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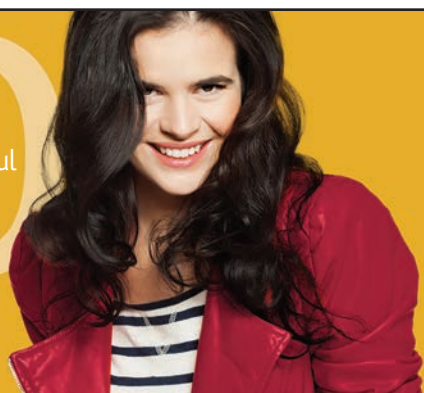
## ***RCA Museum marks First World War centennial***

BComd LCol Stephen Joudrey addressed an attentive audience, flanked on both sides by actors wearing replica First World War uniforms, when the RCA Museum opened The Great War exhibition Aug. 4 at the exact minute the war started 100 years ago. For more photos from the exhibition see page 12.

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WHEREAS 2014 marks 100 years of service to Canada for the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI); and

WHEREAS the Patricias – as they are fondly called – have earned international renown for their courage at places such as Ypres, Vimy, Italy, Kapyong, Medak Pocket, and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS the PPCLI are commemorating this century of service by conducting the Memorial Baton Relay from Alberta to Ontario from August through September 2014. The Baton itself carries the Roll of Honour of the 1,866 Patricias killed in service to their country over the past century; and

WHEREAS the Memorial Baton Relay will be brought to the City of Brandon August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014; and


WHEREAS the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (2PPCLI) has called CFB Shilo home since 2004 and have proven to be good neighbours to the City of Brandon; and

WHEREAS the 2PPCLI and the Memorial Baton Relay will showcase PPCLI history, modern capabilities of the Canadian Army and offer a chance for residents of Brandon to connect with a shared history.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Shari Decter Hirst, Mayor of the City of Brandon in the Province of Manitoba, DO HEREBY proclaim the week of August 24 to 30, 2014, as

**"PPCLI MEMORIAL WEEK"**

in the City of Brandon.

  
 Shari Decter Hirst  
 Mayor

## Mayoral signing

Brandon mayor Shari Decter Hirst signed a proclamation that proclaims the week of August 24 to 30 as PPCLI Memorial Week. Besides arriving on the Base, the Memorial Baton Relay will be brought to Brandon Aug. 25. Looking on during the signing ceremony at City Hall is BComd LCol Stephen Joudrey, who is also the former DCO for 2PPCLI.

Photo by Jillian Driessen



# Women the focus of new recruiting campaign

**Shawn O'Hara**  
Stag Special

A national initiative has begun to increase the representation of women in the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF).

Through a Director, Marketing and Advertising (DMA) recruitment strategy, the CAF is being showcased as an employer of choice for women.

More than 50 military members have been featured in the women's campaign so far, with more than 30 providing personal testimonials to help the cause.

"Looking at the numbers of women in the CAF it has become a priority to reach out and let women know the military is a real and viable option for them," said Peggy Thériault, senior marketing advisor with the DMA. "We went out into the CAF community and found great role models to show women they too can thrive in the military."

One marketing avenue is the website [www.realwomenreallife.ca](http://www.realwomenreallife.ca). It is a partnership between DMA and HGTV and showcases how nine CAF women manage work and life goals.

Local member, PO1 Shanna Wilson, Planning Chief at HMCS Malahat, offered her story to the recruiting initiative.

"The first ship I was on hadn't any women before," said PO1 Wilson in her entry at Real Women, Real Life. "It was just like having a bunch of brothers. As long as you give as good as you get you'll be fine. There aren't a lot of firsts for women left."

As a member of the Defence Women's Advisory Group, PO1 Wilson has always had a passion for supporting the role of the women in the Forces.

"There's definitely a thought in place in a lot of people that the military is primarily for men," she said. "That just isn't the case anymore."

The Real Women, Real Life website has proven to be a smart plan, with tens of thousands of unique users coming to the site. This has led to page views on [www.forces.ca](http://www.forces.ca) "Women in the Forces" to experience a jump from 13,000 visits

at the end of last year to 135,000 since the beginning of the campaign, an increase of nearly 900 per cent.

"We're very happy with how the campaign has been going," said Thériault. "As we continue to gather data and numbers we'll decide how to proceed, but so far we believe we're making a positive impact."

