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# **Marksmanship Matters**



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April 17, 2008



ployment News Progress of mission evident



**LCol Dave Corbould** CO, 2 PPCLI BG

The 2 PPCLI Battle Group has come a long way since mere weeks ago. While the first leg of a deployment revolves around getting one's feet firmly planted on the ground, I can assure you we are well beyond that point now.

Over the last several

weeks, the Battle Group has dug deeper into its area of operations. Subordinate units are responding to the different dynamics and challenges within their respective area of responsibilities; most of them cultural, some political, and some based on the overall insurgent environment.

The steps marking progress are small but they are many. As always, we have to look at our mission and ask if Afghanistan is making progress. From my perspective, I say: "Yes, we are." We are seeing results after having only been on the ground for almost two months. Though the 2 PPCLI Battle Group has paid a price, all of us remember our fallen comrades and we remain steadfast to continue the fight on their behalf.

Afghans know Canadians have paid the ultimate sacrifice in our commitment to their country. The other day, I attended the Governor of Kandahar Province's opening ceremony for a major road construction project. Governor Asadullah Khalid spoke to the audience and the attending media about the lives Canada has lost fighting for Afghanistan's security and freedom. He stated our soldiers' sacrifices would not be forgotten by the Afghan people.

The opening is but one example of how this mis-

sion is evolving and demonstrated change. The BG is conducting operations and performing tasks that are most certainly aimed directly at making life better for the people of this nation. While we still have to focus on providing the security and protection piece for this nation to move ahead, now more than ever, all members of our force are being engaged in development initiatives. As I stated earlier we have been here only two months, but on the ground, where our soldiers operate, they do see progress. This is because of their superb efforts, the support for each of us from home, and the will of the Afghan people.

## IN MEMORIAM



Pte Kevin Goat **1 PI, A Coy, 2 PPCLI**  Pte. T.J. Street

or those who were close to Terry Street you would know him as a soldier, friend, and to some a brother. He would easily be described as a kind, passionate, fun-loving, easygoing, energetic, and professional soldier, but most important he was a great friend. Terry would do anything for a friend and even a stranger. If he perceived that you were in need of something, he would be the first to offer a helping hand in any way shape or form. Terry was a determined soldier in every aspect of his chosen path. He was so proud to be a part of the Canadian Forces and even more proud of the fact that he was an integral part of the Afghanistan mission. Many believed he was born to be in the infantry because of his physical strength and quick decision making skills that he possessed. No matter the role he was given for Task Force 1-08 Terry displayed great passion and determination to excel in everything he did. Terry was a role model for all infanteers both on the job and at home. Unfortunately Terry Street has been taken from us, but he has died for a cause that he truly and strongly believed in. The role the Canadian Forces has in Afghanistan is not going to change and for some the realization that loved ones will not return has become an unforgiving and harsh reality. Terry Street would not have wanted this from his loved ones and brothers in arms to grieve for him yet he would want all to

continue on and enjoy life as he once did. Terry you will be missed and loved for eternity and shall never be forgotten as a strong, proud, and courageous friend, soldier and brother.



BRAD HARDY

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# Gearing up for the ride out



# **Life on the ground full of adjustments**

Editor's Note: Cpl Hobart is deployed with the Signal Platoon of 2 PPCLI in Afghanistan. He has written this submission as a viewpoint of life in Afghanistan for he and his platoon during their first month in theatre.

### Cpl John Hobart Sig Pl, 2 PPCLI BG

By the beginning of the second week of March 2008, all of Signals Platoon (Sig Pl), of the 2 PPCLI BG, had feet on the ground.

Most will say that the first thing they noticed as they exited the new C17 Globemaster III or the old die hard C130 Hercules onto the tarmac of Kandahar Airfield (KAF) and walked towards the worn out buses that would take us to our 'Welcome to Afghanistan' brief, was the smell.

Ignored were the three rocky peaks of Zaker Ghar Janubi, Zaker Ghar Shomali, and De Shurandam Ghar almost hidden in the darkness or the skinny pine trees with long feathery needles that you couldn't tell if they were just dusty looking from the blowing sand or if that was just their color. No, all we noticed was it smelled and we all wanted to go to bed.

Sig Pl was spared the experience of living out of

Kandahar Airfield.

Canadian band Blue Rodeo performs for the troops at

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the Big Ass Tents (BATs); instead we crammed as much kit and as many people as we could into our temporary rooms until the troops we were relieving made space for us.

The first few days of work were fast and furious. Troops clambered in and out of Bisons checking them top to bottom and loading them up in case they had to be deployed outside the wire. Others were immediately loaded onto Chinook Helicopters and airlifted out to Forward Operating Base (FOB) Ma'Sum Ghar to man the Radio Rebroadcast (RRB) station.

We all soon got the swing of things and began to become acquainted with the uniqueness of living at KAF. The cultural influences of a dozen coalition nations as well as Afghanistan have formed KAF into one of those places unlike any other place on earth.

Four Dining Facilities (DFACs) spread out across the camp, all run by the same company, serve Mediterranean, North American, and two serve European cuisine respectively.

The food is good, if plain, and the only real down side of these DFACs is that you seem to have to get into five lines to get everything you want. Other things like curry ketchup and steak and kidney pie take a little getting used too.

A big highlight near the end of the month was when several bands headlined by Blue Rodeo, a group of ex-NHL players, and the Stanley Cup came to Kandahar.

Anyone that wanted to could line up and get their picture taken with the Cup. Though the most desired pose, holding the Cup over your head, was outright not allowed and several soldiers were given angry looks from the guys escorting the Cup when they attempted it.

The hockey players held tryouts for Team Canada (Afghanistan) that would



Soldiers pose with the Stanley play several games of ball hockey against, among others, Team USA (who we triumphed over). After the games, when the sun had finally set and it started getting cool out, Blue Rodeo and the other bands would play several

Soldiers pose with the Stanley Cup during Team Canada's visit to Kandahar.

concerts at the Boardwalk and Canada House. Many challenges still await us before we return to Canada, the steadily climbing temperature among them, but we all remain in good spirits and are eager to press on. Correction: In the April 3 issue of the Stag, the Editor's Note for Lt Dunn's submission 'B Bty experiences eyeopening first month', incorrectly referred to Lt Dunn as 'he', where she should have been referred to as 'her'. We apologize for this mistake.



