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FROM THE EDITOR

This issue won't be the one to wish you a pleasant summer as we will once again have a Summer Newsletter which you should see in early July; it will take us through to the end of September. The excellent, interesting articles from our contributors continue to flow in and this month we are very pleased to feature 31 CBG's outstanding efforts in going to the aid of fellow Canadians under threat from the flooding Spring waters.

There were not two CC-177s in London last month; just me being mischievous and sticking a shot of the plane in the open hatch. But if I get asked ... I'll know you didn't read my comments. Oh, and most of our members don't actually speak Strine. 🍷

Dave Barton

31 CBG Deployed Over 200 Soldiers to Flood-Relief Efforts in Ontario

By SLt Andrew McLaughlin, PAO 31 CBG

Joint Task Force Central (JTFC, headquartered in Toronto) was ready to help impacted communities in Ontario when major flooding occurred in the Spring of 2019, and deployed approximately 1,200 soldiers, sailors, and aviators; 47% of whom were reservists.

31 Canadian Brigade Group deployed over 200 Army Reservists to the flood relief efforts under Operation LENTUS – many from the London region – and maintained a high operational tempo throughout. Our specialized equipment and training provided critical support to the mission, and a rapid deployment ensured our troops were some of the first on the scene.

Our main efforts were to deliver sandbags, provide assistance on local roads that were impassable, help area residents, and protect critical infrastructure. Our troops engaged and worked closely with partner organizations – including other government departments and local first-responders – under Provincial authorities responsible for identifying where our efforts were most effective.

As a partner in the community, we have a responsibility to assist provincial, territorial, and municipal authorities in order to save lives, mitigate human suffering, assist in protecting critical infrastructure, protect the environment, and to help reduce social and economic losses – and we stand ready to deploy at a moment's notice.

Front Cover: Canadian Army Reserve soldiers from 4th Canadian Division's 31 Canadian Brigade Group at work in the Ottawa region supporting Operation LENTUS.

Photo: Capt Mike Wonnacott, 31 Canadian Brigade Group . More photos on Page 18



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The General Meeting Wednesday 12 June



**Warrant Officers' & Sergeants' /Officers' Mess
Beaver Hall, Wolseley Barracks**

Meet & Greet 11:15

Lunch 11:30



Please remember to advise your attendance in advance to Beth Saylor by e-mail (garrisoncommunitycouncil@gmail.com) by 11:00 am the MONDAY prior so we can arrange sufficient lunches. *You need also to indicate whether you want a wrap or a sandwich.*

General Meeting 12:00

Speaker

**Colonel Pierre Viens
Royal Canadian Air Force**

Leading Change in the RCAF

LCDR Jeremy Breese weighs anchor.
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You are most welcome
to join us

Like reading this Newsletter? Perhaps you have come to a meeting as a guest, enjoyed our monthly speaker and had a chat with some of the members.

The GCC holds monthly lunch meetings that include guest speakers on a range of topics such as military history, current issues and subjects of topical interest.

For a membership application, contact our Secretary, Beth Saylor on 519 851 0730 or e-mail us at

garrisoncommunitycouncil@gmail.com



... or just come
to a meeting





Colonel Pierre Viens Royal Canadian Air Force

Deputy Commandant of the Canadian Forces College

Leading Change in the RCAF

Colonel Pierre Viens joined the Canadian Forces through the Regular Officer Training Plan in June 1981. After graduation from the Royal Military College of Canada in 1986, he went on to earn his navigator wings at the Canadian Forces Air Navigation School in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

During his career, Colonel Viens accumulated more than 2,000 hours of flying time with several postings to 405

(Maritime Patrol) Squadron in Greenwood, Nova Scotia. Here he worked in many capacities including senior appointments as Mission Commander and Flight Commander. Other postings were to 14 Software Engineering Squadron, where he worked as programmer-analyst, Project Manager, Software Configuration Manager, and Engineering Resource Manager.

Colonel Viens' international service includes a seven-month deployment to Eindhoven, The Netherlands, in support of the International Security Assistance Force (Afghanistan) and a posting to North American Aerospace Defense Command Headquarters (NORAD) in Colorado Springs, Colorado. For his contributions to NORAD, Colonel Viens was awarded the US Joint Service Achievement Medal, the US Joint Service Commendation Medal and the US Meritorious Service Medal.

Colonel Viens has a Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Engineering from the RMCC and two Masters' Degrees; one in Acoustical Engineering and one in Electrical Engineering, both from Pennsylvania State University. He is a graduate of both the USAF Air Command and Staff College and the USAF Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.

Colonel Viens was an Assistant Professor in the Mathematics and Computer Science Department at RMCC. At the Canadian Forces College, he has worked as the Deputy Director of Curriculum, Head of the Department of International Affairs and Security and, finally, as the Chief of Staff and unit Commanding Officer.

