



Fall 2023 Newsletter
Marching to the 110th





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The Colonel in Chief

My Dear Patricias:

Every year, when it comes to this time for me to write you on the anniversary of our PPCLI Association, I have been able to say something reasonably cheerful in the context of what's happening to us as Canadians and what is happening to the world.

However, I have a heavy heart as I write to you this year. I have just heard on the news that Benjamin Netanyahu has refused all calls for a ceasefire. The terrible conflagration in Israel and the Gaza Strip is horrifying and almost beyond comprehension.

As a journalist for many years with the CBC, I found myself at various times in the Golan Heights, southern Lebanon and Israel. They were always difficult stories to do with very tough logistics that allowed journalists to move around. My last major work for the CBC was an hour-long documentary called *Hebron* in 1981 which documented the beginnings of the settlements outside that historic town. I'm proud to say that I won a Gemini Award for that documentary. And I can tell you that doing it nearly broke my heart. The feelings on both sides were so extreme that it seemed to me that no resolution was going to be possible. Now, nearly 40 years later, I see that my despair, apprehension and sense of helplessness was justified. This is a terrible thing for me to realize at this moment in my life.

What gives me personal hope is our esprit de corps as an Association. You Patricias mean a great deal to me and your commitment to service and your continuing loyalty to our Regiment is something that buoys my spirits in this terrible time. Whenever I am with you, I feel heartened that we share common values and common experiences. It is only when we refer to the world around us that my belief is deeply shaken.

You have all served your country by being Patricias. We can all continue to act in the best faith and encourage those who are in active service to do their best and always to be first in the field.

I don't know what the outcome of this current terrible situation will be but the worst-case scenario is almost too terrible to contemplate. I don't really know what the best-case scenario can be given the intransigence of all parties. As Canadians, we can only hope and pray that some kind of a resolution that limits the dreadful bloodshed will be put in place. I waver between hope and despair on a daily basis as I am sure you do.

All I can say is that we are Patricias. We serve an ideal and that ideal is to make sure that our country is safe and that our values are cherished. Let us keep that in mind as we follow the unfolding of the events in the Middle East. And let us not despair. May those who are in power come to a solution that is sensible and honourable and that will spare further human suffering.



I have a friend from television days whose sister and husband both over 70 living on a Kibbutz close to Gaza were taken hostage on October 7th. There is no news whatsoever of them. As their friends, we are waiting to hear their names given in some kind of context, even if it might be the worst one. Think of how many people are thinking or worrying about similar situations. And always let us keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Adrienne Clarkson".

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



The Colonel of the Regiment

The time has quickly passed since our Spring Newsletter in May and here we are in the fall and very soon we shall be seeing the end of 2023! Much has continued to occur over that five month period and our Battalions and the Association have much to be proud of.

The world security situation which in my last message I had described as being challenging has, if anything, since then become far more fragile. The war in Ukraine continues unabated, the Israeli/Hamas conflict has the world's attention and climate change had a very serious impact on we Canadians this past summer to name but a few. Operation LENTUS, the Canadian Armed Forces response to natural disasters included elements of our PPCLI Battalions fighting fires in Northern Alberta and British Columbia. Our PPCLI soldiers demonstrated that when Canadians need us the most, we stand together as one and are committed to safeguarding our nation and its people.



Although the Colonel of the Regiment Change of Appointment officially occurred in November 2022, a parade to visually demonstrate the change took place on 29 June 2023 at Garrison Edmonton. The heartfelt thanks of both Vince Kennedy, myself, and our wives Wendy and Carol are extended to the Association President, Greg Ferguson, and all those Association members who attended. It was a memorable occasion.

In July our former Colonel in Chief, the 2nd Countess Mountbatten of Burma's medals were put up for auction in the UK. Unfortunately, they had been lost track of by the family. Her Mountbatten/Knatchbull family put forward significant monies to put in a winning bid to reobtain the medals. In the end to ensure their bid was successful they were assisted by the Regimental family including the Association. The end result is that the medals are now in the hands of the Regiment for permanent display in the PPCLI Museum. I'm happy to report since the arrival of her original medals (less the original Canadian Forces decoration) we have now also received from the family Countess Mountbatten's miniature medals and the original Canadian Forces decoration. My thanks are extended to all those Association members who assisted in this project.

Our Colonel-in-Chief underwent a knee replacement operation in early October and not only did the operation go smoothly but she is very well. Madame Adrienne is now active and doing regular physio.

In recent months we have regretfully seen the passing of several Battle of Kapyong veterans. Bernard Cote of Windsor, ON and Murray Edwards of Victoria, BC passed away in September and October respectively. We believe at the time of his passing Murray was the oldest living Patricia at the age of 103. Members of the Southwest Ontario Branch and Victoria Branch did stellar work supporting and participating at the respective funerals and our thanks are extended to them.

I have had the opportunity to interact with the units of our Regiment over the summer and fall and I can clearly state that they are keeping active and taking advantage of their one year operational pause (aside from firefighting). Whether conducting EX Ric-A-Dam-Doo (subaltern training), running primary combat function courses, or doing extensive dry and live fire training at Wainwright or Shilo I've been most impressed with what I've seen. The operational pause, however, will cease next summer as 1PPCLI deploys personnel on Operation Unifier to the United Kingdom and Poland to train Ukrainian soldiers. More recently I've seen serving Patricia's in the National Capital Region (and five from 2PPCLI) perpetuating history at the Imjin River Classic hockey match. This is now an annual hockey match conducted in Ottawa and sponsored by the South Korean Embassy which pits the PPCLI against the R22eR and replicates a match played during the Korean War in 1952 on the Imjin River. Wow, great hockey and fast!

Lastly, remember 2024 marks our 110th Anniversary as a Regiment. Although considered a minor Regimental celebration a number of activities will occur. For instance it is now firm that the Edmonton celebrations will be conducted over the period 19-21 June and from an Association perspective include our Annual General Meeting and that of the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund. Branch 110th events are also likely to occur. It is also worth reminding that it is still not too late to register for the PPCLI Sydney Frost Battlefield tour of Sicily and Italy 16-31 May 2024 through STI (Special Travel International: 1-800-665-0998).

In conclusion, Carol and I thank and commend the Association for the great work you do encouraging camaraderie amongst the Regimental Family, advancing the legacy of our Regiment, promoting mental health, remembering the contribution of others, and simply helping others. Thank each and every one of you!

VP!

Brigadier-General (Ret'd) Ray Romses, OMM, CD



Words from our President

Fellow Patricia's

As we begin to see the leaves change colour and fall, it is very hard to believe that the year is almost over and planning for the 110th Anniversary Celebrations next year are in full swing.

Part of the 110th Anniversary events will include our 2024 National Annual General Meeting hosted by the Edmonton Branch to coincide with the celebrations being organized by the Serving Component.

Key dates to remember:

- June 19 – 21 2024: Events at Garrison Edmonton
- June 21 – 22 2024: PPCLI Association AGM



As we get closer to the dates, we will be sharing more details on the planned activities.