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# lessages from home boosts morale

### Lt Matt Bentley & WO Leigh Taylor 3rd Tp, B Sqn, LdSH (RC)

Tn the early morning hours of 28 Feb 08 after many months of training, the first half of 3<sup>rd</sup> Tp, B Sqn, LdSH (RC) said their difficult goodbyes to their loving friends and families and began their journey across the world. The first stop was Winnipeg to pick up other members of the battle group, where we were met by a friendly Manitoba snowstorm, which would soon be replaced by the dessert heat. The trip itself took about 23 hours and had us crossing so many time zones that by the time we arrived at Kandahar Air Field (KAF), our bodies had no idea what time it was. After a few briefings we were shown to our temporary quarters and got some much needed rest.

around the world all enjoying their Tim Horton's coffee and Pizza Hut pizza. While the amenities were nice, we were all looking forward to getting out to our Forward Operating Base (FOB) and into our new Leopard 2 A6M main battle tanks. After about three days at KAF, our wish was granted and we were loaded onto a helicopter and were flown out to our new home for the first time. Our C Sqn brothers met us on the landing zone and began showing us the ropes. Explaining how their tour went and passing on all the lessons they had learned during their six months, was a huge help.

After a quick tour of the local area (including where the TV with X-Box is located) and a day to unpack, our Sqn was given its first tasking. We were to deploy north through the open desert to help out a unit with stuck vehicles near a newly formed FOB. The first stage of this operation was a 60 kilometres



3<sup>rd</sup> Tp, B Sqn, LdSH (RC) members hold a banner mailed to them in Afghanistan by the citizens of Gibbons and Bon Accord - both located north of Edmonton.

night move through the desert, which was a task expected to take more than 12 hours. With the expert experience and navigational skills of Bon Accord's own WO Leigh Taylor, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tp was able to complete this task to everyone's surprise in less than 6 hours. About a

week later, upon our return to the FOB, we were greeted not only by our B Sqn comrades but also by the overwhelming support from the home front.

On each of our beds was a package stuffed full of items both fun and required along with a huge banner from the people

of Gibbons and Bon Accord with many well wishes and positive messages. It was a huge boost to troop morale after our long operation. The support from all of our local communities back home has been truly fantastic and the banner now hangs proudly in our Sqn lounge

where we can be reminded of all the support we have for our mission. All of the soldiers of 3rd Tp and B Sqn are very grateful for this support and we are all looking forward to getting the job done here so we can come home safely to our friends and families. PERSEVERANCE

### Generosity raises funds awareness

Posted to Kingston in 2008?

**Gayle Raynor Military Wives Sisterhood** 

Spending a few days at

KAF was an experience

of its own. KAF is a very

well protected mini-city

with a multitude of mili-

tary representatives from

What did you ask for on your seventh birthday? Do you remember? Cassie will, for a long time. This year, for Cassie's seventh birthday, she asked her friends to consider using the money they would spend on gifts on a worthier cause. The Canadian Landmine Foundation's Adopt-a-Minefield project and the training of six new demining dogs. Two to be named after two of Shilo's fallen, Cpl Paul Davis and MCpl Jeffrey Walsh. In total, the 12 little girls raised \$200 and, after watching the DVD about the Adopt-a-Minefield program and the training of the dogs, they all felt that the monies could not have been better spent.

The money was forwarded through the Military Wives Sisterhood as part of the Night of 1000 Dinners we hosted in February. In an email from Scott Fairweather, president and CEO of the Canadian Landmin Foundation, Cassie's generosity was acknowledged and from that, she knew she had made a difference.

A second email later con-

firmed that the possibilities to make change in the world are not as far fetched as we might believe. Mr. Fairweather wrote to confirm that the dog named 'Jeff'' is now funded. Through various sources, Military Wives Sisterhood included, enough money has been raised to put 'Jeff' to work.

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tion to have all six demining dogs funded by end of this spring and have information about the dogs themselves by end of summer/early fall. To help fund this program, honouring six extraordi-

nary Canadians, visit the Canadian Landmine Foundation's website at www. clmf.org.

Thanks to those who have already participated, feel great about what we have achieved!

### Public Notice is hereby given that the CFB Shilo Country Club intends to conduct the following Pesticide Control Programs during 2008:

- To control noxious weeds on the grounds of the 1. golf course. The projected dates of application will be from May 1, 2008 to October 1, 2008. The herbicides to be used include:
  - 2-4-D amine
  - Glyphosate

To control turfgrass disease on the golf course. 2. The projected dates of application will be from April 15, 2008 to November 15, 2008. The fungicides to be used include:

> - Daconil 2787 - BannerMax - Rovral green - Quintozene Heritage

Signs will be posted prior to applications, further Information may be obtained by calling Scott Ramsay, SCC Manager at 765-3625.

The public may send written submissions or objections within 15 days of the publication of the notice to the department below. Manitoba Conservation Pesticide / Fertilizer Section Suite 160, 123 Main Street Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 1A5





# **Artillery engages tanks in exercise**

### Sgt Dennis Power Army News

As tanks rumbled over the crest of a hill to take out an artillery position they instantly came under fire. Training, teamwork, and quick adjustments of fire were on the side of the gunners as they engaged the tanks with direct-fire from their guns.

The tanks were targets and the gunners were soldiers with 38 Artillery Tactical Group (38 ATG) conducting a direct-fire anti-tank exercise in Shilo during the last weekend of March. 38 ATG is a composite unit comprised of gunners from reserve units based between Kenora, Ontario, and Regina, Saskatchewan. Shooting tanks in a head on battle was a big part of the training during EX RAMBLING GUNNER IV, one of three major exercises scheduled for 38 ATG in 2008.