From July 2015 and July 2017, Colonel Viens was the Commandant of the RCAF W/C William G. Barker VC Aerospace College in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He most recently served at the Canadian Defence Academy Headquarters in Kingston as Director for Professional Development.

Colonel Viens was appointed Deputy Commandant at CFC in July 2018.



From the President

May was a very active month for the GCC. At the May Meeting at HMCS Prevost the speaker, Cdr Michele Tessier, spoke about Arctic operations and the new Arctic Offshore Patrol Vessel. The occasion also gave us the opportunity to say farewell to LCdr Jeremy Breese. During his Command, HMCS Prevost hosted our meetings on several occasions, provided significant aid for the 2018 Garden party and offered valuable advice. While much could be said about Jeremy, the GCC gratitude is best said by the inscription on our presentation plaque: **"In Appreciation for his Support and Friendship"**.



As is life for the military, one move generates another. The new Commanding Officer will be LCdr Derek Niles. Derek is well known to the GCC as he was the Executive Officer to LCdr Breese and co-ordinated many interactions between the GCC and HMCS Prevost.

Later in May, there was a visit to the Ontario Regiment (RCAC) Museum in Oshawa, then towards the end of the month, an excellent tour of the Canadian Centre for Product Validation; please see the articles elsewhere in this Newsletter.

For the June meeting, our Guest Speaker will be Col. Pierre Viens, CD, MSc, MEng. He will speak on leading change in the RCAF. He is the Deputy Commandant of the Canadian Forces College in Toronto. Col Viens would have addressed the GCC in February at 427 Wing at Crumlin but the weather prevented his travel. As we do not meet in July and August, the September Meeting will be on Wednesday 11 September at Wolseley Barracks when the Guest Speaker will be Detective Cam Halliday from the London Police Department. He will be speaking on Human Trafficking.

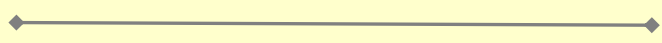
As indicated in last month's newsletter, the Executive are reviewing some of the organisational aspects of the GCC. To that end, a review of the Constitution is underway to update our construct to make us more responsive to the needs of our membership. This review will take a few months but, hopefully, a new business model will be in place before too long. As an aside, this Executive effort parallels a review of the relationship of the GCC with 31 Brigade Group and HMCS Prevost. The work so far has been very positive.

Before closing, I want to welcome's Randy Harden to the Executive as 3rd Vice President. He has wide experience in organisations such as ours. Currently, he is involved with the Youth Exchange Programme for the Rotary Club.

Finally, I wish everyone and your families a safe and happy summer holiday season

All the best,

Geoff



The GCC Executive

President: Geoff Hutton
1st Vice President: Tom Dean
2nd Vice President: Dave Barton
3rd Vice President: Randy Harden

Secretary: Beth Saylor
Treasurer: Barry Graham
Past President: Doug McAndless



Strewth!
Bonzer tucker this.



The May Meeting

We knew before the day that it would be a most pleasant meeting and we were not disappointed. The Skipper and crew of **HMCS Prevest** were excellent hosts, provided a lovely meal and gave us a tour of the ship after our meeting. Bravo Zulu!

The highlight of the meeting was a presentation by Commander Michele Tessier, Commanding Officer (designate) of Canada's newest ship, the Arctic and Offshore Patrol Ves-

sel **HMCS Margaret Brooke** now under construction in Halifax. She gave us a detailed and expert insight into the Canadian Arctic and the challenges we are now facing. After years of letting everyone else run around up there, we are now starting to build our Northern fleet and confirm our presence in the North.



Geoff thanks Commander Michelle Tessier for an outstanding presentation on the Canadian Arctic

LONDON GARRISON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

"Civilians Supporting Canada's Military"

Presented to

Lieutenant-Commander Jeremy Breese
Commanding Officer HMCS Prevest

In Appreciation for Your Support and Friendship
8 May 2019

Farewell Jeremy

Some mixed-feelings for the GCC - a bit sad that he is leaving us but also the opportunity to express our heartfelt thank you for the support he and his ship have given us in the past two years.

Lieutenant Commander Jeremy Breese is posting out from **HMCS Prevest** to Headquarters Maritime Forces Pacific in Esquimalt, British Columbia. This posting also takes him back to his family.

We have enjoyed a sound and pleasant relationship with **HMCS Prevest** and Jeremy's sincere and energetic presence has been a key aspect for the GCC in building connections between the military and our community.

We shall miss you. Bon Voyage and all the best in the new posting.



Photos by Dave



A Trip to the Ontario Regiment (RCAC) Museum (A personal perspective)

By Tom Dean

Morning broke early for our trip to the Tank Museum.

