

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

ASSOCIATION NEWS BULLETIN



Lights in Ottawa illuminating The Founder, BGen H. Gault



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**Message from the
President of the Association**
Mr. Jac de Bruijne, CD

Reflecting on the past year's activities, in chronological order, I have summarized some of the Executive's recent actions. Executive members from Calgary attended the student bursary meeting in August 1999. Don Ethell attended the 40th Regimental Guard meeting in Ottawa in early October as I was in Europe for my sabbatical. I chaired the HGMF meeting at Garrison Edmonton on 09 Dec 99 where the complete board was in attendance. We accomplished a lot and the minutes reflect it. The previous day, 08 Dec 99, members attended the 3 PPCLI dinner, and later that day, we joined the WO's and Sgt's at their Garrison mess. After the Dec meeting, we socialized with the Edmonton Branch of the Association; thanks Wayne!

16 March 00, I attended the Bi annual WO's and Sgt's retirement dinner and presented complimentary one-year membership cards to the twelve retiring Patricia's. Wayne Taylor, President of the Edmonton Branch, was also in attendance to welcome the retirees with open arms. Don Ethell attended the Officer's retirement dinner the next night and also presented the complimentary membership cards to the retiring Patricia officers. The next morning, I observed the Regimental Day celebrations with 1 PPCLI and, in the afternoon, attended the 41st Regimental Guard meeting, presided by the Senior Patricia, BGen Vince Kennedy. Highlights were the discussions regarding the planning of the activities in Winnipeg for 12 to 15 July 2001 when the Regiment will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of Kapyong. Don Ethell and Rod Middleton attended and participated in these discussions.

In early May 00, I motored to Calgary to attend briefings by Tom Reid, the Casino chairman. All the Executive Committee members were in attendance, except V Pres East. Additionally, Rudy Raidt briefed the Committee on financial matters, and Rod Middleton reported on Heritage issues. On behalf of all members, I wish to express heartfelt thanks to Tom for his hard work and dedication to this very worthwhile cause.

Back home in B.C. the Victoria Branch hosted the 52nd AGM from 2-3 June 00 and the Victoria Branch secretary has included a report in this issue. The minutes of that meeting will soon be mailed to members. Of note is the resolution from this meeting that states:

"That we, the members, are profoundly disturbed by the allegations that the current afflictions of WO Matt Stopford are attributable to malicious actions of his own subordinates. We consider this to be aberrant behaviour in a regiment which prides itself on the close and respectful relationship between soldiers and their leaders. We urge the military authorities to rapidly conclude their



investigation of this matter, fully disclose the facts, and quickly take appropriate strong actions."

Don Ethell attended the Regimental Executive meeting on 14 June 00. The attendees raised the issue of a single colour for the Regimental blazer. The Executive agreed at the meeting that a blue blazer was the preferred choice, and the meeting's chairman, LCol Brennan, would forward this recommendation to the next meeting of the Regimental Guard.

At the end of June, I motored to Edmonton (now Steele Barracks) to attend the Presentation of New Colours to 1 PPCLI. In conjunction with this parade, the Colonel-in-Chief, Countess Mountbatten of Burma, presided over the Change-Over Ceremonies of the Colonels of the Regiment from MGen Bill Hewson to Gen John de Chastelain. Later that day, I had the opportunity to brief the new COR on Association matters. At this time, I wish to express, on behalf of all members of the Association, our profound gratitude to MGen Bill Hewson for the outstanding service throughout his tenure as our Colonel of the Regiment. He and Nora have represented our Regiment in an exemplary fashion. We thank them for their enormous contributions to the Regiment and our Association. The Association is committed to continuing its heartfelt and visible support to the new Colonel of the Regiment, Gen (Retd) John de Chastelain.

On 22 to 23 September 00, I attended the Change of Command for 3 PPCLI from Col Dave Barr to LCol Pat Stogran. This occasion also celebrated the Battle Group's homecoming from Bosnia. The Commander of 1 CMBG, Col Glen Nordick presented Dave with his fourth bar, as his wife Christine, father, and mother watched proudly from the reviewing stand. After the parade, LCol Stogran promised me to retain the strong ties with the Association that had been established over many years.

Lastly, the 50th Kapyong Battle Anniversary planning is well underway in Manitoba. I am in constant communication with D'Arcy in Winnipeg, and all indications are that this event will surpass the 45th celebrations. Sadly, the funding for the planned trip to South Korea for some of the Kapyong veterans is very much in doubt at this time. The Department of Veteran's Affairs has indicated that it will not help with the funding of the trip, and other funding sources have yet to be found to support this worthy venture.

