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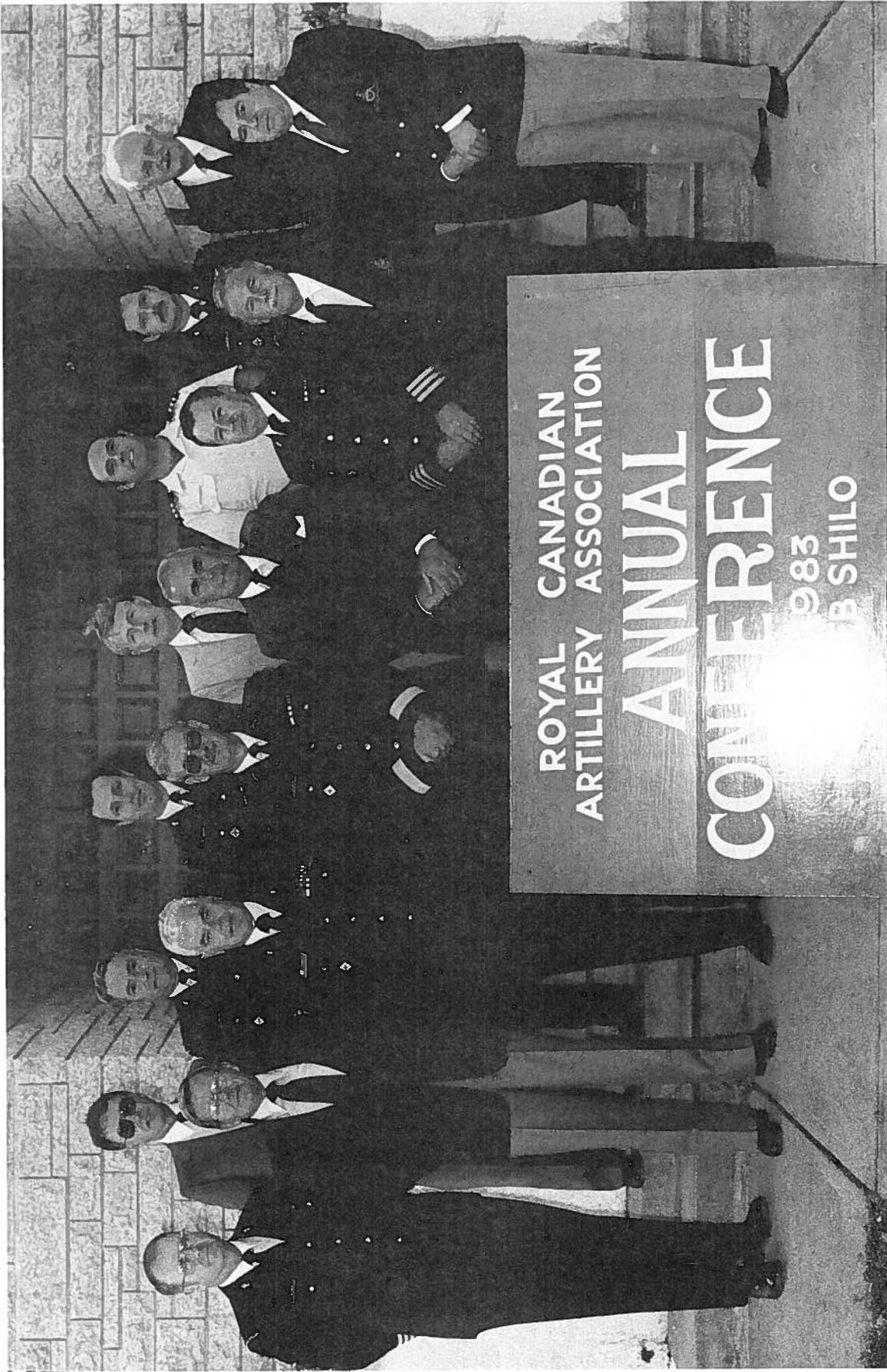
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Colonel H.M. Hague, DSO ED QC
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Colonel C.F. Harrington, CD
Captain D.W. Hawthorne, CD
Brigadier General R.G. Heitshu, CD
Lieutenant-Colonel W.H. Howard, MC
Colonel R.A. Jacobson, CD
Colonel M.D. Kearney, CD
Lieutenant-Colonel K.J. Kenyon, CD
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Brigadier General P.W. Oland, OC EM CD
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1951	Major General A.B. Mathews, . CBE DSO ED
1952	Brigadier R.E.G. Roome, CBE VD
1954	Brigadier P.A.S. Todd, CBE DSO CD
1959	Major General The Hon. E.C. Plow, CBE DSO CD
1964	Major General A.E. Walford, CB CBE MM ED
1965	Major General H.A. Sparling, CBE DSO CD
1965	Colonel E.W. Cormack, OBE ED CD
1969	Lieutenant-Colonel W.A.B. Anderson, OBE CD BA
1972	Lieutenant-Colonel E.C. Scott, ED
1976	Colonel J.D. Cambridge, CD
1981	Lieutenant-Colonel N.F. Scardina, CD
1981	The Honourable Mr. Justice Brian Dickson
1981	The Honourable Mr. Justice Roland A. Ritchie
1981	The Honourable Mr. Justice W.R. McIntyre
1981	The Honourable Mr. Justice Julien Chouinard
1981	The Honourable Mr. Justice Antonio Lamer
1983	General Sir Thomas Morony, KCB OBE

