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OUR COVER: Canadian synchronized swimmer and Olympics gold medallist, Michelle Cameron, was honoured during the Sunset Spectacular held on June 24, 1991, for her involvement in the Drug Awareness Program. She was accompanied by A/Commr. J.J.M. Coutu, Director, RCMP Drug Enforcement, coachman Cpl. Jerry McCarty and Cst. Jane MacLatchy, in foreground. Photograph courtesy of S/Sgt. Jerry Martell, Drug Enforcement Directorate. See top of page 41 for more on the 1991 RCMP Sunset Spectacular.

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Dear Readers,

I believe the time has come to revitalize the format of your magazine, *the Quarterly*. To this end, I would welcome your suggestions and comments. Please drop us a line at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Editor

ERRATA On page 31, Vol. 56 No. 3, Summer 1991 issue, the first person on the left, back row, of the RCMP Headquarters mixed slow pitch team should have been identified as **C/M F.W.J. Lemire**. We apologize for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

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On page 59 of the Summer 1991 issue, **Cst. Wayne Baier**'s name was misspelled. Our apology for this typographical error.

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Believe it or not... The author of the article published on page 12 of the Summer 1991 issue was not S/Sgt. E.C. Gray. "**A Case of Mistaken Identity**" was written by **S/Sgt. Eric Suley**. We apologize for any embarrassment caused by this error.

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In the book review on page 26 of the Summer 1991 issue, the address for the Victoria Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association should have read **1940 San Rafael Crescent**, Victoria, B.C. We apologize for this typographical error.

Letters to the Editor

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RCMP uniforms and accessories for sale or trade. I have a very large collection of Mounted Police items. Interested collectors can contact:

Joseph Lemenze
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RENDEZVOUS '92

The 50th Anniversary of the Alaska Highway will be celebrated in 1992. Many events are planned along the highway in British Columbia, the Yukon and Alaska. The Commanding Officer and members of "M" Division hereby invite members, veterans and their families to drop in while visiting our Division. The Yukon Division of the RCMP Veterans Association will be corresponding with other veterans associations to advise of activities.

Contact persons for the Yukon Veterans' Division will be:

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Anyone seeking information regarding the planned events may correspond with:

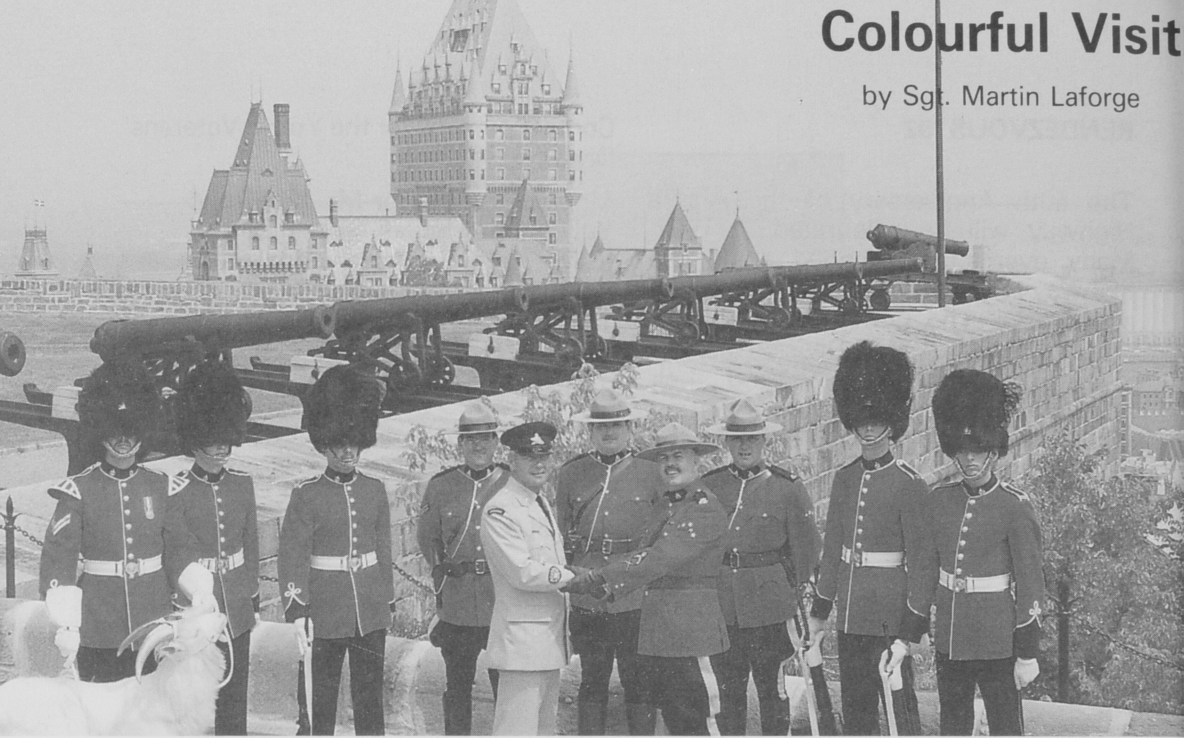
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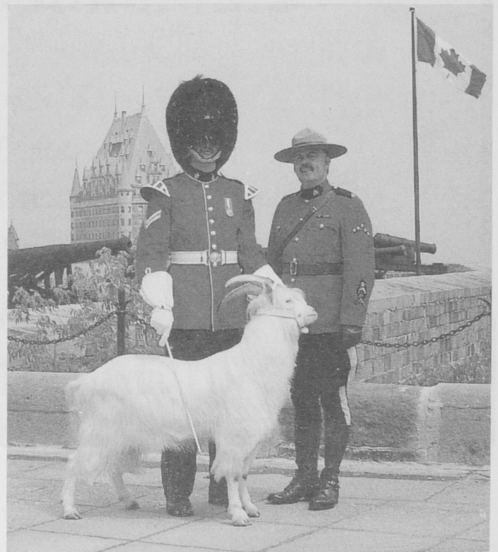
by Sgt. Martin Laforge



Master Warrant Officer Maurice Lavioire and Sgt. Martin Laforge exchanged a hearty handshake in the presence of Ceremonial Troop members (L-R): Cpls Robert Boivin and Camil Comtois, Cst. Jean Thériault, and members of the Royal 22nd Regiment, on the bastion of the residence of the Lieutenant-Governor of the province. (Note the Château Frontenac in the background.)

On June 28, 1991, members of the "C" Division Ceremonial Troop visited the Royal 22nd Regiment base at the Citadelle in Quebec City, bringing a new twist, if not a colourful one to police-community relations. During the luncheon meeting held at the Senior NCOs' Mess, Sgt. Martin Laforge presented a plaque to Chief Warrant Officer Denis Thibodeau recognizing the mutual cooperation that exists between both forces. This was the second such

visit in the last three years, and officials hope it will become an annual event. ■



Even the regimental mascot, Baptiste VI, and goat master, Corporal Yvan Collin, attended the colourful ceremonies. (Seen here with Sgt. Martin Laforge.)

Photos by Corporal André Couture, Royal 22nd Regiment

International Law Enforcement Games

by Cst. J.W. Noyes

The International Law Enforcement Games (ILEG) is an olympic-style sporting event held every two years in a different location, to promote physical fitness and camaraderie among peace officers from all over the world. In 1990, the ILEG were hosted by the Edmonton Police Service and RCMP "K" Division, July 29 to August 4, at Edmonton, Alberta.

The games drew 2325 competitors from 18 countries, from as far away as Zimbabwe, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates. The largest contingents came from Australia, the United States and Canada. The games were financed primarily through sponsorship, merchandising and registration fees from the athletes, raising a total of \$800,000. A/Commr. G.J. Grieg, CO, "K" Division, and Chief D. McNally, Edmonton Police Service, were instrumental in garnering public support to ensure the success of the games.

Forty-six different events were held, including ice hockey for the first time, and the "Toughest Cop Alive" competition unique to the ILEG. This popular event tests peace officers' agility, strength and stamina and is a specialty of Swedish and Norwegian competitors. Another Scandinavian and European favourite is the Police Pentathlon, consisting of five events: a practical police course shoot, swimming, cross country run, 100-metre hurdles and the long jump. It drew the largest number of competitors. Another popular competition with police service dogs tests the ability of both dogs and handlers, encompassing agility, obedience and team work in a variety of situations.

Medals were awarded for first, second and third place finishers in various age, sex and weight categories, and were distributed fairly evenly with the United States and Australia finishing slightly ahead of the rest.

At a trade fair held during the week, local and international exhibitors displayed and sold various items of interest to the public. The most popular items were the pins—more than one hundred different pins were produced, representing sporting events, sponsors, local law enforcement agencies and other departments. Profits from the sales of thousands of pins, T-shirts, ball caps, golf and rugby shirts helped finance the games.

A legacy of sporting facilities left in Edmonton from the University and Commonwealth Games provided first rate facilities for the athletes. Sports sites at the University of Alberta, Kinsmen Field House, and others set a new standard of excellence for the ILEG. More than 1300 volunteers signed up to help. The weather was very cooperative as well, with a full week of warm, sunny weather boosting sales of liquid refreshments.

The games commenced with an impressive opening ceremony at the Northland Coliseum, featuring local displays of culture and a parade of athletes. Later that evening, a Welcome the World barbecue drew 1600 people who enjoyed good food and music and socialized with fellow competitors. On Thursday

night, the West Edmonton Mall water park attracted almost 2000 people, and Saturday night's Western Wind-Up barbecue held at the Red Barn, Alberta Wildlife Park, provided a memorable finale with steak dinners, live music and country dancing.

The 1992 ILEG will be hosted by Washington D.C., and in 1994, by Birmingham, Alabama. While both the Force and the Edmonton Police Service benefitted from hosting the 1990 ILEG, it meant a boost of nearly \$15 million to Edmonton's tourist industry.

As an aside, many records and personal bests were set at the Games. The 1990

ILEG Foundation, a non-profit organization, had set out to help others attain their personal best as well—it had identified the Alberta Special Olympics as benefactors of the 1990 ILEG. Through the diligence and dedication of many volunteers and staff, a profit of over \$50,000 was donated to the Special Olympics Program to purchase much needed computer equipment and sports gear.

The ILEG is truly a challenge for competitors and organizers alike, and the final reward came in the form of praise from those who participated and those who benefitted from their efforts. ■

Secret Service Men Nearly Sold a Dummy

U.S. Secret Service agents suspected the worst when they spotted a car parked near the White House with two shop window dummies seated in the back, both fully dressed and with open newspapers taped to their hands.

A quick investigation, however, uncovered not a plot to assassinate the President, but something much more mundane.

They found that the dummies were the ploy of two commuters to get to work quickly. The dummies had been set up to look like live passengers to get around a law restricting special express lanes on some highways into Washington with four or more occupants.

The Secret Service tipped off the Virginia State Police and the commuters were arrested the next time out.

They were only two of the participants in a constant cat and mouse game between police and commuters trying to get illegally into the express car pool lanes.

"We recently arrested people with pillows set up in the back seat with a wig on top and a coat wrapped around them," a Virginia state spokesman said.

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Married Men Need Not Apply

by C/M S.W. Horrall, RCMP Historian

I consider Cst.... more or less weak headed caused by living continually with such a woman as Mrs....; having had an interview with her, I consider she would drive any man crazy in a short time; consequently, I did not punish him, but have sent him to finish his term at Red Deer.

Thus wrote the Commanding Officer, "G" Division, in 1888, when confronted by yet another case where a member's marital affairs were thought to undermine the Force's efficiency. In just over a century, the RCMP has turned full circle on the question of marriage regulations. In 1873, as now, the married state was no barrier to engagement. During the intervening years, a variety of regulations were introduced, aimed at subordinating members' natural desires for a mate to the exigences of the Force. In fact, throughout most of its history, the Force has officially and unofficially regarded the marriage of its members as a nuisance which should be discouraged in every way possible.

What benefits accrued from these attempts to regulate human nature is difficult to assess, but there is no doubt that they had an effect upon the morale and service of many members. At their most stringent in the 1920s, constables were required to have a minimum of 12 years service before their application for permission to enter the blissful state of matrimony would even be considered. When you realize that the disciplinary code required unmarried men to be sexually chaste, you will appreciate that

this regulation presupposed a herculean sense of self-discipline on the part of all concerned. Members unable to face the monastic life imposed upon them could either secretly break the rules and live a double life, or seek their discharge in one form or another.

There were many reasons behind the Force's resistance to marriage. Married men were seen as an additional burden on the public purse, and difficulties associated with transferring married members seriously reduced the mobile capabilities of the Force, particularly in times of emergency. Another long-held belief was that married men's loyalties were divided because they could not devote themselves, body, soul and mind to the Force if they had to worry about responsibilities at home. Marriage, therefore, was a privilege only to be conferred upon those who had demonstrated their loyalty with many years of devoted and celibate service.

The first marriage regulations appeared in 1877. The Commissioner's Annual Report for that year noted that married men had been taken on in early years in the hope that their wives would wash, cook and sew for the men. The experiment, however, turned out to be unsuccessful and the government found that transporting and feeding families was an expensive business. As a result, it was ruled in 1877, that married men would no longer be engaged into the Force.

Although members did not need permission to enter the matrimonial state once

they were in the Force, regulations made it clear that they would have to provide quarters, rations and transportation for their family, at their own expense. Herein lay the roots of dissatisfaction for the next two decades. In spite of financial strain and other obstacles, mounted policemen continued to follow their natural inclinations and take themselves a wife. At the same time, they used all their guile to circumvent the rules by one means or another. In the days when all members were required to be in barracks from *Lights Out* to *Reveille*, the first hurdle to overcome was to obtain permission to live out of barracks in order to sleep with one's wife.

By 1892, the problems with married personnel had become so acute in the Commissioner's opinion that he informed Ottawa:

There can be no doubt that the presence of married men is subversive to discipline, as we practically have no control over them at night, and I have no hesitation in saying that officers from the above considerations do and will continue to favour them; even when they are prisoners, the tendency is from motives of pity for their families to let them off easier than single men. The wives of very few of the men wash and sew, and it is a mystery how they can live; with house rent, extra rations, fuel and light to pay for out of an average of less than \$20 per month; either the men or the women themselves must earn money in some way not easily discovered, to support themselves and families; again, it is almost impossible to transfer a married man, and some of them have been for years at one post, where, in some cases, they have acquired herds of cattle and horses in their wives name, which is practically contrary to the Police Act, and I have been actually asked to grant

passes to men for the purpose of "rounding up" these cattle just in the busiest season of our work.

He concluded with the recommendation that in future, members who married should not be re-engaged.

To overcome these difficulties, a new set of marriage regulations was introduced two years later. By imposing as much hardship as possible upon those who got married, the regulations were aimed at discouraging all but senior non-commissioned officers from popping the question. Nevertheless, by 1900, the percentage of married members had continued to increase. The Commanding Officer, "C" Division, complained that so many of his constables were married that he had to curtail the privilege of sleeping out of barracks to two men per night.

Following the outbreak of war in 1914, the regulations underwent a brief reversal. Wartime brought new responsibilities for the Force, and in order that it could carry them out, the government substantially increased its authorized strength. The Force could not compete with the armed services in recruiting young single men, so it reverted to its original practice of engaging married ones. This announcement was quickly followed by a General Order which stated:

NCO's and constables at Division Headquarters must sleep in barracks until further notice.

The war did bring some improvements, however. Married members who were forced to live in barracks were granted a separation allowance of \$20 per month. In 1917, this was increased according to rank. A year later, all members became

eligible for compensation for moving their families when they were transferred, a privilege formerly restricted to staff-sergeants and officers.

The relaxation brought about by wartime conditions soon came to an end. By 1920, commanding officers were once more complaining bitterly about the problems they had with married members. A new set of marriage regulations appeared in 1922. Once again, married men would no longer be accepted for engagement. In addition, those already in the Force were required, for the first time, to obtain the Commissioner's permission before walking down the aisle.

During the next thirty odd years, marriage regulations were continually modified as the Force reacted to changing social and economic conditions. There was a new stress on mobility as the Force assumed nation-wide responsibilities and the Depression brought a period of financial restraint followed by yet another world war.

Marriage regulations usually centred upon members' service, age and ability to support a spouse. Varying lengths of service were tried, from 12 years for constables and eight years for a non-commissioned officer in 1928, to 2 years for all regular members in 1960. Financial standing was introduced in 1932, when members wishing to marry needed \$500

in cash or convertible assets. The amount had climbed to \$1,200 by 1960. Age was another common factor. In 1935, it was decided that young men were not mature enough to take on the responsibilities of breadwinners until they were at least 27 years old. At different periods, "A" Division members were exempted from the regulations. At other times, the rules would be relaxed a little if members agreed to accept certain postings. It was this amendment that turned Parliament Hill into a beat for many young men who had to get married for one reason or another.

In 1971, a committee tasked with reviewing the subject recommended that marriage regulations based upon age, service, financial standing and maturity be retained. Outside the Force, however, widespread concern for human rights and equal opportunity was redefining new labour codes and employment practices, including provisions which forbade discrimination in employment on the grounds of sex or marital status.

In 1974, the Force decided to fall into line with the prevailing climate of opinion, and married men as well as women became eligible for engagement as regular members. One innovation of this change was that for the first time, regular members could marry other regular members. ■

Stripped, Strapped and Stranded

Not many officers expect to find Superman changing in a phone box on their beat, but WP Cath Yates, Warwickshire, came across the next best (or worse) thing. She and a male colleague rescued a grateful bridegroom-to-be who had been left naked and trapped inside a roped-up telephone booth on his stag night.

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Crew unsure of why they were in Sydney

Effective Interdepartmental Cooperation in Support of RCMP

by Search & Rescue
Canadian Coast Guard Emergency Operations
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia

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Under a Memorandum of Understanding between the Canadian Coast Guard (CCG) and the RCMP, Rod Stright, Regional Manager, Search & Rescue,

Maritimes, was requested to provide support to the RCMP Law Enforcement Program.

On July 30-31, 1990, Captain Shea and the crew of CCGS *Mary Hichens* were involved in one of the largest drug busts ever off Canada's East Coast. The hashish seized was estimated to be worth over three million dollars.



An armed RCMP boarding party boarded F/V *Scotia Maid* from the *Mary Hichens*. The vessel was suspected of being involved in a drug-smuggling operation. Her crew were placed under arrest and a boarding party from CCGS *Mary Hichens* steamed the *Scotia Maid* to Sydney.

CCGS *Mary Hichens* had been tasked to the Sydney area to stand by for RCMP operations. Captain Shea was briefed on the mission, but due to the nature of the operation could not disclose it to the crew. They were unsure as to why they were in Sydney but suspected that it might be for reasons other than SAR standby.



Photos courtesy of the Canadian Coast Guard

On the night of July 30, Captain Shea received instructions to proceed to sea. While outbound Sydney, CCGS *Mary Hichens* was boarded by a contingent of RCMP officers. The crew were briefed and readied to assist in apprehending the suspect vessel. The rest, as they say, is history. The crew of CCGS *Mary Hichens* can be proud that they played an important part in preventing illegal drugs from reaching their intended destination.

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In this successful RCMP operation, they provided the armed boarding party, Canadian Coast Guard provided the *Mary Hichens*, the Department of National Defence provided Aurora aircraft and the destroyer *Nipigon*, and unobtrusive aerial surveillance was provided by Fisheries and Oceans. ■

Dud Mug

The Kenyan fraud squad had little difficulty tracing a forger operating in their country. His forgeries were near-perfect except for one important detail — instead of using a picture of the president on the counterfeits, the narcissistic forger had used a portrait of himself.

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Sharing Common Ground

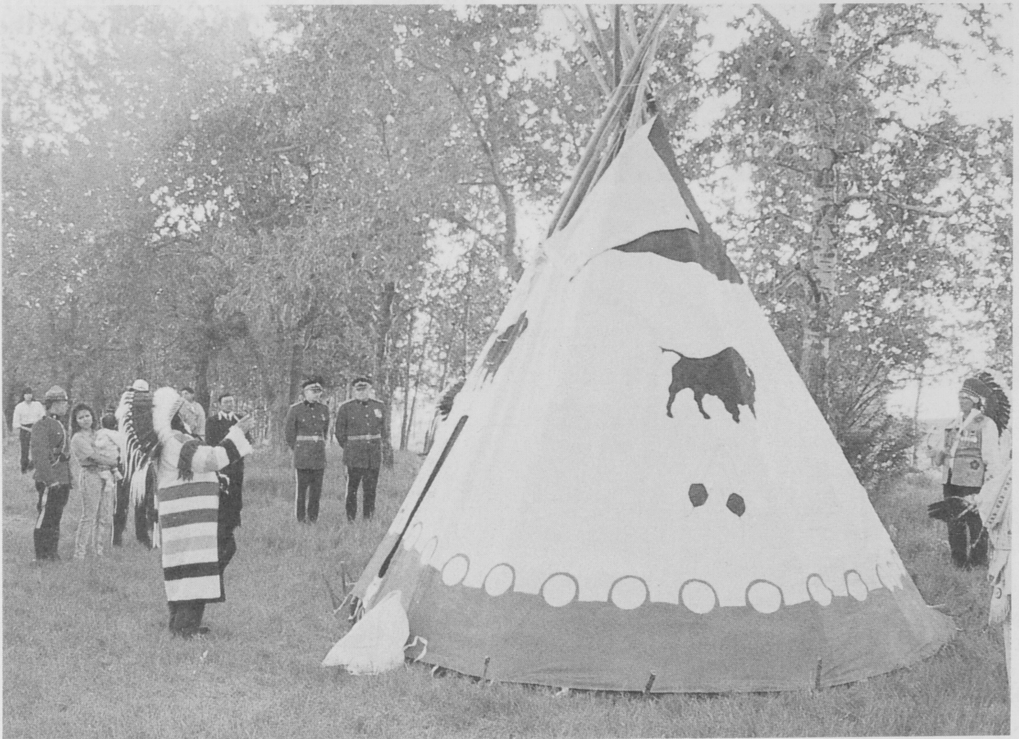
by S/Cst. A.H. Findlay

In order to further enhance the relationship between the Aboriginal people of Canada and the police, Commissioner N.D. Inkster and A/Commr. G.J. Greig, CO, "K" Division, hosted the first Aboriginal policing leadership conference "Sharing Common Ground" in Edmonton, Alberta, May 29-June 1, 1990.

Metis and native Elders and Chiefs, members of the National Aboriginal Advisory Committee, Alberta tribal and municipal police forces representatives, senior management and other Force

members from various divisions, including Headquarters, were among the 650 delegates attending the conference held at the Edmonton Inn.