Since becoming your National President in May, I have been very fortunate to have Ted Giraldeau for advice and guidance as well as a very strong group of Patricia's that form the Board of Directors and Council of Presidents. We hit the ground running and since May we have been busy working to ensure that we are able to deliver a membership experience for all members across the country and around the world. This will be accomplished through the reinforcement of the objectives of the Association.

In order of priority they are:

- Foster and maintain the spirit 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;
- 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, to serving members and their families;
- Provide administrative support to the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund Student Bursary program;
- Preserve Regimental history through the creation and maintenance of significant Regimental memorials and support of the Regimental Museum and Archives;

- Provide support to PPCLI-affiliated Army Cadet Corps;
- Promote public awareness and support of the history, heritage and tradition of Service to the Nation; and
- Establish cooperative and supportive relationships with other veterans' and charitable organizations which share comparable and compatible purposes and values.

In my short time as President, I have been honoured to participate in two high profile events honouring our Patricia legacy.

On July 27th, 2023, I was honoured to lay a wreath at the Korean War National Memorial in recognition of the 70th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice.

On September 10th I joined fellow Patricia's including our Senior Serving Patricia, General Wayne Eyre, in recognizing the 30th Anniversary of the Battle of Medak Pocket.



We are working diligently to keep moving forward and want to encourage all Patricia's to check out our [PPCLI Association Website](#) for new and exciting changes in the coming months.

As has been previously noted, our membership numbers remain in the 700's. I therefore want to challenge each member of the Association to reach out to a fellow Patricia and encourage them to join the Association. As our motto states, Once a Patricia, Always a Patricia.

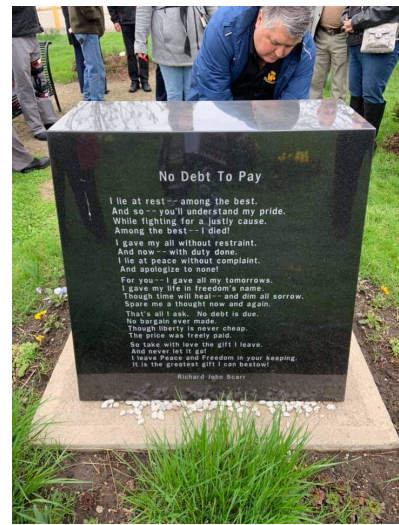
Greg

VP



Southwest Ontario

June 3, 2023 marked the 15th Anniversary of the passing of Captain Richard Steven Leary, who was killed in action while leading his platoon while deployed in the Panjwayi District, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan. Family, friends, local dignitaries and the Regimental Family gathered in Brantford, Ontario to remember Steve.



From the ceremony:

We gather today on the fifteenth anniversary of the loss of Captain Richard Steven Leary who was killed in action in Talukan, Afghanistan. In the midst of this memorial garden, we recognize the anniversary of this loss – a loss we still mourn.

Let us consider these traditional words of comfort:

From the Gospel of Matthew (chapter 5): Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted.

From the Gospel of John (chapter fourteen): “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

This second passage I chose because I believe that this promise Jesus made to His disciples was true for Steve and it remains true for us as well.

Sharing of Memories:

Good afternoon, my name is Rev. Christine Hossack. Currently, I am blessed to be serving at Harmony United Church in Brantford. Our service today is an act of remembrance. It is a service for those who have loved and lost – who miss their loved ones and must go on living without them.

Since I never had the privilege of meeting Steve, it would be difficult for me to share memories of his life. At the same time, there is absolutely nothing about Steve that I can share with you, that most of you don't already know. It is my hope that when your memories of Steve are combined with my brief reflection – we will honour the memory of Captain Richard Steven Leary.

With those thoughts in mind, I took some time to research some of the story of Steve's life. From my perspective it is important that we give as much focus on how he lived his life as we give to the tragic loss of Steve (15 years ago). Richard Steven Leary, aka "Steve-O", was originally from Brantford. Steve graduated from McMaster University with a B.A. degree in history. Steve met his wife Rachel here in their hometown of Brantford when he was 16 and she was 14. For half of his life, he had a best friend in Rachel and eventually they were married. Also, as you know Steve was the son of Rick and Gail (whose loss in 2014 we also mourn). Additionally, he was a brother to Brandi; an uncle to Michael, Christopher and Nicholas, a husband, and a friend (to name just a few). His colleagues remembered him as being athletic man with a great sense of humour and having a passion to lead.

Steve had a life-long dream, to follow in his grandfather's footsteps and join the military. He enrolled in the Canadian Forces as a direct entry officer in January of 2004 and completed his Basic Infantry Officer Training in September 2006. He was posted to the 2nd Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry on completion of this training.

Steve served his country well until he was killed in action on June 3, 2008 at the age of 32. We thank God for the life of Steve who served his country, through his efforts as commander of Sixth Platoon, B Company, 2nd Battalion of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

Here are a few remarks from Steve's commanding officers, that I would like to share...

According to Colonel Jamie Cade, deputy commander of Joint Task Force Afghanistan, he stated, "Captain Leary was what we in uniform are expected to be, Captain Leary was a soldier and Captain Leary was a leader."

Steve as he was known to his family, was a very stoic individual, a very solid leader, extremely loyal and renowned for his loyalty to his troops," said Lieutenant Colonel Dave Corbould. "It was always the mission and his men. They were always first, well before his own personal thoughts. His wish to serve his country by leading his troops into combat was one of his greatest desires. When he was informed that he was coming to Afghanistan, he could not have been happier. He loved his family, he loved his work, and he loved his troops. His zeal for life was paralleled only by his fiery sense of humour, and a passion to lead. He was a soldier's leader and a great friend." There are three essentials to leadership; humility, clarity, and courage; characteristics Captain Leary wholly exhibited throughout his military career.

With the hope that Steve has indeed courageously led the way and found a room for all of us, I will end with the scripture passage that I began with:

14 “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

Let us pray:

O God, we remember before you those who laid down their lives for freedom and truth. We commend their souls into your gracious keeping and pray that we may be worthy of their sacrifice. Help us to be faithful and true to those ideals for which they fought and died. May we continue to perpetuate the memory of our departed comrades by our service to country, community, and comrades, and remembering our solemn obligation may we ever pray. Amen.

As we remember Steve and honour the lives of all our veterans, we do so by listening to the Last Post:

Last Post and Reveille:

(Brief Silence)

The Act of Remembrance:

They shall not grow 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.

Response: We will remember them

(Brief Silence)

Our heavenly Father, grant, we beseech you, to the loved ones of our departed comrade Steve, your comfort and peace.

Blessing:

God be your comfort, your strength;

God be your hope and support;

God be your light and your way;

And the blessing of God

Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of life

Remain with you now and forever.

Amen.





Manitoba and Northwest Ontario

The Summer of 2023 was a busy one for the Branch beginning in June when Executive Members attended our two Cadet Corps Annual Reviews (ACRs). Richard Sellwood attended the 553 Tommy Prince ACR and Robert Pigeau attended the 2701 ACR. Both were said to have been terrific events. The Branch is proud to support our local Cadet Programs and is grateful for the invites. Both Cadet Corps seem to be flourishing post COVID with training nights being well attended.