Armed with C3 105 mm howitzers, the gunners made quick work of any targets they caught in their sights. Direct-fire is not typical of artillery fire missions, but an essential skill to round out training; in Afghanistan gun positions are often located away from the protection of the units they support, therefore, training to engage the enemy in a head-on fight is essential to being mission-ready.

As well as learning to fight an enemy, the new gunners on the line learned that weather can also pack a punch. Within hours of the first rounds going downrange, a late winter blizzard rolled in bringing 20-30 centimetres of heavy snow and winds gusting to 70 kilometres per hour. When visibility of the tanks in the impact area diminished, the big guns went quiet, and the troops carried on shooting with personal and crew-served weapons, engaging targets immediately to their front.

Finally, the snow became too thick to continue shooting, and for safety reasons the range shut down. Each of the four gun detachments on the line was able to fire a number of missions enabling the gunners to achieve training goals. The training highlighted the importance of teamwork in defeating a determined enemy, and that weather too, is a force to be reckoned with.



A gun detachment from 38 ATG engages tank targets in a direct-fire action with a C3 105 mm Howitzer during EX RAMBLING GUNNER IV. Reservists serving with 38 ATG, an element of 38 Brigade, headquartered in Winnipeg, come from a wide area of north-western Ontario to central Saskatchewan.



Forward Observation Officers (FOO's), and the FOO Party observe and control artillery fire from OP Goddard.



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# Museum acquires 'forgotten' weapons

### Sgt Dennis Power Army News

A fter collecting dust in the back of a Public Works storage shed for decades, three 'forgotten' World War 1 weapons were recently rediscovered, and donated to the Royal Canadian Artillery Museum (RCA) in Shilo, Manitoba.

The staff at the Public Works site thought the weapons were Canadian, but after contacting the museum in Shilo with the intent of donating them, they found out the weapons are in fact of German origin. The weapons are missing many of the parts that would allow them to function, but museum staff immediately recognised them as being two MG-08's (machine-guns), and a 24 centimetre Flugel-Minen Werfer (mortar).

"We really don't know why the guns were here, they just were," said Brent Murray, Superintendent of Marine Facilities at the St Andrews Lock and Dam, about 20 kilometres north of Winnipeg on the Red River. "When I first started here years ago there were old stories that the guns were mounted on the bridge, but no one is really sure about that," he added.

How the weapons ended in storage near the bridge may never be known but an area supervisor, seeing them wasting away, suggested they belonged in a museum, not rotting at the back of a storage shed. Shortly afterwards, one of the on-site managers was watching a war documentary featuring the RCA Museum in Shilo; the manager found the program very interesting, and saw a solution to the weapons issue. A phone call was all it took to arrange for a new home for the weapons. Weeks later, on April 3rd,

weeks later, on April 3rd, the weapons were picked up by representatives of the RCA Museum in Shilo. "This is a cool moment. This mortar was captured by Canadian troops 90 years ago and it's just now returning into the hands of the Canadian Army," said Marc George, Director of the RCA Museum, as the mortar was loaded on a truck. "It's very rare, I would be surprised if there was another one in Canada. There were never many made and only a handful left that we know of," he also said, excited by the find.

There were probably fewer than 200 of the mortars manufactured, but they had a devastating effect on the battlefield. Deployed at the frontlines and used extensively to destroy trench lines in preparation for assaults, each mortar had a crew of 42 men. Each round weighed 100 kilograms and had a maximum range of 1300 metres. On impact, the round would create craters 6 metres wide and 3 meters deep.

Accounts from soldiers of the day were that the bomb was easy to see in flight; sentries would watch for incoming rounds, if the launch was spotted, sentries could track the bomb, and alert soldiers in the target area to take cover, with as much as a minute to clear the area before impact.

Once restoration work is completed, all three weapons will add to existing displays. The RCA Museum continues to grow through important donations from citizens across the country, making it easier to tell the story of what our soldiers have done in the past, ensuring that our rich military history is not lost.

"We're going to miss these guns, but we really thought they should be in the proper place, like a museum," said Brent Murray as Corporal William Story of Base Transport in Shilo strapped the guns onto the deck of his truck.

"Canadian soldiers fought and died capturing these," said Marc George as the truck pulled away from the storage shed, "they've been sitting in obscurity for years, ... and it's good to have them back."

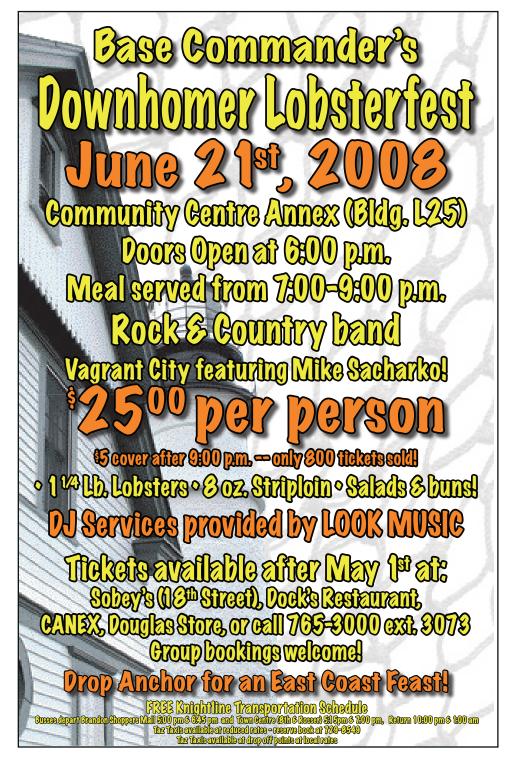


(Above) A stamping on the side of an MG 08 indicates that it was manufactured in Germany at the Spandau Gun Factory in 1916. This machine gun was found, along with another MG 08 and a Flugel-Minen Werfer (mortar), in a Public Works building in Lockport, Manitoba, just north of Winnipeg.