In closing, on behalf of your executive, I would like to wish you and your loved ones a healthy and prosperous 2001. I will see you all in Winnipeg next July.

Message from the Colonel of the Regiment

General John de Chastelain, OC, CMM, CH, CD

This is my first opportunity to write for the PPCLI Association New Bulletin as Colonel of the Regiment and I welcome it.

It was a great honour to take over the appointment from Bill Hewson, who filled it with such energy and dedication for a number of years, and it was a particular honour to do so at a presentation of colours to the First Battalion, at which the Colonel-in-Chief presided in June.

Once again this year the Countess Mountbatten has demonstrated her extraordinary interest in her regiment and her dedication and selflessness in taking part in its activities. Her visit to present colours to 1 PPCLI, followed hard on her visit to Winnipeg where she presided at the change of command of 2 PPCLI, and in July she visited the 3 PPCLI Battle group in Bosnia, along with her son Lord Romsey. I was privileged to accompany them on this tour and was heartened to see what a professional job 3 PPCLI, and the other members of the Battle Group, were doing in that difficult task.

I was particularly pleased to have the chance to spend some time with Jac de Bruijne at the Colours ceremony in Edmonton in June. It gave me a good feel for what the Association is doing at the moment and what an enormous and important role it continues to play in the life of the Regiment. Sadly, my work in Northern Ireland prevented me attending the ceremony in Ottawa in September, when the Ottawa Branch completed its project to "light up" the statue of the Founder. This Branch project has resulted in the statue playing an even more visible and important role in the military character of Cartier Square, where the re-modelled surroundings of the Cenotaph and the newly-installed grave of the Unknown Soldier have placed a much greater emphasis on Canada's military heritage. How appropriate, then that the Ottawa Branch should have taken this initiative. I am informed that the lighting up ceremony, attended by the former Chairman of the National Commission, Jean Piggott, an enthusiastic supporter of the project, was a great success and well attended by serving and Associate members.

The operational tempo of the regular force battalions has been maintained at a very high rate this year, with First Battalion returning from Kosovo, Third Battalion completing its tour in Bosnia, and Second Battalion replacing the Third in September. I was recently able to visit the Regimental Headquarters in Edmonton and get a brief from Lieutenant-Colonel Brennan of 1 PPCLI and Major Mclean of 3 PPCLI on the activities of those two battalions. Both units are now getting caught up on individual training and career courses, to make up for the time spent on operational duty abroad. 1 PPCLI is actively preparing for re-equipment with the new LAV, and 3

PPCLI, once its leave is completed, will concentrate on each of the parachute, mountain and amphibious roles that constitute their mandate as a light battalion. 2 PPCLI Battle Group, of course, is actively engaged with its role in Bosnia.

I would take the opportunity of this message to send greetings to all members of the Patricia family, and particularly to the families of those who are deployed overseas on operational duty - either with the regiment or on individual taskings. While the absence of loved ones is difficult, we take much pride in the invaluable work they do for peace in a number of war-torn parts around the world.

I wish you all much success in the new year.



Editors Note

This is the first edition of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) Association News Bulletin. The change to a more informative and less expensive publication was agreed upon at the AGM 2000 in Victoria. It is devoted to the interest of all members of the PPCLI, is published at Regimental Headquarters, Edmonton Garrison, as an official Regimental Publication, under authority of the President of the PPCLI Association. Distribution is made under Canadian Publication Mail Product Sales Agreement #1520490.

PPCLI ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT 1999-2000

The past year has been one of the most exciting in the Association's history- indeed, the year can be described as one of transition, exploration, and renewal. We amended our Constitution to include in the preamble the original statement from the 1947 founding of the Association which the Founder of the Regiment, Andrew H. Gault, stated so profoundly. Approval of the constitution has been recently received from the Corporate Directorate of Industry Canada. We have also revised our Association By-laws. By-Law One is a consolidation of 10 by-laws of the 1988 edition which, in some cases, were no longer valid. The revision became necessary due to changes of the Canada Corporations Act under which the Association is incorporated as a corporation without Share-Capital. We can emphatically state that the current By-Law One is indeed current and reflects the Association's needs and governance structure.

In the fall of 1999, the Association initiated a complete review of its operation, including its charitable organization, the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund, with particular emphasis on management and financial procedures. It was the overall wish of Council that we assess and strengthen where possible, the service quality of the Association-A core asset that is both the hallmark of this Association and a distinct measure of its value to its membership and indeed to the Regiment.