2701 PPCLI Cadet Corps Review



553 Tommy Prince Cadet Corps Review

The Branch received sponsorship for a table of 8 to attend the Homes for Heros Gala in Winnipeg. The highlight of the evening was the guest speaker, Astronaut Chris Hatfield. Hatfield not only addressed the crowded room but also serenaded them with his rendition of “Major Tom”. Branch Treasurer Robert Pigeau also had his photo taken with the Astronaut.



On the evening of the 16th of September, the Branch held a Beer Call in recognition of the 30th Anniversary of the Battle of the Medak Pocket. We had a great turnout, and many stories were told. Sheldon Maertz a Delta Company Platoon Commander from the tour, provided an outstanding reading, (excerpt from a book he is working on). It was an emotional reading that recognized both Cpl Bechard and Captain Decoste, who did not make it home from the tour. ***“At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them”***. There were several members of the tour who attended the Beer Call and many from the Branch who showed up in support. Once again, our Vice President Paul Muise and his CannaConnect Team did an outstanding job. We raised another \$1,000.00 for our Kapyong Memorial Fund.



With respect to the Kapyong Memorial, we have re-engaged with Treaty One Development Corporation. The new name of the former Kapyong Barracks is Naawi-Oodena (Center of the Heart of the Community). Ray Crabbe and I recently had our first Zoom Meeting with representatives of Treaty One Development. They are very excited that as an Association and Regiment we want to install a memorial within Naawi-Oodena. To date we as a Branch have raised in the neighborhood of 7 thousand dollars. Until we get the specifications of the footprint, we do not know the scope of the project with respect to what the monument will look like, or the funds needed to make it a reality. We anticipate a meeting with Treaty One in the near future. Attached to this article is a picture of the Monument dedicated to the service of the Regiment while at Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg. This was also a project competed by the Manitoba NW Ontario Branch.



Considering that a few short years ago, our Branch was down to 6 members and we are now, at 94 members in good standing. In recognition of the 110th anniversary of the Regiment we will make it our goal to hit the 110-membership mark in 2024.

VP

Perry Batchelor

Branch President



Valour Place

PPCLI ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS VALOUR PLACE

Written by: Rick Dumas.

Photos provided by: Herb Kenny and THE PATRICIAN 2012 (Grant Cree).

From vision to reality it took three years and millions of fundraising dollars to finally conduct the ribbon cutting ceremony for Valour Place on 2 October 2012. The Loyal Edmonton Regiment and its Honourary Colonel, Dennis Erker was its driving force and on that occasion their efforts were recognized by many dignitaries such as the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, the CDS, Deputy Premier, Speaker of the Legislature and Mayor.



Two devoted Patricia's; then-serving Major Mark Campbell and His Honour, Col (Retd) The Honourable Don Ethel, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta look on at the reception.

Valour Place is a “Home Away From Home” for wounded military personnel and veterans, members of the RCMP, First responders and their families and families of the fallen who need accommodation in Edmonton while receiving treatment and rehabilitation – at no cost. The impressive 10,000 square foot facility was built with 12 barrier-free suites with all the comforts of home. Since that ceremony it's been used extensively.

Inside the main reception area – adorned with The L EDMN R badge, the ceremonial cheque is presented.



On 24 September 2023, Herb Kenny – Edmonton Branch President, PPCLI Association presented a cheque for \$5,000 to Valour Place. The cheque was presented on behalf of the National Association and accepted by Executive Director, Valour Place - Sylvie Keane.



Valour Place is located at 11109 111 Avenue – not far from the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital in Edmonton and can be reached by phone at 780-455-7707 or after hours/during emergencies at 780-893-9855.

In addition to the obvious, the gesture emphasizes the PPCLI Association’s relevance in continued veteran support and close cooperation with PPCLI’s Affiliated Regiment - The Loyal Edmonton Regiment (4 PPCLI).

“Valour is stability, not of arms and of legs but of courage and the soul” - Michel Eyquem De Montaigne



Canadian Army Uniform Update

Since the passing of Queen Elizabeth II there has been a lot of discussion to see if the CAF would revert back to the Tudor Crown (previously used by King George VI). In April 2023, the Canadian Government released the Canadian Royal Crown that has been approved by King Charles III. This will now begin to be used wherever a Royal Crown is used in Canada.



Changing Regimental Colours and Cap Badges

All new colours will have the Canadian Royal Crown as they begin to roll out this year. Directorate of History and Heritage (DHH) has mentioned that the Royal Canadian Regiment are first in line, with the PPCLI slated for 2024/25.

As for the Cap Badges, RHQ are waiting for the formal digital proof from DHH before going out to find a company to produce them for the Kitshop. The CAF would still be responsible to produce a version for issue, but that could take years. It is not known if DHH, CAF or the Regiment will put a date on when a new Cap Badge will be switched.

The Regimental Kitshop is prepared for a switch of our Cap Badge on our items. But no changes will take place until Regimental Executive Committee and Guard sign off on when this will be facilitated. Once a proof view of what the new colours will look like, RHQ will begin producing a mini version (like the one presently given as a departing gift) and get it online for everyone to see or purchase.

Changing Army Uniforms.

New CADPAD (shirt, pants and bush hat) will be issued starting in Jan 2024 in Edmonton. New DEU's will be Olive Green as the colour with a different cut and rank badges will be white.

Officers will revert to Sam Brown belts vs. what we have now (maroon sword belt). It remains to be determined if the Regiment will go back to forge caps or stay with the Beret.





Kingston



First, the Kingston Branch would like to thank the leadership of the Association and the SW Ontario Branch for the excellent in-person AGM, held at Niagara on the Lake in May this year. The location was gorgeous and the meeting highly productive and was enjoyed by all the Branch Members and spouses who attended.

The Nordick's enjoying High Tea at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Niagara on the Lake

The Kingston Branch held its Annual Golf Tournament and Social on 8 July at the Camden Braes Golf Course. Organized by Marv Makulowich, 16 players enjoyed a great round of golf on a fine sunny day. This group was joined by other Branch Members and spouses for a loud and fun lunch in the club house after the Tournament. Team Lapeyre, led by Jay's daughter Jaime won the prize. As usual, a 50/50 draw was held to raise money for the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund and Jaime won that as well – she had a good day, as did all who participated.



Golfers ready on the first tee



The Winning Team: ‘Moose’ Maringer , Jay Lapeyre, Jamie Lapeyre, and Shawn Hackett

On 20 October, at the invitation of Col Adam Moore, the senior serving Patricia in Kingston, a PPCLI Beer Call was held at the Matthew Dawe Memorial Legion. This provided an opportunity to get together and catch up following the summer and offered Col Moore the opportunity to say farewell to some retiring Patricia’s serving in Kingston. It also gave the Kingston Branch the opportunity to recruit new members to the Association.

Our next event – the Branch Christmas Dinner will occur on 26 Nov 23. As always, the date for this Dinner has to hit the sweet spot between the departure of snowbirds and a very active fall Calian exercise programme in support of the Army Staff College. If you are in the area you would be welcome.



