

How many faces from the past do you recognize? (Here's a hint...) (L-R): Cst. (Ret'd Supt.) Al Nowlan, on guitar, seated at piano?; ? on trumpet; Cst. Vic Cormier (ex-Sgt.); Cst. G. W. R. Anderson (ex-S/Sgt.); Cpl. C. A. Tompkins (ex-S/Sgt.); Insp. E. Brakefield-Moore (Ret'd. C/Supt.); Insp. W. L. Higgitt (Ret'd. Commissioner); Cst. Bud Booth (ex-Sgt.), seated.

THE WAY WE WERE IN MONTREAL — 25 YEARS AGO For many years, the annual Regimental Christmas Dinner and some stag parties always included entertainment contracted from outside the Force. However, this was costly, and a financial drain on the usually limited funds of the Divisional Sports and Social Club.

In the late 1950s and early 1960s, the Social Club committee and a number of regular and reserve members decided there were ample talents within the various ranks to provide their own entertainment.

As a result, and always subject to final approval by the Officer Commanding, those dedicated members wrote their own songs and skits, grouped various musical instruments, and practised faithfully for weeks on their off-duty time, and provided many a hearty laugh to all who attended those social functions. Participants included personnel from Montreal and Quebec Sub-Divisions, and on several occasions, from RCMP Headquarters, Ottawa.

Recently, I found a number of original items and photos reminiscent of those entertainment evenings, and submit them in the hope that some fond memories and laughter may still be derived from them, a quarter of a century later.

submitted by ex-Sgt. V. P. Cormier





Nostalgic for the "good old days" in "C" Division? Let Cst. "Bill" J. R. M. Cusson (L), ex-S/Sgt., and Cst. Vic Cormier (R), ex-S/Sgt., jig or jog your memory.