

PPCLI Association Newsletter Spring 2019

105th Anniversary Parade Patricia Park



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Patricias on Parade

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The Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, PC, CC, CMM, COM, CD. Colonel-in-Chief



My Dear Patricias:

Normally on the happy occasion of our Regimental Day I would be encouraging all of you to get together for a drink, a meal or a game of Broom-i-Loo.

But not this year. Today and for some time to come we as a Regiment and as citizens of Canada are facing an unprecedented crisis in the form of COVID-19. So this year, we must look after each other and ourselves. We must listen to all levels of government as they put in place guidelines to keep us safe as a nation, to keep our health system able to cope with this emergency. Only if we do this, will we be able to mitigate some of the inevitable damage caused by this worldwide crisis.

Unfortunately, we have to accept social distancing.

We have to accept not being able to travel. So I urge you all to stay as close to home as possible. But of course, keep in touch with your friends and neighbours. Make sure that everyone you know is alright. Canadians have always been known in the past to be the people who used telephones the most of any country in the world. Now we can use technology to keep in touch.

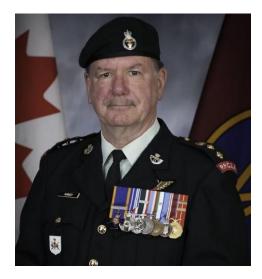
Look out for any of your friends and neighbours who might need help. Be sure and check in with people that you haven't talked to in a while. As a Regiment, we are a family and a family always hangs together when things get tough.

I know that I can count on you all as Patricias to do your part as we, as Canadians work our way through this time.

Yours faithfully,

Adrienne Clarkson Colonel-in-Chief Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

Brigadier General Vince W. Kennedy, OMM, MSM, CD. Colonel of the Regiment



Wendy and I approach March 17th Regimental Day with a happy outlook. This date not only commemorates the birthday of our original namesake Princess Patricia but provides a day when we can look forward to the end of winter and the imminent close of the high readiness posture that the Regiment has been in for a year and more. We at home hold of course a long and good thought for the hundreds of Patricias and their supporters who are deployed in a host of missions in Iraq, Latvia, Ukraine and more. Across our land and overseas, all those of our family will think positively and proudly of you men and women in the front lines of today's troubled world, and we will raise a glass of spirits or just send a wish of good luck, for the PPCLI.

In Canada the units are contending with the impact of COVID-19 whilst considering what comes after the demands of high readiness – for what months follow will of course be as busy as ever, for in designing the rotational readiness system the army always knew that the periods between deployment cycles was not going to be easy – the army is not big enough to have a third of its force resting. Even while the units have been managing deployments the new recruits arrive, the training system must be fed, qualifications earned, and milestones met.

I hope that every one of our regimental family who are reading or hearing this message feels the same pride that we all should have in the continuing excellence of our current soldiers of the Regiment. It is those soldiers whom we see today, even as clearly as we see the soldiers of our past, and that make it easy to raise that glass of cheer on March 17th, and to say aloud or to ourselves: "The Regiment."

Bless you all, now and all year long.

VP

President's Report

It has been a stressful and hard time for all with the ongoing coronavirus, social distancing and self-isolation. Now is the time to work together and demonstrate the Regimental spirit that makes us Patricia's. Many Patricia's are deployed overseas or are on imposed restrictions away from home. Others are preparing in case the Federal or Provincial governments request support for domestic operations. It is stressful for them and even more so when they are away from families and loved ones. Reach out, check on a fellow Patricia, veteran, or family in need. Now is the time to show leadership, compassion and a willingness to help.

This newsletter is focused on the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Due to the coronavirus and the travel restrictions, we will conduct a Virtual AGM which will take place on Saturday 23 May at 1100 Alberta time or 1300 Ontario time. We will use ZOOM as the video conferencing system. All Association members are encouraged to participate. To do so you must provide the following information to Terri Orser our National Secretary, via email svizone@gmail.com by 8 May 2020:

- 1. Name
- 2. Branch
- 3. Email Address
- 4. Phone number

You will receive dial instructions on 15 May. For those without computers there will be a phone in option.

The AGM will provide updates on what we accomplished in 2019, a lot of which is covered in this newsletter. 2019 was a busy, productive and successful year. We completed an evidence-based analysis of Mental Health Workshops. We documented 64 cases between June 2017 to December 2019 where assistance was provided by PPCLI Association members to veterans in need. 56 males and 8 females were helped, of which 51 were affiliated with the PPCLI, 9 were affiliated to other Regiments and 4 were not veterans. 27 individuals were referred by family or Association members, 15 by the PPCLI Regimental Veterans Care Cell, 13 by VETS Canada and 9 from other agencies. 37 cases were resolved by peer support, while the remaining involved additional support from VETS Canada, RC Legion or Veterans Affairs Canada. 40 cases have been resolved, 10 are ongoing, 5 were closed with no improvement, 4 were not veterans and in 5 cases we were not able to maintain contact with the veteran. One of the major conclusions from the review is that we are doing more peer support than suicide awareness. Accordingly, we have rebranded our workshops as Peer Support.

The PPCLI Association has gained National recognition for Peer Support. We have been asked by The Centre of Excellence on PTSD and Related Mental Health Concerns in Ottawa to participate in the development of a National Framework for a Tiered Model of Peer Support.

Two Special Resolutions have been included with this newsletter which update prioritize the Association's mission and purposes. Please review them closely, since they establish the way ahead for the next decade or more. In addition, there will be a Resolution to provide Families of those who have lost someone while serving with the Regiment or after release or retirement with a free three-year National Membership.

The theme for the 105th Anniversary was "Celebrating our PPCLI Veterans of the Past, Present and Future". Activities included the AGM, French Grey Golf Tournament, Better 'Ole and a Gala Ball. The 105th culminated with a Dedication Service at Patricia Park on the morning of 10

August 2019, where we added names of ten Patricias who made the ultimate sacrifice in World War I and II and unveiled 26 new Personal Legacy Stones. The support provided by Herb Kenny and members of the Edmonton Branch to the AGM and 105th Anniversary was outstanding.

Special thanks to the volunteers from the Edmonton, Wainwright and in particular the Calgary Branches who raised \$62,000 from the Calgary Casino. This, combined with funds from True Patriot Love and the HGMF, resulted in the following for 2019:

| Mental Health | \$24,153.08 | Student Bursaries | \$21,000 |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------|
| PPCLI Cadet Corps | \$10,106 | Kipness Centre | \$ 5,000 |
| Valour Place | \$10,000 | Col Belcher Centre | \$10,000 |
| Mental Health Video | \$ 5,300 | The Military Museum | n\$ 5,000 |
| Soldier On | \$ 1,500 | Memorial Maint | \$ 6,173.19 |
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Total \$93,332.27

In order to provide the same level of support, we must continue to fundraise, especially as we increase support to Veterans and Families. You can donate by etransfer to association@shaw.ca, by cheque to Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund, 4520 Crowchild Trail SW, Calgary, AB T2T 5J4 or by using Canada Helps https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/hamilton-gault-memorial-fund/.

As a final note, on 7 August 2019, the PPCLI Foundation advised that it was not sustainable in its current structure. They approved participation in a planning process where it might be integrated with the Association. A small team has been created to examine the following options:

- (1) integrating all parts in their current forms under a single new top-level structure and title, and over time creating efficiencies;
- (2) a partial re-organization of one or both entities;
- (3) dissolution of the Foundation and its absorption into the Association and HGMF on the basis of what capacity exists and can be absorbed; and
- (4) a dissolution of both entities and the creation of a new one with the long-term assets of the previous entities transferred into a single financial component.