The bus was waiting for us at Wolseley Barracks. We knew from the design on the outside of the bus that it was going to be a good day - the bus was regularly used by Fanshawe College to transport its athletes and the large pictures of the young athletic students gave us all a lift. After a comfortable ride with snacks and a movie (*Kelly's Heroes* naturally), we arrived at the parking lot for the Museum. A short distance away was the home of the 420 Wing where we had our lunch – good burgers and dogs with friendly, hospitable volunteers.



Twenty-six GCC Members and guests get on the bus



Not too far away was the Museum. It had an interesting display of military items but this part of the museum was not quite like the RCR Museum which GCC members had toured earlier in the year. When you opened the door to the hangar area, it was a whole new experience. There

were many military vehicles including tanks from around the world. We asked a volunteer about a vehicle and he took us up close to the vehicle, opened the vehicle's door, showed us what was inside and gave the vehicle's history. He was very pleasant and obviously very knowledgeable. It brought the AFVs on display into focus.



Mike Stapleton yarps it up with Museum staff

I have never been so close to so many tanks!



Canadian Sherman tanks of WW II



Good that we are next to an airfield.



We proceeded to the outside area and sat on the bleachers not really knowing what to expect. After singing "O Canada", the



The Universal Bren Gun Carrier WW II

demonstrations began. The tanks and armoured vehicles would proceed around a track that was a little torn up and showed the effects of the earlier rain. We saw a moving live action display of vehicles from 3 different eras including the Cold War

period. We did expect a few of the wheeled vehicles to get stuck but none did. Very skilful driving!

The finale of the demonstration was two very large tanks engaged in a simulated battle - a German made Leopard 1A5 in Canadian colours and an American M60A1 in United States Marine Corps livery. With the engines roaring and the



Canadian Leopard 1A5



Canadian Leopard 1A5



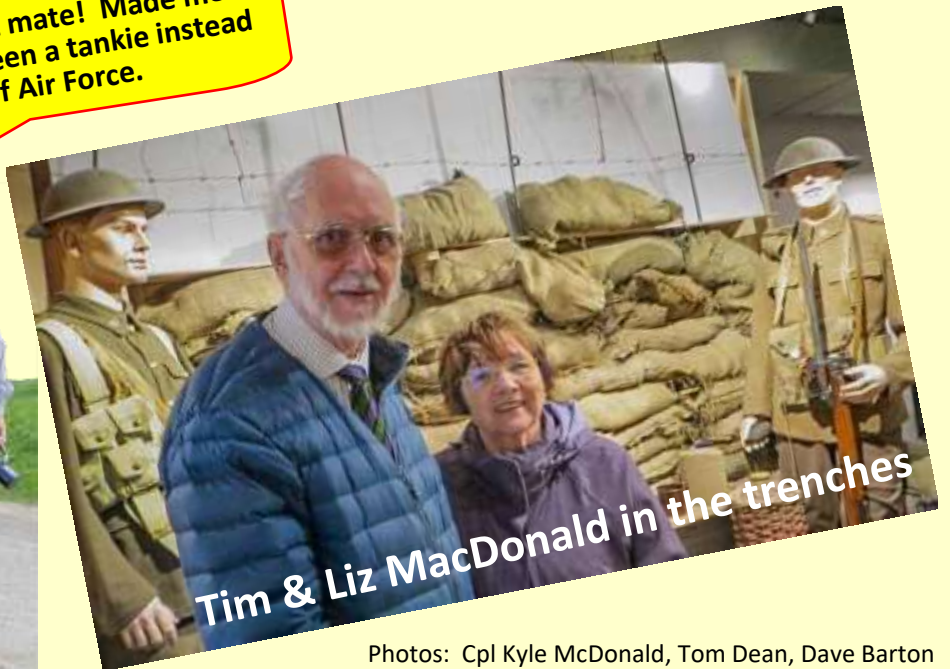
United States Marine Corps M60A1



A Canadian Ferret Mk 1 scout car in United Nations markings

guns blazing, it was amazing. The winner, as selected by the applause of the audience, was of course, the Canadian tank crew. Many of us had never been so close to tanks in motion. The simulated action was very loud and fast. We imagined what it was like in a real conflict inside a tank.

After the demonstration we returned to the 420 Wing, rested, had some refreshment and talked about what we had seen. The ride back was punctuated by delicious sandwiches with desserts and by the occasional snore! It was a great day. Our own Dave Barton pulled together an exceptional outing. Thanks Dave.