DMA has also partnered with Roger's Chatelaine, Bell's The Loop, Olive's Au féminin, and Quebecor's Canoe, Life-style/Art de Vivre to showcase women in the military.


The work being done by DMA is one component of the overall strategy aimed at increasing the number of women who join the CAF. There is also a lot of work being done by recruiters, such as influencer events and media engagements that also directly impact women recruiting.

Shawn O'Hara is a reporter with CFB Esquimalt's Lookout newspaper



Female soldiers worked alongside their male counterparts with 1RCHA filling sandbags during Op LENTUS.

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The range consists of DND controlled property lying approximately 32 kms SE from Brandon and N of the Assiniboine River in Townships 7, 8 and 9; Range 14 WPM, Townships 8, 9 and 10; Ranges 15 and 16 WPM and Townships 9 and 10; Range 17 WPM in the Province of Manitoba. If required, a detailed description of the Shilo property may be obtained from the Base Construction Engineering Office at Canadian Forces Base Shilo.


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Ottawa, Canada  
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*Photo by Wayne Emde*

# Cadet garners camp accolade

Cadet Connor Browett of Brandon was selected as the best cadet in 16 Platoon in the second intake of general military training at the BC-based Vernon Army Cadet Summer Training Centre.

During the summer, more than 1,200 Army Cadets from western Canada will have spent up to six weeks in the Okanagan Valley training centre, expanding the training they receive at their home corps, developing new skills and forming friendships.

The Cadet program is a national program for young Canadians aged 12 to 18 who are interested in participating in a variety of fun, challenging and rewarding activities while learning about the sea, army and air activities of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF).

Cadets make valuable contributions to Canadian society on a daily basis in terms of environmental, citizenship and community activities. Cadets also learn valuable life and work skills such as teamwork, leadership and citizenship.



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The cheque presentation on the Base featured (left to right) Kim Verner, Laurie Ringland, Fred Stephenson, Erich Streberg, Hank Verner, Ryan Bartlette, Percy Zapata, Murray Fischer, Annette Guy, Peter Guy, Maj Rick Desjardins, and Brent Cranston.

Photo submitted

## Motorcyclists raise funds for Soldier On

### Stag Special

In late June, the Defenders Motorcycle Club Chapter 19 conducted their third annual memorial ride.

Each year, the club chooses a charity which supports veterans. Donations are collected from business supporters prior to the ride, as well as from ride participants on the actual day.

This year, at the request of the Halmrast family, Soldier On was chosen as the charity.

The day could not have gone any better. Riders arrived from across Manitoba to meet at Headingley Sports Shop in Winnipeg. Both our president Percy Zapata, and vice-president Fred Stephenson, gave the riders speeches on safety, our route and the meanings behind the days ride.

From there we proceeded down Manitoba's Highway of Heroes to Portage la Prairie. There the group stopped and met with veterans from the Branch Number 65 of the Royal Canadian Legion. Legion made a donation to the memorial ride and we were on our

way.

We proceeded down the Highway of Heroes, turned off maneuvering the column through Douglas and turned onto Veterans Way. The Memorial Ride entered Brandon and arrived at the final destination of the 26th Field Regiment Armouries.

MCpl Riel was waiting for the arrival and played his bagpipes as the bikes poured in. The ride concluded with a silent auction with several prizes donated by generous businesses in Brandon and CFB Shilo, as well as a barbecue.

This year, we had 94 riders on a brilliant day, up from 55 the previous year. With 100 per cent of the proceeds going towards the charity, we were able to raise \$4,325 for Soldier On.

A few days after the ride, Chapter 19 provided the cheque to Maj Rick Desjardins, who accepted the it on behalf of Soldier On. Maj Desjardins is Officer Commanding (OC) of JPSU Prairie Region, as well as the regional representative for Soldier On.



Motorcyclists caught the attention of other motorists while on the memorial ride.

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# Coast guard vessel named in honour of fallen soldier

## Shilo Stag

A new Canadian Coast Guard vessel, named in honour of fallen soldier Capt Nichola Goddard, was launched May 17 from the Halifax Shipyard — the eighth anniversary of Capt Goddard's death.



Capt Nichola Goddard

Goddard, the first Canadian female soldier to die while in a combat role, was killed during a fire-fight in Afghanistan on May 17, 2006.