To harmonize with this transition period, Council set two goals: one to review its governance role within the Regiment and re-align its responsibilities to ensure that it was meeting a high ethical standard of service and accountability both to the Association membership and to the Regiment and two, to meet the solid performance criteria for a governing board. To help realize these goals, Council directed the Vice president West to form a committee to critically review Council, the Board of Trustees and the Association Secretariat's performance. One Way the committee addressed its responsibilities was to review current management and financial practices within the Association Secretariat. This review of our core competencies clearly indicated that some corrective initiatives were needed. Details of the shortcomings have been published and sent to members concerned. It must be noted that with the cooperation of the current incumbents at Regimental Headquarters, plans have been agreed upon to make the necessary changes to both management and financial practices. Some of these changes are now in effect and the remainder will be in effect with FY 2001.

The Association Awards Program, set up in 1990, has been a total success. To date a total of 21 members of the Association received the Certificate of Merit- an award for distinguished service to the Association. Branches, too, have had the privilege to award Certificates of Appreciation for service rendered by many members of the Association and civilian supporters alike.

The Association established an Endowment Fund in 1999. Its purpose is to build a Capital Trust within the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund. The capital is to be at a level of 100,000 dollars. It is anticipated that this endowment will grow annually from support of our membership and indeed, members of the Regiment who may wish to support us. It is designed to benefit the Regiment as a whole but in particular, it is intended to support the objects of the Association, which includes support to the Regimental Museum and Archives. The interest on the principal will be available only after the initial five-year fund-raising period is over. The initial support to this endeavour has been most encouraging. We remain optimistic that our membership will give their support for the duration of the campaign.

Innovation, of course, means change and these days change is all around us. Our Association too, must change to survive. The Association is committed to embracing change with all its turmoil and uncertainty, in order to become a stronger and effective organization. The change, however, must be built on the solid foundation of experienced personnel at all level of governance and on our history of successful endeavours. Tying all of this together are the many Association members who, as volunteers, assist both the Association and the Regiment at large. We are indeed privileged to step back and reflect on our accomplishments of the past 18 months and to set our direction for the forthcoming years.



MEMBERSHIP

There has been a general trend towards a decrease in membership on the West Coast, however, this is not significant enough to cause immediate concern. Eastern Branches have displayed a slight increase overall. Presently, there are 814 paid members and 396 non-paid. I have sent out reminders to all branches to pay up. This brings us to a total membership of 1210 personnel. The future of the Association will depend on our efforts now to support an active recruiting drive, both at the National and Branch level. With respect to recruiting of serving members, I have distributed posters to the serving component, and would gladly provide them upon request to Branches. Most of the increase in membership, although not significant, is with members at large, coming off of the internet web site. (www.ppcli.com) Please pass on any ideas you may have so the Association across the country may benefit.

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PLANNING DATES - 2001

JANUARY

- 8-12 - Kit Shop closed for Annual Inventory
- 15 - Korean Bursary Notice
- 27 - Col W.B.S. Sutherland - Birthday
- 31 - Patrician Articles due to RHQ

FEBRUARY

- 2 - MGen C.W. Hewson - Birthday
- 14 - Lady Patricia - Birthday
- 16 - Korean Bursaries

MARCH

- 15 - Regimental Leadership Symposium
Edmonton
- 17 - Regimental Day - CinC visit 2 PPCLI

APRIL

- 1 - Bosnia Tour complete for 2 PPCLI
- 16-24 - Possible pilgrimage to Korea (Veterans
and Serving Members)
- 25 - Kapyong Day - 50th Anniversary

MAY

- 8 - Frezenburg Day
- 18 - Patrician distributed

JUNE

- 14 - MGen H.C. Pitts - Birthday

JULY

- 12-15 - Kapyong 50th Anniversary Celebrations
- 12 - Colonel-in-Chief visits Winnipeg//Better
Ole opens/Selection 100th Anniversary
Whiskey
- 13 - AGM/Military Tattoo/Sunset Ceremony
- 14 - Trooping//All ranks dance
- 15 - Memorial Service//Family Day
- 21 - BGen R.S. Graham - Birthday
- 25 - RGJ Birthday
- 30 - Gen A.J.G.D. de Chastelain - Birthday

AUGUST

- 10 - Founding of the Regiment - 87th
Anniversary

SEPTEMBER

- 14 - Articles for Association Newsletter to
RHQ
- 21 - San Fortunato Day

OCTOBER

- 21 - R22eR Birthday
- 30 - PPCLI Annual Report//Association
Newsletter Distributed

