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Season's Greetings from

Commissioner Norman D. Inkster

This is my first opportunity, since my appointment, to address the readers of the Quarterly. It is a pleasure, therefore, to wish the faithful readers and subscribers of the magazine and their families, a joyous holiday season and a happy and prosperous New Year.

The Quarterly continues to be an indispensable source of information to members and former members of the

Force, friends and various publics. The magazine often serves as an important link between its readers and the Force.

I know that the Quarterly's success is due to the efforts of many persons. As we begin a new year, I would like to express my appreciation to all who have helped maintain the fine traditions of the Force through the Quarterly.



Commissioner Norman David Inkster

On September 1, 1987, Deputy Commissioner Norman David Inkster, a veteran of 30 years, became the eighteenth Commissioner of the Force. On September 28, Commissioner Inkster took a few moments from his busy schedule to grant the Quarterly the following interview.

Quarterly Would you please comment on your family background and youth prior to joining the Force.

Commissioner I don't know how far back you want to go. But as a summary. I can tell you that the first Inksters, at least my branch of the family, arrived in Canada in the early 1800s as part of the Selkirk settlers. My great-grandfather became part of the Red River settlement. which is now Winnipeg. He was a farmer, storekeeper, and eventually, I am told, a member of the Upper House in the Manitoba government. When the decision was made to abolish the Upper House, a decision he supported, he became the Sheriff of Manitoba, a position he held for 52 years. He was in his 90s when he died. My paternal grandfather was a bank manager; my father was born in Grand Forks, North Dakota. My grandfather was quite young when he died, and my father, being the eldest, went to work for the Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR). The CPR is not unlike the RCMP when moving people around, so we lived in Winnipeg, Brandon, and Souris, in Manitoba, and in Sutherland and Broadview in Saskatchewan, which is where I ended up. I attended school there from grade 4 through high school graduation. I joined the RCMP from Broadview in April of 1957. My mother's maiden name was Brown, also from Winnipeg. I have one brother, Dannie, who lives with his family in Edmonton, and a sister, Mona, residing in Chilliwack.

Quarterly Were you involved in any extra-curricular school activities or sports?

Commissioner Anyone who knows small town Saskatchewan will be aware that in the 40s and 50s, there weren't many facilities around for sports, other than hockey and curling in the winter and a lot of baseball and football in the summer. Summer sports were not well organized, but that was not quite the same situation in the winter. One had the option of curling or playing hockey, both if you had time, but I preferred hockey and participated actively until joining the Force. As for other sporting activities, I enjoyed hunting and fishing. One can appreciate that Broadview, as a town of approximately 1,000 people, provided everybody is at home, was not really a very big place at that time, nor is it today. I think in the grade 12 graduating class there were only nine students.

Quarterly Sir, when you were growing up, did you have any other interests or hobbies?

Commissioner I didn't have any hobbies to speak of, really; I mean we worked part-time deliverying meat for the meat packer, and I used to deliver newspapers for a while, like a lot of other kids, and I worked a couple of summers for the CPR. There was a movie theatre,

and lakes to swim in and some sports, as I mentioned, but otherwise not much else to do. Yet, my memories are of being busy all the time and enjoying small town life very much.

Quarterly When did you think about joining the Force and what sparked your interest in the Force?

Commissioner | suppose | was like most young Canadians - one is attracted to being either a policeman, a fireman or other jobs that, on the surface at least, seem to be exciting. Growing up in a small town where there was always an RCMP detachment, and where the members coached sports, visited the schools and generally became an integral part of the community, we could count many members as our friends. From the age of 16 or so, I had decided I would put in my application, on finishing high school. I had to wait a couple of months until I was 18, which was the engagement age at the time, and went in to get the application forms. About eight months later, I was engaged in the Force at Regina, Saskatchewan. In reality, in most areas where we are the local police and where a detachment exists, one quickly gets to know a number of members on a very personal basis and can call them by their first name and they call you by your first name. There are a number of names that I can recall — Jock Tufford, "Stuke" Wilson, Harry Brandes, and Phil Newbold — all of whom were young constables at the time. In fact, eventually we had a member by the name of Joe McCarthy, board with my family for a while, and so I got to know him guite well. As I grew, and my ideas matured, I saw that the organization obviously had a fine reputation, was stable, with reasonably good pay and pension plan. It afforded me an excellent opportunity to see as much of Canada as I could, as well as offering interesting work. It seemed to have all the ingredients necessary for a rewarding career. and I guess, ultimately, when I applied,

it was that kind of thinking that caused me to do so.

Quarterly At the time of your joining the Force, sir, did you have any idea how far you would advance?

Commissioner My career thinking has gone through several stages. First off, the RCMP has always had a reputation of being very difficult to get into, so as a high school student, I wondered whether or not I would be accepted. Once that was achieved, my next memory is that of being in a classroom on my first day of training, and the instructor, whose name now escapes me, telling us about how hard training was going to be, and I thought that if he didn't stop his dissertation fairly soon, he would convince me it was too difficult for Norm Inkster, and I would go home. After getting over that hurdle, I felt that because of the comradeship of 32 individuals from different walks of life and different parts of Canada, I wasn't going to let the troops down and I would stick in there and do as well as I could. The next stage was feeling that if I could get to be sergeant, all of my dreams would really have been realized. I was always a little surprised when promotions came along; however, it has and continues to be a rewarding experience, and everything beyond sergeant has been gravy. I can honestly say that there has not been a day where I have not looked forward to going to work, even though I knew some days would be most unpleasant. I think that is the true test of whether or not one has picked out the right career. When I was out to Depot recently, the recruits asked me the same question: "When you joined the Force and went into training, did you think you'd be Commissioner?" And I gave them the same answer: "When I joined the Force, I wasn't sure that I could get through training, never mind becoming Commissioner."

Quarterly Do you have any favorite postings, fond memories or interesting

incidents which you may have experienced during your service?

Commissioner Remember what I said a few moments ago about wanting to be a well-experienced Canadian and see as much of Canada as I could. My approach and that of my family to postings has always been: While there may be places I'd rather go, let's take the transfer with a view that we will make the most of it. Obviously each community and each part of Canada has something unique to offer and we'll learn as much as we can. We approached every move with that kind of a positive outlook, and I can assure you that each one of them has more than met our expectations. Each one has been interesting and a pleasure. My first posting out of training was to Stettler, Alberta, a town of about 3,000 people. We policed the town and also had a rural detachment. I staved there for more than two years and found the people extraordinarily friendly. When I left, I felt like I was leaving home again, people were that kind to me. I was very active in the community, and members of the Force were an integral part of the community. For a starting point, I couldn't have been sent to a better spot. I worked for two fine senior NCOs, which is a crucial element in any young rookie getting off to a good start. Your first NCO is going to make the most important impressions upon you. The first was Sergeant Bob McWhirter and the second was Sergeant Tom Roach. I've often looked back upon their guidance to realize that it has been instrumental in developing how I did my work in the RCMP. I went from Stettler to Three Hills, a smaller community, where I was a oneman town detail. In Three Hills, I was confronted by the fine reputation of a fellow by the name of Bob Simmonds. who had been there 10 years earlier, and left his mark on the community. While in Three Hills, I boarded with a family by the name of Davidson, and we have kept in touch and remained friends ever since. Three Hills had and still has the Prairie

Bible Institute, so that the population of the town grew by about 5,000 every fall, as the students poured in. It made the kind of policing issues that one faced, a little more challenging. Living and working in Alberta was a great pleasure. From there, I came to Headquarters, Ottawa, and went into Staffing for a period of three years.

A few years ago, the Force would tell you that you were being transferred and away you went. Today, members are responsible for planning their own careers, and they can say yes or no to postings offered to them. I didn't have that kind of stress or pressure to face, and after the three years in Headquarters. it was off to New Brunswick as a staffing officer's assistant, and in the fall of 1965 I was promoted to corporal. When we came from Alberta to Ottawa, it was suggested to me that I would probably move back West after two or three years. Instead of moving west, we moved further east, and spent six years in New Brunswick. I admit that it, too, was just a delightful posting, because it gave us an opportunity to travel throughout all the Atlantic provinces. I was selected to attend the University of New Brunswick. which is something that I'll remember for the rest of my life. Also, our son was born there. So now there are a lot of roots in New Brunswick as well.

I returned to Headquarters in 1971. after graduation from university, and was promoted to sergeant. I was commissioned in 1973 and made the officer in charge, recruiting. This was followed by some work in Organization Planning, and then eight months of full-time language training. After language training, I was transferred to Montreal as a surplus officer, to polish my French and learn something about federal law enforcement. I was greatly assisted by people like Ray Duchesneau, Guy Marcoux, Phil Mantha, all of whom worked hard to make the experience a positive one for us. I think that while all the cities of

Canada have a great deal to offer, Montreal stands high on my list of favorites. I found the working atmosphere to be excellent. People in the division, realizing that I was an Anglophone trying to improve my ability to speak and understand French, showed great patience and cooperation when dealing with me. Obviously, they could speak fluently in either language, and because I was learning and insisting that we speak in French, things slowed down a bit. As Officer Commanding, Montreal Sub-Division (S/Div.), I was able to travel throughout Quebec a great deal. Aside from finding beautiful landscapes, I found the people warm and friendly, and the French culture to have a great deal of appeal. My adjustment to my duties as the O.C. of Montreal S/Div. was greatly assisted by Raymond Leclaire, the Section NCO, and Gaston McDuff, the S/Div. NCO. "Coco" St. Jacques was the secretary at the time, a remarkable lady, who informed me she had trained a previous Commissioner — Commissioner Higgitt, who held the same post some years previous.

In terms of interesting incidents, I think the one that will always stand out in my mind is while stationed in Stettler. Under the tutelage of Sgt. Roach, we discovered a mass murder. Someone had killed an entire family — the parents and, I believe, five children. As it turned out, Robert Raymond Cook, son of the father, and step-son of the mother, had committed the crimes. I had the opportunity of being involved in some of the early investigations in a minor way. But it impressed upon me the investigative abilities of Sgt. Roach, whose innate sense of knowing something was amiss, was almost uncanny. After Cook's first trial, there was an appeal, and he was granted a new trial. I was one of the court orderlies at the second trial. Robert Raymond Cook, as you may remember, was convicted of murder, and was the last man to be hanged in the province of Alberta. It was a very interesting and challenging

case. Being a young constable, and not really involved with any of the in-depth investigation, it gave me an opportunity to learn. As unpleasant as it was, I'm certain it's something I'll remember for the rest of my life.

Quarterly How, when, and where did you meet your wife?

Commissioner I met my wife at my first detachment. Mary Anne is the daughter of a now retired United Church minister, Everett Morrison. Again, being a small town, everybody was aware when a new Mountie arrived, and a fellow member of the detachment arranged a "blind date" — and the rest is history. We celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary last year.

Quarterly Sir, you mentioned a son earlier in this interview, are there other children in your family?

Commissioner I have three children: a daughter, Leslie-Anne, 22, in her last year at Carleton U.; Scott, 20, also attending Carleton U.; and Dana, 15, attending Grade 10 at a local high school.

Quarterly With your wife studying to become a lawyer, and yourself learning new jobs while raising a family, how did you manage to find the time to take all of this in?

Commissioner Well, the reality is my wife is a very talented woman. Aside from being bright and all of those things. she has the ability to sit and concentrate on what it is she's doing, regardless of what is taking place around her. When she sets her mind to studying at home, the bedlam that flows in any family of that size didn't deter her at all. Mary Anne had always been interested in pursuing her education; therefore, upon returning from Montreal, she took one or two night courses, enjoyed them, and did well. Realizing at that rate she would be an old lady before she ever got through university, we decided she should attend on a

full-time basis. Her first degree was an honours degree in psychology which, of course, required 4 years. She applied for the University of Ottawa Law School, was accepted, and graduated on June 8, 1987, with her LLB. She is currently articling with Kathleen Fraser, in Nepean. The Ontario system being what it is, she will be obliged to return and take her bar admission course next fall. Hopefully, she will be called to the bar in 1989. With respect to family, I couldn't take anything away from my wife in terms of how she applied herself. We all tried to help, the kids co-operated and so on, but the reality was if one of them got sick or hurt or had a problem, they wanted to talk to their mother, father wasn't good enough, and I think that's natural. She carried a double load, there's no question about it, and it's to her credit that she has been successful.

Quarterly How does your family feel about your appointment as Commissioner?

Commissioner Well, I think that I can say without fear of contradiction, that they are proud their father was selected as Commissioner. They have always been aware that I've been in the RCMP. but they have never been too concerned about what rank or job I held. I think they feel that it's nice that I was appointed as Commissioner, but they're not overwhelmed by it all, and I hope they never would be. It's a job I'll occupy for a few years; then I'll go on to something else. It puts a lot more pressure on the family though, because my hours are, naturally, a bit longer, which is time away from the family. That can't be helped. There are a lot more social demands on us as a couple, and that, too, takes time away from the family. But no one is complaining yet - they recognize that it's part of the job. As well, I try very hard not to take my work home with me it is simply never discussed, which makes my time at home just like anyone else's — home repairs, cutting the grass, shovelling snow and so on.

Quarterly Are you involved with any community affairs or activities?

Commissioner No, I'm not. I find a 10 to 12 hour day really takes care of all my time. As you know, under conflict of interest guidelines, one is constrained from getting too involved. From that perspective, it would be unwise, I think, even if I did have the time — which I don't.

Quarterly Who are some of your Canadian heros?

Commissioner That's one I have to think about for a while - that's a good question. Well, in terms of the RCMP, I was always an admirer of Commissioner Nicholson. Aside from being a gentleman in every sense of the word, I thought he really epitomized everything I thought the Commissioner of the RCMP should be. We're all familiar with his reasons for leaving the post of Commissioner, which were, essentially, a matter of principle. I think that incident reflects the kinds of problems that the Commissioner needs to face. He handled it so well, and with such dignity and aplomb. He is certainly someone I've always admired. Others one has to admire are people like Terry Fox. There was a young man with a dream. He wanted nothing more in life, I suppose, than good health and happiness, yet in spite of his health problems, he created something, he left a legacy in Canada that could go on, hopefully forever, but certainly for years and years, all in the aid of cancer research. I think, too, that Rick Hansen's courage and positive way of looking at life are to be admired. He's such a fine representative of the community and Canada. I think we realize that not all handicapped people are going to be able to do what he did, yet his message seemed to be that we should do what we can, with what we have in terms of abilities. He has focused the attention and the imaginations of Canadians, with the hope that we can somehow find medical remedies. One other thing I would mention that has always impressed me, is attending the Bravery Awards ceremonies at Government House. At the Bravery Awards recently, there were 42 recipients, some young, some older. I have been there on occasions when children were given recognition for acts of herosim. Really, courage and bravery come in all walks of life. When you ask these people how they felt about the incident in which they had been involved, the answer is always the same, "I just did what I had to do, I never really thought about it," and the same is true of our five members who were honoured at the most recent ceremony. I couldn't give you all the names of the recipients, however; yet they are all Canadians I very much admire.

Quarterly To what do you attribute your success?

Commissioner You're asking the wrong person. You'd have to ask the fellow who made the decision to put me in this job. All I did was look at every day as a new day, and everything that I had to do as a challenge or an issue that needed to be resolved. Like every member of the Force I said, "I'll just do it as well as I can." I guess the result is people felt I was doing it well.

Quarterly How did the transition assist your take-over as Commissioner?

Commissioner I found that an extraordinarily useful time. Naturally, when chosen for a new responsibility, your immediate reaction is to get in the chair and get on with it. I had many things to learn, books I wanted to read, and a number of things I wanted to do. Those five months really provided that opportunity. Some of the advantages I took might surprise you. For example, I visited a number of Canadian Armed Forces Bases (CFBs), because it seems that we are having more and more to do with the Canadian Armed Forces in terms of the National Drug Strategy and so on. I

had never been to some of the bases; I didn't know what they were capable of contributing, although I had a general idea. I also didn't know how they felt about working with us. So to go to these areas and see them on-site, gave me a much better appreciation. I visited CFBs Halifax, Shearwater, Petawawa and North Bay. Aside from realizing that the defences of Canada are in good hands, I also had a better understanding how they could help us and what they need from us, in terms of being able to provide that kind of help.

I am sure you have heard me say that the Commissioner is someone who has to wear three hats. One hat is that of the Commissioner being the senior officer in the Force, and that requires no further explanation. The second hat is that of chief executive officer of what is essentially a large corporation. One has to just look at the diversity of our responsibilities and the enormity of our resources to realize that the comparison to a corporation is not too unreasonable: a budget of one and a quarter billion dollars, staff of 20,000 spread all over Canada and some other parts of the world. You really are a chief executive officer, and must manage that corporation well. The third is that of being a deputy head in the Government of Canada, which carries with it a number of separate responsibilities. Often times. I know Commissioner Simmonds attended meetings as a deputy head, to provide a point of view as a well-informed individual and senior official in the Government of Canada, on matters that had relatively little, if anything, to do with the RCMP. I think that is an important role for the Commissioner to play, because we are concerned about Canadian issues, particularly those which impact on how Canada must be governed and the kinds of government policies and initiatives which must be undertaken, and other things which may or may not have some impact on our jobs. As a Canadian, and one with some very unique experiences, the Commis-

sioner can probably offer some reasonably good advice. So, to do that job well, I took the time during the five months to meet a number of deputy ministers whom I had not met. I also had an opportunity to meet and sit down with a number of ministers whom I feel, as Commissioner, I will have to work with or see on a number of occasions. I had a chance to talk to them about how the RCMP can work with them, because I see us as a first class police force, providing first class police service to Canadians, If, under my leadership we are to continue providing this high level of service, I felt it would be advantageous to introduce myself, and discuss with them how they feel about the service we provide. In short, the five months was a very humane way to make the change. If I'm asked. "Should that same thing occur when I'm replaced?", I would have to say yes.

Quarterly When, where, and how where you informed of your appointment?

Commissioner The process, I think, is common knowledge. I was interviewed by a board of three individuals, who in turn, made a recommendation to the prime minister. I received a call from Prime Minister Mulroney the last day of March, which was supposedly the end of Commissioner Simmonds' term, to tell me that he was going to cabinet to inform them that I was to be the next Commissioner of the RCMP, and there would be a press release to that effect. He informed me at the same time, that the effective date would be September 1, 1987.

Quarterly Although you have been Commissioner for only a short while, do you see the Force taking specific directions in terms of operational priorities such as transfers, recruitment, bilingualism, and visible minorities?

Commissioner The organization, because it is so large and steeped in tra-

dition, is difficult to change in direction over the short term. It takes time. I don't imagine that in the three or four weeks I've been in the job, the members doing street police work have noticed any change at all, and maybe a lot won't. Perhaps that is as it should be. I do have a point of view in terms of some of those issues, particularly recruitment. I think we as a Canadian police force should represent the Canadian mosaic. I think we must get the message out to the visible minorities that the RCMP would be very proud and pleased to have a number of them, as many as we could accommodate, in our ranks. Staffing Branch has already been tasked with getting to work on a program of recruiting that would take the message out to Canadians.

Bilingualism is another issue where I think there are a number of things we can do, and indeed many of them had been underway before I became Commissioner. The starting point, and the bottom line is that the Official Language Act is law, and we will obey the law; not only obey the law, but comply with both the spirit and the intent of that particular piece of legislation. To do that will require a number of things. Firstly, I think we must provide our recruit training in both official languages. The purpose of recruit training is to equip young Canadians with the skills and abilities to do their jobs well, and I think we must provide training in a language that they can best understand. Secondly, we can provide more language training. We have been training many of our people to the B-level. There are a number who have strong aptitudes, and some who have a great deal of interest, who came to the Force with a basic understanding of the second official langauge, whom I believe, should move along to C-level or better, so that they can compete for jobs on a Forcewide basis. Having said those things, though, we're not under any obligation to make every member of the Force bilinqual. There are lots of jobs for people who are not interested in learning a

second language, or indeed don't have the aptitude to learn the language. If I'm not mistaken, exclusive of "HQ", 60% of the Force is west of the Manitoba/Ontario border, where there is some need for the French language, obviously, but it's not a predominent concern. Because of the services provided at this headquarters, we will have to ensure that they are provided in both official languages as well as giving people of both language groups a feeling that they can be comfortable working in a headquarters environment in their own language. One of the other issues we're following up on is the Cadet Official Languages Training Program. We are having discussions with Treasury Board to see how this can best be achieved. The over-all objective is to provide an introduction to the second official language to all members who come to the Force. It is really too early to sav exactly how the program will be fleshed out; however, we hope to be able to achieve the primary objective even if it only means giving each young recruit an opportunity to speak or learn his or her second language for three or four weeks. At least they will have a base on which they can build — if they choose, I think it would be a healthy change for the organization.

Quarterly How do you see future media relations with the Force?

Commissioner When one talks about something like media relations, you can only base your remarks on what has been your own experience. I have told a number or reporters, who have been surprised to hear me say it, that my own experience with the media has always been very positive. We are going to undertake an examination of the total area of communications to see if we can somehow improve the system. My own view is that when a responsible reporter is told that in the case of a particular

investigation, these are the facts, and because of the confidentially of the investigation, or whatever, I can't tell him any more — he should accept that as being the best you can do. I think we are going to undertake an examination of that role. to see if we can improve things a little bit. My own style will be to be as helpful and as open to the press as I can. To the extent that each reporter treats me responsibly, then I'll continue to deal with him or her in that way. The other thing is — we must market the things we do well more effectively. A communications expert could help us with that as well. As you know from reading the press, it seems that people read only those things we have done wrong, or where some controversy exists suggesting the RCMP is less than professional. Yet, when you realize we are an organization of 16,000 peace officers, and if each one of those individuals has contact with half a dozen people from the public a day, then our police-to-public contact must run into the millions over the course of a week. Yet, we do not receive a large number of complaints, so obviously we're doing our work well. I think the Canadian public largely realize and expect that we will discharge our responsibilities in a professional way, and so long as we do, we will enjoy public respect and public support, and the future of the RCMP will not be in jeopardy. At the same time, however, if we neglect our public responsibilities, and if we lose the confidence and respect of the people of Canada, we would soon be replaced. I can think of nothing more important for a Commissioner of the RCMP, than guarding the public trust in our organization, which was built and maintained by the generations before us, as well as those now serving. If I do that and nothing else — I think my tenure as Commissioner will have been a success.

Quarterly Thank you very much Commissioner, for giving this interview.

Editor's Notes

SR. NCOs' HISTORY S/Sgt. Roger Rawluk, "O" Division Staffing and Personnel is appealing on behalf of the Senior NCOs' Mess for print, photographic and historic information on the Mess before 1965. Items pertaining to significant events at 136 Beverly St. and 3 Sullivan, Toronto, Ontario, would be of particular interest. The Mess celebrates its 50th anniversary in 1991, and an historical booklet is being planned to mark the occasion. Rawluk may be contacted at (416) 973-0367.

ERRATUM On page 73 of our Spring 1987 issue (Vol. 52 No. 2) it was stated that S/Sgt. Andy Carroll was a member of the organizing committee for the 1986 RCMP Charity Ball. The caption should have read as follows: S/S/M Dan Carroll.

As a note of interest, S/S/M Dan Carroll is the last Staff Sergeant Major in the Force.

INFORMATION NEEDED URGENTLY

There is an urgent need, for medical reasons, to contact the natural parents of a young woman born at Winter Park, Florida, USA, on April 13, 1963. The mother is believed to be of English Canadian descent with a last name of Collins. The father is believed to be of French Canadian descent and was a member of the RCMP.

Anyone having any knowledge regarding the natural parents of this woman is requested to contact Mrs. Doloris Sacane at 1-303-526-1281 in confidence.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to obtain any information your readers may be interested in supplying, e.g. photos and other items, relating to the northern patrols between 1900 and 1935. I am writing a historical report for that period in the Force's history. Respondents may contact me at the address below.

I am especially interested in Fitzgerald, Dempster, Beyts, French, La Nauze, Jay and others who performed such outstanding contributions to the history of the RCMP in the Yukon, Northwest Territories and the Arctic.

Sincerely, Harry A. Cornish 593 Quigley Avenue Florida 32506 USA

Dear Editor:

Victoria Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association plans to publish a book portraying living and working conditions in the Force during their service, in contrast with conditions today.

Essentially, the format of the book will be anecdotal, i.e. brief human interest narratives and humorous personal experiences relating to many aspects of service. Topic areas will include: comparison and contrast with shift work and overtime; communications before the computer age; transportation; equitation and stable duty; early regulations in the Force; detachment inspections and unusual experiences.

We believe that every veteran, veteran's wife, heir or successor has at least one interesting episode, anecdote or observation to contribute to what we expect will be a book of historical significance. Participation in this project is, therefore, invited, and contributions in the form of manuscripts are being solicited and encouraged. Written or photographc material and enquiries may be addressed to the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,

Alex C. Gillespie President, Victoria Division RCMP Veterans' Association 300 Beaumont Ave., Victoria, B. C. V9B 1R1

Dear Editor:

I wish to place an announcement in the "collector's corner." I am a collector of police uniforms, and I am willing to reimburse all costs to any RCMP members or others who may have old uniforms or accessories, including leather goods, for sale.

Yours truly, Joseph Lemenze 19 May Place Nanuet, N.Y. 10954 USA Dear Editor:

I have been a subscriber to the Quarterly for close to 40 years, and a collector of RCMP memorabilia for over 20 years. My interest in the Force started when, as a young boy, I saw many movies depicting the Mountie, and my thoughts ran to migrating to Canada with the intention of becoming a member of the RCMP.

The RCMP has always exemplified for me the finest in police work and devotion to duty. The articles I have read through the years in the Quarterly have proven to me that I have been right about the involvement of the RCMP in all aspects of the law. This has had a bearing on my becoming a collector of Force memorabilia. I have been fortunate to have compiled an interesting collection in this hobby.

One item I have not been able to obtain, but would like to add to my collection, is a pair of brown leather gauntlets. I am willing to pay for the gauntlets. I am also interested in obtaining shoulder or collar badges. Please correspond with me at the address below.

I remain an ardent admirer of the RCMP and a happy subscriber to the Quarterly.

Very truly yours, Murray Brown 1266 East 99th Street Brooklyn, N.Y. 11236 USA

An American on the Red Coat Trail: A Personal Perspective

by Bill Mellberg

Reading history is somewhat similar to reading fiction. The words come together to form a mental picture of people, places, and events. That is why films based on novels can sometimes be disappointing if the director's image of a story is different from your own. But with history, seeing the site of a distant event or examining relics from the past, one generally gains insight and understanding.

Exploring historic sites and rummaging through old books and museums is a favorite pastime of mine. Thus, while planning a trip across western Canada this past summer to go backpacking in Banff, I decided to follow the "Red Coat Trail" and examine the history of the North West Mounted Police along the way.

My interest in the Force is a somewhat recent avocation. As a youngster in Chicago during the late 50s I enjoyed seeing "Sergeant Preston" each week on television. In addition I can remember watching Nelson Eddy warbling through "Indian Love Call" with Jeanette MacDonald in "Rose Marie" — not to mention the bumbling antics of that cartoon Mountie, Dudley Dooright. Members of the Force might wince at the thought of these characters forming the basis of one's image of the Mounties. But that is probably a rather typical American view of Canada's mounted police.

Americans' concept of history is often at odds with the facts, because Hollywood tends to emphasize good storylines rather than accurate accounts of the past. Some themes are repeated so frequently that fantasy becomes indistinguishable from reality, and myths replace the facts. There is no better example of this than the American image of scarlet-coated Mounties chasing desperate criminals across the frozen wastes of the Yukon. As Malcolm J.H. Wake, Director of the RCMP Museum in Regina puts it, "Hollywood has made over 250 movies about the mounted police... I wish they'd make one more and get it right!"

During a previous backpacking trip to Banff two years ago, I bought a book about the Mounties that I thought would bring back those memories of "Sergeant Preston" which I had enjoyed in my youth. But instead of describing cold nights in the North with "Yukon King" standing faithfully at Preston's side, the book told the story of the March West and related the real-life adventures of such characters as Jerry Potts and Sam Steele. The true story of the Force was a revelation.

That book piqued my interest to such a degree that I found myself writing to Regina and Ottawa for more information. Malcolm Wake sent me a bibliography of books about the Force. Stanley W. Horrall, the RCMP Historian, put me in touch with a dealer who has provided me with dozens of books both old and new describing the Force, past and present. My friends and family thought my interest was a bit odd, suggesting that I had "spent a little too much time in the Canadian back country." Yet, reading about the Force was changing

my view of the Old West in general, and of Canadian history, in particular.