This will be a lengthy and complicated process. We will keep you informed with the first update from the Ways Team at the AGM on 23 May. The PPCLI Association Board of Directors believes that it may be possible to add Foundation programs, but they must be achievable, cost effective and within the capabilities of an entirely volunteer organization, especially given that our active volunteer base is small.

Paul Hale President PPCLI Association

PRINCESS PATRICIA 'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY ASSOCIATION NOTICE OF 72nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

15 April 2020

Paul Hale, President of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association, has called a Virtual Annual General Meeting of the Membership for 23 May 2020. The meeting will be held using Zoom at 1100 hours (Mountain Daylight Time).

Members who wish to participate by teleconference must register by 8 May 2020. Branch Presidents are requested to canvass their members and if possible set up a central location where the Branch can dial into the AGM. Branches must provide a consolidated list to the Association Secretary, Terri Orser via email svizone@gmail.com. Members can also register individually if they are unable to go a central location. The following information is required to electronically register for the Virtual AGM

- 1. Name
- 2. Branch
- 3. Email Address
- 4. Phone number

This info is so that membership can be verified, a list prepared for the minutes and so that dial in instructions for the AGM will be sent to the correct email address. There will be a phone in capability for those who do not have emails. The details for connecting to the AGM will be provided to all registered members by 15 May 2020.

The date is within the 15 months limit as prescribed by Part II, the Canada Corporation Act.

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Minute of Silence
- 3. Opening Remarks from the Chair
- 4. Opening Remarks by the Colonel in Chief
- 5. Approval of the Agenda
- 6. Approval of Minutes of the 71st AGM, of 8 Aug 2018
- 7. Reports:

7.1 President's Report

President

7.2 Finance Committee Report

Finance Chair

7.2.1 Current Financial Position

Treasurer

- Association Operating Fund as of 30 Apr 20
- Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund as of 30 Apr 20

| | 7.2.2 | 2019 Financial StatementsAssociation Operating FundHamilton Gault Memorial Fund | Treasurer |
|---------------|---------|---|---------------------|
| | 7.3 | Casino Report | Casino Chair |
| | 7.4 | Membership Report | Membership Chair |
| | 7.5 | Governance Report | Governance Chair |
| | 7.6 | Fundraising Report | President |
| | 7.7 | Heritage Report | Vice President East |
| | 7.8 | Volunteer Patricia Program | VPP Facilitator |
| | 7.9 | Student Bursary Report | Vice President |
| | 7.10 | Cadet Report | Vice President |
| | 7.11 | Regimental Majors Update | Regimental Major |
| 8. N o | ew Busi | iness | |
| | 8.1 | 2021 Association Operating Fund Budget | Treasurer |
| | 8.2 | Appointment of Association Auditors | Treasurer |
| | 8.3 | Peer Support Workshops | VPP Facilitator |
| | 8.4 | Special Resolution 01-20 PPCLI Association Mission | President |
| | 8.5 | Special Resolution 02-20 Updated PPCLI Association Objects | President |
| | 8.6 | Resolution 03-20 Memorial membership | President |
| | 8.7 | Update on status for a new model PPCLI Foundation and PPCLI Association | Ways Team |
| | 8.8 | Atlantic Branch Presentation AGM 2021 | Atlantic Branch |
| 9. | Open | Forum | |
| 10. | Date, | Location and Host Branch of next AGM: | President |

Moncton 30 Apr – 1 May 2021 – Atlantic Branch

Saskatoon 20 – 21 May 2022 – Saskatchewan Branch

Calgary May 2023 – Calgary Branch

Edmonton August 2024 – Edmonton Branch

11. Closing Remarks COR

12. Adjournment President

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT 2019

Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund (HGMF)

A summary of the HGMF portfolio performance for 2019 is as follows:

| 2019 Opening Balance | \$741,538 |
|----------------------|-----------|
| First Quarter | \$801,407 |
| Second Quarter | \$819,520 |
| Third Quarter | \$826,234 |
| Fourth Quarter | \$845,664 |

The value of the value of the portfolio increased by \$104,126 or 14%.

Our Financial Advisor, Marv Fenrich, and the fund managers who support him, have done a fine job in more than making up the loss that was incurred in shrinking markets in 2018.

The disbursement quota is the minimum amount a registered charity is required to spend each year on its own charitable activities or on gifts to qualified donees. The disbursement quota calculation is based on the value of a charity's property not used for charitable activities or administration. The disbursement quota for HGMF is 3.5 % of the average value of the fund over the previous two years. In 2019 this was \$26,478.

The HGMF exceeded the disbursement quota for 2019. The disbursement quota for 2020 is \$29,266.

Dave Pentney Finance Chair

Statement of Financial Position PPCLI Association Operating Fund 31-Dec-19 Unaudited

| ASSET Current Assets Operating Account Cash - Casino Investment-GIC- Association Total Receivable Total Current Assets | 17,797.66 47,745.85 16,342.09 | 81,885.60 81,885.60 |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| TOTAL ASSET | | 81,885.60 |
| LIABILITY | | |
| Current Liabilities Deferred Revenues - Casino Prepaid Association Dues GST Purchases Total Current Liabilities TOTAL LIABILITY EQUITY | | 47,745.85 215.00 -494.55 47,466.30 47,466.30 |
| Retained Earnings Fund Balance Current Earnings Total Retained Earnings | | 36,597.72 -2,178.42 34,419.30 |
| TOTAL EQUITY | | 34,419.30 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | 81,885.60 |

Income Statement PPCLI Association Operating Fund 31-Dec-19 Unaudited

| REVENUE | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Sales Revenue | |
| Membership Fees | 14,825.00 |
| Membership Fees - Partnership | 380.00 |
| E-Membership - Premium | 4,565.12 |
| Casino Revenue | 50,451.15 |
| Miscellaneous Revenue | <u>18,736.88</u> |
| Total Other Revenue | 88,958.15 |
| TOTAL REVENUE | 88,958.15 |
| EXPENSE | |
| Expenses Office (Note 1) | 8,611.62 |
| Int & Bank Charges General ACT | 772.08 |
| Int & Bank Charges Casino | 48.00 |
| Accounting Fees | 3,000.00 |
| AGM Subsidy | 1,000.00 |
| Donation - Cadets/Others | 5,606.00 |
| Friends of The Colonel Belcher-Vets | 10,000.00 |
| Donation TMMF | 5,000.00 |
| Directors' & Officers` Insurance | 2,100.00 |
| Donation Kipness Centre | 5,000.00 |
| Donation Valour Place | 10,000.00 |
| Memorial Maintenance | 6,273.19 |
| Donation HGMF | 5,000.00 |
| Travel (Note 2) | 27,609.43 |
| Postage | 132.50 |
| Telephone | 748.40 |
| Pay Pal Expense | 235.35 |
| Total General & Admin. Expenses | 91,136.57 |
| TOTAL EXPENSE | 91,136.57 |
| NET INCOME | -2,178.42 |

Note 1: Includes \$5,300 for production of Mental Health Video. Note 2: Includes \$25,786.29 for conduct of Mental Health workshops.