NOVEMBER

- 11 - Remembrance Day
- 22-25 - Ex Ric-A-Dam-Doo Edmonton
- 23 - 3 RAR Birthday

DECEMBER

- 14 - Hamilton Gault Trophy Winner
announced
- 21 - RCR Birthday

50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF KAPYONG

WINNIPEG, 12-15 JULY 2001

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM INFORMATION

GENERAL

1. Second Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry and the Manitoba and North Western Ontario Branch of the PPCLI Association will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of Kapyong with an epic reunion at Kapyong Barracks, Winnipeg, from 12 - 15 July 2001.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

2. Main events will be a Sunset Ceremony on Friday evening, Trooping of the Colour on Saturday morning and a Kapyong Memorial Service Sunday morning. Other events will include a private luncheon with the Colonel-in-Chief for Kapyong Veterans and their ladies, Korean dinner with food and entertainment provided by the local Korean Community, All Ranks Dance, and the Association's Council and Annual General Meetings.

VENUE

3. With the exception of the river cruise, all events will take place in Kapyong Barracks, Grant Avenue at Kenaston Boulevard, in the general area of VP Square, the Drill Hall and the Parade Square. Detailed maps will be provided at the Reception Centre. An RV Park will be set up at Kapyong Barracks and block bookings have been arranged at convenient hotels. There will be a shuttle service between the selected hotels and the barracks.

THURSDAY, 12 JULY

4. Reception Centre opens at 1300 hrs. Located near Main Gate.
5. Better' Ole opens at 1300 hrs in the Drill Hall. Hamburgers, sandwiches, etc., available for sale.
6. HMGF Trustees Meeting from 1300 to 1400 hrs in the WOs & Sgts Mess Dining Room.
7. Association Council Meeting from 1400 to 1700 hrs in the WOs & Sgts Mess Dining Room.

FRIDAY, 13 JULY

8. Association Annual General Meeting from 0900 to 1200 hrs in the Festival Tent.
9. Official Opening of Better 'Ole at 1200 hrs. Colonel-in-Chief officiating.
10. Kapyong Veterans Luncheon from 1300 to 1500 hrs in the WOs & Sgts Mess. Private function for Kapyong Vets and their ladies.
11. Casual Golf: Some Tee Times will be booked for those who are interested.
12. An afternoon at the Forks: Approximately 1300 to 1630 hrs. Buses will be provided.
13. Sunset Ceremony at 1900 hrs on the Parade Square.

SATURDAY, 14 JULY

14. Brunch available in the Mess Hall from 0800 to 0930 (Cash purchase).
15. Trooping of the Colour at 1000 hrs on the Parade Square. Spectators to be seated by 0945 hrs.
16. Korean Dinner in the Junior Ranks Dining Hall. Sittings at 1630, 1800 and 1930 hrs. VIPs in third sitting. Food and entertainment provided by Winnipeg Folklorama's Korean Pavilion.
17. All Ranks Dance In the Festival Tent. Air Force Band plays Big Band music from 1900 to 2100 hrs; Rock Bands from 2100 to 0300 hrs.
18. Lottery Draws at 2000 hrs in the Festival Tent.

SUNDAY, 15 JULY

19. Kapyong Memorial Service at 1045 hrs at the Kapyong Memorial in front of the Officers' Mess. Wreaths to be laid by Kapyong Vets, Second Battalion, Association and others.
20. Family Day and Open House from 1300 hrs.
21. Better 'Ole Closes at 1800 hrs.

HOTELS

22. All listed hotels are 10 to 15 minutes drive from Kapyong Barracks and five to 15 minutes from Winnipeg International Airport. Rates quoted are per night and taxes are not included. 7% PST and 7% GST will be added.

To get our special hotel rates, you must refer to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Reunion when making your reservation.

Radisson Suite Hotel Winnipeg Airport
1800 Wellington Avenue
204-783-1700

E-mail: radwinn@mb.sympatico.ca

Reservation deadline: June 12. Special rate: \$120.00 per night for one or two adults.

Each suite has full bedroom with one king size or two double beds, separate living room with desk, sofa bed, wet bar, video player, two 25" remote control colour TVs, coffee maker, hair dryer, and ironing board. Indoor and outdoor pools, sauna and exercise room. Wheel chair accessible suites available. Complimentary airport shuttle service. Rate includes hot buffet breakfast for two.

Viscount Gort Hotel

1670 Portage Avenue

1-800-665-1122 or 204-775-0451

Internet: www.viscount-gort.com

Reservation deadline: June 28 Year 2000 Government Rates: Single \$72.00 per night; double \$79.00. 2001 rates will be available January 1.

Coffee shop, restaurant, sports bar, lobby bar, indoor pool, whirlpool, sauna and exercise room. Close to Polo Park Shopping Centre. Complimentary van service to and from airport. Rate includes complimentary full breakfast.