At the end of May, 1987, wildlife photographer Chris Paul and I left Chicago and started the long drive to Banff. We followed the route of the original "D", "E" and "F" Troops, which had taken a train from Toronto to Chicago and on through St. Paul, Minnesota, to Fargo, North Dakota, From Fargo, they marched northward and ioined "A", "B" and "C" Troops, which had wintered in Lower Fort Garry. At Dufferin, near present-day Emerson, Manitoba, the March West began, and we followed a similar route along Highway 2. Anyone who has seen this terrain can appreciate that the "originals" must have had a very uncomfortable journey with their cavalcade of horses, ox-carts, and cattle. The wind blows dirt in your face, the sun beats down on your brow. and the mosquitoes attack with a vengeance. Even by automobile, it is a somewhat unpleasant trip, with very little to see in terms of landscapes.

At Weyburn, Saskatchewan, we headed northwest toward Regina and straight into a thunderstorm complete with howling winds and hail. It was reminiscent of Henri Julien's "Storm on the Third of August", which he sketched during the original expedition. After a 24-hour drive from Chicago, we reached Regina, covering in half a day the same ground the first Mounties had taken more than a month to travel.

Prior to our departure I had made arrangements with Malcolm Wake to visit the RCMP Museum. Corporal Michael V. Shaver, then of Depot Division, had offered to give us a tour of the Training Academy as well. A special treat was the graduation and Sergeant Major's parade scheduled for the same day. Unfortunately, those ceremonies had to be moved indoors because of the inclement weather. But we enjoyed them all the same.

Malcolm Wake took us on a fascinating tour of the Museum and Chapel, And he put to rest a few lingering myths as well. For example, most books suggest that the first Mounties were grossly underpaid. Actually they were well-paid for the time. Another popular image is that all of the originals were expert horsemen. Wake pointed out a page in the first "Commissioner's Report" written by Commissioner G.A. French in January 1875. This account detailed the March West, and in it French wrote, "According to the Act, all men should have been able to ride; but when put to the test, it was very evident that a good many rated their abilities in this line too highly." French had another interesting entry: "Dr. Kittson reports that every man in the Force gained in weight on the trip except one, and, as he naïvely remarks, relative to this one, 'he was the better for losing a little." Not every Mountie resembled a matinee idol, although reading the report, one can see that the caliber of the men, in general, was exceptional by any standard.

The Museum displays and artifacts tell the stories of "The Lost Patrol", "The Mad Trapper", and such famous men as Macleod, Walsh, Potts, Steele, and others. But when Corporal Shaver took us through the Academy, we met the men and women whose stories still rest in the future. These are the recruits who are working in classrooms and gymnasiums, firing ranges and driving courses, as they go through a 26-week program to become the newest members of the Force. Everything about the Academy is impressive, from the comprehensive curriculum each recruit must complete, to the discipline they all display.

That discipline even shows in the dormitories where each 32-bed room holds one troop, and where every bed, every closet, and every drawer is arranged precisely alike. Shaver explained that, "Everything is exactly the same because we are trying to instill in the recruit the need to pay attention to detail." Recruits

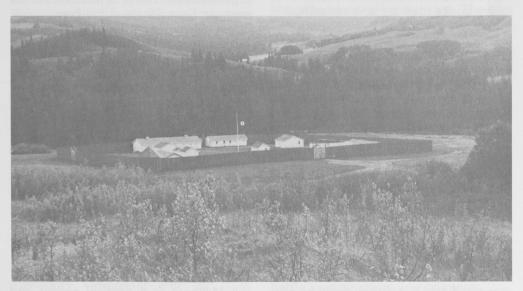
must learn to change their behavior, in addition to studying everything from criminal justice and human relations, to small vessels regulations and report writing.

Perhaps the most impressive thing about Depot is a policy that has been in effect from the earliest days of the Force. That is, that the Force has used force on so few occasions. Corporal Shaver indicated that the idea is to solve problems through reason and law — not brute strength. Perhaps this is one of the more obvious differences between the settlement of the Canadian West as compared to the American West. The words of Crowfoot and Sitting Bull, with respect to the Force, stand in marked contrast to words and events on the American side of the border at that time.

There are differences today, as well. In the United States each state, county, and local community has its own law enforcement agencies. The concept of

a federal police force seems to have its advantages. First of all, it eliminates the sort of political influence and provincialism that can sometimes taint smaller, local organizations. Secondly, it ensures a training program that is uniform and up to the highest standards. Next, a more disciplined force is possible. And, finally, a great deal of the individual constable's authority rests on the reputations of those who came before him. Tradition and experience breed respect. Today's recruit has the benefit, not only of what must be one of the most modern police organizations in the world, but also one of the most famous. As others have pointed out, where else does a police force serve proudly as a national symbol respected around the globe?

From Regina, we drove to Fort Walsh, restored to its original appearance and set in the beautiful Cypress Hills. Fort Walsh served as Headquarters for the Force from 1878 to 1882. It is where Sitting Bull and the Sioux made camp after the Custer massacre. We continued



FORT WALSH NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK Located on the banks of Battle Creek, near Maple Creek, Sask., the RCMP established a horse ranch on the site of the original Fort Walsh, in 1942. The buildings were constructed in the style of the old fort, and since 1968 it has served as an historical site, restored to its original appearance.



REDCOATS MEET PLAINS INDIANS A statue depicting the establishment of friendly relations between the NWMP and the Indians sits atop a hill overlooking Fort Walsh. A visitor's centre, located nearby, provides a record of the history of Fort Walsh and events which occurred in the surrounding Cypress Hills.

Photos by Chris Paul, friend of Bill Mellberg and professional photographer

on to Fort Macleod, one of the earliest outposts of the Force, in the foothills of the Rockies. Our last stop was Fort Steele, near Cranbrook, British Columbia. At each of these sites, the history of the Force came alive, and the accounts of so many books took on new meaning.

It is unfortunate that Hollywood has ignored or misrepresented the true story of the Force, and the many bigger-thanlife individuals who are so much a part of its history. Yet, in some respects the myths are not all that bad. While the image of Nelson Eddy singing "The Mounties", at the head of a column of mounted policemen might be a bit embarrassing, it is better than the image Chicago still suffers of a city controlled by Al Capone and his mobsters. Most Americans have never heard the motto. "Maintiens le droit." But even if their popular image of the Mounties is a somewhat false one, at least that romantic view is still one which commands respect. If only Americans could be convinced that Canada still has Mounties who ride in automobiles like police everywhere!

I am grateful to those individuals who have helped to enhance my own knowledge of the Force — its history as well as its role in today's changing society. My image of Sergeant Preston is gone forever. But in its place are names such as Sam Steele, Alick Pennycuick, Edgar Millen, and Francis Fitzgerald. More importantly, when I think of the Mounties now, I think of those women of Troop 14, standing proudly at their graduation, and of the other recruits I saw in Regina. Not everyone could withstand the mental and physical challenges they meet at Depot and throughout their careers.

Canadians have cause to be proud of the Force. For the Mounties are more than a part of folklore. They are a vital part of Canada's history... and of its future. I recommend the Red Coat Trail to anyone interested in following a great, true Mountie story.

Bill Mellberg is a political satirist and impersonator from the Chicago, Illinois, area. He has a keen interest in the Force, its history and traditions. — Ed.

Fiftieth Anniversary of RCMP Forensic Laboratories

by Kevin Fowler and C/M Garry Saunders

1987 marks the fiftieth anniversary of the RCMP's Crime Detection Laboratories. What began in Maurice Powers' living quarters at Depot has evolved into a network of labs across Canada providing detailed information for police investigations, expert testimony for cases before the courts and scientific advice and training assistance to courts and other law enforcement agencies.

In 1931, Commissioner J.H. MacBrien solicited the opinions and comments of, among others, Scotland Yard and the FBI, about "a modern, up-to-date laboratory to deal with the detection of crime from a scientific standpoint." After careful planning, the RCMP's first Crime Detection Laboratory was established at Regina in 1937, with Surgeon Maurice Powers in charge.

Powers was inducted into the Force as an assistant surgeon and "Special Constable" on December 30, 1936. Already an M.D. and a C.M. (Master of Surgery). in the summer of 1939, the Rockland, Ont, native received his degree of Doctor of Medical Science in Forensic Medicine. This was a special accomplishment in that he was the first person in North America to have received such a degree. With a capable and hard-working staff, including Lance Corporal James "Robbie" Robinson (hair and fibre examination), Corporals S.H. Lett (document examiner) and John Mallow (analytical chemistry casework) and Sgt. J.A. Churchman (firearms and toolmark identification), Powers created a highly respected and efficient lab. Prior to starting the Regina lab, Powers studied under the Chief Medical Examiner in New York City, where he performed more than 150 autopsies on cases of violent and suspicious deaths. Powers also toured the FBI labs and other prominent facilities in the United States, looking for ways in which the RCMP's new laboratory could emulate, or improve upon, those successful operations.

Tragically, Surgeon Maurice Powers' career was cut short on October 19, 1943, when an aircraft carrying him, an assistant, Cpl. B.J. Ford-Smith, and pilot A.A. Green, crashed enroute from North Battleford to Saskatoon. The plane had undergone a pre-flight inspection and had been certified for night flight, but inclement weather doomed what was hoped to be a one-hour voyage. The pilot was attempting to return to North Battleford when the plane struck telephone wires and came to rest a short distance from the airfield, killing all three passengers. The lab's first director had been taken much too soon, but his legacy lived on in the determined work of his successors.

After the Regina lab opened in 1937, the Force established laboratories at Ottawa/Rockcliffe in 1942, Sackville N.B., 1957, Vancouver in 1963, Edmonton, 1969, Winnipeg in 1970, and Halifax and Montreal in 1979. Today the Force employs over 350 qualified personnel across Canada, each supplying their own specialized expertise to the scientific battle against crime and criminals.

It is a basic fact that a capable law enforcement agency cannot function without forensic lab services, but it is



Surgeon M. Powers in the Regina Laboratory, 1939.



Typeface analysis, in support of a fraud investigation (Document Section).



Arson debris undergoing chromatographic analysis (Chemistry Section).



Cpl. J. Robinson working on glass fractures at the lab in Regina, 1939.



Comparing hair and fibres using a stereo comparison microscope (Hair and Fibre Section).

also a fact that most law enforcement agencies cannot afford them. The RCMP's eight forensic labs provide their services to all Canadian police agencies, other government agencies and the courts. Lab services include a number of disciplines or sections: serology, alcohol, chemistry, hair and fibre, documents, firearms, toxicology and counterfeits. The Serology Section analyses blood and other biological stains as they relate to a victim or crime scene. The Alcohol Section determines blood alcohol levels in impaired driving cases, supports the RCMP Breath Testing Programs and also analyzes home-brew or "moonshine" samples. Chemistry Section provides forensic services in arson cases, and in hit-and-run cases, where a single fleck of paint can be traced to a specific make, model and year of vehicle. Hair and Fibre Section can trace samples back to an individual or suspect and can even physically match materials like aluminum foil (used in wrapping illicit drugs), linking a foil exhibit to a specific roll. Documents Section examines altered handwriting, signature forgeries or typewritten samples which can be traced to a specific make and model of typewriter. Firearms Section determines if a weapon is restricted or legal, or if a particular bullet found at a crime scene was fired from a suspect's gun. Toxicology Section can receive blood and tissue samples from drug overdose victims or suicides, then determine whether the drug was the cause of death or if other factors were involved. Counterfeit Section analyses bogus currency or other illegally altered documents and samples are examined and catalogued for future reference.

RCMP laboratories are also researching new identification processes using DNA probes. This futuristic research, conducted by a molecular geneticist, is a ground-breaking technique in the field of forensic identification. The process involves matching genes from one sample to another, and would enable investigators to identify suspects without

the aid of fingerprints, positive eyewitness identification or a weapon. The suspect or victims genes can be compared with another sample for a positive match, because no two people, even twins, are genetically identical.

But too often the spotlight shines on the remarkable advances in scientific methodology and equipment and the people involved are overlooked. The following excerpts from a speech by retired Insp. Bob Kropinak (former OIC Forensic Laboratory, Regina), at fiftieth anniversary celebrations, shows the importance of people in the success of the Forensic Laboratories.

"The beginning was small but times have changed. Now we talk about the Crime Detection Laboratories, the Forensic Laboratories ... at times we tend to relate to the laboratories as almost an impersonal entity ... Yet, when you take a moment to reflect, when you come together for a meeting, a conference, a workshop or a course, when you gather for a "Robbie" (curling bonspiel) or to celebrate an anniversary such as we are doing this weekend, it becomes very apparent that the labs are first and foremost a group of people — and more than that, a cadre of working associates and friends...

Now, to those young men and women here today and to those unable to attend this celebration, who are beginning their profesions as forensic scientists and support personnel. You know who you are. I refer to those of you who are understudying, those preparing to write exams and get through that "mock" trial; those waiting impatiently to get that first court case "under your belt" — but at the same time apprehensive because you may not get qualified. Believe me when I say, "You have inherited"

a legacy that is no small matter to uphold. Remember above all that you and your working associates are the laboratories. You can and will become the driving force that will determine the direction and growth of Forensic Science."

With these words in mind, Forensic Laboratories begin another half-century of service to the Force. Their record over the first 50 years has been impressive and undoubtedly will be again in the next 50 years and beyond. Today the

professionalism and dedication of lab personnel is a tribute to its early beginnings; history mirrors the present, and future performance is bound by those same standards of excellence. To all the staff of RCMP Forensic Laboratories — congratulations and keep up the good work!

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Cst. Michael A. Fletcher with young friends at Camp Massawippi, near Montréal, Quebec.

Handicapped Kids Gain From Mountie's Loss

by Al Porter

Camp Massawippi, a summer camp for disabled children in the Montreal area, has acquired a lot of equipment as a result of Constable Mike Fletcher's weight loss. Fletcher, 33, has been a member of the Force for the past 14 years and works in the Passport and Immigration section in Montreal.

In March, 1986, Fletcher weighed 336 lb. Fletcher was then international president of the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club. Roger Mailhiot, who was then club vicepresident, and a New Hampshire state trooper, challenged Fletcher to lose weight. Mailhiot offered an incentive. He and members of the Blue Knights' Northeast Conference pledged a dollar for each pound Fletcher could lose. The money was to be given to a charity of Fletcher's choice. This challenge was duplicated from chapters throughout the Blue Knights organization; Fletcher joined Weight Watchers and set out on his quest.

By September, 1986, Fletcher had lost 125 lb. The Blue Knights paid off their obligations, and this money, along with other monies collected by Fletcher, netted almost \$5,000 for the kids.

Last spring, Fletcher and members of the Montreal Blue Knights went to Camp Massawippi; however, they didn't go empty handed. A large truck and a trailer were needed to carry the supplies for the camp. Four canoes, a row-boat, an electronic megaphone, two 10×12 ft. tents, 10 backpacks, nine large camp mattresses and safety equipment for the camp's beach were included in the haul.

Fletcher is unmarried and has adopted these kids in his heart. "I've learned from these kids," he says about his involvement with them. "After working with them for five years, there's nothing at home, or at work, that can get you down after you see what they go through every day, and keep smiling." He smiles, and his pride shows as he continues, "The kids' project for this year is to think of some way I can raise money for them next year."

Excess weight is not the only thing that Fletcher has given up for "Mike's kids", as they are known among the Blue Knights. Until 1984, Fletcher sported a beard. The beard was sacrificed at the Blue Knights annual convention in Brewer, Maine, that summer, and Mike's kids gained about \$3,000.

Since 1984, Fletcher's endeavours have raised almost \$12,000 for disabled kids at Camp Massawippi.

Al Porter is a Windsor, Ontario police constable who is awaiting retirement to disability pension. — Ed.

Accidental Shooting — or Murder?

by S/Sgt. P.M. Omilon and Kevin Fowler

Background, case notes and summary provided by S/Sgt. P.M. Omilon. **Ed**.

On the morning of January 11, 1985, at approximately 11:00 a.m., a call was received by Fort Smith, N.W.T. Detachment, about trouble at a private residence. Officers arriving at the scene discovered a male person, wrapped in a sleeping bag, at the bottom of the stairs leading to the second storey. He had a wound to his anterior and posterior upper chest area, which seemed to indicate that a gunshot had passed through his body. He was very weak and appeared to be in shock. A subsequent search of the remainder of the residence revealed the dead body of a female in the upstairs master bedroom.

The conversation with the male subject was limited; however, he said that he and his wife had had an argument and she shot him in the chest, and in the ensuing struggle, the gun had discharged and struck her in the face, killing her.

The initial results of the autopsy and investigation concurred with the male's story that the deceased was accidentally shot at close range, in the facial area. Firearms examiner, S/Sgt. Paul Michael Omilon, Forensic Laboratories, Winnipeg, was not convinced, however, and decided to dig a little deeper.

Using photographs and radiographs, S/Sgt. Omilon gathered enough evidence to suggest that the victim had been shot twice — one shot to the face at considerable range and another, closer shot to the back of the head and neck. S/Sgt. Omilon

had uncovered crucial evidence in that some of the wounds, along with the configuration of some pellets in the deceased, were consistent with posterior entrance wounds, signifying that the victim had indeed been shot twice, once from the front, and again from behind.

Working with investigators from Fort Smith and the Hay River Ident. Unit, and aided by numerous photographs taken during the initial investigation, the weeks old, disturbed crime scene was reconstructed. S/Sgt. Omilon formulated the following conclusions:

- The female victim had been standing in the corner of the master bedroom away from the door, presumably packing a suitcase, when she was shot in the facial area from a distance of approximately 5 m.
- She then walked across the room to where a telephone, night table and dresser were situated, fell to her knees and was shot at close range (approx. 1.6 to 2.0 m) in the back of the skull/neck region.
- The male collected the two expended shot shells and burned them in a wood furnace on the first floor. He went back upstairs to the bedroom, shot himself in the chest, turned the woman's body over and then returned it to its original position. He then went downstairs to the sleeping bag.

All of S/Sgt. Omilon's conclusions were verified by trace evidence — bloodstain patterns, calculations of trajectory, burnt shot shells, lead deposits, etc. — as well as evidence obtained during a second autopsy performed on the exhumed

body. The male subject's explanations of the shooting were obviously pure fiction.

S/Sgt. Omilon has been awarded the Commissioner's Commendation for Outstanding Service for his tenacity, per-

severance and professionalism in proving that a murder had in fact taken place, resulting in the arrest and conviction of the accused, who would otherwise be free today.

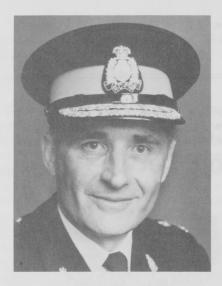
Commissioner's Commendation for Outstanding Service



S/Sgt. P.M. (PAUL) Omilon receiving his Commissioner's Commendation for Outstanding Service certificate from Assistant Commissioner P.S. Gazey, Director Forensic Laboratory Services. It takes a lot of courage and belief in one's self and abilities for someone to go up against the system, so to speak, and in so doing, risk one's professional reputation and credibility. This was precisely what S/Sgt. P.M. (Paul) Omilon, then a firearms expert at "HQ" Division, Winnipeg Lab. did, however, when he questioned the findings in a murder/suicide case.

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Commissioner R.H. Simmonds: A Decade as a Leader



Commissioner R.H. Simmonds.

On September 1, 1977, Robert Henry Simmonds accepted the tipstaff from Commissioner Maurice Nadon, as a symbol of the transfer of authority and responsibility that came with his accession to the rank of Commissioner of the RCMP. In retrospect, Commissioner Simmonds may wish that the tipstaff had a more practical application, with properties similar to a crystal ball to help him divine solutions to the many complex problems which would face him over the next decade. Essentially, the job of Commissioner of the RCMP is to fulfill two distinct vet inter-related responsibilities. First, he must act as the deputy head of a federal government agency advising his Minister on policy and carrying out the direction of the government concerning the administration of the Force. Second, he acts as Chief of a police force with a complex set of national, provincial and municipal law enforcement duties. In

both areas, Commissioner Simmonds was beset with controversial problems concerning which any solutions adopted were bound to bring criticism.

As a government deputy, Commissioner Simmonds guided the Force through a difficult period of transition. In the vital area of security, the Commissioner acted upon government direction transferring many of its intelligence functions to a civilian agency, and at the same time bolstering protection for Canadian statesmen and foreign functionaries in this country. Another difficult managerial task was implementing the Official Languages program in such a way as to increase services to the public without hindering the careers of members already in the Force.

As Chief of the RCM Police, Commissioner Simmonds oversaw the successful negotiation of renewals of policing contracts, a process accompanied by careful re-examination of the role of the RCMP and the expectations of its clients. In the sphere of criminal activities, the Commissioner recognized the increase in commercial crime and the growing sophistication in the illegal drug business, and guided the Force to respond accordingly. Coincidentally, a whole series of sensational criminal investigations focused a glare of media attention, which required great determination to avoid compromising the cases.

In describing Commissioner Robert Simmonds' character, the word determination springs immediately to mind. He attacked problems aggressively, and never let up until a solution was found. He made many personal sacrifices to his job including long hours at his desk. This

tenacity, and a well-informed and intelligent mind were the keys to his success.

Robert Simmonds chose a career in the RCMP almost by accident. Born in Hafford, Saskatchewan, on April 6, 1926, his first love was flying, and after serving with the Royal Naval Fleet Air Arm for almost a year at the end of the Second World War, he had hopes of continuing as a pilot. Frustrated at not finding such an opportunity he joined the Force on April 23, 1947, with intention of serving only a few years. Instead, he found police work most rewarding, and his talents were soon recognized by his superiors. He progressed through the ranks rapidly. serving in a number of postings in "K" Division, Alberta. Rewarding sojourns from police work came with stints on the Musical Ride in 1948, and a trip to England in 1953 as part of the RCMP contingent attending the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II

On July 1, 1966, Robert Simmonds was commissioned, and served in several posts in British Columbia, gaining both command and administrative experience. In 1975, he was appointed Commanding Officer of the lower mainland district of B.C., achieving the rank of chief superintendent. Progress was rapid thereafter. On July 1, 1976, he was brought to Headquarters as Deputy Commissioner (Administration), and a year later he became Commissioner.

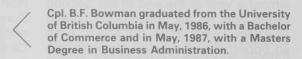
After becoming Commissioner, Robert Simmonds received many honourary distinctions. Among these are receipt of the Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee Medal in 1977, and appointment as Officer of the Order of Canada in 1987. Commissioner Simmonds was also made Commander of the Order of St. John, Honourary vice-president of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association, and an Honourary Patron of PRIDE Canada (Parents Resource Institute for Drug Education). The Commissioner also served on the executive of Interpol for three years as vice-president for the Americas.

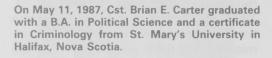
Commissioner Robert Simmonds retired from the Force on August 31, 1987, his 10 years of service making him the fourth longest serving of the 17 Commissioners of the Force. In Ottawa, to join his father in marking his retirement was his son, Constable Robert Irven Simmonds of the RCMP, currently serving in "K" Division.

Robert Simmonds is far too energetic and dynamic to devote his retirement to relaxation. He has been appointed a research fellow of the Resources Development Research Centre at Carleton University, which is investigating the problem of drug abuse in Canada. In this, and in any future endeavours, he is likely to continue to contribute to our country and our society. We wish him well.

University Graduates



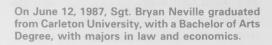








On June 12, 1987, S/Sgt. J.M.J. Hanssens graduated from the University of Ottawa, with a Bachelor of Laws (LL. B.) degree.







On June 12, 1987, S/Sgt. V.L. Zanin graduated from the University of Ottawa, with a Bachelor of Laws (LL. B.) degree.

RCMP Depot Division Graduates



Troop 11 (1986/87) began training on September 14, 1986, and graduated on March 23, 1987. (L-R) Seated: C.C. Nicholson, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Insp. L.J.C. Philion, C/Supt. J.A.D. Lagassé, Supt. L.A. Bittner, Cpl. D.A. Aitken, S.D. Miller. First row: S.S. Zukowski, K.L. Wilcox, S.C. Hall, Y.M. Waesh, T.L. Brooks, S.P. Kerr, N.R.M. St. Mars, P.A. Douglas, P.A. Poirier. Second row: S.G. Hofs, P.V. Bryan, B.J. MacLeod, N. Drgastin, E.D. Gruenefeld, M.H. Côté, J.A. Hinch, S.A. Thomas. Third row: F. Warner, D.L. Laskoski, H.D. Abell, M.L.S. Rodrigue, M.J.P.A. Garneau, G.L. Thomas, B.L. Hope, M.R.C. Viens, D.A. Murtha.



Troop 12 (1986/87) began training on September 21, 1986, and graduated on March 30, 1987. (L-R) Seated: J.J.C.J. Auger, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. D.A. Pearce, C/Supt. J.A.D. Lagassé, Supt. L.A. Bittner, Cpl. W.D. Biden, P.D. Stewart. First row: J.R. Demers, J.R.J.P.B. Morin, B.J. Paul, J.D. MacGillivray, C.J. Wilson, G.C.T. Beal, J.P.R. Goulet, G.M. Shinkaruk, T.A. Murray, W.E. Peacock. Second row: A.P. Firlotte, R.S. Rogers, Y. Goupil, A.J. Becker, D.J. MacGillivray, T.T. Tokarewicz, G.J. Wright, W.B. Woodard, P.A. Dowden. Third row: M.B. Henderson, C.A. Chisholm, M.L. Vandegraaf, C.G. Adair, M.S. Tivers, J.C.M. Perron, K.J.P. Hewco, D.J. Bryden, M.A. Erina, B.R. Daoust.

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Troop 13 (1986/87) began training on November 27, 1986, and graduated on May 19, 1987. (L-R) Seated: C.J.D. Pecknold, R.J. Collin, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. L.A. Bittner, Insp. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. J.P.A. Jolicoeur, J.E.F.S. Fournelle. First row: W.S. Harrison, S.H. Arthur, P.L. Bateman, S.E. LeClair, P.Y.J. Bissonnette, R.M. Koop, T.A. Russel, I.W. Upton, M.H. McKinley, D.A. Storey. Second row: M.D. Dessureault, G.G. Dickie, M. Kamras, D.A. Grimard, J.J.G.B. Moore, D.J. Erhard, J.P.R.M. Primeau, R.G. Penney, S.E. Anderson. Third row: M.M. Toews, J.M. Muench, R.J. Muir, R.F. Boyle, D.G. Donovan, A.G.G. Hudson, D.J. Thompson, L. Varaska, A.H. Teitz, J.P.G. Bourbonnais.



Troop 14 (1986/87) began training on November 27, 1986, and graduated on June 1, 1987. (L-R) Seated: M.E. Mieras, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Insp. A. Antoniuk, C/Supt. J.A.D. Lagassé, Supt. L.A. Bittner, Cpl. J.C.G. Chartier, J.L.M. Prokopin. First row: D.F. Dyer, J.L. Lenover, T.G. Enger, T.L. Felts, S.L. Forward, M.A.N. Houde, C.E. Meade, M.N. Bourget. Second row: J.L. Gravelle, R.S. Bolger, J.L. Sokolowski, A.S. Lewis, S.A. Bonia, S.I. Woodburn, D.J. Maloney, M.S.M.C. Bishop, C.J. Voss. Third row: M.P.R.L. Ménard, R.D. Leigh, L.E. Doiron, L.E. Young, A. Martens, S.D. Ponich, M.L.L.C. Lalonde, M.C.M.L. Lemire, P.M. Nielson, S.J. Parlee.



Troop 15 (1986/87) began training on November 30, 1986, and graduated on June 8, 1987. (L-R) Seated: K.B. Anderson, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Insp. L.J.C. Philion, Supt. L.A. Bittner, Insp. R.C. Ray, Cpl. R.J. Hepperle, C.E. Caldwell. First row: D.J. Plamondon, J.P. McCarthy, K.J. Podbisky, K.R. Latchford, D.A. Sabourin, R.J. Hodyr, P.G. Forest, L.G. Monbourquette, J.R.P. Vaillancourt. Second row: J.E.A.S. Dion, M.J. Ryan, J.L.L. Lemire, S.G. Barker, G.D. Smith, D.A. Sinclair, S.D. Rendall, D.J. Glasgow, P.J. Simpson, A.K.T. Liu. Third row: J.D.G. Flynn, B.H.M.S. Rocheleau, D.I. Laberge, P.M. Smith, J.G. Daigle, D.M. Fenson, A.G.J. Bagi, B.R. FitzPatrick, J.C.G. Allard, L.S. Jory, J.L.D.M. Saurette.