The conference was officially opened with a sweetgrass and pine ceremony, followed by a Grand Entry procession led by Elders Joe P. Cardinal and Mark Wolfleg, Commissioner Inkster, A/Commr. G.J. Greig and other respected chiefs and elders.



Spiritual Elders blessing RCMP TeePee.



(L-R): Elder Romeo Yellowhorn, Commissioner N.D. Inkster, A/Commr. G.J. Greig and Elder Mark Wolfleg lead the Grand Entry. The Commissioner and A/Commr. Greig were presented with ceremonial eagle headdresses and given the aboriginal names of "Coming Singer" and "Running Across," respectively.

Conference delegates voiced their concerns and opinions in an open forum. The most prevalent opinion expressed was that the "Red Coats" and the Aboriginal people had drifted apart. Lines of communication will be reopened with the understanding that both sides have to take the initiative to develop trust and understanding of each other. The many recommendations that surfaced during the fourteen different workshops held over the course of the conference were published in the final report.

Non-natives in attendance were given the opportunity to be entertained by various Aboriginal artistes, including Winston Wuttunee and Chief Chuckie Beaver, the Elizabeth Colony Metis Youth Dancers, the Sarcee Red Thunder

Dancers, the Hobbema Youth Dancers and Robert Bull, a hoop dancer from Hobbema.

The highlight of the conference was a Powwow held at the Nechi-Poundmaker Centre on the evening of May 31. During the banquet of buffalo meat with all the trimmings, the Solicitor General of Alberta, Dick Fowler, addressed the gathering. Commissioner Inkster presented "Riders of the Plains" paintings to Elders Joe P. Cardinal and Fred L'Hirondelle, on behalf of the Force. During the evening, the Force's TeePee was unveiled; it will be used during Crime Prevention/Police Community Relations functions within native communities throughout Alberta. The Powwow closed with a round dance attended by all participants.

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Aboriginal Policing Services

by C.B. Evans, Assistant Editor

Following a Canada-wide study of policing services to Aboriginal communities by the RCMP, a report entitled "Policing for Aboriginal Canadians—The RCMP Role" recommended, among other things, the formation of the new Aboriginal Policing Services Directorate.

Headed by A/Commr. R.H.D. Head, the new directorate's mandate is to initiate, develop and evaluate practical and culturally sensitive policing services for Aboriginal Canadians. The Director was given primary responsibility for the operational aspects of aboriginal policing and the non-operational aspects impacting on aboriginal policing, such as recruiting and training.

Aboriginal Constable Development Program

Following the initial thrust of developing and publishing policy, programs were implemented to ensure that the principles of community policing in place were working efficiently to meet the diverse needs and problems of the aboriginal communities in a manner acceptable to them.

To this end, Aboriginal Canadians are being recruited into the Force in greater numbers. The Aboriginal Constable Development Program now in place received considerable support from the field and is being expanded to include federal divisions as well. It is hoped that this type of strategy will permit aboriginal people to become wholly integrated into the mainstream of the Force.

National Aboriginal Advisory Committee

Another major initiative resulting from the report was the Aboriginal Advisory Committee created in April, 1990. It brings a wealth of knowledge, experience and cultural diversity, and will provide input from the Aboriginal people regarding services provided by the Force throughout the country. Community consultative groups, created since then at the detachment level, provide the aboriginal community with input into the policing of their communities.

Chaired by a senior RCMP member, the Committee consists of eight members appointed for a two-year term and occasional guest observers. It will provide advice on policy, legislation, programmes and initiatives affecting aboriginal people and advice on recruiting, in-service training and career progression of aboriginal members, among other things.

Their first meeting was held on May 31, 1990, during "Sharing Common Ground", the Aboriginal policing leadership conference in Edmonton. The Committee convened again at RCMP Headquarters on October 10-11, 1990, toured the Headquarters complex and the Canadian Police College, and focused their agenda on issues ranging from recruiting to training of aboriginal members. Their next meeting was scheduled for April, 1991, at the RCMP Training Academy in Regina, Saskatchewan, to tour the facilities and observe aboriginal constables undergoing training. ■

It took more than a year of undercover work and a 13-month trial, but the Mounties finally won out. Result: 18 convictions and a \$10 million haul of heroine and cocaine.

RCMP vs the Italian Connection

by Paul Grescoe

Editor's Note: The following article was published in the March, 1983, issue of the *Reader's Digest* magazine and is reprinted with the kind permission of Reader's Digest Magazines Limited.

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Doug Payne was desperate. An undercover RCMP sergeant, key man in a perilous investigation of a drug ring that the press dubbed the Italian Connection, he had just been accused by his contact of welshing on a \$128,000 heroin deal. He could see eight months of work dissolving in failure.

Payne, posing as a big-time New York dealer, had to hand over the money to Giuseppe "Little Joe" Biasi. In fact, Payne had only \$50,000, all he'd been able to get from the RCMP's limited budget for such deals.

Now, on the night of July 14, 1980, as Payne and a fellow agent, Staff Sergeant Tom Brown, sat in a Toronto hotel room, he told Biasi he would take only half the heroin because it was of poor quality. But he knew from tests the RCMP had done on a sample that the heroin was

75 percent pure—and Biasi undoubtedly knew it as well. The bluff didn't work.

"I never work with you again!" Biasi swore, heading for the door. Quickly, Payne turned to a backup plan he'd arranged with officers who had bugged the room and were listening in from an adjoining room. "Okay, Joe," he said hurriedly. "I'm going to tell you the truth."

Payne wove a tale about a woman courier who had failed to show up with the extra money. "All I've got right now is fifty grand," he said. "I feel like a jerk." Just then the phone rang. Brown answered. "You better speak to the boss," he said. Payne grabbed the receiver and cursed at a woman's protesting voice—actually a policewoman in yet another room. Hanging up, he angrily told Brown: "I want her *looked after!*"

Biasi was suitably impressed. Payne could buy \$50,000 worth of heroin. They made the exchange and Biasi left. Exhausted, Payne collapsed in a chair and numbly watched the late news.

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The case against the Italian Connection began in Vancouver in May 1979, when the RCMP was tipped that two Italians were coming from Toronto to buy heroin smuggled in from Southeast Asia. For two days the Mounties shadowed the men, who met a third man in Vancouver, then arrested all three when they boarded a train for Toronto. One suspect, Peter Senatore, laughed as the officers searched his luggage. He had good reason; police found \$24,500 in cash on the three men, but no heroin. They went free.

Something had gone terribly wrong. Maybe the suspects were not buyers but couriers who had brought heroin from Toronto to sell in Vancouver. The Mounties could do little more than watch the people Senatore had met in Vancouver—and hope to be led to a drug cache somewhere in the city. Their strongest lead was Giovanni Gagliardi, a 32-year-old Sicilian known as Johnny B.C. All that summer he and various associates were kept under surveillance by the Vancouver Drug Section and the Joint Forces Operation (JFO), a force of RCMP and municipal police set up to fight organized crime. While JFO men listened in on obviously coded telephone conversations, plainclothes officers led by Doug Payne observed suspects at surreptitious meetings. Yet, after five months, the police had no hard evidence. So they turned to Eugene Koesygi.

Arrested once for heroin trafficking, released because of insufficient evidence, Koesygi had become a paid agent. He knew Gagliardi and agreed to help an undercover agent meet him. Doug Payne, 20 years a Mountie, six years a drug cop on the streets of Vancouver, veteran of two previous masquerades as a trafficker, was to be that agent.

Keeping his own first name, Payne chose Moran as a surname (after a lawyer he'd

known). He sprouted a beard, had his hair tinted reddish brown and let it grow long and curly. He was outfitted with tinted glasses, gold rings set with fake diamonds, \$500 business suits and some impressive props: a \$2,000 "flash roll" and a new Oldsmobile with sun roof and air conditioning.

Payne and Koesygi cooked up a cover story: Koesygi had met Moran years ago in Miami and was now introducing him to the Vancouver underworld. Together they began to seek out Gagliardi. At one dark, noisy club called Sugar Daddy's, their quarry spotted Koesygi and came over to greet him. Over the din of disco, Koesygi introduced Gagliardi to his pal from New York, Doug Moran.

Four days later, Payne and Koesygi found Gagliardi at the Bar Centrale, a *café* on Commercial Drive. Over coffee, he agreed to see them again, and on November 29, they met for lunch. No one mentioned drugs, but Gagliardi told "Moran": "If there's anything, *anything* I can do for you while you're in town, just ask." Outside, the two undercover men told Gagliardi exactly what he could do for them—sell them good heroin, in any amounts. "And cocaine," Payne added.

The next meeting came almost two months later, at the same restaurant. They talked of football—and heroin, which Gagliardi said was scarce in Vancouver. "I'll have to take you to Toronto for a week," he told Koesygi. Payne leaped into the conversation before Koesygi could accept: Gagliardi must deal directly with Doug Moran. "I can't afford to have you away for a week," Payne told Koesygi firmly.

More meetings followed, with little mention of drugs. Then, one afternoon at the Bar Centrale, Gagliardi promised to deliver a sample of cocaine from his

supplier. Payne: "How much does your man have?" Gagliardi, grandly: "You would never believe it if I told you."

On February 25, 1980, Payne and Koesygi met Gagliardi at the Centrale and were given their first sample of cocaine, secreted in a pack of gum. Analyzed by the RCMP, the sample proved to be only 22-percent pure, not the 60 percent Gagliardi had claimed.

Payne now had a problem. A real dealer might have roughed Gagliardi up for offering diluted coke. But as a policeman, he couldn't intimidate a suspect if the case was to stand in court. So, claiming he'd had an underworld chemist test the drug, Payne feigned annoyance, stalled, then agreed to buy at a reduced price.

On March 4, Koesygi left the Centrale with a henchman of Gagliardi—Giuseppe Biasi—and returned to tell Payne he had the cocaine. Payne met Gagliardi in a washroom and paid him \$4,600 for 64 grams.

Biasi, a 33-year-old Sicilian, stood barely five feet, so Payne dubbed him Little Joe. Spiffly dressed, he was a salesman and tailor in a menswear shop. He talked in a code so crude that Payne sometimes had to stifle a laugh. "Try a couple of shirts" meant Biasi had cocaine samples; "Your suit's not ready" meant a shipment hadn't come.

Soon Little Joe was talking freely with his new buddy, the New York big shot, Doug Moran. He had a connection returning from Columbia with a kilogram of pure cocaine, and he and Gagliardi were trying to get \$40,000 together to buy some heroin in eastern Canada.

By April 10, he was so trusting he didn't even count the \$6,000 Payne paid him for

57 grams of cocaine. But once, he asked why the man from New York wasn't buying his drugs in his own big city. Caught off guard, Payne replied: "My New York market's fine. We're expanding here. But why should I take the risk of bringing the stuff across the border?"

Biasi seemed satisfied: "I use my brain. You're no cop."

Garbage in Gold Foil

Throughout his undercover assignment, Payne went home every night like an ordinary businessman. He and his wife Karen did not go shopping together or even to the movies, in case the crooks should see Doug Moran indulging in such conventional middle-class activities with a respectable-looking woman on his arm. He avoided in-laws, friends and neighbours.

Almost daily, in an apartment in suburban Richmond, Payne met the corporal in charge of his cover teams. Usually, four Mounties at a time covered him in cars and on foot, observing and gathering corroborating evidence. So careful were they, Payne seldom spotted them.

Meanwhile, the police were watching visitors going into Franco Foods, a wholesale grocery that was used as a front by one Carlo Gallo. Surveillance indicated that Gallo ran the Italian drug ring in Vancouver.

One day in his sixth month undercover, Payne got his first sample of heroin. At the back of the men's shop, Little Joe took a ball of gold cigarette foil from a suit jacket. "You'll like it," he said. "It's between 92 and 94 percent.

But it was far from that. "It's garbage—24 percent," Payne told Biasi testily after an

RCMP analysis. "This is what we get? We're talking about \$45,000!"

Biasi: "I'm sorry, I apologize. I look after."

Later that day Little Joe offered a second sample. This one was high quality: 85-percent pure. On April 23, Payne handed over \$15,000 for 28 grams on the understanding that he'd purchase double that amount if all of it was as good as the sample.

It wasn't. For Biasi's benefit, Payne put on a performance outside the Bar Centrale. "Somebody's trying to do it to us," he raged. "We paid 15 for 45-percent stuff. You owe us 7,500 bucks or another 28 grams of the same stuff." Within minutes Biasi was back; he'd talked to his people inside, and Payne could have a free 28 grams of heroin to compensate for its poor quality.

"Death to Pigs!"

Soon Payne began pursuing Little Joe and Gagliardi's suggestion that he expand his business in the East. Little Joe and Gagliardi would meet Payne in Toronto and the deal would be a big one: \$128,000 worth of heroin. That was the deal that Payne, with only \$50,000, salvaged with his lie about the unreliable woman courier.

Back in Vancouver, "Moran" found his reputation growing. In August, when Biasi invited him for dinner to meet "somebody important," Payne told Little Joe he was bringing along his "boys," in town on business.

His subordinate from Toronto was Staff Sergeant Brown. His New York representative was Corporal Kenneth Alford of the Victoria Drug Section, a mean-looking

six-footer with the build of a boxer. His Las-Vegas-San Francisco connection was also from Victoria, Sergeant Mike Krevesky, a prematurely-grey man who looked anything but a cop.

Waiting with Biasi at Dario's, an elegant Italian restaurant, was Frank Magisano, 30, a man they knew to be Carlo Gallo's lieutenant. The undercover Mounties flashed U.S. money and ordered bourbon. There was some talk about the price of heroin in multi-kilo lots.

At one point Magisano proposed a toast: "Death to informants and pigs!"

"I'll drink to that!" Doug Payne said.

By October, Payne's undercover intrigue and police surveillance had implicated a score of crooks. It was time to move. At breakfast with Biasi and Magisano at the Downtown Devonshire Hotel on October 5, Payne said he was ready to buy 565 grams of heroin for \$330,000. Magisano said Payne could see the drugs in a hotel room before taking the money out of his safety-deposit box. "But then," Magisano warned, "I'm moving the stuff to another place for the deal."

Staff Sergeant Brian McCarthy, head of an investigative team of the Vancouver RCMP drug squad, devised an intricate system to cover Payne. The day before the buy, he briefed 105 police officers and introduced Payne as the "hare." McCarthy's command post would be in the Hotel Vancouver across the street from the Devonshire. The downtown core would be thick with plainclothes officers on foot and in unmarked cars, and other officers would be poised to arrest suspects across the city.

Next morning, October 8, Payne arrived at the Devonshire at 10:30. Magisano was 20 minutes late. He suggested they go for a walk. But instead of proceeding to a hotel room, as he'd said he would, Magisano took Payne to a parking garage. They got into a battered Chevy and drove out of the downtown area. In the command room, McCarthy began to worry. Magisano must be trying to lose any possible shadows.

In the residential Oakridge district, Magisano suddenly pulled into a Shell station and told Payne to come into the men's room. Locking the door, Magisano said: "I'm going to search you and you're going to search me."

Payne was carrying no weapons, but he did have a concealed recording device. If Magisano found it, Payne knew his only hope would be to go for him and flee the washroom. Magisano frisked him thoroughly, but he missed the recording device.

Payne went through the motions of searching Magisano and they got back in the car. Magisano drove for ten minutes, then parked. They boarded a trolley bus and got off after 20 blocks. They were on Commercial Drive, Magisano's turf.

Contact Lost

Walking up an alley, they turned into a parking lot behind a medical building. There stood Joe Biasi behind a brown Chevrolet. He shook hands with Payne and, from a clump of shrubs, produced a brown paper bag.

In the car, Biasi opened the bag and removed two clear-plastic packages of white powder—heroin for "Moran" to inspect before returning downtown to pick up the \$330,000. The rest of the

stuff, Biasi said, was hidden nearby. That was enough for Payne: The heroin was there, no money had to change hands. Time to bust Little Joe and Frank Magisano. He took off his tinted glasses—the signal for the cover teams to rush in and make the arrests. *Nothing happened.*

Payne put the glasses on again. Took them off. Put them on. Trying to be casual. *Maybe they can't see me.*

Magisano told Biasi to wait there while he and Payne went for the money. Getting out of the car, Payne removed his glasses once more. Still nothing. *Damn! Where are they?*

McCarthy's worries had been well founded. They'd lost Payne after he left the gas station and took the bus with Magisano. He was on his own. He and Magisano retraced their steps and took a bus to Magisano's car, where an uneasy Payne told him to return to the Devonshire. There, he'd arrange to pick up the cash.

Payne left Magisano sitting in a chair in the lobby while he went to make a phone call. Standing at the next phone was an astonished plainclothes Mountie corporal, part of the downtown cover team.

Payne called McCarthy in the command room across the street. "Where the hell are you?" demanded McCarthy. Payne told him, hung up, and whispered to the corporal: "Take him down." *Arrest Magisano.* Then he sauntered over to Magisano and asked him to watch his briefcase while he went to the washroom.

When Payne returned, a swarm of police had surrounded a bewildered Magisano. "Excuse me, Frank," Payne said, picking up his briefcase. "See you around."

Several hours later Biasi was arrested. Simultaneous police swoops in Vancouver and Toronto netted 29 persons—and heroin and cocaine worth \$10 million on the street. Biggest catch of all was Carlo Gallo, arrested at his Vancouver home. In surveillance reports and wiretaps, Gallo had clearly proved himself to be the boss.

But in September, 1981, during his trial, Gallo was taken to hospital for a minor operation and escaped from his room. Tried *in absentia*, he received a life sentence.

In all, 19 people were charged with conspiracy to traffic in heroin or cocaine. Seventeen were convicted of conspiracy, an 18th was convicted of trafficking. Frank Magisano was sentenced to 18 years; Giovanni Gagliardi and "Little Joe" Biasi each got 16 years. All three appealed. The appeals court upheld Biasi's jail term. Magisano's and Gagliardi's appeals are pending. Gallo gave himself up last January and immediately launched an appeal.

For his masterful undercover role, Payne—who retired from the RCMP as a staff sergeant in January—received

letters of appreciation from British Columbia's premier and attorney general, and a Commanding Officer's Commendation from the RCMP. But the citation he particularly prizes hangs on his living room wall. It came from his colleagues at a stag party two days after the final bust.

They knew Joe Biasi had a favourite saying when trying to reassure the big drug dealer from New York that their plans would proceed smoothly: "Don't worry, Doug, she'll go binga, binga, binga!" The plaque presented to Payne reads:

Thanks Doug
You got them all
Binga Binga Binga

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Editor's note: The appeals of Giovanni Gagliardi and Frank Magisano were dismissed in 1984, and the men released from prison in December 1988, and February 1989, respectively.

Carmello Gallo was sentenced in April 1983, to three months for escaping lawful custody. His appeal was dismissed in January 1984, and he was released on full parole in April 1991. ■

Artful Codger

A 75-year-old grandmother has decided to quit the profession that has kept her in pocket for the last 60 years. Faced with her 31st pickpocket conviction, pint-sized Rosie Jones of London, England, who suffers from a heart condition and is partly blind and deaf, admitted that, "My fingers aren't as good as they used to be." The kindly judge dismissed the final charge of her crooked career—stealing three purses.

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Revolvers of the Force

The word “weapon” conjures up different images to different people—a scientist may visualize the mushroom cloud of an atomic bomb, an antique collector may see flintlock pistols, while an action movie fan may imagine Dirty Harry’s .44 Magnum.

In the words of the Honourable Jean Jacques Blais, in a 1979 speech, “In Canada, guns have played an important role in our history, from the earliest days of exploration and settlement up to the present day. Throughout this long period of time, Canada has had a tradition of responsible gun use, and it is this factor which has led us to a system which avoids extreme solutions such as the registration of all guns when they are not being used.”

Canada has a long history of “responsible gun use” going back to the days of the North West Mounted Police. Although less powerful and sophisticated than today’s weapons, those of the NWMP were, nonetheless, essential elements of law enforcement in their time. This article is dedicated to some of the trusty side arms which have so faithfully served the Force down through the years.

The Adams, “First Model”—calibre .450

It may have been due to this very weapon that the expedition from Fort Dufferin was delayed on July 8, 1874. The NWMP had received a new shipment of Adams revolvers from England. Upon inspection of the 330 guns however, it



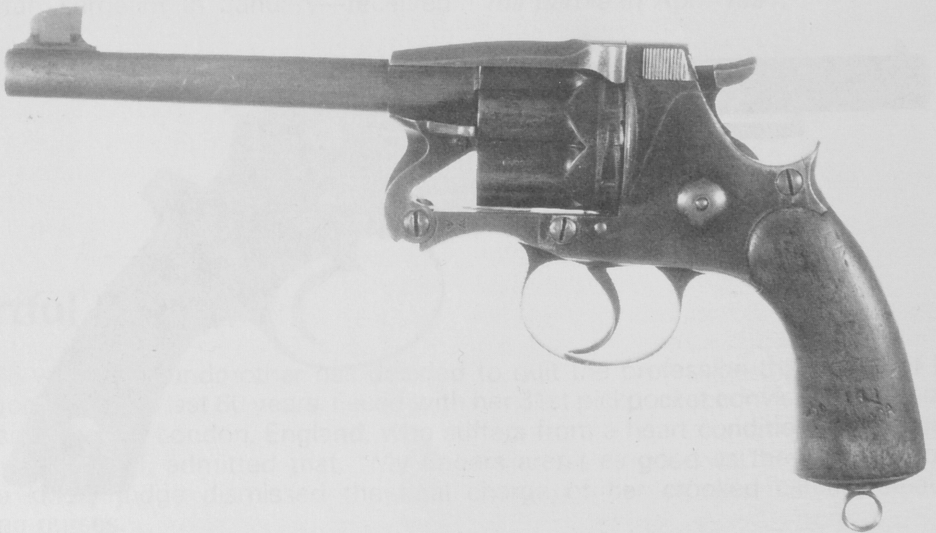
Adams, “First Model” — calibre .450



Adams, "Second Model"

was revealed that half the shipment was unserviceable. This 6-shot side-rod ejector model, weighing 32 ounces, had an overall length of 11.5 inches, including

a 6-inch barrel. As the side-rod shell ejector was unprotected, revolvers were frequently defective. In 1875, it was replaced by the "Second Model," a



Enfield — calibre .476

double-action revolver that could be cocked and fired just by pulling the trigger. This became the standard issue side arm of the Force until 1886.

The Enfield—calibre .476

Although better in quality than its predecessor, the Enfield had its share of faults as well. In the words of Commissioner Irvine, "Our Enfield revolvers are in good order, but they throw very high, owing to the cartridge being overloaded and complaints have been made that owing to a too shallow rim, the cartridge cannot be extracted without great difficulty. The revolvers are too heavy for our use."