Holiday Inn Airport West

2520 Portage Avenue

1-800-665-0352 or 204-885-4478

Reservation deadline: June 12 Year 2000 Government Rates: \$87.00 per night, single or double. 2001 rates will be available January 1.

All rooms have coffee maker, hair dryer, remote cable TV with pay per view movies, refrigerator and desk with computer data port. Licensed restaurant, lounge, swimming pool, whirlpool, sauna and exercise centre. Courtesy transportation to and from airport.

TRAILERS AND CAMPING

Traveller's RV Park Resort

Murdoch Rd, South of Trans-Canada East

20 minutes East from Downtown,

30 minutes to Kapyong Barracks

204-256-2186 Current (2000) standard rates (2 people): 30-amp back in - \$23.00; 30-amp pull through - \$24.00; 50-amp back in - \$28.00. Extra people \$2.50 each. Any change to current rates will be minimal. Modern facilities. Full hook-ups. Pools, lounge, mini golf, games, groceries, hot showers and Laundromat.

Kapyong Barracks Paradise Lost

200 meters from the Better 'Ole. First come -- first served. Book at Reception Centre on arrival. 15 amp electrical hookup only. No water or sewer. Nominal fee to cover electricity. Separate male and female washrooms and shower facilities.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

23. An updated information package including costs and Registration Instructions should be available in late January 2001. To receive this package, please write, phone or e-mail:

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24. Avoid disappointment. Book your accommodation now and contact us to get on the mailing list and receive your Registration Instructions as soon as they become available. To be guaranteed seating, your completed Registration form must be received by June 15.

PASS THE WORD

25. We want to gather as many Kapyong Vets as we can for this occasion but many of them are not members of the Association and do not receive our Newsletters. You can help by passing the word to every Patricia you know - especially Kapyong Vets.

"See you in the Peg"

KOREA (KAPYONG) REVISIT 16-25 APRIL 2001

GENERAL

Arrangements are in the preliminary stages of planning for a revisit to Korea to mark the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of Kapyong 23-25 April 1951. The Armed Forces have tentatively agreed to provide airlift for a group of Regular Force personnel and veterans of the Korean War from all regiments who served in that theatre. Although firm numbers have not been arrived at as yet, it is possible that up to 60 serving members of the Regiment and 25 to 30 PPCLI Korea veterans could attend.

CRITERIA FOR VISIT (VETERANS)

1. Be a member in good standing with the PPCLI Association;
2. Not have made a return visit to Korea either at public or own expense;
3. Must have served with either 1st, 2nd, or 3rd Battalions of the Regiment;
4. Must be prepared to travel at own expense to departure airports at either Trenton, Ontario or Edmonton, Alberta;
5. Must procure passport at own expense;
6. Must have out of country medical insurance;
7. If required have necessary immunization as directed by own doctor or medical authority; and
8. Have sufficient funds for out of pocket expenses which may include accommodation.

VETERAN REPRESENTATION

Regiment has declared that all battalions who served in Korea shall be represented on this visit and that it shall not be limited only to Kapyong veterans. Veterans who served with 2nd Battalion prior to, or after Kapyong, having been wounded and evacuated before the battle, or sho

joined as reinforcements after the battle, may be considered to attend. If the number of veterans who wish to attend exceeds the quota as established, then a random draw from all names submitted will be held. Other corps personnel may apply to attend, ie RCAMC, C Pro RC, RC Sigs providing they were attached to the PPCLI and meet the above criteria. To establish a ratio of veterans to represent all three battalions the following quotas will be established for planning purposes;

	Group of 25	Group of 30
1 PPCLI	5	6
2 PPCLI	15	18
3 PPCLI	5	6

HEAD OF DELEGATION

Notwithstanding that the Regiment may provide a senior person to head the delegation, Major (Retd) Mike Levy, former commander of 10 Platoon, D Company, at Kapyong has been nominated as the Head of the Veteran Delegation.

50th Anniversary of Kapyong Visit to S. Korea Application Form

I have read the criteria and affirm that I have not been on any previous government sponsored trip.

I also agree to obtain at my own expense a passport and undergo any vaccination/immunization as required for travel in South Korea.

Application must reach RHQ before 10 March 2001.

Name: _____

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Signature: _____

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THE PATRICIAS PROUD HISTORY OF A FIGHTING REGIMENT

The PPCLI Heritage Committee has commissioned Dr. David Bercuson to write the story of the Regiment from its founding to the year 2000. The book entitled "The Patricias - Proud History of a Fighting Regiment" will be published in April 2001 by Stoddart Publishing (Toronto, ON). If you have not as yet reserved your copy(ies), now is the chance.