Mid-Vancouver Island

Greetings to all from beautiful Comox, Vancouver Island, BC.

Our first meeting (September) post summer break was only attended by four members. Yours's truly couldn't make it, due to a family commitment. On paper we show upwards of 15 but less than 20 members, but this fluctuates when we meet on a month-to-month basis.

At that meeting, the four members discussed a few ideas of holding meetings in one locale. We currently alternate between Comox and Nanaimo. And the ideas of carpooling and bi-monthly meetings were brought-up. However. With less then a quorum, nothing could be voted on.

By the time you have read this article, our October meeting will be completed. Issues to be discussed and some voted on, are:

- *People to fill executive positions;
- *Dues to be paid;
- *Holding meetings in one locale;
- *Carpooling;
- *Bi-monthly meetings;
- *Suggestions on what to do for the 2024 Regimental Birthday and Lady Patricia's Birthday; and
- *Possible financial support from the Mid-Island Association, to 2943 PPCLI RCAC in Campbell River.

The 2943 PPCLI RCAC are planning a trip to Edmonton on Spring Break 2024. They recently asked for a letter of support on our behalf. Of course, we support the cadets in their endeavour, and I penned a letter to Gord Keener asking for funding this year. Not only to support the trip, but for day-to-day operations of the Corps.

As of right now, I remain President of the Mid-Island Association until this month's meeting is complete. I was nominated as an interim President, being as I'm not a true PPCLI, to guide the Association through a year until an individual who truly was a member of the PPCLI could take over the reigns. Well. There ay be an individual willing to assume the duty of President. He is going to attend the upcoming meeting.

In the meantime, until a new President assumes the reigns, the Mid-Island PPCLI Association will remain focused on:

- *Recruiting new members;
- *Collaborating with the Victoria, BC branch;
- *Focus on referring ex-PPCLI members (or any other trade/element if need be) to obtaining help for Operational Stress Injuries (we will not provide any medical, spiritual, psychological help);
- *Assist the 2943 PPCLI Royal Canadian Army Cadets in Campbell River in anyway possible;
- and
- *Developing a networking system, such as to garner information on service providers (e.g. plumbers, electricians, accountants, lawyers, etc, etc).

All the best and cheers to all the other PPCLI Branch Associations, from the members of the Mid-Island PPCLI Association!!!

Brad Marriott
President
Mid-Island PPCLI Association



Ottawa

The Branch had its catch-up AGM in October, and Vince Kennedy was elected President, replacing Don Dalziel. Don will remain on the Branch Executive as Secretary/Treasurer.

Branch Members recently took part in three events in Ottawa: the 109th Regimental Birthday Celebrations on 10 August; a ceremony recognizing the 30th Anniversary of the Battle of Medak Pocket on 10 September; and the 2023 Imjin Classic on 27 October.

109th Regimental Birthday



30th Anniversary of the Battle of Medak Pocket

On 10 September 2023, Veterans Affairs Canada sponsored a low-key ceremony at the Peacekeeping Monument to recognize the 30th Anniversary of the Battle of Medak Pocket. A number of Ottawa Branch Members, including MGen (Ret'd) Lew MacKenzie who had commanded Sector Sarajevo of the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) a year before the Medak Pocket action.

In the fall of 1993, 2 PPCLI, under LCol Jim Calvin, was serving in Croatia as part of the Sector South of UNPROFOR. On 14 September, the unit was deployed to Medak, in Croatia, tasked to

monitor withdrawal of the 9th Croatian Brigade from a recently-captured Serbian area, to stabilize the situation for Serb civilians, and to report violations. When 2 PPCLI inserted itself between the Serbs and Croats, they were met with heavy direct and indirect fire from Croatian lines. A day later, on 16 September, the Croats renewed their efforts to force a UN withdrawal from the area. There was an intense exchange of fire, with firefights at the platoon level. In a well-timed, impromptu press conference, LCol Calvin prompted international pressure on the Croats, and they began to withdraw. They left behind destroyed villages, dead livestock, and worst of all, mass graves of Serbian civilians. Largely thanks to the efforts of the Canadian and UN soldiers, this became one of the best-documented cases of ethnic cleansing.

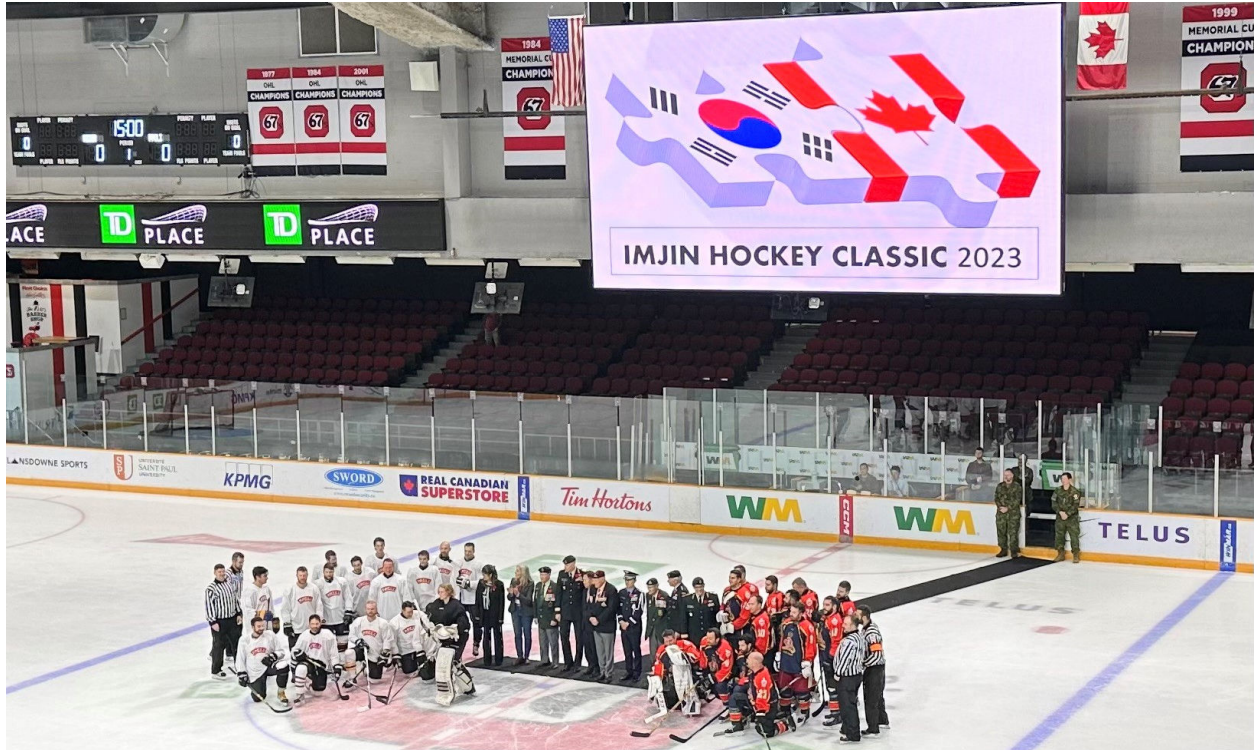
The principal speaker at the ceremony was the CDS, General Wayne Eyre, who was the Recce Pl Comd in 2 PPCLI at the time of the battle. CWO Kevin Lewis, also a veteran of the battle, attended the ceremony as well.

