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**OUR COVER:** In June, 1994, Mrs. Mireille Badour, appointed new civilian Deputy Commissioner, Corporate Management, reviewing the Musical Ride escorted by Insp. Earl Peters, OIC, Musical Ride. Mrs. Badour took time out to say a few words to Cst. Allison Godue. Photograph by S. Uno, courtesy of the RCMP Photo Library — 94-11 (15 a).

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## Editor's Notes

**FUNNY YOU SHOULD ASK** Here's your opportunity to have those humorous job-related stories and anecdotes preserved for posterity. Cst. A.J. Doody is currently putting together a book of humorous police-related stories and would appreciate your input. His only requirement is that they be true and include names, dates and places. Anonymous submissions are also welcomed. Send your stories to:

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**MUSICAL RIDE RING** This special offer is available to past and present members of the RCMP Musical Ride **only**. This very attractive, unisex ring, was created by goldsmith Edward Imhoff of Nanaimo, British Columbia. The face of the ring depicts a horse's head dressed in a double bridle. The fused "MP" (RCMP Registered Brand) is on one side with a maple leaf centred on crossed lances on the other.

The ring is available in 10K gold (\$385) or Sterling Silver (\$110) plus applicable taxes, as well as shipping and handling charges. A minimum deposit will be required on ordering. For further information call:

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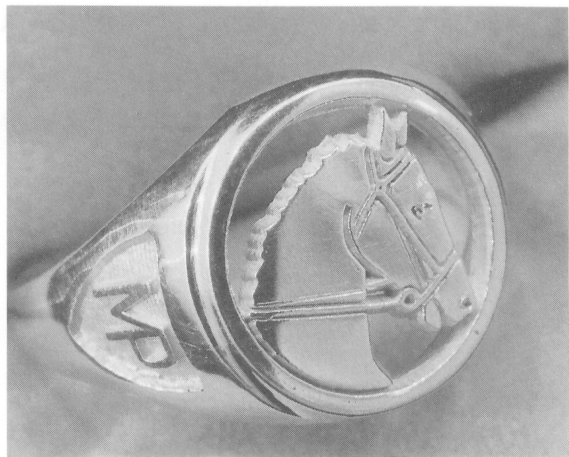
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### JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS!

One hundred and ninety-two RCMP officers have died on duty since the Force was formed 120 years ago. The book, *In the Line of Duty*, written by Bob Knuckle with the assistance of the RCMP Historical Section, provides a moving record of their sacrifice. This limited edition, hard-cover book containing over 300 photographs will be available in a red serge box and will be available from the publisher:

General Store Publishing House  
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(ISBN 0-919431-99-2)

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**1995 WORLD POLICE AND FIRE GAMES** The 6th Games will be held February 26-March 4, 1995, in Melbourne, Australia, "To promote sports and physical fitness among the law enforcement and fire fighting community throughout the world".

Accompanied by an equal number of spectators from up to 35 nations, it is estimated that 7000 Australian and international contenders will attend the Games to compete in 50 sports. Victoria Police, the Melbourne Metropolitan Fire Brigade and the Country Fire Authority of Victoria have combined to form an effective and efficient management team to ensure the success of this outstanding sporting event. To date, the World Police and Fire Games have been conducted in the following locations:

- 1985 — San Jose, California
- 1987 — San Diego, California
- 1989 — Vancouver, British Columbia
- 1991 — Memphis, Tennessee
- 1993 — Colorado Springs, Colorado
- 1995 — Melbourne, Australia
- 1997 — Calgary, Alberta (planned)

The Games are expected to have a significant impact on the City of Melbourne along with the State of Victoria and Australia generally. To highlight the roles of Victorian emergency service organizations internationally, a major International public Safety Conference, open to emergency services worldwide, is expected to be conducted in Melbourne to coincide with the Games.

This will be a valuable opportunity for participants, not only to compete, but to encounter an infinite variety of travel experiences on the world's largest island and smallest continent. For further information, please contact:

1995 World Police and Fire Games  
108 Batman Avenue  
Melbourne, Victoria, 3004  
Australia

Tel.: (613) 650-5496

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**SNOWBIRDS REUNION** The 13th annual RCMP Veterans' Snowbird Mesa Reunion was held on February 24, 1994, at the American Legion in Mesa, Arizona. This year approximately one half of those attending were newcomers to the Sunny South Reunion, getting away from Canada's bitter-cold winter. Of the 218 in attendance, 104 of which were members, the breakdown was as follows: British Columbia (44), Alberta (28), Saskatchewan (11), Manitoba (8), New Brunswick (1), Yukon (1), and U.S.A. (3). The Ingram Paper Company supplied a Potlatch Company calendar painted by artist A. Frieberg to all participants.

The reunion was chaired by T.E. Smith, President, who introduced C/Supt. V.J. Cain (retired) now Chief Coroner of British Columbia, as our guest speaker. A western theme dance followed during which many members reacquainted themselves with long-time friends.

Plans are currently well under way for the next reunion, which will be held at the same place on February 23, 1995. Registration fee is \$35 per couple and an advance deposit of US\$10 is to be sent after December 1, 1994, to:

Secretary S. Onderko  
#171 - 300 S. Val Vista Drive  
Mesa, AZ85202

Tel.: (602) 396-2213.



P.S. Don't forget the coffee gathering held every Saturday morning at 9:30, at the Little Mesa Cafe, 3929 E. Main

Street, Mesa, starting November 5, 1994, through to March 25, 1995.



(L-R) Seated: L. Simmonds, J. Onderko, Y. Cain, H. Smith, J. Wood, P. Zacko. Standing: ex-Sgt. D.G. Simmonds, Vice-President; ex-Sgt. S. Onderko, Secretary; C/Supt. V.J. Cain (retired), ex-Sgt. E.E. Smith, President; M. Zacko, American Legion Post Commander, ex-Sgt. R.C. Wood, Treasurer.

## SAVE THE GOOSE

*As you probably remember from our last issue, the Grumman Goose CF-MPG has been retired from service in the Force. The historic value of CF-MPG more than warrants her being preserved in a museum for all Canadians to see and appreciate. Despite its age, the Grumman Goose is still a highly serviceable and valuable aircraft on the commercial and private market. Due to fiscal restraint however, the RCMP cannot donate the Goose — valued at \$300,000 — to a museum, so once again CF-MPG has to go to Crown Assets.*

*The "Save the Goose" committee was established by the Prince George Flying Club to lobby for political support and to raise sufficient funds to purchase the Goose and preserve it in a Canadian Museum. On June 17, 1994, Commissioner N.D. Inkster postponed public sale of the historic aircraft until the end of the calendar year to allow the "Save the Goose" committee time to raise the required \$300,000. CF-MPG now rests in the RCMP hangar at Prince George, awaiting her fate. It's up to you!*

*To make donations: direct deposit to **any** Canada Trust Branch to the "Save the Goose Fund", Account # 280-511777; cheque or money order to "Save the Goose". For more information on how you can help in this worthwhile cause, write or call:*

*"Save the Goose" Committee  
P.O. Box 2192  
Prince George, British Columbia  
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# Letters to the Editor

## WANTED: BIZARRE CASES

I am planning to write a book entitled *In The Line of Duty*, which will contain true stories about real police officers. The reason I am writing is to ask for some old cases, ones that have been solved and are past the appeal period. The type I am looking for are the "strange" cases — the bizarre ones or the ones that are so off-the-wall that one chuckles every time these are mentioned.

I am also dedicating a chapter to fallen heroes — the men and women who gave their lives in the line of duty. Police officers have more things happening during their shift than traffic stops, shoot-outs and drug raids. I want to show the human side of police work, as well as honour our national police force.

I am willing to change the names of police officers and any other people involved, if so desired. I would be very grateful for any material you can send to me.

Sherri L. Slaunwhite  
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## BLUE KNIGHTS CHARITY RALLY

An up-coming **Non-Attendance Rally** in aid of Multiple Sclerosis will be held soon by the members of the Blue

Knights International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club Inc., Saskatchewan I Chapter, based at Saskatoon.

The Blue Knights are law enforcement personnel who enjoy motorcycling and socializing as well as raise funds and donate their personal time to worthwhile charitable organizations dedicated to research and helping others. In a "Non-Attendance" rally, participants send in their registration fee, receive a special pin and certificate of appreciation, but do not **actually** attend the rally. The rally is open to anyone, whether they are motorcycle enthusiasts or not.

The Blue Knights Saskatchewan I Chapter has selected the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation as their charity project for 1994. As well as raising funds, the Saskatchewan I Chapter hopes to set a new world record in the Guinness Book of Records for the "World's Largest Non-Attendance Rally". The closing date for registration has been set for December 25, 1994. For further information contact:

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Committee Chairman  
Blue Knights, Saskatchewan I Chapter  
Box 8694  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan  
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President, Saskatchewan I Chapter

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# Women and the RCMP

by Civilian Member J.L. MacKinnon, *RCMP Gazette*

*September 1994, marks the 20th anniversary of female regular members in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Their contributions and achievements have been significant in such a short period of time. The RCMP "Quarterly" joins in celebrating the partnership between male and female members of the Force (as well as civilian members and public service employees) and looks forward to continued cooperation in the years to come. The following article, which appeared in the "RCMP Gazette" Vol. 56 No. 9, September 1994 issue, is reprinted with permission. — Ed.*

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## Introduction

Traditionally, society has not only tolerated but also, supported the notion that women were the subordinate sex. Women, like children, were to be "seen and not heard", "barefoot and pregnant in the kitchen" and always "standing by their man". (We must all be familiar with a myriad of clichés on this subject.) Western capitalistic tradition and Victorian mores placed women squarely into definite roles and responsibilities which they were supposed to act out without question.

At the same time, we entertained the romantic postcard vision of the RCMP — the tall, dark and handsome man, adorned with a moustache and dashing good looks, dressed in red serge sitting "tall in the saddle" with an appropriate backdrop of Canadiana (usually the Rocky Mountains). The Mounties were purported to always

"get their man". Canada was the brave, the true, the North and the free — and all was well with this world — or so it would seem.

## The Early Seventies

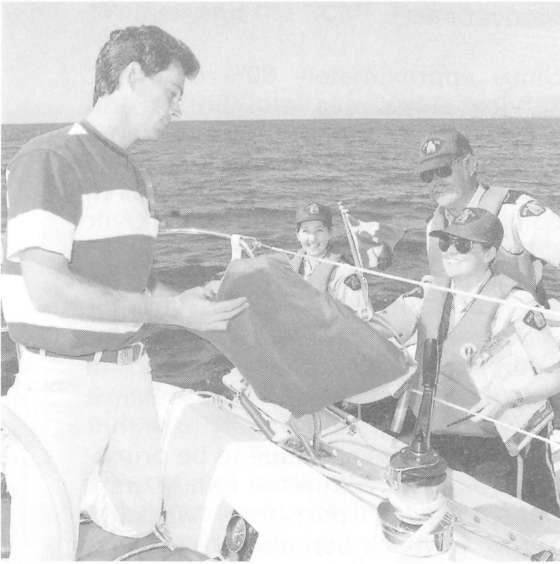
Not really all that long ago, the RCMP was recognized as being a male-dominated organization and some would argue that still holds true today. It is, however, no secret that change is inevitable. And, as society continues to evolve at a rapid pace, change becomes more and more the "norm", rather than the exception. In response, the Force began to examine those areas in which it could use women in an active capacity by way of a study commissioned by the Deputy Commissioner of Criminal Operations in September, 1970.

## Selected Studies

Based on reports and data collected from police departments employing women, the RCMP recommended at this time that:

- women should be engaged as regular members;
- they receive the same basic training as men upon entry;
- equal pay and benefits to their male counterparts;
- arrangements be made for a qualified female advisor to be seconded from a military organization to assist the RCMP in fulfilling its objectives in these areas, particularly in training;





Photographs courtesy of RCMP Gazette

- standards of conduct and uniform design be carefully worked out before announcing a recruiting program;
- women not be used solely in clerical positions; and,
- after basic training, women should be posted to points/locales in which they would be best suited so as to perform the most useful roles within the Force.

In 1971, the Royal Commission on the Status of Women carried out a study looking at women in the federal government workplace. It criticized the employment practices of many government departments. The report urged employers to open job opportunities to both sexes on an equal competition basis. (Prior to this, many employment opportunities were closed to women.)

For the RCMP, September 23, 1974, marked a real change in the composi-

tion of the Force when the first troop (Troop 17) of 32 women entered Depot Division [now called **RCMP Training Academy — Ed.**] in Regina, Saskatchewan. However, despite the attention this generated, this was not the first time women had been employed within a police organization. Matrons were active during the Gold Rush of 1896 and more recently, women held positions as civilian members, subject to all the rules and para-military regulations of the Force. As well, several agencies in Canada already had female police officers in their ranks and they had been there for many years, some already in supervisory positions:

“They had already proven their worth through hard work, determination and dedication. It was now time for the RCMP to provide Canadian women with the opportunity to serve the public in the same manner as their male counterparts.” (*RCMP Gazette*, Vol. 51, No. 11, 1989)

In December 1981, Dr. Rick Linden, a University of Manitoba Criminologist and Sociology Professor, completed a study on women in policing, specifically examining the Lower Mainland RCMP detachments. He found that gender had no effect on police work and officer competence:

“The women may not be exactly equal to men in all aspects of police work, but they perform the job well. They are not always as assertive as men, but when faced with danger or actual violence, they take the same decisive action as men.” (*Pony Express*, August 1989)

Inspector Fred Stark looked at the role of female constables in “E” Division, British Columbia. His findings were much the same:

"Female members are equally concerned about issues of equality and non-preferential treatment. Most females want to achieve on their own merit and compete on an equal basis with males." (*Pony Express*, August 1989)

### **The Federal Public Service — *Beneath the Veneer***

The overall representation of women in the federal public service approximates that of the Canadian labour force fairly closely but representation rates vary. For example, in 19 out of 72 occupational groups, women represent only 10% of the total.<sup>1\*</sup> Women continue to be concentrated to a high degree in a small number of occupational groups. Three quarters of women in the federal public service are concentrated in four of 72 groups (secretarial, clerical, administrative services, and program management). In fact, the clerical category comprises 44% of the concentration of women in the federal public service.

Rates of pay also reflect a distinct inequality between theory and practice. In almost all occupational groups, the majority of women are at lower rates of pay and service than men. And, while women are reported to advance 5% more rapidly than men, they also start at lower levels of pay and service.

In 1988, the Public Service created a task force to identify those barriers which might impede the advancement of women in federal government positions. In the process of doing so, it was hoped that recommendations and solutions could be arrived at to eliminate these barriers. The report *Beneath the Veneer* stated that the RCMP was making positive inroads in employment equity.

### **Innovations**

Since approximately 80% of public service employees are female and over 90% occupy administrative support positions, the Career Advancement Course for Women continues to be offered throughout the Force. Over the past two years, approximately 320 women have received this training.

Alternate work patterns (i.e. part-time hours) will also be encouraged to help female staff achieve a balance between work and family commitments (females continue to be primary care-givers within the family unit). Pensions for part-time workers, longer payback periods for contributions on return from care-and-nurturing leave, and daycare considerations are but a few options also being considered. As well, the departmental assignment program assists employees in gaining a broader experience in the work environment while providing for career enhancement.



## Women and the RCMP Today

The preservation of peace and the protection of life and property are basic needs in a democratic society. Since each citizen cannot assume individual responsibility for the fulfillment of these needs, communities have long-since employed police agencies to preserve and protect the rights and property of all citizens. In carrying out these duties, police officers come into contact with a myriad of problems.

By now, we know that many of these problems are not of the sensationalistic, murder-type genre — these are often the exception rather than the rule. Many incidents which the police respond to involve victims — often women, children and/or seniors. It is maintained by some police executives and staffing officials that not only are women more sympathetic and understanding in these situations but also, people relate better to women in these circumstances. And, as the ideals of community-based policing are reiterated time and time again, this police/citizen interaction may bring women further into the forefront of policing.

Today, women are involved in virtually every aspect of police work. In fact, there is no section or unit within the RCMP which women do not have access to. There are careers for women within the Force at regular and civilian member levels, the public service and contractual positions. Women total 1,166 or 7.6% of all uniformed personnel; 1,009 or 7.2% are employed as regular members. By the year 2013, it is hoped that this figure will increase to 20%. Women occupy various operational and administrative positions ranging from general detachment duties, highway patrols, drug sections, VIP duty, victim assistance, etc.

In this year, the 20th anniversary of female members in the RCMP, the following could be said:

- a female member was commissioned in 1992;
- there are at least 30 female corporals in the Force with the first promotion in 1981;
- women have been a part of the Musical Ride since 1980; the first female Equitation Instructor - 1986;
- there are 10 female instructors at the RCMP Training Academy;
- women serve on the tactical troops;
- women attend the three-year Force-sponsored law program;
- there are two women on the National Recruiting Team;
- the first female joined the Air Division as a pilot in 1987; and,
- the first female featured in the RCMP Band was in 1984.

Of the 32 women in the first troop, 18 are still with the Force, which represents only a slightly higher attrition rate than males. Approximately half of these females serve on general duties at the detachment level, while others are interspersed throughout various specialized units and branches. Women have proven themselves to be able-bodied and ready to accept the challenge:

“During these years, women have proven themselves able and dedicated peace officers. I would be remiss if I did not narrow the focus of my remarks and thank directly those women who have joined the RCMP and who have so ably served. They also share this day and will look back



on what has been and then look forward to what can be." (Commissioner N.D. Inkster, International Women's Day, March 1989)

Men and women are afforded equal career opportunities within the Force. All candidates for promotion and/or transfer are selected on an equal basis. These ideas reflect the reality that women are a significant portion of society's population — in fact, at least one half. It has never been a case of women wanting more than their male counterparts, as some might argue. And, the recruitment pattern of women has not produced militant action to this end. They are simply asking to be treated as their equals in every sense of that word — equal recognition, equal pay for equal work, equal access to job opportunities... and the list goes on.



### Perceptions of Women Within the Force

It would be untrue to say the inception of women into the Force was met without hesitation. Some (men and women alike) felt women were not "cut out" to do police work; they could be "at risk" in certain situations; and, they were not physically adept at handling the demands of police work. For example:

An off-duty constable:

"Women in the Force? I think it's a great idea. You know, I've always said that there are many things that a woman can do even better than a man. We all know women are more sensitive and intuitive than men. But let's face it, there are some things they aren't just cut out for — and there are some real dangers out there in the field. I'd hate to see a 19-year-old female constable go out in a

patrol car alone. She might get raped!" (*Pony Express*, August 1989)

A male recruit at the RCMP Training Academy:

"It was different before the women got here. The instructors swore at us more. They have a gentlemanly way of dealing with women and we feel that we're expected to act the same way." (*Pony Express*, August 1989)

Superintendent Bill MacRae (retired):

"I've been in Regina for 15 years and talked to thousands of recruits and these women are deadly serious about their training. I can see only a few differences between them and the men. One of them is that they tend to cry easily and another is that they giggle, but that's just because they're more used to expressing their emotions than the men are. They just need to learn a little control." (*Pony Express*, August 1989)

Perhaps such commentary spurred women on further to achieve:

"Women have to prove themselves in any field, not just the RCMP. There is no room for sympathy here. Empathy yes, but sympathy no. These women are being paid to do a job and if they can't do it, they don't belong here. We can't put other lives at risk. Also, I've never had second thoughts, there is nothing else I see myself doing." (Cpl. Karen Adams, *RCMP Gazette*, Vol. 51, No. 11, 1989)

The most frustrating problems for female officers to contend with today continue to be unrelated to their job as police officers *per se*. Many female members feel they are not accepted by male members or at the extreme, are over-protected and coddled by them. In the process of conducting their day-to-day activities, some maintain they are being judged as women, rather than as equals.



Within the public service, much the same can be said about attitudes and there is a high degree of consensus among women at all levels on this subject. Many feel that there are certain "barriers" which prevent them from advancing further in their careers including: stereotyped attitudes; a hostile or unaccommodating corporate culture; and, problems in balancing work and family life.

Men and women also have sharply divergent perceptions regarding the situation of women within the public service. For example, 67% of women believe there is a point at which they can no longer advance, even in their own occupational groups. At a more senior level, this number rises to 79%. Only 38% of men shared these beliefs.

By now, we know that women are just as capable as men to be employed within an array of occupations within the Force. However, many women get discouraged with what they perceive to be discrimination against their sex and leave to find employment elsewhere:

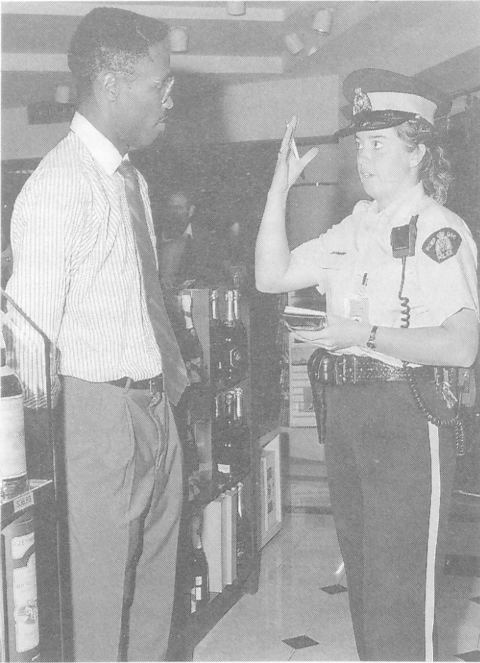
"Unless the barriers to advancement are diminished, the Public Service will not be able to attract and retain capable, well-educated women for whom they will have to compete with a private sector that already recognizes the challenge it faces in securing the necessary work force in the next decade." (*Beneath the Veneer*, Public Service Task Force)

### Future Prospects

There are a number of realities that employers will have to address and the RCMP is no exception — women comprise almost half of the Canadian labour force (44%); the population of Canada as a whole is aging which will

mean. mass retirements and job vacancies; and, changing demographics as population compositions are altered will require someone to "pick up the slack".

The *Beneath the Veneer* Report outlined four basic recommendations, highlighting a renewed promise to gender equality. They are:



■ **Commitment:** Take gender balance seriously. Make a commitment to achieve it.

■ **Management:** Treat the lack of gender balance as a management problem, not as a women's issue peripheral to management. Make its solution a part of the management process and track progress openly.

■ **Systems:** Take action on system improvements that have been recommended in the past.

■ **Attitudes and Corporate Culture:** Don't expect the systemic improvements to solve the problem alone: tackle the attitudes and the corporate culture.

## Conclusion

This year marks the 20th anniversary of female members in the RCMP and it is a time to not only reflect, but also, look ahead to a time when articles such as this need not be written, when men and women will truly be considered equals on every front. That time is fast approaching with the appointment in 1994 of our first female Deputy Commissioner, Madame M. Badour.

The concept of change can be viewed in many lights but often, takes on unnecessary and unwarranted negative connotations. The inception of women into the RCMP has been and will continue to be a very positive experience for the Force, by all accounts. Former Commissioner Nadon in the *RCMP Gazette*, Vol. 36, Numbers 7 & 8 perhaps best summed up this reality for the Force; a reality which may, in the future, be transposed to other areas in which the Force continues to demonstrate its leadership:

"...there must be change, but it must not be change that erodes the discipline so necessary for the orderly functioning of a force such as ours. The time for mere resignation to the *status quo* is past. This is a time for renewal, the structure to guide the change is in the making... In working together toward that end, many of the traditions and values we have held dear will be questioned and some of them will be discarded." ■

<sup>1\*</sup> All figures quoted are from the Public Service Task Force's "Behind the Barriers" Report



## **Women in the RCMP**

*Prior to 1974, women served the Force as matrons and civilian members. Females were employed as matrons by the Force as early as 1892. These matrons were hired to deal with the female offenders arrested by the North West Mounted Police. Women filled positions such as fingerprint technicians and lab technicians in the Force.*

*On May 23, 1974, RCMP Commissioner Nadon made an announcement that the RCMP would begin accepting applications from women for regular police duties. Although women had played a role within the Force in the past, this announcement opened positions in areas which had previously been reserved for males. The declaration meant that women could now become regular members of the RCMP.*

*The first troop of female regular members was assembled and began training in September 1974. This troop graduated from Depot Division in March 1975. Since then, the women of the RCMP have made great progress and are presently represented in most areas of the Force. The following data will give an indication of the accomplishments of women in the RCMP.*

- 1968 *First Female to achieve Chief Scientist in Serology at the RCMP Laboratories — C/M Patricia Alain*
- 1969 *First Officer in Charge of the Forensic Laboratory in Winnipeg — C/M Catherine Purchase*
- 1978 *First civilian member Officer i/c Translation Branch — C/M Thérèse Ayotte*
- 1981 *First female promoted to corporal — Cpl. Diane Wright*
- 1981 *First two females on the Musical Ride — Cst. Joan Merk and Cst. Chris Mackie*
- 1984 *First female in the RCMP Band — Cst. Kerry Ann Kutz*
- 1987 *First female in Air Division — S/Cst. Nancy Puttkemery*
- 1987 *First female to Foreign Post, Lyon, France — Sgt. Diane Pilotte*
- 1988 *First civilian member Officer i/c Strategic Planning & Corporate Police Branch — C/M Tonita Murray*
- 1990 *First female detachment commander — Cpl. Patricia Ann Harrish ("G" Division), NCO i/c Arviat Detachment, Eskimo Point, Northwest Territories*
- 1992 *First female commissioned officers — Insp. Beverly Ann Busson and Insp. Cindy Villeneuve*

*First female civilian member engaged as electronic technician — C/M Grace Ann Piché*

*Since their acceptance into the RCMP, women have made and continue to make great contributions throughout the ranks of the Force.*

# 1995 National Aboriginal Youth Conference

## "Today's Youth — Tomorrow's Keepers"

In 1989, Commissioner N.D. Inkster made a pledge to the Aboriginal People of Canada in that the RCMP would hold regional conferences to improve communications and understanding between Canada's Aboriginal People and other segments of Canadian Society. Included in this pledge was a commitment to address concerns relating to the Aboriginal Youth.