The aim of the book is to present an insightful look into the achievements of the Regiment in the World Wars, Korea, NATO, and peacekeeping operations which have shaped this infantry unit's proud and colourful history.

The Patricias - Proud History of a Fighting Regiment will feature interviews with a number of personalities who have contributed to and shaped this famous Regiment's story. Interviews have been undertaken with both veterans and currently serving members to ensure that the voice of the entire Regimental Family is included.

The cost of this book is estimated in the range of \$ 35.00 to \$40.00.

To reserve your copy(ies) of **The Patricias - Proud History of a Fighting Regiment**:

Mail/fax/e-mail a brief letter including your full name, mailing address, phone number, and *the number of copies you are interested in to:*

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BRIG A. HAMILTON GAULT STATUE PROJECT OTTAWA BRANCH

On the 19th of September, 2000, on a glorious summer evening, the members of the Ottawa Branch had the pleasure of seeing the newly-installed lights on Hamilton Gault's statue turned on for the first time. The lights brightened the statue and that corner of the site of the National War Memorial, which our regiment has the honour to occupy with a statue to our regiment and founder. The lights were turned on by Jean Pigott who was the prime mover in launching the lighting project. The funding for the lighting project came primarily from the members of the Ottawa Branch, serving members in the Ottawa area, the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund, and a most generous donation of our retiring Colonel of the Regiment, MGen Bill and Nora Hewson, CMM ,CD. A reception followed the 'lighting' ceremony in the Army Mess where several questions were raised regarding the origins of the statue and how it came to occupy such a prime location.

According to local media reports the Gault statue was provided for in the terms of Hamilton Gault's will, that it was the wish of Hamilton Gault to establish a statue in Ottawa to honour his memory. This interpretation of Gault's intentions has never made much sense. He was a most selfless man, dedicated to honour the memory of fallen Patricias and to perpetuate the continued existence of the regiment. He had lived through the anxious years of the Great Depression when the very existence of the regiment was constantly threatened. It is most likely that he wished to place a memorial statue in Ottawa to be a constant reminder to it's citizens of the sacrifice and huge contribution made by the regiment to preserve the freedoms of all Canadians.

The origins of the statue in Ottawa go back to February, 1988, when Leslie Gault, nephew of our founder came to Ottawa to press the national Capital Commission (NCC) to locate the Gault Statue at the National War Memorial. What he didn't realize was that Jean Pigott, then the Chairman of the NCC, already knew a great deal about the PPCLI and was well disposed to grant his request. She approved the placing of the site across the street from

the National War Memorial and where lies today the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Jean Pigott's connection with the regiment was through her husband's uncle, Pte M.W. Kedey, a graduate of the Ontario Agriculture College, who enlisted in the University Company, University of Toronto, 1915, was mortally wounded at Mount Sorrel, July 1916, and buried in



Nottingham cemetery, Derbyshire, England, after a most amazing funeral. It happened that Bill Kedey was a mason and papers were discovered at his death from Timiskaming Masonic Lodge. New Liskeard, Ontario, and these were brought to the attention of the Duke of Derbyshire, Provincial Grand Master, who had just been named as the new Governor General of Canada. The whole town of Derby participated in the funeral. The procession was lead by a firing party and regimental band of the Sherwood Foresters, the hearse carried the union jack draped coffin and was drawn by four black horses. Pte Kedey was buried with full military and masonic honours by the a town in England which felt a great feeling of sympathy for this fine young lad who died so far from home and friends.

It was through this combination of circumstances that Gault's wish got the green light. It was the link through Pte Kedey which determined that the statue site should be given such important prominence. That it now occupies ground that is almost sacred was enhanced this summer with the unveiling of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This site is now a 'must see' for every tourist's itinerary and the

attraction of visitors to the Gault statue is now well established. There are now proposals from both the Navy and Air Force to build memorials on the site and the Regiment should be aware that our statue could well become the focus of the "Army Memorial". The location of this statue is as much a memorial to Pte Kedey as it is to Brig Hamilton Gault and as such it honours all the gallant Patricias who have died in the service of their country.

PRESENTATION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF MERIT



A special noon time meeting was called for the 21st of December in order to present Colonel "Suds" Sutherland with the Association Certificate of Merit. It had been hoped to have our Colonel of the Regiment, General de Chastelain present to do the honours but unfortunately his duties in Ireland kept him away. MGen (Retd) Bill Hewson stepped into the breach and did the honours. Unfortunately, the event was marred with the news of the death the evening before of LGen (Retd) Gord Reay as a result of injuries sustained in a vehicle accident in the former Yugoslavia. All in attendance remembered General Gord with a moment of silence. Notwithstanding, the event was a success and a tribute to a very deserving Patricia. V.P.!



