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### **Editorial**

### On Law and Order

Probably the surest sign — and the most worrisome — that societies are in trouble occurs when law and order, after being assailed on all fronts, begins to break down. This is happening not simply on a national scale, nor even a continental scale, but right around the globe. Granted, there are more visible examples, perhaps, such as the riots at European soccer games, or the "shootem-up" attitude by some motorists on a couple of California's freeways. But an article I read the other day reported on gangs who were preying on some shopkeepers and employers in certain areas of Moscow and previously unheard of terms such as "protection" and "Mafia" were being bandied about with alarming frequency.

All societies must come to grips with the problem of "order" if they are to have any future. Thomas Hobbes, writing in England during the reign of the Stuart kings, said that since man possessed both passion and reason, passion would rule unless each individual surrendered a small portion of their "reason" into an overriding authority he called the Leviathan - translation? the Stuarts. The "Leviathan" would fashion that surrender to authority into "laws" which, since it was agreed upon, would be the mutual guide for that society's behavior. As Hobbes wrote, "Without order, life would be nasty, brutish and short." Hobbes had his detractors, however. John Locke, (backed by Rousseau who wrote in France during France's revolution against the aristocracy and Bourbon kings) said in effect, "Not true, it is only when an overbearing authority imposes its laws that passion takes over and man acts irrationally. Leave him alone, take away the

restraining authority and man will act reasonably and rationally."

It certainly isn't difficult to envision the application of laws, or conversely, the chaos that would result if there were none. Think of trying to cross a city if there were no traffic laws, for instance, and drivers simply chose at random the side of the road on which they wished to drive, when they wished to stop, go, turn, park, the speed they wished to use and so on. Think if there were no laws to govern property rights, business arrangements, criminal activity, or public property. Think of how safe and secure we would be if the overriding factor in ownership or personal happiness and well-being was determined by who was the biggest, strongest, toughest, etc. Frightening, isn't it.

Undoubtedly we all seek — citizens, legislators and judiciary alike — a balanced system of legal rules which respect individual rights while ensuring society operates in an orderly manner. Stated briefly, we seek security, social justice, fairness and equality before the law with order being the utopian goal of societal well being. Society determines what is considered to be correct, or conversely, proscribed behavior. It must also be prepared to back its laws and authority with a will to censure such behavior. But therein lies the crunch.

What seems to be deteriorating is respect, perhaps not so much for laws and lawmakers themselves, but in the authority behind the laws and hence, in the ability of society to enforce its laws. That is why we have repeat offenders, sometimes with horrific results. That is why we have garbage around empty

litter barrels in parks, why we have smokers smoking in front of no smoking signs as if compelled to defy. That is why we have people looking on with indifference while authority figures such as police or teachers (two prime targets) wrestle with trying, even potentially dangerous, situations. That is why teachers are the main target in most cases when a student decides to carve a name for him or herself in a blaze of infamy.

It is that assault on society's core — the ability to censure proscribed behavior which indicates the initial glimmerings of trouble ahead. Any number of individuals or groups, social clubs, legal societies of one kind or another, to mention but a few are all busily trying to push back the bounds making formerly unacceptable behavior suddenly acceptable. Laws are challenged, occasionally in open defiance, and soon the Latin proverb of Judicandum est legibus non exemplis — "Judgement should be according to the laws, not the precedents" — has considerably less application. Soon the

perpetrator has more rights than the victim, and with that a noticeable drop in resolve becomes apparent. The ultimate victim? — the same one discussed by Hobbes, Rousseau and Locke — and encountered by every society — the problem of order.

Somehow society's members must be convinced that when laws and the ability to enforce them are assailed, so is society's legitimacy. The answer to the problem of order is law, with all the support for legitimate authority and all the legal institutions that go with it. Or was W.S. Gilbert, writing in 1880, more of a prophet than he evisioned when he said, "A policeman's lot (here include all authority figures) is not a happy one." Indeed!

J.C. Roenspies Publications Officer

### **Editor's Notes**

MARINE DIVISION will be holding their reunion at the Nova Scotian Hotel, Halifax, Nova Scotia, September 15-17, 1989. For further information please contact: Mr. Earl Walker, 1008 Garden Court, New Minas, Nova Scotia B4H 3L4. Phone: (902) 678-4706.

1989 ARIZONA VETERANS' REUNION Members of the RCMP Veterans' Association in Arizona will hold their annual reunion at Mesa, Arizona, on February 16, 1989. Forty-two former members and

one serving member attended the 1988 reunion last February.

Anyone interested in attending the 1989 reunion would be most welcome. For information, please contact T. Ivan Douglas at: 453 Heather Crescent, Thunder Bay, Ontario P7E 5L1, phone (807) 475-0506 (during the summer months), or space 345-4065 E. University Dr., Mesa, Az. 85205 U.S.A., phone (602) 832-6628 (during the winter months). So, all you retired RCMP "snow birds" out there, keep the third Thursday in February (TTF) open to meet in Mesa.

### Letters to the Editor

#### **FRENCH CONNECTION**

Dear Editor:

I would like to correspond with members who would be interested in trading patches, badges and other police items.

Bernard Obringer 2, rue de la Cerisaire 57200 Sarreguemines France

#### **CENTENNIAL RIFLE**

Dear Editor:

In 1973, a limited edition rifle was offered for sale to members of the Force. I was a member of the Force at that time, however, but did not purchase a rifle. Could any member having the 1973 RCMP Centennial Rifle for sale contact:

Sgt. J.E. Rogers P.O. Box 3900 1445 Regent Street Fredericton, N.B. E3B 4Z8 your fine *Quarterly* and we will keep reading it!!

Thanks again to the staff of the Quarterly, the RCMP, the Committee, and S/Sgt Hampson. We're so thankful we have such good neighbors to our North!!

Your Friends.

Mildred and Curtis Johnson Fairless Hills, PA 19030 U.S.A.

#### PRAISEWORTHY!

Dear Editor:

S/Sgt. Garth Hampson and the RCMP 1988 Charity Ball Committee DID IT AGAIN when they planned the Charity Ball for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Programme and invited His Royal Highness Prince Edward to attend. We attended the Ball as guests of the Committee and were very honored by their consideration of us. It was well planned and everything went so smoothly. The program was very entertaining and the groups of local children who performed were superb. The RCMP's efforts on behalf of charities each year (e.g. Sounds & Saddles for CHEO, MS Charity Ball, and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Programme — to name a few) are commendable!

The RCMP are "TOPS" in our opinion and their continuing efforts for charity just heightens those feelings. Another example of the RCMP's thoughtfulness was to invite Policemen from "across the border" in the U.S.A. to attend the ball.

S/Sgt Hampson sent us a copy of the Spring 1985 *Quarterly* and we immediately subscribed. Now, the day we receive our copy, it is read from cover to cover. We love the stories, Division activities, etc. and feel like we are a part of the RCMP family. You keep publishing

#### CANADIANS IN VIETNAM

Dear Editor:

I am a military historian writing a book about Canadians who served in the American Forces in Vietnam. I am seeking first-hand accounts or information about Vietnam veterans across Canada. If you can provide any information, please contact:

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## **Professional Conduct**

by Commissioner Norman D. Inkster

The following message was forwarded to the division Commanding Officers, Deputy Commissioners and all Directors in the Headquarters of the Force.

I am confident that members appreciate the need and value of professionalism in all police work. An error in judgement or an act of misconduct often results in media headlines, together with criticism, which serves to undermine the public's confidence in the Force. For this reason, there is need for us all to constantly evaluate our day-to-day approach to the proper discharge of our law enforcement responsibilities.

In contemporary circumstances we must be aware and appreciate how the rights of citizens are affected by the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. It must be equally understood what current legal principles must be followed for investigative procedures such as the interrogation of persons suspected of having committed a criminal offence. These are essentially matters of professional police procedures.

We must also be very much aware of our individual responsibilities for ethical conduct. Our professional police procedures and our personal conduct are inseparable. Unless individual members continue to exhibit and practice high standards of personal conduct, it is virtually impossible for police organizations such as ours to continue to receive the high esteem of the citizens we serve in discharging our professional responsibilities.

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Individual members, and the Force itself. are open to the closest public scrutiny on a continuing basis and, from my perspective, rightly so. We must never lose sight of the fact that we have been entrusted by the people of Canada to uphold and enforce the laws of the land and it is up to each and every one of us to ensure that public confidence in that trust is not diminished. Should there be a decline in ethics or, if you prefer, personal standards of conduct, then our task to maintain the professional reputation of the Force becomes that much more difficult, if not impossible. The key to the preservation of trust in an organization lies with the individual. As long as individuals manifest principled values, the maintenance of the RCMP as a professional institution can be assured.

I do not share these thoughts with you because of any current concern for the state of our professionalism or the public perception of it. I believe it is fair to say that we enjoy a considerable degree of respect from the public. It is to maintain and, where possible, increase this public respect for our organization that I urge you to reflect on this situation. Formal regulations, orders, and policy can be created to indicate the general standards of conduct expected of the Force and its members. However, it is the day-to-day exercise, by each individual member, of personal, ethical standards which ensures the maintenance and enhancement of our professional esteem. Guarding against a decline in personal, ethical conduct safeguards the RCMP's professional reputation.

# **Paul Cederberg Retires**

by S/Sgt. Elmer Kelly

"How would you like to write a short article for the *RCMP Quarterly* about S/Sgt. Paul Cederberg's service and contributions to the RCMP over the years?"

"Well now," I wondered aloud, "where would I begin?" I didn't meet Paul until April, 1961, and he had joined the Force in 1952. In Toronto, I believe. Yes, that's right, Paul was a "Hogtowner." He was sworn in at the old "O" Division headquarters over on Sullivan Street.

"If you can find out some of the details, jot them down into some kind of order and send them to us. You don't mind doing that, do you?"

"I guess not. I'll check around and try to get some accurate dates and so forth. Oh, by the way, when do you want this?"

"In 10 days."

"Wow! That's crowding it."

"Ten days should be enough. I'm sure you can have something ready by then. Don't worry too much about form and grammar — we'll polish it up prior to printing it."

"Well, I'll try. Since I'll have to do this on my own time, I don't suppose I'll be paid overtime, will I?"

#### Click!!!

Well now, where to begin. Should this be historical, chronological, or facts only? Should I try a human interest angle? After all, Paul was quite a character while he was in the Force, and probably still is. Maybe I should talk to some of the people who worked with him over the years and, oh yes, be sure to talk to some



"Hagar" Sven Oscar "Paul" Cederberg (the Horrible) adorned with traditional viking headdress, at his retirement party.

of the guys in the Sergeants' Mess and maybe at the Leaf. Good plan — I'll start tomorrow. Meaňwhile, what do I know about this man?

A quick check started me off with some of the regular data, such as his date and place of birth (June 8, 1932, Toronto, Ont.), that he joined the RCMP on July 21, 1952, and after training at Depot Division, Regina, he was posted to "E" Division in British Columbia. From 1953 to 1956, he

was performing highway patrol and regular detachment duties at Creston and Kimberly, B.C., with a short stint at the British Empire Games in Vancouver in July, 1954. Paul had mentioned that he had always been interested in art. at times drawing and painting in his room until the wee small hours of the morning when he should have been studying for high school exams. He was asked to create some cartoons and other designs for a Regimental Ball in Nelson, B.C. and his artistic ability had not gone unnoticed. When a member was reluctant to complete a transfer to Headquarters, Ottawa, Paul applied and was accepted. On May 3, 1956, he headed east to take over the Drafting/Art Section of "S" Directorate. His artistic skills continued to be manifest in later moves to Scenes of Crime (October, 1963), Photographic Section (June, 1968), Visual Aids Section (November, 1973) and Graphic Arts Section (1976 until his retirement).

I met Paul at Headquarters in the spring of 1961, at an Identification Branch party. I remember it well. I overheard him speaking to someone in what I believed to be Russian or some other Slavic language. Later in the evening he seemed to be speaking German to someone else. Still later, he was singing in Italian. I was impressed! "Who is this multi-talented person?" I asked one of the party-goers.

"Oh, that's Paul Cederberg," I was told. It wasn't until months later that I learned, much to my dismay, that what sounded like authentic Russian, German and Italian, was nothing more than a clever rendition of phonetic gibberish. On another occasion, Scotty Bowman, who was then the coach of the Montréal Canadiens, was a guest at an RCMP golf tournament in Ottawa.

After the golf and following dinner, Bowman took to the microphone for a question-and-answer period. The session was winding down when Paul, in a heavily accented Russian voice, introduced himself as Ivan Kuznikov, a reporter from *Pravda* at the Soviet

Embassy. He had "qvestion" from Boris Kulagin (better known as "Smiles and Chuckles" Kulagin), the Russian hockey coach. "Meester Kulagin vants to know, Meester Bowman, vhy you not smile behind bench?" The look on Bowman's face was priceless! His mouth fell open, he was obviously surprised and bewildered — and from the expression on his face you could tell he was thinking, "How in the world did a reporter from *Pravda* get in on an RCMP golf tournament!" Brian Lynch, the tournament organizer, set Bowman straight with a quick, "He's one of ours."

During the next 26 years, I was continually being surprised by the talents of this man. Real talent, in the form of artistic renderings of such things as uniform design, line drawings of hundreds of subjects, historical paintings, caricatures, etc.

In the Sergeants' Mess hang several oil paintings completed under his skillful brush. Some members fortunate enough to have purchased the special edition of the Winchester Model 94 rifle in 1973 during the Force's Centennial year, can admire his artistry in the pictures that adorn the container in which the rifle was shipped. And if ever you have the opportunity to see the  $20 \times 9$  foot mural that hangs in "O" Division headquarters, I'm sure you will notice his obvious persistance, precision and attention to detail when he interpreted the historical facts and transposed them onto canvas.

During the last 10 years of Paul's service, I was fortunate enough to have worked closely with him in the production of numerous publications for the general public. Items such as brochures of all types and sizes, posters, pamphlets, promotional material for the Band and Musical Ride, Police Week posters, leaflets and other give-aways, and much of the crime prevention material used by RCMP Detachments across Canada bear his personal touch. Occasionally, we goofed!

I particularly remember one Police Week poster that caused considerable stir. The poster theme was bicycle safety, with Safety Bear as the main figure. But because it was done in cartoon style, all the bicycles and other vehicles were drawn completely devoid of any bells, fenders, reflectors or lights! Safety Bear missed that safety message! And, speaking of vehicles, when the poster was printed (some 240,000 copies), the caption under one of the drawings appeared as "Never hitch a ride on vechicles." This error in spelling was, no doubt, a trick played on the author by one of the Muses. But, in glaring red ink, VECHICLES caught the attention of the viewer like a flashing neon sign. One one "C" too many, but what a commotion it caused! In all, the artwork had been proofread — then translated — by at least six people, but no one caught the error — until after it was printed. Fortunately, we were able to correct the spelling by supplying stickers to be placed over the miscreant word before the posters were released to the public. At the next printing, you can rest assured the drawings correctly displayed all the safety equipment and the spelling was immaculate. The poster's future was thus guaranteed for some time; ours was probably much less secure.

Throughout the 115-year existence of the Force, many men and women have ensured that our traditions and spirit remain as vibrant as they were in the beginning. Numerous authors and artists have, through their particular talents, created in the minds of a world-wide audience, a romantic aura which glows over the RCMP as brightly as it did during the March West in 1874. Names such as Bagley, Parker, Denny, Julien, Geraldine Moodie, and more recently, Turner, Kelly, Churchman and Horrall are, no doubt, familiar names to history buffs. In my opinion, when historians of the future write about our past and mention the names of those who have contributed towards preserving our history and heritage, S.O. Cederberg (Sven Oscar —

but he prefers "Paul"), will be included in that honorable list.