The RCMP Training Academy in Regina, Saskatchewan, will be the site of a National Aboriginal Youth Conference during the week of May 15-19, 1995. This will be the sixth RCMP co-sponsored conference in Canada following "Policing for a Pluralistic Society" (Ottawa 1989); "Sharing Common Ground" (Edmonton 1990); "Winds of Change" (Halifax 1991); "Sharing Visions, Sharing Our World" (Winnipeg 1993), and "Voices of Change" (Labrador 1994).

This will be a joint venture hosted by "F" Division, Saskatchewan, and the Training Academy with the assistance of the Regina Police Service, several organizations and the youth themselves playing a major role in all aspects of the planning process.

The conference will bring hundreds of young people from across Canada to a setting within the police environment where they will be given the opportunity to:

- \* examine and compare social, economic and educational issues affecting their personal development;

- \* discuss concerns and problems with a wide variety of professionals, community leaders, role models and other youths in hope of finding realistic solutions, and

- \* experience the unique and diverse nature of Aboriginal culture and traditions.

The conference workshops will be lead by renowned keynote speakers and positive role-models focusing on social issues, personnel development, education, finances and employment opportunities, all of which will include formal and informal interaction with the police community. Traditional ceremonies and cultural events hosted by a variety of elders and artists will be an integral part of the conference.

Further details (posters and registration information) are to be distributed to each Division's Aboriginal Policing Section in September 1994, with the intention of targeting the students upon their return to school. This will allow them sufficient time to coordinate their plans for the Spring 1995.

For more information, please contact the Conference Coordinator, Sgt. Guy Comeault at (306) 780-7328, or Sgt. George Taylor, Promotions Committee, at (306) 780-5397. ■

## Change of Command

On June 23, 1994, at 13:00, a Change of Command Ceremony was held on the Canadian Police College grounds, Rockcliffe, Ontario, at which outgoing Commissioner N.D. Inkster formally handed over the reins to incoming Commissioner J.P.R. Murray. The ceremony began with words of welcome from masters of ceremony, Insp. J.C. Picard and Insp. C.C. Villeneuve, followed with the Corps Sergeant Major's Parade, which was inspected by the Solicitor General, the Honourable Herb Gray, and Commissioner Inkster. This was followed by a March Past, with Commissioner Inkster taking the salute.

Incoming Commissioner Murray and his wife arrived at the platform in the Victoria carriage where he was presented the Commissioner's Tipstaff, the official symbol of command, by Commissioner Inkster. The Chaplain bestowed his blessing on both Commissioners as well as the entire Force, after which the Solicitor General, Commissioner Inkster and his wife, were driven from the platform in the Victoria carriage.

A second March Past was conducted, this time the salute being taken by Commissioner Murray, after which all in attendance were ably entertained with a performance of the RCMP Musical Ride.

Commissioner N.D. Inkster retired after a 37-year career in the RCMP, the last seven of which he occupied the position of the most senior officer in the Force. He will be greatly missed by his many friends both inside and outside of the Force and he will be fondly remembered for his numerous accomplishments while he served as Commissioner.

Some of the many changes and innovations instituted during his tenure include: the Public Complaints Commission and the External Review Committee; Policing and Pluralistic Society; Community-Based Policing; Advisory Committees; Operational Budgets; Decentralization and Empowerment; Community Consultative Groups; the National Recruiting Team and Changing the Image of the Force;



**Commr. Inkster signs over authority for the Force, witnessed by the Solicitor General, and presents Tipstaff to Commr. Murray.**

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the Tribal Justice System; Headquarters as Centre of Policy; the National Operations Centre (NOC); Uniform Review, Cadet Program Changes; Enhanced Role of Women; UN Peacekeeping Involvement; Civilian Members' Personnel Service; Secondment to Other Police Departments; Aboriginal Constable Development Program; Intelligence Directorate Created; Outsourcing; In-Car Computers; Other Police Departments in CISC and Interpol; Sharing Accom-

modations with the OPP; Economic Crime — Management Information System; Automatic Weapons and 20-Year Contracts.

Commissioner Inkster was elected to the position of President of Interpol in November, 1992 — only the second RCMP Commissioner to have received this prestigious honour, the first being the late Commissioner W.L. Higgitt, who served as Interpol President from 1971 to 1975. ■

## Our New Commissioner



*Commissioner Murray was born on March 6, 1943, in Ottawa, Ontario. He received his Bachelor of Administration from the University of Regina with Great Distinction in 1977, having been awarded the University General Proficiency Scholarship in both 1975 and 1976. In 1978, he received his Certificate in Business Administration from the University of Regina.*

*Commissioner Murray joined the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in March 1962, and after recruit train-*

*ing, was posted to the Province of Saskatchewan. Following ten years of general duties, he served in planning and program evaluation related functions. After language training in 1981, he was posted to protective policing duties at "A" Division, Ottawa, where he served as the Officer in charge, Federal Policing for four years. In 1986, Commissioner Murray returned to Headquarters as the Officer in charge of VIP Security/Airport Policing. In December 1987, he was made Director, Protective Services, and in June 1988, he was appointed to the post of Director, Protective Policing. In March 1991, he assumed the position of Commanding Officer of "A" Division, in Ottawa.*

*In December, 1991, he was appointed Deputy Commissioner Administration, a position he occupied until November 1993, at which time he was named Deputy Commissioner Operations; he was responsible for all the criminal operations of the RCMP.*

*Commissioner Murray is a member of several duty related organizations and he has been granted the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Long Service Medal and Silver Clasp and Stars Award, and the Canada 125 Medal. ■*

# History and Symbolism of the Tipstaff

by Dr. W. Beahen, Force Historian

Originally referred to as a "tipped staff" the tipstaff was carried during and before the sixteenth century in England as a practical means of reinforcing the authority of a variety of officials having some aspect of law enforcement as their duty.

The staff was typically stout and strong; the tip was fashioned of metal, in the shape of a club or spike and provided additional weight to the staff.

By the seventeenth century, an official bearing a tipstaff wielded symbolic rather than actual authority. It served in the same way as a badge of the King's authority in the area of law enforcement. Its function gradually reduced to the carrying of arrest warrants and other legal processes. For this purpose, they were constructed as hollow tubes and the tip could be

screwed on or off to gain access to its contents. By 1700, parish constables routinely carried them about with them while performing their duties. They were widely identified in England as symbols of law enforcement by that time. Similar devices were carried by township constables in Upper Canada *circa* 1800.

A simpler, less conspicuous staff or truncheon became the solitary weapon of the Metropolitan Police on its formation in 1829, in order to emphasize the civilian nature of that particular police force. Over the years, the more ornate tipstaff, with the added embellishment of the Royal Crown at its tip, was introduced into the rank insignia of such illustrious police forces as Scotland Yard, as well as some Canadian police forces. It has thus been firmly entrenched as

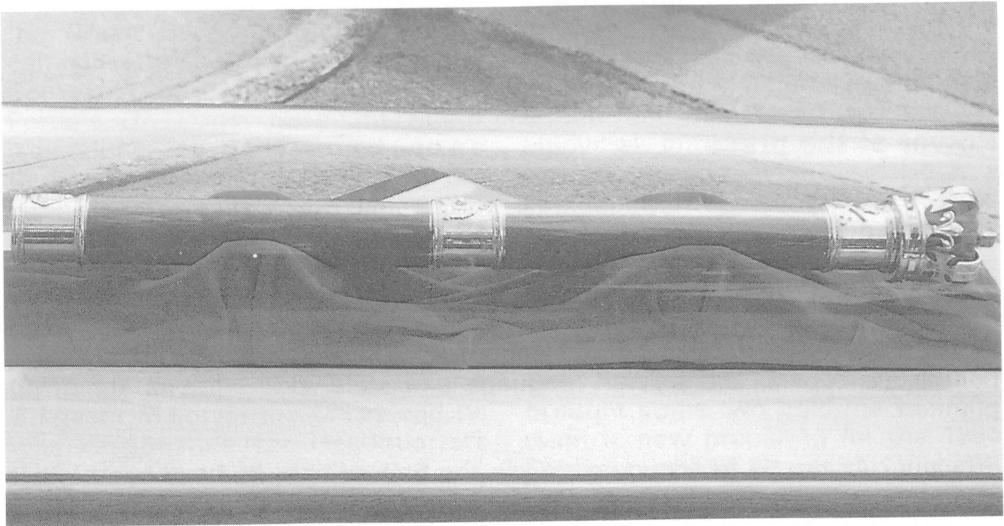


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a traditional British and Canadian symbol of law enforcement authority.

At the same time, in England, a parallel tradition had certain public officials who bore the tipstaff as a symbol of their authority — notably sheriff's officers, bailiffs, constables or court ushers — identified by the title "Tipstaff." A vestige of this time-honoured tradition, is the Tipstaff in the British Supreme Court, who conducts various court duties and functions for the Lord Chancellor. The Tipstaff's official role includes such ceremonial functions as leading the Lord Chancellor's procession in full regalia from the House of Lords to the annual services of Her Majesty's Judges at Westminster Abbey, opening Royal Courts of Justice after long vacations, and carrying the Court's silver staff to the Lord Mayor's banquet at Guildhall, London.

The Commissioner's Tipstaff follows the first of these two traditions, as a symbol of the solemn responsibility and authority borne by the Commissioner of the Royal Canadian

Mounted Police for law enforcement in Canada. It was presented to RCMP Commissioner of the day, W.L. Higgitt, on September 3, 1970, by the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police. The presentation expressed not only the profound gratitude of the Association for the Force but also demonstrated the unity developed within the law enforcement community.

The Commissioner's Tipstaff was the result of the creative efforts of English and Canadian craftsmen and blended the artistic skills of both the old and the new worlds. The crown, tubular shaft and furls were fashioned by Firman and Company, of London, England. Stokes Cap and Regalia covered the shaft with aniline, smooth-grained leather, of red-brown colour, to complement the Force's own colours. Bond-Boyd jewellers of Don Mills, Ontario, applied the Force insignia and executed the engraving, polishing and plating. Ewing and Gregors Cabinet Makers, of Toronto, constructed the oak display base and Cadillac Plastic of Toronto prepared the clear, acrylic dust cover. ■

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## Power of the press

A new free four-page newspaper is proving an overwhelming success in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Editorial matter for the newspaper is provided by the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department and includes photos, vital statistics and criminal deeds of the county's most dangerous fugitives. The newspaper costs less than \$200 US per 10,000 copies, and foreign language and state-wide editions are being planned.

Effective? Of the 52 felons appearing in the first edition, 25 have been either apprehended or turned themselves in!

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## New Corps Sergeant Major Appointed



Corps Sergeant Major J.T. Yvon Mercier was appointed by the Commissioner on April 14, 1994. The rank of Corps Sergeant Major has a long and illustrious history, originating in British military tradition. In the RCMP, the Corps Sergeant Major can be compared to the rank of Regimental Sergeant Major in the Army. The Force's Divisional Sergeant Major was equivalent to the Armed Force's Company Sergeant Major, or in the Cavalry, to Squadron Sergeant Major. In all cases, however, the rank and functions were primarily associated with enforcement of discipline, dress standards, and overall efficient operation of a post. At one time, the Corps Sergeant Major was the senior Sergeant Major of the Corps and he was responsible for Headquarters Division.

C/S/M Mercier perceives the role of his position as one of advisor to all

divisions. To that end, he intends to visit and make himself available to all members of the Force. He adds, "Traditions are the beliefs and customs handed down by members of the Force. It is what members remember most, both during and after their service."

C/S/M Mercier is emphatic that, "One should always remember that our greatest strength is the quality and dedication of our members." One of his concerns is the erosion of knowledge in the traditional ways of maintaining our proud heritage. It is his intention "to inject as many ideas as possible to make members more aware of the importance of keeping our traditions." C/S/M Mercier plans to welcome more involvement by serving and retired members.

C/S/M Mercier is first and foremost a father — the education of his son, Jason, who is studying Environmental Engineering at Acadia University, Nova Scotia, receives top priority. C/S/M Mercier is also an avid hunter and fisherman; in fact, he enjoys all outdoor activities — even working around the house. He is a competitive trap-shooter, a sport he has coached for the last ten years.

In 1993, C/S/M Mercier was appointed Canada's Olympic trap shooting team coach. He spent two weeks in Cuba last April with the team, which brought home two gold medals. The team is now preparing for the 1994 Commonwealth Games in Victoria, British Columbia, and the 1996 Olympic Summer Games in Atlanta, Georgia. ■

## Letter From Sarajevo

*The following is a letter home from Cst. A.W. Sczepanski, while on Civilian Police (CIVPOL) duty with the United Nations Protection Force in Sector Sarajevo, former-Yugoslavia. — Ed.*

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*Hi everyone. How is it going back home? Before I go on, let me just say that we greatly appreciated the care package you sent us recently. It was difficult to share it with all the other "O" Division members here, because we are scattered around the country. Those with whom I was able to share the contents of the package thank you for thinking of us. It's nice to know we are not being forgotten.*

*Ashley (Cpl. R.A. Lambert) and I are in the Sarajevo area and loving it. He is the Sector Chief, in charge of operations. After completing his first six months in Sector East, he requested a transfer to Sarajevo. As they say over here, "If you haven't served in Sarajevo you haven't served on the Mission." But let me tell you, it doesn't really matter where we serve over here — we all work under the same perilous conditions.*

*I have worked in several locations since our arrival here on December 4, 1993. I spent three days at Sarajevo Airport doing primarily customs and*

*immigration duties. I now have a much greater appreciation of the problems faced by Canada Customs and Immigration personnel. You would not believe the living conditions at the airport. The level of sanitation is practically non-existent. CIVPOL personnel live in a small trailer, eat in a tiny kitchen, and shower in the French Foreign Legion field showers. At Sarajevo Headquarters, we live with CIVPOL personnel from France with whom we have developed a good rapport. Again, the living conditions leave much to be desired, but we do the best we can with what we have. The hours of work are long and tedious, and the work involves anything from routine administration to arranging prisoner of war or body exchanges.*

*At present, I am working in a community outside Sarajevo called Kiseljak, as the Liaison Officer for UNCIVPOL. For the most part, I attend meetings with military personnel to discuss major concerns as well as to provide an avenue for them if they wish to convey their concerns and requests to UNCIVPOL. Headquarters, referred to as Bosnia and Herzegovina Command, is located in a hotel which was a very popular spot for the local citizens during the 1984 Olympic Games hosted by the city of Sarajevo. At that time, this hotel was one of the most popular in the area — it had a casino, health and massage spa, as well as a therapeutic mud bath.*



One of the most disconcerting features of life here is the ever-presence of snipers. There is as well the constant threat from artillery shells; on an average day, as many as 2000 shells strike the city. All of us have had the experience of hearing a bullet close up, as it whistled by our soft-skinned vehicle.

On New Year's Eve, I was in Sarajevo covering for Ashley, because he had gone home to Canada for about ten days. We all had a great time at the New Year's Eve party, and to help us ring in the New Year, there was a great bang around midnight. Picture this: approximately 250 people in the Headquarters club, drinking champagne, dancing and having a great time, when all of a sudden there is a loud bang and everyone yells "Happy New Year." It was not until the next morning during a damage check that I discovered that a 155 calibre artillery shell had struck the building, leaving a gaping hole (20 x 12 feet) in the wall, one floor below the club. A few feet higher and it would have been instant disaster.

Still, we have had a lot of great times here. Whenever I am out and about in the city, I see local people trying to carry on as best they can. When I think of our lives back home in Canada, it is difficult to compare our problems with theirs; yet they seem to be able to cope with their atrocious conditions quite well. Often I see small children walking in the street or playing in the snow. Sometimes they throw snowballs at our vehicle, trying to entice us into snowball fights, just like kids back home.

The kids love to see a UN vehicle pull up the street and stop, for this means they might get a little something to eat or a treat of some kind. We always have something with us, be it bread or candy. It's amazing that so many of the children can speak English and are very polite and appreciative whenever we give something to them.

On one occasion when I was out, a four-year-old boy came over to my vehicle as I was waiting for someone to return. As I stared down into his sad eyes, I could see the damage that this war had done to him and the other children in this city. All I had with me at the time was one small biscuit, which he graciously accepted. As he walked away, I heard him call to someone. It was his seven-year-old sister. As much as his little treasure must have meant to him, he took the insignificant morsel of food, broke it in two and gave half to his sister. With eyes lit up like a Christmas tree, she turned to me and waved in gratitude. A lump formed in my throat and all I could think about were my own four-year-old son and seven-year-old daughter back home and hoped that they would never have to endure anything like this.

Once again, our thanks to the "O" Division Police Association and all its members for taking the time to think of us over here. It is gestures like this that keep us going. Thanks again to Darlene for the care package. We are all well here and in good spirits. We look forward to seeing you all when we return in June. ■

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**Names and Division at the time of posting of the following members forming the fifth RCMP UNPROFOR Contingent. Departure date to former Yugoslavia: December 3, 1993.**

- "A" Division:** Reg. No. 31715, Sgt. D.G. Ogden
- "C" Division:** Reg. No. 26546, Sgt. J.E.C.G. Rivest; Reg. No. 37869, Cst. J.L.J. Giroux; Reg. No. 36674, Cst. C.L. Melanson; Reg. No. 38405, Cst. M.J.D. Savard
- "D" Division:** Reg. No. 27505, Cpl. B.R. Sale; Reg. No. 34327, Cpl. C.S. Watts; Reg. No. 36013, Cst. D.N. Gooch
- "E" Division:** Reg. No. 23839, S/Sgt. P.G. Howes; Reg. No. 29147, Cpl. W.R. Mossman; Reg. No. 30055, Cpl. B.W. Hickman; Reg. No. 32280, Cpl. J.P. Goodbrand; Reg. No. 34402, Cst. D.D. Meikle; Reg. No. 35391, Cst. N.R. Bellamy; Reg. No. 38221, Cst. J.W. Bentham; Reg. No. 33227, Cst. A.W. Peruzzo; Reg. No. 33863, Cst. W.L. Ryan; Reg. No. 40181, Cst. D.A. Kwasnica
- "F" Division:** Reg. No. 23650, Sgt. M.K. Spurgeon \* (extension — Contingent 4); Reg. No. 31710, Cpl. N.W. Mitchell; Reg. No. 32259, Cst. G.B. Bomersine
- "H" Division:** Reg. No. 22099, Sgt. P.F. Leppard; Reg. No. 32161, Cpl. V.P. Fraser; Reg. No. 30979, Cst. B.E. Ettinger
- "J" Division:** Reg. No. 22774, S/Sgt. R.J. O'Brien; Reg. No. 37698, Cst. J.J.S. Gourdeau
- "K" Division:** Reg. No. 0. 1606, Insp. R.M. Munro \* (extension — Contingent 4); Reg. No. 26520, Sgt. A.J. Cameron; Reg. No. 25158, Cpl. J.G. Kelly; Reg. No. 32178, Cpl. D.J. Hample; Reg. No. 30880, Cst. E.B. McKenna; Reg. No. 35525, Cst. K.L. Suchar
- "O" Division:** Reg. No. 30541, Sgt. R.A. Harten; Reg. No. 33728, Cpl. R.B. Hamilton; Reg. No. 35160, Cpl. R.A. Lambert \* (extension — Contingent 4); Reg. No. 37287, Cst. A.W. Sczepanski
- Academy:** Reg. No. 37100, Cpl. J.H.R. Plamondon
- Headquarters:** Reg. No. 23950, S/Sgt. D.B. Kilpatrick; Reg. No. 28835, Sgt. R.E. Lapierre \*; Reg. No. 30013, Cpl. K.A. Kaip; Reg. No. 31674, Cpl. M.G. McTaggart; Reg. No. 32168, Cpl. E.V. Josey; Reg. No. 33222, Cpl. E.D. Fudge; Reg. No. 34569, Cpl. J.D. Charette; Reg. No. 35154, Cpl. C.R. Forsythe



**CONTINGENT NO. 5 (L-R) Front row: S/Sgt. D.B. Kilpatrick, Cpls J.D. Charette, C.R. Forsythe and D.J. Hample, Cst. N.R. Bellamy, Insp. J.D. McLauchlan, C/Supt. J.D. Walker, D/Commrs J.R.H. Beaulac and J.P.R. Murray, A/Commr. P.M. McLellan, Insp. J.J. Payne, Cpl. V.P. Fraser, Sgt. A.J. Cameron, Cpl. R.B. Hamilton, Cst. A.W. Sczepanski, Cpl. J.P. Goodbrand. Second row: Csts J.L.J. Giroux and K.L. Suchar, Cpls E.D. Fudge and B.R. Sale, Sgt. R.E. Lapierre, Csts D.N. Gooch, N.W. Mitchell and D.A. Kwasnica, Sgt. D.G. Ogden, Cpl. M.G. McTaggart, Cst. D.D. Meikle, S/Sgt. R.J. O'Brien, Csts G.B. Bomersine, C.L. Melanson and M.J.D. Savard, Sgt. P.F. Leppard, Cpl. M.R.J. Abernethy (alternate). Back row: Cst. E.B. McKenna, Cpl. J.H.R. Plamondon, Sgt. R.A. Harten, Cpls E.V. Josey and J.G. Kelly, Cst. J.J.S. Gourdeau, Cpls C.S. Watts and K.A. Kaip, Csts A.W. Peruzzo, J.W. Bentham and W.L. Ryan, S/Sgt. P.G. Howes, Cpl. W.R. Mossman, Sgt. J.E.C.G. Rivest, Cpl. B.W. Hickman, Cst. B.E. Ettinger.**

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**Names and Division at the time of posting of the following members forming the sixth RCMP UNPROFOR Contingent. Departure date to former Yugoslavia: June 1, 1994.**

**"A" Division:** Reg. No. 39032, Cst. B.M. Lucki \* ; Reg. No. 40682, Cst. S.J.L. Stewart

**"B" Division:** Reg. No. 26366, Sgt. J.J. MacKinnon

**"C" Division:** Reg. No. 35427, Cst. J.M.B. Boileau; Reg. No. 37960, Cst. G.J. Aylward; Reg. No. 39982, Cst. J.P.M. Boisvert

**"D" Division:** Reg. No. 0. 1508, Insp. C.R.E. Bothe; Reg. No. 22762, Sgt. B.A. Kineshanko; Reg. No. 24678, Sgt. G.A.W. Balmer; Reg. No. 31160, Cpl. R.B. Cooke

**"E" Division:** Reg. No. 21779, S/Sgt. W.G. Roberts; Reg. No. 23308, S/Sgt. T. Pukas; Reg. No. 30108, Cpl. J.G. Cunningham; Reg. No. 33612, Cpl. J.A. Buis; Reg. No. 32955, Cst. T.H. Brock; Reg. No. 36539, Cst. D.J. Doyle; Reg. No. 36591, Cst. R.H. Bilusack; Reg. No. 37165, Cst. K.M. Sanvido; Reg. No. 38267, Cst. C.W. Chrustie \*; Reg. No. 39769, Cst. A.E. Goodey

**"F" Division:** Reg. No. 28132, Sgt. B.R. Rogers; Reg. No. 32063, Cpl. J.H. Nadon; Reg. No. 39818, Cst. K.R.D. Alexander

**"H" Division:** Reg. No. 27511, Cpl. D.H. Aucoin; Reg. No. 28408, Cst. B.J. Mellish \*; Reg. No. 31151, Cst. A.J. Seward

**"J" Division:** Reg. No. 0. 1622, Insp. J.J.W.J. Newman; Reg. No. 25183, Cpl. T.P. Ledrew; Reg. No. 35473, Cst. D.J. Ward

**"K" Division:** Reg. No. 28224, Sgt. P.B. Cieslikowski; Reg. No. 28796, Cpl. A.D.J. Rudd; Reg. No. 28899, Cpl. L.J. Pleasants; Reg. No. 35210, Cst. S.G. Williamson

**"L" Division:** Reg. No. 35491, Cst. S.L. Jenkins \*

**"O" Division:** Reg. No. 31134, Sgt. T.A. Cameron \*; Reg. No. 33229, Cpl. J.L. Gauthier; Reg. No. 32901, Cpl. D.F. Dillon; Reg. No. 33447, Cst. P.J. Prentice

**Academy:** Reg. No. 33563, Cpl. J.P.J. Lemieux; Reg. No. 35078, Cpl. J.M.R. Larivière

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**\* Denotes previous UNPROFOR service**

# Reimbursement for Gasoline Expenditure

by Constable S.H. Marissink

*The author was on duty, May-December 1993, with the RCMP contingent part of the Civilian Police (CIVPOL) deployed with the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) in former-Yugoslavia. Experiences such as the ones described in the following amusing anecdote are typical of the kinds of "adventures" that tend to make tours of duty abroad so memorable. — Ed.*

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On July 7, 1993, Cst. R.K. Hart and I found out that we were transferred from Tenja Station, Sector East, to Headquarters Investigations, Sector South. We both had an intense desire to see the country in which we were serving and had been actively seeking transfers to other sectors or to Bosnia. As luck would have it, we were just getting off the helicopter from our first CTO (compensatory time off) when we learned of our transfer which was effective the next day. We were to report to the Pleso Airport in Zagreb, 400 km away, and be there by 12:30 the next day in order to catch the shuttle chopper to our new posting.

