by Gary MacKay.

It was great to see the group from the Ottawa Division, as well as the dynamic duo from Kingston, Wes Rideout and Ron Miller. Some were going to come, but cancelled fearing rain, I bet you are sorry now eh, Dave Sandy. Some of the other regulars that were missed were, of course, our own Al Wrenshaw, Dave Sear, Mel Dillon, Rod Beaudry, Frank Korycan , and Bill Stocker, who had either medical or other personal commitments. And before I forget,... Elmer Zwicker, who just recently passed away, we missed you Elmer.

It was really nice to see a new, soon to be retired member, Kirke Hopkins, join us.



We look forward to seeing you, and many others , at one of our Monthly Breakfasts, [or our Fall Classic Golf Game on Oct. 6.](#)

Breakfasts are held at Victor's Restaurant, 16 Conlon Drive, Perth and start at 9 a.m.

For those interested in the Fall Classic it will start after the monthly breakfast.

Fees at the Lanark Blue Heron Golf Course for the day are:

9 holes of golf walking	\$14.00
18 holes walking	23.00
9 holes with a cart	22.00
18 holes with a cart	32.00

Remember that everyone has a chance of winning a free breakfast, a 50/50 draw, and every golfer receives a gift to die for. We look forward to seeing as many old faces and new faces as possible.

Ed. Rockburne, and Bill Irwin, Perth and District RCMP Veterans.

# SPIRIT



## NATIONAL CAPITAL OPEN TO SUPPORT OUR TROOPS AUGUST 17-23 AOÛT 2015 OMNIUM DE LA CAPITALE NATIONALE POUR APPUYONS NOS TROUPES



What a great week we had at the National Capital Open to Support our Troops, a tournament of the PGA Tour Canada Mackenzie Tour which was held at the Club de golf Hylands Golf Club. While it was extremely hot during the week, the weekend weather was fabulous and so was the golf. Volunteering for such an event is great; you have fun helping out and you also get to watch fantastic golf and learn a few things along the way. Whether you volunteer or attend as a spectator, it is another way to demonstrate our support to the military and their families. A number of Veterans volunteered for this event again this year. Fred and Karen Davis, Doug MacDonald, Michel Pelletier and Arlene O'Brien, Fred and Lynn Anne Pratt and Suzanne Sarault.

Mark your calendars for next year - these gentlemen are the future of golf!



Michel Pelletier & Arlene O'Brien



Sam Ryder won in a playoff on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole with Taylor Pendrith.

Photo: pgatourcanada.com



Suzanne Sarault

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RCMP Twin Otter C-GMPJ on snow-covered lake in January 2013. Le Twin Otter C-GMPJ de la GRC sur un lac recouvert de neige en janvier 2013

*Photo by/Droits d'auteur : FlightSource.ca*

The Association representing former Mounties from across Canada took a moment to recall the service of a fellow RCMP veteran – the de Havilland Twin Otter turbo-prop aircraft.

The DHC-6 Twin Otter was first built in 1965 in Toronto, Ont. as a regional commuter and utility airplane by the former company de Havilland Aircraft of Canada. To celebrate the anniversary of this famous Canadian airplane, the aircraft manufacturer Viking Air Limited of Sidney, B.C. is conducting a special 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Tour involving a new Series 400 Twin Otter starting in Victoria B.C. on Canada Day and flying to communities for ceremonies in Nunavut, Northwest Territories and Yukon this summer.

First purchased in 1971, this versatile airplane was the mainstay of the RCMP fleet for over a quarter century. The Mounties' Twin Otters were the airborne work-horses of the Force, especially in remote communities in the North.

The RCMP retired and sold its second-last Twin Otter ('C-FMPL') at a ceremony in Whitehorse, Yukon in 2014. The Force's last remaining Twin Otter ('C-GMPJ') is still in service at Happy Valley-Goose Bay in Newfoundland and Labrador.

L'Association représentant les anciens policiers de la GRC de partout au Canada a pris un moment pour se rappeler le service d'un ancien compagnon, l'aéronef Twin Otter turbopropulseur de la firme de Havilland.

Le DHC-6 Twin Otter a été fabriqué en 1965 à Toronto, en Ontario, comme transport régional et avion d'utilité par l'ancienne firme de Havilland Aircraft of Canada. L'avionneur Viking Air Limited de Sidney, Colombie-Britannique souligne l'anniversaire de ce célèbre avion canadien de façon spéciale. Une Tournée de Célébration du 50<sup>e</sup> anniversaire impliquant le Twin Otter Series 400 partira de Victoria, en Colombie-Britannique le jour de la fête du Canada et se rendra dans communautés au Nunavut, aux Territoires du Nord-Ouest et au Yukon pour des cérémonies au cours de l'été.

Acheté pour la première fois en 1971, cet avion polyvalent était le pilier de la flotte de la GRC pour plus de vingt-cinq années. Le Twin Otter a été l'appareil de travail par excellence de la GRC dans les airs et, en particulier, dans les collectivités éloignées dans le Nord.