Troop 16 (1986/87) began training on January 5, 1987, and graduated on July 6, 1987. (L-R) Seated: J.M. Leite, J.A.C.S. Monfette, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. L.A. Bittner, Insp. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. M.J. Seliske, M.S. Fox. First row: B.D. Wentzell, D.H. Splinter, G.M. Carrier, S.D. Copp, J.G.C. Brisebois, J.Y.M. Lang, K.Z. Peats, D.B. Ward, M.A. Groulx. Second row: J.G.Y. Morin, J.G.S. Dextraze, J.P.S. Forget, P.E. Jadis, M.D. Malcolm, J.G.G. Ouellet, T.R. Saunders, G.C. Rutherford, G.D. Boutilier, D.D. Binkley. Third row: W.R.S. Wilson, R.B.K. Thorarinson, P.M.J. Caron, C.B. Dunlop, R.K. Slawson, C.R.J. Lohnes, C.T. Harrison, D.B. Helgason, F.S. Gillis.

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Troop L (1986/87) began training on January 8, 1987, and graduated on March 6, 1987. (L-R) Seated: J.L.G. Grimard, J.J.M. Chénier, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. D.A. Pearce, Supt. L.A. Bittner, Cpl. L.J. Bunyan, J.R.P. Gould. First row: J.L.S. Miron, J.E.M. Bélisle, M.I. Lachapelle, J.M.M. Falardeau, D.J.A. Leclair, J.J. Roy, J.R.R.M. Tessier, J.R.M. Fortin, J.M.G. Bergeron. Second row: G.L. Lebel, J.G.Y. Lévesque, J.G. L. Bélanger, B.J. Noël, J.P.P. Rochette, J.P.A.J. Lepage, M.J.P. Pion, J.R.G.M. Saumier, G.M. Salah, J.E.R.R. Séguin. Third row: A. Dueas, J.P.M. Paquette, E.J. Thériault, J.D.F. Alie, J.R.B. Paquette, L.J.R.R. Perry, J.G.A. Danis, J.R.P.G. Auger, J.V.P. Chartrand. Missing from photo: J.I. Demers.



Troop M (1986/87) began training on January 14, 1987, and graduated on March 27, 1987. (L-R) Seated: R. Orobko, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. D.A. Pearce, Supt. L.A. Bittner, Cpl. S.R. Allen, L.C. Campbell. First row: G.J. Grace, L.P. Venner, S.R.J. Lamirante, S.A. Gordon, T.T. Capadouca, K.M. Cooke, T.J. Laurence, K. Shah, O.J. Sveinbjornson. Second row: D.D. Shwaluk, B.A. McCowan, P.C.R. Boggs, J.K. Fitzgerald, S.H. Stevenson, J.K. Brunton, M.R. Holland, J.M. Cassidy, W.E. Cole, N.V.J.L. Lavigne. Third row: B.J. Veniot, G.G. Brynelson, L. Penman, A.S. Delahey, D.L. Husband, A.J. Laciak, P.H. Dunn, K.A. Baltus, L.R. Norman.



Troop N (1986/87) began training on February 12, 1987, and graduated April 4, 1987. (L-R) Seated: J.M. Gagnon, Cpl. D.M. Arbez, Insp. L.J.C. Philion, Supt. D.A. Pearce, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Cst. A. Nuosci, J.A.Y. Turcotte. First row: J.R.P.M. Benoit, R.J.B.J. Beaulieu, S.C. Simpson, J.R. Bulcock, B.W. Duke, M.R. Glowacki, R.H. Hentzelt, M.A. Aftergood, S.C. Lamplugh. Second row: J.J. Sévigny, S.N. Partidge, E.A. Anderson, S.A. Rose, S.W. Grover, G. Tomei, L.M. Nowaczek, L.N.C. Osmond, G.A. Laforge, D.B. Elms. Third row: J.O.V. Coutu, D.J. McArthur, J.H.D.M. Noutier, D. Tessier, J.M. Nat, B.W. Campbell, E.J. Vandyk, K.C. Ishmael, P.J. Kent. Missing from photo: J.S. Graziano.



Troop "O" (1986/87) began training on February 25, 1987, and graduated on May 19, 1987. (L-R) Seated: W.B. Gibb, W.M. Minute, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, C/Supt. J.A.D. Lagassé, Supt. D.A. Pearce, Cpl. R.J. Warnke, G.L. Duguid. First row: M.H.A. Lamadeleine, D.L. Duffy-Bone, A.M. Whitney, J.E. Rainey, M.G. Genio, R. Varga, C.L. Cheswick, E.C. Kovacs-De Clou, R.M. Guillemette. Second row: G.P. Goresky, E.B. Leblanc, J.W. Verth, W.S. Braun, R.F. Biggs, R.D. MacKenzie, P.G.L. Smitz, R.E. Parno, D.A.W. Nichols, H.C. Stene. Third row: A.A. Rodgers, J.P. Church, R.S. Crevatin, G.L. Byrne, D.J. Priest, D.L. George, L.R. Hillier, J.H. Lefebvre, I.C. Lubaszka.

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Troop P (1986/87) began training on March 19, 1987, and graduated on May 20, 1987. (L-R) Seated: J.Y. Poliquin, C.A. Menna, Insp. A. Antoniuk, C/Supt. J.A.D. Lagassé, Cpl. O. Champigny, J.P. Pelletier, J.G.R. Aubertin. First row: M.N.J. Laporte, J.D.L. Brisebois, J.F.G. Fourcaudot, J.A. Lafrance, J.R.R. Blanchette, D.N.J. Berardino, D.L.J. Rondeau, M.M. Caissy. Second row: J.A.G. St-Marseille, G.J.C. Racicot, D.J.P. Lauzer, J.P.J.P.M. Limoges, J.L.G.M. Lamonde, J.J.L.R. Chartrand, J.L.D.P. Fournier. Third row: G.C. Chamberland, R.J.P.J. Provost, J.D. Paquette, J.F.M.S. Roberge, J.J.P.D. Chartrand, J.M.D. Monette, J.R.G. Tremblay, J.C.P. Phaneuf.



Troop A (1987/88) began training April 9, 1987, and graduated on June 10, 1987. (L-R) Seated: Sgt. J.T.Y. Mercier, Supt. D.A. Pearce, C/Supt. J.A.D. Lagassé, Insp. R.G. Lagimodière, Cpl. T. O'neil. First row: D. Belzevick, R. Caldwell, K. Cox, D.H. Palmer, D.E. Kook, R.S. Stephenson. Second row: C.J. Shawana, D.A. Macinnis, W.J. Hoffman, J.C. Mecher, P.J. Cormier. Third row: R.M. Embree, D.Q. Macdonald, P.D. Duffy, R.G. Burgoyne, S.R. Simpson, F.W.P. Roberts.



Troop B (1987/88) began training on April 16, 1987, and graduated on August 28, 1987. (L-R) Seated: D.J. Cyr, G.M. Peters, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Insp. R.G. Lagimodière, Cpl. P.J. Kuzma, L. Angootealuk. First row: A. Delorme, D.D.J. Shuttleworth, M.J. Blackwell, D.W. Norris, J. Elias, D.K.E. Frost, N.R. Stoney, K.M. Brooks.



Troop "C" (1987/88) began training on April 24, 1987, and graduated on June 29, 1987. (L-R) Seated: J.B.S. Côté, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Insp. R.C. Ray, Supt. L.A. Bittner, Insp. R.C. Lagimodière, Cpl. N.J. Nadeau, J.J.L. Girard. First row: J.J.J.C. Chartrand, J.S.J.G. Gagnon, J.A.M. Smith, J.M.M. Complaisance, J.J.M.R. Imbeault, J.M.S. Labelle, M.F.L. Brosseau, J.J.R.H.P. Charette. Second row: B.G. Gaudet, J.F.M.M. Gingras, J.R.M.S. Montreuil, J.J.M. Lebrasseur, J.G.J.P. Roussy, J.N.A. Ayotte, J.A.D. Marquis. Third row: J.R.B.M. Arguin, J.D.R. Raymond, J.Y.P. Bédard, J.R.P. Villeneuve, J.R.S. Neveu, J.E.L. Desgroseilliers, J.P.R. Robichaud, J.R.D. Saumier.

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Ottawa, Ontario

INFORMATION SERVICES INSTITUTE (ISI) ANNUAL AWARDS Professional service awards for the RCMP National Drug Intelligence Estimate 1985/86 were awarded at the ISI Annual Awards held in Ottawa on May 20, 1987, to employees of the Strategic Intelligence and Publications Branch, HQ Drug Enforcement Directorate. Robert C. Fahlman, Shelley A. Keele and Hélène Vigeant were presented with the Award of Merit for Print — Annual Report/Annual Review and Award of Merit for Writing/Editing (English).

submitted by C/M R. Fahlman

"V" DIRECTORATE GOLF TOURNAMENT June 26, 1987 saw over 100 employees of the Ottawa area participate in this two-ball foursome, despite rainy conditions. Trophy winners were Cindy Acres and Gregg Robertson. Most Honest Golfers, Angela Tweeddale and Blain Gaouette were awarded a set of pink flamingos. Closest to the hole on the 7th green was Ken Ross, winner of a trip for two, anywhere in Canada. The winner of a draw for participants was Sgt. Andy Anderson, with a trip for two to Amsterdam. Following presentations, a dinner-dance was held at the Senior NCOs' Mess and thanks to the participants, a donation was made to the Canadian Heart Foundation.

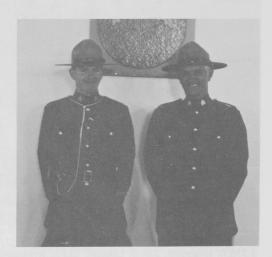
submitted by Barbara Brulé

PROUD MOMENTS S/Sgt. Gerry Vandegraaf, Liaison Officer, Kingston, Jamaica had the occasion to attend the graduation and the opportunity to present his son, Mark, with his badge at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan on March 30, 1987. As Gerry had his uniform in storage, he was able to bum, beg, borrow or steal various articles of clothing from the Commanding Officer and members of Depot as well as "F" Division members, so that he could make the presentation. A special thanks to those who assisted in making this a memorable occasion. Mark is currently serving at Mackenzie, British Columbia.

ANOTHER TRIBUTE On May 5, 1987, a new elementary school of the Carleton Board of Education, situated in Orleans, Ontario, was officially opened. Named after one of Canada's 20th century adventurers, Henry Asbjorn Larsen School was selected from 31 names proposed by the school's 600 students. The Carleton Board's endorsement of the student-chosen name has been hailed as a "feather in the cap of democracy."

The list of names was reduced to a short list of six. Supporters of each name banded together and ran an election-style campaign. Other names on the short list were: author Margaret Atwood; naturalist painter Robert Bateman; Group of Seven artist Tom Thomson; world-renowned Ottawa photographer Yousuf Karsh, and Governor General Jeanne Sauvé.

The 26 room, \$4 million school currently houses junior kindergarten to grade 6 students, and will eventually be extended to grade 8.



S/Sgt. Gerry Vandegraaf (R), seen here with his son, Cst. Mark Vandegraaf at his graduation from Depot Division.



Opening ceremonies, Henry Larsen School, Gloucester (Orleans), Ontario, May 5, 1987. Some of the activities captured on film were: #1. The official ribbon cutting, with Mrs. Mary Larsen, representing the Larsen family and Mr. Frank Cauley, Carleton Board of Education Trustee; #2. Chef Franz Hoefler (R), and his assistant, from the Westin Hotel, flanking the ceremonial cake marking the opening; #3. Cst. Shauna Wallace acknowledges the interest of some of the students who attended a week of activities commemorating the event; #4. Supt. J.R. Bentham (L) and Cpl. Dave Franklin (R) assisted at the presentation of a framed and engraved photograph of the late Supt. Larsen, to the school on behalf of the RCMP.

Photos by Pierre Labranche, Photo Services

HONLEA CONFERENCE The first interregional meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies (HONLEA), was held in Vienna, Austria, from July 28 to August 1, 1986. The 1986 HONLEA Conference was the first interregional conference, sponsored by the United Nations, on drug abuse and control.

An area of interest addressed by the Canadian delegation at the HONLEA Conference in Vienna was the involvement of organized crime in the illicit drug trade, and approaches to use to combat this growing problem. C/Supt. Rod Stamler, Director of Drug Enforcement, called the 1986 conference an "historic and significant meeting."

The following Canadian delegates participated in the 1986 Interregional HONLEA: Commissioner R.H. Simmonds, C/Supt. R.T. Stamler, Ms. K. Johnston-Doyle (Sr. Advisor, Police and Law Enforcement Policy, Solicitor General's Office), Mr. F.D. Pillarella (Director, Human Rights and Social Affairs Division, External Affairs), Mr. C.D. Greenshields (First secretary, Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations, Vienna), Mr. A.J. Snidanko (Attaché, Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations, Vienna).

submitted by C/Supt. R.T. Stamler



Commissioner R.H. Simmonds welcomes members of one of the delegations at the opening reception at the 1986 Interregional HONLEA Conference, at Vienna, Austria.

Photo by Foto Studio, courtesy of C/Supt. R. Stamler

BALL — SMASHING SUCCESS The third annual RCMP Charity Ball was held on May 30, 1987, at the Ottawa Congress Centre. The Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Society was the recipient of the proceeds (\$12,500) of the gala event. Among those attending the Ball were: Commissioner R.H. Simmonds, Deputy Commissioners N.D. Inkster and H. Jensen, Assistant Commissioners J.A.R. Roy and G.L.

McCully, Richard Beecroft (MS Society), Ms. Catherine MacKinnon (entertainer and Honourary Chairperson, MS Society of Canada), members of the Ottawa-Carleton MS Chapter Board of Directors and Advisory Council.

The Ball has become one of the major social events for Ottawa and district. The evening included Viennese music, played by the Palm Court

Orchestra, a five-course meal, and an outstanding performance by Catherine MacKinnon. Under the baton of S/Sgt. Charlie Hendricks, Acting Director of Music, uninterrupted dance music was presented by the RCMP "Glenn Miller Big Band" Orchestra and Bison Band.

The 1988 recipient will be the Duke of Edinburgh Awards program, which is celebrating 25 years of serving Canadian youth.

submitted by Assistant Editor Daniel Hall







1. S/Sgt. Charlie Hendricks (R), Acting Director, RCMP Band, presented Richard Beecroft with a photo of the Band in performance at Expo 86. 2. Entertainer Catherine MacKinnon (L), posed with special guest Richard Beecroft, representing the Ottawa-Carleton MS Chapter, during the 1987 RCMP Charity Ball. 3. RCMP Veteran ex-Sergeant Major John Smaridge (R), tripped the light fantastic at the Ball with Doris Martin. Photos by Daniel Hall



On May 21, 1987, Commissioner R.H. Simmonds performed his last official inspection, and is shown chatting with members of the RCMP Band.



On March 6, 1987, Cst. Diana L. Hampson was sworn in by D/Commr. H. Jensen, while proud parents, S/Sgt. Garth S. Hampson and his wife, Eleanor, look on. Also in attendance was her brother, Cst. Brad Hampson, of the Ontario Provincial Police.

LAST "OFFICIAL" PUBLIC PRESENTATION In one of his last official public functions, Commissioner R.H. Simmonds presented the proceeds (\$12,500) of the 1987 RCMP Charity Ball, to Mr. Bob Gibb, Fundraising Chairman, Ottawa-Carleton Chapter, Multiple Sclerosis Society (MS), on August 26, 1987. Members of the 1987 Ball committee, including members of the Ottawa MS Chapter Board of Directors and the MS Advisory Council attended the presentation in the executive offices at RCMP Headquarters. An informal reception, hosted by the Commissioner, followed the presentation.

submitted by S/Sgt. G. Hampson



Commissioner Simmonds presented MS Fundraising Chairman Bob Gibb (L), with a cheque for the MS Society, on behalf of the RCMP 1987 Charity Ball Committee.



1987 Charity Ball Committee representatives attending HQ cheque presentation (L-R): S/Sgt. Garth Hampson, S/Sgt. Jerry Sloan, Sgt. Bill Reggler, S/Sgt. Harold Young, Commissioner R.H. Simmonds, Mr. Bob Gibb (MS Board), Mr. Jim Robertson (MS Advisory Council), Ms. Anne McKague (MS Board) and Mr. Bill MacMillan (MS Advisory Council).



Headquarters Relay Team were winners of a gold medal — edging out teams from Metro Toronto and Ottawa City Police forces — at the 10th Annual Ottawa Winternational Indoor Games, January 31, 1987. Team members (L-R): Csts Denis Constant, Ronald Matthews, S/Cst. Mark Price and ex-Cpl. Ray Cardinal.



Long Service Medals were presented on June 16, 1987, at the Senior NCOs' Mess. Front row (seated) (L-R): C/Supt. W.R. Spring, A/Commrs J.J.M. Coutu, and G.L. McCully, C/Supt. J.E.A. Yelle, A/Commr. P.M. McLellan, C/Supts W.B. Drew and A.C. Tuttle and Supt. L.G. Larose. First standing row left of the centre to right: C/M M.B. Burns, P/S M.E.L. Landry, Insp. L.P. Wood, Cpl. R.K. MacDonald, C/M C.E. Seale, Cpl. T.L. Norman, C/Ms J.A. Lane and M.L.R.L. Doyle and Sgt. T.A. Leroux. Centre row (L-R): C/Supt. G.W. Allen, Supt. N.A. Doucette, P/S R.A.J. Portugaise, Supt. D.J. McCormick, S/Sgt. A.M. Saxton, Sgts W.S. King, R. Migas, F.E. Rayner and T.W. Petch, C/M B.W. Stanley, Insp. J.M.A. Girard and Sgt. J.A.R. Cadieux. Next row from left to the centre: Supt. B.J. Adam, C/Supts W.J. Becker and S.H. Schultz, Insp. R.F.S. Farrell, S/Sgt. J.N.S.Y. Leblanc and Sgt. W.T. Moss. Back row (L-R): Insp. J.L. Healey, S/Sgt. J.J.M. Verbruggen, Insp. J.E.P.C. Robitaille, Sgts J.W.R. Howell, R.A.F. Woods, J.N. MacClean, C.G.J. Dionne and W.R. Anderson and Insp. G. Lafrance.

VETERANS' NEWS Ottawa Division welcomes the following new members: Reg. No. C/2337, Michael Ralph Alemany; Reg. No. C/723, Ronald Belleville; Reg. No. 20967, Ian Charles Blakeney; Reg. No. 17926, Wayne Dalton Boutilier; Reg. No. 33502, J.S. André Côté; Reg. No. C/83 Peter Edward Lee Doyle; Reg. No. 37972, Earl Ferguson; Reg. No. 16880, Cecil Louis Fietz; Reg. No. S/7718, Elizabeth Louise Foulds; Reg. No. 35483, Randal R. Groth; Reg. No. C/503, Guislaine Hastie; Reg. No. 18633, Roger N. Henwood; Reg. No. 19039, Jefferey Jeaurond; Reg. No. 16788, James A. Lawson; Reg. No. C/0946, Ronald Wallace MacLean; Reg. No. 17701, James R. Maloney; Reg. No. 23559, Larry

Martens; Reg. No. 16079, William L. McFarland; Reg. No. 16998, Robert A. Muir; Reg. No. S/2158, Raymond Joseph Hubert Pelletier; Reg. N. C/149, Marcel A.J. Renaud; Reg. No. 17548, Joseph Albert Robert Roy; Reg. No. 17066, Alfred A. Saulnier; Reg. No. 22615, J.C. Claude Shaver; Reg. No. 23129, Joseph Georges Daniel St. Denis; Reg. No. 17910, Wm. Gerrard Stocker.

Ivan Rolstone, editor of the Association bulletin "Keeping in Touch" has moved from Ottawa to Victoria, B.C. Ken Goodrich has taken over as new editor. May we extend to both, our best wishes for success in their new endeavours.

"A" Division

Headquarters — Ottawa, Ontario

IN RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC SPIRIT At a sports gala held in Touraine (Gatineau), Quebec, on May 2, 1987, S/Sgt. Gus Surette was honoured as "Personality of the Year" in recognition of his dedication to organizations dealing with physically and mentally handicapped, senior citizens and youth groups. His award was suitably engraved as follows:

"In tribute and acknowledgement of a hard worker, unequalled organizer, a first-rate ambassador and distinguished representative of Touraine.

Touraine thanks you for your exceptional work and constant dedication to the community."



Attending a ceremony honouring Touraine's Personality of the Year, (L-R): Gaëtan Cousineau, Mayor of Gatineau; S/Sgt. Gus Surette; Bernard Rainville, CBC Commentator and Mrs. Thérèse Cyr, president of the organizing committee.

Photo courtesy of Roland Rioux, La Revue de Gatineau



Second place winners in the Great Canadian Bed Race during Winterlude: Cst. Pierre Dorion, kneeling, and standing, (L-R) Csts Guy Levasseur, Norbert Gaumont, Luc Béchard and Mario Grégoire.

"B" Division

Headquarters — St. John's, Newfoundland

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 33802, Cst. R.M. Hebb and his wife Selma, a son, Mitchell Jonathan, on February 26, 1987, at Gander, Nfld.

To Reg. No. 30929, Cpl. P.J. Pendergast and his wife, Maxine, a daughter, Noelle Irene Maxine, on December 9, 1986, at St. John's, Nfld.

ROBERT AMEY MEMORIAL HOCKEY TOURNA-MENT The annual tournament, was held in Bay Roberts on the weekend of February 27 to March 1, 1987. Following opening ceremonies and a minute of silence, Insp. R. Evans, O.C. St. John's S/Div. conducted the opening face-off. Special thanks for an exciting weekend of hockey go out to A/Cst. I. Snow for his assistance, to the Bay Arena Hockey Moms for providing breakfast, the Bay Arena Referees' Association and to Mr. R. Mercer of Labatt's for providing "Player of the Game" awards. The tournament concluded with Labrador defeating Corner Brook, 8–4, in the consolation game and Gander defeating St. John's, 14–6, in the championship game.

submitted by Cpl. J. Hare



At the Robert Amey Memorial Hockey Tournament, Cpl. A. MacNeil, Labrador, was voted top defenseman; Cst. R. Brown, Gander, received top goaltender's award. Cst. P. Ayotte (L), Gander, is awarded the Most Valuable Player trophy by Insp. R. Evans, O.C. St. John's Sub-Division.

POLICE WEEK 1987 A one-day Police Fair at the E.J. Broomfield Arena was organized by members and volunteers from Happy Valley/Goose Bay Detachment and Labrador S/Div., as part of Police Week 1987. Twenty-five displays depicted areas of police work, safety and community service information. Safety Bear and prizes delighted the very young, and teenagers participated in a teen dance sponsored by the Citizens' Crime Prevention Committee.

submitted by Cst. F.R. Skidmore

REGIMENTAL BALL On April 24, 1987, 350 members and quests attended the annual Regimental Ball held at the Hotel Newfoundland, St. John's. The following toasts were proposed: to the Queen by Chief Justice Noel Goodridge; to the Force by Judge Gordon Seabright and to the president of the United States by Superintendant R.G. Zinck. Master of Ceremonies, S/Sgt. S. Ferguson introduced the head table guests: His Honour, Chief Justice and Mrs. Noel Goodridge; C/Supt. and Mrs. R.C. Currie; the Honourable Mrs. Verge, Minister of Justice and Mr. Verge; the Honourable Dr. and Mrs. Towmey; the Honourable and Mrs. Gordon Winter; Chief Randell of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary and Mrs. Randell; Commander and Mrs. Goodwin; Judge and Mrs. Seabright and S/Sgt. and Mrs. Ferguson. Also in attendance were a group of American officers from the naval base in Argentia, a group of officers from the Canadian Armed Forces and a host of other guests, including former members from Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Minister of Justice, assisted by C/Supt. Currie, presented Long Service Medals and Certificates to: S/Sgts Ken Pike, Roger Holdright and Sgt. Paul McCormick; the Silver Clasp and Stars to S/Sgt. Ed McCue and the Gold Clasp and Stars to Insp. Ron Evans and S/Sgt. Dean Reaves. Chief Justice Goodridge presented Insp. Bill Kitor with his Commission Certificate.

submitted by S/Sgt. S. Ferguson



ALL FOR ONE, ONE FOR ALL How much does training in Regina promote closeness in working and pulling together? Members of Troop 16, (L-R): Csts Bob Walton, Mick Cashen, Don Dignan and Derek Matchett, who completed training in March, 1981, are photographed above. Despite the number of detachments across the country, they were posted together, at Goose Bay, seven years later. Could it be their magnetic personalities?

submitted by Cst. F.R. Skidmore

KLONDIKE NIGHT On February 20, 1987, St. John's S/Div. Headquarters was transformed into a casino for the fourth annual Klondike Night, an evening of fun and camaraderie, intended to raise funds for St. Clare's Mercy Hospital in St. John's. "Soapie Smith's" eatery catered such delights as chili, moose, Arctic char and Atlantic salmon. Another highlight was the "human jukebox", a guitar-picking singer who would provide the song of your choice for a donation. Minstrel duties were shared this year by two disc jockeys from a local radio station. Thanks to the dedication and combined efforts of RCMP members and Public Service employees, their spouses and friends, the evening was successful.

GOOSE BAY CARNIVAL Air force personnel from England, the United States and Canada participated in the annual Canadian Armed Forces' winter carnival. For the second year in a row, RCMP members from Labrador S/Div. detachments constructed the winning float for the US Air Force Club, to which many RCMP members belong. This year's entry, reflecting the Sea World theme, depicted Jules Verne's 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea.

submitted by Cst. F.R. Skidmore



On April 16, 1987, C/Supt. R.C. Currie presented a \$6,000 cheque, the proceeds of a Klondike Night, to St. Clare's Mercy Hospital, to purchase an "Isolette" Power Pak, a vital component in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. (L-R) In the back row: Sgt. L.V. Briand, Ms. B.M. Dooley, S/Sgt. S.A. Ferguson, and Cpls D.M.W. Barrett and L.P. Marshall. Front row: Sgt. R.E. Keeping, Mrs. B. Pike, C/Supt. R.C. Currie, Foundation Board member, St. Clare's Mercy Hospital; Sister Elizabeth Davis, Executive Director; Mr. Aidan Maloney, Foundation Board Chairman; Insps. W.C.H. Gilmour and H.G. Slomba.

"C" Division

Headquarters — Montréal, Quebec

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 37843, Cst. J.C.P. Knight and his wife, Anne, a daughter, Anne-Marie on June 13, 1987, at Montréal, Que.

To Reg. No. 35008, Cst. M.B. Lavergne and his wife, Cynthia, a daughter, Aimée, on December 3, 1986, at Montréal, Que.

To Reg. No. 37143, Cst. L.L. McDougall and his wife, Line, a son, Matthew, on May 9, 1987, at Montréal, Que.

To Reg. No. 38150, Cst. D. Buzza and his wife, Céline, a daughter, Shanna, on May 18, 1987, at Montréal, Que.

MARRIAGES Reg. No. 38367, Cst. R.G. Meadows to Douglas Schappert, on August 23, 1987, at Regina, Saskatchewan.

Reg. No. 38690, Cst. R.H. Foster to Cathy Mori, on February 28, 1987, at Vancouver, B.C.

ROWING COMPETITION For the thirteenth year in a row, the RCMP was invited to participate in the annual 55 km race across Lac St-Jean, 500 kilometres north of Montréal. The last-minute attempt to round up a team did not allow time for much training. Team members Insp. G. Lafrance, of Ottawa headquarters and Csts. J.C. Doucet and J. Mair of "C" Division, Montréal endured debilitating sunshine and temperatures above 32°C, and still managed to place tenth after six hours and 20 minutes of rowing. Jubilation set in when they came in second in the final sprint, covering the last kilometre of the course. Many thanks to Sgt. Bob Lambert and Cst. Daniel Grant, pilot and guide respectively, of the team's escort raft.

POLICE BREAKFAST The eighth annual Police Breakfast was held on March 21, 1987, at the Marie-

Antoinette Restaurant in Rimouski. More than 50 members of the Quebec Police Force, the Rimouski and Mont-Joli Municipal Police departments, the regional detention centres, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the fire department and fishing and hunting services served over 1,000 breakfasts between 6:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Including donations and sponsor support, the breakfast raised more than \$6,000 for the Rimouski Chapter of the Canadian Cancer Society. Once again, the objective was met, thanks to the excellent job done by the police officers of the region.