Photos: Cpl Kyle McDonald, Tom Dean, Dave Barton

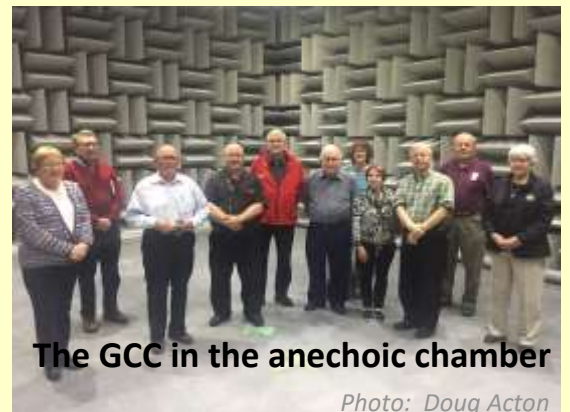


Canadian Centre for Product Validation 22 May 2019

By Geoff Hutton

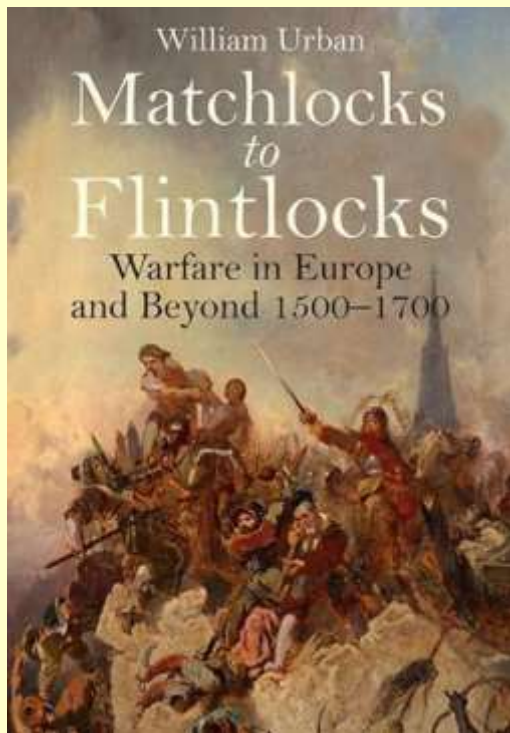
The Canadian Centre for Product Validation is part of Fanshawe College and unlike any other testing facility in Canada. It is uniquely designed to be a multimodal developmental test facility for electrical, mechanical, performance, environmental and thermal testing under one roof. It also offers services such as marketing and benchmarking studies; creation of proprietary test protocols based on actual field usage and analysis of critical product interfaces.

The GCC members were hosted by the CEO, John Makaran. The emphasis is on providing tests that help the client to confirm that the items under test meet the declared performance specifications, determining any shortfalls in performance or, possibly, determining if the test item interfere with other adjacent equipment or are influenced by them. The facilities have two test chambers that can accommodate items up to the size of a Light Armoured Vehicle.



The GCC in the anechoic chamber

Photo: Doug Acton



Our Book Review

By Dr. Paul Webb

Matchlocks to Flintlocks: Warfare in Europe and Beyond 1500-1700, William Urban, London: Frontline Books, 2011. Kindle edition, .99.

This is a very satisfying overview of warfare in the two centuries of the early modern era, though it takes a different path than the title suggests. One might expect a detailed treatment of small arms development, but matchlocks and flintlocks are merely time markers for a discussion of deeper issues. Those issues are: the reasons warfare broke out, how different societies saw the military problems and solutions, and how older medieval systems were unequal to the task, leading to the development of a modern state apparatus.

The geographic scope is large, ranging from the Ottoman Turks, to Sweden and the Polish-Lithuanian struggles with each other and with an emerging Russia, right up to the Golden years of Spain, and into the absolutist state of Louis XIV in France. A major theme is how governments handled the problem of raising money for armed forces. Early on the Turks excelled, partly because they controlled the western end of the Silk Road, so that all luxury trade from the East passed through their territory. Spain became a major power, based on the discovery of seemingly unending supplies of gold and silver from America. Other states in Europe could not match these resources, so their armed forces were correspondingly inferior, and Europe came dangerously close to being swamped by technologically superior, and far more numerous, Turkish forces.

Responding to the Turks, or even fighting each other, required vast resources, a situation intensified by the spread of expensive gunpowder weapons. Then too, increasing the size of your army was dangerous, for it meant taking young men off the fields, with subsequent loss of food production (food riots in the offing), and training your peasants how to fight (never a good idea). The answer was, and this is a major theme of the book, hiring mercenary forces. They fight, and then they go home. The problem, as ever, is paying them. All agreed the Swiss were the best, but large numbers of Scottish and Irish Catholics formed whole units in the French armies.

The emergence of northern European military dominance in the late 1600s, had its origins in money. The European circumnavigation of Africa, and direct contact with Asia, cut off a huge amount of trade on the old Silk Road. This denied resources to the Turks, and they began to decline in power and innovation. The gold and silver mines of America began to run dry in the 1600s, and Spain could no longer support its many wars. But France found a new solution: centralized government, or absolutism. This form of government was called into being by the need for organized taxation on a regular basis, to raise, equip, supply, and maintain permanent standing armies. Urban's message here is that the expense of modern armies required the founding of the modern state – any country which ignored this just could not regulate its tax income, and so could not afford a modern army. He gives Poland as an example of failure: brave fighters and low taxation, but no resources. Poland disappeared by 1793.

