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STORM CLEAN-UP

Members of 1RCHA's C and Z Bty helped with clean-up on Kingston Avenue following a severe storm July 18 that saw plenty of trees toppled after less than 20 minutes of Mother Nature's wrath during a summer evening on the Base. For more from the storm aftermath and clean-up, see Page 12.
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Goalie enjoys his international soccer experience

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Playing on an international stage, Pte Tyler van Uden tended goal for Canada's military soccer team in early July.

He won't soon forget playing against the host country despite coming out on the end of 2-0 setback to Azerbaijan.

"It was the inaugural tournament, with 16 teams involved," recalled the 23-year-old MET tech — or military weatherman who offers forecasts for 1RCHA to "improve the accuracy of their guns."

Held in Baku, Pte van Uden was able to play in a new stadium featuring artificial turf that was built for the U17 Women's World Soccer Championships.

"It was the best game atmosphere I've ever played in ... with such a quick pace to the games," he said. "But it was tough playing teams that had professionals on their rosters, rather than actually facing other military players."

Pte van Uden and his teammates were in the A pool — facing the likes of the host country, Iraq and the African country of Mali.

Founded on Feb. 18, 1948, the International Military Sports Council (CISM) is one of the largest multidisciplinary organizations in the world. It organizes various sporting events for the armed forces of 133 member countries.

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which it operates is "Friendship through Sport."

CISM decided to give up the old version of the CISM football (soccer) championship and to launch the CISM World Football Trophy, and the success came along immediately since the Republic of Azerbaijan immediately confirmed it would host the inaugural CISM World Football Trophy in the capital city Baku.

And Canada was there, with Pte van Uden facing down excellent shooters from anywhere on the pitch. How did he find his way on to the CF squad?

Born in Belleville, Ont., his position in net playing out of the Bay of Quinte's men's league did not go unnoticed, he said.

"Two Canadian Forces referees [out of CFB Trenton] took notice of my skill in net and passed on my name to the coaches. They were in contact with me after I got out of basic training."

With the CF for three years and CFB Shilo his first posting, Pte van Uden did not play in Canada's opening match, a 6-0 spanking by Iraq.

"It's tough when you see professionals playing because powerhouse teams that you see dominate at the World Cup, like Brazil, France, Germany or Holland, well they are being beaten by countries like Algeria, Oman, and the Ivory Coast," he said. "All your best soccer countries went home early because those teams had ringers."

That included Canada, which finished with three consecutive losses, including a 6-0 loss to Mali. While Canada was 0-3, the USA also left early with a 1-2 record.

Pte van Uden saw plenty of shots, too, with his team playing a 4-4-2 system. That did not bother him, as he concedes as goalkeeper only improves his game by handling many shots, or dealing with kicks and headers inside his 18-yard box.

"You are really into the game when you are facing so many shots," he said.

Prior to the tournament this summer, Pte van Uden and his teammates travelled to South America where Canada went 1-1-1 facing three club teams.

There was another soccer camp in Kingston, Ont. for further training.

Taking up soccer goal-tending at age 10, Pte van

Uden decided to play that position because the previous goalie was pulled by his father because his son was not facing any shots.

"You are not going to see a lot of shots at that age when you have a real good team in front of the goalie," he recalled. "I started my youth soccer in Belleville, but to get better competition I ended up going to play in Kingston, Darlington and then an academy in Toronto."

By playing club soccer, Pte van Uden was exposed to excellent coaching, plus good competition. He also travelled to Scotland and Brazil before his CF road trip to Azerbaijan.

Returning back to Base, Pte van Uden was between the pipes for the CFB Shilo Stags during the CF regional soccer tournament held at 17 Wing Winnipeg from July 26 to Aug. 1.

Ultimately, playing for the CF national team, Pte van Uden said Canada is looking to qualify for the World Military Games in 2015, but will need to qualify next year.

CISM annually organizes more than 20 Military World Championships for different sports in which all member nations can take part. It also organizes continental and regional competitions and, every four years, the Military World Games.

The inaugural Military World Games were held in 1995 in Rome. Ninety-three nations competed in 17 different sporting events to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