Statement of Financial Position Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund 31-Dec-19 Unaudited

ASSET

| Current Assets Cash Investment - Mutual Funds Total Current Assets Total Assets | 39,374.61 741,396.29 | 780,770.90 780,770.90 |
|--|-------------------------|--|
| TOTAL ASSET | | 780,770.90 |
| LIABILITY | | |
| Current Liabilities GST Paid on Purchases Current Liabilities total Liabilities Veterans/Family/Support Training Total Liabilities TOTAL LIABILITY | | -699.51 -699.51 7,505.00 7,505.00 6,805.49 |
| EQUITY Retained Earnings Fund Balance Current Earnings Total Retained Earnings | | 771,746.59 2,218.82 773,965.41 |
| TOTAL EQUITY | | 773,965.41 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | 780,770.90 |

Income Statement Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund 31-Dec-19 Unaudited

REVENUE

| Revenue | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Donations - Tax Receipted | 38,688.69 |
| Donations - Non Tax Receipted | 200.00 |
| Donations -Canada Helps | 5,650.20 |
| PayPal Donations | 0.27 |
| Donations for Bursaries | 5,000.00 |
| Veterans/Family/Support Training | 3,810.00 |
| Total Revenue | 53,349.16 |
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| TOTAL REVENUE | 53,349.16 |
| | , |
| EXPENSE | |
| Expense Accounts | |
| Soldier On Atlantic Golf Invitational | 1,500.00 |
| Fund Raising Expense | 257.03 |
| Office | 430.51 |
| Student Bursaries | 21,000.00 |
| Professional Fees | 3,800.00 |
| Cadet Support | 4,500.00 |
| Travel (Note 1) | 19,587.98 |
| Interest & Bank Charges | 54.82 |
| Total General & Admin. Expenses | 51,130.34 |
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| TOTAL EXPENSE | 51,130.34 |
| | |
| NET INCOME | 2,218.82 |
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Note 1: Includes \$14,700.03 for Mental Health workshops, \$3.945.91 for Director travel and \$842.84 for Student Bursary Committee travel.

Membership as of 11 April 2020

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|--|------|-----|---------------|---|--|----------------|----------------|----|
| | | | | | CANADA | | WORLD | |
| Atlantic | 84 | 66 | 17 | 1 | BC | 258 | Japan | 1 |
| Calgary | 129 | 99 | 30 | 0 | AB | 424 | China | 1 |
| Cypress Hills | 10 | 10 | 0 | | Sk | 41 | | |
| Edmonton | 135 | 135 | 0 | 0 | MB | 109 | Philippines | 2 |
| Fraser Valley | 52 | 51 | 0 | 1 | ON | 339 | Brazil | 1 |
| Kingston | 56 | 32 | 24 | | QU | 3 | United Kingdom | 4 |
| Manitoba NW Ontario | 78 | 76 | 2 | 0 | NB | 35 | Netherlands | 1 |
| Ottawa | 67 | 48 | 19 | | NS | 54 | USA | |
| Saskatchewan | 38 | 32 | 6 | | PEI | 6 | Texas | 1 |
| SW Ontario | 135 | 68 | 67 | 0 | NL | 12 | California | 1 |
| Vancouver | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NWT | 2 | | |
| Vancouver Midsland | 24 | 20 | 4 | 0 | Nunavut | 1 | Florida | 3 |
| Victoria | 58 | 45 | 13 | | YK | 3 | Minnesota | 1 |
| Wainwright | 26 | 15 | 11 | 0 | | | Wisconsin | 1 |
| E Members | 214 | 212 | 2 | 0 | | | Arizona | 1 |
| SOS Branch | 48 | 0 | 0 | 48 | | | Colorado | 1 |
| Inactive Branch | 152 | | | | | | | |
| Memorial Branch | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Data Base | 1306 | 909 | 195 | 50 | | 1287 | | 19 |

Regimental Memorials and Heritage

2019 has been started with Karen Storwick and Robert Curtin continuing their interviews with individuals relating their Regimental memories and service. One of the embedded stories will be a history of the Rebels Hockey Teams from the early days in Hemer Germany to the return to Canada of 2PPCLI in the late eighties, names like Ray Demeules, Gerry Bowes, Gebby Gebhardt, Cal Kemp, Mike Ray, Gene Markell and many others will contribute their personal recollections of a great team of soldier's who provided a Canadian Hockey legacy greater than simply winning the European Cup in the early seventies. We will grow these and many more individual interviews in the next two years.

We continue to receive donations for the Regimental Museum from individuals and families of Patricia's most to commemorate their service thanks to go out to Cynthia HessVonKrudner or special

finds of Regimental service such as the Trench Art donated by John Joly. We will continue to acknowledge individuals who have helped to continue building our legacy.

The summer activities will include Rebels player interviews in Calgary and Edmonton in addition to individual interviews by Karen and Robert. This summer we should be able to finalize the Association and RHQ financial responsibilities for the maintenance of Memorials and Monuments.

Finally, we need to continue encouraging our Regional representatives to visit local sites identified in the published Manual of Monuments and Memorials to submit the details required to complete the non-existing geographical and historical information. VP.

Jay Lapeyre

VOLUNTARY PATRICIA PROGRAM UPDATE

The past year has seen the continued success and support to veterans and their families with the Voluntary Patricia Program (VPP). The overall aim of the program is to help others across Canada, to get the professional help they need to address whatever issues they are dealing with. The PPCLI Association is the first and only military association offering this type of assistance, not only to our members, serving and retired but to anyone who seeks help. Word of mouth had us helping signallers, Royals and first responders throughout Canada. I am very proud to have the privilege to have this portfolio following the great work Dave Pentney has done in the recent past. Thank you Dave.

All the VPP coordinators do is first and foremost – listen. Being a good listener and or learning to listen always helps take an edge off a situation. The MHFA workshops are a great medium to gain or refresh these skills. Our goal should be to leave the caller or person with a sense of "it is not all that bad" there is light at the end of that dark tunnel or pit and hopefully leave them at least chuckling a bit. WE ARE NOT PRACTITIONERS. We do not provide clinical advice. But we do have some very good tools in our toolboxes that not only help the person in need but protects the Coordinator as well. The onus is on the individual to get help.

Most people will call us for help because they know we were there and we speak the language, understand what is going on. That is a powerful crucial first step for them. Our responsibility is to listen and guide them to appropriate resources, using those tools in the box and following through to monitor. We will help out any way we can if asked. The only advice I have given, when asked, is how I fought the demons and what did I do to get out of the pit. What do I do the keep the demons at bay, my strategy. That is the only time I talk about myself and I keep it short. May lend some credibility.

Basically, anyone can be reached therefore all members are coordinators. Learn who your branch coordinator is, learn what the resources are. Those with issues are identified through Social Media, Regimental Veterans Care Cell, through Association Branches and often through word of mouth. The Brotherhood net. Once an individual with an issue is identified, the first step is to link them up with a VPP Coordinator. They will link the individual with someone willing to help. Continuous Comms are key here. The person helping should provide the Branch VPP SITREPs, who will ensure the Branch President and VPP Coordinator are informed. Monitoring is important to make sure they slip through a crack. I keep a running tally of our cases. Currency and accuracy are key in the monitoring process.

To reiterate Dave Pentney, "Many of the cases that we have encountered to date have involved people who do not live in close proximity to a Branch. In these cases, the VPP Facilitator has reached out to Association members in the local area to seek their assistance in helping a brother or sister in need. I am happy to report that in all cases these fine Patricia's have stepped up to the plate without hesitation to fill the role of an ad hoc VPP Facilitator and they have done a fine job supporting those in need of assistance on your behalf."