As a matter of fact, the Enfield was quite heavy at 41 ounces, and with the increasing number of foot patrols this

had become a significant factor. The Enfield was one half inch longer than the Adams, yet its barrel was only 5.75 inches long. It was the first revolver to bear the official mark—Canada—below the serial number, and NWMP over the serial number, in a crescent. This weapon was employed by the Force until 1905.

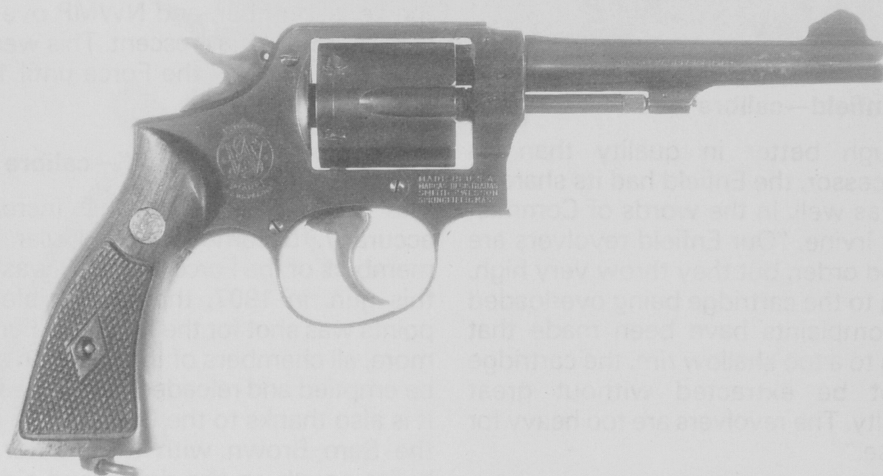
The Colt, "New Service"—calibre .455

The Colt, because of its increased accuracy, became very popular with members of the Force. In fact, it was with this gun, in 1907, that a possible 100 points was shot for the first time. Furthermore, all chambers of this weapon could be emptied and reloaded simultaneously. It is also thanks to the Colt that we have the Sam Brown with the holster and bullet pouch on the right hand side.

In its 49 years of service in the Force, until 1954, the Colt witnessed all the changes in the Force's insignia. Some Colts bear



The Colt, "New Service" — calibre .455



Smith and Wesson .38 Special — calibre .38

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the stamp NWMP, RNWMP or RCMP, and others, MP (Mounted Police), as they do today.

Although somewhat smaller than its predecessors, (10.75 inches overall with a 5.5-inch barrel), the Colt was nevertheless a heavy revolver at 42 ounces. It was not until the Smith and Wesson .38 Special arrived on the scene that the dream of three generations of mounted policemen (who had been waiting for a lighter revolver since 1897) was realized.

minimized recoil. It also had a muzzle blast and muzzle flash mechanism. The .38 calibre Smith and Wesson proved to be ideal for police work as far as size, weight, and recoil were concerned. The revolver was also available with 2-, 4-, and 6.5-inch barrels. The 2-inch barrel became very popular with detectives because it was the easiest to conceal. Although .38 Smith and Wesson side arms were acquired at various times by the Force the .38 Special has been the standard issue side arm of the Force for the last 37 years. ■

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Smith and Wesson .38 Special— calibre .38

With a 5-inch barrel and an overall length of 10 inches, this revolver weighed just 30 ounces and used a bullet which

An article on rifles of the Force will appear in an upcoming issue of *the Quarterly*. — Ed.

Incident at Rankin Inlet

by Sgt. J.T.N. Fradet

On April 4, 1988, Cpl. J.T.N. Fradet, NCO i/c, Rankin Inlet Detachment, along with his guide, Lucien Taparti, his son, Raymond Taparti and a fourth man, Luke Coady, set out by snowmobile around 10:30 a.m., to install headstones at the grave site of two members, at Cape Fullerton, Northwest Territories.

It was bitterly cold with blowing snow. They pushed on all day through bad weather, covering 162 kilometres and arrived at Saqvaqujac around 11:30 p.m.

The next morning, the weather was worse and they elected to remain at Saqvaqujac until the blizzard subsided, putting their time to good use repairing damaged equipment. Eventually the storm passed, and the party set out to complete their mission. Along the trail, they were joined by another party, Buster Welch, Maurice Kukkiak and Dan Pike, who were planning to survey a colony of harbour seals wintering north of Fullerton.

They reached Depot Island around 1:30 p.m. and the two groups parted. After some searching, Fradet found the graves and experiencing some difficulties due to steep rocks and broken ice, the group succeeded in placing the headstones. Their work completed, they started back towards Depot Island, where they planned to spend the night before returning home. Along the trail, Lucien spotted a polar bear and, grabbing his rifle, announced his intention to kill the animal. He loaded the firearm, untied the sled from his snowmobile and headed in

the direction of the bear. Fradet tried to keep the guide and the bear in view with his binoculars. It was difficult to determine the actual size of the bear, but he got the impression it was fairly large.

Losing sight of his guide, Fradet took off to find him, with Raymond riding in the sled behind the snowmobile. At first they saw the bear, then noticed Lucien running towards them. Apparently, he had somehow lost the sight off his firearm and asked if he could borrow Fradet's. Taking the rifle and some shells, he started out after the bear once more.

A little later, Fradet heard a shot, then saw the bear in the distance, up on its hind legs. Sensing something was amiss, he sped in Lucien's direction and found him down on his knees, his head and face covered with blood. Judging on the amount of blood, Fradet knew the injuries were serious. Lucien had been badly mauled, his scalp ripped back from his forehead to the back of his neck, and he had been bitten on the arms and hands. Fradet did his best to stop the flow of blood and dress the wounds using the first aid kit. With Raymond's help, he removed the shredded, blood-soaked parka, replaced it with a fresh one, and made the injured man as comfortable and secure on the sled as possible.

Fradet had two major concerns—Lucien required emergency medical attention, and there was also the matter of the angry, wounded bear nearby. They lost no time in heading back to Saqvaqujac.

They soon discovered they had one more serious problem to contend with—the blowing snow had all but covered their tracks and it was getting dark. They lost the trail several times. They had no choice but to press on—each minute they delayed reduced Lucien's chances of survival. Weary and cold, they finally arrived at Saqvaquac around 11:30 p.m.

While the injured man's wounds were being dressed, Fradet contacted Rankin Inlet Detachment by radio telephone. He planned to transport Lucien to Chesterfield Inlet and requested that medical assistance and a plane be waiting there for medical evacuation to Churchill.

The injured man was secured to the sled once again and the party set out for Chesterfield Inlet. Arriving around 2:00 a.m., they were greeted by the doctor from Rankin Inlet and two nurses who accompanied Lucien on the flight to

Churchill. Lucien Taparti's condition improved steadily during the following week and he eventually completely recovered.

As a matter of interest, on April 7, while returning to Saqvaquac, Buster Welch and his group came across the wounded bear's tracks near the sight of the incident. Unaware of what had happened, they located the 10-foot bear in the water at the edge of the floe. When it came out of the water and up onto the ice, Maurice Kukkiak shot it. To his surprise, the wounded animal kept coming at him and he had to fire six more rounds before the creature was finally brought down. It was not until they reached Saqvaquac that evening that they learned of Lucien Taparti's harrowing experience with the same bear. ■



Thoughts on Retirement

I guess everyone thinks about retirement; for me it is now a reality. As the Air Canada jet took off from Halifax, Nova Scotia, I pondered whether I had made the right decision. Had I really had enough of police work? Could I settle down as a civilian and forget my friends in the RCMP? I knew I would never forget my troopmates, the Force and civilian members I worked with and socialized with over the years. Nor would I forget the memories of my career.

As the plane levelled off, my thoughts returned to the tears of sadness in my partner, Cpl. Wayne Crossan's eyes as he bid me goodbye. Wayne had been quieter than usual after he helped me with my decision to retire. I am sure his thoughts were on all the experiences we shared. Like the time we had a shotgun pointed at us by a distraught fugitive, or the tears of joy we shared with members of a family when we found their missing grandfather.

It seems like yesterday I was in training, meeting my troopmates for the first time. They were just young pups from all over Canada. We were like putty in the corporal's hands as he put us through our paces. I remember running through the fields around Penhold, Alberta, thinking I would never walk straight again because I had so many knots in my legs. It felt so good to get back to the barracks at night, have a good meal, and "hit the hay" after a long day. In no time, training was over and we were being posted to Richmond, British Columbia. It seemed ironic the Force would send me there, when my home town was Baddeck, Nova Scotia. Everyone is interviewed prior to leaving

training and asked if they have any preferences about where they want to be posted. The rumour all recruits hear is that if you want to go to the East Coast, you tell the personnel officer you want to go to the West Coast.

As the plane flew over Ottawa, I remembered the time I chased a squirrel at the Canadian Police College at Rockcliffe and hit a parked police car. There was lots of paper work over the incident, as I required a cast, and my injury took me out of the Sounds and Saddles charity show. I returned in 1986, and stole the show; the crowd applauded my abilities and I remember how proud Wayne was of my performance. Then we participated in the Tattoo in 1987, at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Wayne had prepared an album to send with me that covered my career. It contained photos of friends from my training days and refresher courses, newspaper articles, letters of thanks from school children, parents and other police forces, and commendations from the Force for work we had done.

Jerry Forst, an ex-member, was to meet me at Edmonton International Airport and help get me settled. We had never met, but I knew that he and his wife, Ruth, lived with their children Robert and Tanya, on a few acres within city limits.

As I stepped out into the fresh Alberta air, I saw Jerry and his family. My first impression was that they were pretty

friendly, but I couldn't believe it when Jerry told me to climb into the back of the family sedan. I was expecting to ride in a station wagon or truck.

We were soon at my new home, where I met the rest of the family: "Thor", their Springer Spaniel, two cats and three of the biggest horses I've ever seen. I couldn't believe this place; I slept in the house with "Thor." Although I had a kennel and run, I preferred the smells of home cooking nearby. I had acres to run in and chewed up hundreds of sticks and frisbees.

Retirement sure changes your thinking; now it's more fun to hide things than to find them! Since arriving, I got into some trouble. Ruth found out that I know how to dig up my own carrots when she caught me sharing them with "Thor" and the horses.

But I'm not the first retiree to live with the Forsts. "Rex", Joe MacDonald's buddy, lived with them in British Columbia until he died. I'm sure "Rex" missed Joe, the way I miss Wayne, but

I realize that professionals like Joe and Wayne can't keep all their partners. It's sure good that they take the time to find retirement homes for us like the Forst's.

Do I think about police work? You bet! Whenever I hear a siren, see a flashlight, blue police car, or police uniform, I think about police work and the dedicated men, women, dogs and horses in the RCMP. I wonder how I would have looked in red serge....

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Reg. No. 252, Police Service Dog "Ukker" and his handler, Cpl. W. Crossan, trained at Innisfail, Alberta, in 1982. They served in British Columbia, Alberta and Nova Scotia. "Ukker" was retired in 1989.

The "ghost" author of this article is ex-Cpl. Jerry Forst. He wrote it in appreciation for receiving "Ukker" from the Force. "Thoughts on Retirement" is dedicated to all dog handlers, who have to retire a canine friend at some time.—Ed. ■



That's me ("Ukker") in the middle, with my new friend, "Thor", and the Forsts' horses.

Book Reviews

UNIFORMS OF THE CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE by Dr. James J. Boulton; illustrations by Ronald B. Volstad; Turner-Warwick Publisher, Inc., North Battleford, Saskatchewan. Available from the Scarlet and Gold Gift Shop, c/o RCMP Centennial Museum, P.O. 6500, Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 3J7

The image of the Redcoat Mounted Policeman has symbolized Canada to the world almost since the inception of the Force itself. It has meant honesty, fairness, tradition and dedication to duty and the care and responsibility of ensuring the well-being of all Canadians and visitors to our country. It was the Redcoat who came to the West to ensure that Canada's native peoples were not being demoralised by the bad influences of the whisky trader and his ilk and it was also the Redcoat that met early immigrants as they detrained at their new settlement, regularly checking on them and their basic necessities of life.

But how did the uniform evolve? This mystery has confounded scholars for many years, the loss of early records to fire and other natural disasters, coupled with over-enthusiastic record managers tied to unbending and insensitive policies over the years, have deprived us of a part of our heritage. Colonel Patrick Robertson-Ross, in his report recommending the founding of the police force in and for the North-West Territories, suggested that the red serge be issued to the proposed force. The native population had a healthy regard for British troops stationed in Canada who wore "red coats." It was thought that the colour of the uniform might help by association to endear the new force to

those for whom it was now responsible. However, the Earl of Dufferin, the Governor General at the time of the formation of the Mounted Police, in a letter to Lord Carnearvon stated, "Their uniform is to be red, to prevent them from being mistaken for Americans to whom the Indians bear no affection." These two distinct statements have added to the confusion as to the rationality of the most visible part of the now traditional uniform.

Fortunately, thanks to an innocent but misplaced gift of an old forage cap by the late Commissioner G.B. Maclellan, to a neighbour (Dr. Boulton) who actually collected Nazi headgear, present and future generations of historians and collectors of Mounted Police uniform now have a reference manual to work with.

In the preface to his book, Dr. Boulton states that, "The magnitude of the undertaking was quickly pointed out to me by Mr. S.W. Horrall of the RCMP Historical Section, and his initial scepticism that the project would be completed probably provided an important stimulus." Many of us involved in the project shared C/M Horrall's scepticism, however, we did not at that time know of Jim Boulton's tenacity, nor of the quiet patience of his wife, Lynn, to whom the book is dedicated.

With nothing really tangible to work with, it was necessary for Dr. Boulton to establish the correct terminology. By so doing, he has provided uniform parts and a work standard to all of us dealing with the Force. This, in itself, is a major break

through, as henceforth a tunic will be a tunic, a jacket a jacket, for those of us having a catalogue or detail uniform parts. This major work, of course, does not limit itself to upper wear, but includes all visible parts of the uniform and specialized clothing. Interestingly, members who have seen the book since its publication found items of kit that they had not previously been aware had been official issue at some time in our history.

As the author's first love remains head-dress, it is interesting to note that he wishes to continue his personal research further into this aspect and requests anyone with "photographs of Mounted Police headress in wear, early or modern, regulation or non-regulation," that have been discovered to contact him or the publisher.

The book itself is virtually complete, covering all aspects of the uniform except for sportswear, weaponry and horse furniture. It does include rank structure and clarifies the former use of military ranks. The topic of insignia and badges of appointment, although covered in some depth not previously delved into, has been left to another researcher who is currently finalizing a work on the specific area.

The use of "Orders of Dress" and "Kit Issue" tables add immensely to the full coverage of detail in this book, especially when used in conjunction with the profuse use of photographs and colour prints, the latter by Canada's leading military artist, Ronald B. Volstad. Like Dr. Boulton, he is also a native Albertan. Volstad's international reputation through

his work in such publications as *Military Illustrated*, and the British series, *Men-at-Arms* by Osprey, lends further value to the book. Yes, it is an expensive book judged on its own, however when compared to similar reference books, like university texts or other special interest books, it is very reasonably priced. The book would make an ideal gift for Mounted Police recruits or graduating history students, not to mention any student of Mounted Police history, as well as for birthdays or other anniversaries. Although it has the appearance of a coffee table book, it also has the strength of a research volume that should handle the thumbing it will receive. The publishers must also be congratulated for their part in providing not only the Force but also all those interested in Force history with this beautiful volume.

As with any work of this magnitude, there are errors. Although usually obvious, they are minimal and the author welcomes notification of them. But of more importance is the vast array of new information that will lead to further research and new information becoming available. From all we doubting Thomases, a debt of gratitude is due to Dr. Boulton, who for his dedication, gratification for a job well done may never be reclaimed. We, on the other hand, now have a fascinating and very readable insight into one aspect of our history that in the past had only been glossed over.

*reviewed by C/M Malcolm J.H. Wake,
Director, RCMP Centennial Museum*

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MANCATCHER by Jack Fossum, Black Creek, British Columbia, V0R 1C0; Lindsay Press, 1990. Available through book stores or author, \$14.95

This autobiographical account spans a sixty-year period of the author's life. It begins with his arrival in Canada in 1925, as a 19-year-old Norwegian immigrant arriving at the unrelenting Prairies with only one thing to sustain him—a dream to someday become a “Rider of the Plains”, a Mountie. Young, unskilled, and speaking little English, he was hard-pressed to find gainful employment. He became a drifter, wandering aimlessly from one menial job to another, mainly as a farm labourer, working at back breaking tasks from dawn to dusk for meagre wages.

Eventually Fossum found his way to the logging camps of British Columbia's Vancouver Island. Again, he toiled at arduous and dangerous jobs for poor wages and lived a spartan existence. Through it all, he clung to his boyhood dream of joining the RCMP, and as soon as the mandatory five-year waiting period was up, Fossum became a Canadian citizen. Soon after, he became a member of the RCMP.

Life changed very quickly for the new recruit who was not prepared for the strict discipline, rigorous training and military regimentation. In time, however, he adapted and went on to a rewarding and challenging career as a policeman. It was a turbulent time in the Canadian West during the 1930s, due to labour unrest, violent disturbances and frequent riots. But for the young policeman, this meant excitement and new challenge. He was to participate in many clashes between union radicals and the police.

According to the author, the policeman's life was easier, less complicated and safer during his service. Criminals seldom

carried guns for they knew that killing a policeman meant an automatic death penalty. As well, citizens and policemen alike had greater faith in the criminal justice system and fewer criminals got off on technicalities.

In the third and final segment of the book, Fossum recounts his second career as an administrator with the Alcan company. He was first involved in the securing of personnel, “mancatching”, for Alcan. With the rapid turnover of manpower in the company there was an ongoing need to provide a steady stream of labour. It was the time and place for men and women to have the unique opportunity to be modern-day pioneers. Alcan was busy clearing the British Columbia wilderness to make room for a modern city. Kitimat was transformed from dense forest land into a bustling company town almost overnight. It had a frontier town atmosphere yet all the trappings of a modern suburb.

It was a rough-and-ready time, with plenty of drunken brawling and gambling in the beer halls and saloons, where the men outnumbered the women 100 to one and the tensions due to boredom and loneliness ran high. It was also a time when a young man, if he was not careful, could lose a month's pay at the turn of a card to an itinerant professional gambler.

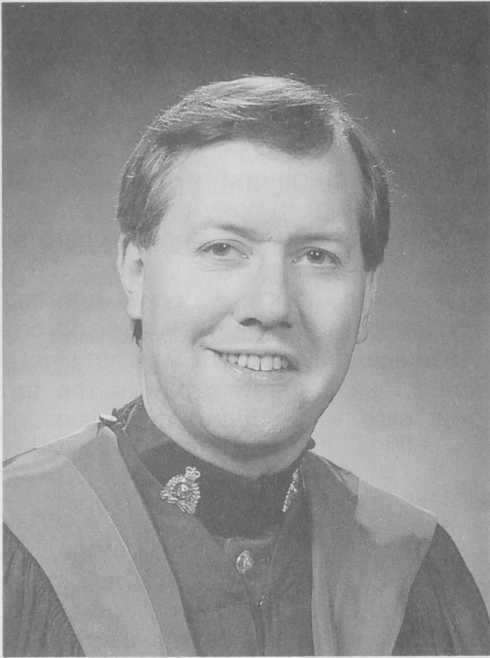
Fossum's story is not without a certain amount of humour and pathos. For instance, when a giant black bear meandered out of the dense forest surrounding the town and decided to pay a visit to the new beer hall, one of the local patrons, on seeing the dark apparition, made a bleary-eyed vow never to drink again. On the gloomier side, the author was obliged at one point to give the sad news to a young bride with an infant that an accident at the smelter had left her a widow.

Fossum has written an entertaining and convincing true account of his life in Canada. Some parts are witty, others are sad, while others have a flinty edge to them. I think members, ex-members or

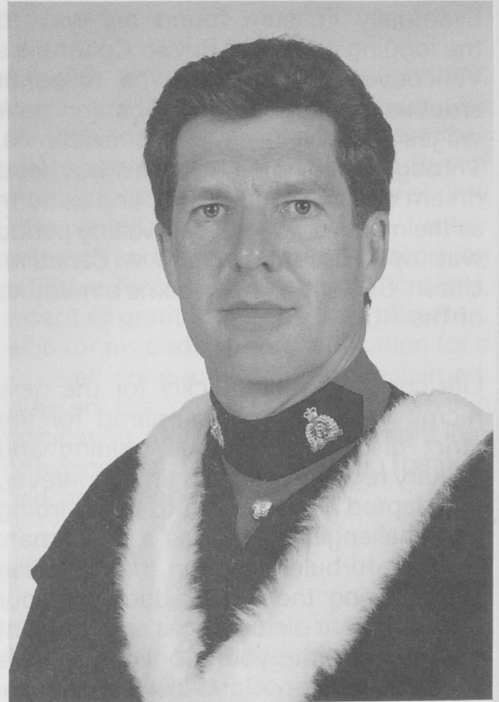
anyone interested in this unique era in Canadian history, would find this book both educational as well as entertaining.

reviewed by M.V. Thompson

University Graduates



On June 7, 1990, Reg. No. 30580, S/Sgt. P.M. German graduated from Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, British Columbia, with a Master of Arts degree in Political Science and, on November 29, 1990, he graduated from the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, with a Master of Laws degree.



On May 24, 1991, Reg. No. 25914, Cpl. V.B. Scowby graduated from the University of Regina in Saskatchewan, with a Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in Psychology.

RCMP Academy Graduates



Troop 4 (1990/91) began training on May 25, 1990, and graduated on November 19, 1990. (L-R) Seated: S.W. Hubley, R.S. McMurphy, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Supt. L.P. Wood, Cpl. J.L.R.C. Terriault, A.C. Bacchus. First row: B.A.J. Camp, J.G. Prevett, R.P. Plume, R.S. Beck, T.R. Boughen, D.M. Nassichuk, S.J. O'Brien, R.E. Wells. Second row: J.W.A. Robilliard, E.A. Halvorson, P.D. Olson, D.L. Sheets, M.W. Phillips, S.L. Thorne, K.J. Drover, D.E. Mayowski, R.J.F. Shannon. Third row: K.A. Lord, F.D. Lenarcic, C.D. Goudie, B.D. Bohlken, K.M. Derksen, G.J. Gerbrandt, P.B. Taylor, C.C. Campbell, J.A. Ketola, M.L. Hooper.