La GRC a retiré et vendu son avant-dernier Twin Otter (« C-FMPL ») lors d'une cérémonie à Whitehorse au Yukon en 2014. Le dernier Twin Otter de la GRC (« C-GMPJ ») est toujours en service à Happy Valley-Goose Bay à Terre-Neuve-et-Labrador.

**Sick, hospitalized or shut-in**

We would like to pay a cordial visit to any member or veteran who is either sick, hospitalized or shut-in.

We are confirming visitation teams divided into zones - East, West, North and South. Would you like to be a volunteer visitor? It's a wonderful way to brighten someone's day and enjoy the company of a comrade.

Please let us know if you can contribute to one of our visitation teams. Also, if you are aware of anyone who would appreciate a visit, please provide us with their name, phone number and address. We can't visit those who we do not know are ill or shut-in.

**Contact:** Ronald Mostrey  
**Member Services / Services aux membres**  
**ottawarcmpvetservices@gmail.com**  
**819-414-0515**

**Malade, hospitalisé ou confiné**

Nous aimerais rendre visite à tout membre ou vétéran qui est soit malade, hospitalisé ou confiné.

Nous sommes à mettre sur pied des équipes qui seront organisés par secteur - est, ouest, nord et sud. Aimeriez-vous contribuer à cette initiative? C'est une belle façon d'ensoleiller la journée de quelqu'un et de passer du bon temps avec un camarade.

SVP nous aviser si vous pouvez contribuer à une des équipes. Aussi, si vous connaissez quelqu'un qui aimerait une visite, svp nous communiquer leur nom, numéro de téléphone et adresse. Si nous ne savons pas qui est malade, nous ne pouvons leur rendre visite.

**COFFEE TIME - LES P'TITS CAFÉS****PERTH**

1st Tuesday of the month 9:00 a.m.. "Mr. Victor's Diner" located at 16 Conlon Drive. Directions: When arriving in Perth, proceed to Gore Street, over the bridge, until you come to Cockburn St., then turn right, and proceed to Conlon Drive. At Rogers Road, the street becomes Smith St., ignore this and continue on to Conlon Drive. Victor's is located directly across from the soccer field in a Sports Complex.

**EASTENDERS - EST**

2nd Monday at 7:45 a.m. and/or 4th Monday at 10:00 a.m. at Gabriel's, 2160 St Joseph Blvd., in Orleans.

**CENTRAL - CENTRE**

1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month 8 a.m. at Dunn's Famous Deli, 2679 Bank Street, South of Hunt Club across from the cemetery.

**WESTENDERS - OUEST**

2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month 10 a.m. at Eggstyle, 790 Kanata Ave, Kanata, next to the Baton Rouge Restaurant.

**LES BONS VIVANTS DE GATINEAU -  
Dîner des retraité(e)s**

Dernier jeudi du mois à 11h30 à la Cage aux Sports, 325, boul. Gréber, Gatineau. Bienvenue à tous. Pour information, Réo Belhumeur au 819. 669-3493

**LES BONS VIVANTS DE GATINEAU -  
Retirees luncheon**

At 11:30 a.m. last Thursday of every month at La Cage aux Sports, 325, blvd. Gréber, Gatineau. For information, call Réo Belhumeur at 819-669-3493.



It is that time of the year!

C'est le moment !!

Barry Thomas

Renewing your membership is easy. You can now e-transfer to pay your membership dues (see page 27), you can pay at the RGMS on the second Tuesday of the month or you can mail your cheque made out to the RCMP Veterans' Association, Ottawa Division, P.O. Box 42020, 1200 St Laurent Blvd, Ottawa, ON K1K 4L8.

Membership dues are **only \$60** per year for active members and **\$38** for associate members. You can find the criteria for each category on our website at [www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca](http://www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca) under Administration.

If your address, phone or email information has changed, please let us know so that you continue to receive all information bulletins and event news from the Association.

Recruiting is “job one” for the future of our Association. And every Veteran needs to make it so.

Should you know of anyone wishing to join the RCMP Veterans' Association or have a question on membership or e-transfers, contact me at [barry48@bell.net](mailto:barry48@bell.net) or phone 613. 752-1980. I will be happy to assist. Thank you.

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C'est facile de renouveler votre adhésion. Vous pouvez maintenant procéder avec un virement électronique (voir page 27), payer lors d'une RGM les deuxièmes mardis du mois ou envoyez votre chèque à l'ordre de L'Association des Anciens de la GRC, Division d'Ottawa à C.P. 42020, 1200, boul. St-Laurent, Ottawa, ON K1K 4L8.

La cotisation pour les membres actifs est seulement **60 \$** par année et **38 \$** pour les associés. Vous pouvez trouver les critères pour chaque catégorie sur le site web à [www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca](http://www.rcmp-grcvetsottawa.ca) sous Administration.

Vous devez nous faire part de tout changement à votre adresse courriel, adresse postale ou numéro de téléphone afin de recevoir tous les bulletins d'information et d'activités.