We have been noticed by the Senior Leadership of CAF. We must keep up the good work and show that we as an Association, although most are no longer actively serving, we are still in keeping with the Patricia "First in the Field"!

I look forward to continuing to work with this portfolio, working with awesome Patricia's, continuing to serve the Regiment. VP.

Pierre (Pete) Leger VPP Facilitator

Student Bursary Report

The PPCLI Association Student Bursary program has been allocated a budget of \$21,000 for 2020. Application must be submitted to the PPCLI Association Bursary Coordinator by 15 July 2020 at tim.p@rogers.com. They can also be mailed or couriered to:

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association Student Bursary Coordinator 18004 - 101 St, Edmonton AB T5X 5Z7

The Student Bursary application can be found on the PPCLI Association website http://ppcliassoc.ca/ or you can contact Tim Penney.

Each bursary is named after a Regimental figure or Branch. The successful recipient will receive a short biography about the individual or event to help them further understand the significance Regimentally. This year's top bursary was named in the honour of Pte. Alex Temple, an original whose medals were donated to the Regiment by his granddaughter Deborah James. The second bursary will be awarded in memory of Christie Blatchford. Below is a list of the named bursaries.

| Ser | Bursary | Background |
|-----|------------------------------|---|
| 1 | Pte Alex Temple | original, medals recently donated to Regimental Museum |
| 2 | Christie Blatchford | Reporter - Author 15 Days |
| 3 | BGen Keith Corbould, CD | CO 2 CDO (Turkish Invasion of Cyprus), CO 3 PPCLI Comd Special Service Force (Petawawa) |
| 4 | Maj and Mrs Rod Middleton | Korea veteran and long-time supporter of the Association |
| 5 | Lt Gordon Smith | WW2 - Sicily WIA, recently passed away at age of 100 |
| 6 | Cpl Donald Hastings | MIA Korea 15 Oct 1952 |

| 7 | Pte Roy Harrison | KIA Sicily 5 Aug 1943 |
|----|-----------------------|---|
| 8 | Pte Ross Patrick | Killed Korea 9 Apr 1952 |
| 9 | MWO Sean Robson | passed away Jan 2020, seven operational deployments |
| 10 | Cpl Curtis Qualtier | WIA 3 Aug 2006 at White School, died vehicle accident |
| 11 | Sgt Roy Ruston Branch | Fundraising / Support to Mental Health |
| 12 | SW Ont Branch | Fundraising / Support to Mental Health |
| 13 | Kingston Branch | Fundraising / Support to Mental Health |
| 14 | Ottawa Branch | Fundraising / Support to Mental Health |
| 15 | Calgary Branch | Support to Calgary Casino |
| 16 | Edmonton Branch | Support to Calgary Casino |
| 17 | Wainwright Branch | Support to Calgary Casino |

The Bursary committee will meet in the later part of July with the intent of reviewing bursary submissions by 1 August. Our end goal is to ensure that successful applicants have the funds by 1 September 2020. The Bursary committee will also be accepting applications for Distance Learning Bursaries this year.

I wish to thank Mike Austdal for an outstanding handover and all the excellent work that he has done in support of the PPCLI Association and the Student Bursary Program.

Tim Penney Student Bursary Chair

Cadet Report

Hat Badges and Shoulder Titles

The Association purchased and distributed the following:

| Corps | Hat Badges | Cost \$10 | Shoulder Titles | Cost \$2.30 | Corps Totals |
|---------------------|---------------|------------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 2551 Edmonton | 15 | \$150.00 | 30 | \$69.00 | \$219.00 |
| 2943 Campbell River | 15 | \$150.00 | 0 | \$0.00 | \$150.00 |
| 2276 Fort St John | 20 | \$200.00 | 40 | \$92.00 | \$292.00 |
| 2483 Esquimalt | 20 | \$200.00 | 40 | \$92.00 | \$292.00 |
| 2901 Estevan | 0 | \$0.00 | 30 | \$69.00 | \$69.00 |
| 2837 Yellowknife | 10 | \$100.00 | 0 | \$0.00 | \$100.00 |
| 2701 Winnipeg | 10 | \$100.00 | 0 | \$0.00 | \$100.00 |
| 533 Winnipeg | 15 | \$150.00 | 30 | \$69.00 | \$219.00 |
| 2757 Fernie | 0 | \$0.00 | 0 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2554 Calgary | 15 | \$150.00 | 20 | \$46.00 | \$196.00 |
| 3003 Wainwright | 15 | \$150.00 | 30 | \$69.00 | \$219.00 |
| | 135 | \$1,350.00 | 220 | \$506.00 | \$1,856.00 |

PPCLI Association Cade Trophy 2019 - 2020

The Top Cadet Corps for 2020 is 2483 Esquimalt. They will receive a cheque for \$1,000 and the keeper trophy at to be determined date.

Donations to Cadet Corps

The HGMF provided the following funds to the Cadets Corps indicated:

533 Winnipeg \$1,000, 2943 Campbell River \$2,000 and 2483 Esquimalt \$1,000.

| Corps | Score |
|------------------------|----------|
| 2483 Esquimalt | 93 |
| 3003 Wainwright | 88 |
| 533 Winnipeg | 82 |
| 2757 Fernie | 80 |
| 2551 Edmonton | 79 |
| 2554 Calgary | 77 |
| 2901 Estevan | 77 |
| 2701 Winnipeg | 74 |
| 2943 Campbell River | 72 |
| 2276 Fort St John | 69 |
| 2837 Yellowknife | No Score |



Dougal Salmon

Breaking News

Cadet CWO Justin Powder from 2837 PPCLI Cadets Yellowknife has been accepted at RMC for the Aboriginal Leadership Opportunity Program

2021 Proposed Budget

| | | HGMF | ASSOCIATION OPERATING FUND | | | |
|--------|--|----------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------|
| | | | CASINO | GENERAL ACCOUNT | OPERATING FUND TOTAL | TOTAL |
| Revei | nue | | | | | |
| 4105 | Membership - Regular (625*25) | | | \$15,625 | \$15,625 | \$15,625 |
| | Membership - Partner (60*10) | | | \$600 | \$600 | \$600 |
| | Membership - E-member (175*25) | | | \$4,570 | \$4,570 | \$4,570 |
| 4130 | Casino Revenue (Note 1) | | \$61,685 | | \$61,685 | \$61,685 |
| | Donations - Tax Receipted (Note 2) | \$10,000 | | | | \$10,000 |
| | Donations - Non-Tax Receipted (Note 2 + 5) | \$12,000 | | | | \$12,000 |
| | Grants - Tax Receipted (Note 3) | \$20,000 | | | | \$20,000 |
| | 2019 Investment Income (Note 4) | \$25,000 | | | | \$25,000 |
| | Total Revenue (Note 2) | \$67,000 | \$61,685 | \$20,795 | \$82,480 | \$149,480 |
| Disbu | rsements | | | | | |
| Admir | nistration | | | | | |
| 5610 | Office Expenses | \$1,000 | \$350 | \$1,000 | \$1,350 | \$2,350 |
| | Accounting/Audit Fees (Projected) | \$4,000 | | \$4,000 | \$4,000 | \$8,000 |
| | AGM Meeting Subsidy | | | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 |
| 5660 | D&O Insurance | | \$2,100 | | \$2,100 | \$2,100 |
| | Telephone | | \$200 | \$800 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 |
| | Printing Expense | | | \$300 | \$300 | \$300 |
| 5650 | Stationary | | | \$350 | \$350 | \$350 |
| | Postage | | \$100 | \$400 | \$500 | \$500 |
| 5780 | Web Expense | | | \$100 | \$100 | \$100 |
| 5635 | Casino Expense | | | | \$0 | \$0 |
| | Travel/Directors/Bursary Adjudication | \$8,500 | | \$6,500 | \$6,500 | \$15,000 |
| | Fund Raising Expense | \$300 | | | \$0 | \$300 |
| | Interest and Bank Charges | \$60 | \$60 | \$60 | \$120 | \$180 |
| Public | ations | | | | | |
| 5665 | Newsletter/Bulletin | | \$125 | \$350 | \$475 | \$475 |
| Progra | ams | | | | | |
| | Donation to HGMF For Bursaries (Note 5) | | \$7,000 | | \$7,000 | \$7,000 |
| | Museum Donation | | \$10,000 | | \$10,000 | \$10,000 |
| | Memorial Maintenance | \$3,500 | \$1,000 | | \$1,000 | \$4,500 |
| | Student Bursaries (Note 5) | \$23,000 | | | \$0 | \$23,000 |
| | Cadet Support | \$5,000 | \$5,750 | | \$5,750 | \$10,750 |
| | Veterans and Family Support (Note 6) | \$1,500 | \$35,000 | | \$35,000 | \$36,500 |
| | Veterans Suicide Awareness | \$20,000 | | | \$0 | \$20,000 |
| | Total Disbursements | \$66,860 | \$61,685 | \$14,860 | \$76,545 | \$143,405 |
| | Revenue over Expenditures | \$140.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,935.00 | \$5,935.00 | \$6,075.00 |

