

PPCLI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

"The Battle of Frezenberg, 8 May 1915, stopped the German drive to capture Ypres. Under intense artillery and machine gun fire while occupying very shallow, exposed trenches, the Patricia's blunted repeated German assaults and held their position despite having their flank turned. Battalion roll call on the previous night of 7 May 1915 was 635 officers and men. Just over 24 hours later, 4 officers and 150 men would stagger, unbeaten, from their positions."



PPCLI Battle of Frezenberg 8 May 1915 by W.B. Wollen. The figures in the painting are based on the following members of the Regiment. The Machine Gunner is 1586 Cpl C. Dover; 51383 Cpl A.G. Pearson carrying the ammo box; Lt H.W. Niven calling orders; Ptes 282897 J.J. McCormack and Kelly throwing grenades. Wounded man is 167 Sgt J McDermott. To the right are 1505 Pte L. Phillips and 1541 Pte G.W. Candy.

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Cover Information



Lt Hugh Wilderspin Niven was awarded the Military Cross "For conspicuous gallantry and coolness during a very heavy bombardment on 8 May 1915 at Bellewaerde Lake, east of Ypres, when his Battalion suffered very heavy casualties. All the senior officers being disabled, he found himself in charge and continued to command the Battalion with great ability until 15th May." Niven was eventually promoted to Major and awarded the Distinguished Service Order and Bar (2nd award). He survived the war and commanded the PPCLI 1932-1937. He died in 1969

Sgt Thomas McDermott was slightly wounded 4 May 1915 while digging in the new defensive position while under artillery fire. However, he remained on duty. In February, 1916 he was hospitalized and remained in England, serving until he died from tuberculosis March 1917.

Cpl Alfred G. Pearson was awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal "For conspicuous gallantry and devotion. After practically all the garrison at the front trenches had been killed or wounded by the enemy's shellfire, Lance-Corporal Pearson, with a few men, still held on, and fortunately, although wounded himself, managed to bring out the survivors in safety after a new position had been taken up." Subsequently, Pearson was commissioned from the ranks in Dec 1915. He would be wounded twice; be awarded the Military Cross and Mentioned in Despatches. Pearson commanded the battalion 15 Oct -21 Nov 1918. He died in 1967.

Cpl Crawford Dover was killed in action at the Battle of Frezenburg. He heroically manned a machine gun while under very heavy artillery and small arms fire in the forward trenches during the German assault. He was severely wounded and buried in the wreckage of the trench. When he regained consciousness that evening, he crawled towards the support trench but was sniped in the head before he could gain safety. Cpl Crawford Dover's name is listed with 503 other Patricia's on the Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial to the Missing. These are officers and men who had no known grave in the Ypres Salient.

Pte Gilbert Candy would go on to be promoted to Sgt and Mentioned in Despatches for his gallantry and service in the field. Later he was wounded during the Battle of Mount Sorrel 2 June 1916 and struck off battalion strength. Unfit for further service, he returned to Canada in 1917. Candy died in 1978.

Pte Leonard Phillips subsequently served with the Battalion in the field until struck off strength 11 August 1917. He then served with the Canadian Base Depots in England reaching the rank of RSM. Date of death unknown but post-1969.

There is insufficient detail to determine which **Pte Kelly** the painting was based upon. Both **Pte John Kelly** 1601 and **Pte Michael Kelly** 51285 were killed in action 8 May 1915. Both their names are on the Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial.



HONORARY PATRON

The Right Honourable Countess Mountbatten of Burma,
CBE, MSC, CD, JP, DL



COLONEL IN CHIEF

The Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson,
PC, CC, CMM, COM, CD



COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT

MGen W.B. Vernon, CD

VICE-PATRONS

Major-General H.C. Pitts, MC, CD
Major-General C.W. Hewson, CMM, CD
General A.J.G.D. de Chastelain, CC, CMM, CD, CH
Major-General R.I. Stewart, CMM, CD
Brigadier General J.E.L. Gollner, OMM, CD
Major-General R.I. Stewart, CMM, CD
Lieutenant-General R.R. Crabbe, CMM, MSC, CD

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President's Message

Mr Michael Austdal, CD

This will be my last message to you as President of the PPCLI Association. I have been a member of the Board of Directors since 2010 and National President since 2015. It has been an extremely rewarding period and I am very proud of what the Association has accomplished over the seven years that I have been involved with the Board of Directors. The loyalty, dedication and hard work of all the Directors has been nothing short of impressive. I would like to acknowledge Matthew Brown who was Editor of the Association Newsletter for the past eight years and recently passed away. Matt you will be missed and God Speed, my friend.

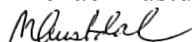
During my tenure as President, we have continued to improve the charitable support that the Association and Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund provides to others. In 2016, we gave out over \$41,000. Two areas, in particular, are worth mentioning. First, our support to PPCLI Cadet Corps continues to increase. The Association now provides PPCLI Cadets with their hatbadge and PPCLI Flashes. This year, five Cadet Corps will each receive \$1,150 from the HGMF. The 2483 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corp Esquimalt was rated the Top PPCLI Cadet Corps out of 11 and will receive an additional \$1,000. Second, is our support to Student Bursaries. In 2015 and 2016 we awarded \$13,000 and \$16,000 respectively in Bursaries. In 2017, we will award a further \$17,000. For those that are interested you will find further information on the Student Bursaries in this Newsletter. I encourage you to submit your application for a 2017 PPCLI Student Bursary by 15 July 2017.