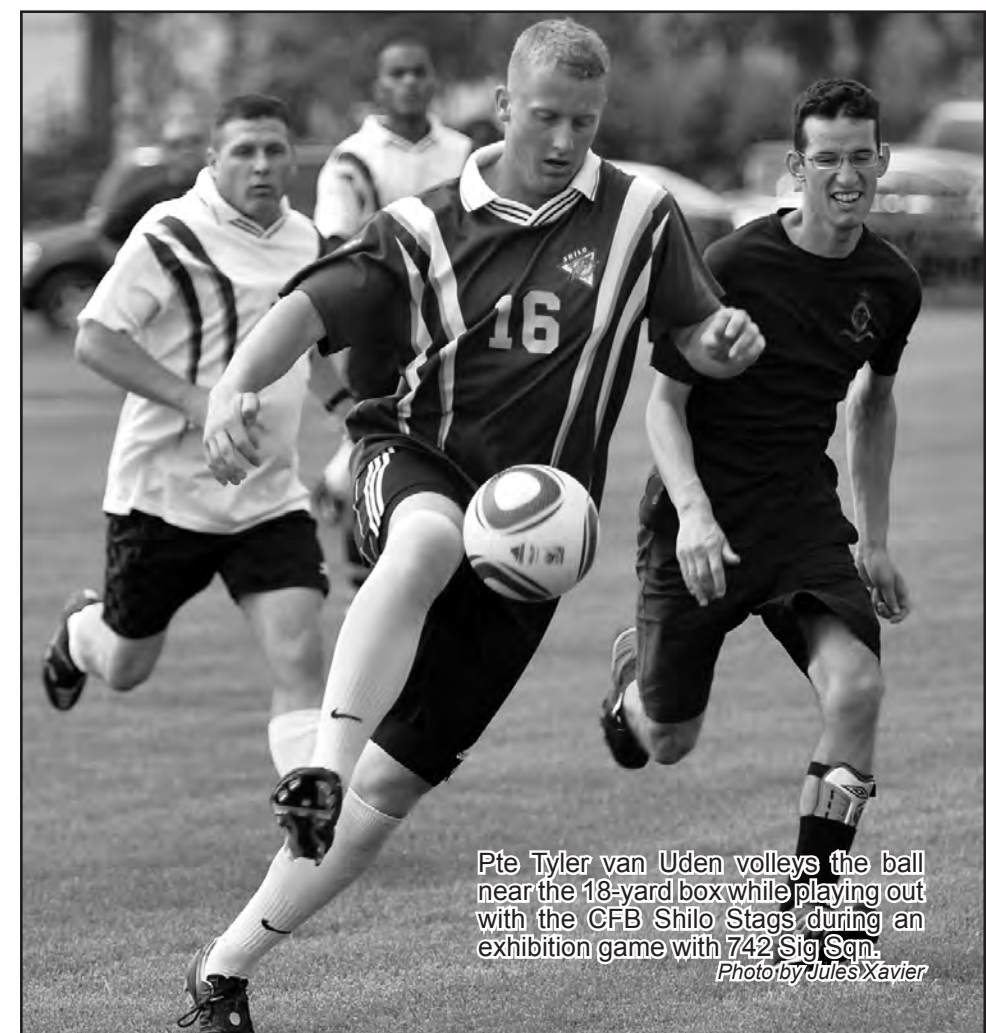
Four years later about 7,000 participants from 82 countries met in Zagreb, Croatia to contribute to the great success of the second World Military Games.

The third edition was held in Catania, Italy in December 2003. Participants from 84 different nations competed in 18 sports.

The fourth CISM Military World Games were held in Hyderabad, India in 2007. A record number of 101 participating countries celebrated world peace and showed the remarkable spirit of friendship and solidarity that unites all CISM member countries.

The fifth edition was held in July 2011 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The next edition will take place in Mungyeong, Korea in 2015. The current CISM programme includes 26 sports on world level, and several other sports on continental and regional level.

Considering the popularity of football (soccer) all over the world and the commitments of CISM to gain prominence and visibility all over the world, it was this reason Pte van Uden and his Canadian teammates were playing on the soccer pitch in Azerbaijan.