Troop 5 (1990/91) began training on May 31, 1990, and graduated on November 26, 1990. (L-R) Seated: D.L. Wells, Cpl. J.B.G. Lajoie, Supt. L.P. Wood, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Insp. J.R.M. Castonguay, Cpl. J.P. Veillette, G.D. Waidson. First row: J.A. MacIntosh, C.P. Harford, G.D. Stull, D.M. Rorison, S.M. Pollard, C.A. Cameron, D.L. MacVicar, L. Eskenazy, K.S. Hall, R.N. Diduch. Second row: N. Pearson, H.E. Brown, L.A. Olson, J.D. Montgomery, T.G. Richardson, G.S. Forzley, P.N. Sawka, D.R. Janes, S.D. Morgan. Third row: P.R. Solomon, K.C. Falconer, A.S. Bradley, R.J. Skolrood, K.M. Kohnen, D.W. Sampson, P.E. Foster, N.A. Smyth, P.G. Sheppard, R.E. Marx.



Troop 6 (1990/91) began training on June 21, 1990, and graduated on December 17 1990. (L-R) Seated: A.A. Walsh, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Supt. L.P. Wood, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. J.D. Ouellette, G.M. Grant. First row: L.L. Jardine, D.G. McKenna, D.B. Brookson, M.C.M. Ducharme, M.M. Marcichiw, N.P. Simms, G.D. Hay, J.D. Dupère, J.J.M. Durocher, T.L. Gribbon. Second row: B.D. Haugli, W.L. Foster, G.G. Franklin, S.E. Stephenson, J.B. Greene, R.J. Chabot, D.P. Jarvis, J.J.P.C. Brind'Amour, J.D. Topping. Third row: J.A.R.D. Blain, K.L. Painter, B.D. Stuart, M.W. Schagena, M.L. Casault, J.S. Aubry, B.P. Meyer, A.R.G. Shepherd, R. Huyghe, J.G. Turcotte.



Troop 7 (1990/91) began training on July 6, 1990, and graduated on December 19, 1990. (L-R) Seated: S.M. Bowden, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Supt. L.P. Wood, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. E.W. Plitz, M.C.J. Rousseau. First row: R.T. Zdrill, T.I. Baldauf, M.S. Larivière, R.H. Wood, D.L. Domodossola, R.A. Basra, J.H. Taplin, C.S. Lan, M.E. Grimsrud, K.S. Ng. Second row: G. Parisella, G. Fortis, M. Tomordidio, J.A.L.L. Martin, N.B. Rooney, J.R.R. Boivin, J.L.J. Beaulieu, R.S. Sandhu, J.V. Penney. Third row: W.E. Potter, E.D. MacKenzie, J.J.R. Côté, I.S. MacPherson, T.R. Smith, S.H. Montgomery, A.T. Cowan, E.A. Nini, J.R.R. Rozon, W.R. Harkin.



Troop 8 (1990/91) began training on July 12, 1990, and graduated on December 17, 1990. (L-R) Seated: A.G. Vecchio, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Supt. L.P. Wood, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. J.C.Y. Dupuis, E.S. Yewchuk. First row: G.L. White, B.K. Moss, H.A. Campbell, G.E. Kovacs, J.D. Noël, K.T.J. Gulaga, C.D. Cole, V.K. Steinhammer, L.E. Gélinas. Second row: B.A. Hergott, K.R.A. Aspen, J.C. Ross, K.J. Glaspey, E.B. Lewis, D.W. Toppings, M.J.B. Kurvers, L.G. Hamilton, D.S. Ward, R.T. Lane. Third row: E.J. Sutherland, G.B. Oberson, K.A. Bracewell, T.M.E. Beach, K.W. Holst, M.A. Buerfeind, S.N. Nordstrum, K.J. Kokesch, A.D.A.J. Rabut.



Troop 9 (1990/91) began training on July 17, 1990, and graduated on January 17, 1991. (L-R) Seated: J.D.L. Santiago, M.L.J. Meunier, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Supt. L.P. Wood, Cpl. J.F.G. Lévesque, H.G. Bickle. First row: M. Point, R.D. Boughen, A.D. Corscadden, M.S.M. Potvin, M.J. McKenna, M.J.S. Joyal, W.A. Kaiser, S.L. Gilboe. Second row: P.R.J. Emond, J.M. White, J.M.P. Girardeau, J.J.G. Morrison, J.L.M. Legault, R.K.P. Brown, L.G.J. Parent, I.A. Nasserden, K.L.J. Shearer. Third row: J.E. Bennett, P.S. Looker, J.M.P.G. Coupal, D.C. Kraus, J.A.J.P. Charlebois, A.F. Hamori, J.N.N. Lapointe, D.M. Muir, T. Critchlow, J.M.A.P. Bégin.



Troop 10 (1990/91) began training on August 2, 1990, and graduated on January 23, 1991. (L-R) Seated: M.F.D. Blain, C.M.M. McCrory, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Supt. L.P. Wood, Cpl. M.D. Lynn, M.J.M. Germain. First row: B.A.A. Hills, J.M. Léger, J.J.S. Lamoureux, R.A. Haugen, K.M. MacNeil, J.G. Beck, L.A. Stuart, S.A. Thompson, W.C. Oldford. Second row: B.J.G. Heffernan, M.A. Arbour, J.E.E. Bégin, J.C.P.A. Rodrigue, S.R. Claus, R.G. Clarke, J.A.C. Bisaillon, R.A. Haye, G.A. Macdonald, T.R.L. Casson. Third row: F.J. Priestley, R.J. Pilot, R.G. Cameron, W.C. Dargatz, R.J. Legault, G.A. Stevenson, B.J. Strangl, S.S. Allen, G.W. Okell.



Troop 11 (1990/91) began training on August 23, 1990, and graduated on February 8, 1991. (L-R) Seated: S.F. MacMillan, Cpl. C.T. Schumack, Supt. L.P. Wood, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. J.R. Frenette, S.D.M. Hansen. First row: J.A. MacKown, S.R. Ouston, C.K. McIntosh, T.G. Baulkham, D.F. Louie, M.J. Chizawsky, W.L. Pride, R.S. Lockwood, M.D. Mucha, K.B. Bartch. Second row: T. Charlton, J.P. Quirion, C.J. Kuzma, D.A. Kosiancic, J.R. Palmarin, P.E.S. Rennie, G.R. Atkins, C.M. Zablocki, R.W. Pritchett. Third row: C.R. Lair, K.W. Brissard, M.J.K. Burleigh, D.M. Feist, G.L. Sage, K.N. Campbell, W.N. Casault, D.J. Lucas, R.K. Mangles, G.R. Johnson.



Troop 12 (1990/91) began training on August 14, 1990, and graduated on February 15, 1991. (L-R) Seated: S.L. McLeod, Cpl. J.J.R. Stewart, Supt. L.P. Wood, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. L.M. Dudgeon, Cpl. D.B. Graham. First row: N.S. Sahota, B.A. Ayers, J.G. Duff, A.J. Martin, P. Mitchell, P.H. Sonnichsen, M.E. Williams, M.M. Griff, V.E. Cliffe, T.A. Figurski. Second row: D.J. Lucas, D.D. Noel, D.E.P. Hamm, C.E. Drotar, P.W. Trask, T.A. Omand, D.W. Wallace, R.D. Graves, G.A. Turner. Third row: P.E. Puszka, M.G. Parrott, J.R. Nordstrom, A.P. Grainger, D. Niedermayer, G.W. Lotoski, C.D. Noble, C.C. Melnychuk, S.O. Whitworth, R.W. Mudry.



Troop 13 (1990/91) began training on August 28, 1990, and graduated on February 22, 1991. (L-R) Seated: M.E.K. Tourangeau, Cpl. C.T. Schumack, Supt. L.P. Wood, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. R.X. Jerrett, M.L. Robichaud. First row: J.V.D. Chassie, L.J. McRoberts, G.G. Randall, A.A. Toner, J.G.P. Audet, P.W. Sandziuk, J.E. Harding, W.A.C. Kidd, J.E.B. Baker. Second row: I.P. Philip, W.A. Sutherland, J.G.B.J. Bourque, A.A. Jarvo, P.G.R.J. Richer, D. Mitropoulos, J.R.A. Trahan, B.T. Pemberton, R.L. Grant, M.J.F. Damien. Third row: J.P.M. Trépanier, S.R. Howard, K.C. Falconer, J.J.D. Bourque, C.T. Kiez, J.M.R. Bernard, R.J. Bergman, J.S.M. Rémillard, J.F.P. Gélinas, R. Marx, R.P. Ring.



Troop 18 (1990/91) began training on October 30, 1990, and graduated on April 22, 1991. (L-R) Seated: J.F. Devost, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Supt. L.P. Wood, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Insp. J.R.M. Castonguay, Cpl. J.M.D. Nadeau, J.J.P.C. Vinet. First row: P.Y.V. Cloux, J.P. Lefebvre, J.C.D. Daigle, J.J. Arsenaault, H.J. Jean, J.C.F.C. Routhier, R.J. Desilva, P. Nadeau, G.J. Pilon. Second row: C.S.J. Bastarache, J.B.L. Maillet, J.N.M. Hachey, C.C. Leblanc, R.G. Castonguay, J.S.P. Thibeault, S.A.J. Strike, L.E. Côté, J.A.P. Ruysen, J.S. Raymond. Third row: J.G.S. Drouin, J.A.J. Larouche, J.J.F.R. Paulin, R.D. Hoge, J.S.S. Avoine, P.M.J. Cloutier, J.A. Oakley, J.R. St. Gelais, B.C. Farbacher, A.G.J. Clément, J.E.S. Martin, J.M.J. Babin.



Troop 19 (1990/91) began training on November 6, 1990, and graduated April 29, 1991. (L-R) Seated: K.K. Tsai, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Supt. L.P. Wood, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Insp. J.R.M. Castonguay, Cpl. A.A. MacKenzie, K.M. MacNeil. First row: M.D.C. Morissette, R.P. Hrehirchuk, B.A. Jones, M.J.C. Hunter, E.J. Fraja, A.N. Mitchell, W.R. MacPherson, W.L. Jackson. Second row: W.L. Smith, K.R.J. Wass, K.C. Sandford, D.E. Erb, J.J.M. Archambault, M.J. Graham, D.M. Mosiondz, S.A. Bird, S.E. Wetter. Third row: W.S.J. Bursey, A.C. Babin, K.L. Watson, G.D. Campbell, R.W. Leary, W.R. Johnson, D.F. Gallant, B.R. Sawatzky, D.R. MacIsaac.



Troop 20 (1990/91) began training on November 20, 1990, and graduated on May 13, 1991. (L-R) Seated: F.M. Dumanski, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Insp. J.M.R. Tremblay, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Insp. J.R.M. Castonguay, Cpl. R.P. Gauthier, B.M. Holley. First row: B.M. O'Sullivan, J.R. Danyluk, R.E. Gorman, R.B. Hannibal, E.M. Kikcio, K.P. McCracken, J.E. Naylor, C.A. Makepeace. Second row: M.J. Lasko, I.S. Fraser, J.E.K. Weiss, L.P. Larocque, S. Boulger, J.M. Sessan, D.C. Campbell, M. Digiovanni, P.A. Dawkins. Third row: R.S. Faith, G.D. Edgar, P.A. Lucier, T.M. Jacklin, K.A. Palksen, L.S. Budial, B. Dhillon, L.G. Heintz. Missing: P.M. Kenney.



Troop 21 (1990/91) began training on November 27, 1990, and graduated on May 21, 1991. (L-R) Seated: M.L. Smith, S/M J.T.Y. Mercier, Insp. J.M.R. Tremblay, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, Insp. J.R.M. Castonguay, Cpl. B.G. Shannon, J.S. Basi. First row: T.A. McKernan, D.R. Pruden, D.H. Kryzanowski, S.C. Melling, D.G. Hardy, B.T. Cotton, K.G. Vardy, R.S. Buttar, J.F.E. Sylvain, D.G. Rawson. Second row: B.G. Struthers, B.J. Long, W. Setlack, M.D. Collins, J.P. Collister, D.A. Forsyth, W.P.M. Nan, R.G. Dixon, P.D.D. Sullivan. Third row: R.J. DeJong, P.D. Lane, B.R. Reed, M.B. Burnell, D.F. Rogers, D.E. Armstrong, R.J. Buchanan, G.W. Sliworsky, G.L. Kostach, M.A. Ferguson.

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MARRIAGE Reg. No. 37658, Cpl. J.B.D. Guay to Gail C. Madu, on May 25, 1991, at Leduc, Alberta.

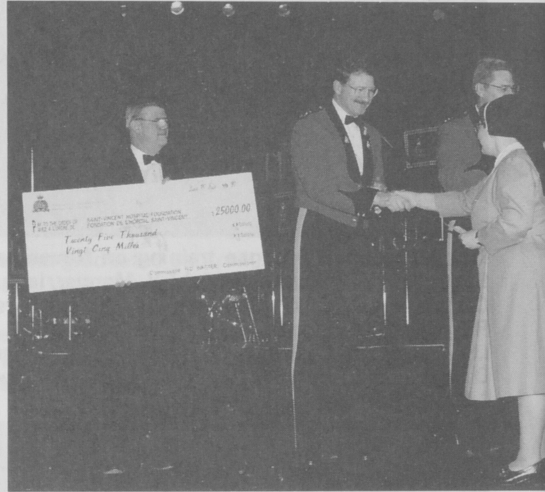
CHARITY BALL On June 16, 1991, the RCMP Charity Ball was held at the Ottawa Congress Centre. More than 900 guest were entertained by the RCMP Concert Band and treated to a spectacular floor show based on the theme of *Phantom of the Opera*. Proceeds of \$25,000 were raised for Saint-Vincent Hospital for the chronically-ill in Ottawa.



Miss Alice Morin, Honourary Chairperson of the 1991 RCMP Charity Ball, and resident of Saint-Vincent since 1936.

Mr. Tom Hewitt (standing at the left), Executive Manager of Saint-Vincent Hospital, and show producer, S/Cst. Gary Morton (standing, fifth from the left at the back), with cast of the *Phantom of the Opera* floor show.

Photos by Toomey Photography, Stittsville, Ontario



Commissioner N.D. Inkster presented the ceremonial cheque to Sister Gisèle Vadeboncoeur, Administrator of Saint-Vincent Hospital, holding the cheque is Mr. Graham Armstrong, Chairman of the Saint-Vincent Hospital Foundation.



SUNSET SPECTACULAR The Ceremonies Branch presented a special display with musical accompaniment from June 23-July 1, 1991, at the RCMP grounds in Rockcliffe. The display included performances by both the Concert and Bison Bands, a mounted arms display, a dressage demonstration, a jumping display and the world-famous Musical Ride. Every evening, the display would start with the carriage introduction of a guest of honour who took the salute from Insp. S.A. Ferguson, OIC, Musical Ride, and then gave permission for the Ride to carry on. Exceptionally warm temperatures resulted in capacity crowds of local and out-of-town fans for every performance.



SUNSET SPECTACULAR GUEST OF HONOUR On June 28, 1991, Physically Challenged Appreciation Day, Miss Lynda Walsh, HQ Operational Records, took a ride in the carriage, accompanied by D/Commr. G. W. Allen.



Through the Optimist Club of Beacon Hill, Richard Lemay won the chance to become Commissioner for a day, May 7, 1990. Richard met Commissioner Norman Inkster and then took a ride in the RCMP helicopter to Rockcliffe, where he inspected the Musical Ride.

Photo by C/M L.S. Martel, HQ Video Production Section



SENIOR PLANNER RECOGNIZED Mr. W.M. Macdonnell (L), Employment and Immigration Canada, accepted a token of appreciation from Insp. D.P. Pederson, OIC, Security Systems Branch, for his contribution on an organizational blueprint to be used in the planning of the Force's Emergency Preparedness Program to deal with foreign threats to Canada.

EMPLOYMENT EQUITY AWARD On May 22, 1991, the RCMP was honoured at the annual Awards of Excellence and Employment Equity Awards ceremony, held at the National Archives. The Public Service component of the RCMP was recognized for having shown the most significant progress in 1990, in the employment of Aboriginal people.

The award was based on several criteria, including the increased representation of Aboriginal Public Service Employees (3.1%, compared to 1.8% in the overall Public Service). A major contributing factor to this award was the recent sensitization video "Strength in Diversity," produced by Public Service Personnel Directorate on behalf of the Force. The use of Special Measures Programs, such as Northern Careers and on-the-job-training, as well as the RCMP Bridging Person-Year Program, also contributed to the employment of Aboriginal people. Cross cultural awareness training was also cited as an important consideration in granting the award.

Treasury Board President, Gilles Loiselle, made the presentation to D/Commr. G.W. Allen, who accepted it on behalf of the Commissioner.



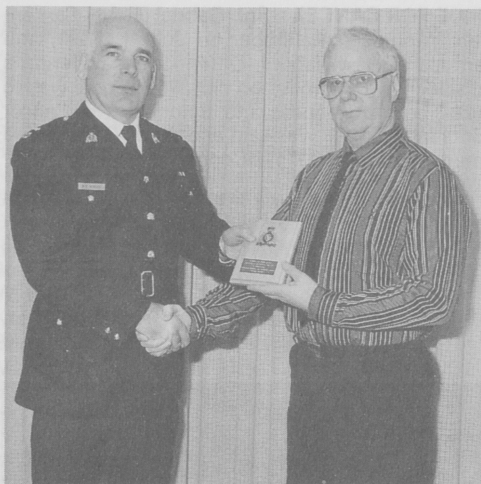
D.B. Kilpatrick, Liaison Officer to New Delhi, India (L), presented a plaque to Mr. Hem Bahadur, retiring as Chief of His Majesty's Government Royal Nepal Police Force.



EMPLOYMENT EQUITY AWARD PRESENTATION (L-R): Insp. J.R. Potts, Aboriginal Policing Directorate, Mrs. Jill Lang-Ward, Head, PS Personnel Employment Equity Section, the Honourable Gilles Loiselle, D/Commr. G.W. Allen, and Mr. Claude Morissette, Director, Public Service Personnel.



C/Supt. J.D. Walker, Director Public Affairs, presented a 25-year plaque to Mr. Roger Renaud, Display Section, in the presence of his wife, Ellen.



In recognition for his contribution to the Explosives Disposal and Technology Branch, Insp. D.J. Watson presented a plaque to Billy Beales, Canadian Corps of Commissionaires, in memory of his father, Jerome.



Mrs. Thérèse Ayotte, OIC, Translation Branch, retired at the end of July, after 35 years of service with the RCMP. Over the years, she had filled a number of supervisory positions in Translation Branch, and was named Officer in charge in 1978. Commissioner N.D. Inkster presented her with a print, as (L-R) Sgt. P. Vani, D/Commr. R.G. Moffatt and Supt. J.R.Y. Campagna, Director, Official Languages, look on. All her friends and colleagues wish her well in her retirement.



On May 31, 1991, many friends and members gathered at the Senior NCOs' Mess to pass along best wishes to S/Sgt. J.C. Roenspies, Publications Officer with the Public Affairs Directorate and Senior NCOs' Mess President, retiring after 35 years of service with the Force. (L-R) Front row: S/Sgt. Joe Roenspies, daughters Colleen and Michaela, and Mrs. Terry Roenspies. Back row: past presidents of the Senior NCOs' Mess, Sgts Paul T. Hughes (1988) and Bill Halliday (1990).

RIDE FOR CANCER Sgt. Gabriel (Gabe) Carrière left Winnipeg, Manitoba, on July 1, 1991, and arrived at Hawkesbury, Ontario, after covering a distance of 1500 miles on bicycle. His goal was to raise both awareness and funds for the Cancer Society. After all was said and done, Gabe raised more than \$10,000. Well done!

submitted by Cst. J.G. Peters



Sgt. Gabe Carrière was welcomed to Headquarters by A/Commr. N.A. Doucette, Director, Economic Crime, and Mrs. Louise Kroon, District Director, Canadian Cancer Society.

Photo by C/M L.S. Martel, HQ Video Production Section



On May 13, 1991, Sgt. L.C. Campbell, Staff Relations Branch, presented his son, Reg. No. 42927, Cst. D.C. Campbell, with his police badge, on his graduation from the RCMP Academy, at Regina.

On February 24, 1991, Musical Ride members faced off against the Greatest Legends On Ice, in a benefit hockey game to raise funds for the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario. Kevin Nadeau Taylor (CHEO child) dropped the puck at the official face-off in the presence of veteran referee Red Storey (L), Jimmy Mann (R) and Guy Lapointe (at back).

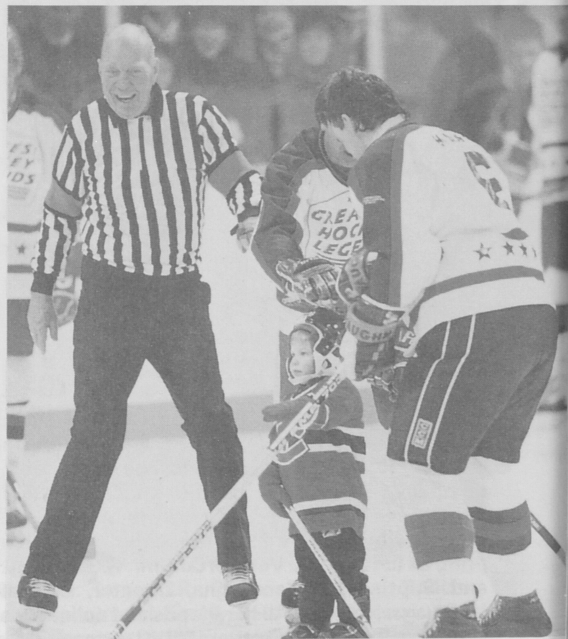


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FAREWELL Joseph Julien Magloire (Chris) Coulombe joined the Force as a Civilian member, chauffeur/driver, on October 18, 1948. Finding his name (Magloire) difficult to pronounce and because his last name sounds similar to "Columbus" in French, his co-workers dubbed him "Chris." He was personal driver to Commissioner L.H. Nicholson, and often drove the truck for the RCMP Band on tour. Retiring from the Force in 1975, Chris joined the Canadian Corps of Commissioners, and was stationed at the CPIC Building, where he served until his retirement, March 28, 1991. Chris made a lot of friends in the Force and we all wish him well in his retirement.