We were assigned a UN Toyota Land Cruiser on strength at Tenja Station to make the trip. The vehicle had been vandalized during a recent break and enter — the CIVPOL radio had been taken and damage to the interior had rendered the gauges inoperable, including the fuel gauge. A replace-

ment radio had finally become available at Zagreb and it would be installed in the vehicle when we reached that destination. Our esteemed Station Commander, Cst. J.S. Seewald, assured us that the Toyota had been gassed up and that there was sufficient fuel for the trip.

Approximately 40 km outside of Pleso, the engine died... we were out of gas. My travelling companion managed to secure a 5 L jerry-can of fuel, which we felt would be adequate to get us to the airport. To our chagrin, ten minutes later we had run out of fuel again. After obtaining another jerry-can of fuel, we drove the truck to a gas station where I had to purchase US\$20 worth of fuel because the station did not honour the UN Voucher System. The station attendant converted the value to dinar, the local currency, and placed that amount of fuel in the tank. I asked for a receipt for the gasoline purchase so that it could be included with the reimbursement request later on.

By the time we finally reached the airport, with all the refuelling stops and a flat tire along the way, the transport helicopter was long gone. It was little consolation to learn that the helicopter had been over-booked and we would have been bumped had we arrived on time anyhow.

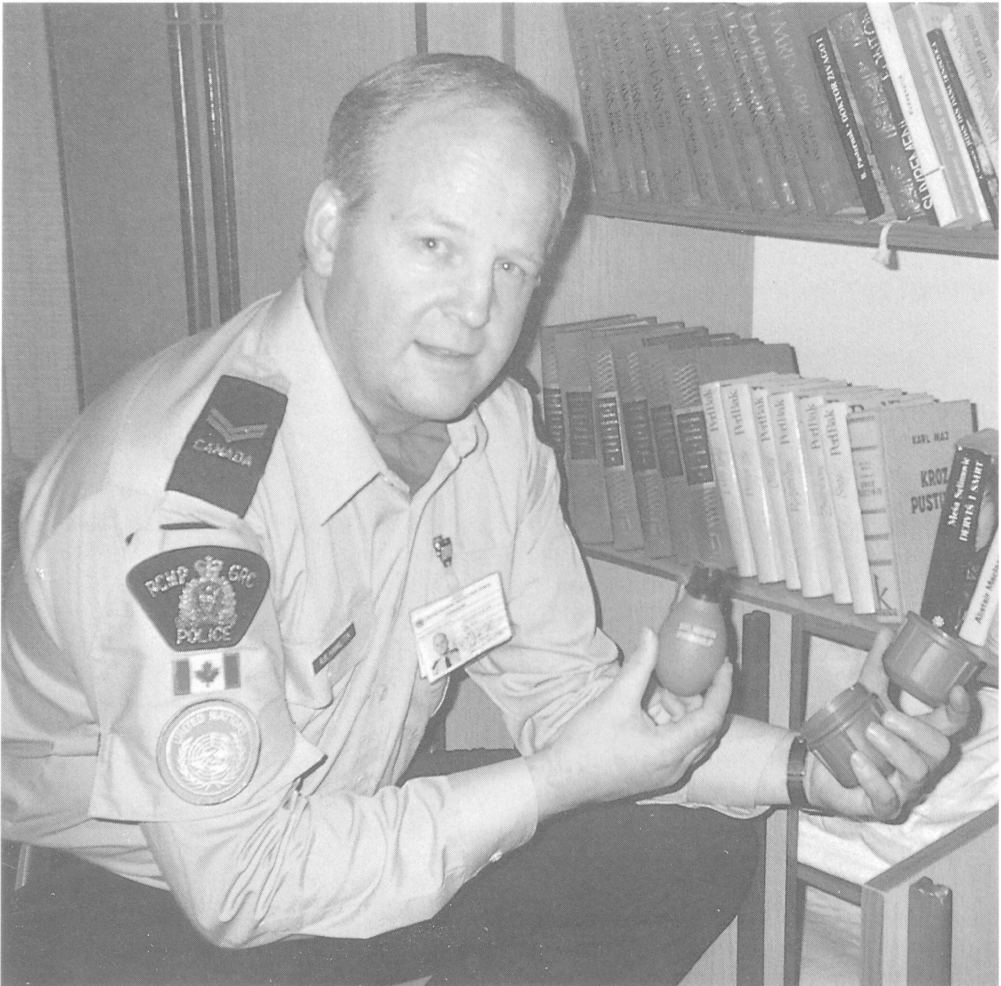
So there we were, alone in a strange city, with no place to go and no place



to stay. By a stroke of good fortune however, we met some British soldiers who, upon hearing our tale of woe, were sympathetic to our plight and hospitable enough to offer us lodging for the night.

We were starting to believe that our run of bad luck had taken a turn for the better, until our only key to the door

and ignition snapped off clean in the driver's side door, just as we were returning to the vehicle to retrieve our kit. On the bright side, the next day went much better and by 16:00 we were on the ground in Knin with our kit, trying to explain to Insp. R. Munro why we had been delayed by one day. Oh, and the request for reimbursement was honoured without delay. ■



**UNEXPECTED FIND** You never know what to expect when you volunteer for duty in the former Yugoslavia. As Cpl. R.B. Hamilton, Security Systems Section ("O" Division, London, Ontario) discovered, even a live hand grenade in your bedroom closet is a possibility. The explosive device which Hamilton found while searching his bedroom cupboards for a pair of scissors, was returned to its owner, Hamilton's landlord, a soldier in the Kordun Corps, who apologized for his oversight. Hamilton slept a lot better knowing the grenade was stored in a more appropriate location (and not eight feet from his bed).

# Interpol 2000: The Canadian Contribution

by Civilian Member R.C. Fahlman  
Interpol General Secretariat

## The New Face of Organized Crime

Money laundering. Environmental crime. International fraud involving travel documents and credit cards. Computer crime. Theft of art, antiques and cultural property. International terrorism. Crimes against children. This is a portrait of the changing dimensions and scope of crime facing the international police community today. The major developments we hold as measurements of progress in society, such as split-second communications and transfers of finances anywhere in the world, together with the growth and ease of international travel, have also been fully exploited by the criminal environment. The age-old battle against so-called "international" or "trans-national" crime also demands new law enforcement approaches, employing state-of-the-art crime control methods, facilities and machinery to meet the challenges that lie ahead for policing in the preservation of justice within an increasingly complex world community.

Nestled along the banks of the Rhone River in Lyon, France, is the ultra-modern world headquarters for the International Criminal Police Organization, better known as *Interpol*. It is here at Interpol General Secretariat that new and imaginative crime control strategies and mechanisms are developed and put in place to combat international organized crime. It is here that the international policing community comes together — in a

sort of global community-based policing model — to try and remain one step ahead of the growing sophistication and, more disturbingly, the growing violence associated with international organized crime today.



## Historical Roots

The brainchild of Prince Albert I of Monaco, the origins of Interpol date back to the first International Criminal Police Congress held in the Principality of Monaco, in April 1914. It

was here that the first proposals were made by the 14 countries and territories in attendance to establish an international criminal records office and to harmonize extradition procedures. However, it wasn't until 1923 that a second congress was held, this time in Vienna, Austria, that an International Criminal Police Commission (ICPC) was created. The acronym *Interpol* was used for the first time at Paris Headquarters in 1946. Finally, in 1956, the ICPC became the International Criminal Police Organization (ICPO — Interpol).

The Interpol General Secretariat in Lyon is the world centre for co-ordinating the fight against organized crime. The staff at the General Secretariat is comprised of police officers, crime analysts, administrators, and technical experts from some 40 countries, working in Interpol's four official languages: French, English, Spanish and Arabic. As of January 1994, Interpol was comprised of 174 member nations — from Albania to Zimbabwe — making its membership the second largest in the world after the United Nations.

### Canadians Assisting Interpol

Within the total General Secretariat staff of approximately 300, there are three Canadians, all members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, assisting Interpol in meeting its mission. In addition, the current President of Interpol (1992-1996) is RCMP Commissioner N.D. Inkster, who is only the second Canadian in Interpol's 71-year history to hold this position; the first was RCMP Commissioner W.L. Higgitt, some 20 years earlier (1972-1976). The position of President is elected for a four-year term of office by Interpol's supreme governing body, the General Assembly, composed of delegates appointed by the

national governments of the Member States. Among the governing roles of the Office of President are the chairing of both the General Assembly Sessions and Executive Committee Meetings, making certain that the decisions taken by the organization's governing bodies are implemented and maintaining close contact with the Secretary-General of Interpol, appointed by the General Assembly to run the day-to-day operations of Interpol's General Secretariat. Under the leadership of President Inkster, the Executive Committee prepared a blueprint to chart Interpol's future path and to assist in assuring that the organization will be prepared to meet the challenges of the future. The *Interpol 2000: Organizational Renewal*, prepared for the 1993 General Assembly in Aruba, outlines the coherent proactive approach and the sense of direction necessary to enable Interpol to meet its objectives in the future.

Within the General Secretariat itself, there are four Divisions which carry out the organization's mandate:

- Division I — General Administration
- Division II — Liaison and Criminal Intelligence
- Division III — Legal Affairs, Research and Training
- Division IV — Technical Support

It is within Division II — Liaison and Criminal Intelligence, that the three seconded RCMP members work. Assistant Commissioner L. Généreux, Head of Division II since December 1992, explains that the role of his program area is "to assist, wherever possible, in combatting international criminal activity by means of the collection, collation, analysis and dissemination of quality police information and intelligence and through the development of effective and efficient communica-

tion links and co-operation between the member countries of Interpol." As part of Interpol's strategic plan for organizational renewal and modernization A/Commr. Généreux completed a major reorganization in May 1993, to enable his Division to better serve the needs of the international police community. "The growing internationalization of crime dictates that we must be ever-ready to respond with innovative approaches to crime reduction and even more importantly, crime prevention strategies. In this regard, we must fully prepare ourselves for the future," says A/Commr. Généreux, former Director of RCMP Foreign Services.

future head-on. Working in the Organized Crime Section within Division II, Sgt. D. Pilotte brings with her 20 years of policing experience in the RCMP. In co-operation with her international colleagues, she is responsible for assisting member countries in recognizing the presence of international criminal organizations within their jurisdictions including defining which crime groups are most active, which groups pose the most serious threats, the various *modus operandi* employed by these crime groups and the different investment techniques utilized by these groups to conceal illegal funds. Sgt. Pilotte is

## *Constitution of Interpol*

### Purpose of Organization

According to the terms of *Article 2* of the Organization's Constitution, Interpol's aims are:

- To ensure and promote the widest possible mutual assistance between all criminal police authorities, within the limits of the laws existing in its Member States and in the spirit of the Declaration of Human Rights;
- To establish and develop all institutions likely to contribute effectively to the prevention and suppression of ordinary law crimes.

The limits of its action are laid down in *Article 3*:

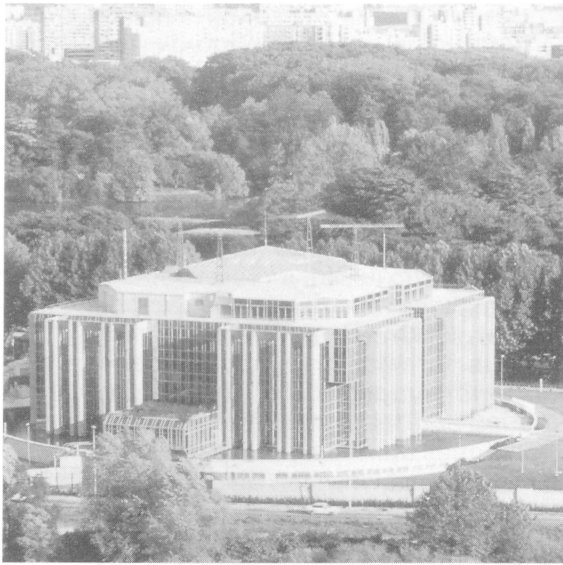
- It is strictly forbidden for the Organization to undertake any intervention or activities of a political, military, religious or racial nature.

During his career within Foreign Services Directorate (1968-1992), A/Commr. Généreux has had several postings overseas, including extensive travel and experience on all continents.

Whether it be in the area of international terrorism, the illicit drug-trade, economic and financial crime, or combatting emerging crime groups coming out of Eastern Europe or Asia, the staff within Division II appear prepared to meet the challenges of the

currently working on two high-priority projects, the criminal activities of major outlaw motorcycle gangs in Europe and the emerging crime groups in Eastern Europe.

Says Sgt. Pilotte, "With the high degree of mobility of major criminal organizations, it is imperative that police agencies around the world work together to effectively combat international criminality. Interpol can be viewed as a sort of 'United Nations' of law enforcement, it can act as a



Interpol Headquarters in Lyon.

bridge to unite nations in a co-ordinated effort to control and reduce the deleterious effects of crime on society, no matter where it occurs. According to Pilotte, Interpol's crime-fighting function will play an increasingly more important role in the future. "Interpol is the central repository for criminal information and intelligence from 174 different countries; by virtue of this fact, it is the only location where a global crime picture can be assembled. More and more, as criminal groups continue to move their illicit activities from one jurisdiction to another, Interpol will be in a position to offer international assistance to the member countries needing the strategic information stored in the General Secretariat database." Pilotte also emphasized that in order to be more successful in future crime-control efforts, "The international policing community must move away from its historical stance of over-protecting information and not sharing the information and intelligence that can be shared."

## New Crime-Fighting Tools

Employing state-of-the-art technology, including a massive centralized computer database, an electronic archive system and an independent telecommunications network which covers the entire world — taking in all 174 member countries — the communication of vital police information and intelligence can be made rapidly and securely using encryption *via* computerized facilities. As an indicator of the capability, as well as the operational support level provided by the central station at Lyon, some 1.2 million messages or transmissions were made from Lyon in 1993 — up 20% from the previous year. The latest development from Interpol's Technical Division, the Automated Search Facility (ASF), which came on-line in 1993, will provide law enforcement agencies with a more effective tool to battle international organized crime. The ASF permits Interpol Nation Central Bureaus (NCBs), equipped with this computer system, direct access to Interpol's database *via* the central ASF server, located at the General Secretariat in Lyon. The NCB in Ottawa came on-line, with a sophisticated Local Area Network (LAN) system configuration, in February 1994, providing the NCB with immediate access to criminal records, the transmission of high quality images such as photographs of international offenders and fingerprints and the availability of *Interpol Notices*, even before they are printed.

"Up until now, the lack of a centralized crime analysis capability at the General Secretariat seriously hindered Interpol's ability to make full operational use of all the information currently available and to accurately measure the harmful effects of crime on society and to develop effective crime control strategies", explains



A/Commr. Généreux. This deficiency was effectively addressed in last year's reorganization of Division II, which created the new Analytical Crime Intelligence Unit (ACIU). In an effort to assist with the implementation of the new crime analysis unit, the RCMP seconded C/M R.C. Fahlman, OIC, Criminal Analysis Branch, Criminal Intelligence Directorate, in September 1993, for a one-year period to Interpol General Secretariat. This initiative was taken to establish an in-house tactical as well as strategic intelligence capability, aimed at conducting more in depth research into major international crime problems and prevention strategies. The addition of an intelligence analysis capability will provide Interpol with the means to move away from the traditional reactive role that law enforcement has been characterized by in the past to one that is proactive and has its focus on crime prevention. It is also currently an example being adopted by several member countries including Canada, the United States, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom.

### Meeting the Challenge of the Future

The new face of crime has brought with it many challenges to law enforcement in all corners of the globe. Criminal ingenuity, the employ-



(L-R): C/M Fahlman, A/Commr. Généreux and Sgt. Pilotte pose beside the RCMP Shabrack, presented by Commissioner N.D. Inkster, to Mr. R. Kendall, Secretary General of Interpol, to commemorate the opening of the new ICPO-Interpol Headquarters in Lyon, on February 27, 1989.

ment of modern technology and the escalation in violent crime dictates that law enforcement, particularly at the international level, work together co-operatively in the battle against organized crime, in whatever face it happens to take. A/Commr. Généreux sums up the Canadian approach within the larger international policing community of Interpol: **“Working together with imagination and a common purpose will allow us to meet the challenges of the future so that we will be fully prepared for Interpol 2000.”** ■

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### Top marks

In Minneapolis, suspect purse-snatcher Delon Waddell stood in a police lineup so the 76-year-old victim could look at him. When police told him to put his baseball cap with the peak facing forwards, to be presentable, he protested: “No! I’m going to put it on backwards. That’s the way I had it on when I took the purse...”

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# Centennial

## The Little Chapel on the Square

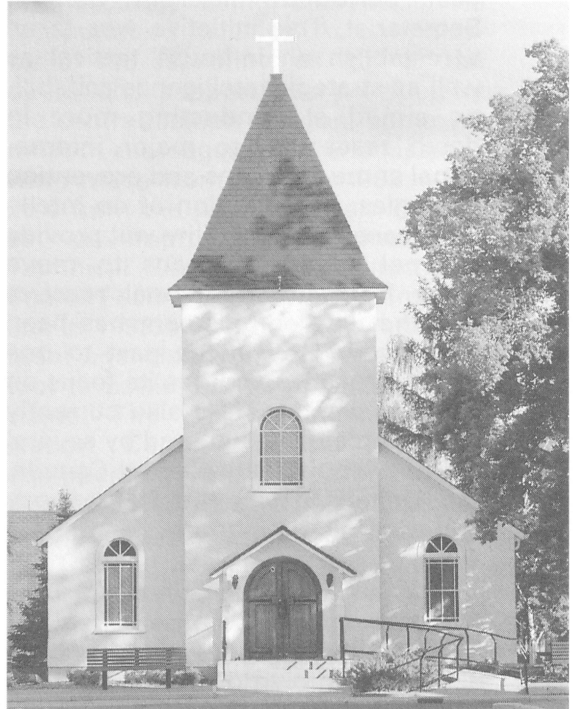
by ex-Sergeant W.J.H. Poole

The RCMP Chapel, or “The Little Chapel on the Square”, is a white, modest building with a bright, red roof. It is located near the southwest corner of the Parade Square at the RCMP Training Academy (formerly known as “Depot” Division) in Regina, Saskatchewan. A notable feature of the church is its small size: 96 feet long, 33 feet wide and 42 feet high. It can accommodate up to 185 members of the Force, resplendent in their scarlet tunics, as they enter through the two, arched, wooden doors which face north onto the Parade Square.

The Chapel is both the oldest building at the Academy and the oldest building in Regina. It has no counterpart elsewhere in Canada. Her Majesty the Queen when visiting the Chapel in 1939, remarked on its appeal and its quiet atmosphere.

The tower (steeple), crowned by a white cross, was new in 1939. It was designed and constructed by the staff of “Depot” Division, and dedicated to those members of the Mounted Police who took part in the original March West in 1874.

This historic place of sanctity serves all those members of the RCMP who wish to use it. It owes its existence to a Christian woman, a lady who was determined that those living at the North West Mounted police barracks on the western outskirts of Regina — the capital of the North West Territories with a population of 1800 — should have a place of worship close at hand. That lady was Mary Sherwood Herchmer, born in Kingston, Ontario. She was the daughter of the first Attorney General of Upper Canada,



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and the wife of the fourth Commissioner of the Mounted Police.

The building which is now the Chapel was constructed in Ontario and shipped west in the mid-1800s. By steamer and then by ox-team, it was transported to its present location where it was reassembled. At first, it was used as a mess room and later as a canteen. But in 1894, Mrs. Herchmer’s untiring endeavours succeeded in having it converted into a police chapel. The Chapel was dedicated on December 10, 1895.

The original pulpit, choir seats and benches were built by members of the Force. The present pulpit — built in 1965 to honour the late Rev. E.H. Knowles — was constructed by some of the prisoners at the Prince Albert Penitentiary, Saskatchewan. The alter rail, the original organ and carpets were obtained through subscriptions of members.

Over the years, various repairs and renovations have been made but these have not changed the essential character of this small church. Mrs. Herchmer would be pleased. This lady, who in her own way contributed so much to the living history of the Force, died at the Regina Barracks on November 25, 1899. She is buried in the RCMP Cemetery not too far from her beloved Chapel.

In March 1940, RCMP members and distinguished guests attended the unveiling and dedication of a memorial plaque to the late Mary Herchmer. It now occupies a place of honour on the west wall of the Chapel.

Another plaque reminds us of the sacrifices made by the wives of members of the Force. It reads:

*Maggie Agnes Clay, wife of Staff Sergeant Clay. Mrs. Clay died September 29, 1924, at Chesterfield Inlet, North West Territories, from*

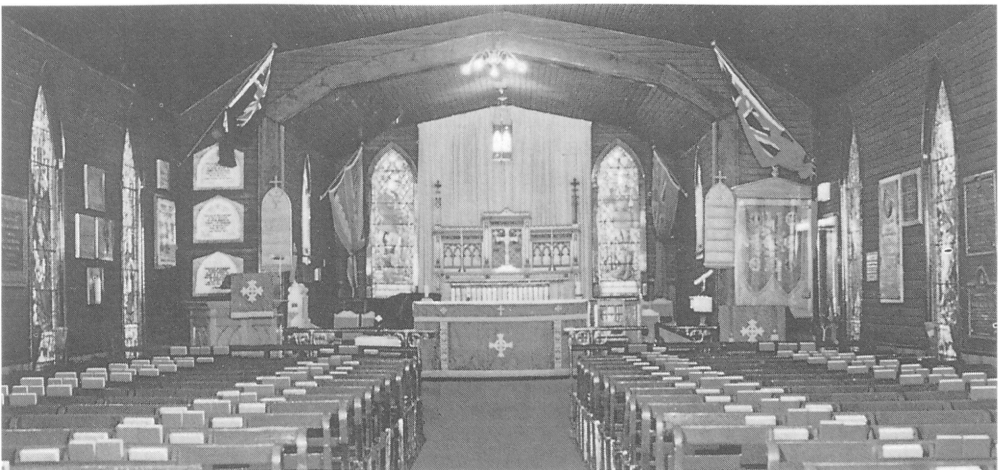
*injuries received after been attacked by dogs. She was 32 years old.*

Along the west and east walls are other memorial tablets: one to the men of the so-called "Lost Patrol" who died while carrying out a dog-sled patrol from Fort MacPherson, North West Territories, to Dawson City, Yukon, in February 1911.

The baptismal font — where our daughter, Lynn, was baptised — bears the inscription : *Talbot Lowry, Corporal, North West Mounted Police, died May 2, 1885, from wounds received in battle at Cut Knife Hill, May 1, 1885. Aged 28 years and five months.*

As a new, unsquaded recruit, I first saw the Chapel in June 1947. During my few weeks at "Depot" — before being shipped to "N" Division at Rockcliffe, Ontario, to start first-part training — fatigue duties took me into the Chapel on more than one occasion. As I read the memorial plaques, I felt both a sense of pride and obligation. During second-part training at Regina, and later, when I was in training for the 1948 Musical Ride, I attended Church Parade or just dropped into the Chapel for a few quiet moments.

Sunbeams stream through the beautiful stained-glass windows. Separated



Courtesy of W.J.H. Poole

by the Chapel altar, the two memorial windows on the south wall are truly inspiring. The principal life-size figure in each is a member of the Force in Review Order of Dress. The one on the left depicts a young RCMP officer, head bowed, rifle reversed. The one on the right shows the same officer blowing a trumpet in mourning. It was in 1943 that Staff Sergeant John R. Fraser, who was then 27-years-old with five years of service, became for all time a part of the Chapel when he served as the model for the two stained-glass windows.

In a quiet corner of this simple Chapel, it is possible for a harried recruit — perhaps feeling inadequate and unsure if he or she has the right stuff — to experience a spiritual bonding with those members who have gone before. RCMP training is demanding; it can be a period of striving and stress, reflecting physical and psychological changes sometimes accompanied with feelings of anxiety. But all of this is part of the acquisition of new cognitive abilities, new skills, and a new identity necessary in order to graduate from the Academy and begin a new career of service to Canada and its people.

Funerals, weddings and baptisms continue to take place in this historic Chapel. It was in 1954, when Greta Bennett Lynch and I were married in this Chapel on a windy but bright April day. Leaving the Chapel and walking under an arch of crossed lances is indelibly etched in our memories.

In 1962, two new innovations were added to the history of the Chapel on the square: a recruit choir was formed and the RCMP Honourary Chaplains began to wear the badge of the Force on their stoles.