Membership is constant challenge for the Association. In 2014, we had over 1200 members unfortunately we are now down to about 800. It is extremely unfortunate so many just joined for the 100th Anniversary. Regardless, I encourage each of you to reach out and encourage individuals to join the Association. Collectively we are stronger and can do so much more to help each other.

The 2017 National Annual General Meeting will take place in Niagara-on-the-Lake on 9 / 10 June 2017. At that time, a new President and Vice President will be elected, along with some new members to the Board of Directors. At the same time, we will facilitate a Suicide Prevention and Awareness Workshop. We are losing too many of our brothers and sisters to a silent killer, each loss is another stab in the heart and the pain that it causes to families and loved ones is profound. It is my belief that we must address this issue and do our best to help those who are fighting personal demons. Each of us brings value and I encourage everyone to get involved at a Branch or National Level so that we can reduce the number of suicides. I would also like to thank John Hunter for his outstanding work in drafting the South West Ontario Healthy Soldier – Healthy Veteran Suicide Prevention paper. It has been very favourably received by both the Canadian Armed Forces and Veterans Affairs Canada.

In closing, I will remain involved with the Association as Past President and President of the Wainwright Branch. I wish the new executive good luck and I know that you will continue to preserve the Regiment's history and look after our fellow soldiers.

Michael Austdal



Once a Patricia Always a Patricia

Matthew Ross Brown

October 7, 1946 – January 29, 2017



Matt was born in Windsor, Ontario on 7 October, 1946 and it is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of Matt in Quartzville, Arizona on 29 January 2017. Matt was doing what he loved, travelling in his motorhome with Elizabeth. He is predeceased by his mother, father and brother. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth of 43 years, sons Richard and Matthew, his daughter Pamela, son-in-law Tom, grandchildren Marlei, Wade, Justin, Robyn and Ethan, three sisters Penny, Heather and Candy, numerous nieces and nephews and a large extended family.

Matt served in the Canadian Armed Forces from 1962 until 1981. Initially he was a member of 2 PPCLI until his transfer to the Military Police. In 1981, he realized that he wanted to raise his family in Chilliwack, British Columbia. Accordingly, he retired from the military and worked for Correction Services of Canada from 1981 until 2002.

Matt was a very strong supporter of the PPCLI Association, serving in multiple leadership roles ranging from President of the Fraser Valley Branch to Editor for the Association Newsletter. Matt assumed the task Editor for the Newsletter in 2009. His dedication, loyalty and outstanding work in support of the Regiment and Association was second to none. To quote a family member.

“He was a big teddy bear of a man with a heart as big as he was. Matt loved his family unconditionally, and his country could not have asked for a more patriotic citizen. His dedication went without question. He will be sorely missed by so many, but through us all he will live on. God Bless”

Student Bursaries



2017 PPCLI Student Bursaries

Applications are available: www.ppcliassoc.ca or call 780-261-0300

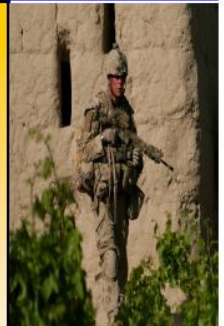
The PPCLI Association Student Bursaries continue to increase. Last year we distributed \$16,000. This year we plan to distribute \$17,000 in Bursaries.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to fund a portion of your education. Bursaries are available for serving, former and retired members, cadets, spouses, children and grandchildren.

The application deadline is 15 July 2017 and must be met. The selection committee will sit prior to 10 August and recipients notified shortly thereafter. If you have questions contact Bursary Chair (Mike Austdal) at 780-261-0300 or by email (maustdal@hotmail.ca).

Send your application to: PPCLI Student Bursary Chairman:

PO Box 3163, Wainwright, AB, T9W 1T1



**Jamie Ward
Recipient 2016
SW Ontario
Bursary for
\$2000**

Healthy Soldiers and Healthy Veterans Suicide Prevention

In response to a tragic suicide, in January 2016, the South West Ontario Branch of the PPCLI Association has undertaken a review of veterans' suicide prevention programs. The purpose was to determine the extent of the problem and to identify what, if anything, the PPCLI Association could do to add its weight in suicide prevention. No one really knows how many released or retired military members have committed suicide over the past few years. Anecdotal comments have implied that we may have lost more soldiers to suicide than were killed during our deployments to Afghanistan. We must take a proactive approach in trying to help our brothers and sisters. Below is a very condensed summary of the paper.

We compared what Canada, the US, the UK and Australia are doing with respect to suicide prevention. All governments are addressing the suicide issue and use statistics to their advantage. It is clear that the average suicide rate within the Canadian Military is generally below the National rate. However, when you look specifically at Combat Arms trades it appears that the suicide rate exceeds the National average. Suicide rates are higher among NCMs and for NCMs released for non-voluntary reasons. It was noted that there were two age groups among serving members 20-29 and 45-49 where they are at a higher risk of committing suicide. There was insufficient data to determine suicide rates for released members.