The Battle of Medak Pocket was the fiercest fighting faced by the Canadian Army in the immediate post-Cold War era, and many say changed the face of Peacekeeping. What they saw also scarred many of the participants. It remains one of the least-known Canadian military operations, but at least for one day, for a few, it was celebrated.



2023 Imjin Classic

On 27 October teams representing PPCLI and R22eR played a hockey game commemorating the game played on the Imjin River over 50 years ago, on 11 March 1952. Generously supported by the Embassy of the Republic of Korea, the Imjin classic has become annual event. It was a close game, but the final score was 4-2, with the Van Doos scoring an empty-net goal with 20 seconds remaining.





Fraser Valley

Our branch is quite unique, in that we cover a large geographical area with our membership from around Vancouver to the interior of British Columbia.

Our Branch members come from: Merritt, BC (Cliff Cooper), Kamloops, BC (George Densch), West Kelowna, BC (Gordon & Ethel Jackson), Sechelt, BC (Willard Johnson), Prince George, BC (Ken & Margaret Kelly), McKenzie BC, (Dave Kirby), Chase BC, (Roland Phillips) and from Kelowna BC (Robert Pullen).

We also have 32 members from the lower mainland and 3 honorary branch members. Chilliwack is our main base location; where we hold our monthly luncheon meetings on the second Thursday of the month at 11:30am in Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 280 at Vedder Crossing area.

Since we have not had a submission to the newsletter in over a year I felt there was a need to bring everyone up to date of events within our association from July 2022 onward. In the future there will be a more up to date list of the branches activities going forward in future newsletters. In July 2022 we had an emergency change of leadership within the organization as our president at the time Julien McNulty was being transferred to by work commitments to Edmonton and therefore Mark Benjamin the association vice president stepped into the president's role. With this and Secretary Ann Forsyth and Treasurer Liz Brown consists of the executive arm of our association.

In August 2022 we held our annual BBQ at Gloria and Darren Hartley's place in Cultus Lake. We all contributed funds for the food and Darren cooked up a storm and Gloria provided the salads and fixings. A great day was had by approximately a dozen members in attendance. During this time we started the distribution of the Regimental Association coins amongst the membership.

August 2022 also brought some sad news of the passing of one of our past presidents and longtime Branch member Ray Ellis.

Remembrance Day 2022 brought some favourable weather and a huge public gathering as our Branch members long with Legion members marched to the Vedder Crossing Cenotaph at the old CFB Chilliwack.

The 2022 annual Christmas Luncheon was held at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 280, Vedder Crossing Chilliwack BC and it was a combined function with the members of Bornewest Association also participating.

In March 2023 we celebrated Regimental Day with a luncheon at Royal Canadian Legion #280 Vedder Crossing in Chilliwack with 22 members in attendance and a ceremonial cutting of the regimental cake.

We are presently in the planning stages of events and activities to assist in celebrating the Regiments 110th anniversary in 2024.

If anyone is considering a move or a visit to our beautiful Fraser Valley which is very scenic and has many excellent golf courses, please contact any member of our branch for assistance. Don't forget to consider also becoming a member of our Branch as we are constantly on the lookout for new members.

Mark Benjamin CD
PPCLI Association
Fraser Valley Branch



Atlantic

During the summer and fall of 2023, the Sgt Roy Rushton, Atlantic Branch participated in one activity and combined a presentation with a meet and greet.

The Atlantic Branch was invited to provide a four-person team to participate in the Soldier On golf tournament at Royal Oaks Golf Club in Moncton, NB on 03 Aug 2023. The Atlantic Branch golf team had a final score of 6 under par (7 birdies and one bogey) and the winning team had a score of 17 under par. On behalf of the Atlantic Branch, I would like to thank the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund (HGMF) for sponsoring a hole for this Soldier On golf tournament. The Atlantic Branch team included: James Cawley, Jerry Cawley, Alex Hostler, and Joe Plichie. The Soldier On representative assigned to the Atlantic Branch Team was Frank MacNiel.



Our next gathering was held on 10 Aug 2023 at the Royal Canadian Legion (Branch # 10) in Amherst, NS. During this gathering the Atlantic Branch had a great time celebrating the Regimental Birthday and presenting Harold (Hal) Patterson (A Korean War Veteran and member of the Atlantic Branch) with his Quilt of Valour. We had a small turnout to include Association members, friends, and family of Hal Patterson.

Hal Patterson was presented with his Quilt of Valour. Pictured from left to right are Rhoda Moore (Quilt of Valour representative), Justin McKay, Hal Patterson, and Glen Ryan



Atlantic Branch members making a toast to the Regiment. From left to right are: Stephen Bartlett, Glen Ryan, Justin McKay, Hal Patterson, Gary O’Sullivan, and Al Legood.

The next gathering for the Atlantic Branch will be a Christmas meet and greet in early Dec 2023 (dates TBD).

As 2024 is the 110th Anniversary of the PPCLI, the Atlantic Branch will be holding gatherings for Regimental Day, Frezenberg Day and the Regimental Birthday. Due to the success of co-hosting the 2023 Regimental Day meet and greet with Joel Turnbull and the Dirty Patricia’s the Atlantic Branch will plan on co-hosting the 2024 Regimental Day meet and greet with the Dirty Patricia’s again. We had our largest Atlantic Branch gathering when co-hosting with the Dirty Patricia’s.



Edmonton

The Edmonton branch hopes 2023 was great for all of you. Just around the corner the Regiment will be 110 years old. We been preparing to close out 2023 we here in Edmonton are in the planning process to host the next Annual General Meeting in Jun of 2024. We hope to see you here.

Since our last Newsletter we have been quite active in the Edmonton Branch. Members were in attendance for the Change of Command for the Colonels of the Regiment. We held our annual gathering at Patricia Park on the 10th of Aug to celebrate 109 years of the Regiment.



Standing L to R: Two 3 PPCLI Soldiers, Kevin Crone, Paul Wiseman, George Janes, Rob Wheatley, Mike Schneider, Jay Zdyb, Ken Zack, Jim Butters, Mike Bludd, Darell Chetyrbuk, Joe Hodge, Kevin, Gord Descoteaux,

Seated L to R: Fred Goldring, Perry Morrow, Claude Lalonde, Dani Wick, Herb Kenny, Rick Dumas, Pat Mathews

Several of our members traveled to Airdrie Alberta to witness the unveiling of the Gapyeong Battle Victory Monument Stone. The unveiling was well attended by veterans of the Korean War.