Some of his artistic designs include the artwork for the engraving on the Centennial sword produced by Wilkinson; the artwork for the engraving on the Centennial rifle produced by Winchester (as well as the historical scenes on the box): the artwork for the reverse design for the Canadian Mint to produce the Centennial silver dollar and the 25-cent coin; he painted the "Last Patrol", depicting a member on the last dog team patrol with an RCMP team, then presented it to Her Majesty the Queen in Regina, July 4, 1973; and he drew hundreds of impressions, designs, and line drawings of situations or incidents that arose during his service in the Force.

Paul left the Force in 1987. He keeps involved by producing a painting now and then, most of which are sold before they are completed. He will be missed, without a doubt, but he will be remembered. He made sure of that simply by setting a standard of workmanship equated to the axiom — only the best is good enough. He will always be regarded, though, by those of us who worked with him, as Paul Cederberg — FRIEND.



Supt. J.R. Bentham (L) wishing S/Sgt. Cederberg a happy retirement.

# **New Directions in Recruiting**

by Cpl. Paul Vani, Recruiting Task Force

"The RCMP will reflect Canada's cultural mosaic"

...Commissioner N.D. Inkster.

With these words last fall, the Force was directed to take up one of its most exciting and interesting challenges in recent years.

We are now committed to increasing the participation of visible minorities, females, francophones, university graduates, and bilingual persons in our ranks. In addition, efforts are underway to getting more aboriginal persons into Regular Member positions and disabled persons into our Civilian Member category.

While the objective enunciated by the Commissioner includes more than the visible minority component, it is this group that has generated much of the early interest and the greatest number of enquiries from the public, the media and our own members. Therefore, much of the focus of this, the first of several articles, will be on the visible minority sector.

Because our traditional methods of recruiting have not produced many applicants from the targetted groups, especially the visible minority and indigenous communities, special initiatives are now underway including the formation of a National Recruiting Team.

Two members were assigned to do the initial legwork and to look after the logistics of setting up the National Recruiting Team. Since 1987-10-16 when these members started, a lot has been done and we would like to share some of the key points with you. If you will then, this could be seen as a progress

report to you on a subject in which you have considerable interest.

### **Defining Visible Minority**

The Employment Equity Act defines a "visible minority" as someone, other than the aboriginal peoples, who, because of their race or colour are considered to be a visible minority in Canada, as they are non-caucasian in race and non-white in colour. They may have been born in or outside Canada.

Most visible minorities will fall into one of the following groups: Blacks, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino, Indo-Pakistani, West Asian and Arab, or Southeast Asian.

# Why the Interest in Visible Minorities by Police Forces

Canada's population has been gradually changing and statistics show that an ever-increasing number of immigrants come from other than the traditional European sources. Because of their race, colour, creed, accents and customs, many of our newest citizens stand out from the crowd.

As a police force, it is only normal that we would want to establish good relations with these new Canadians just as we do for the rest of society. We have an obligation to ensure that our links with these communities are forged by the spirit of co-operation, understanding and fairplay. How better to do that than by having members of these communities serving with us.

Two other reasons also exist. Firstly, the Force has a responsibility to ensure that

our employment practices conform, to the extent possible, to Parliament's wishes. Secondly, there is an operational requirement that from a practical perspective far exceeds any other requirement that we may have. At the present time, we often find our operational effectiveness limited by language, colour or cultural barriers that can only be overcome by having a diverse and representative membership.

### Targets vs Quotas

Quotas imply that you will hire "X" amount of a certain category over a given time period and may require that certain criteria be waived to ensure that the quota is met.

The Commissioner has said clearly that he does not intend to establish quotas nor does he intend to lower standards. He has also said, however, that the Force would take all the steps necessary to convey to Canadians in the targetted groups that the Force is open and receptive to them. For your information, representatives of the visible minority and other communities with whom we have been in contact support the concept of targets versus quotas.

The Force is unaware of what groups, and at what levels, are in our ranks now. the Self-Identification Survey proposed by the Force will soon tell us what our composition is and will help us determine exactly what more needs to be done.

In the meantime, targets are being established for the various groups as required. For example, we have established a target of 5% visible minority representation in the Force to be achieved over 15 years. This figure is based on the visible minority representation in the Canadian work force and is therefore seen as fair.

Based on a normal recruiting year, this target means that the Force should hire, at least, 75 visible minority members annually. As long as the Force is diligent and honest in its efforts to encourage

visible minority participation, we should not be criticized if we fail to achieve our target. That is not to say, however, that our methods will not come under scrutiny and may be criticized. We must all, therefore, accept our responsibility in this effort and act accordingly.

### **Special Initiatives**

Perhaps the earliest and most obvious initiative in this direction has been the participation of the Commissioner, himself, in radio talk shows and other public events across Canada. His pronouncements on the desire of the Force to encourage participation of the targetted groups has resulted in some very early interest.

In addition, Force members are taking every opportunity to meet with representatives of various ethnic, visible minority and indigenous groups and other interested persons who, we hope, will spread the message concerning our interest and intentions within their respective communities.

Special announcements are being placed in national and community publications that serve the ethnic, minority and indigenous groups and there have been special media productions in some areas. An overall national communications and advertising strategy is being developed which we hope to have in place during the Fall of 1988.

### **National Recruiting Team**

The National Recruiting Team will be comprised of 6 experienced members who themselves will reflect the Canadian Mosaic and who have special language, cultural or educational skills. They will be especially active in universities and in visible and indigenous communities.

Team members will complement, not replace, current recruiting practices and we will be encouraging, whenever possible, local personnel to attend with the Team whenever presentations are done

in their area so that ongoing communications will be maintained at the local level.

Team members have started doing presentations and attending community functions in support of this recruiting programme, in every major Canadian city. The reception by various minority groups has been most encouraging.

Continued support from the targetted groups and our members will ensure success in attracting qualified and motivated applicants who are proud to serve with Canada's largest police organization and who will continue to provide the highest quality of police services to the Canadian population.



National Recruiting Team members with Commissioner Norman D. Inkster. (L-R): Csts A. Crier, A. Lum, R. Pharand, L. Dudgeon, J. Rainville and H. Adams.

# **Going North**

by Brenda Fingler

"Transferred to the Northwest Territories? What on earth did your husband do wrong?" asked our incredulous landlord when I informed him we would be terminating our lease and leaving for Fort Simpson, N.W.T.

Little did he know we had waited two years for this news. My husband, Walt, then an RCMP constable, longed to leave British Columbia's lower mainland for the challenge of policing a small, northern community. I had completed my teaching certificate in Saskatchewan with the intention of one day working in the North.

Where was Fort Simpson? Our attempts to plot our route through Alberta to the N.W.T. were foiled because our Alberta map ended north of Peace River. A lone red line, indicating the highway, trailed off the top of the map. It took a letter to the Department of Tourism in Yellow-knife to provide us with the required road map.

Prior to our departure, the RCMP sent us an information package on Fort Simpson. The description was broken down into headings and subheadings covering population, housing, businesses, schools and community services. It was accurate, detailed and cold.

We prepared our vehicle for the rigours of the road (pavement was yet to be!): rock deflector, plastic headlight protectors, bug screen, and a five-gallon jerry can of gasoline. Into a home-made camper on the back of our truck we loaded the dog, TV, stereo, bedding, clothing, groceries (we had been told food prices were high), and personal

articles. Everything else was provided by the Department of Public Works in the furnished house awaiting us.

After a visit with family and friends who expressed incomprehension, shock and hesitant encouragement at our decision to go north, we were accompanied by two silent companions — apprehension and ignorance.

Apprehension stayed with us as we left the breathtaking beauty of the placid Peace River country for the scrub bush of northern Alberta — territory which was not on our first map.

On the second day of our trip, we lunched in a small, clean restaurant at Indian Cabins, where we were the only customers. The owner joined us for coffee — coffee that clung to the sides of the cup and had a peculiar odor. This seemingly healthy man sipped the steamy liquid, so we followed suit. When we told him we were on our way to Fort Simpson, he related his experiences during the year he had worked there. We listened closely, anxious for something that would clarify what living there would entail. We chuckled when he warned us to be careful of the RCMP parties. We hadn't told him Walt's occupation and wondered if the haircut had given him away.

We drove mile after endless mile over what felt like the same stretch of road, through the same patch of scrubby pines. We saw few other travellers, and searched the horizon for a road sign that would tell us where we were. Once, when we spotted a sign off in the distance, we counted the time until we were

close enough to read it, only to find the information obliterated by bullet holes. At least the bullet holes told us there was someone out there — somewhere.

As we approached the sixtieth parallel, it was snowing — in May. We'd left Vancouver lush with green grass and blooming flowers. The snow and cold were a surprise, but the snow dampened the road and reduced the dust, for which we were thankful. We retrieved our jackets from the camper when we stopped by a large roadsign that announced we were now in the Northwest Territories.

We gassed up at Enterprise, on a cold, blustery day. I was shocked at the price of gasoline and the appearance of the town. When the bush fell away to reveal this tiny cluster of buildings (the highway, thick with mud, its only street), I was gripped by fingers of fear, and silently questioned our decision to give up the known for a lifestyle we knew nothing about. Did Fort Simpson look like this, I wondered?

From Enterprise to Fort Simpson was a good day's drive. Our information package told us the Liard River ferry operated during May, depending on the ice conditions in the river. Since we had to cross the Liard, we hoped the ferry would be operating when we arrived.

The approach to the ferry had me sitting on the edge of my seat. It was a dirt ramp plowed up the side of the riverbank. The ferry pulled close to the bank and dropped a battered ramp onto the soft dirt. The attendant signaled us to proceed and we coasted down the steep embankment onto a wooden deck with room for six vehicles.

The ferry landing on the far side of the Liard River brought us 14.48 km from Fort Simpson. The community was situated on a small island (.8 km wide, 2.8 km long) at the confluence of the Liard and MacKenzie rivers. During the drive, we noticed the airport and several businesses before we descended a hill, crossed the snye over a short causeway, and drove into town. What is a snye?



Liard River ferry.



MacKenzie Highway leading to snye.

I had never heard the term before. I was informed it is a uniquely Canadian word meaning a side channel in a river or creek. At Fort Simpson, this channel of water was from the Mackenzie River, and flowed behind the island separating it from the mainland.

Our rock deflector had worked well over the 1,451 km from Edmonton. We were praising our luck, when a gravel truck passed us, and threw up a stone that cracked the windshield. Welcome to Fort Simpson, we thought.

As we drove along the dusty road past the Sub Arctic Bar, the Igloo Theatre, Igloo Building Supplies, the Hudson Bay store and the school, I was fighting a rising sense of panic. This wasn't what I had anticipated. There were no trees. The buildings were stunted and dusty. The sidewalks were wooden.

What have we done, I thought, as we drove around town looking for a Canadian flag that we hoped would be flying

in front of the RCMP office. We were silent as we viewed the community that was to be our home for the next two years.

The familiar RCMP sign was in front of a two-storey white building along the riverbank. While Walt went into the office, I walked our dog along the river. Here was the mighty Mackenzie I had read about in school. It was wide and appeared slow-moving. I watched the dark coloured water of the Liard River mix with the lighter coloured Mackenzie.

Walt returned to the truck and we followed another RCMP member to our home. It was a row-house — four units per building, two blocks from the office and one block from the school. The unit was small — kitchen, livingroom, diningroom and half bath on the main floor, with full bath and bedrooms upstairs. The furniture was colonial-style and in excellent condition. The kitchen was so well equipped there were gadgets and utensils I didn't know what to do with.

We were warmly welcomed by the detachment members, and invited to drop by for coffee after we settled in. We unpacked the essentials, showered away the highway dust and walked over to meet Walt's co-workers. It was after one in the morning when we returned to our home, yet it was not dark. The long hours of summer daylight took some time to adjust to.

The following two days we were busy unpacking. During the day and into the evening, people dropped by, introduced themselves, and welcomed us to the community. They brought baked goods, coffee and cold drinks, along with their best wishes. They offered assistance and answered our questions, one of which remains in my mind.

Where was the fort? This brought laughter, followed by the explanation that there wasn't one. The term was used by the Hudson Bay Company for their trading posts.

Although Walt had a week's holiday left, he was called in to work the third day we were there, to investigate a break and enter in Fort Wrigley. When he asked where it was and how to get there, he was told to pick up the phone and charter an aircraft. His life as a northern policeman had begun.

We bought and borrowed books on the North, and tried to learn all we could of the local history, which was something we should have done prior to our arrival.

That fall, I taught at the elementary school. We joined the curling club and spent many an enjoyable evening curling, when the temperature inside the rink was colder than it was outside. Walt played basketball with the high school students.

So began the first of seven years in the North. We learned much, made lasting friendships, and relished the uniqueness of the land.

We grew to respect and admire many of the native people for their skills on the land. Our concept of time changed — we were no longer slaves to precise punctuality. We left the territories enriched by the experience of living and working there, and fondly recall our first trip "going north."

## **Videofile Retires**

by S/Sgt. Dennis Rich, HQ Fingerprint Branch

Chief Superintendent Chris Tiller (retired) returned to the Fingerprint Branch at Headquarters on April 25 and pulled the plug on the Force's Ampex Videofile System which terminated the services of an automated system that provided 18 years of round-the-clock fingerprint service to the Canadian Police community.

Videofile was certainly a pioneering effort in processing fingerprints by automation. Configured from 1968 technology and delivered to "I" Directorate in 1970, this unique system was an excellent example of the usage of electronic data processing

(EDP) as a labour-saving device. Videofile resulted in an initial saving of 60 person-years. Until recently, Videofile was considered state-of-the-art technology for mass storage of high resolution fingerprint images.

Chris Tiller was the force behind the Videofile project and was instrumental in not only obtaining the system, but more importantly, making it work. Needless to say, it was indeed a nostalgic moment for many of the "old-timers", who vividly remember the tremendous effort expended to successfully inject a computer system into what was, for many



C/Supt. C. Tiller (retired) powered down the Ampex Videofile system which provided fingerprints Canada-wide for 18 years. Insert: Tiller cuts off power to the system for the last time.

decades, strictly a function of excessive manual labour.

Because of the unique historical value of this system, parts of Videofile have been turned over to the National Museum of Science and Technology in Ottawa. Our own museum in Regina has also expressed an interest in displaying some of the vintage Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) components. A new AFIS Phase III, consisting of a Printrak Scanner System and Automated Image Retrieval System (PAIRS), became fully operational in April, 1988, taking over all of Videofile's former responsibilities. The PAIRS System stores a collection of 18 million fingerprint images archived on digital optical disks, producing superior-quality fingerprint images for viewing by technicians. Phase IV of the RCMP AFIS program is scheduled to come on-line in 1989, which will increase current latent fingerprint searching capabilities; provide the capacity to search 10 prints at time of receipt, against an unsolved latent file; reduce turnaround time, and permit remote access for the law enforcement community in Canada.

Since the inception of AFIS into the fingerprint searching process at the national respository, it has been possible to double the amount of criminal record searches against a data base twice the previous size, while reducing human resource requirements. Videofile was the beginning of an era that has produced exceptional benefits for the Canadian Police community, including a 2,000% increase in linking scene-of-crime fingerprints from an unsolved crime to a particular individual.



C/Supt. B. King presented components from the Videofile to Mr. Gordon Bruce, Acting Director (Deputy Director), National Museum of Science and Technology, on behalf of RCMP Fingerprint Branch, on May 9, 1988.