Winning team from Montréal. (L-R) Front row: Sgt. M. Désaulniers, Csts J. Houle and M. Fletcher, Cst. F. Di Tomasso from the City of Laval Police, and Cst. L. Vidal. Back row: Sgt. Martin Laforge, Csts L. MacNeil and G. Potvin, Cpl. J. St-Cyr, Cst. L.L. McDougall and New Hampshire State Trooper, M. Blaisdell, on loan to the RCMP.



Mr. John McCormack, President of the Royal Canadian Legion, Quebec Branch, congratulates Assistant Commissioner J.E.J. Julien, Commanding Officer, "C" Division, following his swearing-in as a regular member of the Quebec Command Branch. A/Commr. Julien (L) receives his Legion badge and General by-law book.

CHARITY HOCKEY GAME On March 14, 1987, a hockey team from RCMP headquarters in Montréal played against the New Hampshire State Police Team, in Keene, New Hampshire, to raise funds for youth organizations in the area. Sgt. Martin Laforge of RCMP Police Community Relations was present for the official face-off. Approximately 200 people witnessed the RCMP victory, 11-6, over the State Troopers. All of the Montréal team players figured in the scoring, with Cst. G. Potvin leading the way with five goals. Following the game, both teams attended a reception organized by Budweiser Breweries.

"D" Division

Headquarters — Winnipeg, Manitoba

BIRTH To Cst. Lyle Brooks, Reg. No. 35450, and his wife, Merle, a son David Craig, on March 3, 1987, at Virden, Manitoba.

MARRIAGE Cst. H.W. Rayner, Reg. No. 31244, to Carolyn Diane James, on February 13, 1987, at Melbourne, Australia.

BRANDON SUB-DIVISION UNDERCOVER OPER-ATION Living in small rural communities provides RCMP members with opportunities to meet the public, especially youth, on a variety of occasions such as track and field events, student golf tournaments, Safe Grad, bicycle safety and citizenship programs. But none are as traditional as "Operation Red Coat." With many years of service in the Force, the required silver hair and body stature, Cpl. Alex Graham was recruited for the "undercover" job by staff of Reston Elementary School. With parcels in hand, slightly "forced" Ho! Ho! Ho! and wearing the traditional black boots and civilian red coat, Graham would have been calmer had he been leaving to face a hostage-taking incident.

Rising to the occasion, Graham listened to traditional requests for teeth, and not so traditional ones for no more brothers and sisters. It was a most rewarding experience for any member in, or out, of the red coat.



Miss Debbie Wright (L) and Mrs. Joan Sauvé of Reston Elementary School, with undercover agent, Cpl. Alex Graham.

CARMAN SUB-DIVISION At the annual Regimental Ball held at Altona, Manitoba, on March 28, 1987, Constables G.J. Kingsbury and D.R. Gormley were presented with the Commanding Officer's Commendation.

On February 5, 1986, a mentally disturbed patient of the Eden Mental Health Centre in Winkler, had threatened the lives of the medical staff during a brief hostage-taking, which led to an escape from the institute. Kingsbury and Gormley, despite the danger to themselves, apprehended the patient without incident.



Commanding Officer's Commendation recipients, Csts D.R. Gormley (L) and G.J. Kingsbury (R), with Assistant Commissioner, J.B.D. Henry.

STEINBACH SUB-DIVISION PRESENTATIONS Mr. Gordon William Sonnichsen was presented on December 3, 1986, with a Citation Certificate and Silver Medal for Bravery, by Insp. P. Piché, O.C. Steinbach S/Div., on behalf of the Royal Canadian Humane Association. Sonnichsen had been awarded the Star of Courage by the Governor General a few weeks earlier. Ms.

Rosemary Christine Postey, Mr. Stanley Garth McGinn and Mrs. Wilma Marie Arnold were each awarded Recognition of Merit Certificates by Insp. Piché.

On January 23, 1986, a fire broke out in a bedroom where two young children were sleeping. in an apartment building in St. Pierre Detachment. Attempting to enter the bedroom, the mother was forced back twice by intense flames. Postey, a tenant of the building, attempted to enter the bedroom holding a wet towel over her nose and mouth. When forced to retreat, she ran outside to rip the screen off the window. Alerted by Arnold, who was visiting the neighbourhood, Sonnichsen, who was working nearby, rushed to the scene and when told of the two children still in the room, broke another window, and without hesitation or any regard for his own safety, climbed into the fire and dense toxic smoke. Overcome by smoke, he retreated and returned to the burning several times until he found one of the children and passed her through the window. McGinn who had brought two fire extinguishers to the scene, took the child and ran to the hospital, 200 yards away. Sonnichsen entered the burning room a fourth time, found the second child, passed her through to safety to Arnold who rushed to the hospital.

Sonnichsen suffered minor burns, cuts and of smoke inhalation. The children died that day, from severe burns and smoke inhalation.

The recipients were praised for their courage and commitment by Insp. Piché, Mayor Gerry Fontaine of St. Pierre and by Mr. Albert Driedger, PC provincial member for Emerson.

submitted by Sgt. H. Kearley



Awards recipients (L-R): Mrs. Arnold, Ms. Postey, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Sonnichsen, Insp. Piché, O.C. Steinbach Sub-Division and St. Pierre-Jolys Mayor Gerald Fontaine, look on.

FUND-RAISING BENEFIT Steinbach Detachment Fund-Raising hosted a social on March 14, 1987, at Friedensfeld Hall. Proceeds of \$3,416 were donated to Steinbach Bethesda nurses for the purchase of a wheel chair scale. A meal was provided by Friedensfeld Caterers, and the music by the Caravan Dance orchestra from Beausejour, Manitoba. The highlight of the evening was the eliminations leading to a \$1,000 cash draw won by Mrs. Martha Rempel.

Detachment organizers extend their sincere thanks to all who contributed to make this event a success. At the official opening of the Bethesda Hospital expansion, on September 20, 1987, the RCMP and other major contributors to the fundraising effort in the community were acknowledged by having their names engraved on a special gold plate on the donor's wall located in the public reception area of the hospital.



On November 20, 1986, A/Commr. J.B.D. Henry, C.O. "D" Division, pesented the Hon. Pearl McGonigal with a framed portrait of RCMP members in period dress. The presentation was made on behalf of members and employees of the division, on the occasion of her retirement as Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba. (L-R): Mr. McGonigal, Mrs. Henry, Lt-Gov. Pearl McGonigal, A/Commr. J.B.D. Henry.

Members of "M" Squad, Depot Division, second part training, June 8 to 10, 1942. (L-R): G.M. Woodbury, C.K. Thompson, K.G. Lawrence and R.S. Brown, attending the RCMP Veterans' Association, AGM in Toronto, June 5 to 7, 1987.



Gold donor plate, struck for the RCMP, is indicated by Insp. Paul Piché, O.C. Steinbach Sub-Division and Sgt. Ken Simpson, Commander, Steinbach Detachment, who took part in the Bethesda Hospital expansion opening ceremonies.

VETERANS' NEWS The following new members have been accepted into Manitoba division of the association: Neil Christofferson; S/21048, ex-S/Cst. Hugh H. Enns; Reg. No. 18501, ex-Sgt. George R. Granger; Alice Sander; Earl Smith; Reg. No. 33228, ex-Cst. Elliott Robert Spencer; Darcy Wershler and Bill Yakemishin.



Depot Division

Headquarters — Regina, Saskatchewan

WESTERN HOCKEY TOURNAMENT The annual RCMP Western Canada Hockey Tournament, cohosted by Depot and "F" Divisions, was held from March 13-15, 1987, in Regina, with participating teams from "E", "K", "D" and Depot Divisions. In the final game, "F" defeated Depot, 6-3. Best Goaltender Award was shared by Csts M. Parent ("F") and M. Plante (Depot). Best Defenseman and Most Valuable Player awards were presented to Csts R. Slawson and J. Saunders, both of "F" Division.

For those over 35 years of age, the first annual RCMP Western Oldtimer Hockey Tournament was

also held, with teams from "K", "D", "F" and Depot Divisions. In the final game, Depot defeated "K" Division with a score of 6-3.

Old acquaintances were renewed at the banquet, where Emil "The Cat" Francis, vice-president and general manager of the Hartford Whalers was guest speaker. Proceeds collected throughout the weekend were donated to the Brad Hornung Foundation. Both tournaments will be hosted by "E" Divsion in North Vancouver, during the weekend of March 24-27, 1988. Hope to see you there!

submitted by Supt. L.A. Bittner

CONNAUGHT CUP COMPETITION The 1986 Connaught Cup Competition was held under sunny conditions on June 17, 1987, at the outdoor firearms range in Regina. Represented were "D", "E", "F", "H", "M", "O", Headquarters and Depot Divisions. The winner was Cpl. K.G.H. Gropler of HQ Division, with a score of 300-25 × /300.

The Solicitor General's Challenge Cup was held on the same day with Cpls K.G.H. Gropler, R.A.O. Gomes of Depot and K.R. Doll of "E" Division representing the Force. The RCMP won the cup with a score of 1693-53 ×/1800.

submitted by Sgt. W.J. Robertson

BLIND SPORTS On February 28, 1987, members of Troops 12 (male) and 14 (female) participated in the provincial Blind Ball Tournament. Both teams played goal ball: a game of two eight-minute periods on a court similar to volleyball, which is very similar to placing three blind hockey goalies in the same net. Two teams of three blind (or blindfolded) players try to defend their 21-foot goal line or try to pass the ball over the opposing team's goal line in less than two consecutive shots each. Players' zones are marked off with tape glued on the floor, and players must feel their way around so that they may throw the ball in the right direction. The ball used is heavy and does not bounce very well; it is perforated so that players can hear the bells inside. Team mates must remain in constant verbal contact with each other, but not too loudly, so that they can hear the ball. Competition and mental concentration are very intense.

Troop 14 came in first in the ladies' division and Troop 12 came in second, defeated by the men's

provincial blind team. Since they cannot depend on their visual memories of the game, goal ball for these players was a complete sensory experience, unique and most rewarding.

submitted by Cst. T. Tokarewicz



Members of Troop 14, winners of the Provincial Blind Ball Tournament, ladies division. (L-R): Csts J.E. Young, D.J. Maloney, J.I. Woodburn and S.A. Bonia.



Members of Troop 12, second place contenders in the provincial Blind Ball Tournament, men's division. (L-R): Csts B. Bryden, B. Henderson, T. Tokarewicz, B. Paul and C. Chisholm.

"E" Division

Headquarters — Vancouver, British Columbia

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 34059, Cst. G.R. Beddingfield and his wife, Jocelyn, twin daughters, Tori Jordana and Courtenay Jolene, on May 5, 1987, at Vancouver, B.C.

To Reg. No. 35772, Cst. F.L. Bott and his wife, Connie, a daughter, Sarah Kathleen Nicole, on October 10, 1986, at Williams Lake, B.C.

To Reg. No. 37595, Cst. D.W. Campbell and his wife, Reg. No. 37555, Cst. B.H. Campbell, a son, Donald Kyle, on April 8, 1987, at Surrey, B.C.

To Reg. No. 35882, Cst. Brian Coldwell and his wife, Sandra, a son, Chad Brian, on June 5, 1986, at Prince George, B.C.

To Reg. No. 37035, Cst. and Mrs. Gordon Dalziel, a son, Jared Gordon, on January 15, 1987, at Kelowna, B.C.

To Reg. No. 35803, Cst. M.C. Dobson and her husband, Wayne, a daughter, Bailey Elizabeth, on February 20, 1987, at Prince George, B.C.

To Reg. No. 34245, Cst. B.L. Hurrie and his wife, Sandy, a son, Kurtis Robert Lane, on February 22, 1987, at Vancouver, B.C.

To Reg. No. 37554, Cst. B.A.A. Ibbotson and her husband, Reg. No. 37284, Cst. J.A. Ibbotson, a daughter, Jennifer Alexa, on April 17, 1987, at Richmond, B.C.

To Reg. No. 32658, Cst. J. Krenz and his wife, Lyn, sons, Devin Alden, on August 19, 1982, Tyler Lee, on June 24, 1984, and a daughter, Kelsey Deanna, on December 2, 1986, at Squamish, B.C.

To Reg. No. 38202, Cst. J.R.Y. Leblanc and his wife, Line, a son, Andrew Michael, on January 14, 1987, at Port Alberni, B.C.

To Reg. No. 35115, Cst. L. Meilleur and his wife, Wendy, a daughter, Amy Dawn, on July 18, 1987, at Squamish, B.C.

To Reg. No. C/2713, C/M B.C. Small and his wife, Laurie, a son, Craig Joseph, on July 8, 1987, at Surrey, B.C.

To Reg. No. 36453, Cst. J.R. Martin St-Laurent, and his wife, Joanne, a daughter, Marie Julie Catherine, on January 25, 1987, at Chilliwack, B.C.

To Reg. No. 32878, Cst. W.J. Sutherland and his wife, Delia, a son, Bradley Andrew, on October 30, 1987, at Richmond, B.C.

SQUAMISH DETACHMENT At the 12th annual Regimental Ball, held on April 25, 1987, Squamish Detachment and Highway Patrol members performed a Dismounted Foot Drill before an appreciative audience. Commanding Officer's Commendations were awarded to Csts. M. Aubry and P. Nezan for their role in gaining control of an apartment fire and preventing extensive loss and damage. Long Service Medals were also presented to Sgt. L.R. Joubert and Cpl. T.M. Campbell.



(L-R): Supt. G.J. Davis, O.C. Vancouver Sub-Division and C/Supt. G.H. Powell, "E" Division Admin. & Personnel, presenting Commanding Officer's Commendations to Csts P. Nezan and M. Aubry, at the Squamish Detachment Regimental Ball, on April 25, 1987.

REGIMENTAL DINNER The "E" Division Officers' Mess annual Regimental Dinner was held on May 28, 1987. Head table guests were: A/Deputy Attorney General Police Services, Mr. Robin Bourne; the C.O. "E" Division, Deputy Commissioner D. Wilson; Chief Constable Bob Stewart of the Vancouver City Police; Asst. Deputy Attorney General, Dennis Murray; guest speaker, Mr. Pat Quinn and Mess President, C/Supt. K.T. Kereluk.

Deputy Commissioner Wilson presented the Gold Clasp and Stars to Supt. C. Couts (retired) and Supt. Bob Corley, O.C. Chilliwack Sub-Division; the Silver Clasp and Stars to C/Supt. G. Clarke, OIC FSSB, Supt. R. Gertzen, OIC Informatics and Insp. D. Mortimer, OIC Langley Detachment, and the Bronze Clasp and Star to Insp. R. McMartin, A/OIC

Coquitlam Det., Insp. M. Cassidy, OIC Ident. Services, and Insp. S. Salmine, A/OIC North Vancouver Detachment.

Insp. E. MacAuley introduced a friend from university days, guest speaker, Mr. Pat Quinn, president and general manager of the Vancouver Canucks. Quinn kept everyone amused during his talk and was presented with the traditionnal totem pole wall plaque by Mess President, C/Supt. Kereluk. Many thanks to the organizing committee, under the direction of Insp. B. Terkelsen, for a superb evening.

submitted by Insp. M.J. Cassidy



D/Commr. D.K. Wilson (seated) and C/Supt. K.T. Kereluk presenting guest speaker, Pat Quinn, with the traditional totem pole plaque, at the Officers' Regimental Dinner, held on May 28, 1987.

PENTICTON HOCKEY TOURNAMENT In January, 1982, a hockey team from Penticton Detachment headed south to face the Spokane Police Department team in Washington. The Penticton team, thrilled by the reception they received, arranged for a visit by the Spokane team in March. Other Sub-Division teams were invited for the one-day, eight team mini tournament. Vernon Detachment won the Joe Collins Trophy and the Spokane team took the Howie Turner Trophy.

In 1983, a 16 team format was set up initially; later, numerous teams had to be turned away. In 1984, a 24 team format was used and again numerous teams had to be turned away. The biggest tournament was in 1985, with 32 teams from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Yellowknife, N.W.T. In 1986 and 1987, the 24 team format was used again.

The host team's wives' wine and cheese parties and other activities they organize are becoming a contributing factor for the increasing number of spouses attending the tournament. This tournament of police teams is the largest in Western Canada. Profits from these events have purchased a heart monitor for the Penticton Regional Hospital, or have been donated to the Kinsmen and Kiwanis Clubs for projects, scholarship funds and the promotion of minor hockey. The 1987 tournament raised \$1,500 for the Rick Hansen Man in Motion World Tour, for the construction of a wheel chair ramp and walkway on Penticton's north beach. We are looking forward to the next annual tournament on April 8-10, 1988.

submitted by Cst. K.R. Ackles



TRAINEES HONOURED On December 3, 1986, 17 volunteers graduated from the second Victim Services Training Course given by the RCMP in Surrey, B.C. Assisted by Victim Services Liaison Officer, Cst. Rob Weiss and Program Co-ordinator, Ms. Cindy Stogren, Supt. Strathdee, OIC Surrey Detachment, presented graduation certificates at a ceremony held in the Municipality of Surrey council chambers.

Because of the increasing number of volunteers and responsibilities, the service will expand into



Sixth annual Penticton Detachment hockey tournament opening face-off for the game between Penticton and Prince Rupert. (L-R): Insp. O. Maguire, OIC Penticton Detachment, Mayor Dorothy Whittaker, and Insp. P. Grudniski, Kelowna Sub-Division.

Proceeds from the Penticton hockey tournament, being presented to Rick Hansen by team president, Cst. K. Ackles and vice-president, Cst. L. Adey.

crisis intervention, a system involving teams of two volunteers attending domestic and crime scenes with the police. Once the investigation is completed, the volunteers assist victims to a quick recovery from the trauma of crime. Victims cared for by this service have proven to be excellent witnesses during their court attendance.

submitted by Cst. R. Weiss



Graduation certificates presentation to Victim Services trainees on December 3, 1986. (L-R) Front row: Aldermen Fomich and Schrenk, Cst. R. Weiss, Cindy Strogen (program co-ordinator), Supt. G. Strathdee, Aldermen Huot and Higgenbotham. Centre row: Betty Smith, Lorraine Jensen, Sandra Depree, Ken Garley, Birdie Kolberg, Ramona Barron, Beryl Inrig, Susan McCarthy. Back row: Eve Unrah, Roberta Whiley, Sharon Legault, Cindy Uhren, Jeaneen Burdes, Suzy Visser, Sue Barillaro, Malita Ouellette, Ed Klassen.



Participants of the first Canadian Police Alpine Games, held January 12-16, 1987, at Whistler, B.C.

ALPINE GAMES The first annual Canadian Police Alpine games, held on January 12-16, 1987, were organized by a few hardcore skiers who dreamed of organizing an international police ski competition. Fifty police officers from as far as Ottawa, Ontario, and Minnesota attended the five days of fun, keen competition, and great skiing on Whistler and Blackcomb Mountains.

Following a masters style format, racers were grouped by age category and skiing ability. Everyone competed in a variety of slalom events. With about 10 serious competitors, the majority of participants spent their days on the slopes looking forward to the daily gathering in the race head-quarters lounge. Watching video replays of racing events was a favourite along with cheering the winners of medals. The most popular medal was for the "Best Crash and Burn of the Day", awarded according to the applause from the fans.

At the final windup, winning skiers were awarded medals, and everyone left with at least one door prize, provided by corporate sponsors: Dr. Joseph Cohen of Sony Canada Ltd., Great West Life Assurance Company, Canadian Airlines International and Labatts' Breweries of Canada. We wish to thank the organizers of this successful event: Csts. Jerry Malysh, Joe Loran, Randy Curtain, Cliff Carter, Dan Parchomchuk, S/Sgt. Barry Ross, and from the Vancouver City Police, Cpl. Carol-Ann Halliday.

The second annual Alpine Games will be held on January 25-29, 1988, at Whistler, B.C. For more information, please contact Cst. Jerry Malysh at (604) 264-2332.

submitted by Csts. Mike Pearson and Marty Nicholls

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR In the last few years, Sgt. Lynn Waugh, NCO I/C Armstrong Detachment has been exceptionally active in his community as director of the Big Cheese Country Music Jamboree and of the Armstrong Five Pin Bowling Association. He was also coach of the senior girls basketball team, vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce, secretary of Armstrong Lions Club, chairman of Canada Day celebrations, parade chairman of Interior Provincial Exhibition, and youth director of St. Joseph's Youth Camp. At a social function held in his honour on May 3, 1987, Sqt. Waugh was named Citizen of the Year by the City of Armstrong and the Municipality of Spallumchen. Mayors of both communities presented him with a beautifully engraved clock and Mr. Dennis Melvin, of the local Chamber of Commerce, presented Waugh with a plaque and Certificate of Appreciation.

submitted by Cpl. T.A. Takashima



Social function of May 3, 1987, to honour Spallumchen's citizen of the year. (L-R): Mayor Hans Blattner; Jim Waugh, son of Sgt. Lynn Waugh and his wife Catherine; their daughter, Sandra, and Mayor Bert Fletcher, of Armstrong.

AWARDS PRESENTATIONS An awards presentation ceremony was held at Vancouver headquarters on April 3, 1987. Deputy Commissioner D.K. Wilson presented the awards:

Supt. S.F. Thompson Supt. K.E. Hollas Ex-S/Sgt. F.J. Denis P/S W.A. Stokes S/Sgt. R.S. Zaharia S/Sgt. D.J.R. Harkin Insp. G.G. Briggs S/Sgt. A. Brueschke S/Sgt. S.E. Stark S/Sqt. M.M. Ukrainetz S/Sgt. G.W. Perkins P/S H. Morrel Sgt. K.F. Burleigh Sqt. M.J. Clarke Sgt R.G. MacLaren Sgt. B.A. Papp Sgt. B.A. Guzda Sgt. T.D. Dawiskiba Sgt. J.R. Card Cpl. J.G. Coldham Cpl. R.G. Hanes Cpl. W.S.F. Halpenny Cpl. B.G. Danton Cpl. G.V. Sexsmith Cpl. E.R. Drozda

Cpl. B.W. Hoven Cpl. G.F. Bowerman Cpl. A.V. Bravener Cst. D.J. Wruth C/M B.L. Methven P/S R.M. Beer Cst. B.D. Marshall

Sgt. R.A. Brook

S/Cst. G.A. McWatters

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Long Service Medal
Long Service Pin
Retirement Certificate
St. John Ambulance Priory
Meritorious Certificate
(non-risk) and Gold Pin
St. John Ambulance Certificate
of Appreciation
United Way Golden Award

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◆ Pat Piercy, Nanaimo Detachment switchboard operator, is a member of Nanaimo's ladies' netball team, and winner of a gold medal at the B.C. Winter Games, February 26–28, and March 1, 1987. The team, sponsored by the Wilderness Intelligency Leisue Development Society (WILDS), won a bronze medal in the 1966 B.C. Winter Games.

A PROUD BUNCH! (L-R): Cst. Al Murray, Cpl. Murray Gill and Cst. Fred Bott escorted Rick Hansen, on his return to William Lake, April 2, 1987. ▼





"E" Division awards ceremony, held April 3, 1987. (L-R) Front row: Supt. S.F. Thompson, Insp. G.G. Briggs, P/S R.M. Beer, C/M B.L. Methven, A/Commr. J.A.N. Bélanger, D/Commr. D.K. Wilson, C/Supt. G.H. Powell, P/S H. Morrel, S/Sgts R.S. Zaharia and D.R.J. Harkin. Second row: Sgt. R.A. Brook, S/Cst. G.A. McWatters, Insp. L. Eyman, ex-S/Sgt. F.J. Denis, P/S W.A. Stokes, Supt. K.E. Hollas, Sgts T.D. Dawiskiba and J.R. Card, Cpls J.G. Coldham, R.G. Hanes, W.S.F. Halpenny, B.G. Danton, G.V. Sexsmith and E.R. Drozda, Cst. D.J. Wruth. Third row: S/Sgts S.E. Stark, M.M. Ukrainetz and G.W. Perkins, Sgts K.F. Burleigh, M.J. Clarke, R.G. MacLearn, B.A. Papp, B.A. Guzda and M.L. Bowerman, Cpls B.W. Hoven, G.F. Bowerman and A.V. Bravenor, Cst. B.D. Marshall.

FAREWELLS On February 25, 1987, a wine and cheese reception was held in the Officers' Mess, providing those attending the B.C. Chiefs of Police Association meeting with an opportunity to meet socially and to bid farewell to Insp. Bob Gilholme, OIC Cranbrook Detachment, transferred as O.C., to Thompson Sub-Division in Manitoba.

On May 20, 1987, members of the Officers' Mess gathered to bid farewell to Assistant Commissioner Norm Belanger who had been appointed OIC Operations "E" Division in January, 1987. Assistant Commissioner Belanger left after only five months to become the new Deputy Commissioner Criminal Operations in Ottawa. Best wishes to Assistant Commissioner and Mrs. Shirley Belanger on their return to Ottawa.



D/Commr. D.K. Wilson, C.O. "E" Division, presents Insp. Bob Gilholme (R) with the traditional hand-carved totem pole plaque and a cup and saucer for his wife, Mary, on their departure for "D" Division.



C/Supt. K. Kereluk, president of the "E" Division Officers' Mess (L) presents A/Commr. N. Bélanger with the traditional hand-carved totem pole plaque on his departure for Ottawa.

RETIREMENT On May 25, 1987, S/Sgt. Ted Gangdal retired from the Force after 35 years. Deputy Commissioner Wilson made the customary presentations. S/Sgt. Gangdal was given a microwave oven and an engraved Longines wristwatch by his friends in Vancouver. Supt. L. Henschell gave a brief history of Gangdal's career, focusing on pre-Charter days in Vancouver Drug Section. Mr. Pat Woodward, another long-time friend, was on hand to tell humorous stories of Gangdal's years as a young constable in Kimberley Detachment. Although his retirement will leave a void in narcotics investigations, we wish Ted a well-deserved rest in the Lower Mainland.

submitted by Sgt. C.G. Sanderson



On April 24, 1987, members and guests attended a barbeque and dance at the Kamloops Curling Club, in honour of Cpl. Wayne T. Rusk's retirement from the Force. Supt. R. Harding (R), O.C., Kamloops Sub-Division, presented Rusk with his rank and badges, while Mrs. Dianne Rusk looks on.

TERRORIST ATTACK At approximately 6:30 a.m. on October 31, 1986, two suspects wearing camouflage gear and makeup, and carrying knives, ammunition belts and UZI machine guns, entered the National Crime Intelligence Service / National Security Enforcement and Liaison Unit building in Vancouver. Eluding security personnel, they hid in offices of the Terrorists/Extremists Unit (TEU) on the ground floor. When the NCO i/c TEU entered and turned on the lights, the suspects leaped out of hiding and fired at him repeatedly. From then on, every member coming in was overpowered by the UZI machine guns.

Well aware of the building's layout and operations, the suspects went upstairs to surprise members of the Vancouver Police Department attending their regular morning meeting. Officers scattered everywhere attempting to reach for their weapons... but to no avail, they all got hit. The suspects hastily made their way to their next target — the Inspector's office down the hall. His pleas for mercy could be heard all the way down the hall, but no one could save him from his fate...

When the ordeal finally ended, all member casualties were... drenched. The UZI machine guns were actually water pistols and the terrorists, two mischievious secretaries. After all, it was Halloween.

submitted by Kristine Nadeau and Robyne Pullen

VETERANS' NEWS Reg. No. 22679, Arnold deBruin was accepted as a new member of our Division.



Insp. J.R. Gilholme congratulated his daughter, Elizabeth, on her being sworn into the Force on August 8, 1986. Insp. Gilholme presented her badge to her at graduation on February 16, 1987. Cst. Gilholme has been posted to Port Alberni, British Columbia.



On June 4, 1987, Kathleen D. Taylor, a Public Service employee with the RCMP since 1981, was sworn into the Force by Supt. K.E. Hollas, OIC, Staffing and Personnel Branch. Taylor began training as an airport special constable on June 8, 1987, at Depot Division, Regina, Sask.

"F" Division

Headquarters — Regina, Saskatchewan

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 35662, Cst. J.J. Arseneau and his wife, Julie, a son, Justin Eric, on June 25, 1986, at Moose Jaw, Sask.

To Reg. No. 37581, Cst. R.L. Bittorf and his wife, Sharon, daughters, Amy Marissa, on September 17, 1986, and Sarah Dawn, on January 28, 1985, at Regina, Sask.

To Reg. No. 37772, Cst. and Mrs. J.A. Bodner, a daughter, Jaylene Alysha, on January 2, 1987, at Swift Current, Sask.

To Reg. No. 36209, Cst. and Mr. K.A. Bourlon, a son, Ryan Michael, on January 2, 1987, at Swift Current, Sask.