Pte Tyler van Uden volleys the ball near the 18-yard box while playing out with the CFB Shilo Stags during an exhibition game with 742 Sig Sqn.
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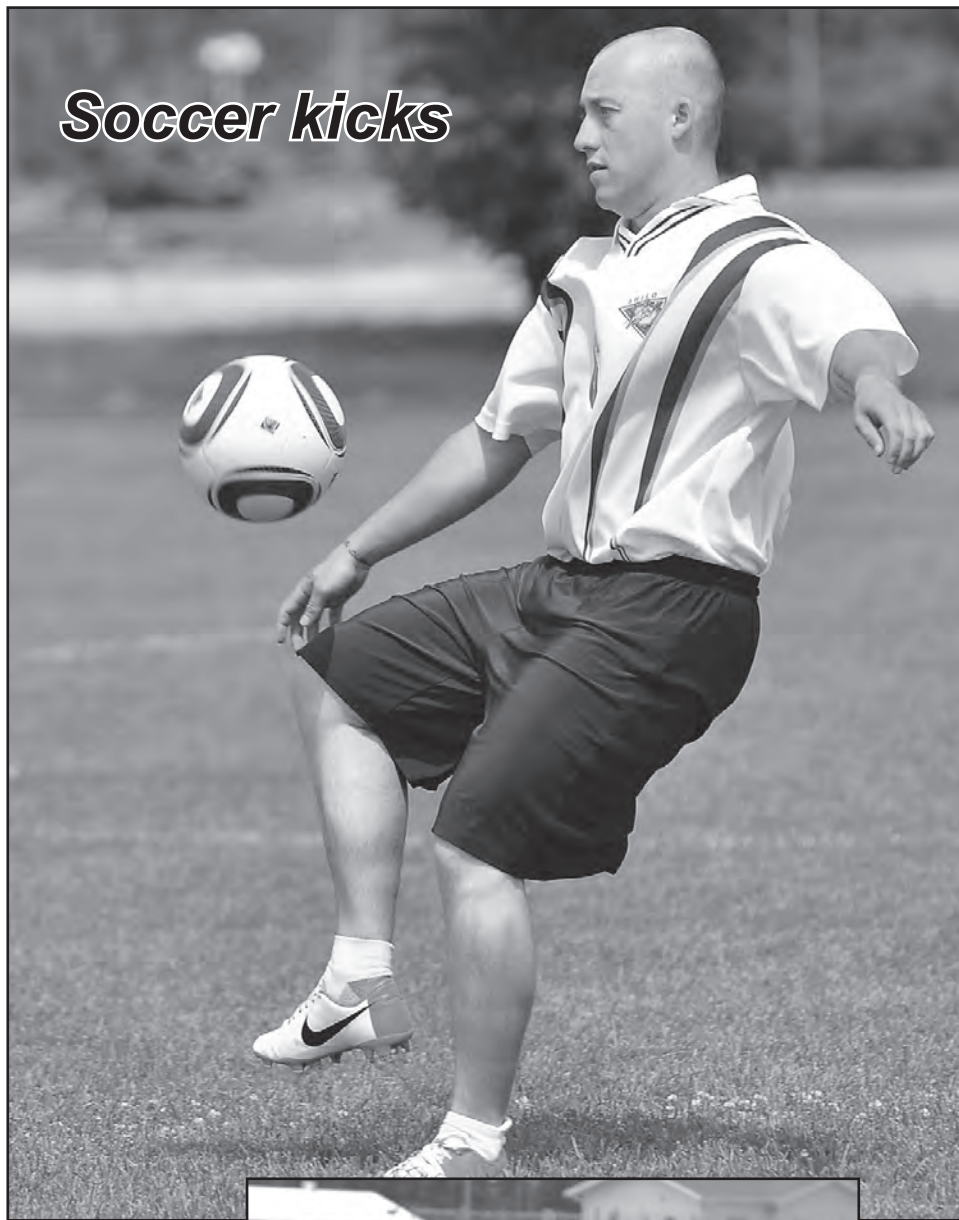
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The Base soccer team spent the past few days at 17 Wing Winnipeg participating in the CF prairie regional tournament. Prior to leaving the team entertained 742 Sig Sqn in an exhibition game on the German pitch. Training every morning, the Base team had a decided advantage in a lopsided win.

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Decoration Day – June 2

Scribe learns history lesson after attending ceremony

Who knew there was a special day that gave remembrance to those Canadian soldiers who paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

This Stag scribe learned this during Brandon's Decoration Day held at the cenotaph in the city's cemetery.

I was informed Decoration Day originated in 1890 to honour Canada's war dead, specifically the nine military casualties who died at Ridgeway, Ont., on June 2, 1866. It was celebrated annually until 1931 when it was superseded by Remembrance Day which is held Nov. 11.

This was never taught in my junior high or high school history classes. I've never covered a Decoration Day in the past 25-plus years of my journalism career. I only new of Nov. 11 which marked the end of the First World War.

In Ontario back on June 2, soldiers from the Queen's Own Rifles (QOR) of Toronto and the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry (RHLI) — The Rileys — returned to the site where their regiments fought Canada's first modern battle against an invading Irish-American Fenian insurgent army in the Battle of Ridgeway, near Fort Erie in 1866.

A Decoration Day ceremony is held annually on the historic battlefield to commemorate the Ridgeway Nine — the first nine of more than 115,000 Canadian soldiers killed in combat starting from the 1866-1870 Fenian Raids in Canada through to the North West Rebellion, the South African Boer War, the First and Second World Wars, the Korean War and the recent deployments in Afghanistan.

Why was Decoration Day not part of our history classes? We learned all about USA history, and had some semblance of teaching when it came to the wars of my grandparents and parents generation, usually in conjunction with Nov. 11 ceremonies at school.

The nine militia volunteers from the QOR killed in the Battle of Ridgeway are Canada's first modern military casualties — the militia regiment in which they served has remained in continuous service in the current military since its founding in 1860, years before the Ridgeway Battle and even before Canada Confederation in 1867. The RHLI which also fought in the battle celebrated their 150th anniversary last year.

Soldiers from these regiments have served in almost every conflict Canada engaged in during the last 150 years, including recently in Afghanistan.