This book is brimming with detail on numerous conflicts across Europe and the Turkish frontier, but the themes of mercenaries, emergence of centralized control, and the influence of trade route fluctuations are evident throughout. One weakness is the absence of naval issues. The success of England and the Dutch was due to maritime efforts which produced huge profits to finance their imperial ambitions. That aside, this book is recommended as a competent overview whose themes are quite relevant to the 20th and 21st centuries.

Our GCC member, Paul Webb was born and raised in London. He shared his time at Beck Secondary School with the 1st Hussars. Graduating with a BA (Honours) in history at King's College, UWO Ontario in 1966 and followed by a Masters at UWO the next year, he went on to postgraduate studies at Cambridge. He joined the Faculty at King's College in July 1970 teaching European history 1500-1945. Paul retired in 2016.



Bazza, are you really blessing this Jeep mate?



Photo: Tom Dean



Stuff for the Summer Newsletter to your Editor by 24 June please

The Newsletter

Submissions and your suggestions are most welcome. Please let us know about upcoming events. Send an e-mail:

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The NAVY



HMCS Prevest

End of Training Year Banyan

By SLt Chris Niesel

With the training year coming to a close and people departing on course, HMCS Prevest is excited to be able to celebrate the successes of the past training year. Under LCdr Jeremy Breese, HMCS Prevest was exceedingly successful in being able to provide younger sailors the training and experience required for their future success with the Naval Reserve. The end of the year banyan was full of promotions including the appointment of LCdr Jean-Paul Barrette as HMCS Prevest's new Executive Officer but also farewells; we said goodbye to PO1 Roy Bross and CPO2 Bill Korkush, both will be dearly missed.

Along with both CPO2 Korkush and PO1 Bross retiring, HMCS Prevest must also say farewell to LCdr Jeremy Breese who is turning command over to LCdr Niles in the upcoming training year. LCdr Breese will be moving back home to Victoria with his wife where he will be taking a staff position at MARPACHQ. We wish him the best and thank him for all his years of service at HMCS Prevest.

All in all, HMCS Prevest had a very successful year; having been responsible for the execution of a variety of training weekends HMCS Prevest can be immensely proud of a job well done. The last exercise in the training calendar was **Exercise Gibraltar Strong** (EX GS), which took place at HMCS York in downtown Toronto. Prevest's training and executive staff were responsible for the planning and execution of the EX GS along with support from HMCS York. EX GS also included the Canadian Leaders Alongside (CLA) component.

CLA focuses primarily on showcasing the training and skills the Naval Reserve provides to its members. This allows community leaders and executives to attain a better understanding of what



PO1 Roy Bross and his wife at HMCS Prevest's Banyan holding his thank you letter from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. 8 May 2019



CPO2 Bill Korkush along with LCdr Jeremy Breese being presented with a thank you letter from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. 8 May 2019 at HMCS Prevost.

their own employees do when they participate as reservists in military exercises. All participants were immensely impressed by what the Naval Reserve offers its members and how everyone was able to work together as a team to accomplish the mission mandate of EX GS.



Exercise Gibraltar Strong

Jackspeak of the Royal Canadian Navy

Banyan

A Banyan is barbecue or party, usually with steaks and beer. The term is derived from banian, a garment worn by an East Indian sect who neither kills nor eats meat. In the 18th century, the British navy denied its sailors meat on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; these days were known as banian (or Banyan) days. The custom was introduced during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I as an attempt to economize. The term now means the opposite.



The ARMY



31 Canadian Brigade Group

These articles, normally penned by members of the Brigade, offer a casual look at 31 Canadian Brigade Group. Written without heavy use of military lexicon, acronyms and abbreviations, they support information sharing to groups with diverse backgrounds and will, hopefully, offer a less formal view of the Brigade or examination of specific issues or events.

*C.W. Poole
Colonel*

Commander, 31 Canadian Brigade Group



Finding the Balance between Two Roles with One Path

By Cpl. Cody Misner, 31 CBG Public Affairs

Second Lieutenant (2Lt) Derek Leung lives in two very different worlds. He is a full-time Honours Criminology student at Western University in London, Ontario; but when he's not studying, he's an Acting Troop Leader with 31 Canadian Brigade Group's 1st Hussars, a Reserve Armoured Reconnaissance Regiment of the Royal Canadian Armoured Corps. Growing up with Chinese parents with firm reverence to their Asian heritage, Leung was told stories about his family's life in China as well as Chinese folklore. That upbringing prepared him well for the dual, but aligned, paths he has chosen.