The vessel is the ninth and final Hero-class patrol vessel, also known as a mid-shore patrol vessel. Each of the nine vessels in the patrol vessel program was named after fallen personnel from the RCMP, Canadian Coast Guard, Department of Fisheries and Oceans and Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) who performed heroic acts during their service.

CCGS Captain Goddard M.S.M. will now undergo further construction and finish work in preparation for sea trials in late summer.

The final vessel is expected to be delivered to Canadian Coast Guard early this fall.



## Field promotion

Gen Dave Anderson is now off to Washington, DC, following his own recent promotion. He was here for his last round with 1RCHA, and participated in a field promotion ceremony. *Photo by Jillian Driessen*

# What's on the horizon? Protect yourself from severe weather.

**S**evere weather conditions often occur during Manitoba summers. Thunder, lightning, hail and even tornadoes can develop quickly and have the potential to be extremely dangerous.

That's why it's important for you to understand the risks created by severe summer weather and how you can protect yourself – weather or not.

### Look for the signs

Hot and/or muggy days and warm nights indicate thunderstorms may be forming – so be prepared. Keep your eyes on the sky and watch for the possible development of storms.

### Listen for the warnings

Environment Canada monitors the weather and issues severe weather warnings. Check your local television or radio station regularly during the summer to see if any severe weather is expected in your area. Purchasing a *Weatheradio* receiver would also give you 24-hour-a-day access to Environment Canada's weather watches and warnings.

### Take shelter

When severe weather threatens, find shelter immediately. Do not follow storms in your car or attempt to take photographs. If you're indoors, take shelter in the basement. If there is no basement, find shelter in a small interior ground floor room away from windows. If you are in an office or apartment building, take shelter in an inner hallway or room, preferably in the basement. If you are caught outdoors, lie flat in a ditch or other low-lying area and cover your head.

### Be prepared

Storms often strike quickly so it's important that you have a plan in place before severe weather hits.

**Prepare a "72 Hour" emergency kit** – Your kit should include food, clothing, blankets, medication, bottled water and first aid and tool kits, as well as flashlights and a battery-powered radio – with extra batteries for both. You should have enough supplies in your kit to last 72 hours.

**Reduce the hazards on your property** – Trim rotting or dead branches and cut down dead trees on your property. You should also check the drainage around your house to reduce the possibility of basement flooding. Secure everything that might be blown around or torn loose. Flying objects such as garbage cans and lawn furniture can injure people.

### Find out more

Learn more about how you can protect yourself from the dangers of severe summer weather at [manitoba.ca](http://manitoba.ca).

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Prior to embarking on Ex PATRICIA ENDURANCE and parade practice, members of 2PPCLI posed for a Regimental portrait.

Photo by Jules Xavier

## Memorial Baton Relay underway

# PPCLI celebrating centennial

**Jules Xavier**  
Shilo Stag

Looking to connect with Canadians, and mark its own centennial which coincides with the First World War, the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) came up with the Memorial Baton Relay (MBR).

"The concept originally looked at running across Canada with the baton," offered 2PPCLI A Coy OC Maj Robert Barker who is on Ex PATRICIA ENDURANCE, "but then we looked at the logistics of such an endeavour ... the distance, the bodies we'd need and the time commitment. So, we came up with the current plan."



LCol Francis Farquhar

That plan will see a 50-person 2PPCLI team leave Edmonton Aug. 10 and cross Canada, stopping in 23 different locations during the 39-day journey, before arriving Sept. 18 in Ottawa.

"The aim of the MBR is to connect the triad of major events," said Maj Barker, referring to commemorations in Edmonton, Ottawa and Frezenberg, Belgium in May 2014. "The baton will carry the Honour Roll of the Regiment and will be featured in a series of events across Canada that will emphasize one or more of our MBR objectives."

Those objectives, according to Maj Barker, include replicating the recruits moving to Ottawa to join the Patricias for the First World War; publicize a century of service to Canada by the Regiment; and "connect" with Canadians.

All three major commemorations are distinct events tied into PPCLI celebrations. Ottawa was the birthplace of the Patricias following Great Britain declaring war on Germany on Aug. 4, 1914. Wealthy Montreal businessman Andrew

Hamilton Galt, went to the nation's capital with a private offer to fund the raising of Canadian troops to help. He had about \$100,000 to commit to the project, which the Governor-General, the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, who was also Prince Arthur, Queen Victoria's third son, heard about. His military secretary, LCol Francis Farquhar, refined Galt's idea, and would become the Patricias first

commander (he would be killed by rifle fire on March 20, 1915 while up at the front).