(Below) A 24 centimetre Flugel-Minen Werfer (mortar) is loaded onto a DND flatbed truck to be transported to the RCA Museum in Shilo.



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# Infantry recruits put rounds on target



Sgt Scott McFarlane, an instructor on BIQ Course 0023 (Vimy), assists Pte (R) John Simonds with adjusting the sights of his C7 rifle prior to a qualification shoot.

Photo essay by Sgt Dennis Power Army News



Infantry recruits collect a load of ammunition as they prepare for a qualification shoot with the C7 rifle.

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n essential skill for any soldier is the ability to shoot well, a point driven home to recruits on BIQ Course 0023 (Vimy) recently in Shilo.

The soldiers were tested on their weapons handling skills, reviewed the marksmanship principles, and spent the next three days shooting to qualify on the C7, the Service Rifle of the CF.

Although the sun was shining, it only warmed up enough for the snow to begin melting, turning firing points into mud slicks. At night the temperature dropped well below freezing again, highlighting the importance of staying dry; the recruits spent the next two nights in a bivouac nearby. The conditions were an added challenge to the training, but the recruits demonstrated that they were up to it, and ready for more.



Recruits fire C7's from the kneeling position during a qualification shoot.



Recruits who have completed a shoot move to an administration area on the range for a break before continuing with more training.

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Shilo MFRC volunteers support the Centre Mission while gaining opportunities for community involvement, personal growth, skill development and personal recognition! Our Centre wants

Photos submitted by Linda Beauchemin/Shilo MFRC

Valerie Liske (left), Volunteer Coordinator for the MFRC, and Thrift Shop volunteer Myrna Lane (right). Myrna will be receiving the Lieutenant Governor's Make a Difference Community Award for the Westman Region at the Volunteer Awards Dinner in Winnipeg later this month.

firsts for our Volunteer Program during National Volunteer Week:

The highest number of volunteers ever recorded at the Centre (97 people - young and older - volunteered between April 1, 2007 - March 31, 2008)!

Twenty-one volunteers (our Thrift Shop team) will receive Certificates of Recognition from the Premier of Manitoba after being nominated for this provincial award!

Myrna Lane will receive the Lieutenant Governor's Make a Difference Community Award for the Westman Region! Our nomination of Myrna for this award was strongly supported by the other non-profit groups she has also volunteered with over a number of years. We are very honoured to have her as part of the Shilo MFRC volunteer team! Mvrna will receive this award at Volunteer Manitoba's Volunteer Awards Dinner on April 30. 2008 at the Winnipeg Convention Centre.

Every year, Shilo MFRC

volunteers

volunteers who give thousands of hours of time and skill to the Centre. This vear's annual dinner celebration will be on Thursday, June 5 (a personal invitation will be sent to each volunteer next month). This year's celebration doesn't fall during National Volunteer Week so we are inviting all our volunteers to drop by the Centre to receive a timely springtime thank you (a package of Shasta Daisy seeds, compliments of McKenzie Seeds, and a personalized Volunteer Canada Certificate of Appreciation). The Shasta Daisy is recognized as the national flower of volunteering. Volunteers are encouraged to plant these seeds or give them to others to plant, as part of their efforts to 'grow community'...our Volunteer Program theme.

Shilo MFRC volunteers...a wonderful example of volunteers who go 'from compassion to action'. This National Volunteer Week, be sure to reach out and thank someone you know who volunteers! In the words of the NATIONALVOLUNTEERWEEK 0

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until Friday, May 9th

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ted citizens can change the world; indeed it's the only thing that ever has."

17 April, 2008



(Above) Volunteers from the Thrift Shop will be honoured with Certificates of Recognition from the Premier of Manitoba for their service. (Below) Youth volunteers enjoy a game of Bingo at the

MFRC's Christmas 2007 dinner.



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- Coordinating a risk management program

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- Fax: (204) 765-3859
- reception@shilomfrc.ca
- By: Wednesday, April 23, 2008

We thank all applicants expressing interest in this position. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Volunteers please note:

Val Liske will be touching base with current volunteers prior to her departure.

www.shilomfrc.ca

## Note: Deployment programs will not be cancelled.

## **ARE YOU A SHILO MFRC PARTICIPANT?**

Between May 5 and June 2nd, 2008, we will be asking participants (one per family only) to complete a brief national survey (about 10 minutes) during a variety of programs, events, appointments and gatherings. Come on... help us Push the Envelope!







Using your tools sensibly

**News Canada** 

One of the major elements in the successful performance of work around the home, both inside and outside, is the proper choice and use of tools.

In this respect, the seal of the Canadian Standards Association is a reference, because it indicates that the tools bearing the seal respect the Canadian Standards of manufacturing and safety, and are equipped with a ground wire or double insulation. This is very practical. Here are a few tips from Hydro-Québec to help you use your tools safely:

• The power cord: Do not handle the tool by its cord. This tends to damage the cord (and the damage is not always visible).

• The plug and the handle: Grip the plug (not the cord) to disconnect the tool and use the handle to move it about.

• Damaged tools: Never use a tool if the electric cord has been damaged or if the ground wire is twisted or cut. Likewise, never use a

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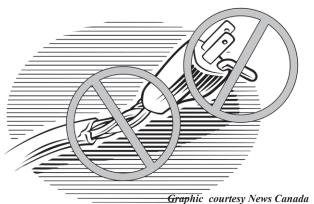
your teeth and rinsing the

dishes. An open faucet allows

five gallons to pass in just two

5 minutes.

only where it is needed.



damaged extension cord.
Three-pronged plug: Never cut or fold the rounded ground prong of this part of the tool. • Power cord: When using an electric saw or drill, keep the electric cord behind you to be certain that you do not accidentally cut into it.

of water for these purposes is

More home maintenance

information is available at

wasteful.