His Asian Heritage fits well with the discipline and attention to detail of the Army's ethos. It has also provided him a way to pay his own way through hard work, dedication, and duty. *"The Army has helped build my confidence and communication skills which are vital in my senior classes,"* says Leung. *"The Army also offers me a steady income throughout the school year which turns into a full-time job in the summer. The education reimbursement is most helpful to pay for tuition as well as school books."*

His parents came to Canada in their early 20s, looking to navigate their own paths in a new land of opportunity. His father came to attend university and his mother to find work. His parents weren't always keen on him joining the military but are now his biggest supporters.



Photo: Cpl. Cody Misner

“My family was not very supportive of me wanting to join at first.”, the young officer says. But once they saw the opportunities it would provide, they were less concerned.

Currently working his way through his last semester of an Honours Degree, Leung says he has acquired vital skills in the Army Reserve that assist him in his studies, while also providing financial support. This continuous cycle of work and school hasn't come without its challenges, but these challenges are ones that 2Lt Leung happily tackles, head on, with the friends he has made along the way right by his side.



Photo: Cpl. Cody Misner

“The best thing about my job is the discipline it has taught me as well as the bonds I have built with the people I have trained with.”, he says. “I still talk to most of the people that I trained with, and even some who trained me.” Even though instructors made the courses very hard at times, “I wouldn’t have asked for different staff or course mates. These bonds that I have built with people through the Army are incomparable to anything in the civilian world.”

Leung joined the Army Reserve in 2017 after meeting a soldier taking part in the Regular Officer Training Plan. He was well-prepared for the strict and organized nature of military training; but it was the focus on teamwork in the military compared to the civilian world that was a bit of a surprise. *“It’s like the cliché, ‘you’re only as strong as your weakest link,’ but that’s the best way to put it. If there are weaker members in your section or course, your staff will identify them and see how you as a course can help them get through it successfully,”* says Leung. *“It’s a perfect way to teach new recruits to never give up on someone and to never leave them behind.”*

The first member of his family to serve in the Canadian Armed Forces, 2Lt Leung is preparing for his Armored Reconnaissance Troop Leader course – Army Reservists are guaranteed Full-Time Summer Employment for at least four years – while also wrapping up his full-time schooling before he leaves. He aims to have a lengthy career in law enforcement, as well as in the military; as both are places where he can utilize the training and skills he has developed.

While the road has often been uphill for 2Lt Derek Leung, he has managed to strike a balance – key to many ancient Chinese philosophies – between schooling, family and service, which has allowed for him to grow personally and professionally into a young leader, with a promising path ahead.





London Reservist Shows that Age is Just a Number During Basic Training

By Cpl. Cody Misner, 31 CBG Public Affairs

48-year-old Second-Lieutenant (2Lt) Juan Rios Arrubla never thought he'd be taking part in a Basic Military Qualification Course (BMQ), especially at his age.

Significantly older than most of his course-mates, the Food Processing Engineer was nonetheless eager to develop new skills in a military career. This led him to join 31 Signal Regiment, a Canadian Army Reserve Communications unit within 31 Canadian Brigade Group (31 CBG) with squadrons in both Hamilton and London, Ontario. The Regiment – the 1st Wireless Detachment Unit in Canada, which provided radio communications during the First and Second World Wars – provides expedient and reliable wired and wireless communication using advanced voice and data systems to Canada's military.

"I chose Signals because it was something new and exciting to learn in my life.", said Rios Arrubla. *"It's like a 180 degree turn from my civilian background; but I was always trying to learn more in this field.",* he said about his new trade.

Basic training posed its challenges, however. *"At the beginning, staying there alone without my family was hard but after a while I found comfort and motivation in the friends I made.",* he says in reflection. *"The physical demands were tough too, and my English isn't as good as the younger troops I train with but they motivate me to keep up."* Teamwork is key to any military unit; especially for those in this new soldier's position. But Rios Arrubla, like all new recruits, brought experience to the table. *"I try and be smart – using experience and maturity – in order to keep up with them.",* he says.

Most Reservists join as students in college or university – many simply for the benefits of full-time summer employment and tuition reimburse-





ment in addition to looking for adventure while serving Canada – or even through high school co-op programs in their youth; but the drive of individuals like 2Lt Juan Rios Arrubla showcases that a

career in the Army Reserve isn't limited by age – and experience and maturity can go a long way while rounding out a winning team.

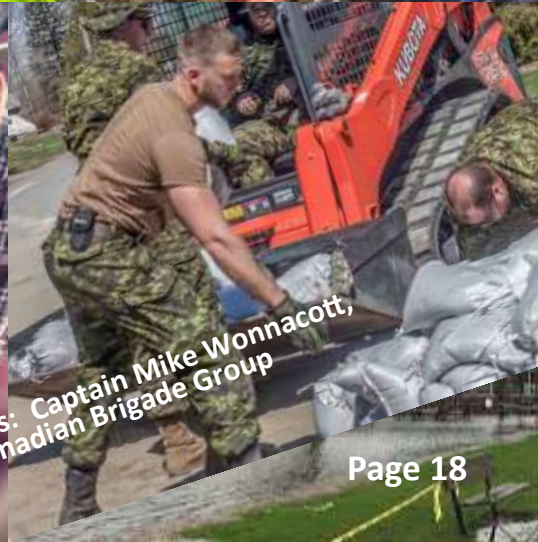


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31 Domestic Response Company on Operation LENTUS, May 2, 2019.