To Reg. No. 34781, Cst. and Mrs. G.W. Campbell, a son, Alex William, on February 3, 1987, at Swift Current, Sask.

To Reg. No. 29987, Cpl. and Mrs. J.L. Colson, a son, Jeffrey James, on November 7, 1986, at Swift Current, Sask.

To Reg. No. 25842, Cpl. and Mrs. D.W. Couprie, a daughter, Caitlyn Rose, on October 21, 1985, at Prince Albert, Sask.

To Reg. No. 35549, Cst. B.J. Howard and his wife, Judy, daughters Ashley Marie, on February 21, 1986, and Jody Dawn, on August 8, 1983, at Indian Head, Sask.

To Reg. No. 37534, Cst. and Mrs. B.M. Mitschke, sons Kiel Anthony Joseph, on April 15, 1987, and Kristopher Brock Giovanni, on March 22, 1984, at Regina, Sask.

To Reg. No. 36691, Cst. and Mrs. M.S. Savage, a daughter, Stacey Lynn, on January 26, 1987, at Swift Current, Sask.

To Reg. No. 36894, Cst. and Mrs. R.E. Schmidt, a daughter, BreAnn Christine, on November 25, 1985, at Outlook, Sask.

To Reg. No. 34657, Cst. and Mrs. R.J.W. Shank, a son, Adam Nicholas, on March 2, 1987, and a daughter, Morgan Blair, on December 5, 1983, at Flin Flon, Man.

To Reg. No. 32258, Cst. and Mrs. R.M. Torgunrud, a son, Clark Merlin, on April 5, 1986, and a daughter, Colby Marlene, on June 12, 1984, at Lloydminster, Sask.

MARRIAGES Reg. No. 35443, Cst. H.W. Gardipy, to Christie Baier, on December 6, 1986, at North Battleford, Sask.

Reg. No. 30826, Cst. J.C. Hyndman, to Vonda Lynn Taylor, on May 23, 1987, at Swift Current, Sask

Reg. No. 37951, Cst. J.D.R.J. Moran, to Beverly Larson, on May 18, 1985, at North Battleford, Sask.

Reg. No. 34896, Cst. K.E. Olthius, to Kathryn Ann Wildeman, on May 16, 1987, at Humbolt, Sask.

Reg. No. 32258, Cst. R.M. Torgunrud, to Maureen McDougall, on June 18, 1983, at Prince Albert, Sask.

YORKTON SUB-DIVISION REGIMENTAL DINNER On March 18, 1987, Yorkton Sub-Division Regimental Dinner was held at the Yorkton Agriplex Convention Centre. Guest speaker, Assistant Commissioner Robert Mills (ret'd), kept everyone entertained with his quick wit and timely comments.

Assistant Commissioner D.H. Heaton, "F" Division C.O., made several award presentations to members during the evening. Cst. S.J. Raine, Wynyard Detachment, received a "G" Division C.O.'s Commendation for his involvement in an incident while he was stationed at Norman Wells Detachment. Receiving 20-year Long Service Medals were: Sgts. C.S. Cameron, Punnichy Detachment, and R.F. Helmsing, and Cpl. L.C. Smith, Yorkton Detachment. Sgt. G.F. Nussbaumer, Yorkton Detachment, received his Bronze Clasp and Star, and S/Sgt. R.D. Parsons, North Section NCO, was presented with his Silver Clasp and Stars.



Attending, Yorkton Sub-Division Regimental Dinner awards presentation, March 18, 1987. (L-R): Cst. S.J. Raine, Sgts C.S. Cameron and G.F. Nussbaumerm, Cpl. L.C. Smith, Assistant Commissioner D.H. Heaton, Insp. J.B. Pott, S/Sgt. R.D. Parsons, Sgt. R.F. Helmsing.

FOUR GENERATIONS When Reg. No. 38695, Cst. Carl G. Johnston joined the RCMP in Regina in February, 1986, he became the fourth generation in his family to serve in the Force. His great grandfather, Reg. No. 230, Cst. John Johnston, had joined the Force at Kingston, Ontario, in March, 1874 and participated in the March West. Spending his entire service in and around Fort Macleod, Alberta, until his discharge in 1880, he became a rancher and broke horses for the Force for many years. In the first Calgary Stampede, in 1912, he drove a 12-horse team entered in the parade by the Force. He died at 84 years of age, in Spokane, Washington.

Cst. Carl Johnston's grandfather, Reg. No. 9370, Cpl. W.A. (Tubby) Johnston, joined the Force in 1922, at Vancouver, British Columbia. From there, he was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba. In 1938, he was transferred to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, where he served in Regina until his transfer to

Mossbank in July, 1944. He remained there until his retirement in July, 1948 and his death in November, 1949.

Cst. Carl Johnston's father, Reg. No. 0.841, Supt. Barry Johnston joined the Force in Regina in March, 1953. On completion of training he was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, where he served in Calgary, High River, Crossfield, Banff, Gleichen and Peace River. Commissioned in 1973, he was posted to "J" Division, New Brunswick, as assistant Criminal Investigation Branch officer. In 1978, he was transferred to "D" Division as Officer Commanding Brandon Sub-Division, and in 1983 to "K" Division as O.C. Peace River Sub-Division. Retired in October, 1986, he resides in Vernon, B.C.

As a long time friend of the Johnston family, I had the privilege of attending Carl's Troop 9 graduation ceremony at Depot Division on February 23, 1987, along with his proud parents and



Reg. No. 230 Ex-Cst. John Johnston



Reg. No. 9370 Ex-Cpl. W.A. (Tubby) Johnston Retired to pension July, 1948



Reg. No. 0.841 Supt. B.G. Johnston Retired October, 1986



Reg. No. 38695 Cst. C.G. Johnston Posted to "O" Div., Niagara Det.

grandmother, Dorothy Johnston of Calgary. The day brought back memories of when Cpl. Tubby Johnston took over my command at Mossbank Detachment, in July, 1944. On a sadder note, I was a pall bearer at his funeral at the RCMP cemetary in Regina, in November, 1949.

submitted by ex-Sgt. Leonard Patterson

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION WEEK Celebrated annually, National Transportation Week highlights contributions of the Canadian transport industry to Canada's history and economic wellbeing. This year's national theme was "Keep Canada Moving." On June 3, 1987, an all transport mode show for truck, rail, air, sea and pipeline components illustrated Saskatchewan's provincial theme "Saskatchewan on the Move - Pioneers Challenging Distance." "F" Division contributed two marked highway patrol cars to the show, including the test 1987 Mustang. At the awards dinner that evening, at the Centre of the Arts in Regina, the 1987 Award of Excellence was presented to "F" Division for outstanding contribution to the betterment of the transportation industry in areas of policy, safety, education and corporate functions. C/Supt. R.A. MacGibbon, OIC Criminal Operations, accepted on behalf of the Commanding Officer, the award presented by the Honourable Grant Hodgins, Minister of Highways and Transportation for the province of Saskatchewan.

MELFORT DETACHMENT The fifth annual Regimental Ball was held at the Heritage Inn on March 14, 1987. Considered premier social of the year, the event was sold out. Supt. W.T. Procyk. O.C. Prince Albert Sub-Division presented Cpl. D.L. McRobb with his Long Service Medal.



On March 14, 1987, Supt. W.T. Procyk, Officer Commanding, Prince Albert Sub-Division, presented a Long Service Medal to Cpl. D.L. McRobb of Melfort Detachment.

C.O.'S COMMENDATION On April 16, 1987, S/Cst. Harvey Russell Black, of Fond du Lac Detachment, was awarded the C.O.'s Commendation in Prince Albert. Supt. W.T. Procyk, O.C. Prince Albert Sub-Division presented S/Cst. Black with his award. On December 2, 1986, S/Cst. Black rescued a fellow member from the icy waters of Lake Athabaska, when his over-snow vehicle fell through the ice.



Supt. W.T. Procyk, Officer Commanding, Prince Albert Sub-Division, presented S/Cst. H.R. Black, of Fond du Lac Detachment, with a Commanding Officer's Commendation, on April 16, 1987.

KINSMEN TELEMIRACLE Saskatchewan Kinsmen Clubs have raised \$14 million since 1977 through Telemiracle, an entertainment fundraising telethon in support of the physically, mentally and socially disabled. Members and employees of "F" Division have contributed in the past and given a lot of their time to this event and other charitable organizations. For the 1987 Telemiracle, the "F" Division Road Racing team solicited pledges for a relay race between Regina and Saskatoon, a distance of 260 kilometres. Beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday February 28, 1987, at division headquarters in Regina, the race ended at 5:53 a.m. on March 1, 1987, at Saskatoon's Centennial Auditorium, nearly one hour ahead of schedule. The team presented Telemiracle with pledges totalling \$10,200 on behalf of RCMP members and employees in the province.

LONG SERVICE PRESENTATION The "F" Division Long Service Medal presentation was held on January 14, 1987, at the Depot Division Chapel. The Honourable F.W. Johnson, Lieutenant-Governor of Saskatchewan, accepted the C.O., Assistant Commissioner D.H. Heaton's invitation to do the presentations: nine Long Service Medals, three Bronze Clasps and Star, one Silver Clasp and Stars, one Gold Clasp and Stars along with one Public Service Medallion in recognition of 35 years of service. For the occasion, Lt.-Gov. and Mrs.

Johnson were seated in chairs originally obtained for the visit of His Majesty King George VI and Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, to Depot Division and the Saskatchewan Officers' Mess, on May 25, 1939. After the ceremony, everyone adjourned to the Officers' Mess for an informal gathering.



"F" Division awards presentation, January 14, 1987.

NORTHERN CRIME WATCH Citizens concerned with the high crime rate in the communities of La Ronge and Air Ronge, tourist centres located on Lac La Ronge in northern Saskatchewan, rallied the help of a member of the local RCMP detachment in 1984. to create Northern Crime Watch. With 20 members, the program was operational by the spring of 1985 and a town grant enabled them to hire two full-time student members for the busy summer months. With the help of three local water-based aircraft companies and a pilot from the firefighting team air services operations, the program's 61 members have been successful in locating felonies in progress. Fund raisers and community contributions helped purchase mobile radios so that contact can be maintained with RCMP members on duty. Patrols now circulate regularly, even through the winter months with ski-doo patrols of privatelyowned cottages on area lakes. Northern Crime Watch members have addressed other groups of citizens in northern Saskatchewan and have helped set up other Crime Watch programs. In a nine month period, volunteers spend more than 800 hours on patrol and travel over 11,000 kilometres. In 1986, the communities of La Ronge and Air Ronge were awarded the Solicitor General's Crime Prevention Award and the Government of Saskatchewan Crime Prevention Award for their invaluable contribution to crime prevention.

> submitted by Cst. D.M. Young Northern Crime Watch chairman

SWIFT CURRENT SUB-DIVISION REGIMENTAL DINNER On May 8, 1987, the eleventh annual-

Regimental Dinner was hosted by Insp. A.J. Gramolini, new Officer Commanding, Swift Current Sub-Div. Head table guests were: Assistant Commissioner D.H. Heaton, C.O. "F" Division; the Honourable Mr. Justice Ben Moore, Queen's Bench Court; His Worship Mayor Len Stein, Swift Current; His Worship Mayor Gerald Rennie, Ponteix; Mr. Geoff T. Wilson, M.P.; The Honourable Patricia A. Smith, M.L.A.; Mr. Silas E. Halyk, Q.C. Saskatoon; Insp. A.J. Gramolini, S/Sgt. J.C. Lee-Knight, NCO Swift Current Sub-Division and S/Sgt. D.R.C. Mocher, Master of Ceremonies.

Guest speaker for the evening was Mr. Silas Halyk. Assistant Commissioner Heaton and Insp. Gramolini presented Long Service medals to four members.



Attending Swift Current Sub-Division Regimental Dinner LSM presentation, May 8, 1987. (L-R): Insp. A.J. Gramolini, Cpls J.R. King and D.R. Strobel, Sgt. D.M. LeBlanc, Cpl. G.M. Morgan, A/Commr. D.H. Heaton.

BRASS HOCKEY TEAM Officers and NCOs over 35 years of age have formed the "F"/Depot BRASS hockey team, and until a fateful game against a local city team, were proof that discipline still existed at the training centre. Claiming that the puck merely struck the goal post, the BRASS team disputed the goal allowed by referees, Insp. Murray Elves and Sgt. Tom Elrick of "F" Division. Despite the argument by the BRASS team, the referees allowed the goal to stand.

Nothing more was thought about the disputed goal, until the game was over. A spectator passing by the referees' locker room heard shouts for help. It appeared that the referees were locked in their dressing room and the door knob was sabotaged, so that even a key could not open the door! If Sergeant Major Mercier administered this discipline, then later had reservations about its severity, he was later observed pounding the door knob with a hammer and chisel (to no avail). Eventually, the referees were freed by the sergeant major passing a screwdriver through the hole where the door knob once existed, and the pins were removed from the door.



Cpl. J.T. Carey, of Spiritwood Detachment, received his Long Service Medal from Supt. H.J. Griemann, North Battleford Sub-Division, on February 7, 1987.



A plaque of appreciation was presented to Insp. Tony Antoniuk, OIC, Battleford Detachment, by Mr. Wally Lewis on behalf of Battleford United Way. For the second year in a row, Insp. Antoniuk raised the most money during the annual Celebrity Water Slide fund raiser, which raised \$968 in 1985. and \$826 in 1986.

CANADIAN POLICE COLLEGE CERTIFICATES In 1986, Cpl. F.L. Matchett, of Lloydminster Identification Section, received a certificate in General Police Studies and a Certificate in Advanced Police Studies from the Canadian Police College. These certificates were awarded for successfully completing university courses on his own initiative and time. The courses are part of the three phases of the Continuing Education Program for police professionals administered by the Canadian Police College.

VETERANS' NEWS The Division Association welcomed the following new members: Reg. No. 23252, Cpl. Charles Brenton Blanchard; Reg. No. 15176, S/Sgt. John Logan Foster; Reg. No. 33724, Cst. Erin Dawn Genoway; Reg. No. 19735, Cst. David Clifford Hick; Reg. No. 21371, Sgt. Bruce Rostron Roberts and Donald A. Todd.

"G" Division

Headquarters — Yellowknife, Northwest Territories



Members of the Musical Ride on tour in Hay River, N.W.T. This first visit to the Far North, June 5-6, 1987, coincided with the Ride's 100th Anniversary.

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 35995, Cst. M.J. Dorran and his wife, Sally, a daughter, Melissa Michelle, on April 27, 1987, at Yellowknife, N.W.T.

To Reg. No. 36037, Cst. E. Ferrara, and his wife, Christine, a son, Mikhail Giovanni, on January 31, 1987, at Fort Simpson, N.W.T.

To Reg. No. 34681, Cst. J.E. Nieman, and his wife, Carol, a daughter, Breanne Elaine, on August 8, 1986, at Fort Simpson, N.W.T.

REGIMENTAL DINNER; On March 7, 1987, the "G" Division Regimental Dinner was held at the Explorer Hotel in Yellowknife. Eighty members, exmembers and invited guests attended the evening. Head table guests included Insp. K. Folk, Master of Ceremonies; Mr. L. Schollar, president of "G" Division RCMP Veterans' Association; guest speaker, Mr. George Tuccaro; C/Supt. R.H.D. Head, C.O. "G" Division; the Honourable Michael Ballantyne, Minister of Justice of the Government of the N.W.T.; Brigadier-General G. Hayter, D.N.D. Commander of Northern Region Headquarters; Supt. L.L. Wagner and division junior member, S/Cst. Jimmy Akavak.

Guest speaker, George Tuccaro, a long-time northerner and CBC radio announcer, added a humorous touch to the evening with his many jokes, stories and songs. It was a most pleasant evening, thanks to S/Sgt. Wally Shupe's, effort in organizing this dinner. Supt. L.L. Wagner received the Gold Clasp and Stars, and Long Service medals were presented to Sgt. I. Mossman, Cpls. M. McKinnon and A. Larocque. Cst. P. Johnson and S/Cst. J. Akavak received C.O.'s Commendations for Bravery for their successful apprehension, on May 14, 1986, of an armed male at Cape Dorset, N.W.T., after several shots were discharged into a snowbank, beside a police vehicle, where members had taken cover.

Cst. D. Taylor received the Commissioner's Commendation for Bravery and Csts. E.D. Graham and P.W. McManaman received the C.O.'s Commendation for Bravery for their role in an accident that took place in Tuktoyaktuk, N.W.T. On July 27, 1986, Csts Taylor and McManaman entered a house where an adult male was holding the household at gunpoint. When the individual jumped out of a bedroom window, Cst. Graham joined the two other members in the search. During pursuit, the armed male pointed the rifle and threatened the members several times. When cornered on a small point of tundra by Graham and McManaman, the offender decided to wade across a small piece of water and headed towards Taylor. Had he gotten past Taylor, the armed man would have headed for town again. Confronting the man, Taylor told him that he would not let him go by and would do everything in his power to stop him. When told that his father, who cared for him very much, was watching, the man flinched, at which point the move to disarm him was made.

submitted by Cpl. A. Anderson



Commendations and Long Service Medal recipients at the Regimental Diner, held on March 7, 1987. (L-R): Cst. P. Johnson, Sgt. I. Mossman, Cpl. M. McKinnon, Cst. D. Taylor, C/Supt. R.H.D. Head, S/Cst. J. Akavak, Cpl. A. LaRocque, Cst. P. McManaman, Sgt. C. Bergman and Csts E. Graham and H. Logan.



C/Supt. R.H.D. Head, Commanding Officer, "G" Division, welcomed his son, Barry, into the Force, on May 15, 1987, at Yellowknife. Another son, Cpl. T. Head, serves with the Special Emergency Response Team in Ottawa, Ontario.

RECOGNITION In a brief, informal presentation ceremony held on May 25, 1987, in the town office of Fort Smith, Insp. R.D.J. Epp, O.C. Hay River Sub-Division, presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Mr. Edward Kokoszka for his assistance to RCMP members in the rescue and successful resuscitation of a young child trapped in a burning house. Insp. Epp and Mr. Donald Johnston, president of the N.W.T. Chapter of St. John Ambulance, presented awards to Sgt. C.P.M. Bergman and Cst.

H.S. Logan for their roles in the same incident. Volunteer fireman, Mr. Tracy Freund was also presented with an appreciation award for his efforts in rescuing two men from a burning house in another Fort Smith incident.

Sgt. Bergman and Cst. Logan also received the C.O.'s Commendation for Bravery at the "G" Division Regimental Dinner, held on March 7, 1987, at Yellowknife.

submitted by Insp. R.D.J. Epp



Attending informal presentation ceremony held on May 25, 1987, (L-R): Cst. H. Logan, Mr. Tracy Freund, Mr. Don Johnston, Mr. Ed Kokszka, Insp. R.D.J. Epp, Sgt. Chris Bergman.

FINALLY!! On February 27, 1987, two years after a previous attempt had failed, Cpl. Jack Kruger, of Hay River Detachment, and five others made it across the white expanse of Great Slave Lake to the territorial capital in eight hours. Kruger who had planned the expedition for three years, knew what was needed to make the 125 mile snowmobile trek from Hay River to Yellowknife.

Other group members included Louis Koyzan, and Dan Lewkoski and Csts. Randy Parks and Andre Moisan. The trip was carefully planned with the six snowmobiles given the once-over at K&K Cycle's garage, and the three sleds loaded up with survival equipment, tents, radios and provisions. When they finally cleared the West Channel early on February 25, the only remaining problem was to get headed in the right direction.

Moving in leap-frog fashion by two groups of three, the snowmobiles went across the lake heading for Yellowknife Bay. On the last leg of the trip, the group spotted the Yellowknife landmark, Con Mine shaft tower, and headed straight for it. Outside the city's old town, the snowmobilers were trying to figure a way of entering city limits when the answer rolled by, about 20 feet ahead of them, a car roof had gone by. The group had stopped next to an ice road between Jolliffe Island and the mainland. They flagged down a pick-up truck which showed them the way in.

courtesy of The Hub newspaper, Hay River, NWT



The Great Slave Lake adventures! (L-R): Mr. Louis Koyzan, Cst. Randy Parks, Mr. Steve Angiers, Mr. Dan Lewkoski, Cpl. Jack Kruger, Cst. André Moisan.

THE BAR IS OPEN In keeping with a nation-wide campaign of check-stops, members of Rae Detachment decided it was time to get in on the action. Braving the elements, blowing snow and -25° C temperatures, a check-stop was set up on a lonely stretch of the Mackenzie Highway, five kilometres outside of town. The purpose of the check-stop was twofold: to rid the highways of impaired drivers, and to enforce the new Rae-Edzo liquor prohibition regulations in effect as of November 21, 1986, stating that "no person shall consume, possess, purchase, sell or transport liquor within a 21 kilometre radius of the Hamlet Office of Rae-Edzo, N.W.T."

The 2¹/₂ hour check-stop turned out to be a profitable one, despite cold hands and feet. Over 150 bottles of liquor and eight dozen beer were seized and several charges were laid; however, none was picked up for impaired driving. Christmas Eve, 1986, was one of the quietest ever recorded at Rae Detachment.

submitted by Cst L.J.M. Kavanagh



The bar is open... Csts. L.J.M. Kavanagh (L) and L.R. Bancroft, with seized liquor in Rae-Edzo, just before Christmas, 1986.

C.O.'s COMMENDATION On May 5, 1987, Renewable Resources Officer, David Kooneeliusie of Broughton Island and Cpl. J.W. Powers, NCO i/c Broughton Island Detachment, were awarded CO's Commendations by Insp. E.A. Iddins, O.C., Iqaluit Sub-Division. The award was in recognition of courage displayed and actions taken by the two

men, when they arrested an intoxicated male, on October 19, 1986, who had fired several shots from a .22 calibre rifle and was threatening to shoot several residents of Broughton Island, including Cpl. Powers.

submitted by S/Sgt. D. Hall



On May 7, 1987, Insp. E.A. Iddins, O.C., Iqaluit Sub-Division, presented Commanding Officer's Commendations to Renewable Resources Officer David Kooneeliusie (L) and to Cpl. J.W. Powers, NCO i/c, Broughton Island Detachment (R).

"H" Division

Headquarters — Halifax, Nova Scotia

PRESENTATIONS On April 15, 1987, the Honourable Alan R. Abraham, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, presented Long Service awards to "H" Division personnel. Receiving awards were:

| S/Sgt. D.S. Smith |
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| Sgt. D.R. Arsenault |
| Sgt. E.G. Bishop |
| Insp. W.B. Eaton |
| Cpl. D. Barber |
| Sgt. G.J. House |
| Sgt. B.E. Robinson |
| S/Sgt. E.J. Sisk |
| Cpl. D.C. Stutt |
| Cpl. R.A. Baird |
| Cpl. J.C. Cowan |
| Cpl. R.B. Groves |
| Cpl. J.J. King |
| Cpl. C.F.T. MacPhail |
| Cpl. D.P. Miller |
| Cpl. P.D. Paquet |
| Cpl. R.A. Peebles |
| Cpl. H.M. Pike |
| Cst. R.W. Reid |
| Cpl. G.R. Ringer |
| Cst. D.F. Seeley |
| Sgt. A.G. Steeves |
| Sgt. W.H. Taylor |
| Cpl. J.D. Veinotte |
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Long Service awards presentation, April 15, 1987. (L-R) Front row: Cpl. B.D. Paquet, Sgt. A.G. Steeves, Insp. W.B. Eaton, Lieutenant-Governor A.R. Abraham, C/Supt. C.J. Reid, Cpl. J.D. Veinotte, Cst. D.F. Seeley. Second row: Cpls K.W. Baird, G.R. Ringer, D.C. Stutt and C.F.T. MacPhail, Sgt. G.J. House, S/Sgt. D.S. Smith, Cpls H.M. Pike and J.J. King, Sgt. W.H. Taylor, Cpls D. Barber and R.A. Peebles. Third row: Sgt. B.E. Robinson, Cpl. J.C. Cowan, S/Sgt. E.J. Sisk, Cst. R.W. Reid, Cpl. R.B. Groves, Sgt. D.R. Arsenault, Cpl. D.P. Miller, Sgt. E.G. Bishop.



THE END OF AN ERA The old saying "Three strikes and you're out" relates to S/Sgt. Bryce A. Hebb. Joining the Force in 1949, he took his discharge in 1953, re-engaged in 1956 and then, to prevent discharge, took leave entitlements pending the approval of service extension beyond age 58. After trying for a further extension, S/Sgt. Hebb finally retired on February 22, 1987. Members and staff, "H" Division Admin. & Personnel, Thornvale, hosted a retirement/birthday party for the occasion. Stationed in "J", "L" and "H" Divisions, Hebb served the last 16 of his 34 years as Admin. NCO; six of which were spent in "L", and the rest in "H" Division. He also devoted part of his time in those divisions, to Associate Editor duties for the Quarterly. S/Sgt. Hebb was the last member holding a regimental number in the 15,000 range, to retire. This, however, does not mean the end of the Hebb name in the Force. The oldest son, Cst. Wayne Hebb, is stationed at Marystown, "B" Division; daughter, civilian member Cathy Hebb, is stationed at S/Div. Comcentre in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and daughter Cst. Heather Northrup is stationed at

Malcolm Earle Eaton was sworn into the Force by his father, Insp. W.B. Eaton, Officer Commanding, Truro Sub-Division, at a ceremony held in Halifax on March 6, 1987.

Toronto. Brenda, the youngest, worked as a civilian member at one time.

We take this opportunity to wish Bryce and his wife Joan, a long, healthy and happy retirement. His hard work, dedication to the Force and most of all, his keen wit, will be greatly missed.



On February 20, 1987, S/Sgt. B.A. Hebb (L), received a retirement gift from Supt. J.H. MacLaughlan, OIC, Admin. and Personnel, "H" Division.

RCMP CONCERT BAND On May 3, 1987, Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School was the scene of a public concert by the RCMP Concert Band, sponsored by the Lions Club and Yarmouth Municipal Detachment. Proceeds of \$1,200 were presented to the Lions Club for local youth projects.

Lions, band and detachment members attended the reception that followed, provided by Stetsonettes and Lionettes. Auxiliary Constable, and Lion Jerry MacDonald, was congratulated by all in attendance for a job well done in organizing the concert.

On May 4, the band gave students of local schools, two free concerts which, like the public concert, were successful. Band members were able to partake in local activities such as golfing, diving and museum visits.

On a sad note, A/Cst. Jerry MacDonald passed away suddenly on August 25, leaving a wife and four children. He will be remembered for his hard work and dedication within the community and sadly missed by his family, friends and fellow workers who attended Jerry's funeral in large numbers. A guard of honour was provided by RCMP members.

submitted by S/Sgt. D.A. Snow & Cst. Bob Forbes

HOCKEY TOURNAMENT The 3rd Annual Lower Sackville Detachment Hockey Tournament was held January 7 and 8, 1987, at the Lower Sackville Arena. Teams from the South Shore, the Valley, Truro, "H" Div. HQ, Cole Harbour and the Holt, Lower Sackville, shared two days of frustration, entertainment and laughter.

The tournament began with Cole Harbour defeating Lower Sackville 7-1. In the second game Cole Harbour defeated "H" Div. HQ by a score of 6-3. The goaltender for Cole Harbour, S/Cst. Brian Veniot, was outstanding. The third game saw Cst. Ron "Leaky" Leatherdale lead "H" Div. HQ with 5-0, over Lower Sackville, ending the first day of competition.

Day two began with the Valley defeating the South Shore 8-2. Game five saw two evenly-



Presentation of RCMP Band concert proceeds (L-R): Cst. Bob Forbes, Yarmouth Lions Club "baby" Lion; S/Sgt. Don Snow, NCO i/c, Yarmouth Municipal Detachment; King Lion, Bob Rodgerson and Lion Jerry MacDonald, auxiliary constable, Yarmouth Municipal Detachment.

matched teams in Truro and South Shore ending in a 3-3 tie. In game six, the Valley defeated Truro 7-2. In the first semi-final game, Cole Harbour defeated "H" Div. HQ, 8-0, to advance to the championship game. The second semi-final saw Truro gain revenge by defeating the Valley, 4-2, to meet Cole Harbour.

Prior to the championship, Lower Sackville defeated the South Shore, 6-3, to win the consolation trophy.

The championship game, with the best display of hockey in the tournament, saw Cole Harbour narrowly defeat Truro 2-1. This game displayed outstanding goaltending, to be matched only by the pros. The championship trophy was presented to Cole Harbour captain, Cst. Greg Skidmore.