## Be earth-wise, save water

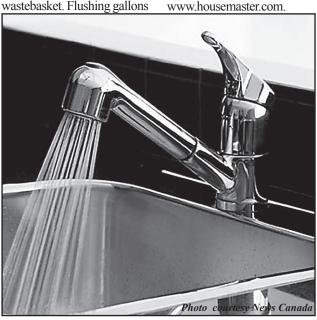
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It is estimated that every household could easily save 100-150 gallons of water each day if the following suggestions were implemented:

• Check for leaks. A dripping faucet can allow up to two gallons per hour to be wasted. Toilets are also potential problem areas. To check toilets, simply drop some food colouring into the tank and wait 15 minutes. If coloured water shows up in the bowl, you have a leak.

• Use water-saving showerheads and faucets. High-flow showerheads spew water out at 6-10 gallons a minute. Flow restriction devices can cut the flow in half without reducing pressure. Water your lawn and plants early in the day. This practice will reduce the loss
 minutes.
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• Review your toilets' water consumption. Don't use your toilets as an ashtray or wastebasket. Flushing gallons



## Move outside this summer News Canada wish list but have a lim-

You've opened your windows to let in the warm breezes of summer, but why not move out where the breezes surround you? The trend toward outdoor living is growing, and with it the options for furnishing an outdoor living space.

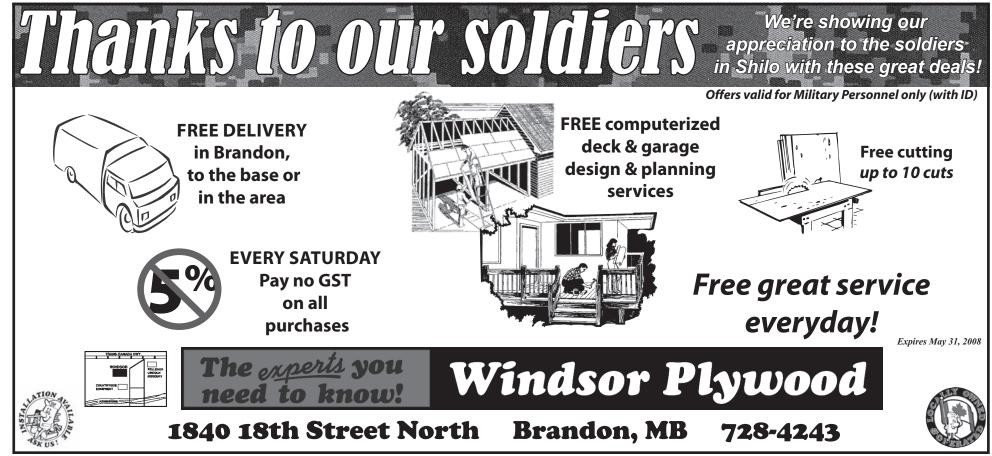
Anyone can easily create an outdoor room. The components of such a space usually include a grilling and eating area, and may incorporate a fireplace, firepit or chiminea. Some outdoor rooms take it further, with counter space, food preparation areas, sinks, refrigerators and even dishwashers. But don't stop there if you like; add a pizza oven, cocktail bar, fountain, trellis, patio heater, spa or pool.

Simple or elaborate, an outdoor room is an extension of your home. Keep that in mind when you design your outdoor space. Make it fit your personality and needs. Start by creating a wish list. Flip through magazines and clip pictures that create the look you seek. And remember, an outdoor room can evolve over years if you end up with a large wish list but have a limited budget. The first year, define the grilling and eating areas. Later you can accessorize.

Draw up a plan with a focal point. An outdoor room has many of the same elements as those inside your house. For a foundation, will you have a deck or patio stones? For walls, will there be a fence, retaining wall or hedge? Landscaping becomes the décor for your outdoor space. It can be used to create texture and mood, and to bring cohesion to your room. Next, you'll want to furnish your space-a wide variety of options exist hereenough to suit any outdoor living vision. Finally, don't overlook the lighting. It can be the finishing touch that brings your outdoor space together.

Above all, have fun designing and developing your outdoor room. The goal is to create a space that meets your needs for comfort and relaxation.

Want to learn more about decorating your backyard for the ultimate in relaxation? You can locate a LeisureScapes dealer near you online at www.leisurescapes.com.



# What's on Your Agenda?

**Prayers for the Fallen** A time to remember A time to come together A time to grieve in community A time to strenghthen faith Memorial prayers will be offered at both chapels during Sunday worship at 1030 hrs on these dates for all Fallen Shilo Soldiers: 18 May 15 June 13 July 10 August 14 September

### Preschool Wellness Fair

Free Professional Screenings for 3-4 yr olds. Free informational displays: Speech & language • Vision • Developmental • Hearing • Dental • Preschool immunizations Keystone Centre, Upper Concourse, Tues, April 22 9am- 7pm (last screenings start at 6pm) Approx. screening time 90 min. Written parent permission requipred.

For more info, call 729-3106

Homes/Property

Wawanesa - Remodelled, re-

decorated 3 BR home, beau-

tiful large lot, good location,

owner moving. Wawanesa

2 BR home, great lot, sin-

gle garage, asking \$36,000.

Wawanesa-Shilo area - 5

acre wooded, residential

building lot, \$20,000. We

also have acreages & hobby

farms. Call Dave Mooney

824-2094. Countryland Re-

Wawanesa-Glenboro area -

45 km from Shilo. 6 acres on

wooded, beautiful, landscaped

yard overlooking small river

running through property. 1

1/2 storey older home in good

condition, 3 BR, triple-pane

windows,  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  baths, full

basement, small pasture &

orchard. School bus to door.

1/4 mile off Hwy#2. Price

\$138,000. Call Herby Hutlet

Apartment for rent. 2 BR

apartment in Wawanesa.

\$500 + utilities. Fridge,

stove, washer, dryer incl.

Avail. May 1. 824-2284 or

827-2794 after 8pm.

729-7608

alty.