The Patricias could recruit ex-soldiers, former British soldiers who had settled in Canada, and veterans of the Boer War. These soldiers would be the first to arrive in France and Belgium, and volunteers quickly signed up. More than 1,000 answered the call, and these men came to be known as "The Originals". By late August 1914 they had paraded for the Governor-General, and his 28-year-old daughter Princess Patricia, let her name stand for the Regiment. She would serve as colonel-in-chief of the PPCLI for six decades, a title that was passed on to her niece in 1974 and currently held by former Governor-General of Canada Adrienne Clarkson.

Belgium is on the BMR tour because it was there at Frezenberg that PPCLI soldiers fought valiantly and suffered heavy casualties. This was where the newly formed PPCLI faced a vicious battle in the spring of 1915 that left only 154 of the more than 900 Patricias still standing on the muddy battlefield.

"We want to connect all of these events," said Maj Barker, "so the baton run will go west to east, just as 'The Originals' did when they left Edmonton. We are trying to replicate these movements."

But at the same time, the 2PPCLI's centennial team wants to connect with Canadians, which is where the baton comes into play. Besides former Patricias or those still serving, it's the average Canadian who will be exposed to the PPCLI history.

"We want to celebrate with the nation," added Maj Barker. "This is a great way to connect with Canadians by traveling across Canada."

However, unlike the late Terry Fox running a marathon each day as he ran across Canada to raise funds and awareness about cancer, 2PPCLI soldiers will "fast forward" between cities.



Princess Patricia of Connaught

See **CONNECTING** page 7



Members of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) circa 1915.

Photo from PPCLI Collection



# Connecting with Canadians idea behind taking PPCLI road trip

From Page 6

"We are running within the communities which have a significance to our centennial," explained Maj Barker.

The 2PPCLI caravan, which arrives in Brandon Aug. 25 with stops at the veterans memorial on Victoria Avenue from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Canadian Tire on 18th Street from 5 to 8 p.m., is being organized by a centennial display team. It includes the new LAV 6, a Bren Gun Carrier, weapons display, PSP's inflatable obstacle course, artifacts displays on loan from the Regimental museum in Calgary, plus a rolling museum of 27 static history boards designed by Robert Curtain and featuring the PPCLI's vast history, legacy and stories on prominent or interesting Patricias from the past 100 years of soldiering, from the First World War to the recent Afghanistan war.



Sgt Tommy Prince

just regurgitating what is on the history boards," he said. "This is how we are going to connect with the Canadians we meet while out on the road for seven weeks, by interacting with them while they view these boards."

The list of prominent Patricias of course includes Galt and the three VC winners — besides Sgt Mullin there's Lt Hugh McKenzie, who was awarded his medal posthumously, for deliberately drawing German fire. The other went to Platoon Sgt Robert Spall.

The story of Sgt Tommy Prince is well known, but not so the stories of the Glassco and Ladler families. Or that of LCpl Andre Bieler, who served overseas as part of the university company which bolstered the PPCLI numbers after the deaths of so many "Originals" on the battlefields of Belgium. He would return home after the war ended on Nov. 11, 1918 and go on to have an influence on the Canadian art scene.



Pte David Byers

his own coat.

While for others the centennial team received invites or requests from communities who wanted the MBR to visit. Like the Town of Espanola where Pte David Byers is buried. The Northern Ontario community is being visited Sept. 2. Pte Byers was 22 when he was KIA while

serving with 2PPCLI in Afghanistan on Sept. 18, 2006.

A day earlier, while still in Northern Ontario, the MBR will roll into Elk Lake, formerly known as Elk City when a former boxing heavy weight champion arrived there to begin a new career as a miner.

"The town reached out to us because the PPCLI connection with Jack Monroe," said Maj Barker. "He helped found that town. There's a personal connection to Elk Lake, whether it's home to a fallen soldier or someone is connected to the Patricias. There's that common thread with the Regiment."

Trenton, Ont., is on the MBR route Sept 11 and 12 because of its connection to the Highway of Heroes, and soldiers who died in Afghanistan were brought home, arriving on the Quinte West Air Force base before embarking on the journey to Toronto's coroner's office along Hwy 401.