The QOR and RHLI are Canada's oldest fighting infantry regiments in continuous service since their founding. Our own 2PPCLI will celebrate its centennial with the advent of 2014.

Here's a trivia question for the war buff: Who was the very first Canadian to fall in battle?

If you said Ensign (2nd Lieutenant) Malcolm McEachren, a 34-year-old Toronto store clerk, a Sunday school teacher and a volunteer officer leading QOR Company 5, you would be correct.

The father of five children was shot during the opening moments of the battle and died 20 minutes later in the wood cabin that today stands at the Ridge-

way Battlefield National Historical Site — moved there from its original location on Ridge Road in 1976.

Eight more soldiers were killed that morning, including three young riflemen from QOR's University of Toronto volunteer rifle company, college kids who were suddenly called out to defend Canada in the middle of their final exams, never to return to them.

In 1890, Ridgeway veterans forgotten and ignored by Ottawa since the 1866 battle, organized as an act of protest Canada's first "remembrance day" on the June 2 anniversary of the Battle of Ridgeway.

The event became known as Decoration Day and afterwards was held annually in the spring or summer from 1891 until 1930 in many parts of Canada, usually on the weekend closest to the June 2 anniversary of Ridgeway.

Decoration Day eventually commemorated Canadian servicemen killed in the 1885 North West Rebellion, Boer War 1899-1902 and the Great War 1914-18, long before there was a Nov. 11 armistice ending the war in 1918.

Decoration Day was traditionally marked by the laying of fresh flowers and bouquets at war graves and monuments, thus the word decoration, in the spirit of rebirth and renewal.

Held in warm sunny days of spring, Decoration Day was more a tender than solemn act of memorial, an affirmation of hope in the better future defended by Canadian soldiers who

defended by Canadian soldiers who their lives; a bond of remembrance between the grateful and the dead in a promise that it was not in vain.

Until 1930, Decoration Day ceremonies honoured all Canadian soldiers killed in combat in the defence of Canada, at home and overseas, but in 1931 Ottawa moved the popular June memorial day to the cold gloomy austerity of Nov. 11 Armistice Day and officially named it Remembrance Day.

Ottawa restricted Remembrance Day to only those soldiers killed overseas beginning from the Boer War, so as not to offend our American neighbours and new allies by commemorating the deaths of Canadians killed fighting invasions from across the United States border. With the stroke of a pen in 1931, the memory of Canada's first casualties from the Fenian Raids (1866-1870) and the North West Rebellion (1885) previously commemorated were now forgotten, challenging to this day our promise to all of Canada's military servicemen and servicewomen that "We will remember them."

The Ridgeway Nine, along with 21 other Canadian soldiers who later died of their wounds or from disease while on duty during the Fenian Raids are not enlisted in Canada's National Books of Remembrance in Ottawa, and on Remembrance Day they are not remembered, no wreaths are laid to their memory and no prayers are said for them.

Thus, it's celebrated in parts of Canada like Brandon and Ridgeway to commemorate and honour the memory of Canada forgotten Ridgeway Nine. CFB Shilo was well represented at this year's ceremony, with the Base, 2PPCLI and 1RCHA each laying wreaths at the cenotaph.

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Cleanup ongoing after summer storm

Jillian Driessen
Shilo Stag

Vicious prairie storms haven't dampened the spirit of Shilo Community Council members.

With cleanup still underway in many areas of the Base, the topic was weighted heavily during the July 23 meeting.

Ward reps have noted branches still making their way to curb sides throughout the RHU area, waiting to be collected by the CE department.

"Branches will be picked up regularly as time permits," said Maj Reg Sharpe of the most recent appearance of branches from continuous cleanup.

Anne Maccomb of CFHA noted the cleanup is still underway.

"As of today, there are about 50 more trees to come down. These are not emergency situations. Anything on the ground is just waiting to be cleaned up. It will just take time," she explained. "The one at CFHA will be cleared last. CFHA, itself, is the last priority."

All emergency situations have been dealt with following the storm.

Regarding reporting of emergency situations during the storm and its aftermath, Capt Dane Nicholson said the majority of reporting was appropriate, timely, and effective.

With future storms an inevitability of prairie-dwelling, Base Transport requested that the community be mindful of equipment. Several machines deployed to remove debris from roadways, yards, and homes were impeded by on-lookers. For safety and to ensure timely removal of debris, Transport requests the cooperation of the community.

Other business discussed included:

- An e-mail about 911 service on Bases was circulated. Although the e-mail hinted that 911 calls made from the Base may not be routed to emergency services on Base, that is incorrect in Shilo.

"If you make a 911 call on the Base, it will connect to us," assured Capt Nicholson.

This was an issue for CFB Edmonton, however, differing 911 systems in Manitoba prevent this problem for CFB Shilo.