### Can You Help?

Our need for foster homes is urgent! We need homes for all aged children and sibling groups. Of critical need are emergency spaces and homes for teens. If you know of person(s) that could be considered for the vital job of fostering, please ask them to call:

Nancy Hunter Child and Family Services of Western Manitoba 726-6109 or 1-800-483-8980 (toll free) or email nancy.hunter@gov.mb.ca

## Did you know?

The Base Personnel Selection Office (BPSO), located in Room 204 in Headquarters, has a laptop with Internet access for your use. If you would like to use the laptop to access the Internet, please call (local 4078) in advance to let us know when you would like to come by. Shrine Circus Sat, May 10 @ Westman Place, Brandon

1pm - Matinee 6pm - Evening Show Admission: 7 & under FREE (must be accompanied by an adult) 8-14 \$8, 15 & over \$15 Ticke ts available at Keystone Centre Box Office, 726-3500

Box office price 8-14 \$11.50, 15 & over \$18.50 Tickets also available at loca-

tions throughout Brandon and through the Shilo Men's Club

Spotlight on Shilo Presents: Plays A' Plenty Dinner Theatre El Prado Club, Shilo, Sunday May 11 Cocktails 5:30pm • Show

6:00pm Tickets \$25 - Available at Forbidden Flavours or from cast members Call Linda Beauchemin 763-4720 for information Last date for ticket sales: Wed. May 7 The family of OS Amy Jesso - Captain Jeff Tebo, WO Walter Jesso, Lt Tina Jesso, and Private Stephen Jesso wish to congratulate Amy on her completion of the Naval Environmental Training Course and her first posting to HMCS Regina where she recently completed her first sail where she is pictured above.



Amy follows in her Grandfather's footsteps the late Mr. Ernest Matthews, who was a member of the Merchant Navy and Great- Grandfather footsteps the late Mr. George Matthews, who was a Captain of the schooner **The HKP** both of Port Aux Basques, NFLD. Amy we are all so very proud of you and your accomplishments!

## BINGO

Sprucewoods Community Hall Thursdays • Share The Wealth from 6:20pm • Early Birds at 7:00pm • Regular Games at 7:30pm Intermission Games - Progressive Games -And More!

Sipiweske Museum Presents: Artist Don McMaster Displaying his paintings & journal exerpts from the explorations of David Thompson Thursday, May 1, 2 programs @ 2pm & 7pm New Horizons Hall - Wawanesa Admission: Adults \$5, Children Free. Refreshments Women's Group Calendar of Events Children's Mental Health

17 April, 2008

<u>Children's Mental Health</u> <u>April 23 (Shilo)</u> Did you ever have any questions about your children's mental health? If so, come and join us for an evening completely devoted to the mental health needs of

children. • Mental Health & Children • Child and Family Services of Western Mantioba

Location Shilo: Faith Centre, Multi-Purpose Room Brandon: Brandon Armory, 1116 Victoria Ave. \*Coffee and snacks will be served\* If you have any questions, please contact MFRC

### 765-3000, ext 3352 **Volunteers Needed** The Canadian Cancer Society has volunteer positions available for every interest and time contraint, including data entry, phoning, poster delivery and organizing events. Call Kristen at 571-2804.

Call 765-3000 ext. 3013 or email your free\* Classified Ads to

stag@mts.net \*Non-commercial ads only. Free ads restricted to members of the CF, employees of CFB Shilo and the citizens of the surrounding area.

### Services

Stress-free holiday shopping! Get gifts for everyone on your list or just enjoy a FREE pampering session. Call for an appointment today or shop online. Brice Dodds 765-2868, www. marykay.ca/bdodds

Moving? Closing up your PMQ while overseas? Need to clean before inspection? No time? Call for Experienced Cleaner, references available. Crystal 765-2617 or 573-7099

**Income Tax Time**. Have your tax return prepared by Ingrid. Fast, reliable, friendly, inexpensive service. E-file available. IWK Enterprises 763-4357, Shilo MB.

"Baking by Crystal" Homemade cakes, cookies, squares, ect. Made to order. Dozens of recipes to choose from. I can also do desert trays, sandwich trays, and many different theme cakes. Call Crystal 765-2484

Dick & Jane went to a Passion Party. Their order came in. Now they don't answer their phone anymore. Curious?? 204-573-3573 www. daphnewilson.com Arbonne International is proud to be part of the Shilo community. ALL natural, no animal testing, vegan approved skin care products for babies to adults. SAMPLES available. Please call Audrey Brazeau at 765-5180 for more information

Services

<u>St. Barbara's</u> <u>Protestant Chapel</u> Sunday's @ 1030 with

Sunday School & Nursery Padre Donnelly - ext 3090 Padre Bos - ext 3088

Our Lady of Shilo Roman Catholic Chapel Sunday's 1030 hrs Weekday Mass - Tuesday to Friday, 1205 hrs Padre Persaud – ext 6836 Padre McLeod - ext 3089 Both chapels will be open Wednesday afternoons from 1200 - 1500 hrs during the deployment for prayer and quiet reflection.

### Homes/Property 2 New Homes on 5 Acre

**lots 15 minutes from Shilo** First home: 2300 Sq Ft walkin style, 3 BR, 2 and 1/2 baths and attached double car garage. Second home: 1368 Sq Ft Bungalow style, full basement, 3 BR, 2 baths & attached double car garage. Phone 824-3752; cell 724-6580

### For Sale

Ocean Wonders Baby Swing, Deleux Jumperoo (Fisher Price), Graco Infant Carseat, Crib/Matress and Bedding, Safety 1st Jogging Stroller, Bassinet all for \$350.00. Treadmill \$100.00. If interested please contact Jaime at 765-5144

### Furniture Posted In/Out or just looking for great deals?

We Buy and Sell good used Furniture/ Appliances/Beds!