# RCMP clad in red serge tunics a fine Canadian tradition

by Denny Boyd, The Vancouver Sun

Dropped in on the sixth annual Sechelt RCMP Detachment's Regimental Dinner at Davis Bay. Happened to be in the neighborhood and heard meat cooking.

It was a grand affair. The hosting officers in the 17-strong detachment and guests from other detachments, were paradedressed in red serge, the world's best-known police uniform: stiff-neck scarlet tunic, high-cut banana pants with flyzippers that come up almost to the throat, spit-polished congress boots.

I always feel a little more Canadian around that uniform and the wearers seem to stand inches taller than in their daily working clothes. (For some of them, it's a discomfort factor. The severe tailoring of the tunics is done when the young recruits are bone-lean from three months of tough field training.) The Force is abandoning their smart pea-jackets — too hot in half the country, not warm enough for the other half — and there's talk of shelving the famous fur hats. But it still is red serge for dress occasions, and I'm glad of it.

By tradition, the toast to the Queen is given by the junior member of the detachment, and it was Ottawa-born Cst. Sharon Woodburn, who joined Sechelt in June. She looked fetching in the modified uniform — skirt, silk turtleneck, womanly hat — created when women were admitted to the Force in 1975. But Cst. Woodburn says many female members want to wear the conventional uniform, striped pants, boots and stetson

hats. "When we feel a bit more assertive, we'll ask for it," she said.

In small detachments, which constitute two-thirds of the 20,000-strong national Force, the regimental dinner is filled out by the civilian population, with one or two red tunics at each table of black tuxedoes.

People in large urban centres hope to get through life without ever speaking to a peace officer. It's different in small towns like Sechelt. Everyone knows the Mounties by their first names, there's a community bond.

Dr. Walter Burtnick told me, "We depend on these people for our lives. We get house-calls late at night when there is some danger to us. When the RCMP knows we're out at night, they'll tuck in behind us and see that we get home safely."

John Revington owns The Donut Shop in Sechelt. Born in London, within the sound of Bow Bells, he made candymoney as a kid, by dying sparrows in bright colors and selling them as songbirds. But he became crown prosecutor in London, his mother is a high-court judge, and a couple of his brothers work for Scotland Yard. He was at the dinner to show his respect for small-town law.

Sechelt is a desirable posting. The beat is small, off-hours recreation is superb, and there's little major crime. Much of the police work involves rousting the potgrowers on Lasqueti and Denman Islands. It's difficult to do a kick-in on an

island from a police launch so they usually spot-check the growing sites from a helicopter, land by boat and sneak up the dry creek beds on foot. But it's a neverending battle because the Lasqueti growers are a co-op; when one is busted and his crop is burned, the others chip in to cover his legal costs and his lost profits.

The minutes of the first regimental dinner, held in Prince Albert in the winter of 1888, when the RCMP was the NWMP, notes, "The sergeants and their civilian friends sat down to dinner at 7 o'clock and a more sumptuous repast was never before given in the town."

The dinner-table protocol runs to a page and a half, including the solemn business of passing the port decanter, always to the left, never letting it touch the table. They always have a civilian guest speaker. Last year, Vancouver actor Jackson Davies (Constable Constable of The Beachcombers) spoke on Condoms: Yours and Mine. If you know Davies, this will be no surprise.

The morning after the dinner, I hitched a ride back to town with a couple of amiable Mounties named Don and Geoff. Deputy Commissioner Don Wilson is the Commanding Officer of "E" Division, the entire B.C. force, and Superintendent Geoff Davis is officer-in-charge, Vancouver Sub-Division.

On the ferry, Wilson mused, "Police officers tend to be conservative, resistant to change and convinced we have to save the world from going to hell in a hand-cart. But we have to be very careful that we don't try to set the moral agenda for the public. There's a fine line between enforcing the law and enforcing morality. We mustn't step over it."

Given the way public morality is being preached from the legislature, it helps to know the law is above that kind of conceit.

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### The III-omened Raven

by G.S. Howard

In the Canadian northlands, far from the fringe of settlement, the raven apparently still practises its mythical "evil" role.

This seems to be borne out by a chilling tale told to me by my old friend, Cpl. W.G. (Dubby) Kerr, one of the famed northern pioneers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Kerr was aboard the old *Nascopie* when the incident occurred.

"The date was October 1, 1940. It was a fine, bright morning, and the Hudson's Bay Company supply ship was steaming out of Godthaab, Greenland. Rugged, snow-capped hills lay astern, and, here and there, those huge floating Gibraltars — icebergs — broke the clear line of the horizon 10 miles away."

"My friend, Dubby Kerr, was on the upper deck enjoying a welcome break in the weather. Beside him were Dr. Cavanagh, a Toronto dentist, and Jack Emery, an American naturalist. As they stood there, Emery suddenly pointed back toward the way they had come. Off the coast, a flock of birds approached. Winging out from land, they soon reached the vessel and slowly circled

overhead. The three men watched them closely, their attention aroused."

"A weird, uncanny sensation tingled my spine," the corporal told me. "I beheld the incredible. Two gulls were escorting 13 jet-black ravens. As the procession cruised above, the doctor, in a sort of breathless whisper, quoted:

I left my wife in Salem Town who, tonight, a widow will be.

"We descended silently to the lower deck, each of us wrapped in his own thoughts. And when we learned that a seaman had just fallen down the hold to sudden death, we stared at one another without speaking. Our thoughts were up in the clouds with those accursed birds gliding softly back to the mainland."

In the 28 years since then, I have often thought of that incident. In retrospect, not the least mysterious part of the phenomenon is, I think, the escort of gulls. It is well known that the raven, still frequenting the haunts of man, for some unaccountable reason, never consorts with his scavenger cousin, the gull. But why, in this case, the escort for 13 land-based ravens with their portent of death?

# **Above and Beyond**

by S/Sgt. F.C. Pachal

Many members of the RCMP give kind consideration, provide special assistance, or voluntarily take part in certain events. without expecting or receiving official recognition from the Force or the public. In most cases, their participation is known only to themselves and the people involved. In some cases, such kindness is taken as a matter of course: in most cases, such kindness is simply given as a matter of course. The following is a warm, compassionate, humanitarian - and true - story of freely-given kindness in a very sad incident which is on record at Burnaby Detachment.

East Hastings Street is a busy thoroughfare linking north Burnaby to Vancouver. Even under ideal conditions, it is not a street for motorcycle travel, especially not during darkness hours.

It was very late into a mid-July night, when a 16-year-old Burnaby youth defied all potential dangers. Maybe it was boredom, or perhaps to seek some dangerous excitement, that compelled him as he climbed aboard his unlicenced motorcycle to speed down Hastings Street, without lights, flying past cars in a manner that would indicate he had little care of injuring himself or anyone else using the street. The motorcyclist was apparently in the process of passing a car, when its driver turned left. There was a violent crash and a grinding of metal, which could be heard for blocks; the young cyclist was thrown from his bike and sadly, another motorcycle rider became a fatality statistic.

The Burnaby traffic members arrived at the scene to investigate and to assist the

ambulance attendants with the unhappy task of removing the deceased youth. There was still no positive identification when the investigators finished their shift, so they left the file for the incoming day shift, who would try to identify the victim and advise the next-of-kin.

Reporting for duty the next morning, the constable who was assigned the file began to examine the facts in detail and to organize his investigation. The ringing of the telephone broke into his thoughts — the caller reported her son missing. He had not returned home the previous night and she was worried. From the discussion which followed, the constable knew immediately that the unidentified body was that of the caller's missing son. He forced his voice to remain calm, as he told the woman he would be right over to take more elaborate details, knowing his patrol would be to advise her of the death of her son.

The residence, a small two-bedroom house, stood on a street just off Hastings; it had all the indications the occupants probably existed on a small income. When being greeted at the door by the worried mother and her two teenage sons, the constable learned there was no man of the house. The couple had separated some years back and the estranged husband was presently ill and living elsewhere.

There is no easy way of breaking such devastating news, but the member did it with heartfelt compassion and sympathy. He offered to help by calling relatives or friends, only to be told there were none close-by to call. The mother, torn with grief, related that she had no idea

what was required to arrange the funeral; her only income was from a part-time job and she had little money.

The constable could sense the bewildered plea of "Will someone please help me?" in the mother's tearful expression. He remained at the house for nearly two hours, to calm and console the shocked woman and her two sons, before finally being able to arrange for an elderly lady next door, a casual acquaintance, to come over and stay with the family. He promised to return after his shift to take the mother to the funeral home to discuss arrangements. On his way back to the office he dropped in at the funeral home to discuss the circumstances of the bereaved family with the funeral director. The funeral director sympathized with the family's plight and agreed to keep the funeral expenses to the minimum. The funeral limousine would be provided at no cost, on the condition that the constable would drive the vehicle and take full responsibility.

The funeral took place on the member's

day off, but he was there with the limousine to pick up the family and drive them to the funeral chapel. He remained at their side during the service, which was attended by only a few people, mostly friends of the deceased youth. He later escorted the family to the small reception arranged by the mother's employer, and later, he drove the family back to their home before returning the limousine. Over the months that followed, the member visited the family from time to time, to see how they were doing, reassure them and to offer support.

That constable, without flair, fanfare or official recognition who, through his own initiative and sincere sense of compassion, performed these acts of kindness and sympathy far above and beyond the call of duty, was Reg. No. 32762, Cst. J.W. (Jim) Burton, now of Valemount Detachment. You are to be complimented, Jim, first as a caring human being, but also as a member who brought lasting credit to the rest of us in the Force. You make us all proud!

# "Fiat justitia, ruat coelum"\*

by Insp. R.G. Smith

# (\* Let right be done, though the heavens should fall.)

Once upon a time, there was a "hanging-judge" of a magistrate who sat on the bench of a part-time courtroom in rural New Brunswick. A timid, extremely nervous individual had just completed entering a plea of "guilty" on behalf of a relative.

"Two hundred dollars fine," announced the magistrate with vigour. "Fine is to be forfeited fromthe \$250 bail posted by the accused. The remaining \$50 may be returned to this gentleman, who represents the accused. See the constable after court, please! Next case!"

"Uh, I — uh, excuse me judge, uh, I mean your Honour," interjected the gentleman, "But my brother-in-law has returned to Montreal sir... and ... and I don't have an address for him, nor a phone number where I can reach him... and... and he said he'd never come back to visit us again after being caught for drunk driving and all... and... and I really don't know what I'll do with the \$50 you want to me to take, Your Honour, because the way things look, I doubt as I'll ever see him again... and... and..."

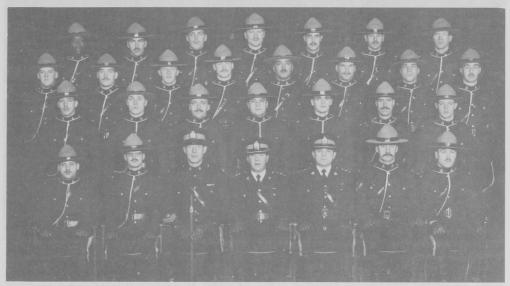
"Whoa!" roared the magistrate (as he completed the slip-knot in his rope), "Make that TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS FINE! Next case, please, Constable."

# **University Graduate**

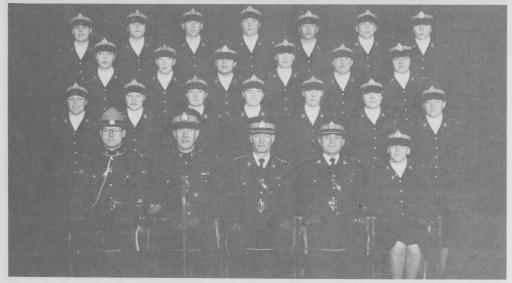


On June 10, 1988, Cst. C.M.S. O'Farrell graduated from Carleton University in Ottawa, with a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Law.

# **RCMP Academy Graduates**



Troop 6 (1987/88) began training on August 7, 1987, and graduated February 8, 1988. (L-R) Seated: R.P. Casey, J.P. Moffatt, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. J.R.H.Beaulac, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. J.R.G. Moffett, R.W. Robinson. First row: J.G.G.F. Coallier, J.A.P.Y. Remington, J.A.M. Ross, E.W. Price, J.M. Schlegelmilch, P.J.F. Brault, J.E.M. St-Pierre. Second row: J.R.Y. Allard, D.G. Erichsen, W.J. Long, W.J. Dosko, D.G. Bradford, J.M. Lacroix, J.L.R. Plante, C.W. MacDonald. Third row: P.W. Slawter, J.R.G. Melançon, D.A. Robinson, P.L. Carver, K.G. Marchand, K.A. Kedves, J.H.M. Landry.



Troop 8 (1987/88) began training on August 27, 1987, and graduated on February 29, 1988. Seated: Cpl. R.B. Cook, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, C/Supt. J.A.D. Lagassé, Supt. A. Antoniuk, M.L.C.G. Plante. First row: C.L. MacNaughton, K.M. Traverse, J.W. Okum, M.G. Sankey, D.M. Mander, J.A. Spindler, M.F. Beaudry. Second row: S.D. MacKenzie, B.L. Roy, D.A. Buzdegan, M.J. Maier, V.A. Fitzgerald, M.Y. Pleau. Third row: B.L. Lamontagne, L.J. Villeneuve, M.A. Esau, A.M. Calderwood, D.K. Murphy, M.H.L. Dagenais, J.M. Fougère.



Troop 9 (1987/88) began training on September 3, 1987, and graduated on March 7, 1988. Seated: J.J.M. Legault, R.J. Woodford, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Supt. J.R.H. Beaulac, Cpl. R.J. Williams, G.M. Green. First row: P.T. West, J.K. Hebel, G.W. Pace, J.R. Lauzon, M.A. Kay, J.L.Y.A. Fontaine, J.G.J.M. Bouliane. Second row: J.B.C. Rajotte, J.M.R. Marcotte, G.W. Louis, J.P.E. Arsenault, J.V.M. Yackimec, A.J. Minor, C.L. Demerais, J.R.Y. Royer. Third row: R.J. Verhelst, S.J. Gillespie, J.C.Y.L. Montplaisir, J. Velasco, H.A. Inkster, C.P. Alexis, K.N. Morton, T.M. Dusterhoft, D.S. Fox.



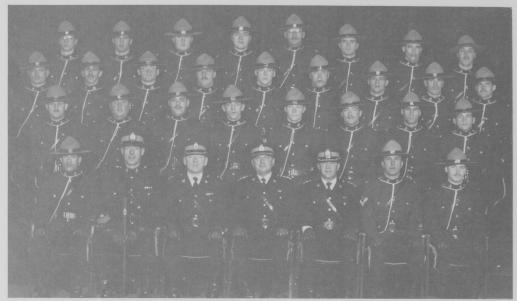
Troop 10 (1987/88) began training on September 11, 1987, and graduated on March 14, 1988. Seated: M.D. Cyr, K.L. Smith, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Supt. J.R.H. Beaulac, Cpl. D.M. Arbez, A.M. Carpenter. First row: J.J. Turner, K.A. Hayden, A.M. Laporte, L.L. Fraser, C.A. Whitehead, L. Weare, G.M. Jelmini, L.C. Jones. Second row: D.L. Hampson, K.S. Pozgaj, P.M. Flood, Mt.D.G. Dallaire, L.J. Cook, J.A. Wilson, M.F.N. Caron. Third row: A. Biggins, M.A. Sexton, N.J. Burniston, C.L. Korens, L.D. McLennan, S.M. Thompson, M.M.I.L. Marleau, M.C. Dionne.