Photo: Canadian Armed Forces.



Photos: Captain Mike Wonnacott,
31 Canadian Brigade Group



The CADETS



Taking the Thrill of Flight to New Heights

*By Captain Nicole McKay, PAO RCSU (Central)
Photos by OS Blake Newbold . © DND/MND 2019*

As the **CC-177 Globemaster** flew over the city of London on May 18th, 2019, the loadmaster opened

Cadets sit in the **CC_177 Globemaster** prior to take off from the London International Airport on 18 May 2019.



the ramp mid-flight giving the cadets inside a view they would remember for the rest of their lives. On this Saturday of the long-weekend, 500 air cadets were provided the opportunity to experience flight on Canada's largest cargo aircraft thanks to a partnership with 429 Squadron based at CFB Trenton.

The pilots and crew train regularly on this aircraft to maintain their currency, review their procedures and keep their skills sharp knowing that

they could be needed to support Canada at home and abroad. Normally, this aircraft would carry cargo but on this occasion, youth from Southwestern Ontario were provided with an experience they will never forget. Some of the members of 429 Squadron who flew with the cadets began as cadets themselves prior to joining the military.

Cadet Chief Warrant Officer Nicole Clarke, who attained her glider pilot wings last summer and this summer, will be working towards her private pilot's license, said *"Aviation has always been my passion and it is exciting to see this aircraft here in London. It is an inspiration to me and my junior cadets."* She is still deciding whether she wants to pursue a career in aviation on the civilian or military



side and this flight will give her a better understanding of the heights she can achieve in the not-so-distant future.

A plane of this size could not come to London without the support of the local community. Local citizens lined the fence lines around the airport to catch a glimpse of this aircraft, including veterans and young children. The London International Airport provided particular support in coordinating this visit through air traffic control, ground marshals, access to the flight line, and all the behind the scenes work it takes to make days like these happen.



A lucky cadet takes a selfie while sitting in the cockpit after the flight .

What experiences will these cadets have next? Stay tuned as they head off to summer training where some of these youth will attain their pilot's licence, proudly wearing their wings on their uniform, even before they can drive a car without an adult in the passenger seat!



CC-177 GLOBEMASTER III

The CC-177 Globemaster III transports troops, cargo and oversized combat equipment from coast to coast and around the world. Its ability to fly long distances and land in remote airfields makes it a premier transporter for military, humanitarian and peacekeeping missions.

Rapid, reliable and flexible, the strategic and tactical CC-177 is equipped with advanced digital avionics. It has a maximum range of approximately 5,500 nautical miles and can carry up to 72,727 kilograms. Its four engines (Pratt & Whitney 2040 series) can produce 18,343 kilograms of thrust.

To illustrate the power of these aircraft, one CC-177 can haul three CH-146 Griffon helicopters with refueling tanks, one Leopard 2 tank, or as many as 102 paratroopers.

Canada's five CC-177 Globemaster III strategic airlifters were delivered between 2007-2015. Only 12 days after entering service with the Canadian Forces, Canada's first CC-177 delivered 30,000 kilograms of emergency relief supplies to the people of Jamaica in the wake of Hurricane Dean.

The CC-177 Globemaster III is used for a wide range of missions and only requires a crew of three: pilot, co-pilot and loadmaster. It can also take off and land on unpaved runways as short as 1,067 metres and as narrow as 27.4 metres by day or by night.

Length	53.04 m	Maximum Usable Fuel	82,125 kg
Height	16.79 m	Passengers	90 - 100
Wingspan	51.74 m	Year procured	2007-2015
Empty Weight	125,645kg	Quantity in CF	5
Maximum Gross Weight	265,350 kg		
Maximum payload	72, 727 kg		
Cruise Speed	Mach 0.74 - 0.77	Location	8 Wing Trenton, ON
		Manufacturer	Boeing