Bill Dickson, Herb Kenny, John Slater



Kevin Raper, Herb Kenny, Scott Langford

L to R standing: Herb Kenny, Andrew Mullett, Al Boxshall, Ken Villiger, Scott Langford, Kevin Raper
Seating L to R: Senator Yonah Martin, Navy Korean Vet , George Couture



The PPCLI Campout was once again a great success, twenty-nine attended. We had the pleasure of Sandi Rayner's company at the campout. It was Sandi and her late husband Jack who started the PPCLI Campout in 1989 in Calgary. It's a great event that we in Edmonton will continue to support and organize in the years to come.



From L to R seated: Dave Burbridge, Paul Beaugrand, Sandi Rayner, Patricia DeMerchant, Linda Penney, Joyce Saumer, Brenda Forbes, Beth Brochu, Sandy Saumers, Standing L to R: John DeMerchant, Kevin Crone, Bob Zubkowski, Neal Bynokoski, James White, Malcolm Thomson, Valerie Thomson, Tim Penney, Lyle Saumer, Scott Langford, Kim Whitaker, Art Brochu, Frank Keeley, Barry Saumer, Wes Carlton, George Forbes, Jim Croll, Mike Duffin, Fred Litchfield
Missing from picture are Herb Kenny and Allison Langford.

John DeMerchant and Sandi Rayner



In the last two months of the year, the branch is running the 11th Nov Remembrance Day parade at Patricia Park. An event we did during Covid, and was a great success. The support to the First In The Field Casino in Nov. A great event which provide funds to veterans and Patricia's. On the 9th of Dec we are holding our Annual Christmas Dinner at the Kingsway Legion.

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](http://14339%2050th%20St,%20Edmonton%20AB%20T5A%200S9).

Please check out PPCLI Association Alberta and Saskatchewan Facebook page for upcoming events in and around Edmonton and the Association website <http://ppcliassn.ca/>

Once a Patricia Always a Patricia!

Herb Kenny
 Edmonton Branch President



Victoria

We had an amazing summer here on beautiful Vancouver Island. Our Branch remains at about 50 members, and we meet monthly for lunch and comradeship. On 10 August we met for lunch and celebrated the Founding of the Regiment. We have also been involved with Korea Veterans lunches where we hear about their experiences in the Korea War. Unfortunately, Murray Edwards, one of our Korea Veterans passed away at 103 years old. We were very lucky that we did get together to celebrate his life before he left us for the mighty Regiment(s) in the sky. It was quite a turnout. Murray would have been 104 in January.

The Museum is coming along nicely thanks to the hard work of our members.

The Victoria branch will be participating and laying a wreath in the Remembrance Day ceremonies at both the BC Victoria Afghanistan Memorial and the Esquimalt Cenotaph with the 2483 PPCLI Cadets.

We are looking forward to the Regiment's 110th Anniversary in 2024 and as such we will be planning activities to celebrate it. Since the AGM will be in Edmonton in 2024, we are hopeful that some of our Branch members will be able to attend, after all you only turn 110 once.

If you are out this way, please look us up. It would be an honour.

We want to wish all Patricias and their families season's greetings, a happy and healthy holiday and a safe and prosperous New Year!!!!

Once a Patricia, Always a Patricia.

Terri Orser



Terri Orser, Jim Kempling and Victor Flett Sr at the 20th Anniversary of Broadmead Care's Charity Golf Tournament at the Royal Colwood Golf Club on 1 June 2023

Funds raised through this year's event supported the purchase of specialized medical equipment for Veterans Memorial Lodge, home to Canada's WWII, Korean War, and Modern-Day Veterans and seniors.

Museum Report

The PPCLI Exhibit that is housed in the CFB Esquimalt Naval and Military Museum's NADEN building # 39, within the Township of ESQUIMALT, has almost completed its redesign process. A few minor additions and text cards identifying the items are being finalized. There is one major addition however, that is an oak cabinet currently being fabricated by Victoria Branch member Gerry Nugent. This cabinet will securely house artifacts and was graciously funded by members of the branch, Ed Widenmaier, Larry Gollner, Jamie Hammond, Jack Bates and Bruce Dickey.



" Oak display cabinet progress to date by Gerry Nugent"



" PPCLI exhibit in the CFB Esquimalt Base Museum being redesigned."

An article was published in the LOOKOUT on September 11, 2023 covering the redesign process.

The PPCLI exhibit also has in its collection several items for research purposes, including copies of Regimental publications and the PATRICIAN from 1958 to 2022.

The KOREAN War exhibit in NADEN's building 37 is still ongoing as more items are donated. Most recently from John Bishop, the Ed Hansen collection, Don Levy and from our beloved Murray Edwards, who passed away on October 14, 2023. He was the oldest PPCLI survivor of the Battle of KAPYONG.

Jack Bates

Major (retired) Murray Edwards

This past summer Murray was not feeling well, and it was felt he did not have much time left so a Celebration of Murray Edward's life was organized while he was still alive. He mentioned that he wanted to be buried in his PPCLI Officer's Mess Kit, but he had lent his it to a friend in Ontario years ago and never got it back. So very quickly we went on the hunt to find one for him. Jack Bates said he had one in our museum, and he asked Major (retired) Bill MacMillan who had donated his mess kit to our museum if he would be willing to give it to Murray and explained why. Next thing you know we were presenting Bill's uniform that was in the museum to Murray Edwards. We showed it to him at his Celebration of Life in his room at The Lodge at Broadmead because he was too ill to get out of bed. He said to us "I could just cry". His wish was fulfilled with the help of Alder Curry's wife who did some modifications and teamwork from the branch.



Bruce Dickey, Terri Orser, Jim Kempling, Jack Bates and Peter Chance in the foreground showing the uniform. Peter was Murray's best friend and a Korea Veteran as well.



Murray Edwards dressed up in the mess kit jacket prior to his death. He must have felt at peace knowing his wish was granted to be buried in it.

Pats Observe Easter Near Korea Front



Accompanied by Capt. J. G. Owen Brown, choir of the Princess Pats sings at Easter Sunday church service held somewhere near the front lines in Korea. The choir was organized by Capt. Brown. Left to right are: Cpl. James Austin, Charlottetown; Capt. J. G. Turnbull, Toronto; Lt. Murray Edwards, Kelowna, B.C.; Pte. Declan Oakley, Ottawa; Pte. Lawrence Rogers, Stettler, Alta.; L-Cpl. Walter Fenn, Portage la Prairie; Cpl. Lloyd Tuttle, Moose Jaw; WO II Doug H. Acton, Winnipeg; Pte. Carman Potts, Toronto; Pte. Ronald Bourgon, Ottawa; Cpl. Orval Baker, Windsor; Capt. J. D. Campbell, Vancouver; L-Cpl. George Bonney, Neepawa, Man.; Lt. A. C. Beauchamp, Hamilton.

2483 PPCLI RCACC (Army Cadets)

In 2022-2023 our unit returned to full time in-person training and started with the basics, filling in gaps of practical knowledge that we missed during virtual training by participating in Field Training Exercises (FTX). We conducted 2 weekend FTXs at Albert Head where cadets learned to navigate from point to point on a map in small sections to complete missions/tasks.