Troop 11 (1987/88) began training on September 17, 1987, and graduated March 21, 1988. Seated: J.M.A.G. Roger, J.G.B. Plante, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Supt. J.R.H. Beaulac, Cpl. J.R. Garneau, D.P. Doucet. First row: J.G.M. Smith, G.D.J. Canning, J.P.P.R. Ouellet, D.Y. Blanchette, J.M.G. Léger, J.E.R. Faucher, P.K. Murphy, M. Babineau, J.G.J.L.S. Hamel. Second row: J.M. Gouin, J.M.R. Delaney, C.G.R. Gagnon, D.N. Ramey, J.S.H.R. Dumas, J.Y.M. Sioui, J.R.R.D. Nuckle, T.W. Gilmore. Third row: J.J.N. Béland, A.W. Hough, R.A. Hardy, J.E.B. Ouellette, R.P. Ehlebracht, M.E. Eaton, A.C. Hamelin, G.J. Ouellette, J.M. Brisbois.



Troop 13 (1987/88) began training on October 16, 1987, and graduated on March 18, 1988. Seated: J.P. Desjardins, J.J. Adam, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Supt. J.R.H. Beaulac, Cpl. S.R. Allen, R.W. Miller. First row: S.J. Stephen, G.P. Stefureak, A.C. Spink, J.G. Eneas, D.E. McDonald, G.D. Merasty, J.A.M. Rochette, I.R. MacInnis, J.D.S. Lalonde, M.A. McCracken. Second row: B.W. Lowe, J.A.P. Berthiaume, J.R. Hurley, B.J. Morhart, R.J.C. Pleau, J.L. Lane, T.W. Pack, A.C. Shepherd, J.R.S. Fiset. Third row: M.G. Spilman, B.D. McCurdy, C.B. Prange, L.D. Krayenhoff Van De Leur, K.J. Torand, B.F.W. Jones, B.T. Grahn, R.M.S. Lefèbvre, B.M.P. Simcoe, J.Y.A.S. Beaulne.



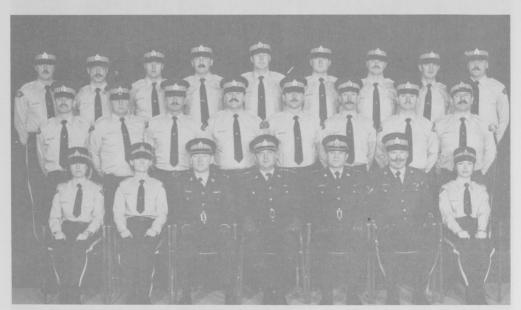
Troop 14 (1987/88) began training on September 29, 1987, and graduated on May 2, 1988. Seated: J.D.L. Breton, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Insp. L.J.C. Philion, C/Supt. R.G. Bell, Supt. J.R.H. Beaulac, Cpl. H.B. Williams, M.A. Pharand. First row: L.J. Leclair, A.A. Borovsky, G.H. Marcotte, S.J.J. Patry, J.S. Murray, J.M.R. Couture, J.J.F. Mouton, J.D.B. Labrie. Second row: S.J. MacRae, S.J. Leblanc, R.A. Patenaude, D.G. Bresciani, B.P. Gateley, S.R. Irwin, S.D. Cohoon, J.M.W. Blais, J.E.S. Dault. Third row: A.J. Rook, T.H. Edwards, J.G. Ferguson, S.R. Eagles, J.A. Taylor, S.J. Cadotte, G.W. Abbott, S.E.J. Daigle.



Troop I (1987/88) began training on October 22, 1987, and graduated on March 8, 1988. Seated: P.D. Maloney, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Insp. L.J.C. Philion, Cpl. T.A. Lamond. First row: E.E. George, D.R. Weaselfat, L.T. Francis, F.L. Paul, B.L. Butterworth, C.L. Hinds, M.C. Moore. Second row: W.H.J. Gabriel, M.P. Grunerud, D.R. Cunningham, P.M. Grunerud, N.B. Merasty, E.S. Soop. Third row: E.D. Fraser, K.J. P. Williams-Freeman, R.W. MacDonald, T.P. Quant, J.M.A. Courtoreille, L.M. Bitternose, R.M. Lacerte.



Troop J (1987/88) began training on February 11, 1988, and graduated on April 14, 1988. Seated: M.F.D. Lanthier, S/M R.L.J. Mercier, Supt. J.R.H. Beaulac, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. J.B.G. Lajoie. First row: J.G.R. Labbé, M.Z. Zeineddine, L.F. Gratton, Y.A. Caron, J.N. Duguay, F. Carroll. Second row: J.G.A. St-Pierre, J.M. Lalonde, J.C.D. Gendron, J.S.N.M. St-Jean, L.J.A. Rancourt. Third row: G.E. Cooper, J.G. Delisle, J.A.M. Parent, S.L. Achari, J.E.C. Cousineau, K.J. Haycock.



Re-entry Troop 2 (1988) began training on March 10, 1988, and graduated on March 30, 1988. Seated: V.M. Ouellette, R. Enns-Ray, Insp. L.J.C. Philion, C/Supt. R.G. Bell, Supt. A. Antoniuk, Cpl. E. Fast, R.M. Abbruzzese. First row: J.D. Brown, G.H. McLaughlin, J.W.P. McEntegart, D.P. Kelly, W.F. Short, A.B. Wakelin, S.J. McDonald, J.D.L. Bourque. Second row: W.T.P. Burke, T.S. Sorenson, M.G. Neufeld, L.G. Dawe, R.B. Goodman, C.D. Smith, S.A. Grant, J.G. Brezovski, G.R. Pritchard.

# **Divisional Dispatches**

#### Headquarters

Ottawa, Ontario

FRENCH POLICE VISIT In January 1988, sixty members of the French State Police from France and Andorra visited RCMP and Montréal Urban Community Police Force (MUCPF) facilities. A study of foreign police forces is required for advancement within their organization. Their tour began with a visit of RCMP Academy facilities at Regina, followed by a close-up look at security measures implemented at various XV Olympic Winter games sites at Calgary. The tour then took them to the province of Quebec, where the MUCPF had organized night patrols, the visit of a police station and mobile laboratory, remote mechanical investigator and arms demonstrations.

In Ottawa, the group toured the Parliament Buildings and then various installations at RCMP

Headquarters, such as Identification Services, National Emergency operations, the Canadian Police Information Centre and its telecommunications system. The first day ended with an official reception at the French Embassy, hosted by Ambassador Phillipe Husson and his wife. The next day, the group was given a demonstration of various equipment and techniques used by the Emergency Response Team.

The visit ended with a Musical Ride performance and a farewell luncheon attended by Commissioner Inkster, with the customary speeches and presentations. Members of both police forces were pleased to have been part of this exchange between two of the world's most famous police forces.

by Cst. D. Poirier



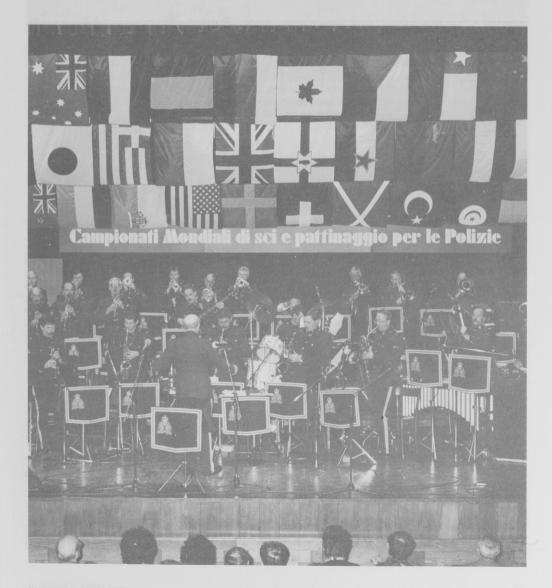
French State Police visit.

BAND TOUR — ITALY 1988 During March, the Band commenced their Italian Tour with the opening of the World Skiing and Ice Skating Championships for Police Forces in the Trento area. This marked their second appearance in four years. After parading with fifteen other police force bands representing 33 countries, the Band performed at the official opening of the games and torch-lighting ceremony, which was attended by 12,000 spectators.

A highlight concert took place in a Trento hall before a standing-room only crowd of 1,100. Twice that

number were unable to enter the hall and it was necessary to have extra security to avoid problems.

The second appearance was held in the community of Mezzocorona. Once again a capacity crowd. Then it was off to Moena for the games. The Band paraded from the Police College through the narrow streets of Moena, followed by many Canadian flagwaving children. Hundreds greeted the Band at prearranged concert sites. The crowds joined in singing some of the Trento music, which was specially prepared for the tour.





On March 25, 1988, the Canadian Police College Lounge was the location of a gathering, announcing the commissioning of Insp. C.J. "Charlie" Hendricks, as Director of Music. This marked the first time in 40 years that a regular member had been commissioned as Director of Music. On hand to celebrate the occasion was the last regular member to receive his commission in that position, Supt. E. Lydall (retired). (L-R) Supt. Lydall, Commissioner W.L. Higgitt (retired), Insp. Charlie Hendricks.

Photo by Sgt. Don Guerette, Audio Visual Services



PROUD MOMENT Supt. B.J. Adam, Property Management Branch, recently attended the graduation ceremonies of his son, Jeff, at the RCMP Academy in Regina. To mark the occasion, "Baz" had the honour to present his son with his badge. Jeff is currently stationed at Gagetown, New Brunswick.

VETERANS' NEWS Ottawa Division welcomed the following new members: Reg. No. 18395, J.T. Legault; Reg. No. S/2567, L.R. Lepage: Reg. No. 20789, P.J. Power; Reg. No. 17001, M.A. Sheridar, Reg. No. 15208, A.E. Traynor; Reg. No. 18374, Manfred H. Boeckler; Reg. No. 16751, Herbert E.A. Milward, and Reg. No. 16161, Richard Sexton.

#### "A" Division

Headquarters — Ottawa, Ontario

**RETIREMENT** On January 8, 1988, members, exmembers and friends gathered at the Combined Mess, to wish S/Sgt. P.T. "Pete" Légaré well on his retirement, after having completed 35 years of service. Following training, Pete served in "C" Division for a short time, prior to being transferred to "A" Division, where he served at Amos, Val d'Or,

Noranda, Timmins, Sudbury and Ottawa. After customary speeches Supt. Y. Boulanger presented Légaré with a Norman Adams lithograph entitled "Sergeant NWMP" and S/Cst. C. Brulé, Mess President, presented him with his framed rank and badges.



(L-R) S/Cst. C. Brulé, Supt. Y. Boulanger, Pete and Jean Légaré.

#### "B" Division

Headquarters — St. John's, Newfoundland

**BAND TOUR** During April, the Concert Band toured Newfoundland, performing at St. John's, Carbonear, Bay Roberts, Dunville, Marystown, Clarenville, Bonavista, Gander, Botwood, Grand Falls, Springdale, Deer Lake, Port Saunders, St. Anthony, Cornerbrook, Channel-Port-aux-Basques

and Stephenville. As a result of the tour, many accolades have been, and are continuing to be received, praising the performances. A special thanks to all involved with the organizing of the Tour.



Cst. L.J. Power presented a propane campstove to Susan Yetman, of the Salvation Army Girl Guide Company, on behalf of members of Carmanville Detachment. Susan is the daughter of Cpl. C.E. Yetman, I/C of the Detachment.

# **"C" Division**Headquarters — Montréal, Quebec



On February 28, 1988, Cst. C. Ouellette presented a plaque donated by the secretary and members of Rivière-du-Loup Detachment, to the Cobras of Pointe-Lévis, the most disciplined team in "CC" class, at the seventeenth annual provincial Pee-Wee Neige de Rivière-du-Loup hockey tournament.

#### "D" Division

Headquarters — Winnipeg, Manitoba

**BIRTHS** To Reg. No. 37885, Cst. J.H. Armstrong and his wife, Patricia, a daughter, Larissa Victoria, on January 14, 1988, at Winnipeg.

To Reg. No. 32915, Cst. D.R. Boyce and his wife, Karen, a son, Murray Charles, on March 1, 1988, at Selkirk, Manitoba.

To Reg. No. 31244, Cst. H.W. Rayner and his wife, Carolyn, a daughter, Roberta Chryssan, on

February 5, 1988, at Winnipeg.

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION On February 4, 1988, Supt. J.R. Gilholme, OC, Thompson Sub-Division, and Cpl. A.E.G. Graham, Thompson Sub-Division Crime Prevention/Police Community Relation Co-ordinator, attended the God's Lake Narrows Reserve to present certificates to the Chief and band constables (B/Cst.) for their diligent assistance in the recovery of the body of a 25 year old resident of God's Lake Narrows settlement, who had gone through the ice on a snowmobile.



(L-R): Sgt. G.L. Geddes, B/Csts W. Watt, R. Watt, M. Perch, Chief David Nasee and Supt. J.R. Gilholme

HOCKEY FUN On January 22, 1988, personnel from Beausejour Sub-Division, flew to Poplar River, a native reserve, 200 miles north of Lac du Bonnet, accessible only by air. The object was to engage in fun and hockey action, against the Poplar River Winter Hawks. After an excellent lunch of piping

hot moose chili, sandwiches, cakes, pies and refreshments, it was out to the shack to prepare for the game. At 2:00 pm, in  $-30^{\circ}$  weather, the game started. It didn't seem that cold, until the puck split in half. Final score, not known. It's not who wins, but how you play the game!



Poplar River hockey players. (Insert) Warming up the "old fashioned" way.



Supt. J.R. Gilholme, OC, Thompson Sub-Division (R), presents Mr. Lorne Gregorash, Law Enforcement Services, with a Certificate of Appreciation, for his involvement with Officer Ollie's 1988 Northern Tour. This crime prevention program is directed at vandalism, thefts, assaults, gas sniffing, alcohol and drug abuse, as well as promoting the police as your friends.

PROVINCIAL TOURNAMENT On February 6-7, 1988, Shilo, Manitoba, was the site for the annual hockey blast. Five teams: Brandon, Winnipeg Horsemen, Winnipeg Rural, Support Services and Thompson, were the combatants. The horsemen won first place and the Provincial Trophy, Winnipeg Rural won second place and the Molson Trophy, while Brandon finished third, and took Bernie's Trophy. Tournament most valuable player (MVP) and most dedicated player (MDP) awards were presented to Len Delpino; Horsemen — Harry Seigel Trophy (MVP), and Cst. John Marshall, Winnipeg Rural — Bernie's Trophy (MDP). Other trophy winners were:

Molson's MVP
Cst. R. Conway
C/M B. Hutsel
Cst. G. Hignell
Cst. V. West
S/Cst. B. James

Team Seagram's MDP
Brandon Cpl. D. Affleck
Wpg Horsemen Wpg Rural Cst. E. Arnes
Support Services Thompson C. Munro

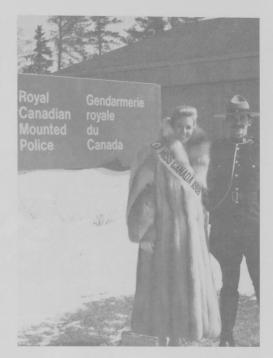


A/Commr. J.B.D. Henry (R), CO, "D" Division, presents a \$400 cheque to André Mouton, president of Shilo's Mens Club, to assist in the purchase of a Seeing Eye dog for a youngster at CFB Shilo.



Tournament winners: the Horsemen. (L-R) Front row: Cst. Steve Walker, C/M Barry Hutsel, Csts Gary Wallace, Barry Coffin, Cpl. Fred Branscombe. Back row: Ollie Fredericksen, coach; Cst. Steve Brown, Sgt. Bernie O'Callaghan, Cpl. Jim Hakes and Len Delpino.