Visit People's Market Place 32-13th Street, Brandon or call 727-4708

### For Sale

2004 Honda Interceptor Motorcycle. Black, 800 cc, 9078 km, \$8,000. Contact by email: zirka\_girl@hotmail.com Extra lean ground beef 1lb packages \$2.50 per pound. Government inspected. Call Perry 726-0231

### Help Wanted

100% Tuition Funding for Truck Driver Training! Exciting & challenging

opportunities • A high-demand occupation

• Paid on-the-job training

For more info visit www.mpi.mb.ca or call

### (204) 632-6600 or 1-866-820-1317

### Child care

Licensed daycare - 2 spots for school age (before and afterschool care available and inservice days coming up), 1 full-time spot for preschooler age 2-5. Call Crystal at 765-2617 for interview. Filling up fast! ADS

Child care Home daycare has spots

open, flexible hours, healthy snacks and lunch provided. Call Mel at 765-4962 Wanted: Reliable, mature person to care for 2 children in my home on Mondays, starting end May. Crystal 765-2484.

Kids R Kids Licensed home daycare is currently accepting names for 2 daycare spots starting in January. CPR and first aid qualified, snacks and lunches provided following the Canada Food Guide, lots of crafts and activities. Subsidy available. 765-4626

Wanted: Reliable, mature person to babysit our 3 kids in our home, full-time days. If interested, please contact Jaime at 765-5114

### Services

Canadian Firearms Safety Course Instructor/Examiner, Restricted & Non-restricted, Manitoba Hunter Safety Course Instructor Greg Steele 725-1608 or ggs57@wcgwave.ca call for next course dates, challenges by appointment.

## <u>17 April, 2008</u> Fire pit ban now in effect We would like the per-Submitted by

**Shilo Emergency Services** 

The construction of or use of Outdoor burning appliance (commonly known as recreational fire pits) on DND property poses an unnecessary risk to personnel and property. Unless an area is specifically designed for and designated as a camping facility, the construction and/or use of fire pits and clay or metal portable fireplaces is not permitted, as per directive from the Canadian Forces Fire Marshal.

This Directive as stated will be monitored on an ongoing bases for compliance.

Help us celebrate our goal!

We walked every Shilo soldier to Afghanistan -

a total of over 10 million kilometers in physical activity!

Join us April 18, 11:30 am @ Junior Ranks

Walk to Afghan

sonnel of CFB/ASU Shilo to be aware that this is not a reflection on them, and that it is a Canada wide issue.

All personnel on base were always co-operative with our requirements in the past and we had no problems with the use of any fire pits.

We appreciate everyone cooperation and support in this matter and apologize for any inconvenience.

If you have questions call Shilo Emergency Services Fire Prevention Branch at 765-3000 ext 3296 or ext 3467, We will be happy to answer any queries.

**ACTIVELY Supporting the Troops** 

## Get involved in your community National Volunteer Week April 27 - May 3, 2008

Celebrate National Volunteer Week by taking some time to help out your community. Listed below are some of the great volunteering opportunities in Shilo - there's sure to be one perfect for you!

Shilo Community Council - Volunteers needed to be Ward Councillors, residents who represent his/her ward and may serve on a Special Projects Committee. Contact Kristen at 3588.

Recreation - People can volunteer for sports programs, recreation clubs, special events (Pet Vac Clinic, Easter Egg Hunt, etc.), recreation programs, and even in the Recreation Office. Contact Kristen at 3588.

St. Barbara's Ladies Guild - Volunteers needed for various activities, including involvment with the Sunday School, helping with the Church programme, coffee time coordinator, serving on Chapel Committee.Contact Myrna Lane .

Catholic Women's League - The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization with local councils that are closely associated with the parish. It is a wonderful organization that fosters spiritual growth, Christian fellowship, and compassionate outreach and addresses the concerns of Catholic women in Canada. Contact Mary Gauthier through the Chaplain's Office.

RCA Museum - People interested in giving tours, general cleaning and polishing of artifacts and guns, assisting the Curatorial staff in artifact management, historical research, vehicle maintenance, attracting new members and staffing special events can contact Cheryl at local 3570.

MFRC - Embraces the uniqueness of the military lifestyle by providing individuals, families and community with a strong foundation while fostering growth, belonging and resilience. Almost 100 volunteers provided approximately 4,000 hours between April 1, 2007 and March 31, 2008. Volunteers are involved in every area of service - leadership, facilitation and direct service both in front and 'behind the scenes'.

Board: Directors, Committee Members and Ex-Officios (from major units, etc.).

Administration: Receptionist.

Personal Development & Community Integration: Book Club Facilitator, Employment & Education Admin. Assistant (Reception) and Fair Greeter/Registration Volunteer, Calendar Assistant (Reception), French Connections Group Assistant, Outreach/ Welcome Package Assistant, Quilting Group Volunteer, Thrift Shop Bookkeeper and Clerks, and Website Maintenance Assistant.

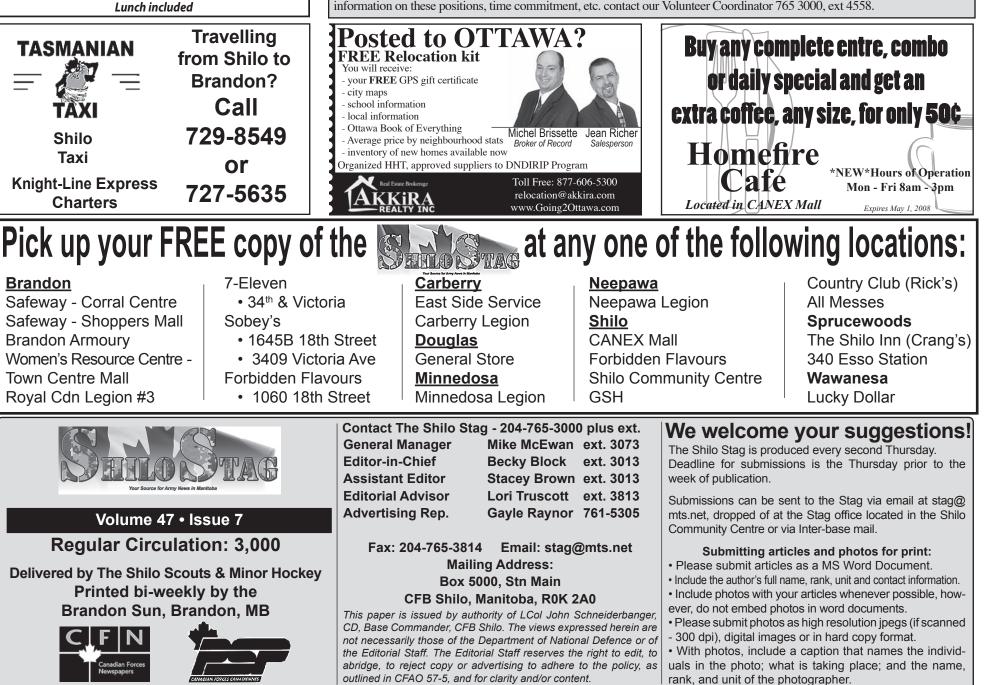
Child/Youth Development & Parenting Support: Child Minder Assistant, Literacy Project Assistant, Literacy Working Group Chairperson, Preschool Program Assistant, School-age Program Assistant, Summer Fun Playground Program Councillor, Teen Centre Attendants and Youth Advisors and Tumbleweeds Playgroup Facilitator.