Then it's off to Kingston Sept. 12 and 13, where Maj Barker said there's a robust Patricias population in that Ontario community. It's also the final resting place for 2PPCLI soldier Sgt Jason Boyes, who was 32 when he was KIA in Afghanistan on March 16, 2008.



Sgt Jason Boyes

Sgt Boyes and Pte Byers are among 1,866 names of those Patricias who have died in service to Canada on the Honour Roll which is contained in the memorial baton. It will also pass through CFB Shilo Aug. 24 en route to Lansdowne Park in Ottawa, stopping at the RCA Museum from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

To entertain children who visit the PPCLI centennial displays Maj Barker has a magician, who happens to be a soldier with 2PPCLI, there to entertain. And the inflatable obstacle course borrowed from the Base is expected to appeal to the kids, leaving the parents to focus on the artifacts and PPCLI history.

Planning for the MBR started in earnest in 2011, with the memorial baton tour added to compliment the events being held in Edmonton, Ottawa and Belgium. Intense planning went into overdrive last June. A key person gathering history on the Patricias, with many trips to the Regimental museum in Calgary, was former DCO Maj Darcy Wright.

"By having the baton relay it allows us to bring our Honour Roll across the country," said Maj Barker. "By doing this we are able to connect with Canadians and celebrate our Regimental history with them."

For the major, being part of the MBR and the PPCLI centennial — he's been with the Patricias for nine years — is an experience he won't soon forget. Being part of the storied history only makes the experience more real.

And what a history: PPCLI soldiers in the First World War especially suffered terrible losses in major battles like Frezenberg, the Second Battle of Ypres, but made major contributions on the battlefield in April 1917 when they took Vimy Ridge. Of the 15,000 soldiers involved in a battle that lasted slightly more than two days, 3,598 died and another 7,004 were wounded. PPCLI also saw action at Passchendaele, where they lost the flamboyant Maj Talbot Papineau, who some say would have been a great political figure in our country, perhaps even being prime minister. While climbing from the trenches, he was killed instantly after being hit by a shell. He was identified by a foot, and how he dressed below the knees.

"I'm thrilled. This is a once in a lifetime history event of our centennial," offered Maj Barker. "There won't be another one, so I'm glad to be part of it."

While 2PPCLI handles the MBR and Frezenberg events, 1PPCLI was tasked for the Edmonton commemoration, while 3PPCLI is handling the Ottawa commemoration.

For more on the PPCLI centennial activities and events, visit [www.ppcli.com](http://www.ppcli.com) or <http://100thanniversaryblog.blogspot.ca/>

## PPCLI VICTORIA CROSS RECIPIENTS FIRST WORLD WAR

Lt Hugh McKenzie

For most conspicuous bravery and leading when in charge of a section of four machine guns accompanying the PPCLI in their attack on the Meetcheele Ridge, Passchendaele, on the morning of Oct. 30, 1917. Seeing that all the officers and most of the NCOs of an infantry company had become casualties, and that the men were hesitating before a nest of enemy machine guns which were on commanding ground and causing them severe casualties, he handed over command of his guns to an NCO, rallied the infantry, organized an attack and captured the strong point. Finding that the position was swept by machine gun fire from a pill-box which dominated all the ground over which the troops were advancing, Lt McKenzie made a reconnaissance and detailed flanking and frontal attacking parties which captured the pill-box, he himself being killed while leading the frontal attack. By his valour and leadership this gallant officer ensured the capture of these strong points and so saved the lives of many men and enabled the objectives to be attained.



— London Gazette, Feb. 13, 1918

Sgt Robert Spall

For most conspicuous bravery and self-sacrifice on the night of Aug. 12 to 13, 1918, near Parvillers. When his platoon was isolated during an enemy counter-attack, Sgt Spall took a Lewis gun, and standing on the parapet fired upon the advancing enemy, inflicting severe casualties. He then came down the trench directing the men into a sap 75 yards from the enemy. Picking up another Lewis gun this gallant NCO again climbed the parapet and by his fire held up the enemy. It was while holding up the enemy at this point that he was killed. Sgt Spall deliberately gave his life in order to extricate his platoon from a most difficult position, and it was owing to his bravery that the platoon was saved.