Notes

- 1. Casinos are conducted approximately every 18 months with the funds becoming available approximately six months later. These funds are considered "Deferred Revenue" until they are programed in the budget on a monthly basis of Casino Revenue/18 months x 12 month.
- 2. Donations will be applied to enhance in-year programs.
- 3. Amount indicated is requests to various agencies for grants in support of Mental Health and Suicide Awareness workshops. If funds are not received workshops should be reduced accordingly. Costs for one workshop is \$9,000 and \$11,000 for Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST).
- 4. Unrealized gain from HGMF investments for 2019 was \$104,126. Proposed that up to \$25,000 from investments be used if required.
- 5. Donations of \$7,000 to HGMF for Bursaries from Casino Account.
- 6. Donation from Casino of \$10,000 Col Belchner, \$10,000 Valour Place, \$5,000 Kipness, \$5,000 Calgary Veterans Food Bank and \$5,000 to TMM. \$1,500 from HGMF for Soldier On.

Comments:

HGMF. HGMF did very well in 2019 with a net gain of \$104,126. However to date in 2020 it has lost approx. 25% due to the coronavirus. The need to assist Veterans will increase and we will most likely have to cash out a portion on the investments.



PRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY ASSOCIATION

2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

AGM SPECIAL RESOLUTION 01-20

A Special Resolution, approving a PPCLI Association Mission Statement for use in Regimental and Association documents.

WHEREAS all versions of the PPCLI Association Constitution and the Articles of Continuation which were approved in October 2014 include the Purposes and Objects of the PPCLI Association, none have a statement of the Mission of the Association;

AND WHEREAS there is no approved, published Mission for the PPCLI Association;

AND WHEREAS the other two Regimental Entities, the serving component and the PPCLI Foundation, both have stated Missions;

AND WHEREAS Members of the Association, because of previous military experience, normally anticipate a statement of a mission in order to provide direction and framework to a task or an organization;

AND WHEREAS the statement of a PPCLI Association Mission would define and provide direction and focus to the PPCLI Association and its operations, particularly for the Ways Team currently studying the way ahead for the post-service entity of the Regiment;

AND WHEREAS at a videoconference meeting held on 11 March 2020, the PPCLI Association Board of Directors approved BOD SR 01-20, recommending that Members meeting at the 2020 AGM approve this Mission Statement;

Be it resolved by Special Resolution that:

The PPCLI Association adopt as its Mission the statement:

"The Mission of the PPCLI Association is to provide a means for serving and former serving members to continue the comradeship and close supportive relationships forged during service, while supporting the interests of the Regiment, its soldiers, veterans and their families".

CERTIFICATION

At the 2020 Annual General Meeting of Members, which due to the COVID-19 travel and group meeting restrictions, was held by video conference in accordance with PPCLI Association By-law No. 1, para 4.09-1. to 3., AGM Special Resolution 01-20 was moved by Paul Hale, President of the PPCLI Association, and seconded by Dougal Salmon, Vice-President of the Association, and was approved by the required two-thirds majority of the Members, a quorum being signed into the virtual meeting.

May 2020

Paul Hale Chair PPCLI Association Board of Directors

<u>Note:</u> There is no place for a statement of the Association Mission in the Corporations Canada-approved Articles of Continuation. While this statement will guide the operation of the PPCLI Association and will be implied in the Articles, it is to be used only in internal and Regimental correspondence and documentation.



PRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY ASSOCIATION

2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

SPECIAL RESOLUTION 02-20

A Special Resolution approving, subject to the concurrence of Corporations Canada, an amendment to the Objects of the PPCLI Association.

WHEREAS the Objects of the PPCLI Association listed in Article 6 of the Articles of Continuation, approved by Corporations Canada under the *Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act* and certified on 30 Oct 2014 with effect 14 October 2014, (included as Attachment B for ease of reference) have not been amended nor updated despite ongoing changes in the priorities and potential scope of activities of the Association;

AND WHEREAS it has become apparent that there is a lack of consistency in the Purposes and Objects of the Association contained in the Articles of Continuation, and those detailed in the PPCLI Regimental Manual and Regimental Strategy;

AND WHEREAS at a videoconference meeting held on 11 March 2020, the PPCLI Association Board of Directors approved BOD SR 02-20, recommending that Members meeting at the 2020 AGM approve this amendment to Article 6 of these Articles of Continuation;

Be it resolved by Special Resolution that:

Subject to the concurrence of Corporations Canada, Article 6 of the Articles of Continuation, approved by Corporations Canada with effect 14 October 2014, be amended to reflect the revised and re-ordered Purpose and Objectives in Attachment A to this Special Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

(See p. 2/4)

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At the 2020 Annual General Meeting of Members, which due to the COVID-19 travel and group meeting restrictions, was held by video conference in accordance with PPCLI Association By-law No. 1, para 4.09-1. to 3., AGM Special Resolution 02-20 was moved by Paul Hale, President of the PPCLI Association, and seconded by Dougal Salmon, Vice-President of the Association, and was approved by the required two-thirds majority of the Members, a quorum being signed into the virtual meeting.

May 2020

Paul Hale President PPCLI Association

Attachments:

- A. Revised, Re-ordered and Prioritized Purpose and Objectives of the PPCLI Association
- B. Current (2014) Approved Purpose and Objectives

<u>Note:</u> Subject to the approval of SR 02-20 by Members at the AGM, the revised Purpose and Objectives will be submitted to Corporations Canada for their approval and issue of a new Certificate of Continuance, replacing that issued on 30 October 2014. This Special Resolution will become effective on a date to be issued by Corporations Canada and will be published and distributed at that time.