June in Our History

1690 2 juin	Nouvelle France	Une force dirigée par La Porte de Louvigny bat une bande d'Iroquois au Lac des Chats.
1813 24 June	War of 1812	Iroquois (Mohawks) and British troops force the surrender of an American force at the Battle of Beaver Dams. Laura Secord warned the British the Americans were coming.
1885 26 June		A Brigade Order by Major-General John Laurie thanked nursing sisters for their contribution during the North West rebellion.
1918 8 June	WW I	Corporal Joseph Kaeble of the 22nd Battalion, C.E.F. held back the advancing enemy, alone, with a Lewis machine gun at Neuville-Vitasse, France to earn the Victoria Cross. (Posthumous).
1944 6 June	WW II	D-Day. 14,000 Canadians went into Normandy; 110 RCN ships supported the invasion. Army casualties - 1,074 with 359 killed.
1948 10 June	RCAF	The RCAF Association is formed.
1950 30 June	Korea	The Canadian Parliament supports the government motion to assist the United Nations in its position on the Korean situation.
1954 24 June	Army	The Canadian Army (Active Force) is redesignated the Canadian Army (Regular) and the Canadian Army (Reserve Force) is redesignated the Canadian Army (Militia).
1994 25 June	RCN	HMCS SAGUENAY is sunk off Lunenburg as a diving park.
2001 21 June	Canada	Governor-General Adrienne Clarkson unveils the National Aboriginal Monument, Ottawa, to commemorate the sacrifice of aboriginals in both World Wars and Korea.
28 June		Governor-General Adrienne Clarkson officially dedicates the National Military Cemetery of the Canadian Forces at Beechwood Cemetery, Ottawa.





Upcoming Events

Garrison Community Council

General Meeting	12 June	Wolseley Barracks
	11 September	Wolseley Barracks
	9 October	Wolseley Barracks
	13 November	Wolseley Barracks

London and Region

South Western Ontario Military Family Resource Centre	June Calendar is on Page 23	
RLMI Tour	6 June	Tour #34
Veterans' Golf Tournament	13 June	
Army Open Day	28 September	Wolseley Barracks

RLMI Notes



RLMI Tour #34

Thursday, 6 June 2019

- ◆ Canadian Historical Aircraft Association / Aviation Museum
- ◆ Route 42 Diner at the Windsor Airport
- ◆ Pelee Island Winery, Kingsville
- ◆ Wayside Dining Lounge, Buffest Dinner, Talbotville

Cost is \$75 per person. Contact the RLMI for details.



Classic Golf Tournament

Thursday, 13 June 2019 – Registration Starts at 9am, Ceremonial Tee Shots at 10:30am, Shotgun Start at 11am, Four-person scramble. Forest City National Club, London, Ontario
 Early Birds before 1 May - \$110.00 per person includes Golf & Dinner, & shared Cart
 After 1 May - \$125 per person.

Registration deadline – 6 June.
 Go to www.vimylondon.ca, See link to Golf Tournament.

Prizes awarded for: Best overall team score, Closest to the Pin (Men & Ladies), Hole in One wins* - 1 year vehicle lease from Dale Downie Nissan and Commercial Vehicles.
 Most Honest Golfers & more...



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Proceeds shall benefit
 London Military Family Resource Centre, and the Parkwood Institute Veterans' Care Program



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* Refer to tournament rules

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2 H:When Your Loved One Returns	3	4	5 L: Wonderful Wednesday L: Little Troopers	6	7 L: Adventure Club P.A. Day	8
9	10 H: Stress Busters Workshop L:Vision Board	11 H:Family Separation & Reunion All are Welcome	12 L: Wonderful Wednesday L: Little Troopers Playgroup	13 L: Open House For Medically Releasing Veterans & Their Families	14	15 H: Sightseeing Lunch Cruise for the Military Community
16	17	18 H:Family Separation & Reunion	19 L: Wonderful Wednesday L: Little Troopers Playgroup	20 H: Open House For Medically Releasing Veterans & Their Families	21	22 H:Tai Chi Outdoors Wellness Session W: Greenview Aviar-
23 / 30	24 H:Family Separation & Reunion	25	26 L: Wonderful Wednesday L: Little Troopers	27	28 H: Canadian Armed Forces Military Night With the Hamilton Tiger Cats	29

London Events

June 5, 12, 19, 26: Wonderful Wednesdays / Little Troopers Playgroup

June 7: Adventure Club P.A. Day, **Cost:** \$25.00/child, **Time:** 7:30am-4:00pm, **Location:** SWOMFRC Children's Room
To register please email Shannon.Kisslinger@forces.gc.ca or call 519-660-5275 ext.:5002

June 10: Vision Board Workshop, **Cost:** \$10, **Time:** 7-9 pm, **Women 18+**, **Location:** SWOMFRC Main building 50 Room 211

June 13: Open House For Medically Releasing Veterans & Their Families, **Contact** Deborah Smith 519-660-5275 ext.: 5005 For further details and location.
Time: 10:00am-2:00pm

For information on Hamilton and Windsor Events - please contact the respective Event Coordinator

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Caregiver Zone-Supporting Care-givers of Veterans in Canada

<http://caregiver.ca/#1/forefront/home>

Contact Deborah Smith for information regarding services for Veterans and their families
Deborah.Smith2@forces.gc.ca 519-660-5275 x5005 *Events subject to change*