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1904-1912	LCol W.G. Hurdman, DSO
1907	LCol F. Minden Cole, DSO
1908-1911	Major A.C. Arnoldi
1912	Major C.H.L. Sharman
1979-1980	LCol N.F. Scardina, CD

Secretary-Treasurer

1876-1904	LCol J.B. Donaldson
1913-1914	Maj C.H.L. Sharman
1914-1917	Colonel D.T. Irwin, CMG VD
1917-1919	Lieutenant-Colonel C.E. Long
1919-1945	Colonel C.H.L. Sharman, CBE CMG DSO
1946-1961	Brigadier R.J. Leach, MC
1962-1972	LCol E.C. Scott, ED
1972-1979	LCol N.F. Scardina, CD

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

1934-1939	Major P.A.S. Todd
1949-1961	LCol E.C. Scott, ED
1962-1969	LCol H.T. Vergette, ED



Delegates and Members attending the 98th Annual Meeting at CFB Shilo, Manitoba

98th Annual Meeting 1983

The Ninety-Eighth Annual Meeting of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association opened at 0900 hours 22 September 1983 at Canadian Forces Base Shilo, Manitoba, with the President, BGen L.M. Salmon CD presiding.

Welcome by Base Commander

Col J.A. MacInnis, Commander, Home Station, CFB Shilo, welcomed all delegates to Shilo and wished all in attendance a successful meeting and enjoyable stay.

President's Address

Colonel Commandant, Fellow Gunners -

The past year seems to have rushed by. It just does not seem possible that it was a year ago that we held our last annual meeting. Today I wish to welcome you to the ninety-eight annual meeting of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association. I plan to conduct the meeting in the traditional manner as you can see by the agenda. However, I ask that you consider this meeting as a workshop. It is my intention, with your approval, and support, to seriously look at our association and make sure we are headed in the right direction. To use a coined phrase, "The Way Ahead" may appropriately express the theme for this conference.

In my opinion, the most significant happening within the RCAA in the past decade is the inclusion of the regular force gunners as full members. The Artillery family has not been as closely knit as it is today, since World War II. We are almost complete. However, there are many gunner organizations across the country that are not in any way associated with the RCAA. Thus my reason for self-examination. Some questions come to mind:

- a. What are the goals and objectives of the RCAA?
- b. Where do we want to be in 1990? (or 5 to 10 years down the road)
- c. What do we have to do to get there?
- d. What changes if any do we need to make to our constitution?
(e.g.) membership categories
- e. How can we best serve the gunners of Canada?

For what seemed like ages, no significant changes took place regarding militia gunner training. Then suddenly, following some important studies in areas such as combat effectiveness and land operation development a change introduced in the form of "operational tasking". The artillery was the first corps off the mark and I'm pleased to say that in Central Militia Area our op-tasked regiment has been working away over the past year and was tested with favourable results during milcon this summer. Other op-tasked artillery batteries also met their objectives this year. However, there was also exposed some serious short falls in the overall plan to utilize the militia in augmenting the regular force. We'll deal with this aspect during this conference I'm sure.