Revised and Re-ordered and Prioritized Purpose and Objectives – PPCLI Association

6 – Statement of the purpose of the corporation

The Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association supports the interests of the Regiment and the Regimental Family, including its soldiers, veterans and families, through the pursuit of the following Objectives:

- 6.1 Foster and maintain the spirt of the Regiment by perpetuating the comradeship and close supportive relationships formed amongst all ranks both while serving in the Regiment, and after release or retirement;
- 6.2 Provide support to assist released and retired members who served with the Regiment and their families; widows and children of deceased members; and, in exceptional circumstances when assistance is not otherwise available, to serving members and their families;
- 6.3 Provide funding for educational bursaries to veterans and serving members of the Regiment and their families, and to cadets who are or were members of PPCLI-affiliated Cadet Corps;
- 6.4 Preserve PPCLI history by creating, conserving and maintaining significant Regimental memorials, and supporting the Regimental Archives and Museum;
- 6.5 Provide support to PPCLI-affiliated Cadet Corps;
- 6.6 Promote public awareness and support, and perpetuate understanding of the history, heritage and tradition of Service to the Nation and local communities by the Regiment; and,
- 6.7 Establish co-operative and supportive relationships with other veterans' and/or charitable organizations which share comparable and compatible purposes and objectives.

<u>Current (2014) Approved Purpose and Objectives – PPCLI Association</u>

6 - Statement of the purpose of the corporation

The PPCLI Association supports the interests of the Regiment through the pursuit of the following Objectives:

- 6.1 Foster and maintain the spirit of the Regiment;
- 6.2 Perpetuate the close comradeship, mutual regard and esprit de corps formed amongst all ranks while serving in the Regiment and after retiring;
- 6.3 Promote public awareness and perpetuate understanding of the Regiment, its heritage and tradition of Service to the Nation and to Communities;
- 6.4 Stimulate public support for the Regiment;
- 6.5 Assist members, including serving members of the Regiment, and widows and children of deceased members, when and where other assistance is not otherwise available;
- 6.6 Establish co-operative relationships with other selected veterans' or charitable organizations sharing comparable and compatible purposes and Objects; and
- 6.7 Provide educational bursaries to selected deserving persons.



PRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY ASSOCIATION

2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

AGM RESOLUTION 03-20

A Resolution approving the rates of annual dues for Members and Supporting Members, and for Spousal/Partner and Memorial Members

WHEREAS, in accordance with By-law No.1, para 3.0 - 1., on the recommendation of the Board of Directors, by means of an Ordinary Resolution at an AGM, Members of the PPCLI Association are to establish the amount payable for annual dues for Members and Supporting Members, and also may waive payment of annual dues for members of both these classes of membership;

AND WHEREAS the current annual dues of \$25.00 for Members and Supporting Members and \$10.00 for Spousal/Partner Members are still considered to be appropriate;

AND WHEREAS, Members have previously approved that, on the retirement or release from the Canadian Armed Forces of any individual eligible to be a Member of the PPCLI Association, a retirement membership in the Association is to be offered without dues to be paid for a period of three years, the first year being the year of retirement;

AND WHEREAS the PPCLI Regiment Executive Committee and the Regimental Guard have raised the issue of gratis membership in the PPCLI Association for families of the Fallen;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with PPCLI Association By-law No.1, para 2.01 - 2.a.(1).(c)., voting membership is offered to "the spouse or partner of those eligible to be Members (living or deceased)" and in para 2.01 - 2.b.(1).(a). and (b)., supporting membership is offered to "direct descendants (18 years of age or older) of a Member or a person eligible to be a Member" as well as to "parents of a person qualified to be a Member", meaning that the immediate family members of any deceased person eligible for Association membership are already qualified for membership in the Association, but are expected to pay dues;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with PPCLI Association By-law No. 1, para 2.01 - 2.b.(1).(c), further defined in para 2.01 - 2.b.(2), the Board of Directors may at their discretion recommend for approval by Members at an AGM that supporting membership be offered to others, meaning that family members in addition to the immediate family of a deceased person may be offered supporting membership in the Association, but are also expected to pay dues;

AND WHEREAS after a wide-ranging and thorough discussion by the Board of Directors over several meetings, it was agreed that, subject to approval of Members at the AGM, normally two Memorial memberships in the Association should be offered not only to the immediate families of those officially recognized as the Fallen, but also to the immediate families of all those eligible to be Members of the Association, serving or retired, who have died from any cause, whether or not directly attributable to service in the CAF, without regard to the date of death, such membership to be without charge for a period of three years, the first year being the year of joining;

AND WHEREAS the Board further agreed that this Memorial membership is not to be considered a class of membership, but rather is the description of a benefit being offered to the immediate family of a deceased person who was eligible to be a member of the Association in order to encourage the family to continue their connection with the Regiment should they wish to do so;

WHEREAS the Board of Directors also agreed that the measures outlined in Attachment A to this Resolution be implemented in order to administer Memorial memberships;

AND WHEREAS at a videoconference meeting on 08 April 2020, the PPCLI Association Board of Directors approved Resolution 03-20, recommending approval of this Resolution by Members at the 2020 AGM.

Be it resolved that:

- "1. The annual dues payable for Members and Supporting Members of the PPCLI Association continue to be \$25.00, and for Spousal/Partner Members be \$10.00, until such time as Members at an AGM approve new rates;
- 2. Retirement memberships, allowing three years of Association membership without charge to retiring or released serving members, continue to be offered;
- 3. Gratis three-year Memorial memberships be introduced for normally two of the immediate family members of those entitled to be Members of the Association who die for any reason, without consideration of the date of death; and,
- 4. The administrative arrangements for the management of Memorial memberships included as Attachment A to this Resolution be adopted and implemented.

CERTIFICATION

At the 2020 Annual General Meeting of Members, which due to the COVID-19 travel and group meeting restrictions, was held by video conference in accordance with PPCLI Association By-law No. 1, para 4.09-1. to 3., AGM Resolution 03-20 was moved by Paul Hale, President of the PPCLI Association, and seconded by Dougal Salmon, Vice-President of the Association, and was approved by the majority of the Members, a quorum being signed into the virtual meeting.

May 2020

Paul Hale President PPCLI Association

Administration of Memorial Memberships

The guidelines below are part of AGM Resolution 03-20, and are to be implemented on approval of the Resolution by Members at the AGM:

- a. Memorial memberships will be coordinated by the Chair of the Membership Committee, but Branch Presidents will play an important role in their administration.
- b. On learning of the death of an individual eligible to be a Member of the Association, the closest geographic Branch President, or the President of the Association or the Chair of the Membership Committee will contact or arrange for the contact of one of the Immediate Next of Kin of a deceased eligible member, offering two Memorial memberships to the family, either voting membership (spouse or partner) or supporting membership (parents or direct descendants), as appropriate. In accordance with By-law No.1, para 2.01 1., the Branch President, or Chair of the Membership Committee or Association President may approve these memberships, which will be without charge for a period of three years. As all Association memberships expire annually on 31 Dec, the year of joining is considered to be the first year.
- c. This notification to the family may be coordinated with the Colonel of the Regiment, who normally writes to the family of all Patricia's who are killed or die.
- d. Eligible family members may initiate a request for Memorial membership(s) by contacting the nearest Branch President or the Chair of the Membership Committee. Current Association Members are encouraged to contact those who they know may be eligible for Memorial membership, and to urge them to make contact.
- e. Should the family request, consideration may be given to allowing a third Memorial membership or supporting membership in order to accommodate an additional eligible family member (i.e. to allow, for example, the widow to have a membership, and both parents to have supporting memberships). By-law No.1, para 2.01 1. also applies to these memberships and they may be approved by one of the Branch President, Chair of the Membership Committee or Association President.
- f. As well, in the absence of eligible family members wishing to become Memorial members or supporting members, a close family member not otherwise eligible, such as a brother or sister, may wish to become a Memorial supporting member. In this case, the provisions of By-law No.1, para 2.b.(2) will apply, and Branch Presidents or the Chair of the Membership Committee may make application to the Board of Directors for their recommendation, and approval of this supporting membership by Members at an AGM. The Board may approve an interim Memorial supporting membership pending approval of an Ordinary Resolution at the AGM.
- g. On the expiration of the Memorial membership at the end of the third year, these memberships or supporting membership may continue as approved, except that appropriate Association and Branch dues will be payable. In other words, it is only the Memorial part