VETERANS' NEWS The following new members were welcomed into the Veterans Association: Reg. No. S/0469, James Thomas Birtch Bee; Reg. No. 21359, John C. Benfield; Reg. No. C/730, Rose Elsie Case; Reg. No. 19313, Randil Bruce Claxton; Reg. No. 22738, James Thompson Crawford; Reg. No. 17695, George William Day; Reg. No. 20338, George Albert Drury; Reg. No. 18449, Patrick John Dunleavy; Reg. No. C/089, Helen Martha Foster; Reg. No. C/079, Jean I. Geldart; Reg. No. C/672, Jos. Phillipe Gabriel Grant; Reg. No. 18114, John W. Herring; Reg. No. 21080, André Lambert; Reg. No. 19902, Douglas Ashton Louks; Reg. No. 18877, Bruce Marr; Reg. No. 15963, Robert Kenneth McConkey; Reg. No. C/531, M.C. Dorothy McDonald; Reg. No. 22473, Nelson Sanford McKinnon; Reg. No. 18271, Dennis Grant Miller; Reg. No. 21728, John Francis Neave; Reg. No. 15670, James Alexander Cameron Price; Reg. No. 15984, W.J.T. Rankin; Reg. No. 18963, James Bruce Ryan; Reg. No. C/741, John Robert Alexander Sherriff; Reg. No. 25358, Ross D. Tuddenham; Reg. No. 18299, Adney C. Tuttle; Reg. No. C/096, Catherine M. Villmere; Reg. No. 18327, Thomas Stanley Bennet; Reg. No. C/1202, Warren G. Fox; Reg. No. C/069, Maynard James Fraser; Reg. No. S/075, Leslie H.J. Griffiths; Reg. No. C/475, Barry Lewis Hamilton; Reg. No. S/017, Donald Edgar Hancock; Reg. No. S/1439, Anne Jacqueline Hatfield; Reg. No. 21250, David Richard Holland; Reg. No. 19527, Robert C. Kennedy; Reg. No. C/1219, W.J. Low; Reg. No. 19709, John Patrick MacPhee; Reg. No. 16184, Arthur Morris; Reg. No. 17443, Michael Prentice; Reg. No. C/562, Josephine Roshka; Reg. No. 17941, Douglas Bowman Smith; Reg. No. 16027, Leonard J. Swift; Reg. No. C/076, Lucille Yaworski.

"A" Division

Headquarters — Ottawa, Ontario

FAREWELL AND WELCOME On April 5, 1991, "A" Division members, friends and relatives gathered to bid farewell to their former Commanding Officer, A/Commr. P.J. Pottier, transferred to the position of Director, Protective Policing at Headquarters, and welcome the new Commanding Officer, A/Commr. J.P.R. Murray.

A/Commr. P.J. Pottier (L), and A/Commr. J.P.R. Murray, signing the change of command certificate, witnessed by Cst. J.P.L. Laporte.



OCAPCC In December, 1990, the Ottawa-Carleton Area Police and Community Council (OCAPCC) was established to foster positive relations between the various community groups and police agencies in order to respond to each other in times of crisis.

The council is composed of representatives of ethno-cultural organizations and police agencies in the Ottawa-Carleton area, including "A" Division personnel.



(L-R): Insp. G.P. Kain and A/Commr. J.P.R. Murray, CO, "A" Division, presenting new OCAPCC letterhead and envelopes donated by "A" Division, to Mr. Alix Hector, Chairperson, OCAPCC in the presence of Insp. Wayne Burke, Gloucester Police.

"B" Division

Headquarters — St. John's, Newfoundland

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 38907, Cst. J.P.M.S. Joseph and his wife, Carole, a son, Julien-Robert, on January 16, 1991, at Stephenville, Newfoundland.

To Reg. No. 40325, Cst. T.R. Miller and his wife, Lori, a daughter, Jennah LouAnne, on April 21, 1991, at Stephenville, Newfoundland.

Upon his transfer from Commanding Officer, "B" Division, to Director, Corporate Services in Headquarters, Ottawa, C/Supt. R.C. Currie was presented with a framed picture of schooner "Norma and Gladys," by S/Sgt. Alex Andrews, Canadian Corps of Commissionaires.



COMMENDATIONS On May 24, 1991, the CO, "B" Division, C/Supt. G.A. Butt, presented commendations at the Gander Sub-Division office, in the presence of the OC, Gander Sub-Division, Supt. J.E. McGuire.

Cst. D.A. Bogle received the Commissioner's Commendation for Outstanding Service, for his perseverance, ingenuity and professionalism

displayed in a 1988 murder investigation. He is presently posted at Windsor, "H" Division, Nova Scotia.

Cst. J.A.J. Ratte, Clarendville Detachment, received the Commanding Officer's Commendation for the courageous and professional manner in which he apprehended and arrested an armed and mentally unstable young man who had discharged a firearm on the Burin Peninsula.



COMMENDATIONS C/Supt. Butt making presentations to Cst. Bogle (L), and Cst. Ratte.

Photos by Gander Forensic Identification Section



On November 25, 1990 His Honor James A. McGrath, Lieutenant-Governor, Newfoundland/Labrador presented the Order of St. John Life Saving Certificates to Cst. A.A. Ross, Sgt. G.G. Tabor, Cpl. D.J.V. MacDonald and S/Sgt. W.R. Fraser. C/Supt. G.A. Butt, Commanding Officer was also in attendance

CHRISTMAS VISITORS Members at Gander Airport Detachment convinced Santa Claus to leave his busy schedule and visit the children's hospital ward. Many spirits were lifted by the generosity of Kelli Fraser, Anthony Murray, Cpl. Cal Smith, Gander Sub-Division Identification Section, and the businesses who contributed the gifts.

MEMORIAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT The 26th annual Robert Arney Memorial Hockey Tournament was held at Buchans, March 8-10, 1991. Labrador Sub-Division beat Gander Sub-Division in sudden-death overtime. Individual awards went to: Cst. P.J. Ayotte, Gander S/Div., Most Valuable Player; Cst. A. Elliot, Labrador S/Div., Top Goaltender, and Cst. D.G. Cooke, Corner Brook S/Div., Top Defenceman. The event netted approximately \$2000 for Buchans' Minor Hockey Association.



(L-R) At the front: Santa and Tony Chaulk. Back row: Cpl. Lindsay Fraser, Csts Marie Dumont and Bob Little and Kelli Fraser.



The final score was a tie—eleven all—at the finish of the floor hockey match between the RCMP Puck Patrol and the Virginia Park Elementary School All-Star Panthers. (L-R) Front row: Genie Evelyn, Kristen Arnott and Eric Penny. Second row: Linda Vincent, Kylie Budgell, Melissa Aylward, Erin Mallard, Sharon James, Chris Hefford, Jeffrey Cook and Shane Vincent. Third row: Brad Lardner, Angela Edmunds and Sara Arnott. Fourth row: Tim Facey, Sgt. R.J. (Scooter) Skanes, Cst. B.T. (Criminal) Cripps, Cst. R.W. (Gretzky) Gulliford, Cst. M. (Vicious) Valcourt, Insp. P.D. (Mario) Martin, Sgt. H.E.D. (Over) Coates and Sgt. M.E. (Bruiser) Brown.



On March 15, 1991, Insp. R.A. Bunn, OC, Labrador Sub-Division, presented the Long Service Medal to Cpl. S.A. Caines, NCO i/c Labrador West, Federal Enforcement Section.

"C" Division Headquarters — Montréal, Quebec

LAW ENFORCEMENT DAY On April 14, 1991, the Champlain Valley Crime Stoppers in Burlington, Vermont, organized their annual Law Enforcement Day, and invited various police forces, including municipal, state, federal and to add an international flavour, the RCMP, to meet with the general public.

Csts T.J. Sisk, Lacolle Detachment, and L. Lafleur, Bedford Detachment, represented the Force, meeting over 2000 people from the United States and Canada.

submitted by Cst. T.J. Sisk



(L-R): Jim Bringham, St. Albans PD, Vermont; Anthony Hart, US Marshals; Kim Burbo, Burlington PD, Vermont; Jim Markiewiez, Vermont State Police; Cst. Ted Sisk; Kenneth McCart, US Border Patrol; William McCarthy, US Marshals; Jeff Barton, Colchester PD, Vermont; Gary Bullard, Vermont Department of Liquor Control, and Ron Tatro, Executive Director of Champlain Valley Crime Stoppers.

Photo by Bill Gerke, US Marshals

PEE-WEE NEIGE TOURNAMENT 1991 More than 6000 persons either participated or attended the 20th annual provincial Pee-Wee Neige Hockey Tournament, held at Rivière-du-Loup's Stade de la Cité des Jeunes, February 22-24, 1991. It was a perfect occasion to reach young and old alike about

Drug Awareness. "Live a Drug Free Life" pins were given to participants and their coaches, and more than 650 pins and 1000 posters were handed out.

submitted by Cpl. J.A.R. Paul



Sgt. Gilles Potvin presented a plaque donated by Rivière-du-Loup Municipal Police Force, to the Autobus Voltigeur team from Drummondville, for being the most disciplined team off-ice.



Csts Todd Gilmore and Charles Ouellette presented a plaque donated by members and staff of Rivière-du-Loup Detachment, to the most disciplined team on the ice, the Motel Guys from St-Jacques, New Brunswick.

"D" Division

Headquarters — Winnipeg, Manitoba

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 37693, Cst. J.F.F. Henri and his wife, Michele, a son, Jordan, on March 25, 1991, at Flin Flon, Manitoba.

To Reg. No. 32783, Cst. R.A. Ross and his wife, Marion, a son, Daniel Robert William, on November 29, 1990, at Winnipeg.

MARRIAGE Reg. No. 40328, Cst. J.A. Whelan to Todd Wayne Morgan, on April 20, 1991, at Stephenville Crossing, Newfoundland.



COMMENDATIONS On May 9, 1991, A/Commr. J.B.D. Henry, CO, "D" Division, awarded the Commanding Officer's Commendation for bravery to Csts J.P. Berthelot (L), and P.G. Muehling, Steinbach Detachment, for entering a burning house to apprehend an armed and dangerous suspect.



On March 28, Cst. D.C. Burt, presented a \$809.72 cheque to Suzan Simard, Bone Marrow Donor Registry.

BENEFIT DANCE Over the last three years, Russell Detachment members and firefighters have organized a Valentine's Day dance to raise funds for charity. This year's dance was quite successful and funds were donated to the Manitoba Red Cross Unrelated Bone Marrow Donor Registry. Thanks to Csts Don Burt and Dave Dzuba, Russell Detachment has the distinction of being the first detachment in Manitoba to organize a fundraiser for this worthwhile project.

VETERANS' NEWS The following new members were inducted into the Manitoba Division of the Veterans' Association: Reg. No. 21905, Neil Dickson; Reg. No. 22486, Donald Fleetwood, and Reg. No. 18501, George R. Granger.

"E" Division

Headquarters — Vancouver, British Columbia

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 36088, Cst. H.R. Belt and his wife, Ingrid, daughters, Krystelle Ingrid, on January 25, 1986, at Prince Rupert, British Columbia, Jessica Talena, on January 22, 1990, at Salmon Arm, B.C., and a son, Dallas Robert, on March 19, 1991, also at Salmon Arm.

To Reg. No. 37203, Cst. J.P. DePaulo and his wife, Tracy, a son, Joseph Linton Samuel, on January 24, 1988, and a daughter, Baylei Catherine Louise, on April 6, 1989, at Prince George, British Columbia.

To Reg. No. 36974, Cst. W.P. Dona and his wife, Marion, a son, Brenden Angelo Juhasz, on September 24, 1989, at Abbotsford, British Columbia.

To Reg. No. 36886, Cst. D.C. Hogg and his wife, Debbie, a daughter, Larissa Elizabeth, on August 19, 1990, at Smithers, British Columbia.

MARRIAGE Reg. No. 37203, Cst. J.P. DePaulo to Tracy Suzanne Davison, on November 1, 1986, at Agassiz, British Columbia.

AWARDS The semi-annual Awards Presentation Ceremony held April 19, 1991, at "E" Division Headquarters, was presided by master of ceremonies, C/Supt. A.G. Clarke. D/Commr. D.K. Wilson, CO, "E" Division, presented the awards for the last time, as he was retiring this summer. The 45 recipients were piped in by ex-S/Sgt. W.F. McCheyne.



(L-R) Seated: Lt.-Col. Y. Navakul and Lt.-Col. P. Prempooti, Royal Thailand Police Department, S/Sgt. N.J. Medley (SCS), Insp. G.G. Briggs (SCS), Supt. R.T. Byam (SCS), C/Supt. Clarke, D/Commr. Wilson, Supt. D.G. Cowley (GCS), S/Sgt. J.A.L. Hamilton (GCS), S/Sgt. F.E. Zaharia (GCS), S/Sgt. K.H. Richert (GCS), S/Sgt. E.I. Zwick (GCS) and Mr. Darcy Frankforth (COC). Second row: Ex-S/Sgt. McCheyne, Cst. S.W. Brooks (USDEP), Sgt. M.W. Dauk (LSM and USDEP), S/Sgt. J.B. Jansen (BCS), Sgt. A.R. Ellard (BCS), Sgt. R.R. McDowell (BCS), S/Sgt. J.T.A.T. Dixon (BCS), Sgt. H.G. Hume (BCS), Cst. D.H. Edy (BCS), Ms. Diane Dolmans (SJAA), Ms. Annie Dolmans (SJAA), Mr. Percy Hymers (SJAA), Mr. Derrick Hay (SJAA) and Mr. Hugh Sundquist (SJAA). Third row: Cpl. T.D.D. Jette (LSM), Sgt. K.R. Burkett (LSM), Sgt. G.W. Board (LSM), Cpl. W.J. Larke (LSM), Sgt. R.R. Scheller (LSM), Sgt. L.D. Wolokoff (LSM), Sgt. R.G. Scheelar (LSM), Cpl. D.S. Wetteland (LSM), Cpl. B.W. Stark (LSM) and Cpl. J.F. Webb (LSM). Fourth row: Cpl. W.W.P. Warner (LSM), Cpl. D.B. Blommaert (LSM), Sgt. R.K.H. Winslow (LSM), Sgt. D.M. Dobrowolski (LSM), Cpl. L.P. Bodnar (LSM) and Cpl. J.P. Chersak (LSM). Fifth row: Cpl. P.D. Marsh (LSM), Cpl. A.J. Dejersey (LSM), Cpl. G.L. Oke (LSM) and Cpl. W.T. Kerr (LSM). Missing from photo: Mr. G. Bruno.

Legend: Bronze Clasp and Star (BCS), Commanding Officer's Commendation (COC), Gold Clasp and Stars (GCS), Long Service Medal (LSM), Silver Clasp and Stars (SCS), St. John Ambulance Award (SJAA), US Drug Enforcement Plaque (USDEP)

Photo by C/M Jane Daborn, "E" Division Forensic Identification Section

REUNION After directing the RCMP Concert Band in Vancouver during Expo 86, David Thomas, a special friend of the Force, and Insp. C.J. Hendricks, Director of Music, had occasion to rekindle their friendship in Port Alberni, on April 22, 1991. The Concert Band played to a full house of 1000 students in the afternoon and proceeds from the concerts were donated to the Port Alberni District Secondary School Band.



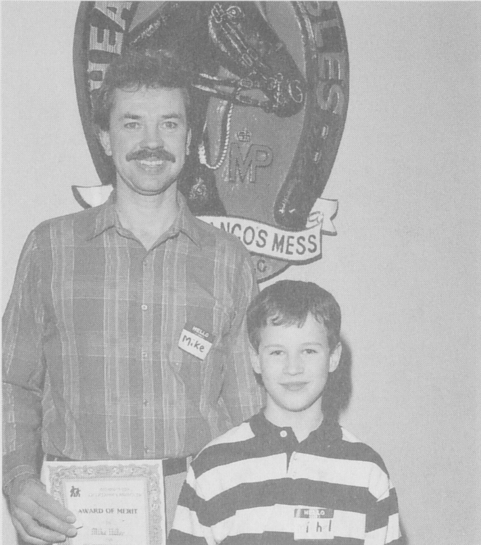
During the evening performance, Insp. Hendricks presented an autographed photograph of the RCMP Band to David.



On April 20, 1991, members of Kelowna Sub-Division, close friends and family wished Supt. B.M. Blachford all the best in his retirement, after serving 37 years in the Force. (L-R): Insp. H.J. Westheuser, Supt. Blachford, Mrs. Westheuser and Mrs. Blachford.



MOUNTIE STOMP 1991 Merritt Detachment members presented a \$515 cheque to "Mountie Stomp '91," held at Kamloops, on April 27, 1991. The money raised at the Detachment's "Schmocky" game went to the Bone Marrow Fund. (L-R) Back row: S/Sgt. R.C. Stewart, Sgt. D.B. Harper and Cst. T.A. Senio. Middle row: Cst. J.R. Ferris, Winston Reikert (star of CTV's "Neon Rider"), Jackson Davies (star of CBC's "The Beachcombers"), Csts L.G. Moulard and R.W. Yates. Front row: (CTV security, identity unknown) and Cst. G.L. Tyrrell. Missing from photo: Cpl. R.B. Gardiner.



BIG BROTHERS The Greater Vancouver Big Brothers Association held its annual Awards Night on February 18, 1991, at the Vancouver NCOs' Mess. Awards were presented to all Big and Little Brothers who completed their first year together. Big Brother, Cst. M.R.C. Hiller, Vancouver Drug Section, and Little Brother, Michel Larouche, are shown with their awards.

SKI TO SEA Members of Kelowna Sub-Division and Kelowna City Traffic Section took part in Kelowna's Annual Ski to Sea event on April 20, 1991. The race comprised downhill skiing, a 10-km cross-country skiing trail, a 23-km mountain bike



(L-R): Cpl. J.C. Suttie, Sgt. H.K. Leibel, Cst. C.R. Van Den Brink, Insp. H.J. Westheuser, Csts K.D. Gordon, A.J. Doody and M. Bérubé.

run, a 35-km road bike tour, a 10-km cross-country run and a 12-km canoe race. While members of the crew did not make first place, they did put forth a valiant effort and made an honourable showing.

REGIMENTAL DINNER The annual Victoria Sub-Division Regimental Dinner was held in the NCOs' Mess on February 27, 1991. Head table guests included the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, the Honourable David Lam, and guest speaker, Mr. Carston Stroud, a friend of the Force and author of police stories such as "The Blue Wall," "Close Pursuit" and "Sniper's Moon." Supt. R.H. Waller, OC, Victoria Sub-Division, served dinner to the junior member in attendance, Reg. No. 42477, Cst. B.J.G. Heffernan.



A Long Service Award ceremony was held during the annual Victoria Sub-Division Regimental Dinner and decorations were presented by the Lieutenant-Governor. (L-R) Front row: Sgt. R.P. Cockrell, A/Commr. F.G. Palmer, OIC, "E" Division Criminal Operations, Lieutenant-Governor David Lam, Supt. R.H. Waller and Sgt. J.W.P. Henzie. Back row: Cpl. R.D.S. Rose, Sgt. R.J. Merchant, S/Sgt. H.B. McCombe and Cpl. H.G. Friesen.

CO'S COMMENDATION AND LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

On June 20, 1990, members from Port Alberni Detachment responded to a call of a distraught, suicidal male youth armed with a knife, threatening to injure himself and others near his home. For his bravery and self-control in handling a volatile situation, Cst. J.M.H.S. Cashulette was awarded the Commanding Officer's Commendation, and Cpl. D.W. Nauer and Csts D.H. Smith and T.J. Herchek received Letters of Appreciation for their roles in the successful handling of this situation.



Insp. B. Andersen, OIC, Port Alberni Detachment, presented a Letter of Appreciation to Cst. Smith (R). Cst. Herchek was transferred prior to the presentation.



On February 23, 1991, A/Commr. F.G. Palmer, OIC, "E" Division Criminal Operations, presented a Letter of Appreciation to Cpl. Nauer (L), and the CO's Commendation to Cst. Cashulette.



On March 1, 1991, Supt. B.M. Blachford, OC, Kelowna Sub-Division, officially swore into the Force Reg. No. 43397, Cst. C.A. Jarvis, in the presence of her parents, S/Sgt. L.W. Jarvis and Mrs. Jarvis.



◀ **APPRECIATION AWARD** Insp. T.P. Smith, OIC, Vernon Detachment, presented an appreciation award to Mr. Gary Commazetto, for donating approximately 100 A&W Root Bears each year. The stuffed toys are given out to young victims of motor vehicle accidents or domestic disputes and have been proven highly effective in reducing negative psychological effects on children.



◀ **GOLDBLOCKS AND THE THREE BEARS** The Vernon Detachment team entered in the eleventh annual Over the Hill Downhill event held at Silver Star Mountain Resort, February 8-10, 1991, took first place in the costume division. (L-R): Cpl. L.W. Cecchini, S/Sgt. B.A. Papp, Cst. M.C. Lemire and Cpl. R.T. Boal.

ALL-POLICE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT Supt. P.J. Helfrich, OC, Courtenay Sub-Division, dropped the puck to officially begin the 1991 British Columbia All-Police Hockey Tournament, hosted by Courtenay Sub-Division and Courtenay Detachment.

Eight teams entered the three-day tournament. A multi sub-division team, representing Prince George won the "A" event over a combined RCMP/Municipal Force team from Victoria. The consolation event was won by the host Courtenay Sub-Division team. Next year's tournament is to be held at Kamloops.



SQUAD REUNION On April 26-27, 1991, fifteen members of "F" Squad (1952), gathered in the Holiday Inn at Vancouver for a 39-year reunion. (L-R) Front row: Bernie Massine, Owen Young, Clarence Gitzel, Keys Cullen, Mike Danniels and Lorne Wagner. Back row: Bob Owens, Scott Coxen, Al Schultz, Ray Zerr, Bill Woods and Bob Corley.



1991 B.C. ALL-POLICE CHAMPIONS (L-R) Kneeling: Cst. J.L.R. Lauzon, Cpl. C.F. Schaal, Csts R. Groulx, K. Johnson, D.D. Clare, D.J. Walsh and S.A. Doran. Standing: Csts T.D. Humberstone, M.S. Tivers, R.T. Shedden, W.J. Dosco, W.S. Wilson, R.R. Roenspies, B.J. McLellan and W.D. Keely.

VETERANS' NEWS The Kamloops Division of the Veteran's Association welcomed the following new members: Reg. No. 20482, ex-S/Sgt. R.J. (Jim) Aird; Reg. No. 22491, ex-S/Sgt. O.F. (Ollie) Forsyth; Reg. No. 19899, ex-Sgt. M.A. (Mel) Caverly; Reg. No. 20445, ex-Sgt. T.N. (Bud) Baldwin; Reg. No. 26881, ex-Cpl. G.E. (Glen) Butterfield and Reg. No. 21679, ex-S/Sgt. G.W. (Gerald) Miller.

The Okanagan Division of the Veterans' Association welcomed Reg. No. 15829, ex-Cst. H.S. Bolton; Reg. No. 17531, Supt. G.O. George (retired); Reg. No. 20653, R. (Bob) McAndrew and Reg. No. 17332, J.T. (Jim) Woods as new members.

The Vancouver Division of the Veterans' Association welcomed new members, Émile Beaulieu, Ed

Montrose, Ross Richardson, John Nesbit, Gary Bowerman, Dave Alderson and Jack Morton.