PPCLI ASSOCIATION
52ND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
VICTORIA, B.C.



MGen C.W. Hewson (Ret'd) with the late Doug Bell

Association. Doug Bell, Bruce Dickey, Bob Peacock and Mel Canfield were presented the new pin. Sadly, it was the last time most of us would see Doug Bell, as he died suddenly just over a month later on the 8th of July. Doug passed away while in Halifax where he was attending the Nova Scotia Tattoo, of which he was the Assistant Director. Many people attended his memorial service here in Victoria on July 14th, where Chic Goodman gave a moving eulogy. A big, Well Done! to all who helped make the AGM the success that it was.

The Victoria Branch was pleased to host the National Association Annual General meeting for the year 2000. We had approximately one hundred members at the meeting, and about the same number attended the dinner following. Members and guests were welcomed to the meeting by the President before the assembly got down to business. Among the AGM weekend activities was the presentation of the Association Award of Merit pins for service and dedication within the

THE ASSOCIATION MILLENNIUM FUND

Thanks to the more than 130 members who, as of December 31, have already contributed to the Millennium Fund. The tally to date is well over \$13,000 raised, with about the same expected this year and next. The intent of the "Annual Donation" campaign is to improve the financial picture of the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund. For this fund to fulfill its mandate, a capital amount of at least \$100,000 is needed. We in the Association and those of the larger Regimental family, would donate \$25.00 per year for a two to three year period, we would raise nearly \$75,000 based on a participating membership of 1,000. A significant amount and well within reach. Your support helps tomorrow's members and, indeed, the Regimental Museum. Support from you is vital to continuing the legacy of our Regiment. When you give to the Millennium Fund, you are furthering the work of the Association. You are contributing to innovative projects and programs, financial support to students, and above all, the success of the Association. Please send your \$25.00 to the Millennium Fund c/o the Association Secretary at Regimental Headquarters. Receipts for income tax purposes will be issued for any amount over \$25.00.

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*Those whom this list commemorates
served King & Queen, Country and Regiment.
At duty's strident call, they left all that
was dear to them, endured hardness, and
faced danger so that others might
live in peace and freedom.*

*Not all soldiers die in battle or glory,
but they too served the Regiment.
Let those who come after see to it
that their names be not forgotten.*

In Memoriam

<u>Name</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	
Bell	Doug	Reg F	July 14, 2000	Victoria, BC
Bernardin	Napoleon	WWI	December 16, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Bodnar	Donald	Reg F	January 27, 2000	Whitehorse, YK
Boyko	Martin	WWI	April 26, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Boyle	James	Korea	April 21, 2000	Ottawa, ON
Bracey	Ronald	Korea	October 29, 2000	
Brown	James	WWI	March 27, 2000	Lanigan, SK
Buchan	W.A.	Reg F	November 01, 2000	Alboney, Og
Cahoon	Don	Korea	September 27, 1999	Picton, ON
Campbell	Chuck	Korea	September 05, 2000	The Pas, MB
Campbell	John	Korea	March 01, 2000	Ingersoll, ON
Carlson	William	Korea	December 16, 2000	Surrey, BC
Carriere	Felix	WWI/Korea/Reg F	December 13, 1999	Chilliwack, BC
Cunningham	Ken	WWI	January 02, 2000	Prince George, BC
Dechant	William	Reg F	January 17, 2000	Westbank, BC
Dee	Robert	WWI	June 06, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Desjarlais	Albert	Korea/Reg F	March 02, 2000	St. Boniface, MB
Desjarlais	Emile	WWI	August 28, 1999	MB
Dougall	Thomas	WWI	June 10, 2000	Calgary, AB
Durrant	Jack	WWI	June 03, 2000	
Edwards	Lorne	Korea	November 10, 2000	Chapleau, ON
Elefson	Reuben	Reg F	December 20, 2000	Calgary, ON
Esler	Roy	WWI	December 06, 2000	Victoria, BC
Evans	Robert		September 16, 2000	Calgary, AB
Fahr	Henry	WWI	May 28, 2000	Toronto, ON
Folster	George A	WWI	March 16, 2000	Gravenhurst On
Fontaine	Louis	WWI	November 13, 2000	Pine Falls, MB
Fontaine	Leon	Korea	May 18, 2000	Wnnipeg, MB
Fox	Reginald			Wnnipeg, MB
Fraser	Gordon	WWI/Reg F	March 26, 2000	Wnnipeg MB
Garlinski	Antoni	WWI/Reg F	December 04, 2000	Adlergrove, BC
Gusul	Harry	WWI	January 18, 2000	Terrance Bay, ON
Hall	Lorne	Korea/Reg F	April 07, 2000	Greenwood, BC
Hamaulka	Joseph	WWI	April 23, 2000	Wnnipeg, MB
Hamburgh	Bill	Reg F	April 30, 2000	Wetaskiwin, AB
Haskins	Al	Reg F	December 30, 1999	Edmonton, AB
Hatch	Douglas		May 17, 2000	
Hearn	Garry	Reg F	May 24, 2000	Wnnipeg, MB
Henson	Arthur	Reg F	July 05, 2000	Calgary, BC
Higgins	Howard	WWI	February 24, 2000	Wnnipeg, MB
Hinkel	Melvin	WWI/Reg F	August 01, 1999	Grand Forks, BC
Jacobson	Gudmundur	WWI	December 26, 2000	Arborg, MB
Kasprick	Paul	WWI	February 22, 2000	Wnnipeg, MB