Healthy Soldier Effect - What it is

Why does the suicide rate go above national rates after retirement and in middle aged veterans? Being in the army seems to deter suicides. Statistics reported by the US and UK either specifically note or otherwise imply that soldiers serving in their armed forces appear to have a lower suicide rate than those who have left, and lower than national averages for the same age groups while serving.

This effect is confirmed to a degree by statistics that show an increase above national suicide rates during retirement in the US and near that rate in the UK. Statistics for Canadian and Australian veterans are not available but there is every reason to believe that they would yield the same result. While the reasons for this '**Healthy Soldier Effect**' are largely anecdotal, they are generally summarized as:

- *Careful initial screening and selection,*
- *Mental and physical training,*
- *General fitness,*
- *Medical care,*
- *Comradeship,*
- *Sense of purpose, and*

- *Leadership.*

There is no apparent reason to doubt the effectiveness of the above factors in countering suicidal tendencies in serving soldiers. The numbers tell us that this is happening. However, upon forced release or retirement, most of these stabilizing factors disappear and problems appear with respect to various individuals who are missing the sense of belonging and leadership provided by others.

The challenge is to determine to what extent these elements can be replicated by third parties such as the PPCLI Association, VAC or the CAF and thereby have a similar impact in suicide prevention among veterans.

WAY AHEAD FOR THE PPCLI ASSOCIATION

The PPCLI Association should adopt a proactive approach in assisting released or retired soldiers. At the 2016 National Annual General Meeting, a three-year free basic membership was approved for all soldiers released after 30 April 2016. The challenge now is to get the word out to the Regimental family. The other areas where we can take action are listed below:

Contribute to the **Healthy Soldier Effect** by providing comradeship, a sense of purpose, leadership, fitness motivation and support to veterans. We should utilize the Volunteer Patricia Program (VPP) to assist released members and improve our VPP training and resource material in order to assist veterans at risk in obtaining the help they need. This can also be accomplished by regular social gatherings and contact with others in order to let them know that they are not alone and the Regimental family is still there.

The PPCLI Association should post monthly articles on Social Media sites that stress the importance of the Healthy Soldier Effect and need to reach and maintain contact with others. In particular for soldiers who have been medically released.

On 10 June 2017, the PPCLI Association will host and facilitate a Suicide Awareness and Prevention Workshop as part of its National Annual General Meeting in Niagara-on-the-Lake. This workshop will involve speakers from the Canadian Armed Force, VAC and a veteran who has recovered from PTSD and failed suicide attempts. The intent of this workshop is to discuss how the PPCLI Association and other like minded groups can help to prevent suicide or raise awareness of the issue.

The VAC benefit based approach to Mental Health care where it is incumbent on an injured veteran to prove that they require assistance is not working effectively. Branch VPP representatives must offer assistance in helping individuals navigate the VAC process so that veterans can obtain the help they require.

The PPCLI Association should advocate on the following issues.

From a national perspective, veterans in Canada with mental health issues should not simply be released and expected to arrange their own care and to fight the VAC benefits system. A better *hand off* is essential but this is a CAF and VAC responsibility.

SUMMARY

We, the PPCLI Association, need to take the lead by setting the example and developing ways to assist released or retired military members. VPP was established in 2004 to support released and retiring members of the Regiment and their families who need assistance adjusting to changes in their lives and in obtaining support from professional caregivers. It is time to review VPP and determine what can be done to enhance the program while preventing and raising suicide awareness. It is important to realize that many individuals will not self identify. It is incumbent on all of us to keep in contact with others and be supportive and proactive in helping them to recover.

Paul Hale and John Hunter
South West Ontario Branch

AGM 2017

National PPCLI Association Annual General Meeting 9 – 10 June 2017

The National Association AGM will take place in the Niagara Falls Region from Friday 9 June to Saturday 10 June 2017 and will be hosted by the South West Ontario Branch. 35 rooms at a group rate of \$129 per night plus taxes have been block booked at the Hilton Garden Inn, 500 York Road, Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON L0S 1J0. You must make your reservation by 11 May. Contact the hotel at 1-866-777-9877 using reservation code **PPB17**.

The schedule is as follows:

Friday 9 June:

0900 – 1000 HGMF Board of Directors Meeting;

1000 – 1200 Board of Directors Strategic Planning Session;

1300 – 1730 Wine Tour and Tasting of the Niagara Region. Cost \$35 per person and will include visits to Strewn Winery, Niagara-on-the-Lake and Château des Charmes;

1830 – 2200 No cost Meet and Greet with a wine tasting.