Members of the new Central Vancouver Island Division of the Veterans' Association, based at Nanaimo, held their first meeting on May 4, 1991. W.J. (Bill) Stanton was declared President by acclamation; W.L. (Bill) Crawford was elected Vice-President; Bill Parsons was voted Secretary by acclamation; Mary Turner was elected Assistant-Secretary, and A.C. (Andy) Meacock, Treasurer. The following volunteered to serve as directors in their own districts: R.F. (Russ) Labelle, Nanaimo; A. (Tony) Antoniuk, Parksville-Qualicum Beach, and R.W. (Bob) Morley, Comox-Courtenay-Campbell River-Powell River. Duncan and Port Alberni remain to be filled.

"F" Division

Headquarters — Regina, Saskatchewan

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 36840, Cst. R.D. Aird and his wife, Nemona, a son, Calvin Douglas, on March 7, 1991, at Kindersley, Saskatchewan.

To Reg. No. 39337, Cst. G.D.J. Canning and his wife, Denise, twin daughters, Kayla Alexandria, and Kelsey Anne, on December 23, 1990, at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

To Reg. No. 37830, Cst. A.A. Foster and her husband, Edward Fitzmaurice, a son, Brock Alford, on March 5, 1991, at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

To Reg. No. 37423, Cst. K.B. Piper and his wife, Kathy, a son, Brent Kenneth, on January 12, 1991, at Lloydminster, Saskatchewan.

To Reg. No. 38269, Cst. N.J.L. Smyth and his wife, Gail, a son, Sean Michael Lowry, on July 14, 1986, at Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, and a daughter, Sarah Kathleen Elizabeth, on June 5, 1990, at Nipawin, Saskatchewan.

Proceeds pooled with those of the Southend RCMP collection were donated to the Southend Minor Hockey Team.

submitted by Casey Howey



Player Bruce Cook and Isidore Cook, coach of the Reindeer Lake Devils, proudly accepted the contribution presented by Conservation Officer Casey Howey (L), and Cst. E.D. Bird, Southend Immigration and Passport Section (R).

LONG SERVICE AWARD CEREMONY On November 23, 1990, a Long Service Awards Presentation ceremony was held at "F" Division headquarters to acknowledge the distinguished service of 37 division members. The Honourable Sylvia O. Fedoruk, Lieutenant-Governor of Saskatchewan, presented the medals and officer's parchments to four recently promoted officers.

Cpl. M.A. Johnston, Lloydminster GIS, was awarded the Commissioner's Commendation for Bravery for disarming and arresting an intoxicated man carrying a shotgun on October 13, 1989.

Namibia memorabilia were presented to A/Commr. C.I.C. Macdonell, CO, "F" Division, by Supt. M.F. O'Reilly on behalf of the "F" Division Namibia Contingent.



Officers who received parchments from Her Honour Sylvia O. Fedoruk assisted by A/Commr. Macdonell (L-R): Insp. G.A. Stait, M.J. Sawatsky, N.H. Nurse and M.L. Bergman.



(L-R) Front row: Cpl. T.J.T. Stevely (LSM), Sgt. C.H. Hargreaves (BCS), S/M R.E. Williamson (GCS), Cpl. R.V. Reynolds (LSM), Insp. H.S. Harrison (BCS), the Honourable Sylvia O. Fedoruk, A/Commr. C.I.C. Macdonell, Cpl. D.A. Horn (LSM), Cpl. B.J. Dilts (LSM), Insp. J.G. Cunningham (BCS) and Insp. L.R. Evans (SCS). Second row: S/Sgt. A.B. White (BCS), Cpl. R. Parisée (LSM), Sgt. R.A. Pearson (BCS), Insp. B.R.A. Meisner (SCS), S/Sgt. M.J. Mohr (SCS), Cpl. D.F. Hoeft (LSM), Cpl. M. F. Morrissey (LSM), Sgt. M.R. Devaney (BCS) and Cpl. A.V. Williams (LSM). Third row: Sgt. M.A. Johnston (CC), Cpl. M.D. Drever (LSM), Cpl. A.R. Lewis (LSM), Cpl. L.G. Bishop (LSM), Sgt. R.J. Stark (BCS), Cpl. W.S. Kingdon (LSM), Supt. L. Olfert (SCS), Sgt. W.K. Mauthe (BCS), Cpl. G.E.J. Harrison (BCS) and S/Sgt. R.E. Holtsbaum (SCS). Fourth row: Sgt. G.G. Upton (BCS), Cst. J.K. Mallory (LSM), Cpl. L.E. Ellis (LSM), Sgt. N.G. Wilson (SCS), Sgt. M.R. Coupland (BCS), S/Sgt. L.W. Marcella (BCS), Cpl. B.R. Rogers (LSM), Cpl. R.A. Kreiser (LSM), S/Sgt. R.C. Ferguson (SCS) and S/Sgt. J. Innes (SCS).

Legend: Bronze Clasp and Star (BCS); Commissioner's Commendation (CC); Gold Clasp and Stars (GCS); Long Service Medal (LSM); Silver Clasp and Stars (SCS)



REGIMENTAL DINNER On October 25, 1990, more than 200 members and guests attended the eighteenth annual Prince Albert Regimental Dinner, held at the Prince Albert Inn Motor Hotel. Supt. W.T. Procyk, OC, Prince Albert Sub-Division, presented Long Service Awards. (L-R): S/Cst. H.C. Collins (BCS), Cpl. G.C. Hoskins (LSM), Cpl. W.G. Briscoe (LSM), A/Commr. C.I.C. Macdonell, CO, "F" Division, Supt. W.T. Procyk, Sgt. C.A. Lentowicz (SCS) and Cst. G.D. Perley (LSM).

Legend: Bronze Clasp and Star (BCS); Long Service Medal (LSM); Silver Clasp and Stars (SCS)



◀ **RETIREMENT** On December 8, 1990, friends of Supt. W.T. Procyk gathered at the Elks Hall in Prince Albert, to wish him well on his retirement after 39 years of service with the Force. (L-R): Donald Teichgrab and Supt. Procyk's daughter Terry Teichgrab, Supt. Procyk and his wife, Elinor, Kevin Wilson and another daughter, Dianne Wilson, son Robert Procyk and friend Tracy Tolley.



COPS COOKING CAPER On February 19, 1991, members, wives and support staff of Melville Detachment pitched in to assist Melville Kinsmen with their fifteenth annual Telemiracle Telethon, in aid of local disabled and handicapped persons. They took over the operation of the dining room at the Melville Classic Inn—needless to say that they worked very hard and will always appreciate hard-working waiters and waitresses. Over \$400 in donations and tips earned were donated to the telethon.

submitted by Sgt. M.K. Spurgeon

WORN OUT WAITERS AND WAITRESSES (L-R): Cst. W.M.J. Raaymakers, Jessie Raaymakers, Cpl. K.R. Dakin, Sgt. M.K. Spurgeon, NCO i/c, Melville Detachment, Terry Dakin, Csts W.O. Dingle and A.J. Scriver, Rhonda Bomberack, Marlene Baumgartner, Myrna Spurgeon, Cst. K.A.L. Martin, Cheryl Martin, Diane Mann, Csts R.K. Mann and V.C. Steinhammer (doorman) and Cst. Lorainne McCormick.

REDCOATS vs. RESERVE On January 24, 1991, a broomball match was held at the Big River Reserve arena, with the proceeds going to aid victims of a house fire on the reserve. The Band Council team defeated the Spiritwood Detachment team, 3-2. (L-R) Front row: Cst. L.E. Barber, Frank Morin, Cst. G.P. Froyland and Wilfred Dreaver. Back row: Cst. S.G. Mirasty, Cpl. D.K. McGillivray, S/Cst. S.M. Pelletier, Cst. A.B. Hearn, Sgt. K.E.E. Bergman, Robert Morin, Alvin Morin, Wayne Lachance, Vincent McAdam and Chief John Keenatch.



VENTURER COMPANY On September 11, 1990, the Fort Qu'Appelle RCMP Venturers came into being. The RCMP Venturers Program teaches young people, aged 14-18, about the Canadian Legal System and follows Scouting Principles. An investiture ceremony presided by Supt. M.J. Johnston, OC, Regina Sub-Division, and Larry Adams, Scouts Canada, was held for ten youths recruited at local schools and four advisors, S/Sgt. D.J.F. Botterill, Csts M.G. Schultz, E.J. Kytwayhat and M.A. Degrand, all of Fort Qu'Appelle Detachment.

Since then, Company members have welcomed many guest speakers, including conservation officers, lawyers, and experts from Emergency Response and Underwater Recovery teams, and Identification Services. As well, the young Venturers have been involved in community relations programs such as bicycle rodeos, parental assistance at Halloween and Operation Identifica-

tion. They have also camped out with other Scout and Venturers groups and travelled to Prince Albert for a tour of the Prince Albert Correctional Centre and the Penitentiary Farm Annex.

The RCMP Venturer Program has proved to be worthwhile in Fort Qu'Appelle, and we encourage others to participate and start their own Companies.

submitted by Cst. M.G. Schultz

VETERANS' NEWS New member Roy Soluk and new associate members, Vern New and Wally Kaminski were inducted into the Regina Division of the Veterans' Association.



(L-R) Front row: Cst. M.G. Schultz, Supt. M.J. Johnston, A. Van der Breggen, L. Bausmer, T. Cyr, A. Leigh, S. Doucette and Cst. E.J. Kytwayhat. Back row: S/Sgt. D.J.F. Botterill, J. Carlson, D. Swirp, S. Kifferling, J. Doucette, M. Leigh and Cst. M.A. Degrand

Photo by Cpl. Phil Easton.

"G" Division

Headquarters — Yellowknife, Northwest Territories

BIRTH To Reg. No. 31673, Cpl. R.K. Harrison and his wife, Yolanda, a daughter, Shay Delaney, on March 29, 1991, at Inuvik, Northwest Territories.

MARRIAGE No. 37048, Cst. J.L. Martel to Brenna-Lynn Morrison, on September 15, 1990, at Montréal, Quebec.



On October 26, 1990, S/Sgt. W.C. Shupe, "G" Division Headquarters, was promoted and invested as a Commander in the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem by His Excellency, the Right Honourable Raymon J. Hnatyshn, Governor General of Canada, at Notre Dame Basilica, Ottawa.



On January 3, 1991, Insp. G.H. Buss, OIC, Staffing and Personnel, officially swore in C/M Martha Allen as a Telecommunications Operator in Yellowknife. She is the first civilian member identified under the Northern Careers Program.

On December 7, 1990, Carlos Ramos (seated), a guard at Fort Simpson Detachment since February 19, 1985, received a parting gift from his friends. (L-R): Cst. M.C.D. Morin, Janice Hobart, Cpl. G.W. Laube, Csts P.W. Callan, W.D. Blake and L.J. Huculak.



"H" Division

Headquarters — Halifax, Nova Scotia

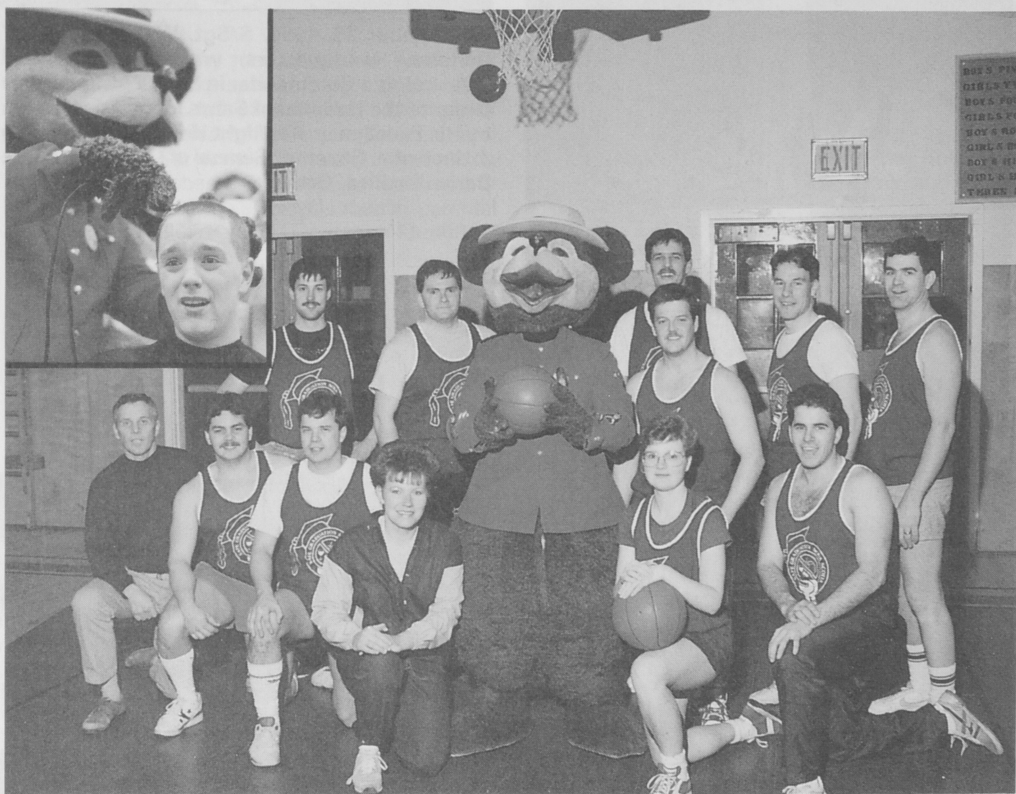
BIRTHS To Reg. No. 38643, Cst. V.R.A. Cameron and his wife, Sheri, a son, Michael Donald, on May 21, 1990, at Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

To Reg. No. 36784, Cst. W.S. Leach and his wife, Carol, a daughter, Alison Patricia, on March 13, 1991, at Victoria, British Columbia.

To Reg. No. 34069, Cst. R.D. Ward and his wife, Brenda, a son, Quinn Robert, on November 3, 1990, at Amherst, Nova Scotia.

BASKETBALL BENEFIT On February 27, 1991, the Yarmouth Town and Country RCMP Enforcers squared off against the CJLS Slam-Dunks, of the local radio station. Half-time activities included a free-throw contest won by Safety Bear against Yarmouth Mayor Charles Crosby. In the final outcome of the game, the RCMP team won by a slim margin. Prior to the match, Bruce Rainnie, local CJLS dee-jay, vowed to have his head shaved if his team lost. Much to the delight of the audience, he was true to his vow. Proceeds of \$600 were donated to Teens Against Drunk Driving (TADD).

submitted by Cst. S.S. Barker



(L-R) Kneeling: S/Sgt. E.H. Anderson, Csts J.R.P. Richer, S.S. Barker and S.N.M. Bourassa-Muise, Safety Bear (Cpl. P.F. McCloskey), Csts J.A.S. Poirier, M.M.L. Malette and R.J. Léger. Back row: Cst. L. Patenaude, A/Cst. A. Hamilton, Csts P.W. Moran and D.R. Parsons and Cpl. D.L. Oldford. (Insert) Safety Bear shaving CJLS dee-jay Bruce Rainnie.

FAREWELL On March 8, 1991, members of Truro Sub-Division and friends gathered at the Truro Golf Club to bid farewell to their OC, Supt. W.B. Eaton, who was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, as OIC, Contract Policing. Truro Police Chief Lonnie Murray presented a plaque from the town, in appreciation of Supt. Eaton's cooperation and assistance.



S/Sgt. H.K. Palmer presented a painting entitled "Clamming at Five Island" by artist Joe Laking to Supt. Eaton, and his wife, Marie.



On April 5, 1991, Cst. J.M. Christensen graduated from the RCMP Academy in Regina, and was congratulated by his father, Supt. M.R. Christensen (retired) and his brother, Cst. J.R. Christensen, Liverpool Detachment.

VETERANS' NEWS The following new members were sworn into the Halifax Division of the Veterans Association: Les Coyle, Bill Davies, Paul Fraser, Bill Haines, Ralph Johnson, Jack Penny, Art Reid, Max Sayle, Alex Steeves and Gene Windsor.

"J" Division

Headquarters — Fredericton, New Brunswick

BIRTH To Reg. No. 38082, Cst. J.E. Welcher and his wife, Lynn, a daughter, Amy Lynn Marie, on March 19, 1991, at Moncton, New Brunswick.

SHORT FAT GUYS ONE-MILE DOWNHILL RUN "J" Division Safety Bear, Sgt. Tex Burris, was one of the many participants in the race held at Fredericton, October 15, 1990, to raise funds for the Children's Wish Foundation. The event consisted of a one-mile downhill walk, run, crawl, or roll, with a hot dog stand half-way down the hill, so that no one would go hungry before arriving at the finish line—where there was a restaurant and more refreshments. More than \$100,000 were raised for the Children's Wish Foundation in various events held in the four Atlantic Provinces.

submitted by C/M K.H. Goguen



Safety Bear with 2-year-old Cameron Malnick who rolled down the hill in his stroller. He is the son of Cst. John Malnick, Fredericton Detachment.

Photo by C/M K.H. Goguen

POLICE WEEK 1991 The event officially began at Division headquarters on May 13, 1991, with the Honourable Conrad Landry, Solicitor General of New Brunswick, raising the Police Week flag. The CO, "J" Division, C/Supt. J.R.H. Beaulac, and the Honourable Gilbert Finn, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, presented Long Service Medals

and award certificates to 25 members. Area school children and interested members of the public toured the facilities and viewed displays on Forensic Identification, Telecommunications, the Canadian Police Information Centre, Emergence Rescue Team, Bomb Disposal Unit and Air Section. Refreshments were later served to all in attendance.



(Photo 1) The Honourable Gilbert Finn presented Supt. G. Zaccadelli, OIC, Criminal Operations Branch, with his Long Service Medal. (Photo 2) C/Supt. J.R.H. Beaulac, presented a 25-year Public Service Plaque to Noella Wilmot, Moncton Sub-Division.

Photo by Cpl. J.R.A. Jomphe, Fredericton Forensic Identification Section

EASTERN CANADIAN HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

This year's tournament was hosted by "J" Division at the Soldier's Arena, at CFB Gagetown in Oromocto. Six teams represented "O", "B", "J", "H" Divisions, Headquarters, and the No Stars in the Open Division. The final game between "H" and "O" Divisions kept everyone on the edge of their seats. "H" Division won 6-5, in overtime.

Another four teams represented "J", "H", "L" Divisions and the Fredericton City Police in the Oldtimers Division. The Rusty Blades from "H" Division, won against the "J" Division team, 3-0.

More than \$1,200 were raised for the Children's Wish Foundation.

submitted by C/M K.H. Goguen



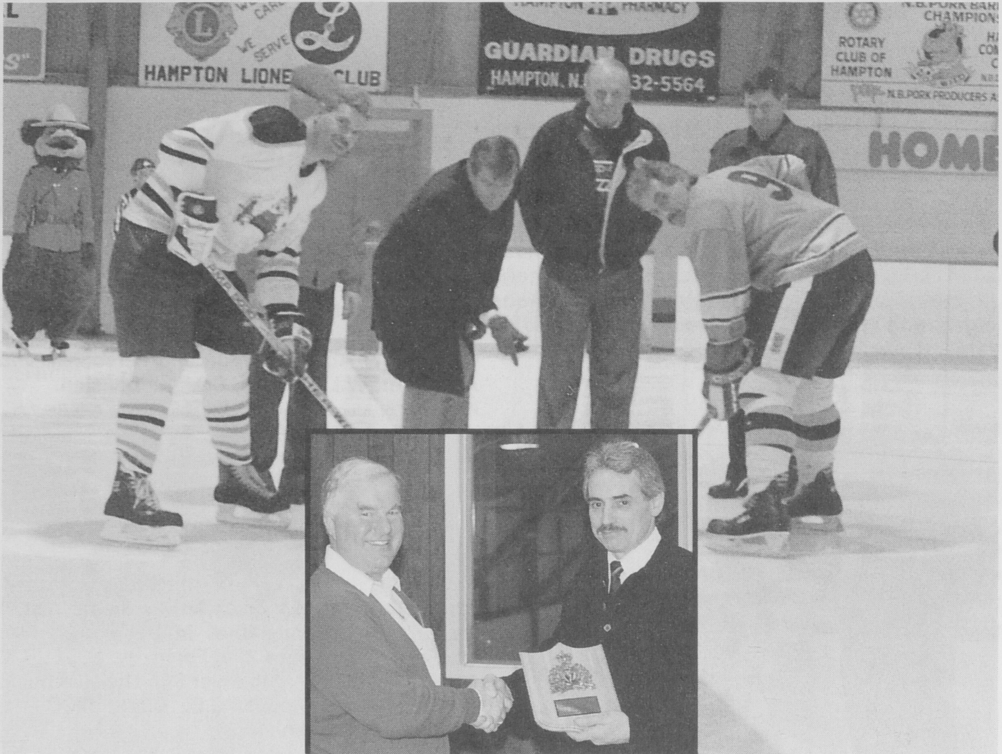
"J" DIVISION EASTERN CANADIAN HOCKEY PARTICIPANTS (L-R) Front row: Csts J.R. Lévesque, Bob Lemay, Guy Chalifoux, Fraser MacAuley, Doug Casey and Bill Malone. Back row: Assistant Coach, Cst. Pat Cole, Csts Paul Ouellette, Luc Thibault and Dan Moore, Manager, S/Sgt. Joe Cyr, Csts Steve King, Jean-Guy Côté, Shaun Ryan, John Coleman and Coach Bob Morin.

Photo by C/M K.H. Goguen

MINOR SPORTS HOCKEY BENEFIT The Halifax City Police Department hockey team beat the Hampton RCMP, 9-4, at the thirteenth annual Minor Sports Benefit Hockey Game. Proceeds of \$5000 were raised for minor sports in the Hampton area. Most Valuable Player awards went to Cst. John Stevenson, Hampton RCMP, and Cst. Mike Sanford, Halifax Police. Halifax team captain, Cpl. Peter Astephen, was presented with the Kelly & Hovey Insurance trophy by Hampton Mayor Jim Hovey,

and the team take home plaque by S/Sgt. Chris Mew, NCO i/c Hampton Detachment. Other distinguished guests included Deputy Chief David McKinnon, Halifax City PD, the CO, "J" Division, C/Supt. J.R.H. Beaulac, who also played in the game, and the OC, Moncton Sub-Division, Supt. Al Rivard.

submitted by Janice Bates



MINOR HOCKEY FACE-OFF (L-R): Cst. J.N. Stevenson, S/Sgt. C.J. Mew, D/Chief David McKinnon, Mayor Jim Hovey, Cpl. Peter Astephen, and Supt. A. Rivard. (Insert) S/Sgt. Mew (L), presenting take home plaque to Cpl. Astephen.