— London Gazette, Oct. 26, 1918

Sgt George Harry Mullin

For most conspicuous bravery in the attack on the Meetcheele Ridge, Passchendaele, on the morning of morning of Oct. 30, 1917, when single handed he captured a commanding "pill-box" which had withstood the heavy bombardment and was causing heavy casualties to our forces and holding up the attack. He rushed a snipers' post in front and destroyed the garrison with bombs, and, crawling on to the top of the "pill-box", he shot the two machine gunners with his revolver. Sgt Mullin then rushed to another entrance and compelled the garrison of 10 to surrender. His gallantry and fearlessness were witnessed by many, and although rapid fire was directed upon him and his clothes were riddled with bullets, he never faltered in his purpose, and he not only helped to save the situation, but also indirectly saved many lives.



— London Gazette, Jan. 11, 1918





## Summer camp memories

BComd LCol Stephen Joudrey was a special guest at the annual Adventure Bible Camp luncheon put on by CFB Shilo Chaplain Services. *Photos by Jillian Driessen*

# Project casts lifeline to wounded soldiers

**Helen Bobat**  
Special

With fishing enthusiasts across the country heading out to the thousands of lakes and streams across Canada in celebration of National Fishing Week, the Canadian Army shares that celebratory spirit, specifically saluting a fishing program designed to help current and former military personnel recover from injuries sustained in service to their country.

Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing Canada (PHWFFC) is a program designed to aid the rehabilitation efforts of former and current military personnel.

"This is achieved by supporting physical and emotional recovery through fly fishing and related activities at no cost," said André Baril, Ottawa-Gatineau project coordinator and former member of the Royal 22e Régiment.

"The project provides basic fly fishing, fly casting and fly tying sessions throughout the year and caters to beginners, or those who have previous fly fishing experience."

Kurt Grant, a former Canadian Army sergeant and PHWFFC participant, explained how he has benefitted from the project.

"I had a vision of what I wanted to do with my life but that vision was taken from me," he said.

Grant explained how he heard of the project during an Operational Stress Injury Social Support group meeting.

"What the hell, I will give this a go!" he thought.

So Grant drove up to Ottawa and participated in a clinic.

"The concept of the program is an exceptional one, fly fishing demands that you spend your time focused on what you are doing which diverts your attention away from the stuff you are dealing with. And the longer you spend on the water, the calmer you become."

Also a participant of PHWFFC, LCol Carol Bateman shared her views on PHWFFC.

"Personally one of the most interesting aspects of the program is the concept that something is difficult until you try it," she said. "For someone struggling with an injury or an illness, everything can feel like a lot of effort — it takes a lot of effort just to get daily chores done or to get up and out each day. Fly fishing has reminded me that I can get good results from little action."

With sponsors, supporters and alliances across the country, chapters are open currently in British Columbia, Alberta, Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

PHWFFC works in partnership with Operational Stress Injury Social Support Program, Integrated Personnel Support Centres, the Royal Canadian Legion, Soldier On, Wounded Warriors Canada, fly fishing clubs and both local and regional sponsors to facilitate the program.

"This recent, innovative project can help our wounded soldiers on the road to recovery," explained LGen Marquis Hainse, Canadian Army Commander. "We are thankful for this program and its volunteers, who offer our soldiers an opportunity to look beyond their injuries while nurturing and building confidence in a new therapeutic hobby."

*Helen Bobat is with Army Public Affairs*



## Douglas landmark

There's a new look to the Douglas cenotaph, with a refurbished machine gun added to the top of the cairn. Next time you are driving through the village stop and take a look at the list of men who died in the First World War.

*Photo by Jules Xavier*

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Jarod 'Goose' Gossen chipping to the green.



Jennifer Stanton taking trophy photos.



Top golfers Paul Swansburg and Manivone Morrison.

## Prairie regional golf tournament

# Bdr 'Goose' Gossen sinks playoff hole putt to make team

### Shilo Stag

Making the prairie regional golf team is old hat for 1RCHA's Bdr Jarod 'Goose' Gossen — but also hard on the golfing nerves.

For the second time in three years, the Vancouver Island native has needed to win a playoff hole to make the prairie regional golf team that is off to CFB Kingston at the end of month for the national tournament.

Like he did in the summer of '12, Bdr Gossen needed only one hole — playing on the first at the host Shilo Country Club — to best 4 Wing Cold Lake's WO Boland. They needed the playoff hole because they finished with identical scores of 235, finishing the three-day tournament at plus-19.

Both golfers hit their tee shot to the left of the greens, the balls fall into the rough. Bdr Gossen's second shot was flubbed, and the ball came to rest behind a tall shrub. His opponent laid up on in front of the green, and looked to have the edge.