Saturday 10 June:

0900 – 1200 Suicide Prevention and Awareness Workshop. Guest speakers are:

MCpl (Red't) Collin Fitzgerald, MMV, CD who has conquered his personal demons with PTSD and suicide and is now on the road to recovery;

Col Rakesh Jetly, OMM, CD will speak on the Canadian Armed Forces Suicide Prevention Strategy; and

Veterans Affairs Chief Psychiatrist, LCol (Red't) A Heber, CD will speak on VAC suicide prevention initiatives;

The format will be a 30 minute address by the speakers on what they do with and what the Association can do to help. This will be followed by a 45 minute panel discussion with questions from the audience;

1400 – 1700 Association National AGM;

1830 – 2000 Buffet Dinner or BBQ at a cost of \$70 per person. PPCLI Labelled wine from Château des Chames will be included with the meal.

If you have any questions, please contact Paul Hale by email at Paulhale3vp@yahoo.ca.

2016 AGM Minutes

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association

Minutes of the 68th Annual General Meeting
0847 Hours 30 April, 2016, Victoria, British Columbia

COUNCIL

Executive / Board of Directors Committee Present:

Mr. Mike Austdal	Chair / National President
Mr. Paul Hale	Vice Chair/ President SW Ontario Branch
Mr. Dougal Salmon	VP West
Mr. Jay Lapeyre	VP East / Director / Heritage
Mr. Jim Croll	Treasurer
Mr. Fred Goldring	Director / Membership
Mr. Matt Brown	Director
Mr. Jim MacMillan-Murphy	Director
Ms. Shelly Ullery	National Secretary

Council Present:

Mr. Herb Kenny	President Edmonton Branch
Mr. Raymond Moskowec	President Saskatchewan Branch
Mr. Ken Lockie	President Cypress Hills

Absent:

Mr. Art Chase	Director
Mr. Jerry Hart	Director
Mr. Bert Scott	Director

Teleconference Participants:

Mr. Stephen Bartlett	President Atlantic Branch
Mr. CJ Wallace	Webmaster
Mr. Mike English	Kingston Branch
Mr. Ray Paquin	Kingston Branch



Mr. Dave Pentney
Mr. Philip Fisher
Mr. Don Dalziel
plus others

Kingston Branch
President Calgary Branch
Ottawa

In Attendance:

Madame Adrienne Clarkson
MGen (Ret'd) Brian Vernon
LGen (Ret'd) Kent R. Foster
Major Quentin Innis
Shane Peterson
Clayton Campbell
Shane Cherney
Norm Pryce
Mike Wind
Martin Kenneally
Bill Buckley
Barry Ashton
Claude Petit
Huf Mullick
Bob Stewart
Diane Cadoni
Bill Murphy
Jac de Bruijne
Kazimierz Jednorog
John Hunter
Larry Gollner
Frank Greaves
Edward Widenmaier
Karl Graham
Steve Sawyer

Colonel in Chief
Colonel of the Regiment
President PPCLI Foundation
Regimental Major
RHQ WO
RHQ Sgt
RHQ MCpl
Member
Member Mid Island Branch
Member SW Ontario Branch
Member Victoria Branch
Member Calgary Branch
Member Edmonton Branch
Member Vancouver Branch
Member Victoria Branch
Member SW Ontario Branch
Secretary Victoria Branch
Member Victoria Branch
Member Mid Island Branch
Member SW Ontario Branch
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Item	Discussion	OPI
1. Call to Order		Chairman
	The Chairman called the meeting to order at 0847 hours with a quorum.	
2. Moment of Silence		Chairman
	The Chairman asked the membership to stand and observe a moment of silence for our fallen departed comrades.	
3. Opening remarks from the Chair		Chairman
	Chairman welcomed the Colonel of the Regiment, Madame Adrienne Clarkson, and members. The AGM procedures will be simple; We will be asking input from the teleconference participants East to West. We have a quorum of approximately 50 people. Thanks to Dougal Salmon and the Victoria Branch for all the support and for hosting this 2016 AGM	
4. Opening remarks by the Colonel and Chief		
	Glad to be here to open the AGM. We are at an interesting point, and we had a superb celebration of the Centennial, Frezenburg and 90th Vimy Anniversary. We have to look at what we must do as a group that have so much in common. What is our next goal? Great research from John Hunters paper on suicide prevention. We will come up with a future plan, and gives us a good purpose to move forward. We are looking after the well-being of those who have served and are still serving. This is also good for our Country, and you have all served your Country. Current MND has formed a group to discuss the issues with the Forces, how we can help Soldiers in all levels of service. Provide Comradeship, common purpose to soldiers through the Association, and bridge the gap, after a soldier retires.	



5. **Approval of the Agenda**

Chairman

Amendment: Paul Hale added 8.4 “Free three year Membership” for recently released members.

Moved by Fred Goldring. Seconded by Ken Lockie ____ *Carried*

6 **Approval of minutes of the 67th AGM of 18 April 2015**

Moved by Jim MacMillan-Murphy. Seconded by Ken Lockie ____ *Carried*

7. **Reports**

7.1 Presidents Report

Chairman

- Busier than expected year as the Association settles into the post 100th and adjusts to our new Board structure.
- Mix of successes and challenges
 - Reduced membership
 - Not our best year financially
 - Social media continues to improve
 - Cooperation with the Regiment and Foundation is excellent
- Bursary applications in 2015 were excellent, 13K this year, 15K next and 17k for 2017. In the past year, there were 21 Bursary Applicants. Our goal is to get a steady state goal of \$25,000
- Introduction of a new cadet procedure for donations and hat badges and shoulder titles holds promise
- Introduction of a Veteran’s and Family support fund has yielded some good results and will be refined as we move forward.