DRUG PREVENTION On April 5, 1988, Miss Canada 1988, Melinda Gillies, London, Ontario, visited Flin Flon, and together with Cst. Marianne Ryan, Thompson Sub-Division Drug Section, Cpl. Alec Graham, Thompson Sub-Division Crime Prevention/Police Community Relations Coordinator (CP/PCR Co-ord.), and Csts Ewen Booth, Flin Flon Detachment, and Rob Ruiters, Flin Flon CP/PCR Co-ordinator, attended a Chamber of Commerce luncheon. Miss Canada, Csts Ryan and Ruiters and Cpl. Graham, spoke to various groups about Drug Prevention. Similar presentations were made at Hapnot Collegiate and MacIsaac School.



On April 6, Miss Canada, and escort for a day, Cst. J.A.A. Larocque, Cranberry Portage Detachment, gave a brief presentation on drug abuse, at Frontier Collegiate.



(L-R): Csts Booth, Ruiters, Miss Canada 1988, Cst. Ryan, and Cpl. Graham.



Ex-Cpl. Barry Crawford, (centre), was the winner of the 1987 Snooker Tournament, sponsored by the Combined NCOs' Mess. Sgt. Howard Hilstrom, (L), and Cst. Paul Whattam, (R), finished second and third, repectively, after fierce competition from 18 entries.



Sgt. Phil Clanton, Kansas Highway Patrol VIP Security (L), and State of Kansas Governor, Mike Hayden (R), shown with Cst. D.B. Penner, during their September 20, 1987, visit to Cranberry Portage.

**VETERANS' NEWS** Manitoba Division hosted the annual general meeting of the Best Western International Inn, June 3-5, 1988.

The following members were accepted into the Division: Reg. No. 19547, ex-S/Sgt. B.F. Doolan; Reg. No. 16952, ex-S/Sgt. J.T. Hickling and Reg. No. 19588, ex-Cst. Owen William Steele.

#### "E" Division

Headquarters — Vancouver, British Columbia

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. 36314, Cst. B.L. Flanagan and his wife, Susan, a son, Nolan Brian, on December 22, 1987, at Kamloops, B.C.

POLICE COMMISSION HONOURS NIGHT On November 26, 1987, fourteen members of the Force were awarded decorations at Government House in Victoria, for outstanding service and performing acts of bravery. Mr. Malcolm M. Matheson, Chairman, B.C. Police Commission, presided at the ceremony. Lieutenant-Governor, Robert Gordon Rogers and the Hon. Brian Smith, Q.C., Attorney-General, presented the awards. C/Supt. G.H. Powell also participated in the ceremony.

- Csts I.G. Duncan and G.A. Young for rescuing the sole occupant of a submerged vehicle at Nanaimo, B.C., on January 31, 1986. When brought ashore, the victim was not breathing, and after resuscitation, survived the incident.
- Cst. B.M. Largy for rescuing an injured person from a burning vehicle, at Delta, B.C., on February 7, 1986, without concern for his own safety.
- Cpl. R.F. Brock for successfully negotiating the release on August 24, 1986, of a female hostage from a dangerous person, who was under the influence of alcohol and drugs, and armed with a loaded rifle.
- Csts D. Cross, H.R. Belt and D.V.J. Goett for their efforts in rescuing a child from an apartment fire at Prince Rupert, B.C., on January 4, 1986.
- Cpl. W.J. Eglinski for his successful helicopter rescue of a male person in a steep gorge, at Gold River, B.C., on May 29, 1986.
- Sgt. P.A. Seefried and Cst. R.R. Widdershoven for their actions on January 4, 1986, at Qualicum Beach, B.C., in removing an injured member from an open area to some cover, while the location of his assailant was still unknown.
- Cst. R.W. Sach and A/Cst. D. Atlee for disarming an intoxicated person involved in a domestic dispute at Gibsons, B.C., on October 17, 1986.
- Sgt. W.G.C. Andrews and Csts J. VanDenBorn, R.C. Steward and R.W. Marquardt — for their efforts in the rescue of occupants of a burning apartment building at Coquitlam, B.C., on April 9, 1986.



HONOURS NIGHT (L-R) Back row: C/Supt. G.H. Powell, Cpl. R.F. Brock, Csts I.G. Duncan, J. VanDen-Born, S/Sgt. W.G.C. Andrews, A/Cst. D.J. Atlee; B.C. Lieutenant-Governor, R.G. Rogers; Attorney General B. Smith, Q.C.; Mr. M.A. Matheson, Csts D.V.J. Goett, D.D. Cross, R.W. Sach, G.A. Young, Chief Cst. J.T.A. Stewart. Front row: S/Sgt. P.A. Seefried, Csts H.R. Belt, R.W. Widdershoven, R.C. Steward, Cpl. W.J. Eglinski, Cst. B.M. Largy. Insert: Cst. R.W. Marquardt.

SCHMOCKEY NIGHT IN KELOWNA On January 21, 1988, Kelowna Detachment squared off against local media personnel to raise money for the Crime Stoppers Program. The teams exchanged lead

several times, with the RCMP emerging victorious by a score of 15-14. After a fun-filled evening, Crime Stoppers were the big winners of \$2,400.



Schmockey night winning team. (L-R) Front row: Csts Greg Shaigec, Shannon Leibel, Barry Hickman, Steve Albrecht, Dave Walsh, Guy Tremblay and Bob Shedden. Back row: Peter Udsen (Trainer), Sgt. Gary Tidsbury, Csts Anders Udsen, Bob Blatchford, Pizza Nerd, Ken Felkar (Safety Bear), Scott Cladwell, Al Marion, Ken Boody, Bruce Forbes, Jack Harris and Cpl. Jim Shaw (Coach).

CHILLIWACK SUB-DIVISION Auxiliary constables render a valuable volunteer service by assisting regular members in their policing efforts. Cst. Rikk Gunn, Auxiliary Coordinator, developed a unique way of building morale and fostering good relations between Auxiliary Units within the Sub-Division. Any unit may issue a challenge, name the sport (golf, bowling, softball, shooting, etc.) and invite all units to participate. The winners take the "Challenge Cup" to their detachment, and await another challenge to take place, within 90 days. If not, the Sub-Division forfeits the cup until the next challenge.

Cst. E.D. Ausman, Boston Bar Detachment, donated the Challenge Cup, and dedicated it to honour the memory of Reg. No. 29833, Cst. Rick Sedgwick, a dedicated and professional member of Police Dog Services, who exemplified all the best qualities of the Force. In 1981, Cst. Sedgwick was fatally injured while operating a police car, struck by a vehicle driven by an impaired driver.



Chilliwack Sub-Division Challenge Cup.

**NEW DETATCHMENT** D/Commr. D.K. Wilson, CO, "E" Division, cut the official ribbon at the opening of the new Williams Lake Detachment building, on November 23, 1987. Also in attendance were: Supt. J. Kolmotycki, OIC, Supply and Services; Ms. Patti Karchie, Purchasing Section;

Jan Oster, Property Management Section; Supt. R. Harding, OC Kamloops Sub-Division, and Williams Lake Mayor, Ray Woods. After the ceremony, guests were treated to refreshments and a Detachment tour.



Opening ceremonies, Williams Lake Detachment. (L-R): Cpl. R.W. Johnstone, S/Sgt. D.P. Alexandre, Cpl. H.C. Kosinski, D/Commr. D.K. Wilson, Supt. R. Harding and Sgt. R.P. Madrigga. Other members looking on are: Csts G.G.R. Wilson, D.C. Southern and B.R. Lynn.

Photo by Cpl. M.M. Monita, Ident. Section



Supt. Bill Craig, OC, Prince George Sub/Division (right foreground), presented Sgt. R.G.H. McCarthy (left foreground), with his bronze clasp and star, in an unusual setting — during a moose hunt, north of Prince George. Looking on were: (counter-clockwise) M. Russ Logan, Insp. Rick McMartin, S/Sgt. Jim Swanson and M. Tom Keen (hidden from view).

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENDATIONS At Enderby fire hall, on May 17, 1988, Commissioner's Commendations were presented to Csts W.R. Grant, K.L. Solinsky and J.P.M. Dionne, Enderby Detachment, and to Csts R.W. Votour and B.R.R. Edmondson, Armstrong Detachment; Sgt. J.D.

Smith also received the Commanding Officer's Commendation. Members received these commendations for their involvement in the apprehension of an armed and intoxicated individual, at Enderby, on March 20, 1987.



COMMISSIONER'S COMMENDATIONS. (L-R) Standing: Insp. J.R.P. Grudniski, Sgt. Smith, Csts Grant, Edmondson and Dionne; Supt. B.M. Blachford, OC, Kelowna S/Div. Seated: Csts Solinsky and Votour. Courtesy of the Enderby Commoner



Members of Tumbler Ridge Detachment assisted with cooking an estimated 2,300 hot dogs, at the annual Quintette Coal Limited Christmas party, on December 13, 1987. (L-R): Cst. G.A. Riggan, Sgt. C.E. Thompson, A/Csts D. Matatall, G. Giles, Csts B.D. Roberts, R.J. Lanz, A.A. Franczak, and C. Jennings.

**VETERANS' NEWS** Victoria Division welcomed the following new members: Reg. No. C/2691, Donald E. Frost; Reg. No. 38273, Michael R. McGrath; and Reg. No. 31537, Randy Gilbert.

Kamloops Division welcomed Reg. No. 20018, ex-S/Sgt. E.S. Dandy; Reg. No. 24647, ex-Cpl. Syd B.

Barrie; Reg. No. 19000, ex-Cpl. F. Dale Marino; Reg. No. 22832, ex-Cpl. Wayne Rusk and Reg. No. 19178, ex-S/Sgt. Stan Grimson.

Okanagan Division welcomed Ivan C. Cutler, James G. Wright, Neville McDougall, Bill Stafford, Roger Stranaghan and Lorne Felche.

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#### "F" Division

Headquarters — Regina, Saskatchewan

BIRTH To Reg. No. 37830, Cst. A.A. Foster and her husband, Edward Fitzmaurice, a son, Jared Garth, on January 28, 1988, at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

SWIFT CURRENT SUB-DIVISION Erratum See Long Service Presentation, page 56, Vol. 52, No. 4, Fall 1987, wherein the name Cpl. G.M. Morgan should have read Cpl. G.M. Mayan. Our apologies to Cpl. Mayan.



Presentations of Long Service Medals were made by A/Commr. D.H. Heaton, CO, "F" Division, to Swift Current Sub-Division members on January 13, 1988. Recipients, their wives, and families, attended a luncheon following the presentation. (L-R): Cpls R.L. Maximiuk (LSM), D.R. Perry (LSM), G.J. Burch (BCS), A/Commr. Heaton, Insp. A.J. Gramolini, Cpls J.E. Frankow (BCS), J.B.R. Kitney (LSM), B.R. Goss (LSM).

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

**RETIREMENT** On January 12, 1988, members of Sturgis Detachment gathered to wish a fond farewell to Allan C.M. Palmer, on his retirement as Justice of the Peace, on his 89th birthday. Palmer became a Justice of the Peace in 1923, while in the Northwest Territories, and moved to Sturgis in 1945.

YORKTON SUB-DIVISION The annual Sub-Division Ball was held October 2, 1987, with 171 members and guests in attendance. Insp. John Pott, OC Yorkton Sub-Division, presented Cst. S.J. Raine with a Commissioner's Commendation for bravery; Cpl. J.C. Eyre and Cst. D.F. Feather received their Long Service Medal.



Sgt. Vern Kawaleski, NCO i/c Sturgis Detachment, presents Mr. Palmer with a suitably engraved plaque.



The Yorkton Sub-division annual Ball Grand March led by Supt. C.R. Latrémouille, Mrs. Carol Latrémouille, Insp. J.B. Pott and Mrs. Marie Pott.



Insp. J.B. Pott presents the Commissioner's Commendation for Bravery to Cst. S.J. Raine.

NORTH BATTLEFORD SUB-DIVISION The town of Cut Knife and the Force celebrated their 75th Anniversary, August 1-3, 1987. The Detachment has grown to its present strength of: 1 sergeant, 1 corporal, 4 constables, 2 special constables and 1 stenographer. There have been 101 members stationed at Cut Knife in 75 years. To commemorate the occasion, the town presented a plaque, listing the names of all members, to Insp. K.S. McKenzie, OIC, North Battleford Sub-Division, and Sgt. D.B. Antonson, i/c Cut Knife Detachment. Special thanks to all in attendance and to Mr. Don Johnson, Moncton, New Brunswick, for his research in the history of the detachment.



A/Commr. Heaton presents Miss Mabel Bruce with a special medallion on behalf of the Government of Canada, for 35 years of service.

**VETERANS' NEWS** The following new members have been accepted into the Division Association: Reg. No. 23016, ex-Cst. Brien Allen Daly; Reg.

No. 22881, ex-Sgt. William Donald McLeod; Reg. No. 22068, ex-Sgt. William T. Simington; and Reg. No. 19769, ex-Cpl. Terence G. Chamberlain.

#### "G" Division

Headquarters — Yellowknife, Northwest Territories

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. 36651, Cst. R.D. Chadwick and his wife, Cathy, a daughter, Kristen Ashley, on April 2, 1988, at Hay River, N.W.T.

## "H" Division

Headquarters — Halifax, Nova Scotia

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. 29434, Cst. G.R. Pritchard and his wife, Reg. No. 35528, Cst. M.J. Fraser, a son, lan Alexander Fraser, on February 6, 1988, at Halifax, N.S.

SLOW PITCH TOURNAMENT For several years, the Kentville Police Department has sponsored the annual Kentville Police Slow Pitch Tournament. Teams come from New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and even from Maine, USA. The Sydney Redcoats softball team has been competing in this tournament for a number of years, but has always fallen just short of winning the event.

The last tournament was held from September 11-13, 1987, and the Redcoats finally took top

honours over twenty three other teams. Finishing first in the Moosehead Division, they advanced to the first round of the playoffs. In the semi-final game, they advanced with a 9-2 win over the Berwick P.D.; then they won, 7-6, over the host Kentville P.D., their long-time arch rivals. With their solid defensive performance and timely hitting, the Redcoats emerged with a 6-2 victory, in the championship game against the Halifax P.D. who had defeated them the year before. What made the victory that much better was the fact that the team was only able to field the minimum ten players due to work commitments back in Sydney. Thanks to all players both past and present, for their support and dedication.

submitted by Coach Kevin Doane



SLOW PITCH TEAM. (L-R) Front row: Cpl. Greg McGrath, Csts Dan McCarthy, Aubrey Thebault, Kevin Doane, S/Cst. Scott Stephenson. Back row: Mr. Bill Hearn, Mr. Joe MacLean, Cst. Rick Daley, A/Cst. Kyte Power, Mr. Andy Culligan.

**BENEFIT HOCKEY** In an effort to raise monies for the Valley Health Services Hospital Foundation, members of New Minas Detachment have participated in a series of hockey games against the medical doctors. The second game of the series was played in February 1988. The outcome of the game has not been that important; the big winner is the hospital foundation having received approximately \$17,000 towards the new hospital. For the participants and spectators, the game was very entertaining and everyone is looking forward to the next game of the series in 1989.

VETERANS' NEWS The following new members were welcomed to the division: Terry Corkum, George Savage, Charles Edward Copus, Donald Kenneth Hutchison, Basil Brian Creaser, Roderick Joseph Cummings and William John Smith.

#### "J" Division

Headquarters — Fredericton, New Brunswick

**BIRTHS** To Reg. No. 34612, Cst. J.G.G. Labrecque and his wife, Christiane, a daughter, Caroline, on February 13, 1988, at Campbellton, N.B.

To Reg. No. 36305, Cst. P.A. Marsh and his wife, Roxane, a daughter, Keisha Jolin, on January 1, 1988, at Grand Falls, N.B.