- The Community Police Centre will, once again, be staffed full-time Aug. 7. With the return of full-time staff, there will be a major focus in the further development of the policing program in Shilo's schools. Upon reaching an agreement with Brandon Police Service, the Shilo Military Police will conduct half the program in Shilo's two schools. The curriculum, taught by Brandon Police Service, will be augmented by the Shilo Military Police.

- Lawn maintenance continues to be an issue throughout the RHU area. Cpl Roux, the Ward 2 representative, has noted several RHUs with sub-par maintenance. A reminder to the community to maintain both their front and back lawns.

- Although bulk garbage issues continue, they have lessened in recent days. Infractions have been issued to several homes.

"There were probably a dozen people cited with infractions for bulk garbage. This issue gets a little eas-

ier to handle in the fall when people aren't marching in and out," explained Sharpe. "CFHA knows when people are marching out. They ensure the infractions are given to the proper units."

- With several downed trees in the recent weeks following major storms, there is a large accumulation of wood at the Shilo dump.

"There will be tons of wood at the dump. If somebody wants to take a chainsaw out there during working hours and take some for firewood, that's fine," said Maj Sharpe.

Stressing safety, he added, "I would prefer they're not out there in shorts and flips flops [cutting]."

With the number of trees that have come down in recent storms, the accumulated wood is overwhelming the dump.

"There is a certain amount of wood we can deal with. We use it for community bonfires or the burn tower, so, really, with the amount we have, if people in the community would like it, I am not adverse to that," said Sharpe.

A reminder to those residing the RHU area that fires are prohibited at your home. The firewood can be used, however, off the Base in designated areas, such as campgrounds.

- The MFRC still has room in their children's day camps. Contact 3352 for more information.

- Shilo's fall registration day will be held Aug. 28 at both the MFRC and the GSH. Shilo MFRC will host a Dinner's on Us barbecue in conjunction with the registration day.

- The Summer Yard Contest will be judged Aug. 12. There is no registration required. Prizes for first, second, and third place are \$150, \$100, and \$75, respectively.

- Holes will be filled in the dog park on a weekly basis by CE staff when the refuse bins are emptied. A dirt or sand pile poses the risk of growing invasive species, therefore, one cannot be permanently left in the park.

- The Health Promotion department is, once again, moving forward with their Quality of Life survey. It will be made available in the fall.

- The recycling bin behind CANEX is receiving several unapproved items on a regular basis.

"The recycling bin is starting to stray from the program. There is a lack of signage. People are trying to recycle, but there are too many inappropriate things there," said CANEX manager Rick Kehler. "But, it is certainly being well-used."

The community recycling bin is for recyclable items only and excludes all glass. Hazardous waste items, such as paint and batteries, can be deposited behind CFHA in the hazardous waste bin.

Garbage can be brought to the Shilo dump, located past the golf course, any weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- The Terry Fox Run will be held Sept. 20. From Aug. 29 through Sept. 12, raffle tickets will be sold by PSP staff. All proceeds will go to the Terry Fox Foundation. Pledge sheets will be available at GSH or the Community Centre in the coming weeks. The next meeting of the Shilo Community Council is Aug. 27 at 10:30 a.m. in the Base HQ conference room.



Slo-pitch action

Shilo's men's team fell short in the quest to win the CF prairie regionals played here. Bdr Moulton (above) made a big catch, while Gnr Pierre Poulin (below) prepares to slug the ball at the plate.

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Preserving Camp Hughes history



RCA Museum director Marc George surveys the flags where dig students have detected something on, or below, the surface.

Students uncover artifacts during summer dig

The theft of history from the grounds once home to thousands of men training for trench warfare in Belgium and France during the First World War continues to be robbed by individuals carrying metal detectors.

With the centennial of the start of the Great War in 2014, the pillaging of military artifacts still goes on, says RCA Museum director Marc George.

"When they take what they find here [at Camp Hughes] it is value for us that is gone. They are stealing our heritage and connection to the relatives who were here in 1915 at the camp."

To stem this thievery, George and the RCA Museum are partnering with the University of Brandon and the lead on a six-week dig on the Camp Hughes grounds, biological and forensic anthropologist Suyoko Tsukamoto.

The project will run during the next six summers, with every second a field study opportunity for students. It is hoped the information gleaned from what is discovered, after analysis, will give insight to what happened at Camp Hughes during the First World War.

Under a large army tent back in June, Tsukamoto and her five students — Allysha Burns, Ashley Daciuk, Nadine Geddert, Kristy Hjorth, Allanna Johnson — along with teacher assistant Alessandro Strapazzon, sifted through the vast number of paper bags they had on a table, taking measurements and cataloguing what they brought back from the field.

This data is downloaded to a computer — all of this data will be further studied back at the university, or RCA



What does this silver fork tell us about the soldiers who trained at Camp Hughes before leaving for the Western Front? There's a story behind this find, but one that will require extensive research to come up with answers.