Le recrutement est « l'affaire de tous ». L'avenir de notre Association en dépend. Et tous les Anciens doivent y voir!

Pour toutes questions, n'hésitez pas à communiquer avec moi. Si vous connaissez quelqu'un qui aimerait se joindre l'Association ou qui désire des informations, svp communiquer avec moi à [barry48@bell.net](mailto:barry48@bell.net) ou au 613. 752-1980. Il me fera plaisir d'aider. Merci.

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## Fast and easy way to pay annual dues!

## Façon rapide et facile de payer votre cotisation annuelle!

You can now pay your annual dues via e-transfer payments!

Pay your dues directly from your bank account to the Veterans' bank account in a simple transaction.

You will require the following three things:

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Voici ce dont vous avez besoin:

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2. composez la question de sécurité suivante: quel est le nom du chapeau de cérémonie de la GRC?
3. inscrivez la réponse à la question de sécurité dans la case de réponse. La réponse n'est pas sensible aux caractères.

**VEUILLEZ PRENDRE NOTE** que cette adresse courriel est strictement utilisée pour les paiements et n'est pas suivie pour les courriels.

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The revised list of kit & clothing is posted on our website under Kit & Clothing. Also included is the contact information for our Quartermaster, Don Harrison. The Order of Dress is also on the website.

La liste à jour des vêtements et accessoires est affichée sur le site web sous "Kit & Clothing". Vous y trouverez aussi les informations pour communiquer avec le Quartier-maître Don Harrison. Aussi sur le site web, les informations pertinentes à la tenue vestimentaire.





## Pass on your uniform!

The RCMP Pipes and Drum Band are looking for Red Serge tunics and ceremonial belts. Next to the Musical Ride, these folks wear the Red Serge more frequently than any other formed unit within the Force, and receive no financial support to purchase tunics. Support a good cause and give your old tunic a second life by donating it to the Pipe Band.

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If you can help with either of these requests from President Graham Muir, please bring donated kit in to the RGM, or contact Graham by email at [grahammuir@rogers.com](mailto:grahammuir@rogers.com) to arrange pickup. Thank you!



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If you need a ride to the RGM or any other assistance, you can contact the Director of Member Services, Ron Mostrey, at

[ottawarcmpvetservices@gmail.com](mailto:ottawarcmpvetservices@gmail.com) or  
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Les coordonnées du Directeur, Services aux membres, si vous désirez faire du co-voiturage pour la RGM ou pour tous autres besoins.



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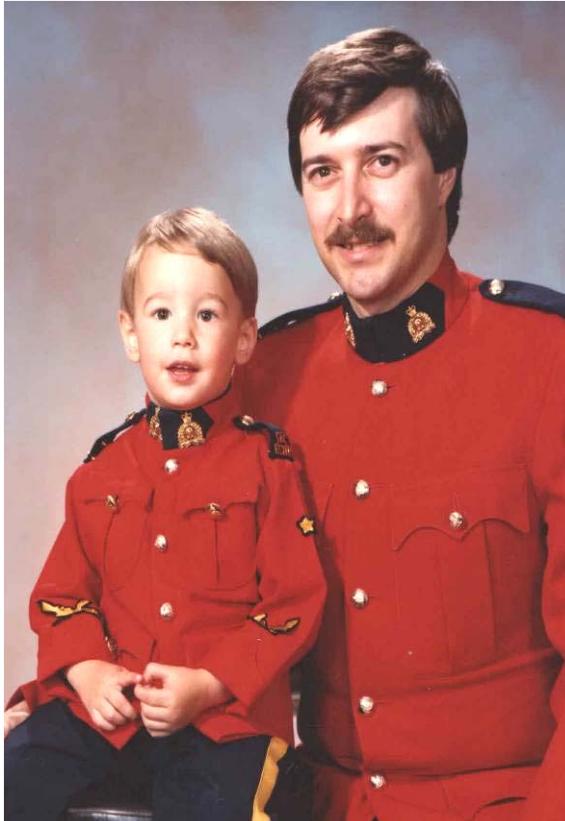
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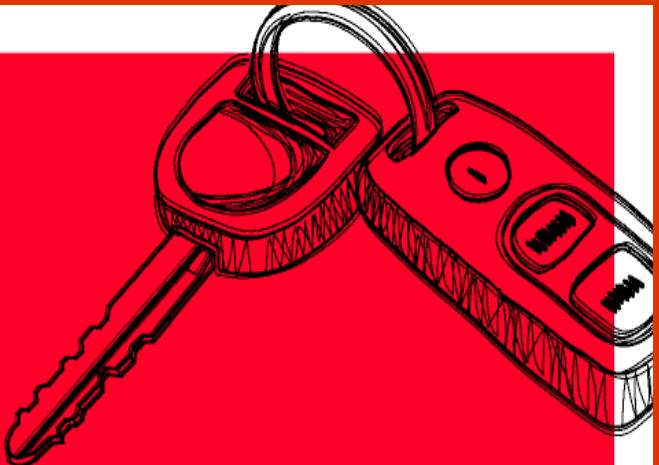
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