**HUNTER SAFETY COURSE** Thirty young people attended a seven week Hunter Safety Course, during January and February 1988, at Canadian Forces Base Gagetown, N.B. The course is held annually as a Police Community Relations/Crime Prevention Program in conjunction with the Military Police at Gagetown.



Hunter Safety Course participants and instructors, S/Sgt. Stan Merrithew, "J" Div "HQ" (2nd row — end, left); Cpl. Rod Winters, Oromocto Detachment (2nd row — 6th) and Sgt. Bob Hawboldt, Military Police (2nd row — end, right).

AWARDS PRESENTATION A Long Service Medal presentation ceremony was held at division headquarters on October 30, 1987, presided by the CO, "J" Division, C/Supt. J.D. Farrell. Cst. W.P. Hanson received the CO's Commendation for having been instrumental in saving the lives of two young teenagers whose small boat overturned on the LaHave River near Bridgewater, Nova Scotia.

Long Service Medals were presented to: S/Sgt. J.A. Hadley, Sgts. J.E. Rogers, W.H. Shunamon, D.W. McCallum. The Silver Clasp and Stars were presented to Supt. H.J. Robichaud, S/Sgt. S.A. Merrithew and ex-Sgt. C.C. Cross. The Bronze Clasp and Star were awared to Insps J.A. Landry, J.G. Ryan, S/Sgt. R.J. O'Brien, Sgts M.W. Fleming, E.C. Gray, D.A. Hall.



Awards recipients, October 30, 1987.



Supt. J.G.P. Vermette, OIC Administration and Personnel, swears in Reg. No. 39880, Cst. J.M.R. Dubois, while parents, Mrs. Dubois and Reg. No. 16986, Cpl. J.F.M. Dubois, look on.



Cpl. Fern Dubois, Federal Enforcement Section, Moncton Sub-Division, meets Governor General Jeanne Sauvé while on duty at Her Excellency's residence, during the 1987 Francophone Summit, in Quebec City.

# "K" Division

Headquarters — Edmonton, Alberta

**BIRTHS** To Reg. No. 34298, Cst. A.G. Milne and his wife, Angelika, a son, Craig Andrew, on May 6, 1986, at Calgary, Alta., and a son, Mark Bradley, on March 25, 1988, at Grande Prairie, Alta.

To Reg. No. 36003, Cst. I.C. Sanderson and his wife, Sharon, a daughter, Amy Lynn, on December 25, 1987, at Grande Prairie, Alta.

To Reg. No. 34172, Cst. M.M. Weightman and his wife, Orla, a son, Dylan Michael Hubert, on March 6,

1988, at Red Deer, Alta.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY** On November 11, 1987, thirty seven of the 58 regular members of Fort McMurray Detachment braved frigid temperatures to participate in the annual Remembrance Day parade and ceremony. Prior to the ceremony, Insp. R.W. Wass presented Sgts D.G. Tait and J.T. Ross with their Long Service Medals.



REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY (L-R) First row: Sgts D. Tait, J. Ross, D. Schaefer, Insp. R. Wass, S/Sgt. E. Otway, Sgts M. Dyson, W. Carroll, Cpl. G. Prouse. Second row: Cpl. T. Nelson, Csts G. Elliott, D. MacLean, F. Desjarlais, G. McKay, D. Flood, N. Christiansen, D. Lloyd, Cpls R. Pike, K. Carrothers, T. Dreaddy. Third row: Csts P. Kratchmer, R. Bell, F. Dépencier, R. McIntosh, K. Tunbridge, K. Flood, Cpls. S. Votkin, Csts T. Gilbert, J. Grygorcewicz, L. Turner. Back row: Csts C. White, R. Smith, P. Trudeau, R. Lynch, A. Fraser, K. Wedick, D. Bazowski, J. Noyes.

**OLYMPIC TORCH RELAY** The Olympic flame arrived at Fort McMurray on February 8, 1988. Detachment members assisted with security for the Olympic Torch Relay Run. Csts I.J. Ronnie (Fort

Saskatchewan Detachment) F.A.G. Harnum (Fort McMurray Detachment) and W.J. Appleby (Lac la Biche Detachment) were torch bearers on its way back to the airport.



Shown with the Olympic Torch, prior to its departure from Fort McMurray (L-R) front row (kneeling): Csts Bill Appleby, Ian Ronnie, Faron Harnum, A/Cst. Joël Leblanc. Standing: Cpl. George Prouse, Cst. John Noyes, Cpl. Bob Pike, S/Sgt. Ernie Otway, Olympic Torch Relay Team member (name unknown), Cst. Rick McIntosh, Cst. Darrell Lloyd, Olympic Torch Relay Team member (name unknown).

**NORTHERN NIGHT** The ninth annual Northern Night was held on Saturday, November 7, 1987. The evening opened with cocktails where guests from the Western provinces, both Territories and from as far away as New Brunswick, mingled before dinner.

The dinner was a gourmet's delight of Arctic delicacies, prepared by "K" Division Food Services, and included baked Arctic char, roasts of caribou, musk ox and buffalo, fried seal livers, bannock and all the trimmings and la pièce de résistance: blueberry pie "à la mode." The host, Insp. R.E. Boughen,

addressed the guests and thanked the organizers of this successful event. A/Commr. G.J. Greig, CO, "K" Division, who attended with his wife, Bev, also said a few appropriate words. The remainder of the evening was devoted to socializing and dancing.

The door prize was generously contributed by Mr. Peter Lema, Manager of Public Relations, Prairies/North Region for Canadian Airlines International. Mrs. Dick Wilson, Leduc Detachment, was the lucky winner of a trip for two anywhere on Canadian Airlines domestic routes. Mr. Al Davies

who was attending with his wife on behalf of Canadian Airlines, presented the main door prize and several other promotional items. Sgt. Brian Gudmundson, Dawson City, donated a hat and goldpanning outfit as another door prize.

The next Northern Night will be held on November 5, 1988. For further information contact Cpl. Cal Corley, "K" Division Bilingual Coordinator, P.O. Box 1320 Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2N1, or telephone (403) 471-9429.

submitted by C/M B.P. Olesen

POWERLIFTING COMPETITION The first annual Powerlifting competition between Fort McMurray firefighters and detachment members was held in March, 1987, to raise funds for the Special Olympics. The firefighters out-lifted the RCMP by

1,150 pounds and \$881 were presented to the Special Olympics.

The 1988 competition was held at Keyano College on March 6. As the date drew closer, and after many gentle reminders by the firefighters that they were going to "hose" them again, the RCMP, not wanting to appear as if they could not pull their weight, began a rigorous training program. Diets were altered, shifts adjusted and lifestyles changed. No more eat, sleep and work; now it was eat, sleep, work and work out.

The outcome was a successful one again for the Special Olympics — \$1,000. The RCMP team (without steroids) was able to pare 887 pounds off total weight lifted, however, it was not enough to lift the trophy from the firemen. They lost by a mere 263 pounds. Wait 'til next year!



POWERLIFTERS (L-R) Front row: Cst. Tom Seaman, Sgt. Dan Tait, Cpl. Terry Dreaddy. Back row: Csts Colin White, Bob Jensen, Jean-Paul Potvin, A/Cst. Frank Weafer and Cst. Dan MacLean. Missing from photo: Cst. John Noyes.

**FLOOR HOCKEY CHALLENGE** On January 18, 1988, members of Drumheller Detachment confronted the Drumheller federal staff in a floor hockey game to raise funds for the Special Olympics. After

losing by a score of 14-8, detachment members challenged the penitentiary staff to a rematch, and won this time, by a score of 14-9. A total of \$210 were raised for the Special Olympics.



Floor hockey opponents.

**REGIMENTAL BALL** The eleventh annual Regimental Christmas Ball was held at Drumheller, on December 5, 1987, with approximately 250 persons in attendance. The evening began with cocktails and dinner followed by a humorous slide presentation about a young Newfoundlander's career in the Force, from training to his first posting.

Another highlight of the evening was the presentation of Correctional Service Canada Commendations by Warden Jon Klaus, Drumheller Federal Institution, to Csts D.P. Laporte and R.N. Krystoff, for assistance rendered in a riot at the institution on June 18, 1987. Guests danced to the music of a live band and then enjoyed a midnight lunch.

# "L" Division

# Headquarters — Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island



Long Service presentations took place at Government House, Charlottetown, on February 26, 1988. (L-R) Front row: C/Supt. C.I.C. Macdonell, CO, "L" Division; Lieutenant-Governor, Lloyd MacPhail; Insp.H.R. Armstrong, Aide-de-camp. Second row: Cpl. D.A. Aitken (LSM); Sgt. R.B. Messinger (BCS); Cpl. J.W. MacDonald (LSM). Third row: Sgt. P.J.T. McGarry (BCS); Cpl. W. Jameson (LSM); Sgt. R.P.B. Saulnier (BCS); and Cpl. B.M. Vidito (LSM) Last row: Sgt. B.N. Singer (BCS); S/Sgt. B.E. Stevenson (SCS) and ex-Sgt. W.B. Charlesworth (LSM).

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



C/Supt. C.I.C. Macdonell presents RCMP Guidon to Lieutenant-Governor Lloyd MacPhail, in appreciation for his presenting the awards on February 26.



Cst. H.E.N. Hodgin, Alberton Detachment, (R), received the Wildlife Officer of the Year award for his work with Firearms Safety courses, from Mr. Williams Falls, Shirkar Safari Club in Mississippi. Mrs. Alta Hodgin, (L), received a memento in recognition of her support of her husband's work.

Photo by the Charlottetown Guardian

# "M" Division

Headquarters — Whitehorse, Yukon Territory

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. S/3106, S/Cst. J.E. Maloney and his wife, Lesa, a daughter, Taryn Ashlyn, on April 6, 1988, at Whitehorse, Y.T.

To Reg. No. 36744, Cst. R.B. McDowall and his wife, Deirdre, a son, Kevin Bruce, on August 12, 1988, at Whitehorse, Y.T.

**REGIMENTAL DINNER** On February 22, 1988, C/Supt. A.J. Toews, CO, "M" Division, hosted the

annual Regimental Dinner at the Cellar Restaurant, Whitehorse. Guest speaker, Commissioner N.D. Inkster, outlined his vision of the Force for the next few years. A highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Commissioner's Commendation for Bravery to Sgt. E.E. Wasylenka, and Cpl. J.M. Lloyd, for their part in the apprehending of an armed individual at Watson Lake, Y.T. Cst. L.R. Archibald received his Commissioner's Commendation for his involvement in the same incident whilst vacationing in Ottawa, Ontario. Cpl. P.N. Veres, Csts J.R. Ervin and P.J. Thompson received distinguished sharpshooter certificates for posting best possible scores in the 1987 practical pistol course.



(L-R) Cpl. Verres, Sgt. Wasylenka, Commissioner Inkster, Cpl. Lloyd, Csts Ervin and Thompson.

**FISHING DERBY** On April 1-3, 1988, the 2nd annual Pelly Crossing Fishing Derby was held at Tatlmain Lake. Twenty-two participants enjoyed the weekend of fishing and winter camping. Approximately 50 fish (450 lb.), the majority being

lake trout, were caught. The award for largest fish (19<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lb.) was presented to Sgt. Harry Danyluk, Whitehorse; hidden weight, to Cpl. Bill Wilson, Carmacks Detachment, and "skunked again" to Torrey Hunter, Dept. of Renewable Resource, Mayo, Y.T.



Commissioner N.D. Inskster assisted by Cst G.T. Church, (L), and Cpl. D.J. Miller, (R), cuts the ribbon at the official opening of the new Pelly Crossing Detachment, on February 22, 1988, while S/Sgt. J.A. Cairns, (L), an unidentified person, and C/Supt Toews, look on. Others in attendance were local MLA Danny Joe, Bishop Rod Ferris and the Chief and Council, Selkirk Indian Band.

# "O" Division

Headquarters — Toronto, Ontario

**VETERANS' NEWS** Toronto Division welcomed Reg. No. 0.1196 (19224) Robert Henry Cyril

Smith and Reg. No. 23355 Donald Livingstone MacLeod.

## **RCMP** Academy

Regina, Saskatchewan

**BIRTH** To Reg. No. 31985, Cpl. E.W. Summerfield and his wife, Julene, a daughter, Annette Katherine Mae, on April 27, 1988, at Regina, Saskatchewan.

**SQUAD REUNION** Fourteen original members of "D" Squad (1953) met at Regina, August 15-17, 1987, to celebrate their 35th anniversary. Highlights of the reunion were: the observation of Troop 20

(1987) completing their graduation exercises, which brought back many fond memories; a Bar-B-Q at the Saskatchewan area Officers' Mess; a church service at the RCMP Chapel and a banquet at the Vagabond Hotel. All members appreciated the efforts of the commanding officer and staff in making this reunion a tremendous success.



"D" SQUAD (1953) REUNION. (L-R) Front row: Carl Rawn, Del Sharpe, Bob Foster, Keith Deline, Emile Cormier. Back row: George Noel, Ernie Coleman, George Whittaker, George Hurry, Frank Minty, Ned Nedzelsky, Don Harlock. Missing from picture: Chuck Balik and Ken Allen.



Troop 10 (1987/1988) graduates with their fathers (L-R): S/Sgt. M.J. Smith, Cst K.L. Smith, S/Sgt. G.G. Hampson, Cst. D.L. Hampson, S/Sgt. G.A. Cook, Cst. L.J. Cook.

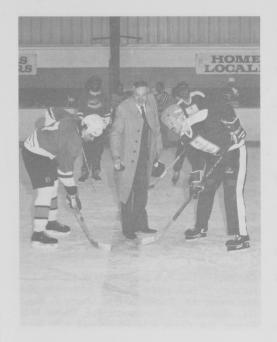
# **Canadian Police College**

Rockcliffe, Ontario



Long Service presentations were made, January 22, 1988, by C/Supt. S.H. Schultz, Director, (centre), to: (L-R) Sgt. R.W. Hurman (LSM); S/Sgt. J.D. Smith (BCS); Sgt. C.H. Spofford (GCS) and Sgt. E.R. Bower (LSM).

Legend: Long Service Medal (LSM); Bronze Clasp and Star (BCS); Gold Clasp and Stars (GCS).