Church Parades take place when troops graduate as well as for memorials and veterans services. Members of the Force, new or old, still find within the walls of this small Chapel a serenity to inspire and, hopefully, implant in serving members the same spirit of loyalty and courage which was forged in the crucible of peace-keeping on the western frontier.

The motto of the RCMP “Maintiens le Droit” constitutes an unequivocal



**The author and his bride walking under an arch of crossed lances in April 1954.**

Courtesy of W.J.H. Poole

declaration to do what is morally right. This continues to require great moral strength. The Chapel has given 100 years of service to all members. With its testimonials to the pain, heroism and glory in honouring our motto, the Chapel remains a living witness to the history of the Force; it serves as a constant reminder of our commitment to the past and present high standards of the RCMP.

***The preparation of this article was helped by the kind assistance of C/M Bill MacKay, Curator of the RCMP Centennial Museum in Regina, and by Force Chaplain, Rev. Allan Higgs, also of Regina. — Ed.*** ■

# "Egg War" — The Gimli Solution

by Auxiliary Constable A. Kristofferson  
Vice-Principal, Gimli High School, Manitoba

## High jinks

Halloween has traditionally been a day of excitement for children of all ages in cities and towns throughout the country. Over the years, rural areas have been particularly vulnerable to these Halloween night pranks, with the number of farms, cottages, lakes and wide open spaces.

The inhabitants of rural towns and villages where the antics occurred, although mildly vexed by them, generally lived with the annoyance because no great harm or damage was ever incurred. As time advanced however, youthful imaginations were wont to come up with new and innovative alternatives to their traditional Halloween targets.

By now, a new breed of youthful fun-seeker was emerging, one who desired to do bigger and better pranks than his predecessors. The game had acquired greater scope and odds, and the protagonists showed greater initiative and resolve to outdo themselves. The fun was in winning, and winning meant not getting caught. In this new game the antagonist, or enemy, was the police.

The morning-after aftermath now involved an assessment of the damage from the vandalism that had occurred the previous evening. Hitherto quiescent townspeople were quickly becoming intolerant and turned to their councils and law enforcement agencies for some relief from the blatant vandalism.

Curfews, town crews with search lights and increased police patrols were some of the measures implemented in an attempt to curtail Halloween high jinks. The principal strategy was control — keep the youthful element in check, try to limit the amount of damage and hope nothing of a serious nature occurred.

## Mischief escalates

In the nineties, a new strain of adversary emerged, armed with a whole new set of strategies in the battle of wits. For the new prankster, it was no longer appropriate *modus operandi* to hide behind trees, in ditches or in alleys between buildings. Running away was a sign of defeat and totally unacceptable. No, this was a bold new breed, determined to demonstrate to the world their daring and determination. The message, loud and clear, was, "See us we are here — ready to challenge you!" And **see** them we did — congregated in groups on street corners and in parking lots, armed with their "projectile of choice" — the egg. It was the ideal prank weapon: easily acquired, easily concealed, easily transported, affordable, and highly effective both at close and long range. The perfect projectile in small, medium or large size, that could be picked up at any supermarket.

On Halloween night, it's as if the police cruisers are magically transformed into unsuspecting aircraft carriers and the roving bands of zealous youths metamorphize into swift, silent-running submarines, armed with plenty of "grade 'A' medium" torpedoes. The thrill is tripled if you happen to catch the crew of the carrier on deck by surprise and plaster them with a barrage of yolks and broken shells. Even if the prized target is unavailable, there is always plenty of fun to be had at the expense of naive townspeople cruising along the main drag, oblivious to the danger and unaware of the ambush awaiting them.

This was the scene at Gimli, on Halloween night 1992. Enraged by an unprovoked attack, a driver swung his vehicle around, aimed directly at the



centre of the stupefied crowd of youths and accelerated towards them. The youths jumped clear of the oncoming vehicle which slammed to a stop on the sidewalk. The enraged driver, leapt from his vehicle and struck two teenagers with his fist. He then went back to his vehicle and returned brandishing a length of 2 x 4 lumber. The weapon connected heavily with a young man in the front line. What started as a Halloween prank had just turned very ugly. Halloween 1992 had come to an abrupt and unhappy end.

In its aftermath, countless dozens of eggs had been smattered across vehicles, store-fronts, homes and other property, paint had been sprayed and parking lots were an atrocious sight. Thoughts of what had happened and what **could** have happened lingered disturbingly in people's minds long after Halloween night was over.

### Counterattack

Mr. William Barlow, Gimli's Mayor, spent a lot of time musing over the events of that fateful evening. Halloween 1993 was fast approaching, and the good people of the town expected him to come up with a plan to prevent a recurrence of the previous year's fiasco. They demanded action.

Mayor Barlow contacted Cpl. R.B. Cooke, NCO i/c Gimli Detachment, to discuss his concerns regarding Halloween 1993 and plans to ensure it would not be a repeat performance of Halloween 1992. A short while later, Cpl. Cooke contacted me at Gimli High School to discuss the Halloween issue. We both agreed that the current level of vandalism had far exceed that of bygone days, and was no longer acceptable.

We decided to challenge the students of Gimli High School to an **egg war**; not simply a free-for-all but a carefully organized event designed to eliminate vandalism on Halloween. We realized there was an element of risk involved — there would be those who

would say it could never work, and there would surely be "egg on our faces" if the event went sour. But we liked the concept, there was something novel and refreshing about it.

We had about two weeks to complete all the preparations. The soccer field to the west of the high school was selected as the location; there would be two teams — ours would be limited to 25 members while theirs could be comprised of as many as 350 students; the students could construct a suitable barricade for cover — we could employ one marked police car, a truck from the Town of Gimli and another from the Evergreen School Division; 30 m of open space would separate the combatants.

The stage was set. The next order of business was to offer the challenge to the students. One week before Halloween, a general assembly of the student body was called in the gymnasium. Cpl. Cooke was introduced as guest-speaker to talk on student involvement for Halloween. He had his presentation carefully prepared, starting out by saying that the Gimli RCMP Detachment had adopted a zero tolerance policy regarding Halloween mischief and vandalism. Anyone caught engaging in activities of this kind would be subject to criminal prosecution to the fullest extent of the law.

That was the bad news. The good news was that RCMP members, teachers and town officials were hereby challenging the students of Gimli High School to an egg war. Students participating, assisting or observing the event would be required to sign a written contract stating that they would abide by all rules and refrain from any and all acts of vandalism on Halloween night. Should they not honour the agreement, they would be subject to prosecution if apprehended causing damage to personal property.

It was to be a matter of personal responsibility — complete acceptance of these terms was necessary before

the egg war could take place. The challenge was once again issued to the student body, to which they all rose and answered with a resounding "Yes!"

### **Massing for the attack**

Sundale Eggs of Winnipeg, they were more than happy to help us out, and generously donated 10,800 eggs to our cause. All would be un-consumable, but still ideal for our purpose. Participants would purchase eggs at 25 cents per dozen, with the proceeds from the sale going to the Gimli Christmas Hamper Fund.

The issue of safety was also addressed — all combatants would be required to wear protective eye-wear. Uniforms and vehicles would require cleaning afterwards — a local dry-cleaning establishment generously offered to clean the combatants' clothes free of charge; two local garages and a car-wash offered to wash the vehicles for free after the war.

The Gimli Chamber of Commerce garnered the support of local business for the project and town involvement helped create acceptance for the idea. At the high school, teachers reviewed the rules of combat with the students and distributed parental consent forms and contracts to be signed and returned.

On October 27, three days before the egg war, a press release was issued and media response was overwhelmingly enthusiastic and supportive to the idea. Everyone wanted to know more about this novel approach to solving the Halloween vandalism problem. The CBC (Canadian Broadcast Corporation) asked if they could film the entire event and televise it on "Coleman and Company", one of their weekly programs. Egg War '93 was a go!

A rather bizarre looking group of 20 or so attended the "secret" RCMP briefing held in the basement of Gimli Detachment. One member was wrapped from head to toe in clear plastic wrap, like leftovers from Sunday's dinner, and going by the nickname "saranoman".

Another wore a helmet with a clear, flip-down visor. Others wore an assortment of goggles, safety glasses, and rubber gloves. The RCMP team was comprised of RCMP members, teachers, local merchants, a volunteer from Department of Natural Resources and even, Mayor Barlow himself, as the team captain.

Cpl. Cooke reviewed the rules for us and served to fire-up our spirits for the impending skirmish. We were somewhat taken aback when we were advised of the distribution of ammunition — 800 for us, 10,000 for them. Undaunted, we concluded the meeting with a resounding cheer, and marched out to do battle.

### **Eggs away!**

At 14:00, an eerie silence hung over the combat-zone, and everyone present held their breath. The impact of the first eggs was a signal to both teams that the war was on. What followed was nothing short of incredible — a maelstrom of egg yolks and shell fragments filled the expanse between the two battle-lines.

The battle raged on for almost an hour. Finally, the students charged our line in a valiant attempt to defeat the last vestiges of RCMP resistance. Ammunition spent, arms fatigued and bodies aching, I declared an end to Egg War '93. Sandy Coleman of CBC declared the student team of Gimli High the undisputed victors.

The battle-field in the aftermath of the war was truly a gruesome sight. Nearly 11,000 smashed eggs had taken their toll on the field, the vehicles and the combatants. Fortunately, the Gimli Fire Department was on hand to hose down the vehicles before the eggs froze solid on them. The remnants of our once-valiant warriors, exhausted and dripping egg yolks — yet still undaunted — grouped together for a team photo.

The media coverage of our event was terrific. Both local and national television networks featured highlights of

the war. The students were somewhat overwhelmed by all the attention, and frankly, so were we.

### Moment of truth

Now that the biggest part of the “Egg War Project” had been completed, it remained only to be seen whether or not our strategy had succeeded. Halloween night would tell whether it was a success or a failure.

The evening came to an end without one egg being tossed, in fact not one incidence of vandalism was reported in the town of Gimli or surrounding area. Apparently, local teenagers had got the message and were sticking to their word.

A tremendous amount of effort and faith had gone into this endeavour, and all those who took part in the planning and preparation, as well as the participants are to be commended. Special thanks go to Cpl. Cooke for his enthusiasm, encouragement and hard work in making Egg War '93 a tremendous success. It accomplished all that it set out to and had renewed lost faith in the town's young people. For all of us, it



**Gimli Detachment's police vehicle after 10,800 eggs.**

Photo by W. Dudek

served as an impressive example of Community-Based Policing in action and what can be accomplished when the police and the community get together in a spirit of goodwill and cooperation to work toward a mutual goal — an improved quality of life. ■



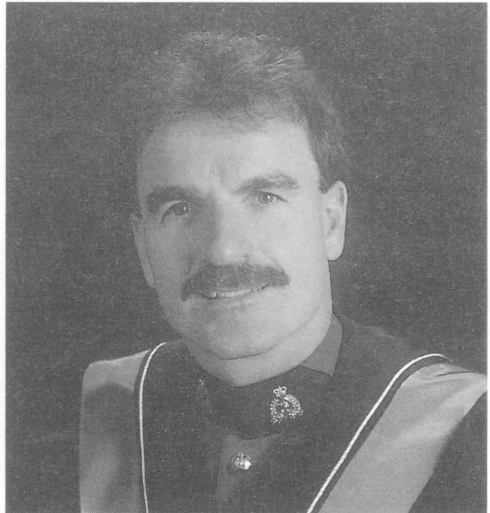
**RCMP/LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES TEAM (L-R) Kneeling:** R. Loos, I. Karvelson, Cpl. Cooke, Csts W.C. Tewnion and R.A. Haynes, R. Arnasson, J. Kayman, D. Einarson and C. Bailey. **Standing:** Mayor Barlow, D. Luprypa, Cpl. B. Rachel, A/Cst. Kristofferson, Cst. K.J. Glaspey, A/Cst. G. Zaborosky, D. Arnasson, Csts R.D. Guy, K.G. Harder and T.F. Boyle. **Missing:** Cst. J.G.S. Drouin and N. Murdoch.

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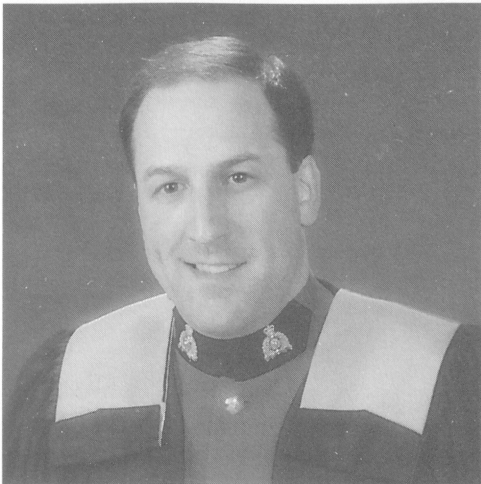
## University Graduates



On November 21, 1992, Reg. No. 38099, Cst. M.A. Fritz graduated with a Bachelor of Education degree with a minor in Special Education, from the University of Alberta in Edmonton.

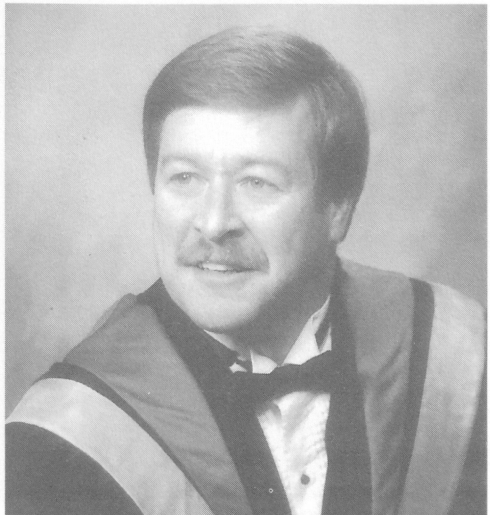


On October 23, 1993, Reg. No. 33173, Cpl. D.P. Killam graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Waterloo, Ontario.



On June 13, 1994, Reg. No. 37577, Cst. G.M. Latour graduated with a Bachelor of Social Sciences degree with a major in Criminology, from the University of Ottawa, Ontario.

Photo by Media Production Section, University of Ottawa



On May 8, 1994, Reg. No. 30506, Cpl. B.P. MacDougald graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, from the University of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown.



## RCMP Academy Graduates



Troop 19 (1992/93) began training March 22, 1993, and graduated August 27, 1993. (L-R) Seated: S/M A.R. Mahon, Insp. L.R. Chipperfield, C/Supt. F. Matchim, Supt. J.M.R. Tremblay, Cpl. P.A. Holmes. First row: K.R. Laroche, D.L. Postnikoff, R.D. Dowden, K.J. Ward, L.J. Phillips. Second row: D.S. Sandhar, R.S. Osborne, H.C. Barter, T.G. Monteith, S.T. Chapman, R.L. Girouard. Third row: P.F. Parent, M.W. Webb, H.B. McBride, W.H.S. Wright, J.B.C. St-Jacques, L.C. Demeria, R.B. Lines.



Troop 1 (1993/94) began training April 15, 1993, and graduated October 12, 1993. (L-R) Seated: M.P.A. Blier, S/M A.R. Mahon, C/Supt. F. Matchim, Insp. L.R. Chipperfield, Cpl. S.A. Parillo. First row: W.M. Smith, M.L.C. Côté, C.C.N. Coffin, D. Desjardins, J.J.G.C.E. Larose, L.B. Livingstone, C.J. Barbeau, M.J.N. Blouin. Second row: D.E. Carr, M.A. Brown, A.D. Sutherland, A.G. Griffiths, P.L. Brown, D. Crivello, D.V. Fox. Third row: M.G.J. Papillon, D.J. Ashton, G.G. Sanford, J.A. Findlay, P.E. Vickers, D.A. Honeyman, M.J. Semeins, T.P.N. Keogh.





Troop 2 (1993/94) began training April 21, 1993, and graduated October 18, 1993. (L-R) Seated: S.L. Muir, K.L. Murray, S/M A.R. Mahon, Supt. J.M.R. Tremblay, Insp. L.R. Chipperfield, P.C. Harrison, C.A. Paul. First: A.J. Stewart, R.C. Pigilam, T.A. Almasi, R.D.J. Lachance, L.H. Fedler, T.L. Touchette, J.S. Soin, G.A. Wells, M.F. Morton. Second: J.J. Giczi, N.M. Sockman, D.J. Fleugel, M.K. Nanning, C.P. Avanthy, D.E. Lewis, C.R.B. Hill, C.W. Ashford. Third row: D.B. Attfeld, R.A. Kushko, L.V. Tucker, S.S. Vrolyk, R.W. Dodds, D.G. Combden, J.S. Sunner, R.A. Purslow, J.P. Harris.



Troop 3 (1993/94) began training May 11, 1993, and graduated November 8, 1993. (L-R) Seated: S/M A.R. Mahon, Insp. M.E.L. Carbonneau, Supt. J.M.R. Tremblay, Insp. L.R. Chipperfield, Cpl. J.D.R.M. Lamothe. First row: D.Q. Nguyen, D.A. Ringer, D.R. Lowther, B.S. Walker, J.A. Buckner, L.M. MacEwan. Second row: D.J. Roode, B.W. Battrum, J.S.S. Grondin, D.A. Johnson, J.E.M. O'Beirne, A.G. Daigle, D.A. Daniels. Third row: F.F. Spence, K.M. Schur, C.B. White, T.B. Foster, T.J. Clayton, R.R. Pick, J.L. Tompkins, J.A. Brown.

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# Divisional Dispatches

## Headquarters

Ottawa, Ontario

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. 40068 Cst. S.A. Lachapelle and his wife, Jill, a son, Jonah Alexander, on February 2, 1994, at Ottawa.

125 Medals. The RCMP Band played during the entrance and provided musical entertainment during the rest of the ceremonies.

**AWARDS PRESENTATION** On October 28-29, 1992, Headquarters held its Long Service Awards Presentation ceremonies, hosted by A/Commr. J.M.R. Guindon, Director, Administrative Services. Recipients were marched in under the direction of S/Sgt. V.M.P. Marion and were presented to their respective Parade Commanders. Commissioner N.D. Inkster presented long service awards as well as Canada

**COMMENDATION** On February 9, 1994, the Commissioner's Commendation for Outstanding Service was awarded to C/M G.G. Shutler, Ottawa Laboratory, Biology Section. While on Force-sponsored university training to acquire his Ph.D., Dr. Shutler played a leading role in research into locating the site of a defective gene which causes Myotonic Dystrophy, a debilitating neuromuscular disease affecting thousands of children and adults alike around the world.



(L-R) Front row: C/Supt. J.H.C. Desroches (125), C/Supt. J.A.J. L'Abbé, A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, Insp. D.R. Tranquilla (Parade Commander), C/Supt. J.O.O. Emond (125), Supt. J.A.G.A. Beauchemin (125 and BCS). Back row: Insp. J.R. Potts (125 and GCS), Insp. J.D.M. Séguin (125), Supt. T.W. Egglestone (125), Insp. D.J. Nash (125), Insp. R.R. Hildebrandt (125), Insp. J.P.R.G. Fournier (LSM).





(L-R) Front row: S/Sgt. J.D. Hearfield (125), S/Sgt. R.W. Bemrose (125), A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, Insp. Tranquilla (Parade Commander), S/Sgt. J.M. Pelletier (125 and BCS), S/Sgt. P.W. Smith (125). Back row: Sgt. G.R. Lutwick (125), Cpl. R.W. Guidone (125), Cpl. J.J. Camirand (125 and LSM), Sgt. G.W. Coolen (125 and BCS), Sgt. M.W. Adams (125), Sgt. D.B. Nicholson (125 and BCS), Sgt. J.R. Lyons (125 and BCS), Sgt. K.H.G. Walking (125 and BCS).



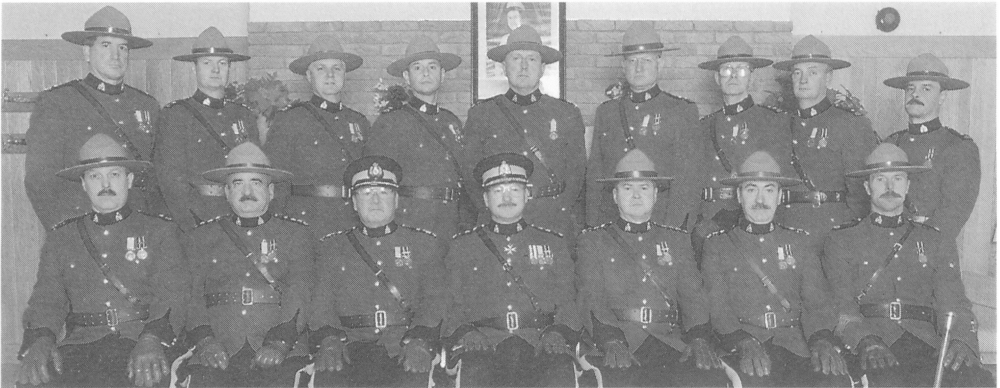
(L-R) Front row: Cst. D.E. Bradford (125), Cst. J.R.D. Roberge (125), A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, Insp. Tranquilla (Parade Commander), S/Cst. R.J. Fields (125), Sgt. W.B. Allen (125). Back row: S/Sgt. J.S.G. Beaugard (BCS), Sgt. D.V. Grant (SCS), Sgt. W.A. Halliday (SCS), S/Sgt. D.S. Cain (SCS), S/Sgt. B.R. Meating (SCS), S/Sgt. D.A. Fleischhaker (LSM), S/Sgt. T.G. Roos (BCS), S/Sgt. R.G. Martin (LSM).



(L-R) Front row: Sgt. K.B. Smith (BCS), S/Sgt. E.R. Jardine (BCS), A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, Insp. Tranquilla (Parade Commander), Sgt. E.T. Whittingham (LSM), Sgt. J.T.C. Diné (LSM). Back row: Sgt. B.D. Clark (LSM), Cst. T.A.M. Edwards (LSM), Cpl. A.D. Baird (LSM), Cst. D.D. Kaukinen (LSM), Cpl. J.L.J.C. Verreault (LSM), Sgt. D.G. Monteith (LSM), Sgt. J.O.M. Laferrière (LSM).



(L-R) Front row: Insp. J.D. McLauchlan (Parade Commander), C/M M.A.L.C. Paquette (NB), A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, C/M W.P. Beahen (125), C/M J.D. Sicotte (NB), S/Sgt. Marion. Back row: C/M D.B. White (125), C/M M.P.L. Racicot (125), Mr. A. Bourgeois (PSP), C/M J.P.D. Roussy (NB), C/M R.M. Fourney (125), C/M T.J. Jackson (125), C/M H.J. Hoffer (125 and NB), C/M P.R. Woolner (125), C/M T.W.O. Lo (125), C/M J.R. Hopkins (BB), Ms. R. Cain (PSP).



(L-R) Front row: Insp. McLauchlan (Parade Commander), C/Supt. D.J. Fox (125), A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, C/Supt. J.G.R.Y. Campagna (125), Supt. J.D.M. Girouard (125), S/Sgt. Marion. Back row: Insp. H.A. Leroy (125 and LSM), Insp. G.L. Geddes (125), Insp. W.S. Varden (125), Insp. J.M. Hanssens (125 and BCS), Insp. B.F. Bowman (125), Supt. E.P. Craig (125), Supt. D.G. Simpson (125), Insp. I.E. Atkins (125 and LSM), Insp. J.P.R. Gaudet (BCS).



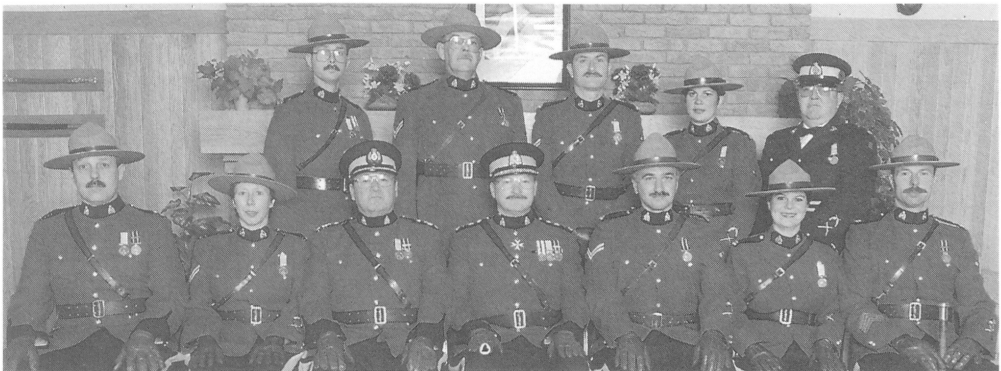
(L-R) Front row: Insp. McLauchlan (Parade Commander), S/Sgt. R.J. Ramsay (125), A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, S/Sgt. G. Lavallée (125), S/Sgt. J.G.E. Bouchard (LSM), S/Sgt. Marion. Back row: S/Sgt. G.D. Spracklin (125 and SCS), Sgt. C.G.J. Dionne (125), Sgt. D.W. Johnson (125), Sgt. W.K. Smith (GCS), S/Sgt. D.S. MacDonald (LSM), S/Sgt. B.W. Noiles (125), Sgt. W.K. Hillier (BCS), Sgt. D.E. Ramsay (LSM).