All-star trophies were presented to the following:

Goalie Defense

Forwards

S/Cst. Brian Veniot Cst. Bill Chapman Cst. Bob Ballum Cst. Steve Merrick

Ken Reade Paul McDougall Cole Harbour Truro "H" Div. HQ Cole Harbour The Valley The South Shore

In addition to the "All-star" awards, the following received trophies as noted:

Rex Martin Cst. Terry Wishart Cst. Wayne Noonan "H" Div. HQ

Joe Collins Cpl. Jim Osborne Cst. Brian Thorne

The Valley Lower Sackville

"H" Div. HQ The Valley

The Albert Award for team player Most agressive non-productive player

Most obvious blooper

Bedford Police Dept Playing for the South Shore — the Golden Opportunity

Most dramatized penalty Most gentlemanly player.

Thanks to all of the participants — see you in January, 1988.



Insp. S.G. MacNaughton (L) received his Gold Clasp and Stars from C/Supt. C.J. Reid, at a retirement party held in his honour on April 10, 1987.

VETERANS' NOTES The following new members were welcomed: R.C. (Stevie) Stevenson, Earl Miller, Paul Swan, William S. MacKay, Jack Woodroffe, Patrick W. Aucoin, Wayne T. MacDonald, Bryce A. Hebb, Peter M. Sherman, Hugh A. MacDonald and Dale Wishart. The Division is now the fourth largest in the Association.

"J" Division

Headquarters — Fredericton, New Brunswick

BIRTH To Reg. No. 29847, Cst. W.M. Foran and his wife, Marilyn, a son, Jonathan Wayne, on April 4, 1986, at Sussex, New Brunswick.

LONG SERVICE MEDALS Presentations were held at Division Headquarters with the Honourable David Clark, Q.C., Minister of Justice for the province, presenting the Commanding Officer, C/Supt. J.D. Farrell, with his Silver Clasp and Stars. C/Supt. Farrell made the presentations to other members present:

Insp. K.G. Kerr Insp. J.T.C. Hill Insp. J.R.H. Beaulac Insp. C.R. Crosby S/Sgt. J.B.B. St-Onge Sgt. L.C. Campbell Sgt. W.L. Burris Sgt. S.V. Wadden Insp. H.A. Hutchinson S/Sgt. L.R. Chipperfield S/Sgt. J.H.P.R. Ratelle Sgt. E.J. Suley Sgt. N.R. Hooper Cpl. J.Y. Desaulniers Cpl. W. Hiscock C/M J.A. Flanagan Ex.-Sgt. G.C. Norman

Gold Clasp & Stars Silver Clasp & Stars Bronze Clasp & Star Long Service Medal Long Service Medal

OIC S & P
OIC Informatics
O.C. Bathurst S/Div.
OIC Riverview Det.
Newcastle Det.
Div. Planning
Special "I"
Fredericton GIS
OIC Commercial Crime
Planning
Commercial Crime
Division Planning
Commercial Crime
Fredericton Det.
Fredericton FES
Telecommunications



Long Service awards recipients, at a ceremony held at "J" Division HQ, on May 11, 1987.

FALL 1987

ANNUAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT On March 13, 14 and 15, 1987, Richibucto Detachment hosted, on behalf of Moncton Sub-Division, teams from Bathurst, Fredericton, Grand Falls and Moncton. In round robin play, Bathurst came in first (3-0), followed by Fredericton (2-1), Grand Falls (1-2), and Moncton, being the gracious host, finished last (0-3). Spectators were treated to exciting hockey in the finals that saw Fredericton winning 3-2, over Bathurst. As a note of interest, players were not all young constables just out of basic training. As a matter of fact, with C/Supt. Farrell, Supt. Vermette and S/Sgt. Tom "Chopper" Vickers, the average age for Fredericton's starting line-up was closer to 45.

Friday's hospitality night saw players and friends catch up on the last year's activities and renew old

arguments. At the Saturday night banquet and dance, presentations were made to Gerry Gaudet, Bathurst, top scorer and series MVP; John White, Moncton, best defenseman; Guy Chalifoux, Bathurst, best goaler. Rick Tessier, goalie for Fredericton, was awarded MVP for his heroics in the final game.

A total of \$2,700 was raised by the tournament through the sale of hats and buttons as well as donations from various service groups and businesses, of which \$675 was donated to St. John's Ambulance and the remaining \$2,025 went to the Richibucto Minor Hockey Association.

submitted by S/Sgt. R.J. Miller



Winning team from Fredericton Sub-Division, at the 9th annual RCMP Hockey Tournament, Moncton.

MUFTY BEAR SALES Hampton Detachment, sole distributor of MUFTY teddy bears for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, donated \$500 to the Hampton Food Basket and Clothing Center serving 200 needy families. Proceeds from the 1986 sales also went to the "Appeal for Neil" fund to permit a 12-year-old villager to undergo heart surgery in Boston, Massachussets. A very special thanks goes out to all supporters of the MUFTY bear sale.



Janice Bates (L), Hampton Detachment secretary, presented a cheque to Mrs. Betty Kennett, Hampton Food Basket and Clothing Centre, while Cst. Norm Charland (R), looked on.

BOWL-A-THON To promote police community relations, members of St. Leonard Detachment held the Annual RCMP Bowl-A-Thon in Ste-Anne de Madawaska from April 20 to 26, 1987, and raised \$1,000 for the Ste-Anne Scouts Association. Of the 48 teams participating, two were detachment teams, coached by Cpl. Wayne Pilgrim and Cst. Gilles Benoit. The two teams did not qualify in the finals and their total scores are not being divulged. Two trophies donated by the RCMP were presented to winning teams in the adult and youth categories. Consolation prizes were also awarded.



Bowl-a-thon cheque presentation. (L-R): Cpl. Wayne Pilgrim; Mr. Sirois, Ste-Anne sports organizer; Cst. Lise Roussel; Gérard Martin, Mayor of Ste-Anne and Guy Martin of the Madawaska Scouts Association.



Government officials, members, and many friends of C/Supt. and Mrs. D. Ling, attended a retirement and farewell dinner-dance on August 15, 1986, at the Fredericton Motor Inn. C/Supt. Ling (L) a popular Commanding Officer, was presented with a table saw by Supt. J.G.P. Vermette, OIC, Admin. & Personnel, Master of Ceremonies.

THEFT OF GOLF BALLS On May 8, 1987, Mr. White of the Pokemouche Golf Club contacted Tracadie Detachment to report that \$900 worth of golf balls had vanished from the driving range. The 300 or so balls, each circled in red, had been lying all over the driving range, and break and enter did not seem apparent.

When the investigating member checked out the complaint a few days later, the case had already been "cracked." During the night of May 9 and on subsequent nights, Mr. White had left a couple of dozen balls scattered on the ground and was able to observe the thieves in action. Crows, dropping to the ground, were picking up the balls in their beaks and flying off with them. It is suspected that the balls were being dropped in gravel pits and thinking they were shellfish, the crows were trying to get the "meat." Crows have been known to abduct duck eggs in this fashion.

The balls have yet to be recovered, because of the number of gravel pits to be checked in the area. In an attempt to get credit for this investigation, some consideration was given to the proper scoring of this file, as no charges are pending against the "Jailbirds."

submitted by Sgt. J.R. St. Laurent

RCMP MINOR SPORTS BENEFIT On March 28, 1987, a hockey game between Halifax City Police and RCMP Hampton Detachment was held as part of the ninth annual RCMP Minor Sports Benefit. The event began with Safety Bear attending the afternoon safety show, including a presentation of the video "Too Smart for Strangers" featuring Winnie the Pooh and his gang. The youngest members of the Hampton Minor Hockey Association provided pre-game entertainment, and were greeted by

the "big boys in blue", who presented them with a "TRY HUGS NOT DRUGS" poster, compliments of the Hampton Lions Club. When time came for the teams to warm up, the Halifax team did it "Hawaiian style" wearing flowered shirts, leis and sunglasses. During the introduction of team lineups, Hampton's Cst. Louis Plourde got to meet a cream pie, eye-to-eye, thanks to team-mate Cst. Guy Ouelette.

Special guests, C/Supt. Farrell of Fredericton RCMP Headquarters, Sgt. James Jennex, NCO i/c Hampton Detachment, Chief Blair Jackson of Halifax City Police and Hampton Mayor William Bell, took part in the opening ceremonies. The capacity crowd in Hampton Community Centre witnessed Hampton's 8-5 defeat by Halifax. Between periods, entertainment was provided by the Hampton Speed Skating and Figure Skating Clubs.

At the banquet that followed, the Kelly and Hovey trophy was presented to Halifax team captain, Cpl. Peter Astephan. Most Valuable Player plagues, donated by Mr. Roy Stanley of Hampton Woodworking, were awarded to Mr. Doug King of Halifax, who scored 5 of the 8 goals, and to Cst. Don MacKinnon of the Rothesay Regional Police Force, who was making his ninth annual appearance for the Hampton team. Players returning for Hampton included Cpls Rinie Plomp and Phil Campbell of Minto Detachment; Cpl. Keith Morris of Fredericton; Csts Scott Hirtle and Brian Field, of Shelburne and Truro, Nova Scotia, respectively. Although he did not play, Cst. John Miles, one of the original organizers of this benefit, now with Sydney, N.S. Detachment, came to show his support.

Door prizes awarded included a trip for two to Toronto comprising airfare, accommodations and tickets to a Blue Jays baseball game. This was the best year ever, with \$5,000 raised for minor league sports in the community. Both teams are looking forward to 1988 and the 10th anniversary of this worthwhile youth benefit.

submitted by P/S Janice Bates, Hampton Det.



Halifax City Police hockey team, winner of Minor Sports Benefit hockey game at Hampton.

"K" Division

Headquarters — Edmonton, Alberta

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 36263, Cst. R.D.T. Noack and his wife, Mary Ann, a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, on May 19, 1987, at Rocky Mountain House, Alberta.

To Reg. No. 38766, Cst. B.W. Mullen and his wife, Juli, a son, Tyler Bruce, on May 15, 1987, at St. Albert, Alberta.

To Reg. No. 29208, Cpl. H.P. (Hart) Eichmann and his wife, Linda, a daughter, Amy Elizabeth, on March 21, 1987, at Fort Vermilion, Alberta.

To Reg. No. 38502, Cst. Calvin D. Campbell and his wife, Kathy, a son, Bradley David, on March 14, 1987, at Cardston, Alberta.

To Reg. No. 37518, Cst. T.P. Hogan and his wife, Marilyn, a daughter, Kaley Michele, on August 30, 1986, at Hinton, Alberta.

To Reg. No. 36143, Cst. Rhonda K. Reimer and her husband, John, a son, Tyrell Wyatt, on July 2, 1986, at Grande Prairie, Alberta.

MARRIAGES Reg. No. 37649, Cst. R. Cervi, to Sharon Hrdlicka, on August 11, 1984, at Wetaskiwin, Alberta.

Reg. No. 36143, Cst. Rhonda K. Porter to John Reimer, on February 8, 1986, at Grande Prairie, Alberta.

C.O.'S COMMENDATIONS At Lethbridge Sub-Division headquarters on April 30, 1987, Sgt. Fred Erler and Cst. Ray Cameron were presented with certificates of the Commanding Officer's Commendation, by Supt. Y.E.J. Beaulieu, OIC. Sgt. Erler, i/c of Lethbridge Commercial Crime Section, and Cst. Cameron, Lethbridge Rural Detachment, combined their efforts in a lengthy investigation into crude oil thefts in southern Alberta, to successfully prosecute the principal offenders. The commendations, given under the hand of Assistant Commissioner D.A. Whyte (retired) stated, "For noticeable initiative, enthusiasm, and teamwork in bringing an oil-field theft of crude oil to a successful conclusion after lengthy investigation during 1984/85."



Sgt. F.J. Erler (L) received a Commanding Officer's Commendation from Supt. Y.E.J. Beaulieu during a presentation at Lethbridge.



Supt. Y.E.J. Beaulieu (R) presented a Commanding Officer's Commendation to Cst. R.D. Cameron, at Lethbridge Sub-Division.

AIR SERVICES RETIREMENT A farewell was held on December 19, 1986, at Air Services West, Edmonton, for Ms. Dorothy V. Airth, who retired after 20 years with the Directorate. Ms. Airth was the first secretary employed by Air Services West, or what was then Western Air Sub-Division, in 1966, working in the position until her retirement. At her farewell, Ms. Airth received many phone calls and telegrams conveying best wishes. Several presentations were made, including a plaque with the names of staff who had worked with Ms. Airth since 1966. Air Services West salutes a valued employee and wish her a happy retirement.



Insp. Jack Van Norman (R), Air Services Officer (West) and Technical supervisor, S/Cst. Glynn Owen presented Ms. Dorothy Airth with a plaque in honour of her retirement in December, 1986.

FIREFIGHTERS' TOURNAMENT Fort McMurray Detachment members participated in the first annual Firefighters Oil Sands International Hockey Tournament, April 24–26, 1987. The tournament, held at Fort McMurray, raised \$3,000 for Muscular Dystrophy. The RCMP team was undefeated in four games and went on to win the championship.

MATRON RETIRES On May 14, 1987, Mrs. Annabelle Taylor retired from her duties as matron at Evansburg Detachment. Mrs. Taylor began her matronly duties in 1959, and was active in that capacity until this year, when she decided it was time to retire and travel a bit.

In appreciation for her service over the past 28 years, Mrs. Taylor was presented with a plaque from the members of the Evansburg Detachment and highway patrol, and a certificate of appreciation from the "K" Division C.O.

submitted by Cpl. J.A. Yasinski



On hand for Evansburg retirement presentation (L-R): Cpl. J.A. Yasinski (detachment), Mrs. Annabelle Taylor and Cpl. D.V. Honeyman (highway patrol).

HOOKED ON BROOKE On January 2, 1987, the afternoon shift at Jasper Detachment received an unexpected and delightful visit from Miss Brooke Shields, international actress and model. Miss Shields was in Jasper for a vacation from her studies at Princeton University. Miss Shields spent much of her vacation brushing up on her skiing



Mufty seems to be enjoying being cuddled by Brooke Shields. Ms. Shields made new friends and admirers among members at Jasper Detachment during a surprise visit while on a skiing holiday last winter.

techniques, at Marmot Basin ski area, under the tutelage of Mr. Brian Rode, a level four instructor.

Miss Shields spent about 45 minutes at the detachment office and members found her as down-to-earth and charming as she is beautiful. Most members on duty were fortunate enough to have their photograph taken with Miss Shields, who proved who was the most photogenic.

Many people only dream about meeting a movie celebrity, and have misconceptions about them. Brooke quickly dispelled any misconceptions Jasper Detachment members might have had, proving that although she is a celebrity, she is a nice person. Jasper awaits Brooke's return.

LATE BUT NOT LEAST! Last June, the Quarterly received a belated request to have the lifesaving efforts of a Thorsby RCMP constable and an auxiliary special constable recognized. The incident deserving of recognition occurred on December 30, 1983, and involved administering of first aid to a snowmobile operator who had been injured.

An Edmonton man had slashed his neck after driving his snowmobile into a barbed wire fence in the early hours of December 30. The man saw the RCMP cruiser nearby, pulled himself off the fence, and drove his snowmobile toward the police car. As he did so, the members could see the extent of the driver's injuries, in the car headlights.

Cst. Ralph Cervi and A/Cst. Ward Hum administered first aid to the injured man, before transporting him to hospital in Leduc.

Inspector G. Rechner, C.O. Stony Plain Sub-Division, presented Certificates of Merit and lapel pins from St. John Ambulance, to Cervi and Hum on June 28, 1985. Reading from the awards, Insp. Rechner said that by their actions, the two men "prevented a critical medical condition from becoming a fatality."

submitted by Mrs. Sharon Cervi



Insp. G. Rechner (R) presented certificates and lapel pins to Cst. R. Cervi (L) and A/Cst. W. Hum (centre) on behalf of St. John Ambulance, in June, 1985

Photo courtesy of The Leduc Representative

CALGARY C.O.'S COMMENDATION Cst. G.M. Olson was presented with a Commanding Officer's Commendation, on April 22, 1987, by Supt. J. Sebastian, Officer Commanding, Calgary Sub-Division.

The incident which gave rise to the Commendation was a complaint about a man intent upon committing suicide. Cst. Olson responded to the call for help, located the individual and negotiated with him for 2½ hours in a cemetery on a cold, dark, windy night. As a result of Cst. Ilsen's efforts, the man did not commit suicide.



Supt. J. Sebastian (L), OIC, Calgary, presented a C.O.'s Commendation to Cst. G.M. Olson (R) in April, 1987.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR Cst. Ed Howard, Grande Cache Detachment, was co-winner of this year's RCMP Citizen of the Year Award. Howard's name was selected from among 12 nominations, which were submitted to a civilian committee. The awards were presented at a community pancake breakfast on June 13, 1987. Sharing the adult award was Mrs. Donna Hampson. Junior Citizen of the Year Award was presented to Shawn Blaydes.

Cst. Howard, an active member of the community, was nominated for his willingness to help others. His community involvement includes work with Brownies, the Lions Club and volunteering as Santa Claus every Christmas.

submitted by Sgt. E.G. Parr-Pearson



Cst. E. Howard (L) and Shawn Blaydes (R) were two of the three people recognized as citizens of the year at Grande Cache. Sgt. E. Parr-Pearson (centre) presented plaques at a special breakfast. Photo courtesy of the Grande Cache Mountaineer

SUGGESTION AWARD PRESENTATION On June 18, 1987, Inspector L.T. Hickman, Officer Commanding, St. Paul Sub-Division, presented a Suggestion Award Program Certificate and \$200 cheque to Cpl. R.J. Vardy of Lac La Biche Detachment.

The suggestion resulting in the award was in relation to the annual firearms classification form A-105. Detachments are required to submit two copies of the form for each member — one copy for the revolver shoot and the other for the rifle shoot. Because most detachments hold rifle and revolver shoots on the same day, Cpl. Vardy suggested that all information could be included on one form. As a result, time would be saved, mailing costs would be reduced and half the forms would have to be produced.

submitted by S/Sgt. G.M. Shillaker

COMMUNITY LIAISON Spruce Grove Detachment and Edmonton City Police co-operated last spring to present a safety seminar at a number of grade schools in Spruce Grove. Edmonton City Police Department has a unique and valuable presentation for school children which incorporates Barnie the Safety Bear. During one of Barnie's school appearances, he was joined by one of the RCMP Safety Bears in making an informative and fun presentation to the assembled children. Topics included bicycle safety, street-proofing your child and saying no to strangers.

The expressions on the faces of children listening to the presentation, and their response to the presence of the two Safety Bears, make wearing the costumes worthwhile. Spruce Grove Detachment appreciates the hard work and effort which Edmonton police officers put into the Barnie the Safety Bear program and the Crime Prevention Squad.

submitted by Sgt. J.H. Graham



An Edmonton city police officer, Edmonton Police Department's Barnie the Safety Bear, and an RCMP Safety Bear, team up to make presentations at local schools in Spruce Grove.



Insp. L.T. Hickman (L), OIC, St. Paul Sub-Division, presented Cpl. R.J. Vardy, with a Suggestion Award Program Certificate and cheque for his suggestion to revise the annual firearms classifications form A-105.

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP April 4, 1987, marked the first anniversary of the tragic accident that claimed the lives of Cpl. Budd (Moe) Johanson and A/Cst. Fred Abel on Hwy. 3 near Lethbridge. Both members were on routine highway patrol when they were involved in a collision with a vehicle being operated on the wrong side of a divided highway. Cpl. Johanson appeared to have no opportunity to avoid the head-on collision.

Although A/Cst. Abel was assigned to the Picture Butte Detachment, he was dedicated to the Auxiliary Program and wanted to become a regular RCMP member. A/Cst. Abel completed the Law Enforcement Program at Lethbridge Community College (LCC) and during the summer of 1983 he worked as a Special Constable attached to the Lethbridge RCMP Migratory Bird/Canada Shipping Act Section. He was a summer student with the Medicine Hat Police Force in 1984, and a member of the Pigeon Lake Police Department from November, 1984 until July, 1985, when he enrolled at the University of Lethbridge to further his studies and enhance the possibility of joining the RCMP. A/Cst. Abel was sworn in as an Auxiliary Constable with the Picture Butte Detachment on December 11, 1985

As a result of Fred's lifelong ambition, his parents, Dlck and Diana Abel, started the *Fred Abel Scholarship Fund* associated with the Law Enforcement Program at LCC to assist a student to fulfill his or her dream.

A cheque presented by A/Cst. Watts represented the efforts of auxiliary constables from the Cranbrook, B.C., Detachment, who spearheaded a drive for donations from auxiliaries in "E" Division. This amount brought the total in the fund to \$4,000.

In an effort to ensure that the fund and the scholarship will continue perpetually, donations can be sent to LCC by interested individual members or groups. Any detachment or auxiliary constable wishing to contribute to the scholarship can forward donations to LCC, Attn: Law Enforcement Chairman, and make them payable to the *Fred Abel Scholarship Fund*.



A/Cst. Bryan Watts (L), representing B.C. RCMP auxiliary constables, presented a donation of \$1,774.68 to the Fred Abel Scholarship Fund, putting the fund over \$4,000. Ex-S/Sgt. Kenneth E. Riley (centre), chairman of Lethbridge Community College Law Enforcement Program, and Mr. Dick Abel, father of Fred Abel, who was killed while on duty in 1986.

Photo courtesy of The Lethbridge Herald

NORTHERN NIGHT "Northerners" gathered at "K" Division headquarters on November 8, 1986, to celebrate the eighth annual *Northern Night*.

Who is considered a "northerner?" "Northerners" are RCMP members, past or present, who have served in the Yukon or Northwest Territories.

Cocktails were served before a dinner of buffalo, caribou and Arctic char. Following the meal, guests spent the evening visiting, and music was provided for their enjoyment and dancing. The gathering was attended by 175 members and guests.

C/Supt. G.J. Greig and his wife, Bev, attended on behalf of Assistant Commissioner D.A. Whyte. Several members of the Veterans' Association also attended. Mr. Al Philpott, representing Pacific Western Airlines (PWA), and his wife, Karen, were on hand to select a door prize winner for a return trip for two anywhere on PWA's domestic routes. The tickets, compliments of Mr. Peter Lema, PWA's manager of corporate relations, central region, were presented to Cpl. and Mrs. Bob Peterson. Mr. Philpott then announced that he was contributing a second set of tickets, which were presented to Cpl. and Mrs. Gary Tuffs of Glaslyn, Saskatchewan Detachment.

A third draw was made, for a pair of football tickets, donated by S/Sgt. Cam Sadleir. The winners were Cpl. and Mrs. E. Summerfield of Aklavik, N.W.T. Detachment.

submitted by C/M Pat Olesen

VETERANS' NEWS The following new members have joined the Edmonton Division of the association: Reg. No. 51476, Francis (Herb) Bowditch; Reg. No. 21341, Douglas G. Harrison; Reg. No. 29175, Franklin L. Morin and Reg. No. 18513, H. Paul Stallknecht.



On February 18, 1987, the Officer Commanding Red Deer Sub-Division, Supt. P.J. Helfrich, travelled to Coronation Detachment to present a plaque of appreciation to A/Cst. Daniel W. Ireland. The presentation was made in recognition of the many hours and hard work Ireland has voluntarily contributed to the Force since joining in July, 1979. A/Cst. Ireland has served at Medicine Hat, Cochrane and Coronation Detachments.



On June 2, 1987, Insp. J.M. Van Norman (L) was presented with his Bronze Clasp and Star for 25 years' service, by C/Supt. N.M. Melsness, Director of Air Services, at Edmonton.



Cst. Ed Howard has a "split" personality. He is a member of the Grande Cache Detachment for most of the year; however, when Christmas rolls around, Howard trades his police uniform for a Santa Claus suit, much to the delight of locals young and old. Last December "St. Nick" Howard was in demand, with bookings by social clubs, businesses, a local shopping mall and even for birthday parties. Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus. . .

Photo courtesy of The Grande Cache Mountaineer

"M" Division

Headquarters — Whitehorse, Yukon

BIRTH To Reg. No. 35378, Cst. Peter Purchase and his wife, Flora, a son, Mark Raymond, on February 4, 1987, at Edmonton, Alberta.

YUKON QUEST Hundreds of people crowded Main Street in Whitehorse, on February 21, 1987, to see the official start of the Yukon Quest International Sled Dog Race. The race, which is run from Whitehorse to Fairbanks, Alaska, in odd years, and from Fairbanks to Whitehorse in even years, covers more than 1,000 miles.

This year, the fourth annual running of the Quest, the race was officially led off by Sgt. Al Wasylenka, NCO i/c of Watson Lake Detachment. A well-known "musher" in his own right, Wasylenka was asked to start the race in honour of the Mounties who patrolled the Far North with dogs in bygone years.

The Quest follows a historic route, following traditional trails, and trails on the Yukon River. With teams of 8 to 12 dogs each, 36 mushers left Whitehorse to brave temperatures as low as -63°C , blowing snowstorms and hours of darkness. Mr. Bill Cotter, of Nenana, Alaska proved to be victor, arriving in Fairbanks 12 days, 4 hours and 34 minutes after his starting time in Whitehorse.



Sgt. A. Wasylenka, assisted by Cst. Karen Olito, mush down Main Street, Whitehorse.

CHRISTMAS DADDIES Watson Lake Detachment implemented "Christmas Daddies" in 1986, to distribute Christmas gifts to needy area children. Local advertising and flyers posted around town generated a tremendous response from residents, and donations of new and used toys were contributed to this worthy cause. When most donations had been received, Watson Lake members and their wives got together one evening and wrapped approximately six toys for each child.

The names of 46 children were submitted by the Department of Human Resources and local

churches. In the early evening of December 22, Cst. Harry Ullock dressed up as Santa and was driven to the children's homes to deliver the Christmas parcels. Santa was assisted by a Human Resources worker and deliveries were made to all but one family. In addition to presents, a bag of candy, donated by Sgt. Elmer Wasylenka, was given to each child.

Watson Lake's Christmas project was favourably received in the community. Plans are being made to make "Christmas Daddies" an annual event in the detachment.



On February 21, 1987, "M" Division members gathered to bid farewell to Insp. Cal Legassicke and his wife Louise before their transfer to Ottawa. C/Supt. Al Toews (R), C.O., presented a plaque to Insp. Legassicke (L), witnessed by his wife.

"O" Division

Headquarters — Toronto, Ontario

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 37970, Cst. P.J. Faulhaber and his wife, Mary-Ann, a daughter, Steffi Amelia, on March 28, 1987, at North Bay, Ont.

To Reg. No. 31640, Cst. and Mrs. C. Oliver, a daughter, Chelsey Christine, on July 2, 1986, at Brampton, Ont.

To Reg. No. 37599, Cst. Paul Hebert and his wife, Marianne, a son, Vincent Martin, on October 31, 1986, at London, Ont.

To Reg. No. 32041, Cst. B.O. Martin and his wife, Ruth, a daughter, Catherine Laura Ann, on September 8, 1986, at London, Ont.

MARRIAGES Reg. No. 37599, Cst. J.F.P. Hebert, to Marianne Martin, on May 26, 1984, at Grande Pointe, Ont.

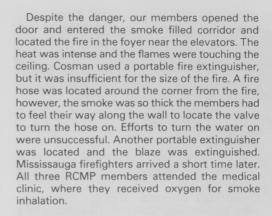
Reg. No. 33142, Cst. Lorna R. MacEwen, to Cst. Chris G. Kennedy, (Chatham City Police), on September 12, 1986, at Chatham, Ont.

Reg. No. 38880, Cst. S.M. Saunders, to Gina Maria Amon, on November 29, 1986, at Digby, Nova Scotia.

Reg. No. 37578, Cst. M. Birs, to Lynn Brunet, on June 22, 1985, at Gatineau, Quebec.

COMMANDING OFFICER'S COMMENDA-TIONS On March 14, 1987, RCMP telecommunications section at Toronto Lester B. Pearson International Airport was advised that there was a fire on the second floor of the administration building. The fire had been detected by a cleaner. The area was filled with thick black smoke and intense heat. S/Csts. Cosman, Little and Helsop arrived on the scene after hearing the call for assistance over the police radio. When interviewed later, the members explained that when they arrived at the administration building, the heat from the fire could be felt through the fire door on the second floor, which they reached via the stairwell. Little recalls that Cosman stated he believed the

entire second floor was on fire.