Museum.

"It's a knowledge-based dig," says Tsukamoto. Students receive six university credits and garner valuable field methodology experience. This is the practical side of what the students are learning besides what they cull from Tsukamoto's lectures.

Students are taught that everything they find, whether it's a spent shell, rusty nail or soda cap, is photographed. Identification of all artifacts is imperative, and is matched up with further paperwork back at the main camp.

"They are learning the basics, then will put what they learn to work in the field," offers Tsukamoto, who was recovering from a serious tick bite on this day when the *Stag* visited her camp east of CFB Shilo.

Tsukamoto points out field work can be tedious,

thus her students are taught not to rush. They comb over every inch of the vast fields that once was a bustling military training site featuring a pool, theatres, stores plus countless circular tents to house the men.

Initially combing the site on the surface for finds, later the students dug test points where they looked below the surface based on metal detector analysis. The area is also being mapped and surveyed as part of the partnership. Flags of different colours dot the landscape.

George points out that soldiers who trained on this area more than 90 years ago "left a foot

print" — this is something the students are looking to uncover.

Tsukamoto acknowledges there are visual indicators that the untrained eye might just pass over while walking across the wind-swept fields. While trenches are recognizable on the training grounds, where the camp was located there are no obvious landmarks like buildings or roads. However, she points to circles of different vegetation that indicate where tents were set up for the CEF soldiers when they trained in the spring and summer.

Perusing the military history of the area, with old photos helping, can help Tsukamoto and her students. But standing on the edge where the troops disembarked from the trains one must use their imagination to ascertain what the area looked like 90-plus years ago.

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Marc George and Tsukamoto inspect a test dig (left), while the students catalogue their findings (above) back in the main tent. A rifle cartridge is inspected (right) after being found in the field.

Theft of artifacts robs history

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For the students, and teacher, tenting on the landscape gave them a sense of what the 30,000 soldiers doing their training in 1915 or 1916 might have experienced — like being soaked one minute, then baked the next. Being bitten by pesky sand flies.

“We can think of those guys training in the trenches, hunkering down in the trenches,” says Tsukamoto. “The wind has been brutal out here.”

Imagine what it was like for the soldiers training here, but then what they actually experienced on the Western Front — mud, lice, constant bombardment in the trenches?

George says the partnership with Brandon University also works because the mandate of the museum is to preserve military history. This camp is not about collecting artifacts and information and storing it away, to be put on display occasionally.

“We want to expand on the knowledge of what happened here back in say 1916,” says George.

“We’re not just here cataloging what we find. We want to learn more about what went on here, and to do that this dig is ideal.”

Tsukamoto concurs, saying her students have a better appreciation of military history because they are learning about it hands-on, not just from what they read in a text book.

George says when Camp Hughes was at its busiest, anything in England for training soldiers for the Western Front paled.

“There was no place in England where the scale of what was offered for training in Canada could be duplicated there.”

Finds on the ground, or below its surface, is time for mini-celebrations for Tsukamoto and her students. They have found spent rifle cartridges, but also a can of Nugget Show Polish.

“With this find you have a connection with the soldiers,” says George. “This was something they were holding [to polish their boots].”

George likes the proximity to the Base and Camp Hughes, with the grounds an ideal educational tool for not only university students studying forensic anthropology, but to give guided hikes to tourists where the soldiers trained in the trenches that were built to replicate what soldiers had overseas.

Another find on this day included a silver fork found on the surface. Although bent, it’s still a treasure as George inspects it. What officer might have used it during meals in the officers’ meal tent?

The archeology being done at Camp Hughes makes what is found by the students “real,” says George.

This summer’s dig is especially interested in the 44th Battalion, as the students search the landscape for insignias that might indicate where they had their tent city established. They also want to pinpoint a timeline, perhaps 1916 or 1917. Collar dogs from 1917 will have been worn by soldiers who fought at Vimy Ridge on a chilly Easter Monday that April.

However, nothing they have found can be linked back to the 44th Battalion. Finding badges the soldiers wore on the uniforms would help.

“If we find one, we can connect it to the people who wore them,” says Tsukamoto.

George adds, “When you discover something out there these items are icons of remembrance as they once belonged to someone who fought for their country, and perhaps even gave their life overseas. That’s important when we look back on the history, and those 30,000 men who were here training for war.”

“We are seeing where their ancestors walked ... relatives come for a visit and walk in the trenches, they are walking in their footsteps, where these men

trained.”

Camp Hughes is now a ghost town in Canada, but with no buildings standing as testament of what was once a thriving camp.

“There’s so much out there,” says George, noting the students have found a pipe and Mason jar. “Did the Mason jar have preserves for a soldier, sent to them by a loved one while they were away training. These items help connect with the past. Who got the jar? What happened to him? Did he return home, or not?”