I feel that there is progress being made; not quickly or as extensively as we would like to see, but nevertheless, we are progressing:

The RCAA can influence the direction and extent of this progress by keeping informed and developing dialogue in current attitudes and trends and submitting serious and worthwhile resolutions and position papers through normal channels.

While serving as your President I had the opportunity to attend the following events:

1. The CDA Council Meeting, Nov. 1982, Toronto.
2. CDA Conference, Jan. 1983, Ottawa.
3. CDA Council Meeting, Spring 1983, Ottawa.
4. Freedom of City granted to 2 RCHA, July 1983, Kingston
5. Officer Graduation Ceremony and Awards Presentation, Aug. 1983, Gaagetown
6. Meeting & Luncheon - IGen Sir Thomas Maroney, the Master Gunner, Sir James Park, Sept. 1983, Ottawa.

Gentlemen, it is a honour and a pleasure to have been your President. I thank for the opportunity. I sincerely hope that the RCAA will continue to be aggressive and inovative and above all, successful in its future endeavours.

Let's get to work.

Approval of the Minutes of the 1982 Annual Meeting

These were approved by the general meeting, as revised. Reference to the Financial Committee had been inadvertently omitted.

Business Arising from 1982 Minutes

Resolutions (See 1981 Annual Report for texts)

Resolution #1/82 - Failure to Implement P26

It was deemed that the response from MND was not satisfactory and did not fully address the intent of the resolution

Resolution #2/82 - Pension Plan for Reserve Forces

It was felt that the DND response was completely unsatisfactory and should be resubmitted.

Resolution #3/82 - Eligibility for OMM and CD Decorations

Withdrawn at CDA

Resolution #4/82 - Maximum age for employment in the Primary Reserve

It was merged with CDA Resolution #52 and accepted as revised.

Position Paper - Canadian Defence Viability
Comments by DND were acceptable.

Business Arising from Executive Committee Meeting

1. Proposal to hold RCAA meeting in Woolwich, England in 1985
Following a review and discussion of the costs of such a meeting it was agreed that it would be too expensive and time consuming and be considered no further.
2. A proposal was made to the Association to consider holding the meeting in Lethbridge, Alta. The Executive Committee will report its findings at the 1984 meeting in Valcartier.

Life Membership

The following Life Membership applications was approved by the Executive Committee and ratified for admission by the general meeting:

Colonel F.L. Armitage SB StJ ED CD

Message of Greeting to Her Royal Majesty the Queen

A message of loyal greeting was conveyed to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, our Captain General on 26 Sep. The Queen's private secretary acknowledged as follows:

Her Majesty would be grateful if you would convey Her warm thanks to the Colonel Commandant of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery and the President and Members of the Royal Canadian Artillery for their kind message of loyal greetings, sent on the occasion their 98th Annual Meeting at Canadian Forces Base Shilo. The Queen hopes it was a very successful occasion.

ADDRESS BY THE COLONEL COMMANDANT

Once again it is my pleasure to be able to join you for our Annual RCAA meeting.

It is most appropriate to be meeting at our Home Station in Shilo and I would like to add my thanks to the Commander and his staff for all the first class arrangements they have made for us. This is a great gathering of Gunners. I am sure it will be both enjoyable and productive.

Since our last meeting I have had the privilege of continuing to visit our units across the country. My itinerary for the past twelve months has been:

SEPTEMBER 1982 - SEPTEMBER 1983

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
22-23 Sept	Annual RCAA Meeting	Petawawa
2 Dec	St Barbara's Reception at the Staff College	Kingston
3-5 Dec	Artillery Council Meeting	Kingston
4 Dec	St Barbara's Day Reception	Ottawa
14 Dec	RCHA Brigade Association Dinner	Kingston
1 Jan	RCHA Brigade Association	Kingston
12-15 Jan	Conference of Defence Associations Annual Meeting	Ottawa
7 Mar	Spoke to the Artillery Board on the training of Artillery officers for war	HQ Mobile Command
Apr	Artillery Council Meeting	HQ Mobile Command
24-26 May	Attended "RV 83"	Wainwright
28 May	Freedom of the City and 60th Anniversary of the 20 Field Regiment RCA	Red Deer
30 May	Artillery Concentration HQ, RCA, 2 RCHA, 3 RCHA	Wainwright
8-10 July	Freedom of the City and 15th Anniversary of 5 RCHA	Quebec

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
15-17 Jul	Freedom of the City 2 RCHA	Kingston
11 Aug	Graduation Ceremonies of the Young Officers	Gagetown
16-18 Aug	Concentration Prairie Militia Units The RCA Battle School The Home Station The RCA Museum 3 RCHA	Shilo
30-31 Aug	Concentration Ontario Militia Units	Petawawa
6-7 Sept	The visit of the Master Gunner of St. Jame's Park	Kingston
16 Sept	The Master Gunners Association Annual Meeting	Petawawa
21-24 Sept	The RCAA Annual Meeting	Shilo

Everywhere I have been I have seen a marked improvement in our training. Some of our Militia units have reached a very high standard of operations in the field. I am convinced that it would take many of them only six weeks of intensive training on mobilization to be ready for war.

We still have much to do at the higher levels of fire planning and in training cooperation with the other arms. I ask that all units give a high priority to this training during the coming training cycle. I consider that in many areas we are ready for divisional level training and I again urge this type of training for staff for HQ's RCA (or CDA).

You will be interested to hear something of the standard of recruits for our Regular Units. I had a very pleasant experience here in Shilo last month when I spent a morning with the RCA Battle School (Recruit Depot). The recruits were very bright and alert, well educated and keen to learn. They spoke well and were very knowledgeable in what was expected of them. They will be a great asset to our units.

Once again, at the Conference of Defence Associations in Ottawa last January, I watched the stately process of producing over fifty resolutions in a book half an inch thick. (1.27 cms if you prefer). There is no way the Minister, the CDS or any other

senior individual has the time to read and consider such a weighty document. To be effective the CDA should develop one major resolution written on no more than one page.

I recommend the RCAA at this meeting prepare a one page resolution requesting that the procedures of the CDA be revised to ensure no more than one major resolution be forwarded to the Minister and that it be written on one page. Only in this way can the CDA executive follow-up and demand that the Government take the appropriate action.

The remaining fifty odd resolutions could be forwarded on the normal staff net to H.Q. Mobile Command for resolutions.

Last year I spoke about the desirability of encompassing all our numerous Regimental Associations scattered across the country under one Association--namely the RCAA. This will provide much greater Regimental Family participation and support. It will give these associations a feeling of belonging and it will give us a much stronger "Voice of the Guns."

Our President and his committee have gone out to these Associations and the response has been overwhelming. The need is there. We must now consider carefully how we can amend our constitution to cope with this new development. This subject will be addressed further and I believe it to be the most important subject on the agenda of this annual meeting.

I am convinced the next step is to proceed with a Gunner newsletter with contributions from all our units and associations across the country.

I know all those who had the opportunity to meet the Master Gunner during his brief visit thoroughly enjoyed the experience. In a letter last week to my wife, he said how impressed and moved he had been by the tremendous Gunner spirit he had observed in Kingston, Petawawa and Ottawa: the three locations he visited.

There is no doubt in my mind that we Gunners do have a strong sense of pride and spirit which comes about from belonging to a strong Regimental Family. It is up to us now to continue to foster and develop this spirit by increasing still further the authority and the prestige of this Association.

Finally, on your behalf, I have asked that we Gunners be given some consideration when our Captain General visits Canada in 1984. I have asked that Her Majestys' programme include a Gunner Regimental Guest Night. (I stated that a Gunner Luncheon would be an acceptable alternative.)

I have spoken to friends at Government House and followed up with an official request. I received a reply from Government House stating that copies of my letter have been sent to the Secretary of State and to Buckingham Palace for consideration. I also asked The Master Gunner to do what he can for us so that our invitation will receive a favourable reply.