7.2 Finance Committee Report Finance Committee Chair

- 2015 Opening Balance \$662,520;
- First Quarter (31 Mar 15) \$691,071;
- Second Quarter (30 Jun 15) \$682,403;
- Third Quarter (30 Sep 15) \$671,346; and
- Fourth Quarter (31 Dec 15) \$689,544.
- The value of the portfolio increased \$27,204 over the year, or 4%.
- You will be aware that 2015 was a challenging year for financial markets.
- The HGMF exceeded the disbursement quota for 2015, primarily due to spending on 100th Anniversary projects.

7.2.1 Current Financial Position

- Association Operating Fund (AOF)
- Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund

(HGMF) See Attachment

7.2.2 2015 Reviewed Financial Statement

- Association Operating Fund (AOF)
- See Attachment

7.3 Membership Committee Report

Membership

Chair

- RM recommended that we can do the mail out of the Patrician electronically. At the present, costs are approximately 8–14 \$ each.

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- Mike Wind suggested that we could also send it out in PDF format.
- We need to look at cost effectiveness. The decision will be put to the membership. The Association and RHQ will work together on avenue for the Patrician mail out. This year there will be approximately 150 mailed.
- Stephen Bartlett stated that if a member doesn't re-new, Secretary was told to take them off of the data base. This causes the problem of now; they don't have a history of who was taken off.
- By-laws state, that the members name has to stay on the database, but becomes in-active.

See Attachment

7.4 Public Policy and Communications Committee Report Vice President

See Attachment

7.5 Governance Report
Governance Chair

See Attachment

7.6 Fundraising Committee Report Vice President

See Attachment

7.7 Heritage Committee Report VP East

See Attachment

7.8 Cadet Report VP West

- Best PPCLI Cadet Trophy went to Fort St. John (2276) this year. Dougal Salmon will be attending in June to present the cheque for \$1000, and the trophy to the winner. All of the Cadet Corps participated this year.



- The form is being reviewed for participant categories. The Association should be providing hat badges and shoulder titles to all 11 Cadet Corps. It is budgeted at \$2,200, for 15 hat badges and 30 shoulder titles. Costs were \$1,700 for last year

7.9 Webmaster Update

CJ Wallace

Database is up and running. At the present, it is missing about half of the functions, along with some of the reports. All branch users can use it. The database is easy to add to, and is user-friendly

7.10 Regimental Update

RM

- Kitshop is now called The Warehouse
- Veteran's Care manual is being worked on by RHQ
- The RM participated in the Outward Bound program recently, and states it's a great opportunity for members and Veterans alike. http://www.outwardbound.ca/our_story/
- Virtual Wall of Honour can be found on <https://www.ppcli.com>
- Pte Mitchell's medals were purchased, and are in the museum in Calgary.
- Every five years there will be a Commemoration for Anniversaries

See Attachment

8. New Business

8.1 2017 Association Operating Fund Budget

Chairman

Moved on a motion by Paul Hale, Seconded by Ray Moskovez, Carried

See Attachment



8.2 Firm to Conduct Annual Association Financial Review

Chairman

Background

The Association Operating Fund and the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund require that an independent Financial Review be conducted annually.

Motion

It is moved that the firm Calvista LLP, Professional Accountants be retained as the Association Review Accountants.

Moved on a motion by Jim MacMillan-Murphy, Seconded by Frank Graves, Carried

8.3 Special Resolution 01-16 Honorary Appointments

Governance

Chair

- When the by-law was created, the Honorary Appointments were left out, and is now formalized. By-law has now been amended.

Moved on a motion by Barry Ashton, Seconded by Dougal Salmon, Carried

See attachment

8.4 Propose that the Association offer free three year basic e-membership for all Patricia's releasing as of 30 April 2016.

Chairman

Moved on a motion by Paul Hale, Seconded by Herb Kenny, *Carried*

8.5 8.5 SW Ontario presentation for 2017 AGM

President

- Niagra-on-the-Lake, preferred location, at the White choice will be St. Catherines, ON.

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9. Date, Location and Host of the next AGM:

9.1 2017 - SW Ontario Branch – Location TBD

Paul Hale



9.2 2018 – Cypress Hills Branch – Medicine Hat

9.3 2019 - Edmonton in conjunction with 105th Anniversary (late August)

9.4 2020 – Saskatchewan Branch – Dundurn / Saskatoon

10. Colonel of the Regiment Closing Remarks

The Regiment is more active than he realized and is very impressed. Commends for all their efforts.

11. Adjournment

The President adjourned the meeting at 1145 hours, on a Motion by Ed Widenmaier. *Carried*

Prepared by: Shelly Ullery National Secretary

21 June 2016

Signed by: Mike Austdal National President

21 June 2016

Note: due to space limitations, the attachments have not been included with the newsletter.