Taking a shot and moving the ball away from the shrub, Bdr Gossen's chip shot was on target, dropping onto the green above the flag, just a few feet away. An easy putt perhaps, but not a gimme.

WO Boland's third shot also found the green, but he had a more difficult shot to win the hole.

Bdr Gossen sunk his shot, while his Cold Lake opponent missed his next two putts.

The playoff might not have been needed but for the excellent play on the new 18th hole by WO Boland.

Going into the last hole Bdr Gossen had a three-shot lead. However, he needed seven shots to drop the ball and finished his round at plus-seven 79.

WO Boland, meanwhile, birdied the hole, and also finished with a plus-seven 79, after erasing the three-shot deficit.

Bdr Gossen started out with a strong game on the front nine, scoring a 36. The last nine saw him score 43, with just a birdie on the fifth hole.

Bdr Gossen made the 2013 prairie regional team, but had to decline playing at CFB Borden last summer because his partner was expecting their first child. In 2012, there was no road trip as the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) held the national tournament at the Shilo Country Club.

The last day of golfing saw two playoff holes played, with 17 Wing Winnipeg golfers Maj Cameron Lowdon and Cpl Chad Banks also finishing the day with identical plus-17 233 scores. The winner of the playoff would finish second, the loser third, but both golfers had already made the five-man prairie regional team.

When the dust had settled on the first hole, like Bdr Gossen, Maj Lowdon won and garnered silver, while Cpl Banks settled for bronze.

The men's team wearing prairie regional colours at nationals also includes Craig Samuel of Calgary, who finished fourth with a three-day plus-18 234, and overall winner Sgt Paul Swansburg. He never trailed from his opening round par-72, finishing the tournament with a plus-11 227. He was two shots up on Maj

Lowdon, who opened with a plus-two 74, then increased his lead to five shots after the second day out on the par-72 course which unveiled its new 18th hole for the military tournament.

The rest of Shilo's artillery-dominated foursome saw Gnr Paul Dummitt finish top-10 with a three-day total plus-30 246. Charlie Houle was plus-42 258, while MBdr Julian Houle recorded a plus-44 260. MCpl Carlo Lajoie was plus-86 302.

On the ladies side, there were five golfers in contention for two spots on the prairie regional team. Shilo's Sgt Polly Rogerson finished fifth with a plus-186 412.

Capt Manivone Morrison of 4 Wing Cold Lake led from start to finish, taking the individual ladies title and a berth on the prairie regional team with a three-day total of plus-89 305. She was seven shots better than runner-up Sgt Brenda Woods of Edmonton Garrison, who shot a plus-86 312.

Cpl Jennifer Stanton of 4 Wing Cold Lake was 11 shots back of Sgt Woods for the final berth on the ladies team. She finished her three rounds with a plus-107 323 score.

In the battle for team bragging rights, 17 Wing Winnipeg's squad came out on top with a 956 score, 28 shots better than runner-up 4 Wing Cold Lake. CFB Shilo was 43 shots back in third, and took the top-three placing ahead of Edmonton Garrison by nine shots.

Next summer's prairie regional golf tournament will move to 4 Wing Cold Lake.



Cameron Lowdon chips.



Charlie Houle watches his drive.



JC Houle watches his putt fall for par.



Paul Dummitt putts for par on day two.





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Aug. 22 The Fault in Our Stars Rated PG  
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All movies start at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:15 p.m.

For more info, contact the community recreation office at 204-765-3000 ext 3317/3588



Shilo minor hockey's best defensive player on the novice team was Kayleiha Wiebe, while DJ Myslicki garnered the heart and hustle trophy. Players received their awards during a banquet held at L25.



HIP skater Kateri Mills was named female player of the year

Photos by Jules Xavier



Novice player Awen Holden received the most sportsmanlike player.

## Awards for Sentinels



HIP player Danika Taylor received the most sportsmanlike trophy.

- HIP — most improved Donae Houle; most dedicated Tristan Lawrence; most sportsmanlike Danika Taylor  
NOVICE — most dedicated Dyla Kvale; most improved Rylan Aube; most sportsmanlike Awen Holden; best defensive player Kayleiha Wiebe; heart and hustle DJ Myslicki  
ATOM H — most improved Evan Dickhart; most sportsmanlike Arren Mason; most dedicated Chance Travers  
ATOM B — most dedicated Riley Wiseman; most improved Lane Aube; most sportsmanlike Noah McInnis

## Authors 'overwhelmed' with content for book

### Shilo Stag

It has been four years of hard slogging on the part of a growing handful of volunteers, but the work has paid off according to the *Afghanistan: A Soldier's Story* Facebook page.