Additionally, we have been doing supplementary senior cadet training to elevate our senior cadets to the next level by running classes on instructional techniques, leadership, interpersonal relationship management and integrity training.

The cadets continue to be grateful to parade at the Nixon Gym in CFB Work point from September until Mid-June on Tuesday evenings covering knowledge and drill classes. Our Army Cadet Motto, *Acer Acerpori* continues to be embodied as we have senior cadets instructing almost every week to their junior cadets. The unit has enrolled approximately 12 new cadets this training year maintaining our corps strength at 50 cadets. Currently the unit is supported by 6 Cadet Instructor Cadre (CIC) Reserve officers, 1 Civilian Volunteer, 5 CAF volunteers and a full Parent support committee supported by the Army Cadet League of BC. We are thankful for all the support we continue to receive from the PPCLI Association, the local legions (both Esquimalt and Pro Patria), the Victoria Poppy Fund Committee and the Canadian Armed Forces among many others.

In addition to our regular training, our cadets have also had opportunities to participate in regional training that diversifies their skill sets. We've had approximately 20 cadets participate in expeditions where they can learn how to ride a mountain bike, hike or canoe while thriving in an outdoor leader's hip position. We've resumed marksmanship and band training to allow cadets to develop focus and a healthy competitive spirit and lastly our most senior cadets have been participating in workshops with cadets from across the Island where they can network, plan activities and learn amongst peers from different cadet-background (such as different elements, experiences and cities). We look forward to continuing to participate in community events like volunteering to support local runs, Fort Macaulay Day, Defence on the Docks and so much more.

A few of our Year 1 and 2 Cadets participated in summer training locally in Victoria named, Cadet Activities Program (CAP). Many of our year 2+ cadets took their adventures to different bases and cities across Canada as Summer training was in full swing this year. Many of our cadets participated in courses such as: mountain bike instructor, expedition team member and leader, basic marksmanship, basic drill and ceremonial, basic fitness and sports and air rifle marksmanship instructor. We had 2 cadets participate in summer employment opportunities as Staff Cadets where their role was the care of the cadets under their charge and instruction/facilitation of courses. We are so proud of all our cadets, and they reported having a great time. Some of the summer locations cadets visited include Cold Lake, Quadra (Comox), Whitehorse, Blackdown and Vernon.

We look forward to continuing offering as much high-quality training as we can at the unit and welcome all youth aged 12-18 to join us. If you would like to learn more about our cadet corps, we are happy to share our website; victoriaarmycadets2483.ca, where you can see all of our upcoming activities and reach out to us about volunteering, joining or find contact information if you have any questions.

ALWAYS A PATRICIA.

Captain Rachel Lafitte

Commanding Officer 2483 PPCLI RCACC / Cadets and Junior Canadian Rangers



2483 PPCLI RCACC at their Annual Ceremonial Review 11 June 2023

Terri Orser presenting a cheque to Captain Rachel Lafitte, CO 2483 PPCLI RCACC



Easter Seals Drop Zone 2023

On 19 September 2023, Jim Kempling and Terri Orser rappelled 13 stories down the Manulife Building in Victoria representing the PPCLI Association. Why? While I was on the edge, I was asking myself the same question. The last time I rappelled was when I was 18 years old and had no fear. Jim flew down the building while I was still on the 13th floor. “You want me to put my feet over the edge?” “Are you kidding me?” Ugh!!! Anyway, I am alive to tell the story.

We did it to support a very worthy cause, to enhance the quality of life of Canadian adults and children living with disabilities. It helps raise money so that they have access to the equipment, technology, programs, services and support they need to make the most of their abilities and participate fully in society.

It was a blast, after my feet were on Terra Firma. Will I do it again, heck yes!!!!

Terri Orser and Jim Kempling on the top floor





Jim Kempling having the time of his life.



Terri Orser trying to look confident.



Branch members at the Legion for the 109th Regimental Birthday



Calgary

Calgary Branch got together for our annual meet & Greet on 29 Sept 2023 and we had good turn out and all had good time.

Calgary Branch will be having their annual Christmas Luncheon on the 25 Nov 2023.

We held our AGM on 28 Oct we held our election we have a new executive place and good people. Scott Langford President, Gerry Dugas Vice President, Dave Casey Treasurer, Dave Schmidt Secretary, Jim White, and Dave Kidd Veterans/Hospital Care/VVP. Jim Croll Membership/Past President

Congratulations to all the new Executive Committee!

Jim Croll

Past President PPCLI Association
Calgary Branch/Membership Rep

PPCLI Association Casino Report

The following donation in 2023 went out The Friends of Belcher Calgary \$5,000, The Veterans Association Food Bank Calgary \$5,000, Royal Canadian Legion Forest Lawn Branch 275 Calgary \$4,000. Valor Pace \$5,000 Edmonton, The Kippness Centre for Veterans Edmonton \$5,000, and The Royal Canadian Legion Kingsway \$4,000. Thanks to those who come down and Volunteer to help with the Casino. Jim Croll presented the Donations in Calgary and Herb Kenny presented the donations in Edmonton.

Our next Casino is in the third quarter of 2023.

Jim Croll

PPCLI Association Treasurer/Casino Chair





Korea Anniversary

June 25th, 2023 marked the 73rd anniversary of the beginning of the Korean War and July 27th marked the 70th Armistice that stopped the Korean War, but did not end it. I was one of 28 Korea War Veterans from across Canada along with their caregiver to go to Ottawa for an all paid 4-day event from June 23rd to the 26th. My wife and I traveled with 3 other Veterans and their caregivers from the Niagara Region.

We traveled to Ottawa on June 23rd and stayed at the Lord Elgin Hotel. A Korean Children's Choir was flown in from Vancouver to entertain at each event, the number of children outnumbered the Veterans. The morning of June 24th we went to the Beechwood Cemetery for a service to commemorate the Korean War followed by a tour of the Korean Exhibit at the Canadian War Museum. It was very impressive with some animation of the hills and battles. That evening we went to The Senate of Canada for a service followed by a dinner in the Senate Chamber. On June 25th we attended a special service at the National War Memorial held at 11 am and went to the Fairmont Chateau Laurier for lunch following the service. We returned home on June 26.

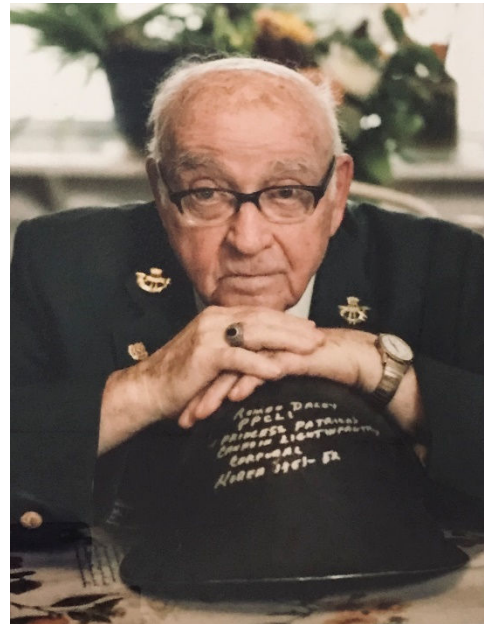


July 27th, the 70th anniversary of the Armistice, I went to Meadowvale Cemetery in Brampton, Ontario where the Korean Wall of Remembrance, which has plaques of the 516 Canadians who did not return from the war is located. Each year, I attend the service in Brampton along with other Korea War Veterans. This year the service was also attended by Greg Ferguson, National President of the PPCLI Association.