- which expires, and not the Association membership or supporting membership.
- h. Applicants will be required to complete and submit an Association application form, in order that information required by the *NFP Act* be complete and the data base be up to date.
- i. Those accepting Memorial memberships are to be encouraged to join a geographic Branch, and those who do not wish to do so will be enrolled as e-Members.
- j. Branches are to be encouraged to waive any Branch dues for Memorial members.
- k. The Chair of the Membership Committee may account for Memorial memberships by means of a separate coding in the Association data base or may have Branches account for them in a manner similar to that used for retirement members. Similarly, they may be accounted for as e-Members should they not be members of a geographic Branch;
- 1. Before the end of the third and last year of the gratis membership, the President of the Branch which the individual(s) may have joined, or the Chair of the Membership Committee or the Association President, will formally offer Memorial members the opportunity to become a dues-paying member or supporting member of the Association.
- m. As the Memorial membership program is retroactive (and indeed, even though unlikely, at its extreme may be open to a direct descendant of an Original WWI veteran), it will need the widest possible exposure, possibly by means of Facebook and other social media.
- n. Except for WWI vets, whose service information is readily available, confirmation of the detail in some applications may prove to be difficult. While it is the intent to approve only valid applications, it is appropriate to error on the side of believing the attestation of the applicant. However, it is also not unreasonable to require details of the service of the person on whom the application is based.

Pte Elliott Gordon MacKay KIA Korea 23 February 1951

Asia Campbell watches over graves of UN soldiers buried in the United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Busan. Private Elliott Gordon MacKay, a Canadian soldier who was killed in action at age 17 on February 23, 1951.

Newspapers in Canada and Korea have this information, but they're much too busy with Coronavirus stories to work on this one, at this time, which is understandable. That being so, we are publishing the information now for our veterans and their friends and hope this small note about something very touching that is occurring in Korea may bring a little more brightness into everyone's day.

Asia Campbell is the daughter of Richard Campbell, a Canadian expat from Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, Canada. Richard has a PhD and operates a small motivational college in Busan, Korea. Richard's wife, a Korean national, is also a teacher, and Asia is their daughter. For the past four years, Asia has been going regularly to the United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Busan, to pay tribute to the 2,200 soldiers buried there, who fell defending the Republic of Korea.

She visits graves on special occasions on behalf of relatives of the Fallen. She holds special events for youth, to visit all of the graves. She regularly goes to many of the Canadian graves and at times, to all 378 of them. A few months ago, she learned that the grave marker of one of the Canadian soldiers had an error in the soldier's age.

Private Elliott Gordon MacKay, from Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, was one among the first four Canadian soldiers to be killed in action. He and his three comrades were killed by enemy fire on February 23, 1951, during the first attack against an enemy position made by a unit of the 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

The grave marker lists Private MacKay's age at the time of his death as 18. Asia found out that he actually fell when he was just 17 years old, and therefore is the youngest Canadian soldier to have been killed in the Korean War.

It is noteworthy that the grave marker is the only one in the UN Cemetery that lists two names. It lists his own name, Private E.G. MacKay, and also Private J. M. MacKay, which is the name of an older cousin. The minimum age for service in Canada's Special Force was 19, so Private MacKay had enlisted using his cousin's identity.

As soon as Asian learned of the age error, she got to work, discussed the needed change with the UN Cemetery Custodian (who has ambassador rank), and then with Canada's Ambassador, Michael Danagher, and she also communicated with Allan and Richard MacKay, the two youngest brothers of Private MacKay.



Private Elliott Gordon MacCrae, happy as a lark at age 17 with his sea bag shortly before sailing for Korea in November 1950

A few days ago, the work was completed. Of course, in Korea at this time, there are no public gatherings, so the change on the grave marker was made quietly, with no announcements.

However, Asia Campbell went to the grave once the new marker was in place, and once again visited Private Elliott Gordon MacKay. She had also visited his grave on Christmas Day, and those of some of the other fallen, at the request of their relatives and friends.

Asia wrote a short letter to Private MacKay, which is touching, and which expresses something not just to him, but to all who served in that terrible war, now so many years ago.



Dear Pvt. MacKay,

You weren't much older than me when you decided to fight for my future. You left your home and family to travel across the ocean to fight for our little known country.

It breaks my heart that you never got to see what an amazing country South Korea has become. You would be very proud of us if you could see how we have worked for 70 years to make South Korea one of the greatest countries in the world.

I could never repay you for your sacrifice, but I'll make sure that you and your fellow soldiers will never be forgotten.

Love,

Asia Lee Campbell

A letter from Hal Patterson, Atlantic Branch to Asia

27 Mach 2020

Hello Miss Asia:

I came across your heart-warming story through the PPCLI Veterans association. I presently reside in Pugwash Nova Scotia and I am a Korean War veteran, having served with the 1st Bn PPCLI in Korea from October 1951 to December 1952.

I was awarded the Korea Ambassador Peace medal at a ceremony in Halifax Nova Scotia in 2013 (I believe it was) and I returned to Korea, accompanied by my wife, by invitation of the Korean Government in 2016. This was indeed a very special event for me, as I was so impressed and overcome by the welcoming treatment I experienced and seeing the Korea of today compared to what I experienced in 1951/52, again an experience I will always remember.

Presently, I am acquainted with a young Korean exchange student who is studying at our 'Pugwash district High school' named Jiwon Lim, she comes from Daejeon Korea. I have a story to tell you about her (to follow) involving a contest she entered honoring veterans at the school here and her entry, a colored poster, won first prize.

It was wonderful hearing about you, and I want to congratulate you on your story.

Best Wishes to you and your Family.

Hal Patterson

PACLI ASSOCIATION

Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association Manitoba and Northwest Ontario Branch

PPCLI Association, Manitoba NW Ontario Branch

When we here in Manitoba gathered in Winnipeg on the 14th of March to celebrate Regimental Day; I don't think any of us thought things would get to the point we find ourselves in right now.

We are dealing with restrictions around freedoms we have taken for granted our entire lives, all in an effort to defeat an invisible enemy. Many of us who have been on various tours saw firsthand what we are experiencing now in Canada. Things like school and business closures, shortages of essentials, stretched medical resources to name a few. Now is the time for us to help each other out. Things as simple as a phone call, text, email or a message on social media can make someone's day. We are fortunate to have those options at our fingertips. I encourage all of us to take advantage of this technology and reach out to a friend and comrade from the past.

By way of update from our Branch, we did get together a couple of times in late 2019, 2020. Our AGM saw a great turnout and we handled the business of the day. One project that is in its infancy is the striking of a subcommittee who's tasked with determining the feasibility of establishing a monument of some sort on the grounds of the old Kapyong Barracks. This is a huge undertaking and it is our hopes that it will gain some traction in the next year or so. After the meeting many stuck around and had a beverage and a piece of pizza. Thanks to the beautiful Artwork of Will Martindale we managed to raise almost \$400.00 through a Silent Auction. We signed up a few new members and toasted those no longer with us.