"We had to extend the cut off for submissions to May 15 — thanks to a few Ottawa brass — and now find ourselves overwhelmed with content. Wonderful. So we will make the book a little bigger — 304 pages to be specific," says a post on Facebook.

"A big jump from the 208 pages we thought we might be able to fill. We have contributions from almost 150 people and the book looks to be the first of its kind. Reading through the draft as we edit I am moved, fascinated, haunted, saddened and amused by the stories and photos folks have chosen to share."

*Afghanistan: A Canadian Story* provides a worthwhile and very human insight into the more than 12 years Canadians served in Afghanistan and the maritime approaches to that part of the world.

For those of you who contributed, be proud of your contribution and know that you have a place in a rather fascinating and significant historical legacy unlike any that has come before.

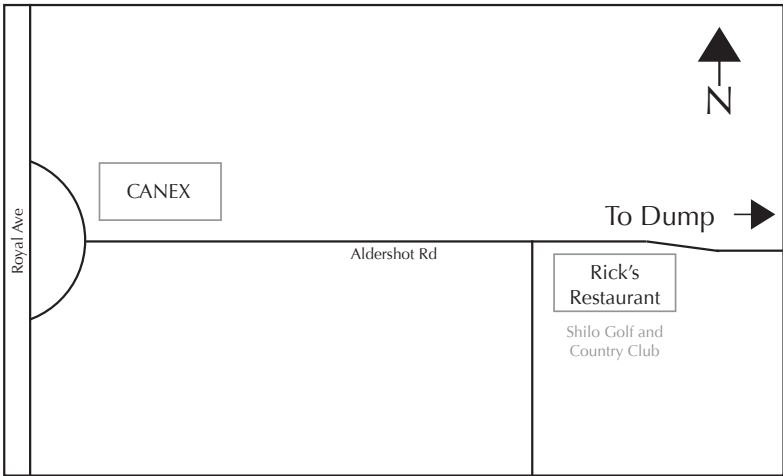
For those of you who never quite got around to it, too late. The book is now with the copy editor and will be launched, in Ottawa this November, probably as a part of Veterans Week.

You should be able to order it through Chapters Indigo around the time of the launch or shortly thereafter.

All proceeds will go to the Edmonton MFRC for distribution to Boomers Legacy Foundation, the Military Families Fund and the Soldier On Fund.

## Got Bulk Garbage?

Bulk items, yard waste, tires, and electronics may be disposed of Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Shilo dump located 2 km east of Rick's Restaurant on Aldershot Road.



Items may be placed for curb-side pick-up the following date ONLY:  
**October 14, 2014**

Items are to not be placed earlier than the evening prior to pick-up.





## Under renovations

It won't be long before officers on the Base can return to their own mess following the completion of renovations. BComd LCol Stephen Joudrey had an opportunity to check on progress inside the building which was ravaged by flooding in December 2012.

*Photos by Jules Xavier*



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# Centennial of war on display at museum

## Shilo Stag

The RCA Museum's latest exhibit entitled The Great War 1914-15 is in commemoration of the centennial of the First World War.

It opened Aug. 4 exactly 100 years to the minute since Canada found itself at war with Germany.

The guest of honour for the opening ceremony was renowned Canadian film director and author, Paul Almond. His father was a Canadian Gunner in the Great War.

The exhibit examines the causes of the war and its effects on Canada during the first year of the conflict.

Visitors will be able to explore life on the home front and the experiences of soldiers overseas.

Exhibit highlights will honour the centennials of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) formed in 1914 and of the writing of In Flanders Fields in 1915.

The exhibit will run until June 2015.

Future exhibits to commemorate the Somme in 2016 and the battle of Vimy Ridge in 2017 are planned to build on the visitor experience in The Great War 1914-15.

Visit [www.rcamuseum.com](http://www.rcamuseum.com)



A contrast in uniforms — current serving soldiers frame an actor who is wearing a replica First World War uniform during the opening ceremonies. *Photos by Jules Xavier*



Besides videos playing at different stations, the exhibition also features an array of static displays which provide information on different facets of The Great War.



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