By doing research, says George, it helps us answer questions about Camp Hughes.

“It helps us connect on a human level with those soldiers who were here. The archeology can help us do this.”

It’s a win-win situation for all involved, adds George, as the RCA Museum gains valuable information and insight, while the students further their education.

What George and Tsukamoto both don’t want happening is the continuing pillage of the Camp Hughes research area.

They both know it’s still happening based on finding soil disturbance, once a metal detector sounds the alarm that something metallic is beneath the ground. George calls it a travesty, knowing posting guards on the grounds is not going to happen over a vast area.

“These people come in and dig things up and sell them on eBay,” he laments. “What these people have done is robbed the descendants of guys who served in the 44th Battalion and it robs a little bit of history.”

If you have found items in the past, George asks that you drop them off at the RCA Museum — no questions asked — so Tsukamoto and her students can build on the history that was once Camp Hughes.



Suyoko Tsukamoto (above) surveys the flag-covered ground at the dig site. A newspaper (left) was found in a test spot, while even a nail (right) is catalogued as part of the research.



'Goose' golden playing on links

Shilo Stag

Impending fatherhood will keep Bdr Jared 'Goose' Gossen home when the CF national golf championships are held at CFB Borden later this month.

Bdr Gossen won the right to play at nationals for the second consecutive year — this time as the number one seed after winning regionals on his home turf — but gave up the spot to the runner-up from 4 Wing Cold Lake.

Last year, he needed an extra hole playoff win to just make the Prairie team, which saw nationals played at the Shilo Country Club.

"My girlfriend is expecting around Aug. 17, so I'm going to stay home to be here for the birth," said Bdr Gossen following the awards ceremony at the Shilo Country Club. "Plus, we have family coming to visit then, too."

On the links during the three-day tournament, 4 Wing Cold Lake's golf team came within a single stroke of winning all three categories in the CF Prairie region golf championships. Cold Lake won the team event, with a three-day total of 988 on the par-72 18-hole course.

CFB Shilo's team of Bdr Gossen, Gnr Dummitt, MBdr JC Houle, Bdr Travers and MBdr C. Houle finished second, just three shots back. With 1,080 CFB Edmonton finished third overall, followed by Moosejaw (1,067) and Dundurn (1,417).

In the men's event, Cold Lake's Capt Wayne O'Donnell shot a blistering 71 on opening day, and was tied with Bdr Gossen after 36 holes. He garnered gold with a final day round of plus-six 78, while Capt O'Donnell recorded a 79. Gnr Dummit finished fifth overall with a three-day total 236 and will be part of the Prairie team that won the team title at nationals.

CWO Susan Stark of 4 Wing won the ladies event by five strokes after three rounds, going 91-105-100 for an aggregate score of 296. Sgt Brenda Woods of CFB Edmonton earned silver with a score of 301, while Capt Erin Smith, also of 4 Wing, claimed the bronze after shooting 308.

Scores for the rest of the Shilo team saw MBdr JC Houle record a 267, while Bdr Travers notched a 269 and MBdr C. Houle a 274.



Sgt Shawn Cameron clears the sand trap.

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Bdr Paul Dummitt (above) and Bdr Jared 'Goose' Gossen both qualified for CF nationals, but Bdr Gossen (below with his medals) won't be going because his girlfriend is expecting their first child.



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Capt Erin Smith of 4 Wing Cold Lake watches her drive from the T-box.



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BCcmd's coin recipients (left to right) Tammy Power, Karen Gero, 1RCHA's MBdr Duparay, Rob Hutchings



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Welcome aboard

3 Cdn Div TC C Coy held its change of command ceremony, with CO LCol Strickland (middle) as the review officer. Taking over the helm is Maj Smoley (left), who is replacing Maj Lynk (right).
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New MP takes tour of range control

During the course of the summer we will be welcoming a number of new Military Police members to CFB Shilo. With new members comes a new opportunity to showcase the great features of this Base. This week, Cpl Claudia Schlegel, who was recently posted to us from the Canadian Forces Military Police Academy in Borden, Ont., describes below her opportunity to enjoy a ride-along with a range controller through CFB Shilo’s vast training area.

Cpl Claudia Schlegel Stag Special

Escorted by MCpl Steve Bell, I participated in a ride-along July 16 with CFB Shilo range control.

The ride began at the range control office and went in a southern direction to the Shilo gate, arriving at a Forward Operating Base (FOB).

Still being constructed, the FOB will simulate what soldiers may encounter overseas. Four towers are erected at all four corners of the square structure and at the mid-point of every wall was a mound of reinforced dirt, where large vehicles such as LAVs can drive up and hone their defensive skills.

We then continued in an eastern direction to an area set up with sea cans which simulate homes. Here, soldiers are given the chance to kick open doors and search through the buildings.

This provides a realistic experience in regards to clearing homes and other large structures safely, quickly, and professionally. There were also damaged vehicles in the area which added to the realism of the scenarios.