Family Separation and Reunion: Database Assistant, Deployment Children's Activity Assistant, Fundraising Assistant, Promotion/Marketing Assistant, Special Community Events Volunteer, Spouses of Spouses Away (SOSA) Group Assistant and Warm Line Volunteer.

Prevention, Support and Intervention: Information Maintenance Assistant and Food Bank Assistant

Daycare and Pre-Kindergarten: Daycare Baking Volunteer and Assistant, as well as Pre-K Fundraising Assistant. Currently, we are seeking volunteers for our Board of Directors (particularly those who have children involved in daycare and/

or Pre-Kindergarten) and members for various Committees (Program, Fundraising, Finance and Human Resources. For more information on these positions, time commitment, etc. contact our Volunteer Coordinator 765 3000, ext 4558.



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# Quitter wins Fair brought to attention



The Chemist's Cupboard Pharmacy, located in the CANEX mall, held its annual "I Quit" smoking contest March 1-31, 2008. Contestants who were able to remain smoke-free for the month of March were entered into a draw to win a \$200, 100 or 75 gift certificate. Deron Ford (left) of Sprucewoods is presented with the \$200 prize by Terry Dubyts, owner of the Chemist's Cupboard Pharmacy, for successfully quitting smoking during the month-long contest. The Chemist's Cupboard would like to thank the Shilo Men's Club and Western Medical Clinic for their support with the contest.

### Thinking of Buying or Selling a Home?





The CANEX merchants want to spoil one

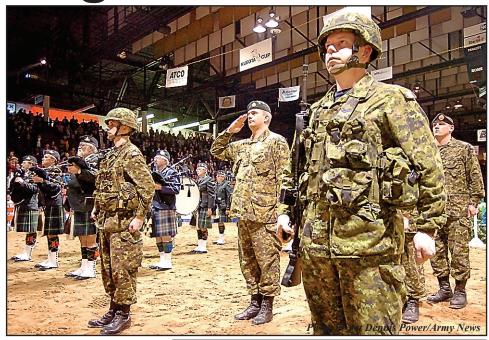
various CANEX mall merchants.

lucky Mom this Mother's Day by giving the

lucky winner a hamper of goodies from the

Your CFB Shilo Real Estate Connection www.sutton.com/harrison

Soldiers from CFB Shilo were featured in the opening ceremony of the 2008 Roval Manitoba Winter Fair earlier this month in Brandon. The annual fair was opened by LCol John Schneiderbanger, BComd, and the Honourable John Harvard, Lt-Gov of Manitoba. The first day of the fair was designated Canadian Forces Day. During the ceremony, a video message from deployed soldiers from Shilo in Afghanistan was played for those in attendance. Throughout the week, displays were set up for the public to find out more information on the CF.



# Local horse wins at Fair

Tamara Orr (right) and her horse, "She's Tailored by Doc" (China), achieved High-Point Western Horse, High-Point American Quarter Horse and Hi-Point 50/50 Horse at the 2008 Royal Manitoba Winter Fair in Brandon recently. Previously residing at CFB Winnipeg, Tamara and her family now live in CFB Shilo, where she learned to ride and has excelled to the competitive level of showing at American Quarter Horse Shows. She would like to thank the Shilo Men's Club for their sponsorship of High-Point Western Horse at the Winter Fair.



# www.canex.ca

### **CANEX Mall Merchants**

- Mother's Day draw! Shilo CANEX 765-2343
  - Shilo Barber Shop 765-4979
  - Base Hair & Tanning Salon
  - 765-4247
  - McPhail Travel 765-4412
  - HomeFire Cafe
  - 765-5000 • Royal LePage
  - 765-2876
  - Canada Post 765-4955
  - Base Health Promotions 765-3000 ext. 3868
  - Family Medical Clinic
  - 765-2302 Shilo Automotive
  - 765-2143

1st prize: \$50 CANEX Gift Card, Forbidden

2nd & 3rd prize: \$25 CANEX Gift Card, Base

Ball Cap.

Visit any concession in the CANEX, and

hamper giveaway. The draw will take

receive a ballot to enter our Mother's Day

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place on May 9th, 2008

Flavours Gift Basket, Chemist's

Cupboard Inc. Gift Basket, Base

**Health Promotions Water Bottle** 

& Stress Ball, SISIP Backpack &

Hair & Tanning Salon Gift Basket.

- Shilo Taxi
- 727-5635, 729-8549 or 728-9003 • SISIP Financial Services 765-4675
- Forbidden Flavours
- 765-5022
- HMS Insurance 765-4412
- Hunt, Miller & Company 765-5363
- The Chemist's Cupboard 765-2520
- We Sell Showcase
- 726-8899 • Westoba Credit Union
- 765-6350
- Fountain Tire 725-1523
- Forman Honda 729-0594
- Andrei Master Tailors 866-826-1059
- Krevco Leisure Products 728-9507 • Midas Muffler & Brake
- 727-2250

• Shilo Automotive 765-2143

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