(L-R) Front row: Insp. McLauchlan (Parade Commander), S/Sgt. J.R.G. Koehler (125 and SCS), A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, Sgt. D.G. Tanner (LSM), Sgt. V.J.L. Allard (SCS), S/Sgt. Marion. Back row: Cpl. A.N. Skinkle (125), Sgt. J.R.J. Teed (BCS), Cst. S.H. Andrews (LSM), Cpl. J.A.W.M. Dubois (LSM), Sgt. R.D. Lloyd (BCS), Sgt. L.G.J. Vaillancourt (LSM), Sgt. J.L.L. Vidal (125), Sgt. R.F. Crisp (BCS).



(L-R) Front row: Insp. McLauchlan (Parade Commander), S/Sgt. G.P. Grenier (SCS), A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, S/Sgt. J.K. Cousins (BCS), Sgt. J.J.D. Tremblay (LSM), S/Sgt. Marion. Back row: Cpl. R.P. Whattam (LSM), Sgt. P.L. Doucette (BCS), Sgt. R.J. Dempsey (125 and BCS), Cpl. J.D.A. Constant (125), Sgt. A.J.B. Quesnel (125 and BCS), Cpl. J.G.D. Amyot (125), Sgt. H.J. Clarke (125), Sgt. J.A. Savoie (125).



(L-R) Front row: Insp. McLauchlan (Parade Commander), Cpl. S.M.M.M. Conlin (125), A/Commr. Guindon, Commr. Inkster, Cpl. J.A.A. Rivest (LSM), Cst. M.G.D. Poirier (125), S/Sgt. Marion. Back row: Cst. E.J. Dueck (125), Cpl. G.R.W. Hayes (BCS), Cpl. G.E. Johnston (125), Cst. A.J. Gauthier (125), S/Cst. M.A.J. Mathieu (125).

**Legend:** Canada 125 Medal (125); Gold Clasp and Stars (GCS); Silver Clasp and Stars (SCS); Bronze Clasp and Star (BCS); Long Service Medal (LSM); C/M Bronze Badge — 25 years (BB); C/M Nickel Badge — 20 years (NB); Public Service Plaque — 25 years (PSP)



**CHEO BED RACE** On February 12, 1994, five members of the Musical Ride took part in the CHEO bed race, an annual fundraiser for the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) held on the world-famous Rideau Canal. After a highly strenuous, two-minute practice run around the stables the Ride members were ready for the challenge. Unfortunately they were to learn, too late, that the use of broom-ball shoes **was** permitted. The extra bit of traction would certainly have made a difference in the outcome. In the Law Enforcement final, the Musical Ride team lost to the Kanata Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police, by less than half a bed-length. Ever gracious even in defeat, the Musical Ride team would like to thank their many fans and supporters and to assure them they anticipate greater success in next year's event, especially now that they know they can wear broomball shoes.

**VETERANS' NEWS** The Ottawa Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association welcomed the following new members: Reg. No. 17058, G.W. Gibbs; Reg. No. 21427, L.T.W. Griffin; Reg. No. C/0748, J.M. Jones; Reg. No. 27407, D.G. Mahar; Reg. No. S/2236, J.N. Roney; Reg. No. 20362, W.O. Anderson; Reg. No. 23229, R.T. Beers; Reg. No. 21554, R.D. Bonnar; Reg. No. 20553, D.A. Bradford; Reg. No. 18921, W.D. Dixon; Reg. No. 23160, W.A. Halliday; Reg. No. 24754, J.T. Harrison; Reg. No. 21986, D.L. MacKinnon; Reg. No. 17873, R.S. Pilot; Reg. No. 16035, R.K. Riley; Reg. No. 22912, R.D. Russell;



**MUSICAL RIDE ON ICE (L-R):** Csts D. Dupasquier, F. Coallier, S. Demanche (holding his son Nicholas), D. Lee and, at the reins, J. Prokopin.

Reg. No. 21245, A.N. Skinkle; Reg. No. 20177, G.V. Stewart; Reg. No. 31422, W.J.H. Bauer, and Reg. No. 31633, M.W. Raybould.

The following were accorded Life Membership: Reg. No. 13049, D.N. Cassidy; Reg. No. 13733, L.D.A. Culbert; Reg. No. 14846, E.G. Ellis; Reg. No. C/0627, J.P.G. Grant, and Reg. No. 13444, W.M. Harasym.

## "B" Division

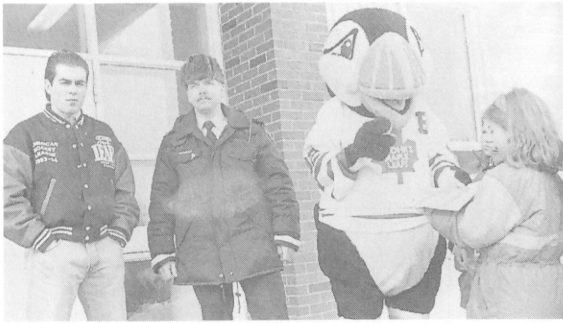
Headquarters — St. John's, Newfoundland

**BIRTHS** To Reg. No. 40375, Cst. R.M. Lewis and his wife, Debra, sons, Ryan Douglas, on May 29, 1992, and Gregory Robert, on March 25, 1994, at Corner Brook, Newfoundland.

To Reg. No. 40590, Cst. S.T. Thistle and his wife, Sueanne, a daughter, Melanie Lynn Leeann, on December 18, 1993, at Marystown, Newfoundland.

To Reg. No. 43124, Cst. G.E. White and his wife, Natalie, daughters, Megan Elizabeth, on November 30, 1991, and Lauren Elise, on September 16, 1993, at Corner Brook.

**CITIZENS CRIME PREVENTION** On February 22, 1994, the Clarenville Area Citizens Crime Prevention Committee sponsored the St. John's Maple Leafs (Toronto Maple Leafs' farm club) during a two-day visit of the Clarenville area. The players, escorted by RCMP members, took part in school visits to promote the PATCH (Positive Action Team Choosing Health) and the "Stay in School" programs. The Leafs played an exhibition inter-squad game before a packed house and the proceeds of about \$2000 went toward drug education programs in the area. This was the first time that the Leafs and a Crime Prevention Committee have collaborated on such a venture in the province.



(L-R): M. Busineau, St. John's Maple Leafs Goalie; Cst. L.J. Power, and Leaf's mascot, Buddy the Puffin, with some young autograph seekers.

**RENOVATED BURIN DETACHMENT** On September 22, 1993, the renovated Burin Detachment was officially unveiled and renamed, St. John's Sub-Division Customs and Excise West. The old Burin Detachment originally opened in 1949, had served the surrounding area until April 1991, when the reorganization of resources on the Burin Peninsula forced its closure; police services have been provided out of nearby Marystown Detachment since then.

As the new name suggests, the newly opened detachment will be dealing with smuggling activities on the south coast of Newfoundland and the French islands of St-Pierre and Miquelon. The unit is commanded by Sgt. A. Kelloway and has a total strength of eleven, including two Canada Customs officials. They are awaiting the arrival of a new sixty-foot ship to replace the aging *Fort MacLeod*, which will improve their patrols.

**HOPEDALE VOLLEYBALL** During the weekend of March 25-27, 1994, Hopedale Detachment sponsored the annual RCMP Volleyball Tournament at Hopedale, Labrador. Approximately 120 players participated in the three-day event, with players and spectators travelling via snowmobile from as far away as Davis Inlet, Postville, and Makkovik. Proceeds of \$1823.47 will be used to purchase books for the Amos Comenius School Library.



Hopedale Detachment members (L-R): Cst. M.G. London, Cst. Y.D. Haines and Cpl. G.R. Hobbs, presenting cheque to Mrs. T. Flowers, Amos Comenius School. Missing from photo: Cst. A.T.G. Flowers.



(L-R): Csts A.S. Coish, J.M. MacRury and J.W.R. Desjarlais, S/S/Cst. L. Pink, Supt. E.G. Grant, OC, St. John's Sub-Division; C/Supt. G.A. Butt, CO, "B" Division; Mrs. V. Molloy, Cst. D.H. Austin, Sgt. A.J. Kelloway and Cpl. D.T. Dort.

**CLARENVILLE REFURBISHING** The Clarenville Area Citizens Crime Prevention Committee and the Triple Bay Eagles Ground Search and Rescue Team recently contributed to the refurbishing of the Clarenville Detachment Training room which they use for meetings. The room has been carpeted and painted in the Force's new corporate colours. S/Sgt. B. Raymond accepted cheques from C. Cole, Crime Prevention Committee (L), and B. Berkshire, President, Ground Search and Rescue Team (R).



**HOCKEY TOURNAMENT** On March 25, 1994, Channel/Port aux Basques Detachment hosted its 3rd annual Safe Grad Hockey Match in support of St. James Regional High School. Breaking its two-year losing streak, the RCMP

team managed to win this year's event in a shoot-out. Proceeds of \$1472 were presented to the St. James R.H.S. Safe Grad Committee.



**CHANNEL/PORT AUX BASQUES WINNERS (L-R)** Front row: Cst. R. Walton, Cpl. D. Anthony, R. Reid, Cst. T. Insinna, F. Anderson, D. Ulrich. Back row: D. Downey, L. Myers, R. Parsons, Csts R. MacDonald and M. MacAlpine, K. Park, B. Ingram, L. Lawrence, J. LeRiche, B. Coleman.



**TRAINING WORKSHOP** On March 25-27, 1994, the Division conducted its 2nd annual Training Workshop attended by 24 auxiliary constables and one supernumerary special constable (S/S/Cst.). A banquet was held at which long service and other recognition awards were presented. During 1993, 62 auxiliary constables contributed over 11,000 hours of service to the Force. C/Supt. G.A. Butt, CO, "B" Division (centre), with Insp. W.A. Roney, OIC, Contract Police, (seated at right), surrounded by workshop participants.

## "C" Division

Headquarters — Montréal, Quebec

**CHANGE OF COMMAND** On March 1, 1994, "C" Division personnel assembled for an official Change of Command ceremony to welcome the incoming Commanding Officer, A/Commr. J.W.M. Thivierge, and bid farewell to retiring A/Commr. J.A.M. Breau. To everyone's delight, the Honour Troop gave a demonstration on military manoeuvres. The new CO concluded the ceremony with an official salute.



A/Commr. J.W.M. Thivierge (L), and A/Commr. J.A.M. Breau.

Photo by P. Côté, *Journal La Presse*



**DRUG STRATEGY** On April 2, 1994, various media representatives attended the official signing of an agreement within the framework of Health Canada's Drug Strategy program. (L-R): Sgt. C. Lessard, Community Relations; N. Lafond, Montréal Urban Community (MUC); J. Letellier (QC), Director, Federal Ministry of Justice, Montréal Region; A/Commr. J.W.M. Thivierge, CO, "C" Division; C. Quinn, Assistant Director General, Criminal Investigations and Technical Support (QPF), and J. Duchesneau, SPCUM.



Cpl. Mercier (L), and Cst. Pink holding Cst. Pink's trophy for catching the biggest fish of the day.

Photo by Sgt. G. Lauzon

**FISH STORY** On May 5, 1994, Cpl. R. Mercier and Cst. R.W. Pink of Mirabel Airport Detachment attended the annual Lachute District Shriners' Club Fishing Derby held at the Manitou Club, north of Lachute. Cst. Pink won the trophy for the biggest fish caught by a Shriner during the annual fundraising event. Everyone had a great time and a substantial amount of money was raised to help finance the Shriners' hospital for Crippled Children in Montréal.

**AWARDS PRESENTATIONS** On October 14, 1993, at a special presentation ceremony held in the "C" Division Gymnasium, and on November 4, 1993, at a ceremony at the Citadel in Quebec City, D/Commr. J.L.G. Favreau and A/Commr. J.A.M. Breau presented long service and various other awards to the following recipients:

**Officer's Parchment:** Insp. A. Rodrigue and P. Boyer

**Gold Clasp and Stars:** Supt. P. Schryer (retired); ex-Sgt. A. Duguay

**Silver Clasp and Stars:** Supt. C. Robitaille; ex-S/Sgt. J. Blaquière; S/Sgts M. Grignon, D. Powell, A. Turcotte and P. Olivier; Sgts J. Labrecque, M. Laforge, G. Lacroix and C. Chamberland

**Bronze Clasp and Star:** Insp. W. Lenton, P. Brazeau, F. Sheppard, P. Gagné and E. Paquin; S/Sgts A. Dionne and R. Tardiff; Sgts B. Langlois, G. Rivest, P. Thibaudeau, G. Fortin, J.-M. Allard, V. Couture and F. Dupuis; Cpls C. Cyr and M. Jacques

**Long Service Medal:** Insp. R. Barszczewski and R. Lanthier; S/Sgt. M. Girard; Sgts G. Bossé, A. Daudelin, R. Boivin, R. Rivard, Y. Poirier, M. Beauséjour and L. Quesnel; Cpls R. Sirois, D. Haché, F. Falardeau, N. Roy, G. Blanchet, M. Leblanc, A. Gauthier, G. Rossignol, W. Leblanc, R. Bonneau, M. Picard, P. Mailloux, J. MacDonald, A. Giroux, L. Dupont, S. Robichaud, R. Dufresne, G. Champagne, B. Cauchon, P. Brouillet, J. Ouellette, D. Benoit, A. Cadotte, R. Darveau, R. Mercier, C. Comtois, Y. Latreille, J.-L. Granger, P. Gallant and Y. Lamontagne; Csts Y. Soucy, A. Marchand, C. Cudrasov, G. Dion, C. Richer, D. Lebel, D. Plante, S. Parent, M. Cournoyer, F. Latour and Y. Proulx.

**Nickel Badge (20 years):** C/M A. Pomerleau

**Certificate of Long Service:** Mr. D. Langevin and Mr. A. Jacques

**Certificate of Merit:** Mr. G. Gagné, Mr. F. Groulx; Insp. J. Brisebois; S/Sgt. C. Côté; Sgts S. Piette, P. Carrier and R. Brunet; Cpls J. Crevier, L. Beaudoin, N. Roy and J.-M. Lalonde; Cst. G. Massé; S/Cst. P. McAfee; ex-S/Sgts J. Grilli and J. Blaquière

**Certificate of Retirement:** ex-S/Sgts J. Grilli and J. Blaquière

After the presentations, the Division Honour Troop, put on a display of military manoeuvres. A/Commr. Breau made a special presentation to D/Commr. Favreau to mark the many years he spent in "C" Division as well as his upcoming retirement. After which, the recipients, their families and friends as well as the guests and the members of the Honour Troop convened to partake of a luncheon.



**D/Commr. J.L.G. Favreau (L), and A/Commr. J.A.M. Breau.**



**On March 25, 1994, Sgt. Y. Thibault presented his son, Marc, with his graduation diploma from the Quebec Police Institute at Nicolet.**





◀ **WHERE'S THAT TOW TRUCK?** While en route to investigate a trouble call near Thedford Mines, in January 1994, Cpl. D. Cuvelé's Suburban skidded off the icy road surface into a snow-filled ditch on a country road. After making valiant efforts to extricate himself from his slippery predicament, Cpl. Cuvelé, "C" Division Dog Handler, finally called in for a tow from his friends at Thedford Mines Detachment.

**VETERANS' NEWS** The Quebec Division of the Veterans' Association welcomed the following new members: Reg. No. O. 907, G.E. Godfrey; Reg. No. 39384, G. Dallaire and Reg. No. 37673, B.P. Lefebvre.

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## "D" Division

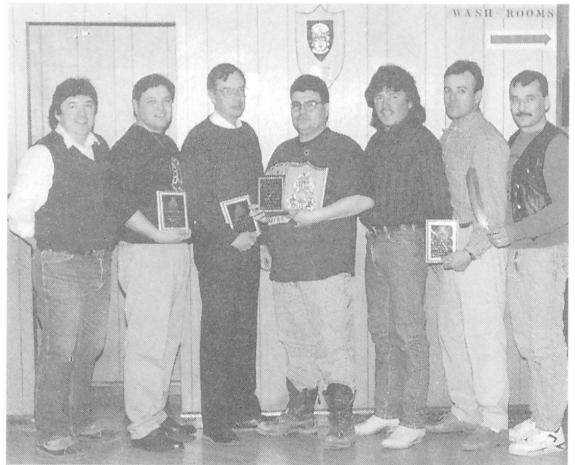
Headquarters — Winnipeg, Manitoba



**WINNIPEG FORENSIC LABORATORIES PRESENTATIONS** On December 12, 1993, long service awards were presented on behalf of Commissioner N.D. Inkster, by A/Commr. J.M.R. Guindon, Director, Administrative Services. (L-R) Front row: C/M C.A. Purchase, Winnipeg Lab Manager; A/Commr. Guindon, C/M V.A. Mason-Daniel (125). Back row: Insp. C.J.D. Cronkhite, C/M G.W. Deobald (BB), S/Sgt. P. Kohut (SCS), C/M R.J. Hrynchuk (NB and 125), S/Sgt. K. Derendorf (SCS), Dr. H.W. Peel, Director, Forensic Laboratory Services.

**Legend:** Silver Clasp and Stars (SCS); C/M Nickel Badge — 20 years (NB); C/M Bronze Badge — 25 years (BB); Canada 125 Medal (125)

**MEMBERS HONOURED** On March 22, 1994, approximately 150 residents attended the 5th annual Keeseekoowenin Appreciation Dinner, held at Elphinstone. The dinner was originally organized by Band Constable L. Blackbird, who has worked tirelessly over the years to build a strong spirit of mutual respect and cooperation between residents and members. He felt that members should be recognized by the community for their dedication and commitment to policing. Cst. C. DeLaronde, who was being transferred, was presented an eagle feather, the highest honour one can receive from a band member, along with a leather vest. Cpl. F. Plaxton as well as Csts D. Libbey and M. Blackbird received plaques in appreciation of their services during the past year. The final presentation was made by Cpl. Plaxton to Band Constable Blackbird for five years of completed service.



(L-R): N. Bone, Cst. M. Blackbird, Cpl. F. Plaxton, Band Constable L. Blackbird, B. Bone, Cst. D. Libbey and Cst. C. DeLaronde.

**CHRISTMAS SPIRIT** On December 15, 1993, members from Selkirk Detachment and "D" Division HQ along with Winnipeg Blue Bombers football players visited the Winnipeg Children's Hospital to distribute Christmas gifts. Cst. J.T. Lowden had earlier approached various corporate sponsors and arranged to have wrapped gifts for the 150 children. On December 13, Cst. Lowden had flown to Little Grand Rapids and the Paungaussi Reserve to distribute 400 wrapped gifts to the children of this isolated community. On December 16, another 125 gifts were delivered to and distributed at the Brokenhead Reserve at Scanterbury.

**COMMENDATIONS** Commissioner's Commendations for Outstanding Service were awarded to:

■ Cpls R.A. Gushulak and R.N. Urbanoski for their perseverance, dedication and professionalism in the successful re-investigation of a murder that took place in the Stonewall District of Manitoba on December 6, 1979, resulting in the conviction of the suspect to life imprisonment.

■ Cpls L.C. Forbes, K.A. King, M.N. Knudson as well as Csts E.M. Forbes and J.G.L. Tremblay for their dedication and professionalism in the investigation of the murder of a sixteen-year-old female on June 24, 1990, at Roseisle, which led to the arrest and conviction of two male suspects.



◀ (L-R) Kneeling: Cst. Lowden, Blue Bomber Matt Dunigan, "KC" the Kid Care Car and Cst. S. Anderson. Standing: Insp. B. Holman, T. Holman (elf), Cpl. J. Lafrenière, Blue Bomber Allan Boyco, D. Black, Cpl. L. Dalman, Cst. G. Levis, Blue Bomber Jayson Dzikowicz and Jennifer Holman (elf).

Photo by C/M B. Sucharov



Strong-arm tactics paid off for Cst. G.T. Delaronde, Grand Rapids Detachment, at the 1993 World Police and Fire Games, held at Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he won a Bronze Medal in the Open-Class Arm-Wrestling Competition.



Cpl. C.D. MacLaughlan, Island Lake Detachment, recently completed the distance learning course on Police Leadership and Management Development offered at Henson College, Dalhousie University. He is reportedly the first person to complete this new concept in training courses. (L-R): Cpl. MacLaughlan, Chief F. Harper, Red Sucker Lake; Supt. G. Watt, OC, Thompson Sub-Division, and Cst. D. Béland, at the Land Entitlement Treaty Signing Agreement, held at the Garden Hill Reserve.

**MILLION-DOLLAR CONTRIBUTION** Manitoba's law enforcement agencies have reportedly set a fundraising record. With the \$265,000 proceeds from the 1993 Torch Run for Special Olympics, the overall contribution of Manitoba's police officers and civilian members has been increased to over one million dollars to be used for sport opportunities for individuals with mental handicaps. For the 6th straight year, the province's fundraising efforts continues to boast the highest totals *per capita* in North America.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run, which is held in Canada, the U.S.A. and many other countries throughout the world, was initiated to raise funds for and awareness of the Special Olympics Movement for the mentally handicapped.



The Law Enforcement Torch Run cheque was officially presented to Manitoba Special Olympics representatives on October 21, 1993, by Honorary Torch Run Directors, Chief J.B.D. Henry, Winnipeg Police Department (R), and A/Commr. R.A. Bergman, CO, "D" Division, in the presence of (L-R): P. Kostenyk, H. Nault and Dr. W. Dahlgren.

**VETERANS' NEWS** The Manitoba Division of the Veterans' Association recently welcomed Reg. No. 14391, D.E. Brown as a new member and former P/S personnel administrator J. Schurko as new associate member.

## "E" Division

Headquarters — Vancouver, British Columbia

**BIRTHS** To Reg. No. 41806, Cst. C.L. Newel and his wife, Laurie, a daughter, Jamie Patricia Heather, on April 15, 1994, at Cranbrook, British Columbia.

To Reg. No. 35744, Cpl. J.R. Sliter and his wife, Laurie, a daughter, Jillian Helen, on June 14, 1993, at Vancouver.

To Reg. No. 29981, Cpl. W.M. Thordarson and his wife, Sherron, a son, Andrew Bayley Goodwin, on September 3, 1993, at Vancouver.

To Reg. No. 43970, Cst. R.G. Weaver and his wife, Kim, a daughter, Zoey Jane, on February 15, 1994, at Victoria, British Columbia.

**MARRIAGES** Reg. No. 35744, Cpl. J.R. Sliter to Laurie H. McRitchie, on June 6, 1992, at Cornwall, Ontario.

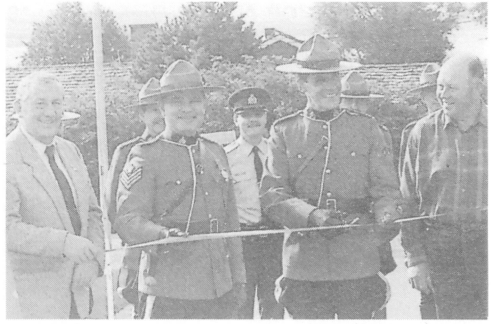
Reg. No. 38837, Cst. J.A. Steel to Reg. No. 40399, Cst. D. Marquis, on September 11, 1993, at Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.



**RICHMOND PRESENTATIONS** On February 9, 1994, the OIC, Richmond Detachment, Supt. R.B. Giesbrecht (second from L), presented the following awards: (Top, L-R) Commanding Officer's Commendations to Csts J.D. Paquette and J.B. Gray for their courage and determination in attempting to rescue victims trapped in a submerged vehicle in the Fraser River, in June 1993; CO's Certificates to Csts J.A. McRae and A.P. Grainger for successfully subduing an armed, suicidal male in January 1993, at Richmond; (bottom): a long service plaque to ex-A/Cst. R. Docherty (14 years); the Long Service Medal to Cpl. M.D. Leclair, the Gold Clasp and Stars and Canada 125 Medal to ex-S/Sgt. R. de Roon and a plaque to Richmond Councillor B. McMath, retiring after 42 years of public service.

Photos by Sgt. D. Kirkby, Richmond Ident. Section

**SOINTULA SUB-DETACHMENT OPENING** On October 6, 1993, a new sub-detachment was officially opened at Sointula. For years, the member on site was "housed" in a small A-frame building while serving the local population of 1000. The lone member had no alternative but to drive intoxicated individuals home or to babysit them at the office until they were sober. The new facility is a modular single unit complete with office, foyer, breathalyser room and two-bed cell. The first prisoner to christen the new facility was a swedish fisherman, as tough as nails for his "tender" age of 75. The opening ceremonies were attended by many local residents and RCMP members from Port Alice, Port Hardy and Alert Bay Detachments.



**SOINTULA OFFICIAL RIBBON-CUTTING (L-R):** G. Furney, Mayor of Port McNeill; Sgt. J. Manderson, NCO i/c Port McNeill Detachment; Cst. J. Bouchard, NCO i/c Sointula Detachment and Mr. E. Johnson.



**HARTLEY BAY SUB-DETACHMENT OPENING, OCTOBER 20, 1993** The Sub-Detachment, a refurbished mobile-home taken by barge to Hartley Bay, is serviced by members from Prince Rupert. Seen here (L-R): Chief Councillor W.G. Clifton, Hereditary Chief J.N. Clifton, Supt. R.W. Fenske and Insp. L.J. Baker.