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Student Bursary Recipients

The Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund can trace its history back to 1963, when the Association initially established the fund with a goal of raising \$25,000. The revenue from these funds was to be used to assist promising NCOs and soldiers in improving their education. Over the years, the HGMF has continued to evolve. One of the main pillars of the HGMF is to

- Offer bursaries for educational advancement for former members or serving members of the Regiment, their families and members of Cadet Corps affiliated with the PPCLI, to achieve a higher level of academic or technical education

In 2015, the HMGF awarded 12 Student Bursaries for a total of \$13,000. In 2016, 13 Student Bursaries for a total of \$16,000 were awarded. The successful recipients were:

Lauren Dodds – First – Mike Wind Award - \$2,000

Lauren is the daughter of Sgt (Ret'd) Rick Dodds and recipient of the Mike Wind Award - \$2000. She is a strong, independent woman who has overcome adversity to achieve the goals she has set for herself in life. She is attending Sheridan College at the Pilon School of Business faculty.

Jamie Ward - Second - SW Ontario Branch Award - \$2000

Jamie served with 1 PPCLI from 2007 to 2010 and completed two tours in Afghanistan with TF 1-08 and 3-09. In 2010, he transferred to the Canadian Scottish Regiment where he attained the rank of MCpl. Jamie took his release in 2015 so that he could pursue further education. He has completed two degrees in psychology and biology. Jamie is a student at the University of Alberta where he intends to graduate as a Medical Doctor before hopefully proceeding to an Emergency Medical specialty.

Maggie Bazdarick - Third - Calgary Branch Award - \$2000

Maggie is the granddaughter of Jack LaChance (PPCLI). She is attending Lakehead University in Political Science and wishes to pursue a career in Law, specifically to champion the veteran causes.

Anja Hamilton - Dr. Jack Cathie Award - \$1000

Angie is the daughter of CWO Michael Hamilton. She received a bursary in 2015 and continues to pursue her goal in a Master's Degree in Museum Studies at the University of Toronto.

Cherie Topham - Lady Patricia Award - \$1000

Cherie is the daughter of Bruce Topham. She received bursaries from the Association in both 2014 and 2015. Cherie is entering her third year of post graduate study in Clinical Psychology at Nova South Eastern University in Florida, USA. She is passionate about issues involving women, children and aboriginal people.

Karis Callaway - Foundation Award - \$1000

Karis is an active member of the Calgary MFRC and strong supporter of the Regiment and military. She is entering her fourth year of PhD studies in Clinical Psychology at Western Michigan University. Her goal is to provide services and advocacy to the Canadian Armed Forces.

Michael Wickson - Ottawa Branch Award - \$1000

Michael is a Captain in 3 PPCLI who is currently on Leave Without Pay so that he can attending the Faculty of Law at the University of Alberta. He hopes to remain in the military and will apply for Military Legal Training Program.

Alissa Keer - PPCLI Association Award - \$1000

Alissa is the daughter of Sgt (Ret'd) Ian Keer and previous recipient of a Student Bursary. She is a long time resident of Wainwright Alberta and is attending her second year at the University of Alberta, Augustana Campus in Camrose in the Business Management Program.

Paton Manzara - Hamilton Gault - \$1000

Paton is the daughter of Capt Angelo Manzara. She recently graduated from High School and has been accepted to the University of Western Ontario where she is pursuing an undergraduate degree in kinesiology with a longer term goal of becoming a nurse.

Kayleigh Poelman - Hamilton Gault - \$1000

Kayleigh is the daughter of MCpl (Ret'd) Poelman. She will be attending the Randolph Academy of Performing Arts in Toronto, in the Faculty of Musical Theatre.

Maeve Slater - Hamilton Gault - \$1000

Maeve is the daughter of LCol (Ret'd) John Slater and is in her 4th year of electrical engineering at the University of Alberta.

Jena McLean - Hamilton Gault - \$1000

Jena is the daughter of WO Dan McLean and is in her 3rd year of Arts at Mount Allison University in Nova Scotia,

Delaney Brause - Hamilton Gault - \$1000

Delaney is the daughter of Maj Morris Brause and is attending the University of Ottawa in the Social Sciences.

This year the Hamilton Gault Memorial Funds plans to award 13 Student Bursaries for a total of \$17,000. They will consist of two \$2,500, two \$2,000, two \$1,500 and seven \$1,000 bursaries.

Bursary applications must be received by the Mike Austdal the Bursary Chair by 15 July 2017. The Bursary committee will sit prior to 10 August and successful recipients will be notified shortly thereafter.

The Bursary application will be uploaded to facebook and the Association website <http://www.ppcliassoc.ca/>. Or you can contact Mike Austdal at maustdal@hotmail.ca or Paul Hale at paulhale3vp@yahoo.ca to request an electronic copy. Applications must be mailed to

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Cadet Update May, 2017



Hat Badges and Shoulder Titles

All 11 of our PPCLI Cadet Corps requested and received hat badges and shoulder titles again this year. The Association was pleased to provide them through RHQ. This successful program will continue next year.