Kelly	Robert	Reg F	December 18, 2000	Victoria, BC
Kusyk	John	WWI	September 17, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Lank	Ernest	WWI	February 02, 2000	Pincher Creek, AB
Legge	J.			Girvin, SK
Linklater	Frederick	WWI/Reg F	March 02, 2000	Stonewall, On
Lyndon	Harry	WWI	March 14, 2000	Regina, Sk
Martin	Edwin	WWI	April 08, 2000	Belair, MB
McCabe	Victor	Korea	March 05, 2000	Sudbury, On
McCallum	Leroy	Korea	November 30, 2000	West Lorne, ON
McCormack	Leonard	Reg F	December 31, 2000	Belleville, ON
McCullough	Cecil	WWI	September 22, 1999	Benito, MB
McIntosh	Harvey	WWI	January 08, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
McMaster	Clarke	Reg F	November 01, 2000	Siksika Nation, AB
Melville	William	WWI/ Korea/Reg F	October 12, 2000	Sandy Hook, MB
Merrill	WM	WWI/Korea/Reg F	December 11, 2000	Hinton, AB
Meyer	Ronald	WWI	March 03, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Norris	Francis	Reg F	July 11, 2000	Vancouver, BC
Notschke	John	WWI	June 23, 2000	Port Moody, BC
Olinvk	Michael	WWI	January 23, 2000	Rainy River, On
Oliver	W.J.		January 27, 2000	Wnnipeg, MB
Oxley	T William	WWI/Reg F	October 12, 2000	Victoria, BC
Parker	John	Korea	December 25, 2000	Selkirk, MB
Paul	Francis		July 11, 2000	
Penner	John	WWI	May 02, 2000	Calgary, AB
Philpott	Albert	WWI	May 18, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Pickets	Ralph		March 14, 2000	
Pollard	Robert	Reg F	September 20, 2000	Trenton, On
Pombert	Joseph	WWI	January 06, 2000	Nanaimo, BC
Ramsay	Alexander	WWI	December 20, 2000	Aberdeen, Scotland
Raven	Phillip	WWI	January 11, 2000	Petawawa, ON
Rawluk	Edward	Korea	May 16, 2000	Windsor, ON
Rawluk	Edward	Reg/Korea	August 06, 2000	Windsor, On
Reay	Gordon	Reg F	December 21, 2000	Ottawa, On
Richard	Joseph	WWI	September 30, 2000	Teulon, MB
Ried	Albert	WWI/Korea	March 16, 2000	Collingwood, On
Robert	Robert	Reg F	October 07, 2000	
Rudd	Albert	WWI/Korea/RegF	March 16, 2000	Collingwood, ON
Scanian	Clarence Arnold	WWI	November 21, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Scarrott	Melvin	Reg F	October 23, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
Setter	John	WWI	April 29, 2000	Courtenay, BC
Stanford	John		December 24, 1999	
Stodgell	Norman	WWI	September 14, 2000	Hodgson, MB
Stringer	Frank	WWI	April 17, 2000	Stoney Creek, On
Stutt	Joseph	WWI/Korea	October 01, 1999	Surrey, BC
Tate	Ken	Korea/Reg F	January 08, 2000	Creston, BC
Thomas	Earl	WWI	February 22, 2000	
Thomas	William	WWI/Reg F	October 12, 2000	Victoria, BC
Thomas	Douglas		July 20, 2000	Winnipeg, MB
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Thompson			January 11, 2001	SalmonArm, BC
Turnbull	George	Reg F	April 30, 2000	Kingston, ON
Whalen	William	Korea	May 12, 2000	Bathurst, NB
Wilkins	Gordon	Reg F	January 10, 2001	Victoria, BC
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