On May 27, 1987, C.O.'s Commendations were presented to three members of Toronto International Airport Detachment. Attending the presentation (L-R): Assistant Commissioner R.M. Culligan, C.O. "O" Division; S/Csts D.M. Heslop, L.D. Little, and K.J. Cosman, and Sgt. T. Pickering, shift commander.

CHARITY BALL FOR SICK KIDS A Regimental Charity Ball was held in the Canadian Room of the Royal York Hotel, on April 10, 1987. The event culminated 10 months of planning by a committee chaired by S/Sgt. Phil Cameron. The purpose of the Ball was to raise funds for the Hospital for Sick Children Foundation and to allow nearly 800 members, veterans and guests to gather for a memorable evening.

Cocktail hour was followed by the piping in of the head table by a member of the Toronto Scottish Regiment and the traditional toast to the piper by Assistant Commissioner Culligan. The head table was made up of the following: the Honourable Mr. Justice L.W. Houlden, Supreme Court of Ontario and Mrs. Houlden; the Honourable Ken Keys, Ontario Solicitor General, and Mrs. Keys; A/Commissioner R.M. Culligan, Officer Commanding and Mrs. Culligan; Deputy Commissioner H. Jensen, Law Enforcement Services, Ottawa, and Mrs. Jensen: Ontario Provincial Police Commissioner R.A. Ferguson and Mrs. Ferguson; Metro Toronto Chief of Police John and Mrs. Marks; Colonel Glenn Brown, Commanding Officer of CFB Toronto, and Mrs. Brown; Mr. Claus Wirsig, president, Hospital for Sick Children Foundation, and Mrs. Wirsig; Sgt. Leo Penny, Master of Ceremonies, and Mrs. Penny.

After the meal, Sgt. Leo Penny introduced the head table guests. S/Sgt. Phil Cameron then presented a Force plaque to Mr. Tom Smith of the Royal York Hotel in appreciation of the assistance given to the Ball committee to make the evening a success.

The Canadian Room was cleared and preparations made for the Grand March, led by Drum Major N.S. MacKenzie and eight members of the Pipes and Drums, Toronto Scottish. Assistant Commissioner Culligan and Mrs. Culligan led assembled members, veterans and guests to the dance floor. The RCMP Bison Band provided music for dancing throughout the Ball. Because of the positive response by those in attendance, plans are underway to host another Ball in two years.

On May 31, 1987, Cpl. Jim McGinis appeared on the Childrens' Miracle Network Telethon for the Hospital for Sick Children Foundation, broadcast live from CFTO-TV. A cheque for \$13,637.55 was presented to the Foundation on behalf of the members of "O" Division. The donation represented the total raised by the Charity Ball, and it was directed for use in helping to improve facilities and convert space for ambulatory services at the hospital. The proceeds from the telethon are the first funding source to tackle this challenge.

The Ball committee thanks the following for donations which helped to make this endeavour a financial success: the Officers', Senior NCOs' and Corporals' Messes, and "O" Division's Social Club. Through our Regimental Ball we helped let the children know we care.

submitted by Cpl. Jim McGinis



P/S Sonia Koczykan, photographed with a friend, proudly displays her award from the Community Association for Riding for the Disabled (CARD), for her 10-year contribution as a volunteer and riding instructor.

NIAGARA REGIONAL SLO-PITCH During the summer of 86, Niagara Detachment participated in the Niagara Regional Police Force slo-pitch softball league, consisting of teams from the Ontario Provincial Police, Niagara Parks Police, General Motors Security, St. Catharines Bar Association, Niagara Regional Police and the Niagara RCMP Detachment. The 1986 season concluded with a round robin tournament in September, which was won by the Niagara Detachment team.

submitted by S/Sqt. D.E. Delaney

HORSE SENSE RECOGNIZED Public servant, Sonia Koczykan, an avid horseperson, first encountered an information kiosk for the Community Association for Riding for the Disabled (CARD) at the Royal Winter Fair. Koczykan was so impressed with CARD's activities that she decided to become a volunteer in November, 1976, Koczykan's "horse sense" and ability were readily evident and she soon became volunteer leader. As her involvement with CARD continued, Koczykan took related courses at her own expense, until CARD generated enough funds to provide assistance. Promoted first to assistant instructor and in 1982 to instructor, Koczvkan will soon obtain her national instructor's certification from the Canadian Therapeutic Riding Association (CANTRA), the national governing body in Canada for CARD.

Captain Mark Phillips, Princess Anne's husband, presented Koczykan with a plaque recognizing her 10 years of voluntary service. Princess Anne is patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association for the Commonwealth.

Koczykan has worked in the recruiting section of "O" Division Staffing and Personnel for the past 12 years. She has been an active member of the social club and an organizer of the annual international volleyball tournament, Octoberfest, dances and functions sponsored by club.

It has been said that "A person never stands as tall as when they stoop to help someone." The staff at "O" Division feel Sonia epitomizes this quotation and salute her.



Proudly displaying their "hardware", are the winning members of the slow-pitch team from Niagara Detachment. (L-R) Front row: Cpl. E.D. Hayre, Csts J.M.R. Trudeau, J.H.R. Labrèche, D.M. Decker, J.G.A. Filiatrault and D.F. McIntyre. Back row: Csts R.B. Amisson, C.W. Lowerison and D.C. Ellerker, S/Sgt. D.E. Delaney, Csts L.E. Campbell, J.M.W. Hebert, L.W. Hay and T.R. Hennigar.

ICEMAN ENFORCER On May 19, 1987, 160 members and guests attended "O" Division Corporals' Mess annual surf and turf night. Guest speaker was Mr. Bruce Hood, who retired this year from the NHL after wearing number one as head referee for 21 years.

Hood told the enthusiastic audience that he considered joining the Force while growing up in Milton, Ontario. During his career, Hood was the first referee to officiate at more than 1,000 NHL games.

Hood now operates a travel agency and is involved in various charities, Disabled Sports Olympics and Summer Games for the disabled.

submitted by Cpl. Steve Rowe

DETACHMENT HOCKEY TOURNAMENT The new Mainway Recreation Centre in Burlington, Ontario was the setting for the 1986/87 edition of this annual event in which nine teams from "O" Division competed for top honours. The competition began on February 13 with a ceremonial face-off conducted by Supt. W.E. Catton, the Officer Commanding "O" Division Detachments, who was acting in this capacity for the final time before his retirement. Supt. Catton has been an enthusiastic supporter of these tournaments and will undoubtedly be conspicuous by his absence in future.

At the end of the competition, the team comprised of members from London and Sarnia Detachments was successful in defending its title for another year, with a victory over Kitchener Detachment. The consolation championship was again captured by a team of members from Barrie, Orillia, Newmarket and Owen Sound Detachments, in a close overtime win over the Toronto Lester B. Pearson International Airport team.



"O" Division Corporals' Mess President, Cpl. Larry Busch (R), presented an RCMP plaque to former NHL head referee, Mr. Bruce Hood.

At the conclusion of the tournament, players and spectators got together to renew old acquaintances and establish new ones over a meal and refresh ments at the Burlington Optimist Centre. Supt. Catton presented awards to the winning teams. Of significance to the host Hamilton Detachment team was the presentation of the Barry McKinnon Memorial Award, awarded annually to the most sportsmanlike player at the division tournament in memory of Cst. Barry McKinnon, a former member of Hamilton Detachment, who was killed in a tragic automobile accident in 1981. This year's winner was Cst. Bob Wood of Kitchener Detachment, who was most deserving of the award, based on his performance throughout the tournament. The 1987/88 tournament is expected to be held in Sarnia.



Consolation championship team at detachment hockey tournament, comprised of members from Barrie, Orillia, Newmarket and Owen Sound Detachments. The insert captures Supt. W.E. Catton, O.C. Detachments, conducting the opening face-off of the tournament for the game between Niagara and Hamilton Detachments. Facing-off are Cpl. Tom Henniger (L) and Cst. Bob Cullen (R).





In the above photos (counter-clockwise) Supt. W.E. Catton presents Insp. K.M. St. Clair, OIC Toronto Lester B. Pearson International Airport Detachment (top, right), and Sgt. P.W.J. Moriarty, Hamilton Detachment (bottom, left) with their Bronze Clasps and Star. S/Sgt. W.I. Graham, Kitchener Detachment (left, last photo) received his Silver Clasp and Stars.

BENEFIT HOCKEY An unusual competition took place last spring in Hamilton and Toronto. Two benefit hockey games were arranged, with the proceeds going to Big Brothers. The unusual aspect of the games was that the two teams were made up of players from the Toronto Argonaut and Hamilton Tigercat Football Clubs. The RCMP participated in the games as part of the Canadian Football League's Drug Awareness Program. Two regular members in red serge attended a display on drugs and two members from Toronto Drug Section were referees for the games. The goalie for the Toronto team was also a member of Toronto Drug Section.

submitted by Sgt. J.B.H. Jenkins, Associate Editor



On December 9, 1987, S/Cst. Dave Muldoon, "O" Division Property Security Unit, and President of the Scarborough Association for Children and Adults with Learning Disabilities, received a plaque for being guest speaker and a \$1,000 cheque toward establishing a community library for learning disabled in Scarborough. Constable Lea Train, 52nd Division, Metro Toronto Police, and a director of the Agincourt Civilian Club Dinner, made the presentations to Muldoon (R).



Csts Rick Smith (L) and Paul Beesley attended a drug display as part of a drug awareness program, in conjunction with benefit hockey games for Big Brothers.

VETERANS' NEWS Toronto Division hosted the annual RCMP Veterans' Association Dominion President's Reception, at "O" Division headquarters, following the Board of Directors meeting at the Royal York Hotel on June 5, 1987. Attending this evening of nostalgia and laughter were 250 veterans, their wives and guests.

Mr. Willard Jewett, Toronto Division president, acted as Master of Ceremonies. After his formal greeting, he introduced Dominion President Dennis McCulla, who welcomed the veterans to Toronto on behalf of the Dominion executive.

Assistant Commissioner R.M. Culligan, C.O. "O" Division extended his appreciation to the Association on behalf of the division and recognized the work of the organizing committee. Mr. Kelly La Brash, chairman of the National Convention deserves special recognition for his contribution to the successful weekend of activities and enjoyable events.



On May 27, 1987, the semi-annual Long Service Medal presentation was held at "O" Division head-quarters building with the Hon. David Crombie, as a special guest, presenting medals to the members. (L-R) Front row: Sgts O. Rannaoja, R.G. Vassallo, and R.W. Robertson, S/Sgt. V.J. Aquilina — Gold Clasps and Stars; Asst. Commr. R.M. Culligan, C.O. "O" Division; Hon. David Crombie, MP; Supt. S.H. Ginther, OIC Drug Enforcement Branch; Sgts J.R. Banks, and K.C. St. Germain, Cpl. R.A. Clements, S/Sgt. F.G. Shebib, Master of Ceremonies. Back row: Sgts F.J. Hollis, A.H. Rodgers, and P.J. Valiquette, Cpls G. Giardina, and R.E. MacFarlane, Sgt. B.L. Campbell.

Canadian Police College

Rockcliffe, Ontario

RETIREMENT On June 27, 1987, Supt. Maurice Kelly "the old trainer", retired after 35 years, having served in training positions at Depot, "N", "P", "E" and HQ Divisions and at the Canadian Police College (CPC) for the last eight years. Kelly and his wife Terry were accompanied by daughters Michele and Nicole, son Maurice Jr. and another serving family member, brother S/Sgt. Elmer Kelly.

Along with the Gold Clasp and Stars, Kelly was presented with a host of gifts including a Rockwell Beaver band saw, an original Graham Muir caricature, a framed rank board, a framed illustrated "Ode" and plaques from the CPC, the Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Police Force and from the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary. Mrs. Kelly received an engraved sugar and creamer set and goblet from the Officers' Mess. With Moe and Terry staying in the Ottawa area for a while, we look forward to seeing them again soon.

submitted by Supt. Jim Walker



(L-R): Mrs. Terry Kelly, Supt. Moe Kelly along with C/Supt. Fred Schultz, on the occasion of Kelly's retirement.

GOLF TOURNAMENT The first Canadian Police College Invitational Golf Tournament was held on July 23, 1987 at the Pineview Golf Course. C/Supt. Fred Schultz, Director of CPC drove the first ball to the echoes of "Nice shot, sir." The 34°C temperatures did not dampen the spirits of the 144 golfers from various police forces, who got off to a shot-qun start at 8:00 a.m.

At the steak BBQ held at the college later that day, each participant received a prize, and photographs of team foursomes. Prizes were also awarded for closest to the hole, and for the longest drive. Proceeds from the sale of mulligans were turned into cash prize draws. The Director's trophy was presented to Chief Claude Shaver of the

Cornwall, Ontario Police Force, who tallied 70 strokes for the 18 holes. Having been part of CPC staff once, probably helped Chief Shaver develop his golfing talents.

The low net trophy was donated by Avis Young in memory of her late husband, Murray, who died of leukemia while on staff at the college. The trophy was presented by her son, Warren and daughter, Alana, to C/M Steve Lalonde of the Fraudulent Cheque Section, HQ Division. Thanks to C/Supt. Schultz for his support, the many sponsors and volunteers, to Sgt. Jack Briscoe, tournament chairman and his dynamic committee and helpers, the success of this tournament may be assured for next year.

submitted by Supt. Jim Walker



Chief Claude Shaver of the Cornwall Police Force (L), received the Director's Trophy from C/Supt. Fred Schultz.



(L-R): Warren and Alana Young, C/M Steve Lalonde, winner of the Murray Young Memorial Trophy along with Mrs. Avis Young, at CPC golf tournament.

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| 0.1032 0.1044 0.1048 | Insp. Insp. Insp. | Wilson, P.D. Salt, D.A. Tedeschini, R. | "E" HQ "K" | 87-04-20 87-08-05 87-07-17 (Cont'd.) |

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| 0.1064 | Insp. | Markell, M.G. | "G" | 87-07-06 |
| 0.1175 | Insp. | Beaulieu, J.R.Y. | HQ | 87-04-12 |
| 15906 | S/Sgt. | Hebb, B.A. | "H" | 87-04-01 |
| 16919 | S/Sgt. | Williams, E.K. | "F" | 87-04-01 |
| 17037 | Sgt. | Schmidt, M.H. | HQ | 87-06-12 |
| 17289 | S/Sgt. | Niblock, A.J. | "E" | 87-07-04 |
| 17325 | S/Sgt. | Bertram, W.M. | "E" | 87-05-08 |
| 17337 | Sgt. | Dennison, R.O. | "E" | 87-04-05 |
| 17359 | Sgt. | Crosson, G.H. | "E" | 87-07-04 |
| 17427 | S/Sgt. | Kouri, P.J. | "D" | 87-04-01 |
| 17483 | S/Sgt. | Moreau, B.J.A. | "C" | 87-04-01 |
| 17488 | S/Sgt. | Blais, J.E.P. | "D" | 87-04-01 |
| 17490 | S/Sgt. | Stevens, J.H. | "E" | 87-07-15 |
| 17536 | S/Sgt. | Reeve, E.D.C. | "B" | 87-06-12 |
| 17590 | Cst. | | "E" | |
| | | Owens, R.E. | "O" | 87-04-01 |
| 17613 | S/Sgt. | Aquilina, V.J. | "K" | 87-04-02 |
| 17636 | S/Sgt. | McTavish, R.W.F. | | 87-04-03 |
| 17655 | S/Sgt. | Dervin, B.W. | HQ | 87-07-03 |
| 17745 | S/Sgt. | D'Entremont | "C" | 87-04-01 |
| 17746 | S/Sgt. | Harvey, R.A. | "F" | 87-05-18 |
| 17760 | S/Sgt. | Gangdal, T. | "E" | 87-05-25 |
| 17950 | S/Sgt. | Burnell, E.L. | HQ | 87-07-04 |
| 18283 | S/Sgt. | Lee-Knight, J.C. | "F" | 87-08-03 |
| 18432 | S/Sgt. | Hollingworth, V.J. | "E" | 87-05-22 |
| 18913 | S/Sgt. | Elmquist, D.A. | "O" | 87-04-08 |
| 18972 | Sgt. | Moriarty, P.R. | "B" | 87-08-02 |
| 19000 | Cpl. | Marino, F.D. | "E" | 87-07-13 |
| 19073 | S/Sgt. | Stranaghan, R.W. | "F" | 87-07-28 |
| 19234 | Sgt. | Tattersall, J.K. | HQ | 87-04-10 |
| 19416 | S/Sgt. | Power, M.F.T. | "A" | 87-05-31 |
| 19547 | S/Sgt. | Doolan, B.F. | "D" | 87-06-26 |
| 19679 | S/Sgt. | Huska, P. | "E" | 87-04-02 |
| 19712 | Sgt. | Hayes, H.G. | "K" | 87-04-02 |
| 19740 | | | "F" | |
| | S/Sgt. | Kealey, M.B.J. | "E" | 87-05-31 |
| 19827 | S/Sgt. | Zaharia, R.S. | "E" | 87-07-03 |
| 19877 | S/Sgt. | Harkin, D.R.J. | | 87-04-20 |
| 19972 | S/Sgt. | Cerkowniak, M.J. | "K" | 87-06-25 |
| 20075 | Sgt. | Da Silva, D.R.C. | "H" | 87-06-01 |
| 20077 | S/Sgt. | Wooff, H.G. | "E" | 87-07-15 |
| 20110 | Cpl. | Burns, H.W. | "0" | 87-07-04 |
| 20172 | S/Sgt. | Carver, B.W. | "K" | 87-05-24 |
| 20217 | Cpl. | Snihor, M. | "D" | 87-05-08 |
| 20367 | Cpl. | Gray, D.M. | "D" | 87-06-26 |
| 20643 | S/Sgt. | Shopa, W.S. | "G" | 87-07-03 |
| 20744 | S/Sgt. | Dufresne, J.C.A. | "C" | 87-07-05 |
| 20809 | Cpl. | Pruett, A.A. | "E" | 87-08-01 |
| 20818 | S/Sgt. | Smith, W.J. | "B" | 87-07-03 |
| 20829 | Sgt. | MacInnis, H.C. | "H" | 87-06-22 |
| 20837 | S/Sgt. | Flake, G.E. | "O" | 87-04-01 |
| 20871 | S/Sgt. | Ayers, R.L. | "K" | 87-06-01 |
| 20910 | Cpl. | Brooks, K.F. | "B" | 87-06-26 |
| 20912 | S/Sgt. | Sutcliffe, B.W. | "L" | 87-05-01 |
| 20991 | Sgt. | Dodds, C.M. | "H" | 87-08-03 |
| 21008 | Sgt. | Duckworth, W.C. | "E" | 87-07-20 |
| 21036 | S/Sgt. | Munro, J.R. | "F" | 87-08-24 |
| 21037 | S/Sgt. | Leroux, D.E. | "E" | 87-05-01 |
| 21054 | Sgt. | Peterson, R.F. | "K" | 87-04-03 |
| 21004 | ogt. | retersori, m.r. | | (Cont'd.) |

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| 21297 | S/Sgt. | Smith, E.H. | "H" | 87-06-08 |
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| 21325 | Sgt. | Lyall, R.R.D. | "E" | 87-05-08 |
| | | | "E" | |
| 21368 | Cpl. | Garnham, J.J. | | 87-08-14 |
| 21461 | S/Sgt. | McCann, R.J. | "J" | 87-07-28 |
| 21520 | S/Sgt. | Polegi, G.S. | "E" | 87-04-10 |
| 21529 | | | "E" | |
| | S/Sgt. | Hutchinson, C.M. | | 87-04-21 |
| 21625 | Cpl. | Bryce, H.G. | "E" | 87-05-01 |
| 21719 | Cpl. | Schwartz, D.C. | "E" | 87-04-21 |
| 21728 | Sgt. | | "K" | |
| | | Neave, J.F. | | 87-04-03 |
| 21755 | Sgt. | Ryder, S.R. | "H" | 87-06-29 |
| 21829 | Sgt. | Isaacs, G.J. | HQ | 87-07-05 |
| 21911 | S/Sgt. | Avison, J.W.R. | "G" | 87-07-31 |
| | 0/091. | | "K" | |
| 21988 | S/Sgt. | Wiebe, D.G. | | 87-06-01 |
| 22068 | Sgt. | Simington, W.T. | "F" | 87-07-18 |
| 22073 | S/Sgt. | Currie, R.D. | "F" | 87-08-03 |
| | | | "K" | |
| 22146 | S/Sgt. | Harlow, R.B. | | 87-07-05 |
| 22211 | Sgt. | Bacon, L.P. | "D" | 87-05-29 |
| 22307 | Sgt. | Johannson, F.L. | "F" | 87-05-15 |
| 22380 | | | "D" | |
| | Sgt. | Bingham, R.J. | | 87-05-08 |
| 22470 | Sgt. | Forrester, G.R. | "K" | 87-04-10 |
| 22594 | Sgt. | Klohn, R.W. | "E" | 87-07-06 |
| 22645 | Cpl. | Harris, J.F. | "E" | 87-03-06 |
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| 22705 | S/Sgt. | Dubé, J.J.R. | НО | 87-03-13 |
| 22750 | Sgt. | Claydon, J.A.M. | "G" | 87-08-14 |
| 22785 | Sgt. | Shotbolt, K.C. | "E" | 87-04-01 |
| 22822 | Sgt. | Thistle, I.L. | HQ | 87-07-03 |
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| 22832 | Cpl. | Rusk, W.T. | "E" | 87-04-01 |
| 22958 | S/Sgt. | Morrison, R.W. | "G" | 87-03-23 |
| 23016 | Cst. | Daly, B.A. | "D" | 87-06-30 |
| 23019 | Cpl. | Cline, W.R. | "F" | 87-04-30 |
| | | | "D" | |
| 23079 | Sgt. | Frederiksen, F.G. | | 87-04-24 |
| 23129 | S/Sgt. | St Denis, J.G.D. | "A" | 87-07-25 |
| 23198 | Cpl. | Peters, D.L. | "E" | 87-06-12 |
| 23393 | Sgt. | Cummings, R.J. | HQ | 87-07-27 |
| | | | "K" | |
| 23511 | Sgt. | Sianchuk, L.D. | | 87-04-26 |
| 23527 | Sgt. | Trites, J.W. | "H" | 87-04-04 |
| 23638 | Sgt. | Crooks, D.E.B. | HQ | 87-08-23 |
| 23744 | Sgt. | Trapp, R.J. | "E" | 87-06-14 |
| | | | "O" | |
| 23889 | Cpl. | Polehoykie, L.H. | | 87-04-30 |
| 23893 | Sgt. | Hines, R.H. | "D" | 87-03-19 |
| 24171 | Cpl. | Jones, K.H. | "K" | 87-08-02 |
| 24332 | Sgt. | Alderson, D.P. | "E" | 87-07-04 |
| | | | "H" | |
| 24518 | Cpl. | Ballum, R.E. | | 87-04-27 |
| 24581 | Sgt. | Long, J.L. | HQ | 87-07-05 |
| 24717 | Sgt. | Cross, C. | "E" | 87-06-26 |
| 24766 | Cst. | Hopwood, J.G. | HQ | 87-05-24 |
| | | | "E" | |
| 24778 | Cpl. | Konowalyk, F. | | 87-06-12 |
| 25162 | Cpl. | Bakewell, D.W. | "F" | 87-07-09 |
| 25298 | Cpl. | Olafson, D.B. | "F" | 87-04-05 |
| 25656 | Cpl. | Moffatt, D.J. | "E" | 87-05-01 |
| | | | "H" | |
| 25727 | Cst. | Allan, R.W. | | 87-08-09 |
| 25890 | Sgt. | McGrath, P.H. | "O" | 87-07-17 |
| C/0083 | C/M | Doyle, P.E.L. | HQ | 86-11-21 |
| C/0138 | C/M | Radych, W. | HQ | 87-08-25 |
| | | | HQ | |
| C/0149 | C/M | Renaud, J.A.M. | | 87-04-02 |
| C/0503 | C/M | Hastie, M.L.M. | "A" | 87-04-03 |
| C/0608 | C/M | Joannides, O.I. | "C" | 87-06-05 |
| C/0798 | C/M | Hersey, F.W. | HQ | 87-04-27 |
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Obituaries

BARBER Reg. No. 13190, ex-S/Sgt. Gordon Stuart Barber, 73, died September 18, 1987, at Regina, Saskatchewan. He was born May 26, 1914, at Toronto, Ontario, and joined the Force there, as a reserve constable, on November 1, 1938. Barber became a regular member on October 16, 1939, serving in Toronto until being transferred to Depot Division, Regina. Upon completion of training, he was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Regina, Yorkton, Pelly and Sturgis, taking his discharge on October 15, 1944. Barber re-engaged at Ottawa, Ontario, on May 14, 1946, where he served at "A" Division, Ottawa, until being transferred to "F" Division on March 4, 1947, serving at Sturgis, Kamsack, Rose Valley and Balcarres. Barber retired to pension September 2, 1968. He was promoted to corporal December 1, 1954; to sergeant May 1, 1961, and to staff sergeant on May 1, 1963.

BÉLANGER Reg. No. S/2558, Special Constable Gérald Henry Bélanger, 49, died September 14, 1987, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born September 15, 1937, at Mattawa, Ont. Bélanger joined the Force June 9, 1981, at Ottawa, and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, was posted to "A" Division, Ottawa. On November 1, 1985, he was transferred to Headquarters Division, serving in "P" Directorate until his untimely death.

BOUTILIER Reg. No. 26428, ex-Cst. David Ainslie Boutilier, 36, died June 5, 1985, at Whiteshell, Manitoba. He was born August 30, 1948, at Halifax, Nova Scotia. Boutilier joined the Force March 28, 1968, at Halifax, and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "P" Division Penhold, Alberta, he was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg, Lundar, Thompson and Brandon, where he was serving at the time of his discharge on April 30, 1978.

BOZEC Reg. No. 12236, ex-Cst. John Marie Bozec, 89, died June 25, 1987, at Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. He was born December 8, 1897, at Black Duck Brook, Newfoundland. Bozec joined the Force at Halifax, Nova Scotia, on April 1, 1934, and served in Marine Division until his discharge on September 30, 1939. He re-engaged on October 4, 1945, and served until December 7, 1954, at which time he retired to pension. During his service, Bozec served on board the *Preventor*, *MacDonald*, *Laurier*, *Fleur de Lys*, *Tenacity*, *Arrow*, *McBrien*, *Irvine* and patrol boat *D-II*.

BUXTON Reg. No. 16382, ex-Cst. Leslie Percival Buxton, 75, died October 3, 1987, at Nanaimo, British Columbia. He was born February 29, 1912, at Victoria, B.C. After serving with the Canadian Army and the British Columbia Provincial Police, Buxton joined the Force August 15, 1950, at the time of amalgamation. His entire service with the Force was spent in "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served at Ashcroft, Port Alberni and Nanaimo. Buxton retired to pension September 30, 1965.

CHATER Reg. No. 10518, ex-S/Sqt. Denis George Chater, 84, died August 3, 1987, at Regina, Saskatchewan. He was born March 22, 1903, at Nuneaton, England, and joined the Force on November 1, 1928, at Regina. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, he was posted to Headquarters Division, Ottawa, Ontario. In April 1929, he was transferred to "C" Division, Montréal, Quebec. On July 7, 1930, Chater was transferred to "G" Division, serving at Fort Smith and Resolution, Northwest Territories, and Edmonton, Alberta. On August 1, 1932, he returned to Depot Division, and served one year prior to being moved to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Regina, Ponteix, Robsart, Gull Lake, Leader, Swift Current, Shaunavon, Weyburn, Willow Bunch, Bengough and Assiniboia. Chater retired to pension October 31, 1957. He was promoted to corporal April 1, 1941; to sergeant November 1, 1946, and to staff sergeant May 1, 1955.

CHESTER Reg. No. 27258 ex-Cst. William John Chester, 37, died on May 31, 1987, near Prince George, British Columbia. He was born March 2, 1950, at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. Chester joined the Force April 8, 1969, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, and upon completion of his training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, serving at Colwood, Duncan, Alert Bay, Port Alberni, Vancouver, and Sechelt. Chester took his discharge from the Force on June 4, 1976.

CLARKE Reg. No. 17184 ex-Sgt. John Alexander Clarke, 78, died on May 6, 1987, at St. John's Newfoundland. He was born March 25, 1909, at St. John's. After serving with the Newfoundland Constabulary from April 13, 1932, to July 31, 1950, Clarke joined the Force and was posted to "B" Division, Newfoundland, and served at Gander, Botwood, Grand Falls, and Stephenville, until his retirement on February 8, 1961. Clarke was promoted to corporal on January 1, 1952, and to sergeant May 1, 1959.