A reminder that if any Corps need more that they can be purchased from RHQ at a reduced cost.

Financial Report

**PPCLI Association
Income Statement
31-Dec-16
REVENUE**

Sales Revenue

Membership Fees	18,930.00
Membership Fees - Partnership	600.00
Membership Fees - E-Membership	5,614.50
Casino Revenue.....	30,487.72
Miscellaneous Revenue.....	3,061.00

TOTAL REVENUE 58,693.22

EXPENSE

Expenses

Office	983.66
AGM Subsidy	750.00
Donation PPCLI Museum & Archives.....	10,000.00
Donation - Cadets/Others	4,839.60
The Patrician Grant.....	7,699.55
Casino Expenses	4,166.99
Miscellaneous Expenses.....	38.85
Stationary Supplies	290.59
Directors' & Officers` Insurance	1,021.00
Memorial Maintenance (Patricia Park Flag Replacement).....	137.55
Newsletters & Bulletin	5,782.50
Donation HGMF	5,000.00
Travel	4,478.12
Postage	11,526.86
Telephone.....	1,032.69
Web Expense	1,444.50

Total General & Admin. Expenses 59,192.46

NET INCOME - \$499.24

Statement of Financial Position
PPCLI Association
31-Dec-16

ASSET

Current Assets

Operating Account.....	\$3,100.05
Cash - Casino	\$89,443.46
Investment - Association	\$25,867.34
Current Assets.....	\$118,410.85
Prepaid Expenses.....	\$1,021.00
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Total Assest	\$119,431.85

LIABILITY

Casino Deferred Revenues	\$90,464.46
Prepaid Association Dues.....	\$585.00
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TOTAL LIABILITY	\$91,049.46

EQUITY

Retained Earnings

Fund Balance	\$28,881.63
Current Earnings	-\$499.24
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Total Retained Earnings	\$28,382.39

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY.....	\$119,431.85
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**Hamilton Gault Memorial
Income Statement
31-Dec-16
REVENUE**

Revenue

Donations - Tax Receipted	8,864.55
Donations -Canada Helps	7,099.95
Donations - Vets & Family Support	2,747.82
Donations - Cadets	1,500.00
Other Revenues	190.00
Ottawa Student Bursary	200.00
Ottawa Memorials Maintenance.....	100.00
Donations for Bursaries.....	11,535.00

Total Revenue.....32,237.32

TOTAL REVENUE.....32,237.32

EXPENSE

Expense Accounts

The Military Museum Foundation.....\$5,000.00

Cadet Support.....3,691.56

Travel.....3724.77

Bursaries.....\$16,000.00

Miscellaneous.....1500

Fund Raising Expense.....359.85

Interest & Bank Charges.....55.58

Total General & Admin. Expenses.....30,331.76

TOTAL EXPENSE.....30,331.76

NET INCOME.....1,905.56

**Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund
Financial Position
31-Dec-16**

ASSET

Current Assets

Cash.....	\$52,291.60
Investment - Mutual Funds.....	\$689,544.54
Total Current Assets	\$741,836.14

Total Liability \$0.00

EQUITY

Retained Earnings

Fund Balance	\$739,930.58
Current Earnings	1,905.56

Total Retained Earnings \$741,836.14

TOTAL EQUITY \$741,836.14

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY..... \$741,836.14

Total 2016 Donations From The Association and HGMF

	Association	HGMF	Total
Student Bursaries		16,000	\$16,000.00
Regimental Museum	10,000	5,000.00	\$15000.00
Cadets	4,839	3,691.56	\$8,531.16
Soldier On		1,500	\$1,500.00
Memorial Maintenance	137.55		\$137.55
	\$14,977.15	\$26,191.56	\$41,168.71