As I said earlier, we did manage to celebrate Regimental Day prior to any restrictions. We had a great turnout and a lot of stories were exchanged. Thanks to the generous sponsorship of Cannaconnect we enjoyed some eats and drinks, toasted those no longer with us, the Regiment and held yet another Silent Auction. Cannaconnect provided some great prizes and Will Martindale donated another powerful piece of Art. Thanks to the support of these two auctions the Manitoba NW Ontario Branch has donated a total of \$1072.00 to the Hamilton Gault Fund in support of Mental Health and Suicide Awareness Training. This donation was made in honor of long time Association Member Art Sutton who recently passed away.

By way of a little dark humor something I read on Facebook the other day went something like this;

"With all the crazy stuff I have done in my past, I'm going to be some upset if I die because I touched my face!"

Stay safe and healthy out there and take care of each other and remember, this too shall pass. VP

Perry Batchelor President PPCLI Association Mb. NW Ont. Branch



Richard Desjardins winner of the Hammy Gault plaque at AGM

Toasting the Regiment 14 March 2020





Joe Smith winner of the 100th Anniversary Plaque Presented by Bill Martindale.



Manitoba and Northwest Ontario Branch AGM 14 Mar 2020



The time before social distancing

Edmonton Branch

Another year is upon us 2020 where did the time go? The branch has had an outstanding start to the year. Jan and Feb meetings saw record attendance 40 plus at each. Then we were hit with the COVID 19. We cancelled on our gathering until further notice, as most of the country has.

We did get in some events before the lock down. On 26 Jan we held a small service to remember all our fallen at Patricia Park, and we had an excellent turnout. For the Regimental Birthday we held two small events one at the local pub on the 14^{th.} On March 17 we were at Patricia Park. Despite social distancing, we had good turnouts.

All of us in our Edmonton Branch, and the rest of the world watching to see what is next. Stay safe, and keep in contact with each other, we got this!

A reminder to all Patricia's in the Edmonton area and those passing through, we hold our meetings at 1100hrs, the 4th Saturday of the month at the Kingsway Legion Branch #175. The Legion is located at 14339 50th St, Edmonton AB T5A 0S9. This will start again when we are able.

Also, please check out PPCLI Association Alberta and Saskatchewan Facebook page for upcoming events in and around Edmonton.

Once a Patricia Always a Patricia!

Herb Kenny Edmonton Branch President









The Foundation's 2nd Annual For the Soldier Breakfast

The 2nd annual For The Soldier Breakfast was held at the Hotel MacDonald with over 95 attendees. Strong representation from the Associated added to the event. The event raised over \$3633.00 net for the Foundation. Also, if we could add a save the date for 30/31 Aug 2020 for the First In The Field Board Casino (provided the casinos are open).

Thank you

Malcolm Bruce

FRASER VALLEY BC BRANCH

The PPCLI Fraser Valley BC Branch welcomed 5 new members over the past year. Our membership now stands at 51, with our members scattered from the Okanagan to the Sunshine Coast. Our monthly meetings are held in Chilliwack, so it is difficult for many members to attend. Minutes and all other correspondence items are shared by email and a hard copy is mailed to those members who do not have internet access.

Our first meeting of 2020 was held on 02 January with a small turnout. This meeting saw the transition of now past President, Dennis Johnson, to Julien McNulty. Although Julien was not able to attend this meeting, he was unanimously voted in! With prior consent of course...

At the February meeting outgoing President, Dennis Johnson, officially handed over the gavel to the incoming President. Dennis thanked Julien for accepting the arm twist so eagerly and stated he is a welcome addition to our branch with his wealth of knowledge of *current* military activities.

Our branch celebrated Regimental Day on Sunday 15 March. Once again, we gathered at Frankie's – the local Italian Restaurant. 17 members joined together, and a good time was had by all! This get-together proved to be the last for the next months because of the COVID-19 outbreak.

With Easter now behind us, and the COVID-19 disease keeping us away from family and the mirth of social gatherings, it is ever more important to reach out to our comrades. Since our April meeting has been postponed due to the pandemic, we are looking for ways to once again connect, possibly remotely in May, should the need continue to maintain social distance. There will be more information to follow towards the end of April regarding the status of our social and business interactions. Meanwhile, the photograph herein is a nice memory of our Fraser Valley Branch's gathering for the Regimental luncheon prior to our break.

Warmest Regards,

Julien McNulty President



2551 PPCLI ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADETS

The Cadets of the 2551 PPCLI Royal Canadian Army Cadets have had another productive and busy year. Once again, we took an important role in The No Stone Left Alone ceremony, and Remembrance Day observances at two different locations. 15 Cadets participated in the Veteran's Walk, and many more assisted the Norwood Legion with Poppy sales. Last June, a dozen Cadets attended the 75th Anniversary of D-Day Ceremony in Siffleur Falls.

Over the summer, our newer Cadets went off to receive their General Training, while our more advanced Cadets stepped up into leadership positions. CWO Wilson was picked to attend a prestigious Cadet exchange in Great Britain. In August, several Cadets helped celebrate the PPCLI's 105th Anniversary. This winter our Cadets were very active in biathlon competitions. Two Cadets are currently in pre-screening for their application to take Parachute training this summer. Our pipe and drum band are smaller after the graduation of several members, but they are dedicated and improving every week, and looking forward to Music Camp this summer.







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| Geoff Crossman 61 | 1,2,3 PPCLI | Jan 2020 | Victoria BC |
| Michael Craig | PPCLI | Jan 2020 | Cole Harbour NS |
| Gordon Smith 100 | WW II | Jan 2020 | Vancouver BC |
| Greg Riddel 49 | 1 PPCLI | Jan 2020 | Campbellford ON |
| Michael Ricketts 100 | Korea | Jan 2020 | Halifax NS |
| Fisher John 89 | Korea | Jan 2020 | Delta BC |
| White Wayne | 2 PPCLI | Jan 2020 | Stewiacke NS |
| Clark James 67 | PPCLI | Jan 2020 | ST. George NB |
| Chamberlain William 74 | 1 PPCLI | Jan 2020 | Edmonton AB |
| Jerry Kasanda 94 | 2 PPCLI | Jan 2020 | Ottawa ON |
| Sheppard Ronald W 89 | 2 PPCLI | Feb 2020 | Winipeg MB |
| McBride Donald 89 | Korea | Feb 2020 | Edmonton AB |
| Qualtier Eric 39 | 1 PPCLI | Feb 2020 | Clearwater BC |
| Slade Hartley 97 | WW II & Korea | Feb 2020 | Port Elgin ON |
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| Fossett John 92 | WWII | Feb 2020 | Kamaloops BC |
| MacLeod 90 | Korea | Feb 2020 | Gibson BC |
| MacLeod James 92 | WWII & Korea | Feb 2020 | Fredericton NB |
| Phillip Roy 87 | 3 PPCLI | Mar 2020 | Ottawa ON |
| Arnold Lighbody 82 | 2 PPCLI | Mar 2020 | Cold Lake AB |
| Pierre Malcolm Stevens 86 | 1,3 PPCL | Mar 2020 | Ottawa ON |
| Jac de Bruijne 90 | Korea, PPCLI | Mar 2020 | Vancouver BC |

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.