August 4th, Korean photographer Rami Hyun and CBC News came to my home to photograph and interview me. Rami is documenting as many Korea War Veterans as he can from around the world at his own time and expense it is known as Project Soldier.. Due to airtime, it was a 2 minute documentary which aired on August 14 as well as on youtube. I was proud to be part of Rami's "Project Soldier".

I have been invited by CHCH TV to go to The Hamilton Warplane Museum on November 10th to be interviewed for their Remembrance Day program to be aired on Remembrance Day.

Romeo Daley, VP
Korea War Veteran





Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund



Many of you will be aware that there has been an ongoing study on how best to combine our Regimental Charities, (the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund, the PPCLI Foundation and the Patricia Fund) into a single entity to reduce duplication of effort and improve efficiency. This work began with the Ways Team option analysis which filed its report to the Regimental Steering Committee in November 2020. Subsequently a Transformation Team was formed under the leadership of Erik Liebert, with representation from the three charitable entities, to examine the options presented by the Ways Team with a view to guiding the implementation of a selected option. During this work, the Patricia Fund opted out due to its unique nature.

One of the products of the Transformation Team's work was a consolidated list of charitable objectives. The Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund used this consolidated list as the basis for developing a revised list of charitable purposes and activities that was presented to the Canada Revenue Agency Charities Directorate for review and comment. This work led to that adoption of a new constitution for the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund on 13 July 2023.

The Board of the PPCLI Foundation decided to formally dissolve and transfer its assets to the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund during the last week of October 2023. That will leave the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund as the single veterans component charity. Details for the implementation of this merger are now being worked out, but it is expected that the process should be complete by the middle of 2024.

The Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund sponsored a hole at the Soldier On Golf Tournament again this year. The Atlantic Branch of the Association benefits from this sponsorship by being able to enter a team in the tournament. The tournament was held at the Royal Oaks golf course in Moncton, NB on 3 Aug 23.

The team members from left to right: Joe Plichie, Jerry Cawley, James Cawley, Frank MacNiel (Soldier Representative), and Alex Hostler.



In July we were made aware that Lady Patricia's Medal Group was up for auction in Great Britain. The Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund led the fundraising effort, collecting \$8,120 through a GoFundMe campaign and personal donations. The money we raised, with the PPCLI Association's help, was donated to the Patricia Fund which executed the purchase and provided the balance of the funding. The medal group is now with RHQ, with the unveiling planned to be part of the 110th Anniversary celebrations.

On 10 August 2023, Greg Bell successfully completed the 109th Anniversary Bike Ride fundraiser, raising \$3,116 for the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund. Greg began this initiative in 2020 with the 106th Anniversary edition. The 106th to 109th Anniversary Bike Ride fundraisers have raised a total of \$31,674 of which 37.6 % or \$11,900 was raised by Greg Bell with outstanding support from the Ottawa Branch. The 110th Anniversary Bike Ride fundraiser in 2024 will be the final edition of this event. We encourage all of you to either participate or sponsor a participant to make this final edition a resounding success.

The HGMF Bursary Selection Committee sat on Saturday, 14 August 2023 at the St Albert Legion. The Selection Committee consisted of Bill Dickson, George Arndt, Herb Kenney, Tim Penney, Paul Wiseman, Malcolm Thompson, Pete Hofman (Bursary Vice-Chair) and Derek Prohar (Bursary Chair). A total of 29 applications were received prior to the deadline, of which 10 bursaries were available, totaling \$30,000. The quality of the candidates was outstanding!

The following 10 individuals who scored the highest in relation to the listed criteria, the bursaries they received, and the respective amounts are as follows:

Steven Campbell : Hamilton Gault – Founder: \$4,500

Blake Peloquin : Princess Patricia: \$4,500

Connor Elliot: Lady Patricia: \$4,500

Megan Campbell: Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund: \$2,500

Lucas Bryson: Landing in Sicily: \$2,500

Marley Waugh: Leonforte: \$2,500

Remington Bracher: Agira: \$2,500

Jannelle Sawyer: Sicily 1943: \$2,500

Hailey Putnam: Sidney Frost: \$2,500

Megan Barden: Pte Cousins: \$1,500



Fallen Patricias

James W Eagle 89	2 PPCLI Korea	April 2023	Ottawa ON
John R Lahaire 76	2 PPCLI	April 2023	Halifax NS
Lawrence H Sweet 89	1 PPCLI	April 2023	Kings County NS
Ralph Funk 78	1 PPCLI	April 2023	Edmonton AB
Paul Sprenger 55	2 & 3 PPCLI	May 2023	Victoria BC
Steve Mockford 69	1 PPCLI	May 2023	Coldbrook NS
Benard Moosbauer 59	2 PPCLI	May 2023	Winnipeg MB
Andrew Mitton 44	2 PPCLI	June 2023	Fredericton NB
Brian Vernon 80	3 PPCLI	June 2023	Comox BC
Timothy W Fletcher 59	2 PPCLI	June 2023	Leduc AB
Karl H Heck 76	2 PPCLI	June 2023	Mississauga ON
Nathan K Rose 26	2 PPCLI	June 2023	Calgary AB
James Allan 87	2 PPCLI	June 2023	Amherstview ON
Scott McFarlane 48	2 PPCLI	June 2023	Regina SK
Murray Craig Simser 70	2 PPCLI	July 2023	Dowling ON
Hap W Stutt	2 & 3 PPCLI	July 2023	New York USA
Graig Poppe 58	1 & 2 PPCLI	August 2023	Esquimalt BC
Glen Hooge 76	2 PPCLI	August 2023	Courtenay BC
Andrew Chrisite 86	2 PPCLI	August 2023	Victoria BC
Carl Cardas 96	WWII/ Korea / 2 PPCLI	August 2023	St Catharines ON
Robert H Woodworth 61	3 PPCLI	August 2023	Habitant NS
Dennis Royal 66	1 PPCLI	September 2023	Pembroke ON
Bernard Cote 94	2 PPCLI Korea	September 2023	Windsor ON
Terry Oleksiuk 62	1 & 2 PPCLI	September 2023	Mornville AB
Lloyd Riches 71	1 & 2 PPCLI	September 2023	Enderby BC
Paul Joseph Leach 60	1 PPCLI	September 2023	Kelowna BC
Athal S Haley 91	2 PPCLI	October 2023	Norton NB
Murray C Edwards 103	1 & 2 PPCLI Korea	October 2023	Victoria BC
Morris Schauer 94	Korea	October 2023	Lac La Biche AB
Brian"John" Johnston 85	2 PPCLI	October 2023	Edmonton AB

They Shall Not Grow Old...