"K" Division

Headquarters — Edmonton, Alberta

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 37731, Cst. F.T. Christie and his wife, Arlene, a son, Andrew Thomson, on March 30, 1991, at Calgary, Alberta.

To Reg. No. 42548, Cst. J.P. Dzerdz and his wife, Cheryl, a daughter, Alannah Elizabeth, on August

16, 1990, at Calgary.

To Reg. No. 34901, Cst. D.J. Stapleton and his wife, Reg. No. C/3002, C/M M.D. Stapleton, a son, Ryan Alexander Matthew, on December 14, 1990, at Red Deer, Alberta.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM Approximately 30 trained volunteers-victim advocates—under the supervision of Program Director, Phyllis Jackson, can be called upon by Leduc and district police, fire department, ambulance service, Esso's Safety Division and hospital, to respond to victims' emotional needs. Between May, and December, 1990, victim advocates responded to 125 calls, made 297 follow-up calls, and met with 93 visitors. The volunteers also participate in the Hug-a-Bear Program, in which stuffed animals are donated to children who are victim of tragedy or crime.

Overall, the program has received a positive response from the community and RCMP members alike in Thorsby, Devon and Leduc Detachments, who in crisis situations, have more time to devote to investigations.

submitted by Michelle Leinweber,
Secretary, Leduc and District Victim
Assistance Program



A presentation was made on behalf of "K" Division members and staff, to Her Honour, J. Helen Hunley, retiring Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta, by A/Commr. G.J. Greig (retired), and (back, L-R): Insp. G.G.S. Sutton, Aide-de-camp, Supt. M.K.M. Clegg, OIC, Administration and Personnel, and A/Commr. W.L. Holmes, CO, "K" Division.

Photo by Cpl. Murray Kuntz, "K" Division Graphic Arts Section

◀ On January 28, 1991, Craig Beaver, the newest of three auxiliary constables in Desmarais, was officially sworn into the Force by Supt. R.K. Leatherdale, OC, Peace River Sub-Division (R), in the presence of Cpl. G.D. Clark, NCO i/c, Desmarais Detachment.

Photo by Cst. D.R. Lench

"L" Division

Headquarters — Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island

VOLUNTEERS RECOGNIZED Special Volunteer Certificates were awarded to "L" Division members actively involved in volunteer activities in their community. Recipients were selected in every detachment and highway patrol on the Island, including headquarters, by their commanding

officers. Developed by Sgt. C. Snow, "L" Division EDP, the certificates are signed by the Commanding Officer and the Provincial Attorney-General. They were presented by Supt. J.D. Moodie, on April 26, 1991, at the "L" Division Headquarters Mess, during National Volunteer Week.



VOLUNTEERS (L-R): Cst. J.M. Mercer, Alberton Detachment, Cst. B.G. London, Borden Detachment, P/S D. Beer, "L" Division Headquarters, Supt. J.D. Moodie, OIC, Criminal Operations, Cpl. J.D.E. Mills, Summerside Detachment, Cst. D.W. Gairns, Charlottetown Highway Patrol, Cst. C.E. Barrington, Sherwood/Parkdale Detachment, and Cst. M.J. Blais, Charlottetown Detachment. Missing from photo: Sgt. P. Pitts, Souris Detachment, and Sgt. D. Aitken, Montague Detachment, who had received their certificates earlier.



◀ **PACE AWARDS** Appreciation awards were presented at the second Police Assisting Community Education (PACE) Workshop, on March 28, 1991, at the Atlantic Police Academy, Charlottetown. (L-R): The Honourable Paul Connolly, Minister of Education, Alfred Egan, Executive Director, Charlottetown Alcohol and Drug Action Group, Paul McKenzie, CPS Education Coordinator, Prince County Addictions, and C/Supt. H.R. Armstrong, CO, "L" Division.



C/Supt. H.R. Armstrong, CO, "L" Division, presented P/S A. Shirley Pineau with her retirement certificate, after serving nearly 22 years in the Information Management Section. ▶



CHILDRENS' WISH FOUNDATION Proceeds of the second "L" Division RCMP Charity Ball, held at Charlottetown on April 13, 1991, were presented to Mr. Lee Gauthier (centre), Director of the Prince Edward Island Childrens' Wish Foundation, by ball committee members (L-R): Cpl. Fred FitzPatrick, Miss Linda MacDonald, Insp. Bob Moffatt and Sgt. Dave Holmes.



On February 27, 1990, ex-Sgt. W.B. Charlesworth, instructor at the Atlantic Police Academy, Charlottetown, presented his daughter, Cst. K.L. Charlesworth, with her police badge upon graduation from the RCMP Academy at Regina.

"O" Division

Headquarters — Toronto, Ontario

BIRTHS To Reg. No. 33910, Cpl. C.J.L. East and his wife, Janet, a son, Jeremy Ulric, on February 11, 1991, at Elliot Lake, Ontario.

To. Reg. 39799, Cst. L.E. Lecker and his wife, Reg. No. 40274, Cst. A.M. Lecker, a daughter, Natalie Rose, on January 9, 1991, at Mississauga, Ontario.

EDPS TORONTO When the Gulf war broke out, Cst. F. McKinnon, Toronto Executive/Diplomatic Protection Service (EDPS), had his Recruit Field Training (RFT) temporarily cancelled. During the time Canada was at war in the Persian Gulf, Cst. McKinnon was seconded to Toronto EDPS, "D" Watch. He was quickly impressed with the complexity of duties and enormous responsibilities involved. In his view, Protective Policing will always be one of the Force's highest priorities. Moreover, the Force benefits by posting recruits to this section in that it ensures a ready supply of expertise to assist EDPS in the event of a crisis. As well, it enhances the members investigative skills and provides an opportunity to acquire uniform experience in the largest urban centre in Canada.



On September 24, 1990, Cst. C.J. Ryan received her police badge from her father, Supt. J.T. Ryan, "O" Division Commercial Crime Section, upon graduation from the RCMP Academy. She is currently posted to "O" Division.

WINDSOR BONSPIEL On March 10, 1991, a curling bonspiel was held at the Windsor Roseland Golf and Curling Club. Cpl. W.J. MacLeod defeated Cpl. R.W. Gillies' rink; Cpl. P.G. Hadley's rink won over Cpl. J.D. Brisbin's rink; Cst. J.D.L. Breton's beat Cst. B.W. Fleiger's rink, and Cst. R.B. Burton's defeated Sgt. R.P. Handren's rink.

VETERANS' NEWS Reg. No. 21735, Willis "Paul" Hickendron and Reg. No. 20584, Jerry Henry Somers were inducted into the Toronto Division of the Veterans' Association.



(L-R) First row: Cpl. J.D. Brisbin, Ryan McLeod, Cpl. R.W. Gillies, Csts J.D.L. Breton, B.W. Fleiger and R.B. Burton and Deb Hadley. Second row: Cpl. A.D. Emerson, Jackie Brisbin, Jane Breton, Sandy Fleiger, Chris Handren, Joanne Simpkins, Lee Emerson and Karen Scott. Third row: Cst. J.D.B. Labrie, Dan Scott, Dianna Gillies, Cpl. W.J. MacLeod, Cst. S.S. Allen, Sgt. R.P. Handren, Cpl. P.G. Hadley, Charley Pierre, Steve Bodri and Rina Bodri.

RCMP Academy

Regina, Saskatchewan

TOURS AND OFFICIAL VISITS

■ **INDIAN AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS DEPUTY MINISTER** The Honourable H.S. Swain, and his wife, Julie, visited the Training Academy on February 22-23, 1991. Mr. Swain inspected graduating Troop 12 (1990/91) and addressed the graduates and their families during the evening banquet.

■ **NEWCOMERS'S CLUB** On March 6, 1991, ninety-five members of the Regina Newcomers' Club, formed 27 years ago to help women just arriving to the community, were greeted by Sgt. Bob Beaudoin, Public Relations, and Cpl. Lois Dudgeon, Vice-President of the Club for 1991. The group attended the graduation dress rehearsal of Troop 14 (1990/91) who went the extra mile for the visitors and took time to pose for photographs.

■ **US ARMY MASH 4077** Actor Larry Linville, better known for his role as Major Frank Burns in the televised series "Mash 4077," toured the Academy on March 19, and visited the RCMP Museum with Curator Bill MacKay. "Major Burns" also visited recruits under Nurse Roberts' care at the Medical Treatment Centre.

■ **JUSTICE CRITIC** At the Commissioner's invitation, the Honourable Derek Blackburn, MP, NDP Justice Critic, visited the Academy, on April 5, 1991. At a dinner and reception held at the Officers' Mess, he met members of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee on Aboriginal Policing, and later on, attended the graduation ceremonies of Troop 17 (1990/91) and addressed the graduates and guests during the evening banquet.

■ **GERMAN CONSULAR GENERAL** On April 19, 1991, Dr. Wolfgang Schanz visited the Academy during his promotional trip to Regina. Sgt. Denis Arbez, Planning and Review NCO, conducted the official tour.

■ **CO, "C" DIVISION** On April 22, 1991, A/Commr. J.A.M. Breau, and his wife, Denyse, attended graduation ceremonies of Troop 18 (1990/91). Activities included the inspection of the troops during the Sergeant Major's Parade, and addressing graduates and guests during the evening banquet.

■ **FBI** Special Agent Keary-Taylor and four other FBI agents visited the Academy on April 23, 1991, and accompanied Insp. J.R.M. Castonguay, OIC, Instructional Section, during the inspection of the troops on the Sergeant-Major's Parade.



(Top, Photo 1) While in Regina on naval business, Commodore J.D.S. Reilley, accompanied by C/Supt. W.R. Spring, visited the RCMP Chapel and the Centennial Museum. (Photo 2) Jack Sinclair, President of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce (L), during his visit to Regina, met with Malcolm Wake, Director Centennial Museum. (Bottom, Photo 3) While on a study trip to Regina, Mr. Yunkun Wang, Vice-Governor, Jilin Province, China, toured the Academy on March 1, 1991, and was pleased to be introduced to Cst. K. Mah of Troop 17 (1990/91). (Photo 4) The Honourable J. Gary Lane, Attorney General for the Province of Saskatchewan, attended the graduation ceremony of Troop 14 (1990/91) and signed the VIP book in the presence of C/Supt. W.R. Spring.

■ **WAR BRIDES ASSOCIATION** Members of the Canadian War Brides Association attended their National Convention in Regina, April 24-27, 1991, visiting the Training Academy and attending the Sergeant-Major's Parade. The group then toured the RCMP Chapel and the Centennial Museum before proceeding to Government House for tea with Her Honour, Sylvia O. Fedoruk, Lieutenant-Governor of Saskatchewan.

■ **SANDY BAY RESERVE** On April 29, 1991, thirty youths from Sandy Bay Indian Reserve, Manitoba, attended the graduation ceremonies of Troop 19 (1990/91), with their guide, Cpl. Glenn C. Miller, Human Relations Unit, and first Native instructor at the Academy. This was the second tour for Sandy Bay Reserve youth, thanks to Sgt. A.A. Clarke, NCO i/c Amaranth Detachment, Manitoba, and Cst. Dean Fontaine, who organized the trip to Regina.



Robert Pine (L), Assistant Secretary of State for Canadian Affairs in Washington, and Robert Knott, US Consul General in Calgary (second from right), visited the Academy and toured the Museum with Director Malcolm Wake (second from left) and Sgt. J.W.R. Beaudoin.



On February 22, 1991, ex-Sgt. Robert C. (Slim) Falconer, attended the graduation of his son, Reg. No. 42136, Cst. K.C. Falconer, presently posted at Estevan Detachment, "F" Division, Saskatchewan.

TRAINING COMPENDIUM Jim McKenzie, Professor of Journalism at the University of Regina, and Associate Professor of Photography, Lorne McClinton, followed Troop 17 (1990/91) during their entire Basic Recruit Training Program, and occasionally after hours, to capture the essence of training at the RCMP Training Academy. Their book will include countless interviews with staff members, instructors, officers and recruits. The book which is still untitled, will cover "Everything you wanted to know about training in the RCMP, but were afraid to ask." It should be available in Canadian book-stores in the fall of 1991.



(L-R): Doug Lee, CKCK-TV, Al Nicholson, Manager Sergeant-Major's Restaurant, Ms. Shirley Patterson and Bill Patterson, President, Regina Crime Stoppers (at rear), Sergeant-Major-for-the-evening, Don Kay, Sergeant-for-the-evening, Gary Hazen, S/Sgt. Ron Marchenko, Regina Police Services, Kevin Wagner, Tourism Regina, and Sgt. J.W.R. Beaudoin, Public Relations Coordinator.



On February 14, 1991, two hundred members, friends, family members and Academy staff members attended a Long Service Awards ceremony, presided by C/Supt. W.R. Spring (Top, centre). Medals were presented to (L-R): Cpl. R.J. Hepperele (LSM), Cpl. R.J. Read (LSM), S/Sgt. J.A. Turner (BCS) and Cpl. R.B. Cook (LSM). During the same ceremony, C/Supt. Spring presented Cpl. J.R.G. Moreau with his certificate in Police Studies from the Canadian Police College.

Legend: Long Service Medal (LSM), Bronze Clasp and Star (BCS)



This is a rare opportunity—all six training officers together in one photograph. Taken during the Long Service Awards ceremony, held in the Drill Hall, February 14, 1991. (L-R): Insp. R. Castonguay, Instructional Training, Supt. L.P. Wood, Admin. and Personnel, C/Supt. W.R. Spring, OIC, Training Academy, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Training Officer, Insp. J.M.R. Tremblay, Staffing and Personnel, and Insp. R.C. Ray, FSS.

Promotions

HEADQUARTERS — (Ottawa, Ontario)

Superintendent — Insps H.T. Lind, G.P. Kaine

Inspector — S/Sgt. G.B. Braun
— Sgts J.R.A.G. Héroux, R. Barszczewski,
R.C. Stone

Staff Sergeant — Sgts H.R. Ashton, M.B. O'Neil,
L.M. Oickle, J. Wolynski, L.V. King

Sergeant — Cpls J.T.D. Mellis, J.A.D. Fraser, R.C.
Halfhide, J.V.J.P. Potvin

Corporal — Csts S.L.B. Devlin, D.R. Merchant, J.G.R.
Piquette, M.G. McTaggart, J.J. Guillemette, A.A.
Ross

Civilian Member — C/Ms G.J.I. Saunders, J.M.
Dubas, G.H. McLeod, J.R. Jasper, J.W.C. McDonald,
J.E.L. Desjardins, A.E. Wells, P.T. Bilous, E.L. Leader,
R. Weissman, R.P. McKay, J.J.S.L. Martel, M.J.C.
Mongeon, M.P. Crosier, J.R. Hughes, J.J.A. Simard

"A" DIVISION — (Ottawa, Ontario)

Sergeant — Cpls J.M.D. Genest, J.D. Tremblay

Corporal — Csts J.A.J.S.Y. Rainville, J.G.L.
Vaillancourt, J.A.C.D. Desmarais, J.S.C. Gauthier

"B" DIVISION — (St John's, Newfoundland)

Staff Sergeant — Sgt. H.E.R. Hill

Corporal — Csts J.J. Furlong, F.D. Hildebrand,
R.W. Andrews, B.N. Staples

"C" DIVISION — (Montréal, Quebec)

Corporal — Csts J.A.P. Gallant, M.P. Gauvin, J.R.A.
Lemyre

"D" DIVISION — (Winnipeg, Manitoba)

Inspector — S/Sgt. N.F. Wilkie
— Sgt. G.L. Geddes

Staff Sergeant — Sgt. R.E. Fogarty

Sergeant — Cpls K.A. MacDougall, I.R. Yaskiw

Corporal — Csts S.G. Dreilich, E. Friedie, L.G. Kuley,
D.C. Lower, R.L. Randell

"E" DIVISION — (Vancouver, British Columbia)

Superintendent — Insps E.J. Findlay, B.W.
Gwaltney

Inspector — Sgt. B.F. Bowman

Staff Sergeant — Sgts W.E. Nelson, G.A. Schneider,
T.M. Brown

Sergeant — Cpls H.G. Gorsline, D.B. Howarth

Corporal — Csts D.E.J. Goodridge, K.P.D. Griffin

Constable — S/Csts C.J. Dixon, P.G. Martin, K.M.
Brooks, S.M. Schur, C. Lewis, P.C. Lauder

Civilian Member — C/M W.J. Hay

RCMP ACADEMY — (Regina, Saskatchewan)

Sergeant — Cpl. J.J.E.G. Turgeon

Corporal — Csts J.G.D. Jaillet, J.G.G.A. Labrecque

"F" DIVISION — (Regina, Saskatchewan)

Inspector — S/Sgt. G.C. McRae

Staff Sergeant — Sgts K.D. Gisborne, V.R.
Kawaleski

Sergeant — Cpl. G.D. Rees

"G" DIVISION — (Yellowknife, Northwest Territories)

Sergeant — Cpl. W.R. Grimm

Corporal — Csts L.P. Sullivan, R.W. Votour

Constable — S/Csts F.I. Norris, A.C. Smith

"H" DIVISION — (Halifax, Nova Scotia)

Sergeant — Cpls R.J. Nause, P.A. Desveaux

Corporal — Csts D.A. McLeod, J.G.N.J. Ouellet

"J" DIVISION — (Fredericton, New Brunswick)**Sergeant** — Cpl. S.R. Allen**Corporal** — Csts J.L.A. Dorais, J.R.A. Jomphe, J.D. Lessard, K.A. Pettipas, J.J.B. Tourville**"K" DIVISION — (Edmonton, Alberta)****Inspector** — Cpl. R.K. Sherwood**Staff Sergeant** — Sgts C.G. Schmietenknop, E.V. Woytenko**Sergeant** — Cpls T.R. Nelson, E.J. Secondiak, S.I. Votkin, P.L. Edwards, R.H.J. Gaultier, H.F.E. Schoonmaker, M.A. Williams**Corporal** — Csts M.B. Kerr, B.M. Beck, R.P. Cornelssen, J.A.P. MacFarlane, L.D. O'Brien, R.D. Ravelli, E. Verwey, I. Borkovic, D.J. Hample, E.A. Hiscock, G.N. Lester, E.W. Mattson, P.A. McLelan, T.H. Woods**Constable** — S/Csts T.P.J. Potts, G.W. Henson, J.L. Potts, E.W. Dobson, L.L. Parenteau, W.R. Auger, S.W. Yellowknife, P.T. Cardinal, M.C. Moore, L.J. Solway, D.R. Cunningham, G.L. Anderson, D.J. Cardinal, A.H. Findlat, W. Steinhauer**Civilian Member** — C/M D.J. Cherniak**"L" DIVISION — (Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island)****Sergeant** — Cpl. J.W. MacDonald**"M" DIVISION — (Whitehorse, Yukon)****Civilian member** — C/M L.K. Sturgess**"O" DIVISION — (Toronto, Ontario)****Inspector** — S/Sgt. M.R.E. Atkinson**Staff Sergeant** — Sgt. M.W. Light**Sergeant** — Cpls H.C. Daley, J.A.C. Mercier, B.C. Binnie, J.A.B. Juteau, R.E. Porter, C.E.M. White**Corporal** — Csts M.G. Mason, S.R. Semenchuk, B.J.J. Wilcox, R.F. Boag, D.C. Ellerker, J.D.J. Green, R.A. Lambert, R.J. Smith

Retirements

Reg. No.	Rank	Name	Division	Date
0.0799	Supt.	Craig, W.S.	"E"	91-04-30
0.0806	A/Commr.	Head, R.H.D.	HQ	91-06-01
0.0854	Supt.	Blachford, B.M.	"E"	91-04-30
0.0857	Supt.	Oosthoek, A.	"E"	91-04-01
0.0951	Insp.	Elves, S.M.	"F"	91-05-21
0.1009	Supt.	Drake, W.L.	"E"	91-06-17
0.1019	Supt.	Sedler, A.W.	HQ	91-01-31
0.1028	Supt.	McLay, D.F.	"E"	91-04-06
0.1043	Supt.	Maas, D.H.	HQ	91-04-22
0.1078	Insp.	Dick, H.	HQ	91-06-14
0.1107	Insp.	Wallace, G.R.	"E"	91-06-22
0.1142	Insp.	Briggs, G.G.	"E"	91-04-06
0.1158	Insp.	Shearer, J.S.M.	"K"	91-06-10
0.1180	Supt.	Vachon, J.O.C.	"C"	91-03-01
0.1200	Supt.	Proteau, E.	"A"	91-05-31
17958	S/Sgt.	Blythe, H.J.S.	"O"	91-04-05
18411	Sgt.	Riley, J.S.	"E"	91-06-01
19001	S/Sgt.	Kelly, E.R.	HQ	91-06-14
19022	S/Sgt.	Hamilton, J.A.L.	"E"	91-05-31