Last Post

Arthurson George 83	2 VP joined in 1957 CAR	Jan 2017	Calgary
Brown Matt	joined VP mid 60's remustered to C P	Jan 2017	Chilliwack (Arizona)
Colbourne Willie	RSM 1 VP 77-79	Jan 2017	St Boniface, Man
Fisher Ed	1 VP mid 50's - late 60's	Jan 2017	Hythe, AB
Gallant Jerry W 83	2 and 1 VP 52-56 Germany	Jan 2017	Berwick, NS
Gow Willie A 84	1 VP 55- 80	Jan 2017	Amsterdam
Heaver Dick 84	Korea Reg Force 2 VP	Jan 2017	Winnipeg
Lloyd William B 84	Korea and 1 VP 55-57	Jan 2017	Calgary
Parker Randall 73	3 VP 1974	Jan 2017	Calgary
Swick Lloyd A	Korea Reg Force 2 VP	Jan 2017	Ottawa
Thompson Charles M	WW 2	Jan 2017	Winnipeg
Trinkanus Tom	1 VP 87	Jan 2017	Cabo San Lucas
Grant Wesley N 81	rebadge from QOR(Korea) to 1 VP	Feb 2017	Staynor, Ont
Hardy Frank 86	Korea	Feb 2017	Ottawa
Hartman Otto 77	2 VP 57 66 Germany	Feb 2017	Port Albernie
Holland John 84	3 VP Korea	Feb 2017	Surrey, BC
Johnston Norris H 86	Korea served 1950-53	Feb 2017	Lumby, BC
Leach Gordon Schemer	Korea 2 VP Edmonton Depot	Feb 2017	Edmonton
Oakley Arthur F 80	served 1953-78	Feb 2017	Yarmouth, NS
Phillips Lyle 84	2 VP 50' -60's	Feb 2017	Edmonton
Shaw Colin Chuck 75	2 VP 1960 1 VP 63-66 Sky Hawk	Feb 2017	Edmonton
Vickers Gordon Gerald 92	Korea	Feb 2017	Dartmouth
Wells Lloyd J 93	WW 2 43-46	Feb 2017	Brandon, Man
Cathro Tom 87	Korea regular Force	Feb 2017	Brandon, Man
McDonald Claude 86	Korea 1952	Feb 2017	Mission BC
Rob Lamphier Sgt	Serving Member	Mar 2017	St Albert, AB
Aucoin Robert 74	rebadge from QOR 1968	Mar 2017	Calgary
Pearce William D	Korea	Mar 2017	Ottawa
Grant "Trapper" Wes 81	Korea 1 VP 50' and 60's	Mar 2017	Stayner, Ont
Stevens Nicolas 33	Afghanistan	Mar 2017	Penticton
Doell Frank 91	WW 2 and Korea	Apr 2017	Winnipeg
Moore Archie 84	mid 80's	Apr 2017	Winnipeg
Clark Earnest 83	served early 50's	Apr 2017	Parksville
Norman Raiche 86	2 VP Korea	April 2017	Sudbury
Charles "Bob" Boyd 77	2 VP 56-59	April 2017	Leduc, AB
Ken "Porky" 76	1 VP 57 - 89	April 2017	Olds, AB

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Goertzen Norman G 82	Korea SL4817	2016	Kyle, Sask
Grykuliak Marshall 77	3 VP M520501	2016	Port Albernie
Hicks JR 90	WW 2 H102959	2016	Dauphin, Man
Morin George 80	SL 5148	2016	North Battleford
Morris Ed JB 91	PPCLI Band circa 1958	2016	Calgary
Murray Gray 93	Korea	2016	Florida
Pennington Kenneth J	WW 2 H2443	2016	Winnipeg
Simpson Marcel A 81	SH206360 service unknown	2016	Thunder Bay
Smith Gordon	service unknown	2016	Ottawa
Stein Ken A 84	2 VP Korea	2016	Winnipeg
McNabb Gordon 78	SK100580 service unknown	Jan 2016	Rimbey, AB
Zosboski Kazimar 90	1 VP Germany Calgary Edmonton	Jan 2016	Calgary
Fullerton Robert G 64	joined 1 VP early 702	Apr 2016	Taber, Alberta
Tollestrup Jack R 80	M108038 mid 50's	Jun 2016	Lethbridge
Upton Jeff 84	VP 55-58 1 VP Germany 55-57	Jun 2016	Ottawa
Matheson Jim S 86	Korea	Jul 2016	Truro, NS
Maione Peter 84	2 VP mid 50's Rivers/Edmonton	Aug 2016	Langley, BC
Woolley James Vernon 77	QOR and rebadge to 3 VP	Aug 2016	Victoria
MacGinnes Harold Wm 84	joined early 62 WO 3 VP 79	Sep 2016	Napanee
McGinness Harold WM 74	service unknown	Sep 2016	Napanee, Ont
Grouette Harold 89	1, 2 VP 50's 60's	Nov 2016	Chilliwack (Arizona)
Jussila Jack 81	1 VP Germany 55-57	Nov 2016	Grande Prairie
Martin Robert F	Korea	Nov 2016	St John, NB
Peacock Robert Bob 87	Korea 1 and 3 VP 2 VP Germany	Nov 2016	Saanichton, BC
Sampson Lionel M 69	1 VP Germany and Cyprus	Nov 2016	Toronto
Tennant Thomas George 71	served VP 62-91	Nov 2016	Calgary
Gregerson Pete 90	2 VP Kapyong	Dec 2016	Toronto
Hunter Derek 74	2 VP 59 -62 remustered C Pro C	Dec 2016	St John, NB
Laroche Wilf Pappy 92	1 Can Para 2,1 VP Korea 1 VP Germany	Dec 2016	Calgary
Leblanc Joe A 76	1 VP 2 VP 59-70	Dec 2016	Iriquoix Falls, Ont
Martinak Henry 89	Korea 2 VP	Dec 2016	Windsor, Ont
Prevost Larry K 74	Reg Force 60's	Dec 2016	Sarnia
Reynard Brian J 74	Germany early 60's	Dec 2016	Winnipeg
Schechtel Joe 49	RCR CAR 3 VP	Dec 2016	Costa Rica
Skibinisky Andrew 62	Bosnia, Croatia, Cyprus	Dec 2016	Ontario
Ulrich Dieter 74	served 1959 -84 1 VP	Dec 2016	Kitchener
Ziamba Walter K 90	WW 2 45-46	Dec 2016	Thunder Bay Area

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