Photo by Cpl. G.H. Petracek



**KELOWNA BALL** On May 2, 1994, the Kelowna Regimental Ball was held at the newly-opened Grand Okanagan Resort. After an evening of dancing and fine dining, C/Supt. D.J.A. Brown, OIC, Federal Operations, made presentations (L-R): the Bronze Clasp and Star to Sgt. O.L. Robson, the Long Service Medal to Cst. A.J. Doody, and the Canada 125 Medal to Supt. R.P.A. Roseberry.

Photos courtesy of Michael Hintringer Photography, Kelowna, B.C.



**FIRE INVESTIGATOR AWARD** On February 18, 1994, at White Rock, the B.C. Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) presented Cpl. P.J. Juby, Serious Crime Section, Surrey Detachment, the Fire Investigator of the Year award for his outstanding investigation of numerous deliberately-set fires in Burnaby, Surrey and other municipalities. Cpl. Juby has had extensive training and experience investigating fires and willingly shares his knowledge and expertise with others.



(L-R): D. Lemieux, IAAI Past-President; K. Snell, IAAI President; Cpl. Juby, Supt. J.W. Townsend, OIC, Surrey Detachment, and E. Laity, IAAI Treasurer.



**AWARDS PRESENTATION** On October 28, 1993, the semi-annual awards presentation ceremony was held at "E" Division Headquarters. A/Commr. F.G. Palmer made the presentations with Sgt. H.M. Haider acting as Master of Ceremonies. (L-R) First row: Mrs. J. Kupiak (SA), C/M A.E. Sebulsky (GB), Insp. S.E. Stark (SCS), C/Supt. G.H. Gregory (GCS), Insp. C. McDouall, Canada Customs (COC); Acting Chief Constable R. Canuel, Vancouver PD; A/Commr. Palmer, M. Knox (CO Cert.), S/Sgt. A. Nimmo, Vancouver PD (COC), Mrs. R. Yan (COC), Supt. W.L. Zapotichny (BCS), Mr. A. Villeneuve and Mr. W. LeDrew, Canada Customs. Second row: Cst. C.J.P. Garon (SJA), Cst. W.J. Edwards (LSM), S/Sgt. H.S. Stewart (BCS), Sgt. S.M. Plummer (LSM), Cst. P.J.M. Powell (SJA), Cpl. R.C. Henderson (SCS), Cst. G.D. Kilvington (LSM), C/M B.E. Murtzell (NB), Cpl. J.R.A. O'Connor (LSM), S/Sgt. A.C. Reid (SCS), Mr. J. Grayeyes. Third row: Cpl. F.J.G. Leibel (LSM), Cpl. N.C. Davidge (BCS), S/Sgt. D.C. Stone (BCS), Sgt. J.C. Desrosiers (LSM), Cpl. D.H. Clark (LSM), Cpl. J.D. Jeffrey (BCS), S/Sgt. T.E. Priest (LSM), Cst. P.A. Brisson (SJA), Cst. R. Tan (SJA), Cpl. R.C. Rentmeester (LSM), Cpl. P.A. Boddy (LSM), Cpl. M.E. Maloney (LSM), Sgt. A.E. Simpson (LSM).

**Legend:** Gold Clasp and Stars (GCS); Silver Clasp and Stars (SCS); Bronze Clasp and Star (BCS); Long Service Medal (LSM); C/M Gold Badge — 35 years (GB); C/M Nickel Badge — 20 years; Commanding Officer's Commendation (COC); Commanding Officer's Certificate (CO Cert.); Saint John Ambulance Award (SJA); Public Service Long Service Award (SA)

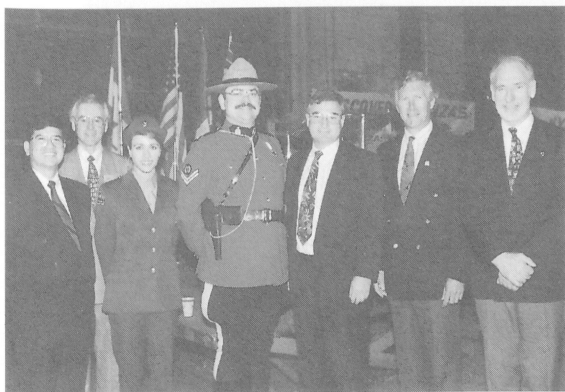
Photo by C/M J. Daborn, Vancouver Forensic Ident. Section

**PORT ALBERNI BALL** On February 19, 1994, at the annual Port Alberni Regimental Ball, Mr. Roy Henry Vickers, internationally acclaimed Tsimshian artist and highly regarded for his generous contributions in the community, made an eloquent toast to the Force. Mr. Vickers, who donated a limited edition print of his *Meaghan Mist* as the door prize, had mentioned that he had once been rejected by the Force for colour-vision impairment. Aware of this information, his name had been submitted for honorary membership into the "E" Division Officer's Mess and his acceptance ratified the day before. Proceeds of \$950 from the ball were donated to Vision Quest, a substance-abuse rehabilitation centre project being established by Mr. Vickers.



(L-R): Cpl. L. Omilusik, ball organizer; Mrs. R. Vickers, Mr. Vickers and Insp. B. Andersen, OIC, Port Alberni Detachment.

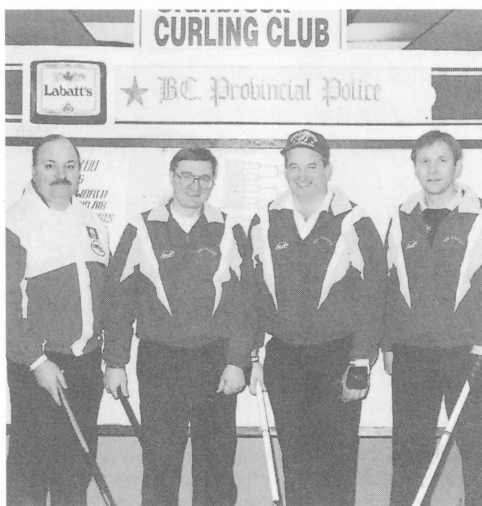
**INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE CENTRE** On March 16, 1994, the International Aviation Terminals (IAT), the Vancouver International Airport (VIA) Authority and DANZAS (Canada) joined forces to create a trading zone at the airport, known as the International Commerce Centre. Conceived as a "one-stop-shop" for the air cargo shipping industry, this innovation impacts on some 300 airline trading companies worldwide and promises to be of great benefit to the Canadian trading industry.



(L-R): The Hon. Raymond Chan, MP for Richmond; Mr. W. Duzita (IAT), Ms. A. Hargraves, Canada Customs; Cpl. J.W.R. Beaudoin, VIA Detachment; Mr. D. Emmerson, VIA Authority; His Worship H. Brendt, Mayor of Richmond, and the Hon. David Anderson, Minister of National Revenue.

Photo courtesy of Mr. J. Jorgensen, Historian, Vancouver International Airport Authority

**CURLING CHAMPS** In February, 1994, Cranbrook Detachment hosted the 1994 Provincial Police Curling Championships, with 16 teams from various zones within the province competing at the Cranbrook Curling Club from February 6-9, 1994. The Cal Fister rink from the Lower Mainland were victorious at the play-downs and went on to represent British Columbia at the National Police Curling Championships at Edmonton, Alberta in March.



**CURLING CHAMPS (L-R):** Sgt. H. Haider (lead), Administrative services; S/Sgt. M. Day (second) Vancouver PD; Cpl. D. Hockley (third) Coquitlam Detachment; Sgt. C. Fister (skip) North Vancouver Detachment.

Photo by Cranbrook Forensic Ident.



**NELSON SUB-DIVISION AWARDS** On February 1, 1994, an awards presentation ceremony was held at Silverton. Supt. G. Slomba (L), made the presentations (L-R): CO's Commendation to Cst. D.S. Pack, New Denver Detachment, for his attempt to rescue the driver of a vehicle which had gone off the road; a long service pin to A/Cst. R. Lahner for 15 years service; a Certificate of Achievement to Mr. P. Milburn, New Denver, for his outstanding work with the local Detachment; a CO's Commendation to Mr. D. Paynton, of Silverton, for his attempt to rescue the driver of a vehicle which had gone off the road, with Cpl. B. Hodgin, NCO i/c New Denver Detachment, looking on.



**CHANGING OF THE GUARD** On March 31, 1994, at approximately 23:30, a significant change of duties occurred with the RCMP relinquishing the staffing of the south security gate of the Vancouver International Airport (VIA) to the B.C. Corps of Commissionaires. Members at the VIA Detachment had taken over guard duties at this gate at the onset of the Gulf War, in January 1991. (L-R): Cst. J.W. Verth, VIA Detachment, and W. Holborn, B.C. Corps of Commissionaires.

Photo by Cst. D. Kerr

**COMMENDATIONS** Commissioner's Commendations for Bravery were presented to:

- Cst. L.S. Davidson, for his courage and presence of mind, at great personal risk, when he entered a burning, smoke-filled house three times, in order to subdue and rescue an emotionally distraught individual who had set fire to his bedding in a suicide attempt, on August 17, 1993, at Surrey.

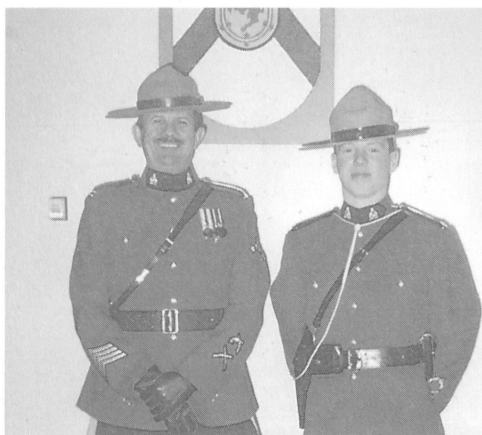
- Sgt. S.J. McLea, Csts A.R. Wilson and D.A. Scattergood, for their courage and skilled seamanship, at great personal risk, while on Police Vessel *Higgitt*, assisted in saving the lives of two people from a grounded fishing vessel during a gale-force storm on the night of October 16, 1992, at Masset Harbour.

- S/Sgt. P.J. Giffin and Cpl. J.P. Dickson for their courage, quick action and presence of mind while being fired upon in the apprehension of three armed and dangerous suspects in a crowded bar, after they had committed an armed robbery at Port Coquitlam, on October 1, 1992.

- Mr. P.A. Genelle for his courageous assistance to the RCMP in the apprehension of three armed robbery suspects, at Port Coquitlam, on October 1, 1992.



**EMPLOYEE RECOGNIZED** On October 16, 1993, members of Burnaby Detachment and friends gathered to pay tribute to Mrs. D. Jackson, a long-time municipal employee in the Detachment's Traffic Section, on completing 30 years of distinguished service. As a token of their appreciation, she was presented an Arthur Frieberg print of *The Toy Maker*. (L-R): Cpl. M.W. Savinkoff, Mrs. Jackson, Supt. B.A. Beaudreau, OIC, Burnaby Detachment, S/Sgts J.T.A. Dixon and D.C. Woods.



On March 8, 1994, Reg. No. 44660, Cst. D.J. King received his police badge from his father, S/Sgt. J.J. King, upon his graduating from the RCMP Training Academy, Regina, Saskatchewan. Cst. King was posted to Kelowna, B.C.

**VETERANS' NEWS** The Central Vancouver Island Division of the Veterans' Association welcomed Reg. No. 16431, ex-S/Sgt. G.A. Perry and Reg. No. 18313, ex-S/Sgt. G.K. Sim as new members. The following were awarded Life Memberships: Reg. No. 8740, ex-Cst E.H.J. Gibson; Reg. No. 13549, ex-Sgt. F.A.E. Ward; Reg. No. 13513, ex-S/Sgt. T.S. Hierlihy; Reg. No. 16017, ex-S/Sgt. W.L. Crawford, and Reg. No. 14853, ex-S/Sgt. W. Parsons.

Kamloops Division welcomed Reg. No. C/0448, ex-C/M P.B. Germaine as a new member.

Vancouver Division welcomed the following new members: Reg. No. 20913, G.A. Wilkinson; Reg. No. 19685, R.W. Clarke; Reg. No. 20617, R.M. de Roon; Reg. No. 25801, H. Gerrits; Reg. No. 20705, E.J. Virgo; Reg. No. 21226, W.S. Hacock; Reg. No. 0.1013, D.G. Cowleyn, and Reg. No. R/1431, J.I. McDonald.

## "F" Division

Headquarters — Regina, Saskatchewan

**BIRTHS** To Reg. No. C/3736, C/M M. Anderson and her husband, Dale, a son, Jordan Dale, on September 7, 1993, at Regina.

To Reg. No. 38757, Cst. B.F. Brennan and his wife, Carol Ann, a daughter, Brianne Paige, on November 4, 1993, at Nipawin, Saskatchewan.

To Reg. No. 41764, Cst. G.J. Gervais and his wife, Laurie Marie, a daughter, Janelle Raeanne, on April 23, 1994, at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

**MARRIAGES** Reg. No. C/3792, C/M C.J. Dickie to James Nielson, on June 11, 1993, at Leader, Saskatchewan.

Reg. No. 40203, Cst. R.B. Frame to Carole Cheyne, on June 12, 1993, at Rosetown, Saskatchewan.

Reg. No. 38099, Cst. M.A. Fritz to Thomas Edward Bull, on September 18, 1993, at Edmonton, Alberta.

Reg. No. 39931, Cst. D.G. Ross to Melissa L. Russett, on February 23, 1994, at Kehei, Maui, Hawaii.



**HEALTH CLINIC OPENING** On December 17, 1993, Sgt. R.W. Heide, NCO i/c Indian Head Detachment, attended the opening of the new, 3200 square foot health care clinic at Carry the Kettle Reserve, and presented a beautiful, framed print of a painting depicting Insp. Walsh meeting Sitting Bull to I. Thomson, Health Care Board.

**COMMUNITY "CASED" POLICING** Members at Buffalo Narrows Detachment in Northern Saskatchewan, recently came up with a novel way of putting something back into the community. Four members of the Detachment coach minor hockey, and two of the coaches found their novice team without uniforms. The Detachment donated the proceeds from the return of 140 cases of empty beer bottles (left-over after disposal of seized liquor exhibits). Along with equivalent donations from the Buffalo Narrows Hotel and Mclvor Petroleum, they were able to purchase the necessary uniforms.



**COMMENDATION** The Commissioner's Commendation for Bravery was presented to Cst. M.R. Wharton for his courage, quick action and presence of mind in disarming and apprehending an irrational male suspect on May 22, 1993, at La Ronge, Saskatchewan.

(L-R) Back row: Cst. T. Brothen (assistant coach), W. Hnатов, Buffalo Narrows Hotel; G. Mclvor, Mclvor Petroleum, and Cpl. D. Lang (coach), with newly equipped local Novice Team.

Photo by M. Lang

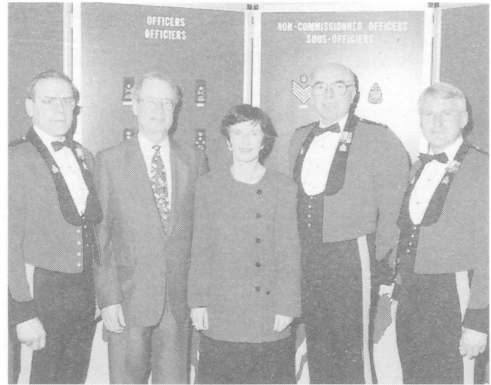


**MEDAL PRESENTATION** On October 6, 1993, during a special ceremony held at Saskatoon Sub-Division Headquarters, A/Commr. L.R. Proke, CO, "F" Division, presented Canada 125 Medals to (L-R): Sgt. R.W. Glenney, Insp. A.A. Murray, S/Sgt. F.T. Martin, A/Commr. L.R. Proke, Cst. C.J. Keyes, Mrs. U.J. Klassen, S/Sgt. W.T. Markus, Supt. F.H. Goodman, C/M M.J. Palmer, S/Cst. K. Honish, S/Sgt. M.R. Devaney.





**SASKATOON SUB-DIVISION SPECIAL PRESENTATION** A Meritorious Certificate from the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem Priory of Canada was awarded to Cst. R.K. Hart, Kindersley Detachment, during the annual Saskatoon Sub-Division Regimental Dinner. Cst. Hart served with the UN CIVPOL contingent in the former Yugoslavia, June-September, 1993; he was assigned to Sections East and South and was the Station Commander at Vrhovine. (L-R): A/Commr. L.R. Proke, Cst. Hart, Supt. F.H. Goodman.



**SASKATOON SUB-DIVISION REGIMENTAL DINNER** On April 13, 1994, the annual Regimental Dinner was held at Saskatoon, where guest speaker, Mrs. M. Badour, D/Commr. Corporate Management, was attending her first Regimental Dinner. (L-R): Insp. A.A. Murray, The Hon. R.W. Mitchell, Saskatchewan Minister of Justice; Mrs. Badour, A/Commr. L.R. Proke, CO, "F" Division, and Supt. F.H. Goodman, OC, Saskatoon Sub-Division.

**VETERANS' NEWS** The Regina Division of the Veterans' Association welcomed the following new members: Reg. No. 20058, R. E. Serbanievich; Reg. No. 20539, T. Ashcroft; Reg. No. 22307, F.L. Johannson; Reg. No. 31999, K.D. Gisborne, as well as J. Phipps.

## "G" Division

Headquarters — Yellowknife, Northwest Territories

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. 38345, Cpl. T.A. Zeniuk and his wife, Joan, a daughter, Kyla Jean Ellen, on February 21, 1994, at Yellowknife.

**COMMENDATION** A Commissioner's Commendation was presented to Mr. E. Iqittuq, for his courage and presence of mind on December 12, 1992, at Northern Shore, Hall Beach. With total disregard for his own safety, and prior to the arrival of the police, Mr. Iqittuq disarmed and controlled a male suspect who had just

been on a shooting rampage with a .303 rifle, resulting in the death of a three-year-old boy.

**A WELCOME SIGHT** In high arctic detachments, the sight of the RCMP Twin Otter is a pleasure that is hard to measure. In one-person detachments, where it is easy to feel alone and forgotten by the rest of civilization, it means a fellow member is in town and the plane is a visible link to the outside world. When the Twin

Otter arrives however, all those feelings disappear and all sense of isolation fades away. Sachs Harbour, population 135, is approximate-

ly 300 air miles northeast of Inuvik, on Banks Island.



Twin Otter, C-FMPB, from Yellowknife Air Services, piloted by Sgt. E.G. Hebson, and Sachs Harbour Detachment's 1993 Ford Crew Cab, February 24, 1994. Both vehicles are painted in accordance with the new RCMP identity program.

Photo by Cpl. R.K. Cashman, NCO i/c Sachs Harbour Detachment

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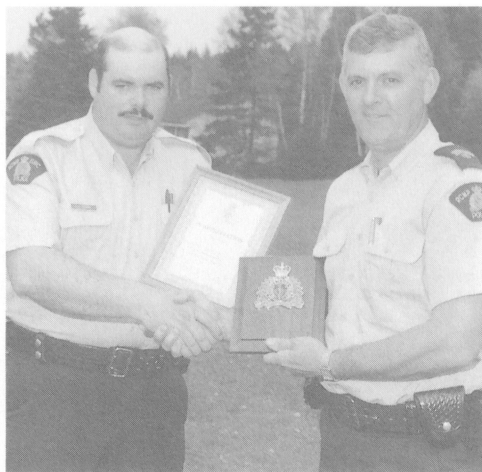
## "H" Division

Headquarters — Halifax, Nova Scotia

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. 38643, Cst. V.R.A. Cameron and his wife, Sheri, a son, Matthew Alan, on February 4, 1994, at Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.



Upon his return from a three-month tour of duty in South Africa, Insp. D.E. Gash (R), presented a walking stick to A/Commr. A.D.F. Burchill.



**APPRECIATION** On May 31, 1994, Sgt. R.G. Wagg, Ingonish Beach Detachment (R), presented a CO's Certificate of Appreciation and a plaque to A/Cst. E.O. Burke, in recognition of his 648 hours of volunteer service to the Detachment during 1993.

**HOUSE AUCTION** The Yarmouth Rotary Club recently built a house in the town of Yarmouth with labour and materials donated by the local community. The house, once completed, was auctioned off and the proceeds were donated to the Western Regional Hospital fundraising campaign. Eighteen members from Yarmouth donated their time and painted the interior in less than one hour.



**HOCKEY TOURNAMENT** On April 4-8, 1994, the annual Eastern Canadian RCMP Hockey Tournament was held, at Gagetown, New Brunswick. In the competitive division, teams from "B", "C", "H", "J" and "L" Divisions competed and the "H" Division team ended up in first place. In the final game, the "H" Division team, coached by S/Sgt. P. Williamson, defeated "C" Division by a close 6-5.

**PAINTERS (L-R):** Cpl. E. Briand, Yarmouth Customs and Excise; Cst. C. Aubin, Yarmouth Town Detachment; Cst. J. Cosgrove, Yarmouth Rural Detachment; S/Sgt. G. Anderson, NCO i/c Yarmouth Town Detachment; Sgt. P. McCloskey, NCO i/c Yarmouth Rural Detachment, and Cst. F. Bidal, Yarmouth Sub-Division Drug Section.

In the non-competitive (Old-Timers) division, teams from "A", "C", "H", "J" and "L" Divisions as well as Headquarters, played off. "H" and "A" Divisions teams played a very exciting championship game, ending regulation play with a 3-3 tie — "H" Division emerged victorious following the final shootout.

Congratulations to both "H" Division teams and a special thanks to the "J" Division organizing committee for a job well done.



**CANADA 125 MEDALS PRESENTATION, DARTMOUTH, SEPTEMBER 22, 1993 (L-R) First row:** Sgt. R.A. Peebles, Cpl. L. Flindall, A/Commr. A.D.F. Burchill, Supt. D.A. Bain, Insp. G.E. Carlson, Cst. W.J. Sutton and Insp. R.E. Moffatt. **Second row:** Sgt. W.E. Ackerson, S/Sgts J.S. Tudor, C.L. Brown and F.T. Fitzsimmons, Cst. A.J. Seeward, Cpl. M.N. Nash, S/Sgt. P.H. Williamson and Sgt. V.W. Noonan. **Third row:** S/Sgts J.F. Delorey and J.A. Arsenault, Cst. B.A. Sullivan, Cpl. D.S. Hutchings and Supt. L.E. Hall. **Missing:** ex-S/Sgt. R.G. Humble.



**AWARDS PRESENTATION - OCTOBER 20, 1993 (L-R) Seated:** The Hon. L.R. Crouse, Lt.-Gov. of Nova Scotia; Mrs. Crouse, The Hon. J.W. Gillis, Minister of Justice, and A/Commr. A.D.F. Burchill, CO, "H" Division. **First row:** Csts V.C. Woods and D.E. MacDonald, Sgt. W.E. Ackerson, Csts J.A. Emberley and R.V. Wall, ex-Cst. F. Caudle, Cpl. B.P. MacDougald, Cst. A.W. Gould. **Second row:** Csts R.B. Leatherdale, T.G. Gallery, P.R. Smith and G.C. Musgrave, Cpls M.D. Urquhart and A.J. Forsey, and Cst. D.J.H. Crouse.



A/Commr. A.D.F. Burchill congratulated Mr. T. Carno, an ex-member of the RCMP, the Royal Canadian Navy and the Royal Canadian Air Force, now with the Canadian Corps of Commissionaires, on the occasion of his 80th birthday celebration.



**RETIREMENT** On January 21, 1994, C/M S. Jennings retired after 30 years of service with the Force. She is the first civilian member from "H" Division Comcentre to retire with a pension. A/Commr. A.D.F. Burchill presented a framed RCMP Shabrack to C/M Jennings.

Photo by C/M D.L. Armstrong



◀ On January 13, 1994, serving and retired members of the Force and close friends gathered at Lunenburg Detachment to pay tribute to their long-time friend, ex-member, 92-year-old Percy Cox, who received a Life Membership in the RCMP Veterans' Association. (L-R): Sgt. R. Dove, NCO i/c Lunenburg Detachment; M. McKay, President-Elect, Nova Scotia Veterans; C. Pendergast, Secretary; Percy Cox; C. Dent, President, and ex-Sgt. B. Crowhurst, Lunenburg Chief of Police. Missing from photo: ex-Sgt. D. McGinnis, Bridgewater Chief of Police.

**VETERANS' NEWS** The Nova Scotia Division of the Veterans' Association welcomed the following new members: R.W. Urquhart, H. Wheaton and R.E. Jenkins.

## "J" Division

Headquarters — Fredericton, New Brunswick

**CITIZENSHIP COURT** On March 11, 1994, "J" Division hosted, for the first time in its Headquarters Building, a Citizenship Court at Fredericton. Approximately 30 landed immigrants were sworn in as Canadian citizens by the Honourable Judge J.G. Rioux, with approximately 80 family members and friends in

attendance. By hosting such an event, the newly-sworn citizens were able to interact with the police officers and see a different side to law enforcement.



(L-R): Judge J.G. Rioux, Mr. and Mrs. Seck and their two daughters, and Cst. M. Marin, Minto Detachment.