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Reg. No.	Rank	Name	Division	Date
19088	S/Sgt.	Herchuk, A.	"F"	91-04-05
19165	Sgt.	Brown, D.A.	"F"	91-04-05
19180	S/Sgt.	Richert, K.H.	"E"	91-05-31
19189	S/Sgt.	Monk, G.A.	"E"	91-04-20
19214	S/Sgt.	Kelly, R.J.	"F"	91-04-03
19338	S/Sgt.	Zaharia, F.E.	"E"	91-05-31
19357	S/Sgt.	Roenspies, J.C.	HQ	91-05-31
19375	S/Sgt.	Salt, W.G.	"F"	91-05-31
19422	S/Sgt.	Kleininger, R.J.	"F"	91-05-17
19561	S/Sgt.	Latour, J.F.R.	"C"	91-06-02
19709	Sgt.	MacPhee, J.P.	HQ	91-05-31
20240	S/Sgt.	Shortt, S.G.	"F"	91-04-02
20338	S/Sgt.	Drury, G.A.	HQ	91-03-22
20438	S/Sgt.	MacDonald, D.R.	"E"	91-05-31
20524	S/Sgt.	Swim, J.D.	HQ	91-05-31
20913	S/Sgt.	Wilkinson, G.A.	"E"	91-04-05
20959	S/Sgt.	Farnham, R.D.	"A"	91-06-24
21206	S/Sgt.	Jumaga, D.L.	"K"	91-04-01
21576	Sgt.	Ledwon, E.	"E"	91-04-20
21621	Cpl.	Dyck, J.	"F"	91-04-05
21644	S/Sgt.	Madsen, G.C.	"E"	91-04-05
21744	Sgt.	Batter, W.O.K.	"E"	91-04-06
21786	Sgt.	Matthews, J.W.	"K"	91-05-31
21798	Sgt.	Carmichael, J.K.	"J"	91-04-05
21869	S/Sgt.	Andrews, W.G.C.	"E"	91-04-15
21888	Sgt.	Greenwell, K.M.	"K"	91-04-15
21905	S/Sgt.	Dickson, N.G.W.	"D"	91-04-26
22065	S/Sgt.	Gervais, T.L.	"K"	91-04-05
22181	Cpl.	Lessard, J.A.A.	"A"	91-05-07
22306	S/Sgt.	Hill, H.A.	HQ	91-06-01
22407	S/Sgt.	DeBalinhard, E.P.C.	"E"	91-04-30
22428	Cpl.	Madill, D.O.	"F"	91-04-01
22486	S/Sgt.	Fleetwood, D.M.	"D"	91-04-19
22550	Sgt.	Eddy, L.K.	"E"	91-04-02
22732	S/Sgt.	Cullen, E.P.	"M"	91-05-04
23020	S/Sgt.	Alexandre, D.P.	"E"	91-05-31
23051	S/Sgt.	Harris, D.R.A.	"E"	91-06-15
23307	S/Sgt.	Blackman, E.J.	"H"	91-04-30
23817	S/Sgt.	Patterson, D.G.	"E"	91-04-30
23854	Sgt.	Mayoh, D.R.	"G"	91-06-02
23953	Sgt.	McArthur, J.D.	"M"	91-04-05
24118	Cpl.	Marriott, E.J.	"D"	91-04-05
24131	Sgt.	Lillies, G.W.	"K"	91-04-12
24156	S/Sgt.	Cook, G.A.	HQ	91-06-15
24352	Cpl.	English, J.L.	"K"	91-04-19
24486	S/Sgt.	Glenn, A.P.	HQ	91-05-06
24577	Cpl.	Elliott, R.R.	"E"	91-05-10
24604	S/Sgt.	Schmidt, R.K.	"K"	91-05-24
24691	Cpl.	Assance, I.A.N.	"E"	91-06-01
24953	Cpl.	Robertson, G.L.	"E"	91-04-05
25349	Sgt.	Smith, B.J.	"K"	91-02-25
25363	Sgt.	Bennett, L.R.	"J"	91-02-19
25439	Sgt.	Bereza, R.G.	"D"	91-04-01
25440	S/Sgt.	Hood, R.C.	"E"	91-06-11
25515	S/Sgt.	Leibel, N.	"E"	91-05-17
25629	Sgt.	Rowat, P.D.	"E"	91-04-17
25739	Cpl.	Kettles, D.G.	"E"	91-04-06
25752	Sgt.	Reynolds, D.B.	"E"	91-06-12

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Reg. No.	Rank	Name	Division	Date
26151	Cpl.	Brown, R.W.	"D"	91-04-05
26228	Cpl.	Corcoran, W.E.	"H"	91-04-22
26481	Cpl.	Cloutier, J.Y.C.	"C"	91-04-28
26625	Sgt.	MacKenzie, L.E.	"D"	91-04-26
26875	S/Sgt.	Dnistrianskyj, P.	HQ	91-05-05
27144	Sgt.	Ferguson, M.R.	"E"	91-04-19
27177	Cpl.	Robertson, H.B.	"K"	91-03-07
27221	Cpl.	Coombes, P.J.J.	"E"	91-04-30
27279	Sgt.	Clarke, F.B.	"L"	91-04-29
27516	Sgt.	Desrosiers, J.B.	"J"	91-02-01
27824	Cpl.	Boyer, J.R.M.	"C"	91-04-10
27914	Cpl.	Carter, D.R.	"H"	91-04-02
28052	Sgt.	McCarthy, R.	"E"	91-05-24
28393	Cpl.	Pack, R.A.	"E"	91-04-19
28559	Cpl.	Paquin, J.A.G.	"C"	91-04-02
28687	Cst.	Taylor, S.P.	"K"	91-04-02
28909	Cpl.	Olfert, G.G.	"K"	91-04-27
29021	Cst.	Diller, K.N.	HQ	91-05-20
S/0456	S/Cst.	Griffin, R.J.	"K"	91-06-04
C/0010	C/M	Hyndman, M.A.	HQ	91-05-21
C/0358	C/M	Lloyd, D.A.	HQ	91-06-01

Obituaries

Obituaries without full service histories are those of members whose service files have been destroyed. Thus, the information is no longer available.—Ed.

BASKIN Reg. No. 18163, ex-Sgt. William Haughton Baskin, 61, died June 14, 1991, at Fredericton, New Brunswick. He was born April 2, 1930, at Quebec City, and joined the Force April 24, 1953, at Montréal. Upon completion of training at Fairmont Training Sub-Division, "E" Division, British Columbia, and Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Baskin was posted to "J" Division, New Brunswick, serving at Fredericton, Saint John, Campbellton, Bathurst, Port Elgin, Nashwaaksis and New Castle. He retired to pension April 30, 1975. Baskin was promoted to corporal May 1, 1963, and sergeant October 1, 1971.

BLYTH Reg. No. 11748, ex-S/Sgt. John Thorp Blyth, 71, died May 12, 1991, at Edmonton, Alberta. He was born February 29, 1908, at Ottawa, Ontario, where he joined the Force August 12, 1932. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Blyth was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Lethbridge, Blairmore, Cardston, Twin Lakes and Claresholm. On December 27, 1938, he was transferred to "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, and was posted to "O" Division, Ontario, on April 19, 1939, working at Toronto and Port Lambton. On January 15, 1948, Blyth was transferred to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Regina. He retired to pension September 6, 1958. Blyth was promoted to corporal January 1, 1943; sergeant November 1, 1946, and staff sergeant May 1, 1955.

CHERRY Reg. No. 12600, ex-S/Sgt. Robert James Cherry, 80, died April 14, 1991, at Toronto, Ontario.

He was born July 25, 1910, at Montréal, Quebec, and joined the Force June 26, 1935, at Ottawa. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Cherry was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg, and on May 1, 1939, he was transferred to "O" Division, working at Toronto, Ontario. Cherry took his discharge April 30, 1939. He reengaged November 3, 1941, at Toronto, and was posted to "O" Division, where he served at Cobourg, Kirkland Lake and Toronto. He retired to pension January 3, 1962. Cherry was promoted to corporal May 1, 1948; sergeant May 1, 1954, and staff sergeant May 1, 1957.

DEMMON Reg. No. 16447, ex-Cpl. Walter Archibald Demmon, 79, died June 7, 1991, at Penatan Lake, British Columbia. He was born September 30, 1911, at Rose Hill, British Columbia, and joined the Force August 15, 1950, when the British Columbia Provincial Police amalgamated with the RCMP. Demmon was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, working at Penticton, Nelson and Haney. He was discharged to pension March 11, 1968. Demmon was promoted to corporal May 1, 1959.

DUERKSEN Reg. No. 18220, ex-S/Sgt. Herman Jacob Duerksen, 60, died July 5, 1991, at Chelan, Saskatchewan. He was born April 3, 1931, at Morris, Manitoba, and joined the Force June 24, 1953, at Winnipeg. Upon completion of training at Fairmont Training Sub-Division, "E" Division, British Columbia, Duerksen was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, working at Regina, Yorkton, Punnichy, Canora, Lanigan and Porcupine Plain. He retired to pension August 16, 1983. Duerksen was promoted to corporal November 1, 1964; sergeant October 1, 1970, and staff sergeant June 1, 1975.

DUFFETT Reg. No. 34458 (S/967), Cpl. Albert Duffett, 41, died June 25, 1991, at Buchans, Newfoundland. He was born December 18, 1949, at Catalina, Newfoundland, and joined the Force as a special constable November 7, 1973, at Corner Brook. He was posted to "B" Division, Newfoundland, serving at Goose Bay, Labrador. On November 1, 1978, Duffett was promoted to constable, and upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he was posted to "J" Division, New Brunswick, working at Saint John and Doaktown. On July 1, 1982, he was transferred to "B" Division, and posted to Grand Falls and Buchans, where he was serving at the time of his death. Duffett was promoted to corporal June 19, 1989.

FRASER Reg. No. 19906, ex-S/Sgt. Ian (Jack) Fraser, 52, died May 13, 1991, at Saskatoon,

Saskatchewan. He was born September 2, 1938, at Edmonton, Alberta, and joined the Force April 15, 1957, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Fraser was posted to "F" Division, working at Regina, Moosomin, Buffalo Narrows, Île-à-la-Crosse, Prince Albert, Island Falls, North Battleford, Wilkie, Lanigan, Carlyle and Saskatoon. He was discharged to pension April 15, 1989. Fraser was promoted to corporal May 1, 1967; sergeant August 30, 1975, and staff sergeant April 20, 1978.

GILHESPY Reg. No. 11766, ex-Cpl. Charles Frederick Gilhespy, 83, died April 28, 1991, at Calgary, Alberta. He was born March 21, 1908, at Durham, England, and joined the Force August 20, 1932, at Vancouver, British Columbia. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Gilhespy was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving briefly at Winnipeg, and returned to Regina. On November 1, 1933, he was transferred to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Lethbridge, Calgary, Bassano, Okatoks and Edmonton. On July 15, 1938, Gilhespy returned to Depot Division, and was transferred to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, July 5, 1940, serving at Regina, Craik and Regina Beach. He retired to pension September 30, 1952. Gilhespy was promoted to corporal November 1, 1945.

HUGHES Reg. No. 22140, ex-Cst. Barry Richard Hughes, 49, died May 12, 1991, at Vancouver, British Columbia. He was born November 18, 1941, at Swan River, Manitoba, and joined the Force October 4, 1961, at Winnipeg. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Hughes was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, serving at Prince Rupert, Kitimat, Kelowna and 100 Mile House. He took his discharge August 31, 1969.

LABERGE Reg. No. O.394 (11528) Supt. Maurice Théodore Laberge (retired) 82, died May 9, 1991, at Edmonton, Alberta. He was born October 7, 1908, at Montréal, Quebec, where he joined the Force April 1, 1932. Laberge was posted to "C" Division, Quebec, serving at Franklin Centre, Montréal, Sainte-Anne des Monts, Matane, Quebec City, Sutton, Lacolle, Saint-Jean and Sherbrooke. On March 1, 1954, he was transferred to "K" Division, Alberta, working at Edmonton and Red Deer. On December 6, 1960, he was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, retiring on December 22, 1964. Laberge was promoted to lance-corporal May 1, 1937; corporal December 1, 1938; sergeant May 1, 1940; sergeant major November 1, 1945; sub-inspector June 1, 1949; inspector June 1, 1951, and superintendent March 1, 1961.

LAEVENS Reg. No. 20008, ex-Cpl. Leonard Hubert Laevens, 52, died June 18, 1991, at Dauphin,

Manitoba. He was born November 4, 1938, at Kamsack, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force June 6, 1957, at Toronto, Ontario. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Laevens was posted briefly to "A" Division, Ottawa, and then to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Regina, Rosthern, Tisdale, and Island Falls, until taking his discharge June 5, 1962. Laevens reengaged into the Force June 3, 1963, at Toronto, and was posted to "A" Division. On February 1, 1966, he was transferred to "D" Division, Manitoba, and served at Portage la Prairie, Morris, Dauphin and Powerview. He retired to pension June 8, 1979. Laevens was promoted to corporal October 1, 1971.

LAHACHE Reg. No. S/132, ex-S/Cst. Thomas William Lahache, 87, died May 22, 1991, at Kahnawake, Quebec. He was born January 17, 1904, at Caughnawaga, Quebec, and joined the Force as a special constable March 23, 1953, at Montréal. He was posted to "C" Division, Quebec, serving at Caughnawaga, until his retirement March 31, 1965.

LAIDLAW Reg. No. 15079, ex-Sgt. George Lauchlin Laidlaw, 67, died July 9, 1991, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born May 29, 1923, at Troy, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force May 20, 1948, at Halifax. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Laidlaw was posted to "J" Division, New Brunswick, working at Minto, St Stephen, McAdam and Fredericton. On December 8, 1955, he was transferred to "B" Division, Newfoundland, working at St John's, and on April 18, 1959, was transferred to "K" Division, Alberta, working at Edmonton. Laidlaw was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, on July 14, 1965, and retired to pension March 10, 1969. Laidlaw was promoted to corporal May 1, 1957, and sergeant May 1, 1966.

LAPERLE Reg. No. 25817, ex-Cst. Joseph Yvon Laperle, 44, died March 1, 1991, at Brossard, Quebec. He was born April 13, 1946, at Coaticook, Quebec, and joined the Force July 4, 1967, at Montréal. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "P" Division, Penhold, Alberta, Laperle was posted to "C" Division, serving at Quebec City and Montréal. He took his discharge May 11, 1970.

LAPOINTE Reg. No. 13507, ex-Sgt. Joseph Aimé Yvon Lapointe, 71, died June 21, 1991, at La Salle, Quebec. He was born March 5, 1920, at Coaticook, Quebec, and joined the Force July 4, 1940, at Montréal. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Lapointe was posted to "C" Division, Quebec, where he served at Sutton, Mont-Louis, Amos, Val-d'Or, Hemmingford, Drummondville, Rivière-du-Loup, Sherbrooke and Montréal. He retired to pension April 17, 1966.

Lapointe was promoted to corporal January 1, 1950, and sergeant November 1, 1964.

MACKELLAR Reg. No. 15148, ex-Cpl. James Blair MacKellar, 67, died June 9, 1991, at Saint John, New Brunswick. He was born November 21, 1923, at Birch Ridge, New Brunswick, and joined the Force August 17, 1948, at Fredericton. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, MacKellar was posted to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, where he served at Liverpool, Dartmouth and Windsor until taking his discharge September 20, 1951. He reengaged into the Force July 7, 1952, at Ottawa, Ontario, and was posted to "A" Division, serving at Ottawa. MacKellar was transferred to "H" Division, Halifax, February 3, 1956, and was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, on July 16, 1964. On August 1, 1966, he was transferred to "J" Division, New Brunswick, working at Fredericton, and invalided to pension October 17, 1969. MacKellar was promoted to corporal May 1, 1962.

MARTIN Reg. No. 12241, ex-Cst. Elmer Joseph Charles Martin, 79, died May 8, 1991, at Canso, Nova Scotia. He was born April 15, 1912, at Mulgrave, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force January 17, 1934, at Halifax. Martin was posted to Marine Division, where he served on board *Cruiser No. 4, Preventor* and *Laurier*. He took his discharge October 25, 1939.

MCNAUGHTON Reg. No. 18054, ex-S/Sgt. John Frederick McNaughton, 62, died June 4, 1991, at Perth, Ontario, where he was born February 12, 1929. He joined the Force January 10, 1953, at Ottawa. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, McNaughton was posted to "B" Division, Newfoundland, and on June 1, 1955, he was transferred to "A" Division, Ontario, working at Ottawa, Pembroke, North Bay and Kingston. He retired to pension June 15, 1984. McNaughton was promoted to corporal April 1, 1964; sergeant July 1, 1971, and staff sergeant December 1, 1977.

MILROSE Reg. No. 11004, ex-S/Sgt. Arthur William Frederick Milrose, 84, died May 5, 1991, at Vancouver, British Columbia. He was born August 10, 1906, at London, England, and joined the Force August 27, 1931, at Edmonton, Alberta. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Milrose was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, working at Vancouver. On December 1, 1935, he was transferred to "J" Division, New Brunswick, serving at Fredericton, and retired November 22, 1960. Milrose was promoted to lance-corporal May 1, 1937; corporal April 11, 1941, sergeant May 1, 1946, and staff sergeant May 1, 1948.

MURRAY Reg. No. 13849, ex-S/Sgt. William Frederick Latch Murray, 70, died June 25, 1991, at Calgary, Alberta. He was born July 18, 1920, at Edmonton, Alberta, where he joined the Force January 2, 1941. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Murray was posted to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, working at St Peter's and Sydney. On January 19, 1943, he was transferred to "O" Division, Ontario, serving at Toronto and Niagara Falls. On June 1, 1944, Murray was transferred to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, where he worked at Fort Smith and Providence. On June 26, 1947, he was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, and served at Edmonton, McLeod, Medicine Hat, Nanton, Pincher Creek, Waterton Park, Blairmore and Westlock. He was discharged to pension March 14, 1964. Murray was granted an honorary chieftainship in the Red Coat Society of the Peigan Indian Band on August 13, 1960 (see *RCMP Quarterly* article entitled, "*Redcoat*" *Made Indian Chief*, Vol. 26 No. 4, April 1961). He was promoted to corporal May 1, 1955; sergeant November 1, 1961, and staff sergeant May 1, 1963.

MYERS Reg. No. 20282, ex-Cst. Frank Blenis Glenwood Myers, 80, died April 25, 1991, at Jeddore, Nova Scotia. He was born December 26, 1910, at Oyster Pond, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force as a special constable September 9, 1947, at Halifax. Myers was posted to Marine Division, where he served on board the *French*, *Irvine* and *McBrien*, and at Halifax. He became a regular member November 30, 1957, and retired to pension June 30 1967.

PEACE Reg. No. 25570, Sgt. Ian Reid Peace, 44, died June 4, 1991, at Sarnia, Ontario. He was born May 7, 1947, at Tisdale, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force March 22, 1967, at Saskatoon. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "P" Division, Mynarski, Alberta, Peace was posted to "O" Division, Ontario, and stationed at Toronto, Malton, Kitchener, London, Windsor, Simcoe and Sarnia, where he was still working at the time of his death. Peace was promoted to corporal July 1, 1977, and sergeant June 24, 1987.

PHILIPS Reg. No. 12977, ex-Sgt. William Reginald Philips, 76, died June 4, 1991, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born September 18, 1914, at New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force September 23, 1937, at Ottawa. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Philips was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Yorkton, Calder, Weyburn and Swift Current, until taking his discharge June 15, 1946. He reengaged into the Force January 26, 1948, and was posted to "A" Division, Ottawa. On April 1, 1952, he was transferred to Headquarters and retired to pension

August 21, 1959. He was promoted to corporal May 1, 1951, and sergeant November 1, 1956.

POTHIER Reg. No. S/7607, ex-S/Cst. George Albert Pothier, 69, died May 7, 1991, at Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was born June 9, 1921, at Lower Wedgeport, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force January 2, 1943, at Halifax. Pothier served in "H" Division, Halifax, as dockyard detachment guard until his discharge June 30, 1945.

ROTENBURGER Reg. No. 40545, Cst. Phillip Andrew Rotenburger, 34, died June 5, 1991, at Peace River, Alberta. He was born August 6, 1956, at Edmonton, Alberta, where he joined the Force as a special constable March 29, 1979. He was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, and worked at Edmonton. On November 18, 1988, Rotenburger was promoted to constable and following training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he was posted briefly to "F" Division, at Regina. On July 3, 1989, Rotenburger was transferred to "K" Division and posted to Peace River, where he was serving at the time of his death.

SAMSON Reg. No. 27922 (M/155) Sgt. Léon Gérard Samson, 49, died April 29, 1991, at Quebec City. He was born December 21, 1941, at Petit de Grat, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force as a marine constable July 24, 1962, at Halifax. Samson was posted to Marine Division and served on board the *Moosonin II* in Montréal, and the *Victoria*, *Nanaimo* and *Reliance* in British Columbia. On April 7, 1972, he was transferred to "C" Division, Quebec, and served aboard *Lac La Ronge* and *Captor* and was posted to Montréal and Quebec City, where he was serving at the time of his death. Samson converted to regular member status April 1, 1970, and was promoted to corporal, October 1, 1975, and sergeant, January 28, 1985.

SHEPHERD Reg. No. 16555, ex-Cpl. Joseph Shepherd, 76, died December 9, 1990, at Vancouver, British Columbia. He was born April 29, 1914, at Nanaimo, British Columbia, and became a member of the Force August 15, 1950, upon amalgamation with the British Columbia Provincial Police. Shepherd was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, serving at Victoria, Colwood, Creston and North Vancouver, until his retirement October 6, 1966. He was promoted to corporal May 1, 1953.

SHIELDS Reg. No. 14244, ex-Sgt. Lorne Bruce Shields, 69, died May 20, 1991, at Middleton, Nova Scotia. He was born July 26, 1921, at Kerrobert, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force August 21, 1941, at Edmonton, Alberta. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he was posted to "F" Division, working at Regina. On April 29, 1943, he was transferred to "H"

Division, Nova Scotia, serving at Bridgetown and Yarmouth. Shields was discharged June 30, 1944, and reengaged into the Force October 9, 1946, at Ottawa, Ontario, serving at "A" Division, Ottawa. On January 17, 1949, Shields was transferred to Headquarters and then on April 23, 1951, to "F" Division, working at Yorkton. On September 1, 1958, he was transferred to "J" Division, New Brunswick, where he worked at Fredericton until retiring to pension November 2, 1963. Shields was promoted to corporal April 30, 1955, and sergeant May 1, 1961.

STEVENSON Reg. No. 13354, ex-Cpl. Ronald Walter Stevenson, 74, died June 1, 1991, at Calgary, Alberta. He was born December 17, 1916, at Sibbald, Alberta, and joined the Force April 11, 1940, at Edmonton. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Stevenson was posted to "O" Division, Ontario, and worked at Toronto and Fort Erie. He was transferred to "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, on September 1, 1941, and to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, on January 31, 1942, working at Halifax and Sydney. On December 1, 1943, Stevenson was transferred to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, and worked at Yorkton, Calder, Sturgis, Rose Valley and Regina. He retired to pension November 18, 1965. Stevenson was promoted to corporal November 1, 1955.

THOMSON Reg. No. 16355, ex-Cpl. Dave Stuart Edmund Thomson, 88, died April 30, 1991, at Prince George, British Columbia. He was born January 20, 1903, at Deal, Kent, England, and became a member of the Force August 15, 1950,

at Kamloops, British Columbia, upon amalgamation with the British Columbia Provincial Police. Thomson was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, serving at Lillooet and retired to pension August 14, 1955. He was promoted to corporal November 1, 1952.

TUCKER Reg. No. S/105, ex-S/Cst. John Henry Tucker, 68, died May 17, 1991, at Summerland, British Columbia. He was born April 19, 1923, at Matsqui, British Columbia, and joined the Force December 16, 1960, at Penticton, assuming "E" Division, British Columbia, provost guard duties until his discharge to pension February 15, 1975. During previous service with the Royal Canadian Navy, Tucker was awarded the 1939-45 Star, the Defense Medal, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with clasp and the War Medal 1939-45.

WILLIAM Reg. No. 11827, ex-Sgt. David John Leslie Williams, 81, died March 30, 1991, at Calgary, Alberta. He was born May 12, 1909, at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force November 12, 1932, at Ottawa, Ontario. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Williams was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Edmonton, Calgary, Lethbridge, Taber, Barons and Medicine Hat. He retired to pension November 16, 1957. Williams was promoted to lance corporal August 1, 1939; corporal April 1, 1941, and sergeant May 1, 1953.