CLOSE Reg. No. 23628, S/Sgt. Van Allen Close, 42, died August 7, 1987, at Delta, British Columbia. He was born October 11, 1944, at Medicine Hat, Alberta. Close joined the Force July 2, 1964, at Lethbridge, Alta. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, he was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, serving at Powell River and Vancouver, where he was serving at the time of his death. Close was promoted to corporal February 1, 1974, to sergeant May 1, 1978, and to staff sergeant June 6, 1985.

CULKIN Reg. No. R/1522, ex-Reserve Constable Joseph Michael Edwin Culkin, 59, died August 18, 1987, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born February 26, 1928, at Montréal, Quebec, and joined the Force as a reserve constable on December 9, 1957. Culkin served in Montréal until discharge on April 30, 1965.

DUBÉ Reg. No. 26414 ex-Cpl. Michel André Dubé, 38, died on March 18, 1987, at Notre-Dame-du-Lac, Quebec. He was born March 2, 1949, at Saint-Eusèbe, Quebec. Dubé joined the Force March 12, 1968, and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, and "P" Division, Penhold, Alberta, was posted to "A" Division, Ottawa, where he served until his discharge on December 10, 1976. Dubé was promoted to corporal in October, 1976.

EASTMAN Reg. No. 15042, ex-Cpl. Patrick Alvan Eastman, 60, died July 27, 1987, at Surrey, British Columbia. He was born March 27, 1927, at Mayfield, Saskatchewan. Eastman joined the Force April 1, 1947, at Vancouver, B.C., and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, he was posted to "O" Division, Ontario, serving at Toronto, Windsor and Niagara Falls. On June 3, 1949, Eastman was transferred to "G" Division, Whitehorse, Northwest Territories. On December 23, 1949, he was transferred to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served at Vancouver, Nelson and Victoria. Eastman retired to pension May 7, 1968. He was promoted to corporal November 1, 1960.

FIRBY Reg. No. 15683, ex-S/Sgt. Robert Lewis Firby, 57, died on May 2, 1987, at London, Ontario. He was born on April 17, 1930, at Killarney, Manitoba. Firby joined the Force on January 4, 1949, at Winnipeg, Man., and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Wadena, Canora, and Sturgis. On May 1, 1952, he was transferred to Headquarters Division, Ottawa, Ontario, where he served until March 1, 1953, when he returned to "F" Division and served at Canora, Kamsack, Yorkton, Regina, Prince Albert, and Saskatoon. On October 1, 1965, Firby was transferred to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg until his retirement to pension on January 3, 1971. He was promoted to corporal on November 1, 1961; to sergeant on November 1, 1964, and to staff sergeant on November 1, 1967.

GLENN Reg. No. 10694, ex-Cst. Hugh Manley Glenn, 95, died July 1, 1987, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born April 29, 1892, at Bristol, Quebec. Glenn joined the Force August 23, 1929, at Ottawa, Ontario, and served his entire service in "A" Division, Ottawa, retiring to pension September 30, 1952.

HASTIE Reg. No. 11851, ex-Cpl. William Elliot Hastie, 78, died May 21, 1987, at Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was born January 7, 1909, at Edinburgh, Scotland, and joined the Force on November 16, 1932, at Regina, Saskatchewan. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, he was transferred to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Regina and Swift Current. On October 1, 1935, Hastie was transferred to "A" Division, Ottawa, and then to "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario. He was then posted to "J" Division, New Brunswick, on May 26, 1938, serving at Fredericton, Moncton and Shediac. July 28, 1940, saw Hastie posted to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, serving at Lake Harbour and Pangnirtung, where he served until November 1, 1944, when another transfer took him to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, where he served at Halifax and Dartmouth. On October 12, 1951, Hastie returned to Ottawa serving at "A" Division and, Headquarters, where he served until his retirement on November 15, 1957. He was promoted to corporal November 1, 1952.

HENRY Reg. No. 0.414 Supt. John Alfred Henry (retired), 79, died on June 18, 1987, at Vancouver, British Columbia. He was born January 8, 1908, at Birkdale, England. Henry joined the British Columbia Provincial Police on April 4, 1930, and served in various locations in British Columbia until its absorption by the RCMP on August 15, 1950. He had attained the rank of sub-inspector, which he retained in the Force. During his service, Henry served in "A" Division, Ottawa, Ontario; "J" Division, Fredericton, New Brunswick; "H" Division, Sydney, Nova Scotia; "K" Division, Peace River, Alberta; "O" Division, Toronto, Ontario, and "E" Division, Vancouver, B.C. He was promoted to inspector on April 18, 1952, and to superintendent on April 5, 1962. Henry retired to pension on October 27, 1965.

HILL Reg. No. 14813, ex-S/Sgt. Edward Cornelius Hill, D.F.C., 62, died July 8, 1987, at Kitchener, Ontario. He was born July 21, 1924, at Glasgow, Scotland. Hill served in the Royal Canadian Air Force from April 4, 1943, until September 12, 1945, during which time he received the Distinguished Flying Cross, 1939-1945 Star, the France & Germany Star, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp and the 1939-1945 War Medal. He joined the Force on January 31, 1947, at Toronto, Ont., and upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ont., was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg, Dauphin, Flin Flon, and Ashern. On June 27, 1949, Hill was transferred to "N" Division,

where he served on the equitation staff for the remainder of his service. Hill participated in Musical Rides in 1949, 1953 (Coronation Ride), 1956, 1957, (tour of Great Britain) and 1962. On September 1, 1958, Hill was transferred to Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, where he served as Riding Master until his retirement on October 16, 1965. He was promoted to corporal on November 1, 1952, to sergeant on November 1, 1959, and to staff sergeant on November 1, 1963.

HOUDE Reg. No. 24226 ex-Sgt. Jacques Joseph Pierre Houde, 42, died May 31, 1987, at Ste-Foy, Quebec. He was born August 10, 1944, at St-Georges-de-Beauce, Quebec. Houde joined the Force on September 17, 1965, at Québec City and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, was posted to "C" Division and served at Montréal, Drummondville, Chicoutimi, and Québec City. On May 15, 1973, Houde was transferred to Depot Division where he served until May 25, 1977, at which time he returned to "C" Division, serving at Montréal and Québec. On September 1, 1985, Houde returned to Depot Division where he served until retiring to pension on August 1, 1986. Houde was promoted to corporal on October 1, 1973, and to sergeant on August 13, 1979.

INGALLS Reg. No. 14858, ex-Cpl. Carl Turner Ingalls, 61, died July 8, 1987, at Edmonton, Alberta. he was born March 19, 1926, at Seal Cove, Grand Manan, New Brunswick. Ingalls joined the Force, as a special constable, on January 8, 1947, at Fredericton, N.B., and became a constable on March 19, 1947. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg, Selkirk, Brandon, Killarney and Russell. On December 1, 1951, Ingalls was transferred to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, serving at Cambridge Bay, Spence Bay, Fort Smith and Hay River. On March 1, 1955, he returned to "D" Division serving at Gladstone, Souris, Killarney and Thompson. Ingalls retired to pension May 31, 1967. He was promoted to corporal November 1, 1960.

IRVINE Reg. No. 14661, ex-Sgt. Gordon Stanley Irvine, 62, died October 15, 1987, at Duncan, British Columbia. He was born October 18, 1924, at Edmonton, Alberta, and joined the Force there on March 16, 1946. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Sasktchewan, Irvine was posted to "F" Division, Sask., where he served at Yorkton, Balcarres, Canora and Kamsack. On January 4, 1952, he was transferred to "E" Division, British Columbia, serving at Kemano, Prince Rupert, Smithers, Colwood, Duncan, Nanaimo, Lake Cowichan and Nelson. Irvine was promoted to corporal on November 1, 1959, and to sergeant on November 1, 1966. He was invalided to pension April 7, 1971.

JANAKAS Reg. No. 15017 ex-Sgt. Thomas Janakas, 64, died June 6, 1987, at Qualicum Beach,

British Columbia. He was born January 23, 1923, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, and joined the Force there on January 29, 1948. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Janakas was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Indian Head, Radville, and Moose Jaw. On September 1, 1950, he was transferred to "A;; Division, Ottawa, Ontario, and on March 9, 1951, transferred to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Edmonton, Peace River, and Spirit River. On August 8, 1952, Janakas returned to Ottawa, Headquarters Division, where he was posted to Athens, Greece. On November 20, 1954, Janakas returned to "F" Division where he served at Yorkton and Ituna before being posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg. On September 1, 1966, Janakas returned to Headquarters and was posted to Rome, Italy. He retired to pension on January 2, 1969. Janakas was promoted to corporal on November 1, 1958, and to sergeant on November 1, 1965.

JOINSON 0.443 (12011), Superintendent Frederick William Joinson (retired), 76, died September 15, 1987, at Nanaimo, British Columbia. He was born May 7, 1911, at Melfort, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force July 3, 1933, at Regina. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Joinson was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg, Fort William, God's Lake, Nipigon, Kelwood, McCreary, Dauphin and Flin Flon. On July 31, 1953, Joinson was transferred to "K" Division, Alberta, serving as Personnel Officer at Edmonton. On August 1, 1956, he was transferred to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, where he was Officer Commanding, Regina Sub-Division. On September 1, 1960, Joinson was transferred to "E" Division, British Columbia, as Officer Commanding, Nelson Sub-Division. On August 1, 1963, he returned to "D" Division serving as Officer Commanding, Dauphin Sub-Division, until being transferred to "K" Division as Officer in Charge of Criminal Investigation Branch, on August 11, 1965. In 1966, Joinson became administrative officer, a position held until his retirement February 25, 1969. He was promoted to corporal November 1, 1947; to sergeant January 1, 1951; to sub-inspector June 1, 1953; to inspector June 1, 1955, and to superintendent February 1,

KENT Reg. No. 13155 ex-Cpl. Arthur Timothy Kent, 75, died on May 16, 1987, at Vancouver, British Columbia, where he was born on July 23, 1911. Kent joined the Force on December 30, 1938, and on completion of training at Depot Division was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Prince Albert. On October 25, 1939, he was posted to "N" Division serving with No. 1 Provost Company until his transfer to "D" Division, Manitoba, where he served at Winnipeg, Portage La Prairie, Selkirk and God's Lake. Kent retired to pension on July 31, 1959. He was promoted to corporal on May 1, 1955.

KESSLER Reg. No. 11165, ex-Sgt. Joseph Edward Kessler, 80, died July 23, 1987, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. He was born February 20, 1907, at Wilcox, Saskatchewan. Kessler joined the Force November 7, 1931, at Regina, Sask., and upon completion of training was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg and Port Arthur, Ontario. On August 1, 1936, he was posted to "M" Division, Whitehorse and Forty Mile, Yukon Territory. On July 26, 1938, Kessler was transferred to Depot Division, Regina, Sask., and, after a short stay, was transferred to "D" Division, Winnipeg, where he served until his retirement on November 6, 1960. Kessler was promoted to corporal on October 1, 1949, and to sergeant on May 1, 1957.

KLAPECKI Reg. No. 11460, ex-Sgt. Charles Casmir Klapecki, 80, died July 11, 1987, at Edmonton, Alberta. He was born April 25, 1907, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Klapecki served with the Manitoba Provincial Police from July 20, 1928, until their amalgamation with the Force on April 1, 1932. He served in "D" Division, Manitoba, at Dauphin and Ethelbert until January 6, 1947, when he was transferred to "K" Divsion, Alberta, serving at Edmonton, until his retirement February 20, 1954. Klapecki was promoted to corporal November 1, 1945, and to sergeant on November 1, 1952.

LEFROY Reg. No. 19716, Sgt. Colin William Lefroy, 51, died April 25, 1987, at Banff, Alberta. He was born February 10, 1936, at Vancouver, British Columbia. Lefroy joined the Force on January 3, 1957, at Kamloops, B.C., and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Edmonton, Calgary, Red Deer and Blairmore. On July 15, 1970, Lefroy was transferred to Depot Division as an instructor where he served until July 1, 1974, at which time he returned to "K" Division, serving at Banff, until the time of his death. Lefroy was promoted to corporal on May 1, 1968, and to sergeant on October 1, 1973.

LOIK Reg. No. S/424, Special Constable Walter Paul Loik, 54, died July 8, 1987, at Edmonton, Alberta. He was born June 30, 1933, at Langham, Saskatchewan. Loik joined the Force April 27, 1970, at Edmonton, Alta., where he served until the time of his death.

MACDONALD Reg. No. S/7369, ex-Special Cst. Malcolm Edward MacDonald died on June 16, 1987, at Bedford, Nova Scotia. MacDonald engaged in the Force on October 27, 1942, at Halifax, and served there until his discharge on May 31, 1945.

MACNEIL Reg. No. 14547, ex-S/Sgt. Roderick William MacNeil, 63, died May 10, 1987, at Toronto, Ontario. He was born on June 8, 1923, at Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force on January 7, 1943, at Halifax, N.S. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, MacNeil was transferred to "A" Division, Ottawa.

On November 1, 1944, he was transferred to "L" Division, Prince Edward Island, and served at Charlottetown. On May 1, 1945, MacNeil was transferred to "C" Division, Quebec, and served at Montréal, Gaspé, Lacolle, Sherbrooke and Rock Island before being transferred to "A" Division, where he served at Ottawa and Brockville. On April 1, 1952, MacNeil was transferred to Headquarters Division, where he served until his retirement on July 27, 1968. MacNeil was promoted to corporal on November 1, 1956; to sergeant on November 1, 1966.

MARSHALL Reg. No. 25555, Cpl. Louis Patrick Marshall, 43, died on September 18, 1987, at St. John's, Newfoundland. He was born on August 26, 1944, at St. Vincent, British West Indies. Marshall Joined the Force on March 17, 1967, at Toronto, Ontario, and upon completion of training at "Depot" Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "P" Division, Penhold, Alberta, he was posted to "B" Division, Newfoundland, serving at Harbour Grace, Placentia and Gander. On July 2, 1976, Marshall was transferred to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, serving at Sydney, and then to "O" Division, Toronto, on July 25, 1979, serving at Niagara Falls. On June 1, 1981, he returned to "B" Division, serving at St. John's. He was promoted to corporal on September 9, 1977.

MCCOLLUM Reg. No. 12047, ex-Cst. Eli John McCollum, 76, died April 30, 1987, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born December 20, 1910, at Fort William, Ontario. McCollum joined the Force on August 16, 1933, at Regina, Saskatchewan, and upon completion of training at Depot Division, he was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, serving on the cruiser Adversus at Vancouver. On August 10, 1937, McCollum was transferred with the Adversus to "H" Division, Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he also served on the patrol boat MacDonald, until taking his discharge September 30, 1939. On September 30, 1945, he re-engaged at Victoria, B.C., and served in Marine Section at Esquimalt and Vancouver until August 15, 1953.

MCGIBBON 0.312 (9775), Assistant Commissioner Douglas Lorne McGibbon (retired), 85, died July 26, 1987, at Vancouver, British Columbia. He was born November 29, 1901, at MacLeod, Alberta. McGibbon, son of A/Commr. J.A. McGibbon (ret.), joined the Force on April 9, 1921, at Vancouver. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he was posted to "E" Division, serving at Vancouver. On March 1, 1924, McGibbon was transferred to HQ Division, Ottawa, Ontario, where he served until December 1, 1924, when he returned to Vancouver. On July 1, 1935, McGibbon was transferred to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Regina, Swift Current, Assiniboia and Weyburn. On February 14, 1939, he was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Edmonton, until his return to Vancouver, on November 15, 1940. On April 1, 1945, McGibbon returned to "K" Division, serving at Calgary until February 1, 1946, at which time he was transferred to "J" Division, New Brunswick, serving at Fredericton. On April 1, 1951, McGibbon was transferred to "F" Division, serving at Regina. On January 1, 1952, McGibbon was appointed Commanding Officer "F" Division where he served until his retirement on October 29, 1956. McGibbon was promoted to corporal on March 1, 1929; to sergeant on February 1, 1932; to inspector on February 1, 1939; to superintendent on April 1, 1947, and to assistant commissioner on January 1, 1952.

MIGHALL Reg. No. 10189, ex-S/Sgt. Dennis Charles Mighall, 84, died May 13, 1987, at Edmonton, Alberta. He was born March 7, 1903, at County Derry, Ireland. Mighall joined the Force in 1924, and upon completion of training was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, and served at Lethbridge and Banff until 1931, when he took his discharge to join the Alberta Provincial Police. On January 4, 1932. Mighall re-joined the Force upon amalgamation of the Alberta Provincial Police with the RCMP and was posted to Edmonton, Alta. During his service, Mighall was a member of the Musical Ride performing in London, England, for the Coronation of King George VI, in 1936. Mighall also won many medals in revolver and rifle competitions and was a member of one of four teams to capture the Dominion Shooting Championship. In 1965, Mighall was a member of the Cutting Horse Association during its British Tour. Mighall retired to pension in November 1950. He was promoted to corporal in 1935; to sergeant in 1940, and to staff sergeant in 1943. (The Quarterly thanks Mrs. Mighall and Mr. Ed Buchanan, Edmonton Veterans' Association, for supplying the above information.)

MORRISON Reg. No. 12837, ex-Sgt. Jules Arthur Morrison, 74, died on December 18, 1986, at Edmonton, Alberta. He was born February 16, 1912, at Taylorton, Saskatchewan. Morrison joined the Force on October 10, 1928, at Regina, Sask., as a special constable and converted to a regular member on January 29, 1937. He was posted to Headquarters Division, Ottawa, Ontario, and on June 11, 1938, was transferred to "A" Division, Ottawa. On August 25, 1939, Morrison was transferred to "D" Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, where he served until January 1, 1952, when he returned to "A" Division. On April 1, 1952, he returned to HQ Division. On December 22, 1952, Morrison was transferred to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, and served at Saskatoon. On October 1, 1953, he was transferred to "O" Division, Ontario, and served at Toronto and London. Morrison was promoted to corporal on May 1, 1946, and to sergeant on May 1, 1952. He retired to pension on October 14, 1955.

OWEN-JONES Reg. No. 10758, ex-Sgt. Arthur Herbert Owen-Jones, 85, died September 20, 1987, at Kitimat, British Columbia. He was born March 3, 1902, at Liverpool, England, and joined the Force March 3, 1930, at Edmonton, Alberta. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Owen-Jones was posted to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, serving on the *St. Roch.* On October 10, 1933, he was transferred to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served on the cruiser *Adversus* at Vancouver and then at Halifax, Nova Scotia. On December 8, 1937, Owen-Jones was transferred to "E" Division, serving at Vancouver, until his retirement on April 14, 1951. He was promoted to corporal April 1, 1941, and to sergeant April 1, 1943.

PARSONS Reg. No. 9432, ex-Cst. George Rosse Parsons, 86, died June 6, 1987, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born October 31, 1900, at North Hamptonshire, England. Parsons joined the Force on September 22, 1920, at Vancouver, B.C., and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he served in "K" Division, Alberta, and "E" Division, British Columbia.

PEDDIE Reg. No. 17576, ex-S/Sgt. David Stanley Peddie, 54, died August 23, 1987, at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. He was born April 5, 1933, at Russell, Manitoba. Peddie joined the Force February 27, 1952, at Winnipeg, Man. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Sask., and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, he was posted to "A" Division, Ottawa. On September 8, 1953, Peddie was transferred to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Calgary, Edmonton, Drumheller, High River, Cardston, and Sherwood Park. Peddie retired to pension June 14, 1976. He was promoted to corporal May 1, 1962; to sergeant May 1, 1968, and to staff sergeant October 1, 1972.

PEER Reg. No. 11904, ex-S/Sgt. John Albert Peer, 76, died on May 13, 1987, at Ottawa, Ontario, where he was born on October 7, 1910. Peer joined the Force on November 28, 1932, and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg, Transcona and Port Arthur, Ontario. He took his discharge on November 27, 1938. On June 24, 1940, Peer re-engaged as a special constable at Ottawa, and on July 22, 1941, became a regular member and was posted to "A" Division, Ottawa, where he served until his retirement on November 30, 1963. He was promoted to sergeant on May 1, 1951, and to staff sergeant on May 1, 1957.

PERRY Reg. No. 11566, ex-Cst. Arthur Perry, 87, died on May 27, 1987, at Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. He was born September 23, 1899, at Jeddore, New Jersey. Perry joined the Nova Scotia Police on June 4, 1930, and served at Halifax, Oxford and Sheet Harbor, until April 1, 1932, when the Nova Scotia Police was amalgamated with the Force. Perry served in "H" Division at Sheet Harbor, Shellburne, Halifax and Yarmouth. He retired to pension on September 20, 1947.

PIERS Reg. No. 16427, ex-S/Sgt. Cecil Edwin Piers, 73, died September 12, 1987, at Trail, British Columbia. He was born July 29, 1914, at Vancouver, B.C. Piers joined the British Columbia Provincial Police on March 24, 1942, in which he served until being absorbed into the RCMP August 14, 1950. He served his entire service in "E" Division, at Mission City, Summerland, Prince George, Smithers, Chilliwack and Trail, and retired to pension February 22, 1973. Piers was promoted to corporal November 1, 1955; to sergeant May 1, 1964, and to staff sergeant January 4, 1968.

ROGERS Reg. No. 14665, ex-S/Sgt. Robert Sidney Rogers, 65, died June 13, 1987, at Penticton, British Columbia. He was born September 7, 1921, at Birtle, Manitoba. Rogers joined the Force on March 16, 1946, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, and upon completion of training was posted to "E" Division, serving at Vancouver. He purchased his discharge to join the British Columbia Provincial Police and upon their absorption by the RCMP on August 15, 1950, Rogers re-engaged into the Force and served in "E" Division, at Armstrong, Kamloops, Copper Mountain and Penticton until his retirement on November 14, 1974. He was promoted to corporal on May 1, 1957; to sergeant on November 1, 1963, and to staff sergeant on May 1, 1967.

RUDOLPH Reg. No. 12672, ex-Cst. Norman Fraser Rudolph, 74, died on May 6, 1987, at Sechelt, British Columbia. He was born April 11, 1913, at Westville, Nova Scotia. Rudolph joined the Force on June 28, 1935, and upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, he served there until his discharge on April 26, 1937.

SHARP Reg. No. 12222, ex-Cpl. John Roy Mason Sharpo, 77, died September 21, 1987, at Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was born September 25, 1909, in South Wales, United Kingdom. Sharp joined the Force April 1, 1934, at Halifax where he served in Marine Division on board the Fleur-de-Lys, Alachasse, MacDonald and Adversus. He took his discharge on September 30, 1939, and re-engaged as a corporal on August 19, 1945, after serving with the Royal Canadian Navy Reserve. Sharp retired to pension, after serving on the MacBrien, on February 25, 1949.

SIMONDS Reg. No. 11100, ex-Cst. Peter Simonds, 80, died May 4, 1987, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born December 1, 1906, at Cornwall, England. Simonds joined the Force on October 23, 1931, at Vancouver, British Columbia, and upon completion of training was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Lethbridge and Edmonton. He was discharged from the Force on September 5, 1933, being invalided.

ST-JEAN Reg. No. 21631, ex-Sgt. Joseph Georges Raymond St-Jean, 48, died August 21, 1987, at Saint John, New Brunswick. He was born October 27, 1939, at Lac-des-Plages, Quebec. St-Jean joined

the Force November 3, 1960, at Montréal, Que. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he was posted to "C" Division, Quebec, serving at Montréal. On March 2, 1964, St-Jean was transferred to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, serving at Forth Smith, Pine Point, Hay River, Sachs Harbor, Inuvik, Spence Bay, Watson Lake, Resolution and Yellowknife. On July 1, 1970, St-Jean was transferred to "J" Division, New Brunswick, serving at Fredericton, St-Léonard, Grand Falls, Campbellton and Tracadie. He retired to pension April 9, 1985. St-Jean was promoted to corporal October 1, 1971, and to sergeant October 1, 1976.

STEVENS Reg. No. 17490, ex-S/Sgt. John Henry Stevens, 56, died October 3, 1987, at Castlegar, British Columbia. He was born April 23, 1931, at Bowsman, Manitoba, and joined the Force on January 24, 1952. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, he was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served at Port Coquitlam, Wells, Spences Bridge, Kamloops, Courtenay, Port Hardy, Chilliwack, Kelowna and Castlegar. Stevens retired to pension July 15, 1987. He was promoted to corporal January 11, 1965; to sergeant February 1, 1970, and to staff sergeant February 1, 1974.

STEWART Reg. No. C/2740, ex-C/M Jack Stewart, 58, died July 14, 1987, at Terrace, British Columbia. He was born December 17, 1928, at Vancouver, B.C. Stewart joined the Force as a civilian member on June 30, 1980, at Prince George, B.C. and served at Terrace Telecommunications Centre, until the time of his death.

ST. LOUIS Reg. No. 10379, ex-Cst. Jay Rowland St. Louis, 83, died August 10, 1987, at Kitchener, Ontario. He was born April 18, 1904, at Crysler, Ontario. St. Louis joined the Force on January 17, 1928, at Ottawa, Ont., and served at "D" Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba, in Ottawa, Ontario and "C" Division, Montréal, Quebec. He retired to pension January 16, 1948. (Information supplied by Mrs. J.R. (Ida) St. Louis, Kitchener, Ontario.)

STODGELL Reg. No. 10353, ex-Cst. Wilfred A. Stodgell, 86, died June 7, 1987, at Vancouver, British Columbia. He was born on June 29, 1905, at Woodlands, Manitoba. It is believed that Stodgell joined the Force in 1925/26 and served at Dawson City and Mayo, Yukon Territory, and Victoria, British Columbia. He left the Force on March 21, 1930. (Information has been supplied by his wife Winnifred, and a brother, Alex, of Fisher Branch, Manitoba.)

TOEWS Reg. No. 16844, ex-Cst. Robert Merle Bruce Toews, Q.C., 55, died June 6, 1987, at Virden, Manitoba. He was born June 22, 1931, at Steinbach, Man., and joined the Force January 26, 1951, at Victoria, British Columbia. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Sask., and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Toews was posted

to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Kamsack, Yorkton, Canora, Balcarres, Langenburg, Esterhazy, Melville and Foam Lake. He purchased his discharge on April 1, 1958, and obtained his law degree at the University of Manitoba in 1965. Toews was appointed Queen's Counsel on January 1, 1980, and was appointed Provincial Court judge, on August 5, 1980, a position held at the time of his death.

TOMLINSON Reg. No. 12487, ex-Sqt. George William Tomlinson, 77, died on May 19, 1987, at Victoria, British Columbia, He was born June 27, 1909, at Barrie, Ontario. Tomlinson joined the Force November 22, 1934, at Ottawa, Ontario, and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Edmonton, Lac La Biche, Calais, Peace River and Grand Prairie, until he took his discharge November 21, 1940, to join the army. He reengaged at Edmonton on February 5, 1947, serving at Cadomin, Stettler, Mercol and Entwistle. On December 1, 1956, Tomlinson was transferred to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served at Victoria, until retiring to pension on March 15, 1964. He was promoted to corporal on December 1, 1955, and sergeant on November 1, 1960.

TRUSCOTT Reg. No. 10402, ex-Cpl. Frederick George Hicks Truscott, 78, died March 7, 1987, at Toronto, Ontario. He was born July 10, 1908, at Cornwall, England. Truscott joined the Force on

March 22, 1928, and served in "O" Division Toronto, Ontario, and "L" Division, Prince Edward Island, until his retirement on August 31, 1947. (Information supplied by "O" Division Veterans' Association.)

WILSON Reg. No. 12679, ex-S/Sgt. John Laught Wilson, 75, died June 6, 1987, at Edmonton, Alberta. He was born February 5, 1912, at Rapid City, Manitoba. Wilson joined the Force on June 28, 1935, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Upon completion of his training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and Fairmont, Vancouver, British Columbia, he was posted to Kamloops, B.C. On October 9, 1938, Wilson was transferred to "K" Division, Alberta, where he served at Calgary, MacLeod, Blairmore, Edmonton, Lethbridge, Vulcan, Manyberries, Foremost and Waterton Park. He retired to pension on January 13, 1963. Wilson was promoted to corporal June 1, 1947; to sergeant December 1, 1945, and to staff sergeant on May 1, 1956.

YASSIE Reg. No. S/2883, S/Cst. Howard Gibson Yassie, 23, died August 23, 1987, at Churchill, Manitoba, where he was born on July 12, 1964. Yassie joined the Force January 4, 1985, at Winnipeg, Man., and served at Lac du Bonnet, God's Lake, Norway House, Thompson, Gillam and Churchill, where he was serving at the time of his death.