D/Commr. J.L.G. Favreau drops the puck at the opening of the annual Police College Hockey Tournament, on April 8, 1988. Participants were: first and second year Ride members, Band members, and the CPC "Over-the-Hill Gang." After a day of fast and furious hockey, the Band emerged victorious, for the second year in a row. Despite a sunburned neck, Sgt. Clayton LaSable, Buckingham Police Force, was declared the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

# **Promotions**

#### **HEADQUARTERS (Ottawa, Ontario)**

Deputy Commissioner — A/Commr. J.L.G. Favreau

Assistant Commissioner — C/Supts G.W. Allen, R.T. Stamler, G.D. Hurry, J.A.D. Lagassé, S.H. Schultz

**Chief Superintendent** — Supts N.A. Doucette, J.R. Bentham, J.P.R. Murray

Inspector — S/Sgts D.E. Legault, J.R. Potts; Sgts. P. Banks, W.L. Blackburn, G.W. Gibbs

Staff Sergeant — Sgts S.C. Fairbridge, J.D. Hearfield, J.R. Ethier, J.P.R. Poitras, D.W. Smith, J.J.P. Bergeron, R.H. Craig, T.J. Elliott, D.S. MacDonald, D.J. Mann, E.J. Podworny, J.J. Sargalis, J.J.N.R. Sauvé

Sergeant — Cpls B.R. Smalian, G.F. Arnott, R.H. Beaucaire, J.G. Hadley, J.J. Stott, G.J. Bell, J.F.R. Codere, J.A.R. Houle, F.F. Keane, J.L.O.L. Lapointe, D.F. MacDonald, G. Malec, G.A. Manuel, J.D.A. Pichette, F.J. Reichert, D.B. Sparrow

Corporal — Csts J.A.D. Champagne, J.D.M. Parent, B.W. Tiboni, J. Bradley, J.C.D. Gauvin, A.K. Parisien

Civilian Member — C/Ms D.W. McRae, D.J. Polegato, T.P. McDermott, J.S. Cau, M.C. Saunders, S.V. Douglas, M.L.P. Brault, C.H. Osler, G.Y.F. Jong, J.E. Tough, D.W. Harvey, R.F. Moyes, T.W. Suzanski, D.W. Halliday, M.J.M. Lussier, J.E. Vink, H.W. Peel, S. Elias, T.G. Westenbrink

#### "A" DIVISION (Ottawa, Ontario)

Sergeant — Cpl. J.N.J. Desjardins

Corporal — Csts J.A.J. Bernard, J.G.M. Blackburn

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

Staff Sergeant — Sgts L.R. Miller, J.L. MacDonald

Sergeant — Cpls W.J. Milley, J.J. Gillis, R.W. Hogg

Corporal — Csts M.H. Anstey, A.R. Wortman

#### "C" DIVISION (Montréal, Quebec)

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgts J.L.S.J. Dubreuil, J.V.A. Laflamme

Sergeant — Cpls J.F.H.J. Svoboda, J.R.N. Baillargeon, J.A.C. Chamberland, J.P.A.J. Dubé, J.J.F. Dufresne, J.A.J.P. Girard, J.M.A. Gosselin, J.C.L. Guy, J.M.R. Larin, J.A.M.A. Paré

**Corporal** — Csts J.F.D. Byrne, J.G.S. Corriveau, J.R.M.A. Giroux, J.H.D. St. Louis, J.G.J. Baril, J.T.C.Dinel, J.J.Y. Héroux, J.J.G. Lauzier, J.E.R. Lefèbvre, W.J. Leblanc, J.V.J.P. Potvin, L. Quesnel, J.M.F. Villeneuve

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

Inspector — S/Sgt. W.J. Bulas

Staff Sergeant — Sgt. W.G. Dominato

**Sergeant** — Cpls G.A.W. Balmer, G.L. Geddes, J.K.G. Stinson

Corporal — Cst. D.M. McDonald

#### RCMP ACADEMY (Regina, Saskatchewan)

Superintendent — Insp. J.R.H. Beaulac

Sergeant — Cpl. A.J. Barnes

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

Superintendent — Insps C.S.W. Fuller, D.F. McLay

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgts J.M. Bird, D.O. Henderson, S. Vatamaniuck, G.W. Gibbs, R.W. Poulter

Sergeant — Cpls G.H. Rockwell, B.A. Tidsbury, J. Veldman, W.D.A. Dalzell, D.M. Dalziel, S.G. Fetterly, C.M. Hutmacher, R.W. Roppel, L.B. Silzer, J.A. Tysowski, R.J.B. Wylie

Corporal — Csts R.A. Boyarski, D.W. Comrie, L.D. Henderson, N.G. Hunchuk, R.C. Johannson, K.J. McCrindle, J.A. Robinson, B.N. Sharp, Y. Smid, D.C. Buchta, B.S. Danilowich, R.E. Deets, M.G. Gignac, E.A. Grant, K.M. Hildebrand, K.W. Hunt,

R.D. Koropchuk, G.D. May, D.B. Murdoch, R.A. Norman, E.J. Provost, M.A. Thompson, S.J. Yaholkoski, W.R. Zaharia

Civilian Member — C/Ms W.J. Ellis, V. Mah

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

Staff Sergeant — Sgt. D.B. Greenslade

**Sergeant** — Cpls G.C. McRae, S.L.R. Wentzell, H.H. Esson, G.B. Tuffs

Corporal — Cst. H.R. Haywood

#### "G" DIVISION (Yellowknife, Northwest Territories)

Superintendent — Insp. L.J. Callens

Staff Sergeant — Sgt. T.M. Rennie

Sergeant — Cpls R.C. Esau, J.C. Snow

**Corporal** — Csts. R.P. Near, J.F. Henderson, G.C. Downing, R. Pitts

#### "H" DIVISION (Halifax, Nova Scotia)

Staff Sergeant — Sgts H.L. Davies, E.T. Lowe

Sergeant — Cpl. P.J. Glencross

Corporal — Csts R.J. Nause, S.D. Craig, A.J. Mason

Civilian Member — C/M M.J. Hergett

### "J" DIVISION (Fredericton, New Brunswick)

Sergeant — Cpls D.B. Griffiths, M.L. Lutz, W.I. Oldford

Corporal — Csts J.N. Hachey, R.J. Power, J.F. S. Robichaud, J.R.A.B. Malaborza, J.C.A.R. Castonguay

# "K" DIVISION (Edmonton, Alberta)

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgts R.A. Beckwith, R.J. Fehr, M.D. Taylor, M.E. Wolff

**Sergeant** — Cpls M.L. McLeod, A.R. Payne, B.J. Smith, M.J. Ellis, D.N. Roy, G.R. Shaw, M.T. Shuttleworth

**Corporal** — Csts M.R. Jewell, D.A. Campbell, P.A. Frayne, J.C. Kyle

**Special Constable** — S/Csts R.K. Durksen, R.J. Popik

Civilian Member — C/M R.E.G. Judson

# "L" DIVISION (Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island)

Staff Sergeant — Sgt. C.F. Parlee

Sergeant — Cpl. W.M.J. Delaney

Corporal — Csts R.E. Waite, W.K. Halverson

#### "M" DIVISION (Whitehorse, Yukon Territory)

Staff Sergeant - Sgt. D.L. Schneider

Sergeant — Cpls B.W. Luloff, P.N. Veres

#### "O" DIVISION (Toronto, Ontario)

Inspector — S/Sgt. L.T.J. Gallagher

**Staff Sergeant** — Sgts R. Knight, R.K. Abrahamsen, W.P. Gagné, J.K. Cornforth, M.W. Porter, J.D. Tait

Sergeant — Cpls R.H. Bildy, R.J. Elliott, W.P. Heckendorn, D.L.P. Hodgson, J.E. Judd, J.L. McGinis

Corporal — Csts I.J. Fernie, W.C. Mathers, E.F. Parker, D.I. Richardson, C.D. Barrett, P.L. Birtwistle, W.S. Jeffery, P.A. MacAulay, L.L. Nolan, J.E.M.R. Paré, J.K.M. Reid, A.W. Sheppard, J.R. Baskin, L.E. Campbell, A.G. Doyle, H.J. Forgrave, J.G. Froome, R.D. Hoshoian, L.T. House, K.A. Milner, E.W. Oelke, D.T. Reilly, K.G. Sinclair, J.J.R. Stewart, S.C. Swann, R.J. Watt, M.W. Young

Special Constable — S/Cst. R.F. Sellinger

# Retirements

The following members of the Force retired to pension.

Reg. No.	Rank	Name	Division	Date
0.0715	A/Commr.	Allen, G.M.	НО	88-01-02
0.0722	D/Commr.	Bélanger, J.A.N.	НО	88-01-03
0.0955	Insp.	Borys, P.J.	HQ	88-01-14
0.0964	Insp.	Jenkin, T.C.	HQ	88-01-04
0.1276	Insp.	Daniel, N.B.	HQ	88-01-05
17539	Sgt.	Hopkins, M.A.	"K"	88-01-04
17830	S/Sgt.	Cederberg, S.O.	HQ	87-07-20
17836	S/Sgt.	Légaré, P.T.	"A"	88-01-08
18323	Sgt.	Poytress, C.A.	"K"	88-01-04
20297	S/Sgt.	Brayley, J.F.	НО	88-01-03
20356	S/Sgt.	Tyndall, G.M.	"E"	88-01-21
20682	S/Sgt.	Schafer, N.E.	"E"	88-01-04
20956	S/Sgt.	Jones, T.L.	"E"	88-01-04
21294	S/Sgt.	Bradshaw, W.S.	"K"	88-01-03
21887	S/Sgt.	Dubuc, J.M.B.	"C"	88-01-03
22917	Sgt.	Mulder, L.R.	"E"	88-02-12
22922	Sgt.	Tweedy, R.C.	"K"	88-01-17
23478	Cpl.	Wiebe, R.D.	"D"	88-02-15
23784	Sgt.	Gascon, J.Y.J.	"C"	88-01-10
24183	S/Sgt.	Bleackley, E.J.	HQ	88-01-03
24210	S/Sgt.	Kirstein, L.W.	НО	88-01-07
24484	Sgt.	Azak, A.R.	"E"	88-01-09
25212	Sgt.	Steeves, A.G.	"H"	88-02-21
25256	Sgt.	Hollis, F.J.	"O"	88-01-03
25410	Cpl.	MacDonald, W.L.	"D"	88-02-26
25529	Sgt.	Siemens, F.V.	"D"	88-01-03
25641	Cpl.	Link, K.L.	"D"	88-01-01
25731	Sgt.	Gauthier, J.R.R.	"J"	88-02-19
25965	Cpl.	Lavoie, D.J.	"F"	88-01-03
26154	Cpl.	Bender, D.W.	"E"	88-01-01
26341	Sgt.	Arsenault, J.R.	"H"	88-01-04
26367	Cst.	Keeping, R.E.	"H"	88-02-01

66 RCMP QUARTERLY

# **Obituaries**

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

and later to "A" Division, Ottawa, On April 1, 1952, Bilton was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, were he retired to pension October 31, 1953. Bilton was promoted to corporal April 1, 1941; to sergeant May 1, 1946, and to staff sergeant May 1, 1951.

ATKINS Reg. No. 6681, ex-Cst. Daniel Franklin Atkins, 92, died April 13, 1988, at Calgary, Alberta. He was born May 10, 1895, at Sault Ste Marie, Michigan, U.S.A. Atkins joined the Force March 12, 1917, at Maple Creek, Alta. In 1918, he took his discharge to serve in the Canadian Expeditionary Forces, during World War I. Upon his discharge, Atkins rejoined the Force, serving in the Peace River Country, from 1920 to 1922, at which time he was discharged a second time. In 1939, Atkins rejoined the Force, and served as a provost in the Peace River Guardroom, until his retirement to pension July 9, 1958. (Information has been supplied by family members in Calgary, Alta.)

CONROD Reg. No. 17460, ex-Sqt. Carmon Charles Conrod, 56, died April 27, 1988, at Toronto, Ontario. He was born August 1, 1931, at Seaforth, Nova Scotia, and joined the Force January 9, 1952, at Halifax, N.S. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, and Depot Division. Regina, Saskatchewan, Conrod was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Red Deer and Olds. In December, 1955, he was transferred to "E" Division, British Columbia, and posted to Burnaby. On September 3, 1957, Conrod was moved to "N" Division, where he served until April 27, 1960, when he was transferred to "O" Division, Toronto. Conrod retired to pension December 27, 1976. He was promoted to corporal November 1, 1962, and to sergeant November 1, 1968.

**BAUMEL** Reg. No. R/6, ex-Reserve Constable Paul Albert Baumel, 74, died April 15, 1988, at Whitehorse, Yukon Territory. He was born October 15, 1913, at Montréal, Quebec, and joined the Force on July 2, 1937, at Ottawa, Ontario. He served at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ont., until his discharge December 8, 1938.

CUNDAL Reg. No. 12658, ex-S/Sgt. Stanley Cleveland Cundal, 78, died June 18, 1988, at Fairmont Hot Springs, British Columbia. He was born September 28, 1909, at Bienfait, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force July 28, 1935, at Edmonton, Alberta. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Sask., Cundal served on the Musical Ride until April 1, 1937, when he was transferred to "D" Division, Manitoba. With the exception of a nine-month period jn 1939, Cundal served his entire service in "D" Division, working at Winnipeg, Shoal Lake, Arborg, Carman and Selkirk. He retired to pension February 2, 1963. Cundal was promoted to corporal May 1, 1950; to sergeant May 1, 1957, and to staff sergeant May 1, 1961.

**BILTON** Reg. No. 11110, ex-S/Sgt. James Herbert Bilton, 80, died July 4, 1988, at Nepean, Ontario. He was born April 10, 1908, at Yorkshire, England, and joined the Force October 26, 1931, at Regina, Saskatchewan. Upon completion of training, Bilton was posted to "G" Division, serving at Edmonton, Alberta, and Norman and Aklavik, Northwest Territories. On August 1, 1935, he was transferred to Depot Division, Regina, until being moved to "D" Division, Manitoba, April 1, 1937. After a short stay, Bilton was posted to "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ont.,

**DERSCH** Reg. No. 10044, ex-Cst. Paul Henry William Dersch, 93, died January 23, 1988, at Fort

Macleod, Alberta. He was born March 12, 1894, at Griswold, North Dakota, U.S.A. Dersch joined the Force in December, 1923, and upon completion of training, he volunteered for northern service, and worked at Craig Harbour, Lake Harbour and Dundas Harbour, Northwest Territories. In 1935, Dersch was posted to Île-à-la-Crosse, Saskatchewan, where he remained until 1942, when a transfer took him to Whitehorse, Yukon Territory. Dersch retired to pension December 4, 1948. (Information has been supplied by Ms. C.M. Dersch, niece of ex-Cst. Dersch).

DODD Reg. No. 16452, ex-Cpl. William John Dodd, 77, died May 8, 1988, at Vancouver, British Columbia. He was born March 8, 1911, at Arrowhead, B.C. Dodd served with the British Columbia Provincial Police, until their amalgamation with the Force August 15, 1950. During his service, Dodd served in "E" Division, British Columbia, at Yale, Langley, Shawnigan Lake, Hazelton, Penticton, Salmon Arm and Vancouver. He retired to pension July 6, 1967. Dodd was promoted to corporal May 1, 1957.

ETHERINGTON Reg. No. 20364, ex-S/Sgt. William Robert Etherington, 49, died June 19, 1988, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born April 20, 1939, at Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, and joined the Force March 19, 1958, at Regina, Sask. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ont., Etherington was posted to "A" Division, Ottawa, where he served until he was transferred to "E" Division, British Columbia, on August 1, 1959. He served at Vancouver, Richmond and Kamloops. Etherington was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, on August 3, 1976, where he was stationed until his discharge July 16, 1984. He was promoted to corporal October 1, 1968; to sergeant October 1, 1975, and to staff sergeant November 12, 1980.

FINGER Reg. No. 13420, ex-Cst. Davis Edwin Finger, 70, died July 27, 1987, at North Bay, Ontario. He was born March 25, 1917, at Port Arthur, Ontario, and joined the Force at Toronto, Ont., May 16, 1940. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Finger was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, where he served at Edmonton, Hardisty and Ponoka. Finger took his discharge on December 16, 1942.

GORREL Reg. No. 11265, ex-Cst. Francis Harold Gorrel, 76, died June 24, 1988, at Radisson,

Saskatchewan. He was born April 9, 1912, at Willow Bunch, Sask., and joined the Force December 15, 1931. Gorrel was posted to Depot Division, Regina, where he took his discharge on April 30, 1932.

GRAY Reg. No. 14091, ex-Sgt. James Bryson Gray, 68, died May 22, 1988, at Markham, Ontario. He was born November 29, 1919, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, and joined the Force May 5, 1941, at Winnipeg. Upon completion of training, Gray was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Vegreville, Edson, Wainwright and Edmonton. On May 2, 1943, he was transferred to "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, where he served until September 7, 1943, when he was transferred to "O" Division, serving at Toronto. He retired to pension May 6, 1964. Gray was promoted to corporal May 1, 1957, and to sergeant May 1, 1962.