From the sea can village we travelled to the Stockton gate. There we left the roads to go down a grassy trail where MCpl Bell pointed out places that range control had fixed fences to deter trespassing on DND property.

Additionally, range control uses cameras to determine who has trespassed onto DND property. Trespassing is a serious safety concern for the range training area.

After I was shown portions of the fence and seeing the beauty of the area including hills, grassland, bush and a large swollen river, we headed back to the main range control office.

We turned in the truck for two ATVs and then headed to areas that could not be reached with a large vehicle.

Continuing on MCpl Bell received a call from range control with a report of a fire. We travelled by ATV to the center of the range — an area called Kliene Essen, which means “small eats” in German. This was an interesting reference to the past use of the Base.

On arrival, we met a group of soldiers doing an exercise who had called in the fire, allowing an assessment to be made. When the situation was under control we travelled back to the office.

While we welcome several new faces this summer, we are also losing PO2 Ernie Bézaire, who has been instrumental in providing the “behind the scenes” control of the police services that keep Shilo safe. We wish him the best of luck as he transitions to a similar position with the RCAF’s Military Police.

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Homerun swing!

Capt Erin Barker eyes the ball before making contact during a CF prairie regional slo-pitch game. *Photo by Jillian Driessen*

'Think before you criticize'

Think before you jump the gun and lash out

Padre Albert Lee
Stag Special

A man who always liked to criticize people lived in a small village.

On one occasion, he used his words to put down his friend and ruined his friend's reputation so badly that his friend had to move out that village.

After a few days the man felt badly for what he had done to his friend so he went to see his pastor and asked for forgiveness.

In the pastor's wisdom, the man was given a box of feathers and was told to put a feather in every backyard in the village.

The man wanted forgiveness so he carried out this unusual duty from the pastor.

After he finished his task, he came back to the pastor and asked, "Am I forgiven?"

The pastor replied, "It's not that easy. Now I want you to take that empty box and go collect back each of the feathers.

"Pastor, it is impossible. For the wind has blown all the feathers away," he explained.

The pastor told the man the words he had spoken are like those feathers which had blown away. They cannot be taken back. However God can forgive him.

The tongue can be a very helpful tool; but when misused, it can be a lethal poison. In other words, it is important to stop all unproductive talks.

Say the right thing at the right time, and help others by what you say.

There is a Chinese proverb — "Think before you criticize" — which should help us not grieve one another.

Think is a five-letter word; it is good to ask the following five questions before you jump the gun and lash out at others.

Think of these five letters:

T: Is it true?

Is the information right and do I know for certain without checking its reliability? Could it be over exaggerated? People tend to believe the negative more quickly than the positive. Think about the status of your information.

H: Does it hurt me?

This question ties into your motive- is it right and pure? The best way to check if your motive is good is to ask this question: Does it bring me pain or pleasure to criticize?

If you get a lot of enjoyment out of criticizing someone, you've got serious problem.

If it brings you a lot of pain and you wish you don't have to do; and you don't want to do but feel that you should, then probably your motive is right.

Criticism must not become an opportunity for an ego trip. So check your motive. Are there any bitterness, slander and malice within you when you criticize?

I: Is it inspiring?

Does my criticism inspire the person to do better? Is there something I can share with them that will help him/ her become better person? Does it help him/ her to grow?

Some people criticize not to inspire other to do good but to insult, humiliate and to make people look stupid.

A psychologist says: "For one negative criticism, it

takes 10 positive comments to offset."

Are you inspiring those around you to reach their maximum potential?

N: Is it necessary?

Is it really necessary that I have to discuss it? Maybe it isn't an important issue at all. Do I have to say something about the person?

A plumber's commercial that says: "Any faucet can turn the water on but only a good faucet will turn it off."

If you don't have to criticize, don't do it. Turn the faucet of criticism off.

K: Am I kind?

If criticism is offered in kindness, then we should receive it with kindness as well. When I have to give a critique, am I kind?

Am I sympathetic towards the wrong? Or am I doing it out of bitterness, rage, and anger?

Did I do it with kindness, compassion and a forgiving spirit? To be kind is to communicate worth and dignity to others.

Dear friends, I believe you want the best for those around you but we fail in the area of verbal communication. Lets us think and practise asking these questions when we must offer criticism.

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Mother Nature's Wrath



A second major rain/wind storm caused havoc with trees on the Base, including damage at the Shilo Country Club that saw golfing suspended for a day while volunteers, civilian and military, put chainsaws to work to cleanup the storm aftermath. Soldiers with 1RCHA's Z and C Bty also pitched in by cleaning up the branches strewn across large swaths of Kingston Avenue. Following the storm, residents of the PMQs came out to assess the damage in their yards, with a number of poplar trees coming down on vehicles, fences and sheds.
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