Photo by Cpl. Dave Dunphy

**BEARS FOR BOSNIA** Since January 1994, C/M C. Parmigiani, "J" Division Records, has been very busy with an ambitious undertaking to assist the children of Bosnia. Ever since viewing a moving story on CNN television concerning the plight of a lonely, little, orphaned boy in a Bosnian hospital, she felt a consuming need to do something meaningful for the children suffering in that war-torn country. She decided to establish a campaign to collect 1000 teddy bears, as well as boots, snowsuits, clothing and money for these indigent children. The items collected were forwarded to S/Sgt. R. O'Brien, NCO i/c Traffic Services, serving in Croatia, who distributed these much-needed items to children in hospitals, orphanages and families. So overwhelming was the generosity and support of the citizens of Fredericton for this mission of mercy, we were told that a special aircraft was required to transport all the gifts to Bosnia. To date, more than 3000 bears have been collected.





**C/M Parmigiana and Leslie O'Brien, daughter of S/Sgt. O'Brien.**

**FAREWELL** At a special evening celebration at the Fredericton Combined NCOs' Mess, on February 25, 1994, her many friends bid a fond farewell to Mrs. Shirley Munn, upon her retirement after 39 years of distinguished service with the Force. Mrs. Munn received numerous gifts as well as many verbal and written tributes, including a personalized letter of appreciation from Commissioner Inkster who remembered Shirley from the time they spent together in "J" Division.



On March 7, 1994, Reg. No. 44654, Cst. P.H. Cook received her police badge from her father, S/Sgt. G.C. Cook, on the occasion of her graduation from the RCMP Training Academy at Regina, Saskatchewan. Cst. Cook was posted to Craik Detachment, Saskatchewan.



(L-R): Supt. W. Wawryk, OC, Fredericton Sub-Division, (16th Officer Commanding trained by Shirley) making presentation to Mrs. Munn.

Photo by Fredericton Ident. Section

## "K" Division

Headquarters — Edmonton, Alberta

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. 39684, Cst. J.G. Ouellette and his wife, Stéphanie, a daughter, Gabrielle Elise, on May 18, 1994, at Lethbridge, Alberta.



Four F/A 18 Hornets from 441 Silver Fox Squadron refuel during a Maple Flag sortie as seen through the visor of RCMP Cst. G. Stoddard, Grand Centre Detachment. While "CAPing" (Combat Air Patrolling), Major J.D. Dunahee and Cst. Stoddard engaged and shot down an F-15 Eagle and a B-1 Bomber. With the possibility of a cooperative drug interdiction program, it is no longer unusual to see RCMP members strapping in for some back-seat time and experience. Cst. Stoddard is now a member in good standing of the MACH 1.8 Club.

*Submitted by Sgt. J.B. MacWilliam, CFB Edmonton*

Photo of Cst. Stoddard taken by himself

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## "L" Division

Headquarters — Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island

**RIDE FOR EASTER SEALS** The Royal Bank in Charlottetown hosted a fundraising event for Easter Seals on May 24, 1994. They issued a challenge to "L" Division members to participate in

the Mighty Bike Ride. The bike, a four-wheeled monster that rolls along at a good clip and gathers speed on the down hill slide, held 31 riders, a team mascot (Safety Bear) and a professional driver.



Lead by the Commanding Officer, C/Supt. A.E. Crosby, the other riders, in no particular order, who helped raise \$786 for Easter Seals: Ms. A. MacDonald, Ms. Collicott (Safety Bear), Ms. I. MacDonald, Ms. B. Taylor and Ms. B. Rice, Mrs. P. McMurdo, Mrs. J. McCormac and Mrs. B. Smith; Insp J.C.G. Doucet; S/Sgts R.A. Nahrgang and G.H. Batt; Sgts. D.A. Mullally, M.L. Foster, J.C. Snow, L.W. Smith, W.A. Collicott and S. House; Cpls H. McDonald, K.C. McNeil, J.A. Martin, B.D. Webb, L.L. Barnes, D. Smith, F.J. Fitzpatrick and B.D. Weldon; Csts R. Guisso, J. Perry, K. Lidstone, R.K. Roberts, G.H. Vanouwerkerk, M.D. Landry and T.J. Butler.

Photo by Cpl. L.L. Barnes

**DETACHMENT OPENING** On May 24, 1994, the new Montague Detachment at Brudenell was officially opened by The Honourable Lawrence MacAulay, Secretary of State (Veterans), representing the Solicitor General of Canada. This detachment is the first Force-owned building to be constructed on Prince Edward Island in over 30 years. It currently has an establishment of 12 members and 2 Public Service employees, to make up a rural unit, a highway patrol unit and the municipal unit for the Town of Montague.

The Detachment had been opened for business since April, 1994, and an open-house had attracted more than 1000 visitors all eager to view the new jail cells — a first in a detachment in Prince Edward Island — and be surprised by the lighting system which is completely automated by motion sensors — a unique feature for government buildings in the region.

The official opening was hosted by Insp. J. Francis, OIC FSSB, with Archdeacon T. Morgan, Honorary Chaplain, providing a dedication. Guest speakers included Ms. L. Gamble, Chairperson for the Community of Brudenell, Mr. P. Doucette, 3rd Kings MLA representing P.E.I.'s Minister of Provincial Affairs and Attorney General, as well as C/Supt. Art Crosby,

Commanding Officer, "L" Division. Following the speeches, Mr. MacAulay and C/Supt. Crosby signed a scroll declaring the detachment open.



**OFFICIAL RIBBON-CUTTING (L-R):** Cst. C. Hibert, Mr. P. Doucette, The Hon. L. MacAulay, C/Supt. A. Crosby, Cst. C. Barrington, Sgt. L. Robinson and Insp. J. Francis.

## "M" Division

Headquarters — Whitehorse, Yukon

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. 37265, Cst. A.R. Lane and his wife, Irene, a daughter, Mikaela Irene, on March 14, 1994, at Whitehorse.



**OLDTIMERS HOCKEY TOURNAMENT** In April 1994, the "M" Division Oldtimers Hockey Club attended the annual Haines Junction Tournament, competing against teams from all over the Yukon and Alaska, and winning with a 5-0 record. (L-R) Kneeling: Sgt. A. O'Donnell, Cst. M. Luka, Cpls D. Otterbein and E. Parker. Standing: R. Chisolm, Cst. M. Leblanc, Cpl. D. Edwards, D. Litz, G. Anderson.

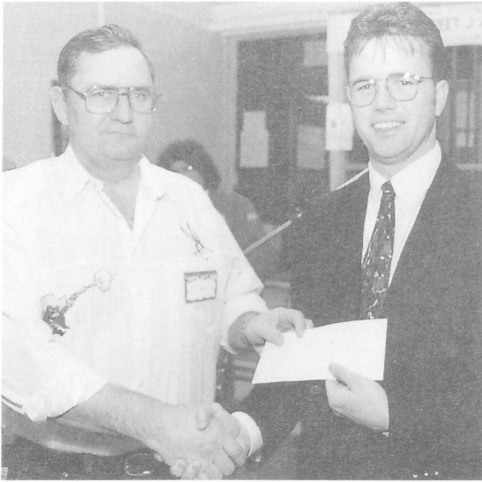
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## "O" Division

Headquarters — London, Ontario

**POLICE MEDIA NIGHT** At the Police Media Night hosted by the Ontario Provincial Police recently, proceeds of the previous year's event, which had been hosted by "O" Division, were presented to the Ontario Special Olympics Inc. The annual social event, which is alternately

hosted by either the OPP, RCMP or Metro Toronto Police, involves media representatives in planning and operation of the night. All monies raised go to charity and many positive working contacts are developed for future involvement.



◀ On behalf of the RCMP Media Night Committee, C/Supt. E.J. Findlay, Protective Operations (L), presented the \$1700 cheque to B. Williamson, Ontario Special Olympics Inc.

**VETERANS' NEWS** The Toronto Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association welcomed the following new members: Reg. No. 18423, W.M. Bernyck; Reg. 28448, D.P. Hitchcock; Reg. No. 20238, H.J. Strasser; Reg. No. 18631, W.J. Dawson; Reg. No. 26441, K.R. Michaud, and Reg. No. 21177, H.G. Colborne, as well as the following two associate members: G.K. Spark and W. McCormack, Metro Toronto Police Chief.

## RCMP Academy Regina, Saskatchewan

**FIREARMS INSTRUCTORS COURSE** Twenty-nine members from "D", "K", "E", "G" and "M" Divisions recently attended the Basic Firearms Instructors Course (BFIC). They were the first BFIC to endure the new Mess Policy

and in addition had to suffer through an all vegetarian week at the Academy Mess. All survived and returned to their respective divisions, none-the-worse for wear.



(L-R) First row: Csts L. Karpish and T. Enger, Cpls R. Miller and R. Letendre, Csts D. Hogg, R. McLeod and S. Dragani. Second row: Csts D. Rawson, L. Keane, R. Gear, B. Watts, A. L'Abbé, M. MacAulay and C. Griffin. Third row: Csts W. Czernicki, G. Pettitt, W. Lymburner and L. Del-Pino, Cpl. S. Beasley, Csts J. Maloney, M. Neve and R. Foster. Fourth row: Csts C. Ritchie and W. Bussey, Cpl. C. Farquhar, Csts J. McDonald, E. Preto and P. Sherstan, Sgt. L. Moore, Cst. G. Conrad and Cpl. R. Forand.



# Promotions

## HEADQUARTERS — (Ottawa, Ontario)

**Assistant Commissioner** — C/Supts P.M. Cummins, C.G. Allen, J.G.M.M. Robert

**Chief Superintendent** — Supt. D.G. Cleveland

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgts W.D. Dixon, D.F. MacDonald, P.D. McPhee, G.D. Scott, J.L.Y.D. Beauchesne, D.J. Harboway, B.D. Culp, J.C. Klammer

**Sergeant** — Cpls J.A.J.D. Comeau, J.Y. Martel, P.D.F. Henschel, J.A.R. Martin, J.A.M. Roy, T.G. Sommerfeld, M.H. Bertrand, T.J. Hanley, A.B. Harvie, S.J. Scott

**Corporal** — Csts I.D. Currie, W.M. Watson, J.R.S. Fiset, J.S. Gayfer

**Civilian Member** — C/Ms M.A.F. Horton, M.P.C. Piché, G. Normand, J.R.P. Dubois, R. Siebelhoff, B.G. Dietiker, P.R.L. Madden, E.S. McPhee, R.E. Brouzes, J.P. Lavergne, D.W. Nitchke, L. Bennett, D.B. White, S.J. Hyde, D.M. Thomas, R.G. Ball, E.E. Hall, M.G.L. Gagné, M.C.G.G. Garneau-Reed, D.A. Lanthier, C.L. Robertson, A.J.A. Cayer, G.A. Meery, D.R. Vancoughnett, I.E.C. Lockhart, J. Reilly, J.A.J. Léveillé

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

**Superintendent** — Insp. R.E. Kells

**Sergeant** — Cpls G.D. Goldsworthy, B.W. McCarthy

**Civilian Member** — C/M D.J. Devereaux

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## "C" DIVISION — (Montréal, Quebec)

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgt. J.A.S.J. Labbé

**Sergeant** — Cpls J.L.H.R. Brunet, J.D.R. Côté

**Corporal** — Csts J.F.R.M. Rondeau, J.H.W.B. Byrne, J.T. Delaunière, M.H. Dornan, C.J.P. Knight, J.A.G. Ménard, J.M. Ouellette, A.Y. Pothier, P.E.J. Dupuis

**Civilian Member** — C/Ms M.A.D. Billaudeau, J.A. Morin

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## "D" DIVISION — (Winnipeg, Manitoba)

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgt. D.J. Roach

**Sergeant** — Cpls J.G.L. Guertin, R.M. Pivovar, P.E. Currie

**Corporal** — Csts J.E. Brossart, R.W. Rachel, G.E.W. Harrison

**Civilian Member** — C/Ms J.K. Castonguay, S.V. Douglas

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## "E" DIVISION — (Vancouver, British Columbia)

**Chief Superintendent** — Supt. M.J. Johnston

**Superintendent** — Insp. V.M. Casey

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgts G.H. Rockwell, D.W. Smith, G.W. Markoski, R.J. McIntosh, R.W. Johnstone

**Sergeant** — Cpls W.A. Best, J. Bouwman, D.R.L. Brown, L.J. Bunyan, B.S. Danilowich, P.A. Boddy, N.C.E. Davidge, D.W. Hobson

**Corporal** — Csts J.W. Gulayets, B.K. Hosker, J.G. Knudtson, T.P. Windle, K.W. Curle, G.P.A. Kroon, D.R. Little, G.H. Petracek, H.R.F. Winter

**Civilian Member** — C/Ms M.D. Arnott, D.M. McAndie, C.L. Van Uden

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## "F" DIVISION — (Regina, Saskatchewan)

**Sergeant** — Cpl. W.A. McKinnon

**Corporal** — Csts K.M. Homeniuk, C.E. Foster, A.G. Lavallée

**Civilian Member** — C/M M.H. Wendell

**"G" DIVISION — (Yellowknife, Northwest Territories)**

**Sergeant** — Cpls W.F. Leil, R.P. Near, R.A. Douthwright

**Corporal** — Csts J.R. Andrews, J.R. Stiles

**Civilian Member** — C/M B.W. Herriot

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**"H" DIVISION — (Halifax, Nova Scotia)**

**Sergeant** — Cpl. R.B. Oldford

**Corporal** — Csts J.P.D. Loignon, D.O. Shiers

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**"J" DIVISION — (Fredericton, New Brunswick)**

**Sergeant** — Cpls D.A. Brown, D. Butt, C.E. Cannon, J.M.J. Leblanc

**Corporal** — Csts J.J.P. McAnany, M.L.A. Roussel, D.R. Willson

**Civilian Member** — C/M P.J. Sherwood

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**"K" DIVISION — (Edmonton, Alberta)**

**Chief Superintendent** — Insp. T.P. Smith

**Inspector** — Sgts D.A. Guy, T.V. Towns

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgts J.A.R. Byrne, W. Chykalsky

**Corporal** — Csts C.P. Alexis, G.D. Chambers, W.M. Jones, G.M.L. Secord, R.A. Gushulak, D.B. Osborne, P.S.M. Casey, D.G. McCullagh

**Civilian Members** — C/Ms J.C. Fuller, F.A. Horie, C.M. Seward

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**"O" DIVISION — (London, Ontario)**

**Inspector** — S/Sgt. P.H. James

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgts G.K. Nichols, B.J. Payson

**Sergeant** — Cpls M.A. Hubley, D.R. Ross, J.E. Llewellyn, M.G.C. Lutes, A. Popovic, J.F. Reid, R.D. Reynolds, C.M. Walker, C.E. Munro

**Corporal** — Csts J.G.N. Turcotte, R.P. Dullum, W.K. Frampton, J.G.A. Doré, R.J. Usarewicz

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**RCMP ACADEMY — (Regina, Saskatchewan)**

**Sergeant** — Cpl. J.R.R. Rochon

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## Retirements

Reg. No.	Rank	Name	Division	Date
0.0865	A/Commr.	Currie, R.C.	"HQ"	94-04-05
0.0883	Supt.	McGreevy, D.F.J.	"C"	94-04-04
0.0900	C/Supt.	Bernard, J.L.J.D.	"HQ"	94-04-04
0.0937	A/Commr.	Breau, J.A.M.	"C"	94-04-04
0.0947	Supt.	Religa, J.E.	"HQ"	94-05-06
0.1014	Supt.	Waller, R.H.	"E"	94-04-04
0.1042	C/Supt.	Walker, J.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
0.1094	Supt.	Bradford, D.A.	"HQ"	94-04-21
0.1095	Insp.	Pederson, D.P.	"HQ"	94-04-14
0.1156	Supt.	Jerritt, L.S.	"F"	94-04-07
0.1214	Supt.	McLay, D.M.	"E"	94-05-01
0.1240	Insp.	Parsons, I.T.	"E"	94-04-04
0.1360	Insp.	Fotheringham, J.G.	"K"	94-04-15
0.1423	Insp.	Hendricks, C.J.	"HQ"	94-05-25
0.1515	Insp.	Paquin, E.D.	"C"	94-02-02
18921	S/Sgt.	Dixon, W.D.	"HQ"	94-02-28
19332	S/Sgt.	McGregor, M.H.	"B"	94-04-27
19515	Sgt.	Moroz, W.	"HQ"	94-04-05
19698	S/Sgt.	Allchin, L.S.	"E"	94-05-08
19888	Sgt.	Sipley, L.W.	"F"	94-04-27

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Reg. No.	Rank	Name	Division	Date
20058	S/Sgt.	Serbanievich, R.E.	"F"	94-04-01
20177	S/Sgt.	Stewart, G.V.	"HQ"	94-04-25
20252	S/Sgt.	Stovern, L.D.	"E"	94-05-13
20294	Cpl.	MacMillan, W.	"D"	94-05-13
20362	S/Sgt.	Anderson, W.O.	"HQ"	94-04-13
20389	Sgt.	Hughes, P.T.	"HQ"	94-04-05
20539	S/Sgt.	Ashcroft, T.G.	"F"	94-04-04
20546	S/Sgt.	Lowde, F.S.	"HQ"	94-05-15
20565	S/Sgt.	Lebreton, K.F.	"B"	94-04-13
20677	S/Sgt.	McIntee, P.M.	"B"	94-04-05
20691	S/Sgt.	Pennoyer, R.A.	"K"	94-04-04
20705	S/Sgt.	Virgo, E.J.	"E"	94-04-13
20713	S/Sgt.	Vincent, D.R.	"O"	94-05-09
20723	S/Sgt.	Ripley, G.A.	"E"	94-04-04
20758	S/Sgt.	Chad, R.G.	"O"	94-05-08
20796	Sgt.	Burden, L.D.	"HQ"	94-04-13
20814	S/Sgt.	Kirbyson, A.D.	"G"	94-05-25
20819	Sgt.	MacLachlan, J.S.	"F"	94-04-13
20856	S/Sgt.	Eldridge, R.	"E"	94-04-13
20862	S/Sgt.	Lasnier, J.H.W.J.	"C"	94-04-04
20936	S/Sgt.	Mew, C.J.	"J"	94-04-29
21181	S/Sgt.	Gillespie, J.D.	"E"	94-04-27
21200	Sgt.	Graham, R.B.	"HQ"	94-04-19
21245	Cpl.	Skinkle, A.N.	"HQ"	94-04-11
21314	S/Sgt.	Stone, H.S.	"HQ"	94-04-05
21438	S/Sgt.	Bird, J.M.	"E"	94-04-10
21550	Cpl.	Parnell, J.H.	"E"	94-04-04
21554	S/Sgt.	Bonnar, R.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
21681	S/Sgt.	Thompson, S.W.	"HQ"	94-04-13
21738	Cpl.	Dunn, F.A.	"K"	94-05-24
21756	S/Sgt.	McCombe, H.B.	"E"	94-04-13
21874	S/Sgt.	Nave, L.	"O"	94-05-10
21969	S/Sgt.	Oucharek, O.A.	"D"	94-05-11
22196	S/Sgt.	Mangan, R.F.M.	"E"	94-04-06
22250	Sgt.	Clark, G.W.	"HQ"	94-04-27
22303	S/Sgt.	Lindsay, C.M.	"E"	94-04-11
22389	S/Sgt.	Ashton, H.R.	"HQ"	94-04-27
22408	S/Sgt.	Campbell, L.C.	"HQ"	94-04-29
22489	S/Sgt.	Linke, R.R.	"E"	94-04-13
22542	S/Sgt.	Waugh, L.S.	"E"	94-05-11
22729	S/Sgt.	Douglas, A.D.	"E"	94-04-02
22735	S/Sgt.	Roy, J.M.J.	"HQ"	94-04-05
22794	S/Sgt.	Eppler, R.G.	"F"	94-04-27
22912	S/Sgt.	Russell, R.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
23069	Sgt.	Labrecque, J.G.J.	"C"	94-04-17
23073	Sgt.	Connors, R.J.	"D"	94-04-25
23160	Sgt.	Halliday, W.A.	"HQ"	94-04-05
23229	S/Sgt.	Beers, R.T.	"HQ"	94-04-05
23288	Sgt.	Lowes, L.L.	"O"	94-04-04
23343	Cpl.	McKay, J.R.S.	"HQ"	94-04-05
23396	Sgt.	Reader, J.S.	"K"	94-04-05
23416	Cpl.	Grapel, W.E.	"H"	94-05-11
23447	Cpl.	Wieclawek, J.J.A.	"HQ"	94-04-08
23457	S/Sgt.	Henderson, G.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
23464	Sgt.	Holmes, D.G.	"L"	94-04-13
23470	S/Sgt.	Bickerton, G.M.	"HQ"	94-04-27
23530	Cpl.	Legal, L.J.A.	"HQ"	94-05-11
23673	S/Sgt.	Carline, B.C.	"HQ"	94-04-18

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23735	Sgt.	Serfas, W.R.	"E"	94-05-25
23938	Sgt.	Redwood, A.E.	"D"	94-04-06
24046	S/Sgt.	Pratt, G.D.	"HQ"	94-04-13
24257	Cpl.	Budge, T.	"H"	94-04-27
24522	Sgt.	Mohr, R.E.	"E"	93-06-23
24754	Sgt.	Harrison, J.T.	"HQ"	94-04-05
24834	Cpl.	Swift, R.D.	"HQ"	94-04-06
24899	Cst.	Iles, K.E.	"HQ"	94-04-05
24901	Sgt.	Brough, J.E.M.	"HQ"	94-04-05
25198	Sgt.	Banham, C.J.	"G"	94-05-11
25241	Sgt.	Dowson, K.C.	"E"	94-04-13
25261	Sgt.	Chadney, D.A.	"E"	94-04-04
25297	Sgt.	Campbell, T.M.	"E"	94-04-04
25310	Cpl.	Hoglund, D.J.	"E"	94-04-06
25462	Cpl.	Tronsgard, S.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
25471	Sgt.	Banks, J.R.	"O"	94-04-04
25509	S/Sgt.	Cadieux, J.A.R.	"HQ"	94-05-25
25578	Cpl.	Paul, J.M.	"K"	94-04-11
25616	Sgt.	Taylor, W.H.	"H"	94-05-11
25848	Cpl.	Bates, E.J.	"E"	94-01-05
25852	S/Sgt.	Silzer, L.B.	"E"	94-04-04
26005	Sgt.	Howley, L.P.	"HQ"	94-04-05
26034	Cst.	Ellis, S.G.	"E"	94-04-04
26108	Sgt.	Morier, R.L.	"HQ"	94-04-27
26189	Cpl.	Lechky, R.P.	"E"	94-05-11
26319	Cpl.	Argue, D.G.	"E"	94-05-11
26364	Cpl.	Petrie, C.L.	"O"	94-04-13
26494	Cpl.	Casey, T.F.N.	"HQ"	94-04-05
26565	Cpl.	Baker, B.E.	"F"	94-03-23
26774	Cpl.	McGee, G.G.	"E"	94-04-02
26869	Sgt.	Smith, K.B.	"H"	94-04-05
27004	Cpl.	Spencer, B.G.A.	"H"	94-02-02
27157	Cpl.	Tainton, W.J.	"K"	94-04-01
27166	Sgt.	Abbott, J.D.	"E"	94-01-20
27185	Sgt.	Chorney, L.E.	"E"	94-04-13
27192	Cpl.	Bodie, W.M.	"D"	94-04-02
27210	Cpl.	Grudgfield, D.E.	"E"	94-04-27
27235	Cpl.	Eichenlaub, J.G.	"K"	94-05-17
27312	Cpl.	Davidson, I.F.	"K"	94-05-12
27361	Sgt.	Hodgson, D.L.P.	"HQ"	94-04-05
27582	Sgt.	Brooks, G.J.	"HQ"	94-05-09
27622	Cpl.	Leary, F.R.	"K"	94-04-04
27634	Cst.	Barrette, G.S.	"HQ"	94-04-05
27716	Cst.	Hodgson, W.R.	"E"	94-04-04
27717	Sgt.	Secondiak, E.J.	"K"	94-02-24
27732	Cpl.	Gayfer, J.S.	"HQ"	94-04-05
27926	Cpl.	Lawrence, R.W.	"K"	94-04-05
28073	Sgt.	Zens, W.M.	"K"	94-05-11
28317	Cpl.	Halpenny, B.M.	"E"	94-04-30
28541	Sgt.	Judd, J.E.	"O"	94-05-14
28683	Sgt.	O'Brian, D.R.C.	"E"	94-02-08
28778	Cpl.	Bruce, J.W.M.	"E"	94-05-11
28843	S/Sgt.	Light, M.W.	"O"	94-04-29
29171	Cst.	Thomas, D.H.	"HQ"	94-04-07
29356	Cpl.	St-Onge, J.J.G.	"F"	94-05-10
29364	Cpl.	Gropler, K.G.H.	"O"	94-05-09