**GRAY** Reg. No. C/1715, ex-C/M George James Gray, 62, died May 9, 1988, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born February 7, 1926, joined the Force as a civilian member March 17, 1975, at Victoria until he was invalided and discharged on October 4, 1978.

HOOPER Reg. No. 10174, ex-Cst. Stanley George Hooper, 80, died March 7, 1988, at Edmonton, Alberta. He was born October 2, 1907, at Essex, England, and joined the Force March 18, 1926, at Edmonton. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Hooper was posted to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, serving at Fort Smith and Fort Reliance. He took his discharge on March 17, 1929. (Information supplied by Mrs. Hooper.)

HUGHES Reg. No. 10930, ex-Sgt. Philip Earl Hughes, 80, died June 20, 1988, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born February 14, 1908, at Bedford, Prince Edward Island, and joined the Force June 2, 1931, at Regina, Saskatchewan. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Hughes was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Prince Albert, Nipawin, Smeaton, Spiritwood, Waskesiu, Tisdale, Big River and Melfort. On October 1, 1943, he was transferred to "J" Division, New Brunswick, where he was posted to Saint John, until stationed to "B" Division, Newfoundland,

serving at St. John's. On January 23, 1953, Hughes was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, where he served until his retirement September 14, 1958. He was promoted to corporal July 1, 1944, and to sergeant May 1, 1948.

**HUNTER** Reg. No. R/1217, ex-Reserve Constable Paul William Hunter, 83, died May 4, 1988, at Winnipeg, Manitoba.

JORGENSON Reg. No. 37372, Cst. Kane James Jorgenson, 27, died May 5, 1988, in the Saddle Hills area, Alberta. He was born December 18, 1960, at Vancouver, British Columbia, and joined the Force November 17, 1981, at Prince George, B.C. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Jorgenson was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, serving at Beaverlodge until his death.

KEELE Reg. No. 13165, ex-Cpl. Percival Lloyd Keele, 73, died May 30, 1988, at Nanaimo, British Columbia. He was born September 26, 1914, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, and joined the Force January 9, 1939, at Regina, Saskatchewan. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Keele was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, serving at Winnipeg and Brandon, until November 6, 1939, when he transferred to "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, where he joined and served with the No. 1 Provost Company until September 9, 1945. Upon returning to the Force, Keele was re-posted to "D" Division, working at Winnipeg, The Pas, Winnipegosis, Wabowden, Dauphin and Portage La Prairie. He retired to pension October 9, 1961. Keele was promoted to corporal November 1, 1957.

KOWTUN Reg. No. 15919, ex-S/Sgt. Walter Kowtun, 64, died April 15, 1988, at Toronto, Ontario. He was born December 25, 1923, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, and joined the Force there September 7, 1949. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, he was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, serving at Vancouver until February 15, 1956, when he transferred to "O" Division, Toronto, Ont., and served there until his retirement on July 1, 1970. Kowtun was promoted to corporal May 1, 1959; to sergeant November 1, 1962, and to staff sergeant November 1, 1966.

LAYMAN Reg. No. 25796, ex-Cst. Gordon Murray Layman, 41, died February 25, 1988, at Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was born November 26, 1946, at Fogo, Newfoundland, and joined the Force June 26, 1967, at St. John's Nfld. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, and "P" Division, Mynarski Park, Alberta, Layman was posted to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, serving at New Glasgow, Stewiacke, Pugwash, Bedford, Dartmouth, Windsor, and Halifax. He was invalided to pension on October 27, 1987.

LOGAN Reg. No. 21811, ex-Cpl. John Wiliam Logan, 49, died on or about May 25, 1988, at Stony Plain, Alberta. He was born December 11, 1938, at Ottawa, Ontario, and joined the Force there March 1, 1961. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Logan was posted to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, serving at Halifax, Lunenburg and Sheet Harbour. On November 4, 1971, he was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, where he served until his discharge, February 15, 1973. Logan was promoted to corporal October 1, 1969.

LOVE Reg. No. 17271, ex-Sgt. George James Moore Love, 55, died June 7, 1988, at Ottawa, Ontario. He was born March 5, 1933, at Barrie, Ont., and joined the Force September 24, 1951, at Toronto, Ont. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Rockcliffe, Ontario, and Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Love was posted to "J" Division, New Brunswick, serving at East Florenceville, Minto and Saint John, until taking his discharge, May 15, 1955. He re-engaged at Ottawa January 6, 1956, where he served in "A" Division, until he transferred to "B" Division. Newfoundland. where he was posted to St. John's, Ferryland, Glovertown and Grand Falls. On June 19, 1967, Love returned to "J" Division, serving at Oromocto, until December 11, 1972, when he transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa. Love retired to pension May 17, 1976. He was promoted to corporal November 1, 1961, and to sergeant February 1, 1971.

**LUND** Reg. No. 21147, S/Sgt. Darrel Herman Lund, 48, died March 1, 1988, at Fredericton, New Brunswick. He was born September 6, 1939, at Sackville, N.B., and joined the Force October 29, 1959, at Fredericton. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Lund was posted to "A" Division, Ottawa, Ontario. On September 16, 1962, he was transferred to "H" Division, Nova

Scotia, serving at Sydney. While at Sydney, Lund transferred to Telecommunications Services, and was stationed at Sydney and Truro, N.S.; Nelson, British Columbia; Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, and Moncton and Fredericton, N.B., where he was serving at the time of his death. He was promoted to corporal February 1, 1974; to sergeant July 9, 1977 and to staff sergeant September 24, 1986.

MARTYN Reg. No. 10969, ex-S/Sgt. Frank Martyn, 90, died May 15, 1988, at Vancouver, British Columbia. He was born December 26, 1897, at London, England, and joined the Force August 10, 1931, at Vancouver. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Martyn was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served his entire service at Abbotsford and Vancouver, retiring to pension October 9, 1949. Martyn was promoted to corporal May 1, 1933; to sergeant June 6, 1941, and to staff sergeant May 1, 1948.

MASCALL Reg. No. 11299, ex-Cst. David William Wootton Mascall, 80, died May 15, 1988, at Toronto, Ontario. He was born January 14, 1908 at Lewishan, Kent, England, and joined the Force March 11, 1932, at Vancouver, British Columbia, where he served until June 6, 1934, when he transferred to "B" Division, serving at Dawson and Old Crow, Yukon Territory. He took his discharge September 16, 1937. Mascall re-engaged October 23, 1939, at Vancouver, and was posted to "O" Division, Ontario, serving at Toronto and Thorold, until his discharge October 22, 1941.

McKAY Reg. No. 16299, ex-S/Sgt. Robert Balfour McKay, 78, died March 21, 1988, at Kelowna, British Columbia. He was born at Balfour, B.C., July 15, 1909, and joined the British Columbia Provincial Police (BCPP) September 28, 1931. McKay took his discharge from the BCPP to serve with the Provost and Intelligence Corps, Canadian Army, during the Second World War (1941-1945). He rejoined the BCPP serving until their absorption into the Force August 15, 1950. McKay was appointed sergeant and served at Kamloops, Chilliwack and Kelowna. He retired to pension April 14, 1963. McKay was promoted to staff sergeant May 1, 1954. A son, corporal J.R.S. McKay, is currently stationed at "E" Division Headquarters, Vancouver.

During his service, McKay received the following decorations: the 1939-45 Star; the 1939-45 War Medal, the Italy Star; the France/Germany Star; the

Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with Clasp, and the 1953 Queen Elizabeth II Coronation Medal.

After retiring, McKay served from 1962 to 1969 with the Department of External Affairs, at embassies in Moscow, U.S.S.R., Beirut, Lebanon, and Prague, Czechoslovakia. He was active in forming the Okanagan Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association, and was awarded an Honorary Life Membership June 1, 1985.

McKENZIE Reg. No. R/401, ex-Reserve Constable Matthew Gordon McKenzie, 78, died April 17, 1988, at Kelowna, British Columbia. He was born January 26, 1910, at Sunderland, England, and joined the RCMP Reserve November 16, 1938, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. McKenzie served with the Reserve until November 15, 1956. He was a charter member of the reserve and was president of the Okanagan RCMP Veterans' Association in 1979. McKenzie served with the Canadian Army from March 2, 1943 to November 23, 1945.

McLEOD Reg. No. S/151, ex-S/Cst. William Charles McLeod, 82, died May 4, 1988, at Fort Liard, Northwest Territories. He was born November 17, 1905, at Fort Nelson, British Columbia, and joined the Force as a special constable, guide and interpreter January 27, 1947, at Fort Liard, where he served until his retirement May 30, 1962.

ROBERTS Reg. No. 27919, ex-Cst. Herbert Bourgaize Roberts, 70, died May 22, 1988, at Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was born June 1, 1917, at Gaspé, Quebec. Roberts joined the Force August 13, 1947, as a special constable in Marine Division, where he spent his entire service, serving on police vessels MacBrien, C&M, Fort Pitt, Irvine, Big Bend, French, Blue Heron, Acadian, Interceptor, Burin and Wood. Roberts converted to marine constable October 1, 1960, and to regular member January 10, 1961. He retired to pension May 28, 1970.

RODBERG Reg. No. 11700, ex-Cst. Francis Marie Rodberg, 77, died April 26, 1988, at Edmonton, Alberta. He was born May 4, 1910, at Wetaskiwin, Alta., and joined the Force April 1, 1932, at Peace River, Alta. Rodberg was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, and stationed at Edmonton and Peace River. During the summer of 1933, he was transferred to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, serving at Halifax and Schubenacadie. At the end of

December, 1933, Rodberg was moved to Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, where he was serving at the time of his discharge, May 7, 1934.

SITTICHINLIS Reg. No. S/1011, ex-S/Cst. Lazarus Sittichinlis, 97, died May 18, 1988, at Aklavik, Northwest Territories. He was born November 16, 1890, and joined the Force as a special constable, guide and interpreter, June 16, 1930, at Aklavik, where he served until March 31, 1932.

Sittichinlis is believed to be the last surviving member of the posse that tracked down the notorious Mad Trapper of Rat River in 1932.

SCOATES Reg. No. 12202, ex-Sgt. Francis Samuel Eric Scoates, 79, died June 14, 1988, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born August 18, 1908, at Faversham, England. Scoates joined the Force April 1, 1933, as a special constable in Marine Section, and became a regular member April 1, 1934. He served until September 30, 1939, on cruisers Adversus, Ulna and Alachasse, as well as patrol boats Guardian, Tenacity, Vigil, New Brunswicker, and MacDonald. Upon leaving the Force, Scoates was transferred to the Royal Canadian Navy, where he served until rejoining the Force, December 7, 1945, in "E" Division, British Columbia, where he served on patrol boat Little Bow at Esquimalt, Victoria and Vancouver. He retired to pension August 21, 1953. Scoates was promoted to corporal February 1, 1946, and to sergeant November 1,

During his naval service, Scoates was awarded the 1939-45 Star, the Atlantic Star and Clasp and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp.

SMITH Reg. No. 13814, ex-Cpl. Howard Daniel Smith, 72, died April 7, 1988, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born March 22, 1916, at Ottawa, Ontario, and joined the Force December 3, 1940, at Regina, Saskatchewan. Smith took his training at Depot Division, Regina. From March 23, 1941 to December 30, 1941, he served in "K" Division, Alberta, at Smoky Lake, and then returned to Depot Division, to complete his training, following which he was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, and was stationed at New Denver, and Vancouver. On October 31, 1946, Smith returned to "K" Division, serving at Fort Macleod, Nanton, Cardston, Lethbridge, Blairmore and Coutts. On July 31, 1955, Smith was transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, where he served until September 1, 1958. Returning to "E" Division, Smith was stationed at Port Alberni and Victoria, until his retirement June 18, 1970. He was promoted to corporal May 1, 1959.

SEPPALA 0.0463 (13541), Assistant Commissioner Voitto Matias Seppala (retired), 69, died April 13, 1988, at London, Ontario. He was born August 6, 1918, at Orivesi, Finland, and joined the Force July 18, 1940, at Toronto, Ont. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Seppala was posted to "H" Division, Nova Scotia. serving at New Glasgow, Antigonish and Sydney. On July 21, 1951, he transferred to visa control duties in Stockholm, Sweden, with subsequent postings to Helsinki, Finland was posted to "O" Division, Ontario, serving at Toronto, until June 16, 1960, when he transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa. On November 6, 1964, Seppala became Officer Commanding, Lethbridge, in "K" Division, Alberta. On July 19, 1966, he returned to "H" Division, serving at Halifax, until August 10, 1967, when transferred to Headquarters, Ottawa, where he served until becoming Commanding Officer, "K" Division. Seppala retired to pension June 18, 1975. He was promoted to corporal October 8, 1947; to sergeant May 1, 1953; to sub-inspector May 1, 1955; to inspector May 1, 1957; to superintendent May 1, 1966; to chief superintendent April 13, 1968, and to assistant commissioner October 1, 1969.

**THOMAS** Reg. No. 22288, Sgt. Gary Howard Thomas, 45, died April 24, 1988, at Victoria, British Columbia. He was born May 18, 1942, at Lacombe, Alberta, and joined the Force January 18, 1962, at Edmonton, Alta. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, Thomas was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, and stationed at Nanaimo, Duncan, Sechelt, Boston Bar and Victoria, where he was serving at the time of his death. He was promoted to corporal October 1, 1972, and to sergeant July 1, 1977.

VAN NORMAN Reg. No. 15306, ex-Sgt. Robert David Van Norman, 60, died April 28, 1988, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. He was born April 2, 1928, at Hamiota, Man., and joined the Force at Winnipeg May 19, 1947. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Saskatchewan, he was posted to "F" Division, Saskatchewan, serving at Swift Current and Regina. On August 18, 1950, Van Norman was posted to "G" Division, Northwest Territories, where he was stationed at Pond Inlet, Frobisher Bay, Dew Line, Yellowknife and Fort Smith. He took his discharge October 23, 1964. Van Norman was promoted to corporal April 1, 1951, and to sergeant November 1, 1958.

WHITFORD Reg. No. 20969, ex-Cpl. Kenneth Evan Whitford, 68, died March 23, 1988, at Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was born September 20, 1919, and joined the Force February 27, 1947, as a special constable, at Halifax. Whitford was posted to Marine Section, where he served his entire service on the French, Macleod, MacBrien, Fort Walsh, Big Bend, Irvine, Fort Steele, Blue Heron, Beaver, Carnduff II, and Burin. He became a regular member May 1, 1959, and retired to pension August 25, 1972. Whitford was promoted to corporal November 1, 1964.

WHALEN Reg. No. C/380, ex-C/M Joseph Gaston Robert Whalen, 65, died May 18, 1988, at Hull, Quebec, where he was born September 21, 1922. Whalen joined the Force November 1, 1943, at Ottawa, Ontario, and served until April 25, 1946. Whalen re-engaged at Ottawa, on March 9, 1949, as a civil servant, and converted to civilian member status, on October 13, 1965. His entire service was spent at "A" Division, and Headquarters, Ottawa. Whalen retired to pension December 19, 1979.

WOOLF Reg. No. 28341, Cpl. Robert William Woolf, 39, died May 5, 1988, at North Vancouver, British Columbia. He was born April 8, 1949, at Trail, B.C., and joined the Force September 9, 1970, at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Upon completion of training at Depot Division, Regina, Sask., Woolf was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, and was stationed at Surrey, Vancouver, North Vancouver and Burnaby, where he was serving at the time of his death. Woolf was promoted to corporal September 10, 1986.