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Reg. No.	Rank	Name	Division	Date
29741	Cpl.	MacAulay, D.J.	"HQ"	94-04-05
29787	Cst.	Glazier, R.W.	"K"	94-05-11
29866	Cpl.	Arnold, S.A.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30007	Cpl.	Ouellet, J.C.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30110	S/Sgt.	Morton, G.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30216	Cpl.	Piché, J.J.M.R.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30217	Cst.	Young, J.V.R.A.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30317	Cst.	Shields, J.A.P.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30352	Cst.	Servante, F.A.	"K"	94-04-23
30442	Cst.	Seaman, J.E.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30443	Cst.	Lamothe, J.R.A.	"HQ"	94-03-30
30701	Cpl.	House, L.T.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30732	Cst.	Van Vlaanderen, J.W.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30733	Cst.	Jasper, R.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30757	Cst.	Kaukinen, D.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30865	Cst.	Fréchette, A.B.	"HQ"	94-04-05
30900	Cst.	Robichaud, J.P.G.	"HQ"	94-04-05
31036	Cpl.	Klassen, W.A.	"E"	94-05-11
31078	Cst.	McRae, B.A.	"E"	94-03-04
31203	Cst.	Webster, J.R.	"HQ"	94-04-13
31754	Sgt.	Stapleton, D.J.	"HQ"	94-04-28
31928	Cst.	Beattie, J.R.	"K"	94-05-01
31999	S/Sgt.	Gisborne, K.D.	"F"	94-04-13
33052	Cst.	Glaicar, K.C.	"G"	94-03-30
35869	Cst.	Taylor, R.W.	"E"	94-04-01
40175	Cst.	Mollons, C.H.	"D"	94-04-27
41005	Cst.	Mélanson, J.J.E.	"J"	94-03-07
41139	Cst.	Sylvestre, G.R.	"A"	94-05-09
41173	Cst.	Scaffidi, A.C.	"HQ"	94-04-05
41621	Cpl.	Boyer, J.R.C.L.	"C"	94-04-17
42534	Cst.	Paquette, J.U.G.Y.	"C"	94-04-27
42575	Cst.	Nixon, R.J.	"HQ"	94-04-05
42890	Cst.	Wintringham, L.G.	"F"	94-04-05
43279	Cst.	Romanow, A.J.	"F"	94-04-05
44256	Cst.	Delorme, J.	"HQ"	94-04-05
44263	Cst.	Leduc, D.M.	"HQ"	94-04-05
44618	Cst.	Johnston, D.M.	"HQ"	94-04-05
S/0355	S/Cst.	Akavak, S.	"G"	94-04-30
S/0766	S/Cst.	Paries, E.T.	"K"	94-02-11
S/1081	S/Cst.	Leblanc, R.	"O"	94-04-29
S/1346	S/Cst.	Norman, A.L.M.	"F"	94-04-05
S/1382	S/Cst.	Guèvremont, J.A.P.M.	"HQ"	94-04-05
S/1669	S/Cst.	Scorah, M.G.	"HQ"	94-04-05
S/1978	S/Cst.	Gilbert, J.R.M.	"HQ"	94-04-07
S/2511	S/Cst.	Gatti, J.D.	"HQ"	94-04-05
S/2515	S/Cst.	Armstrong, A.P.	"HQ"	94-04-05
S/2851	S/Cst.	Demmon, J.R.	"HQ"	94-04-05
C/1091	C/M	Giles, W.S.	"HQ"	94-04-13
C/1198	C/M	Matte, J.E.A.	"HQ"	94-04-27
C/1280	C/M	Reid, W.J.	"HQ"	94-04-04
C/1477	C/M	Stevens, W.	"O"	94-03-18
C/1747	C/M	Noël, M.H.I.S.	"C"	94-05-11
C/2168	C/M	Lawlor, B.F.	"B"	94-04-27
C/2664	C/M	Bobosky, G.E.	"E"	94-04-13
C/3351	C/M	Bédard, J.F.M.	"HQ"	93-12-08
C/3415	C/M	Janes, E.D.	"B"	94-04-30
C/3747	C/M	Shoemaker, J.M.F.	"HQ"	94-04-05
C/3810	C/M	Wong, K.K.	"HQ"	94-04-05



## Obituaries

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

**ANDERSON** Reg. No. O.562 (14066) Supt. Eric Wilfred Anderson (retired) 76, died March 11, 1994, at Toronto. He was born January 15, 1918, at Timmins, Ontario, and joined the Force May 5, 1941, at Toronto. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Anderson was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, working at North Battleford, Radisson, Regina, Meadow Lake and Loon Lake. He took his discharge May 4, 1947, and reengaged into the Force November 20, 1947, at Toronto. Anderson was posted to "O" Division, Ontario, serving at Toronto, and was subsequently transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, June 1, 1960, and back to "O" Division, at Toronto, September 1, 1966, retiring to pension November 20, 1974. He was promoted to corporal November 1, 1956; sergeant November 1, 1960; staff sergeant May 1, 1963; sub-inspector April 1, 1964; inspector April 1, 1966, and superintendent April 1, 1971.

**ANDREWS** Reg. No. 36413, Cst. James Robert Andrews, 34, died July 6, 1994, at Gjoa Haven, Northwest Territories. He was born April 9, 1960, at Edinburgh, Scotland, and joined the Force October 20, 1980, at Surrey, British Columbia. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Andrews was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, where he worked at Gleichen, Medicine Hat and Swan Hills. On June 26, 1986, he was transferred to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, serving at Fort McPherson, Fort Good Hope, Inuvik and Gjoa Haven, where he was still working at the time of his death.

**BAYOFF** Reg. No. C/1409 (EA/761), C/M Edward James Bayoff, 56, died at Nelson, British Columbia, June 16 1994. He was born October 15, 1937, at Thrums, British Columbia, and joined the Force as an auxiliary constable, at Nelson January 23, 1973. Bayoff was posted to Nelson where, on October 15, 1973, he joined the Force as a civilian member. Bayoff resigned from his appointment as a police auxiliary November 21, 1979, and continued serving the Force as a civilian member, in Nelson, where he was still working at the time of his death.

**BIGGART** Reg. No. 14337, ex-S/Sgt. Robert Charles Biggart, 75, died June 6, 1994, at Windsor, Ontario. He was born December 17, 1918, at Clinton, Ontario, and joined the Force January 5,

1942, at Toronto. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Biggart was posted to "C" Division, Quebec, where he worked at Montréal. On October 1, 1943, he was transferred to "J" Division, New Brunswick, where he served at Saint John, Fredericton, St. Stephen and St. Andrews. On May 13, 1952, Biggart was posted to Headquarters, Ottawa, and retired to pension January 3, 1967. He was promoted to corporal May 1, 1955; sergeant May 1, 1959, and staff sergeant November 1, 1964.

**BLUE** Reg. No. 0.1038 (20811) Insp. Kenneth John Blue (retired), 53, died June 15, 1994, at Sydney, Nova Scotia. He was born June 26, 1940, at Glace Bay, and joined the Force February 16, 1959, at Sydney. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Blue was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served at Kamloops and Vernon. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: November 10, 1961, to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, serving at Halifax and Amherst; August 8, 1969, to "J" Division, New Brunswick, working at Sackville; January 31, 1971, to Headquarters, at Ottawa; March 23, 1973, to "O" Division, working at Toronto; January 1, 1977, to "H" Division, serving at Halifax. Blue retired to pension July 15, 1986. He was promoted to corporal April 9, 1973; sergeant May 1, 1973; staff sergeant April 1, 1975, and inspector July 1, 1976.

**BRADSHAW** Reg. No. 13625, ex-Sgt. James Kenneth Bradshaw, 74, died March 31, 1994, at Regina Beach, Saskatchewan. He was born May 27, 1919, at Toronto, Ontario, where he joined the Force August 30, 1940. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Bradshaw was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, where he served at Prince Albert, Tisdale, Regina, Hudson Bay Junction, Nipawin, Cumberland House, Val Marie and Gravelbourg, retiring to pension May 7, 1962. He was promoted to corporal May 1, 1954, and sergeant November 1, 1960.

**BRANNAN** Reg. No. 19704, ex-Cpl. Robert Joseph Brannan, 81, died March 31, 1994, at Surrey, British Columbia. He was born June 28, 1912, at Hamilton, Ontario, and joined the Force August 5, 1952, at Vancouver, British Columbia. Brannan was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he worked at Marine Division, serving on board police vessels *Little Bow* and *Victoria*, and taking his discharge October 24, 1968. He was promoted to corporal September 13, 1960.

**CALVERT** Reg. No. 16438, ex-S/Sgt. Andrew Calvert, 80, died March 7, 1994, at Salmon Arm, British Columbia. He was born March 9, 1913, at Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, and joined the Force August 15, 1950, upon amalgamation with the British Columbia Provincial Police, where he had been working at Salmon Arm, Victoria, Ucluelet, Vernon and Armstrong since July 3, 1941. Calvert was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served at Armstrong, Trail, Haney, Nelson, Prince Rupert and Chilliwack until retiring to pension February 11, 1967. He was promoted to corporal November 1, 1952; sergeant November 1, 1956, and staff sergeant May 1, 1960.

**CLARK** Reg. No. 13660, ex-Sgt. Temple Douglas Clark, 77, died April 1, 1994, at Stroud, Ontario. He was born April 24, 1916, at Lucknow, Ontario, and joined the Force September 5, 1940, at Toronto. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Clark was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, where he worked at North Battleford and Regina. On July 20, 1941, he was transferred to the No. 1 Provost Company, where he served for the duration of the Second World War. He was awarded the 1939-45 Star, the Italy Star, the Defense Medal, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with clasp, as well as the War Medal 1939-45. On January 13, 1946, Clark reengaged into the Force and was posted to Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: "F" Division, Saskatchewan, at North Battleford; "D" Division, Manitoba, at Winnipeg; Portage la Prairie, Steinbach and Sprague; November 8, 1952, to Headquarters, Ottawa; August 10, 1956, to Depot Division until retiring to pension September 13, 1960. Clark was promoted to corporal November 1, 1952, and sergeant October 1, 1957.

**CLEARWATER** Reg. No. 17216, ex-S/Sgt. Arthur David Clearwater, 62, died March 15, 1994, at Calgary, Alberta. He was born June 26, 1931, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, where he joined the Force August 3, 1951. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Clearwater was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, where he served at St. Paul, Stony Plain, Peace River, Valleyview, Stettler and Lethbridge until retiring to pension May 30, 1982. Clearwater was promoted to corporal May 1, 1962, sergeant March 1, 1969, and staff sergeant October 1, 1974.

**CORKUM** Reg. No. 11649, ex-S/Sgt. Irving Gordon Corkum, 92, died May 4, 1994, at Sydney, Nova Scotia. He was born October 4, 1901, at East Berlin, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force April 1, 1932, at Halifax, upon amalgamation with the Nova Scotia Provincial Police, where he had been working since February 2, 1931. Corkum was posted to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, serving at Amherst, Lunenburg, Yarmouth, Barrington, Sydney, New Glasgow and Halifax, and retiring

to pension October 4, 1959. He was promoted to corporal April 1, 1941; sergeant December 1, 1944, and staff sergeant December 1, 1955.

**COWAN** Reg. No. 6262, ex-Cst. George Connell Cowan, 101, died April 12, 1994, at Langley, British Columbia. He was born March 23, 1893, at Greenock, Scotland, and joined the Royal North-West Mounted Police in September 1914, at Edmonton, Alberta. Cowan took his discharge in September 1915. (Information supplied by his daughter, Mary S. Nimmo. — Ed.)

**DENNISON** Reg. No. 17337, ex-Sgt. Robert Owen Dennison, 60, died May 4, 1994, at Nanaimo, British Columbia. He was born May 20, 1933, at Dackburn, Manitoba, and joined the Force November 2, 1951, at Winnipeg. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Dennison was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he worked at Salmon Arm, Kamloops and Vernon. He took his discharge November 1, 1956, and reengaged into the Force January 22, 1962, at Ottawa. Dennison was posted to "A" Division, Ottawa, and on July 23, 1965, he was transferred, to "E" Division, where he worked at Tahsis, Port Coquitlam, Hazelton and Nanaimo until retiring to pension April 5, 1987. Dennison was promoted to corporal May 1, 1968, and sergeant August 1, 1974.

**DUNCAN** Reg. No. 18275, ex-S/Sgt. Charles Richard Duncan, 60, died July 17, 1994, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born June 14, 1934, at Calgary, Alberta, where he joined the Force August 3, 1953. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Duncan was posted to "A" Division, Ontario, where he served at Ottawa, Sault Ste. Marie and Sudbury. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: September 12, 1958, to "O" Division, working at Toronto; October 12, 1961, to Headquarters, Ottawa, where he served in Germany and Holland in the Visa Control Section; July 14, 1969, to "O" Division, at Toronto; July 12, 1971, to "A" Division, at Ottawa, and May 5, 1972, to Headquarters, where he retired to pension July 16, 1984. Duncan was promoted to corporal September 8, 1964; sergeant May 10, 1967, and staff sergeant November 24, 1983.

**FORRESTER** Reg. No. 22470, ex-Sgt. Gordon Robert Forrester, 51, died April 8, 1994 at Westeros, Alberta. He was born October 21, 1942, at Vancouver, British Columbia, and joined the Force April 11, 1962, at New Westminster. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Forrester was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Edmonton, Whitecourt, Lac la Biche, Vegreville, Bonnyville, Andrew and Wetaskiwin until retiring to pension April 10, 1987. He was promoted to corporal June 1, 1973, and sergeant October 10, 1979.

**FORWARD** Reg. No. O.480 (16164) Supt. Nelson Frederick Forward (retired), 78, died July 6, 1994, at Carbonear, Newfoundland, where he was born September 4, 1915. He joined the Force August 1, 1950, upon the amalgamation with the Newfoundland Rangers, where he had been serving since August 3, 1936. Forward was posted to "B" Division, Newfoundland, where he served at St. John's and Harbour Grace. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: July 5, 1958, to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, serving at Halifax; July 15, 1963, to "E" Division, British Columbia, working at Victoria; January 12, 1966, to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Yorkton, and July 18, 1967, to "B" Division, at St. John's. Forward retired to pension October 4, 1970. He was promoted to sergeant August 1, 1950; staff sergeant December 1, 1955; sub-inspector May 1, 1958; inspector May 1, 1960, and superintendent July 1, 1967.

**FRASER** Reg. No. 14784, ex-Sgt. Robert Eldridge Fraser, 79, died May 17, 1994, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born December 14, 1914, at Bridgeville, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force December 5, 1946, at Halifax. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Fraser was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, where he served at Winnipeg, Gladstone, Elphinstone, Rivers, Brandon, Killarney, Virden and Treherne, retiring to pension December 11, 1969. Fraser was promoted to corporal May 1, 1959, and sergeant November 1, 1965.

**GARDINER** Reg. No. 10614, ex-Sgt. William Edward Gardiner, 90, died May 16, 1994, at Cranbrook, British Columbia. He was born September 23, 1903 at Lishnashea, Ireland, and joined the Force June 26, 1929, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Gardiner was posted to Headquarters, working at Ottawa. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: August 1, 1930, to "O" Division, Ontario, working Toronto; November 18, 1939, to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Yorkton and Regina; August 1, 1940, to "A" Division, working at Ottawa. From 1945 to 1953, Gardiner served with the Musical Ride, and participated in the Musical Ride Tour to Great Britain for Queen Elizabeth Coronation in May 1953. He retired to pension February 26, 1961. Gardiner was promoted to corporal January 1, 1951, and sergeant May 1, 1960.

**GILLIS** Reg. No. R/680, ex-R/Cst. Ernest Joseph Gillis, 87, died March 18, 1994 at Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he was born in 1907, and joined the Force as a reserve constable May 9, 1941. Gillis served at "H" Division, Nova Scotia, at the Halifax Port Security Control, taking his discharge May 8, 1945.

**GIMSON** Reg. No. C/256, ex-C/M Dorothy Agnes Gimson, 71, died April 15, 1994, at Ottawa. She

was born September 1, 1922, at Barrie, Ontario, and joined the Force as a civil servant August 24, 1948, at Ottawa, where she worked until resigning November 1, 1953. Gimson reengaged into the Force as a civilian member June 20, 1962, at Toronto, where she had been working as a civil servant for the Force since June 29, 1956. In September 1967, Gimson was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, where she worked until retiring to pension August 27, 1979.

**HINKS** Reg. No. 14808, ex-Cpl. John Charles Hinks, 71, died March 5, 1994, at Debolt, Alberta. He was born November 24, 1922, at London, England, and joined the Force January 21, 1947, at Ottawa, Ontario. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Hinks was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, where he worked at Winnipeg. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: June 1, 1948, to "J" Division, New Brunswick, serving at Fredericton, Woodstock, Perth and St. Stephen; April 1, 1952, to Headquarters at Ottawa; January 1, 1953, to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Yorkton. Hinks retired to pension December 10, 1964. He was promoted to corporal May 1, 1963.

**HODAY** Reg. No. 0.0675 (17689), C/Supt. John Hoday (retired), 61, died May 29, 1994, at Brampton, Ontario. He was born March 31, 1933, at Panatula, Rumania, and joined the Force April 24, 1952, at Toronto, Ontario. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Hoday was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Weyburn and Regina. On October 1, 1963, he was transferred to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, serving at Sackville. On September 1, 1971, Hoday was posted to Headquarters, Ottawa, and retired to pension April 23, 1989. He was promoted to corporal May 1, 1963; sergeant May 5, 1964; staff sergeant May 1, 1966; sub-inspector May 1, 1969; inspector May 1, 1971, superintendent October 15, 1974, and chief superintendent February 1, 1977.

**HOOD** Reg. No. C/2265, C/M Robert Edward Hood, 66, died July 14, 1994, at Victoria, British Columbia, where he was born July 29, 1927. He joined the Force as a civilian member December 5, 1977, at Campbell River, and served his entire service there, until he was invalidated to pension February 1, 1985.

**IMRIE** Reg. No. O.917 (15595) Insp. David Cook Imrie (retired) 63, died April 10, 1994 at Winnipeg, Manitoba, where he was born August 22, 1930, and joined the Force October 19, 1948. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Imrie was posted to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, where he served at Fort Smith and Yellowknife. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations:

July 29, 1952, to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, at Prince Albert, Big River, Porcupine Plain, Carrot River, La Ronde, Nipawin, Rosthern, Leask, Uranium City, Yorkton, Balcarres, Fort Qu'Appelle, Weyburn and Moose Jaw; August 1, 1968, to Headquarters, Ottawa; May 12, 1971, to "F" Division, at Yorkton; August 25, 1977, to "D" Division, Manitoba, at Winnipeg, until retiring to pension October 18, 1983. Imrie was promoted to corporal May 1, 1961; sergeant May 1, 1966; staff sergeant February 1, 1969, and inspector May 1, 1975.

**JORDAN** Reg. No. 28127, ex-Cst. Terrence John Jordan, 43, died April 6, 1994, at Medicine Hat, Alberta. He was born July 31, 1950, at Arcola, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force May 19, 1970, at Victoria, British Columbia. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Jordan was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Gull Lake, Cabri, Maple Creek and Swift Current, until taking his discharge May 18, 1975.

**KIRKMAN** Reg. No. 12636, ex-S/Sgt. William Parry Malcolm Kirkman, 80, died May 5, 1994, at Regina, Saskatchewan. He was born September 17, 1913, at Unity, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force June 26, 1935, at Edmonton, Alberta. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Kirkman was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, where he served at Biggar, Saskatoon, Yorkton, Lanigan and Humboldt. On July 13, 1943, he was transferred to "O" Division, Ontario, serving at Toronto, and on September 1, 1957, he was posted to "F" Division, at Regina, until retiring to pension January 17, 1965. Kirkman was promoted to corporal May 1, 1949; sergeant May 1, 1955, and staff sergeant May 1, 1961.

**LA PENSÉE** Reg. No. 11952, ex-Cpl. Henri Jean Gabriel La Pensée, 73, died June 26, 1994, at Miami, Florida. He was born January 15, 1911, at Ottawa, Ontario, where he joined the Force December 15, 1932. After completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, La Pensée was posted to Headquarters, Ottawa, Ontario. On May 1, 1925, he was transferred to "C" Division, Quebec, where he served at Montréal and Quebec City, taking his discharge June 5, 1945. La Pensée was promoted to corporal May 1, 1942.

**LEPPINGTON** Reg. No. 20510, ex-S/Sgt. Lewis Glenn Leppington, 55, died March 28, 1994, at Delta, British Columbia. He was born June 7, 1938, at Devlin, Ontario, and joined the Force May 1, 1958, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Leppington was posted to "C" Division, Quebec, where he served at Quebec City. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: May 7, 1959, to "K" Division, Alberta, working at Drumheller,

Calgary, Banff, Lethbridge and Edmonton; July 2, 1971, to Headquarters, Ottawa; July 5, 1973, to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served at Vancouver until retiring to pension May 2, 1980. Leppington was promoted to corporal November 1, 1968; sergeant June 1, 1972, and staff sergeant October 2, 1978.

**MCKEEVER** Reg. No. 22670, ex-Cpl. Bernard Charles McKeever, 56, died August 5, 1992, at Kitchener, Ontario. He was born March 6, 1936, at Colchester, Essex, in England, and joined the Force June 28, 1962, at Nelson, British Columbia. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, McKeever was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, where he served at Edmonton, Red Deer, Wetaskiwin and Lethbridge. On June 30, 1970, he was transferred to Depot Division as an instructor, and on June 1, 1973, he was posted to "K" Division, where he worked at Lethbridge until taking his discharge April 30, 1976. McKeever was promoted to corporal August 7, 1970.

**PARKER** Reg. No. 14202, ex-Cst. Merlin Thomas Parker, 72, died in October 1993, at Enfield, Nova Scotia. He was born November 12, 1920, at Elmsdale, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force July 7, 1941, at Halifax. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, he was posted to "J" Division, New Brunswick, serving at Fredericton. On May 1, 1942, Parker was transferred to Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, for second part of training. He was then posted to "L" Division, Prince Edward Island, where he served at Charlottetown until taking his discharge July 31, 1944.

**PEARCE** Reg. No. 13179, ex-Sgt. Hugh James Pearce, 73, died May 14, 1994, at Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he was born April 28, 1921, and where he joined the Force August 24, 1938. He was posted to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, and served in the Marine Section as a special constable, taking his discharge March 31, 1939. Pearce served in the Royal Canadian Navy during World War II. He was awarded the 1939-45 Star, the Atlantic Star, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp, as well as the War Medal 1939-45. Pearce reengaged into the Force September 29, 1945 and was posted to Marine Section, "C" Division, Quebec. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: to regular land duties in March, 1952, serving at Montréal; June 18, 1961, to "J" Division, New Brunswick, at Fredericton; November 29, 1963, to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, at Regina, retiring to pension January 11, 1976. Pearce was promoted to corporal May 1, 1959; sergeant March 29, 1962, and staff sergeant March 19, 1964.

**SPICER** Reg. No. 13286, ex-S/Sgt. James Verschoyle Spicer, 76, died June 13, 1994, at Dauphin, Manitoba. He was born April 2, 1918,

at St. Gregor, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force February 29, 1940, at Regina. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Spicer was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, where he served at Dauphin, Wasagaming, Swan River, The Pas and Flin Flon, retiring to pension February 28, 1969. Spicer was promoted to corporal October 1, 1949; sergeant November 1, 1957, and staff sergeant May 1, 1961.

**TAGGART** Reg. No. 10303, ex-Sgt. Reginald Andrew Taggart, 89, died April 24, 1994, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born December 31, 1904, at County Down, Ireland, and joined the Force May 27, 1927, at Regina, Saskatchewan. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, Taggart was posted to Headquarters Division, serving at Dundas Harbour, Northwest Territories. On November 1, 1930, he was transferred to "N" Division, took his discharge May 25, 1931, and reengaged into the Force December 8, 1932, at Vancouver, British Columbia. He was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, serving at Vancouver. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: July 28, 1933, to "D" Division, Manitoba, at Winnipeg; January 1, 1934, to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, at Baker Lake; September 1, 1935, to Depot Division; August 1, 1936, to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, at Regina; July 31, 1938, to "A" Division, Ontario, at Ottawa and "N" Division,

at Rockcliffe, retiring to pension December 7, 1957. He was promoted to corporal April 1, 1941, and sergeant November 1, 1947.

**THOMPSON** Reg. No. 21794, S/Sgt. Keith Wendel Thompson, 55, died June 10, 1994, at Windsor, Ontario. He was born August 16, 1938, at Minto, New Brunswick, and joined the Force February 23, 1961, at Fredericton. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, he was posted to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, where he served at Bridgetown, Dartmouth, Sherbrooke, Windsor, Sydney, Digby and Halifax, where he was still serving at the time of his death. Thompson was promoted to corporal October 1, 1971; sergeant February 1, 1977, and staff sergeant December 3, 1981.

**WINDLE** Reg. No. S/75, ex-S/Cst. Harold James Windle, 65, died April 5, 1994, at Ottawa, Ontario, where he was born November 11, 1928, and joined the Force as a special constable November 17, 1958. He was posted to Headquarters and worked at Ottawa, until retiring to pension November 9, 1984.

**WRATHAL** Reg. No. C/1095, ex-C/M Lindsay Layton Wrathall, 69, died September 30, 1993, at Brandon, Manitoba. He was born July 18, 1924, at Wallace, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force as a civilian member February 28, 1972, at Brandon, where he was posted to until retiring to pension January 25, 1979.



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