I hope it can be arranged. If it comes to be, it will be a great occasion for our Regiment.

I wish all members of our Regimental Family every success in your endeavours for the coming year.

W.W. Turner

PRESENTATION PAR LE COLONEL COMMANDANT

Je suis heureux de pouvoir à nouveau participer à notre réunion annuelle de l'Association de l'Artillerie royal canadienne (AARC).

L'adée de se rencontrer à notre base d'appartenance de Shilo est des plus appropriées. Je désire remercier le Commandant et son personnel pour l'accueil exceptionnel qu'ils nous ont réservé. Ce remarquable rassemblement des artilleurs sera, j'en suis certain, à la fois agréable et fructueux.

Depuis notre dernière réunion, j'ai eu le privilège de poursuivre ma visite des unités à travers le pays.

SEPTEMBRE 1982 A SEPTEMBRE 1983

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITE</u>	<u>LIEU</u>
22-23 septembre	Réunion annuelle de l'AARC	Petawawa
2 décembre	Réception de la Ste-Barbara au Collège d'état-major	Kingston
3-5 décembre	Réunion du Conseil de l'artillerie	Kingston
4 décembre	Réception de la Ste-Barbara	Ottawa
14 décembre	Dîner de l'Association de Brigades RCHA	Kingston
1 ^{er} janvier	Association de Brigades RCHA	Kingston
12-15 janvier	Réunion annuelle de la Fédération des Associations de défense	Ottawa
7 mars	Discours devant la Bureau de l'artillerie sur la formation de guerre des officiers d'artillerie	QG du Commandment de la Force mobile
avril	Réunion du Conseil de l'artillerie	QG du commandement de la force mobile
24-26 mai	Assisté au "Rendez-vous 83"	Wainwright
28 mai	Droit de la ville et 60 ^e anniversaire du 20 ^e régiment de campagne de l'ARC	Red Deer
30 mai	Activités conjointes de l'artillerie QG de L'ARC; 2 ^e RCHA; 3 ^e RCHA	Wainwright
8-10 juillet	Droit de la ville et 15 ^e anniversaire du 5 ^e RALC	Québec
15-17 juillet	Droit de la ville 2 ^e RCHA	Kingston
11 août	Remise des diplômes aux jeunes officiers	Gagetown
16-18 août	Activités conjointes des unités de la milice des Prairies École de combat de L'ARC Base d'appartenance Musée de l'ARC 3 ^e RCHA	Shilo

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITE</u>	<u>LIEU</u>
30-31 août	Activités conjointes des unités de la milice d'Ontario	Petawawa
6-7 septembre	Visite de l'artilleur-chef de St. James' Park	Kingston
16 septembre	Réunion annuelle de l'Association des artilleurs-chefs	Petawawa
21-24 septembre	Réunion annuelle de L'AARC	Shilo

Partout j'ai pu constater une amélioration sensible de notre formation. Certaines unités de notre milice ont atteint un niveau très élevé et je suis convaincu que plusieurs seraient prêtes au combat après seulement six semaines de formation intensive en période de mobilisation.

Nous avons encore beaucoup à faire aux échelons supérieurs de la planification du tir et de la formation en collaboration avec les autres armes. Toutes les unités devront accorder la priorité à cette formation lors du prochain cycle. À mon avis, nous sommes prêts pour la formation de niveau divisionnaire à de nombreux égards et j'insiste sur la nécessité de ce type de formation pour l'état-major des QG de l'Artillerie royale canadienne (ARC) (ou de la Fédération des associations de défense).

Vous serez intéressés d'apprendre que j'ai été agréablement surpris par les recrues de nos unités de la Force régulière lorsque, le mois dernier, j'ai passé une matinée à l'École de combat de l'ARC, ici à Shilo. J'y ai trouvé des soldats vifs et intelligents, bien éduqués, désireux d'apprendre, qui s'exprimaient bien et comprenaient bien ce qu'on attendait d'eux. Ils seront un apport considérable à nos unités.

À la réunion de la Fédération des associations de défense (FAD) à Ottawa en janvier dernier, j'ai une fois de plus assisté à la discussion de plus d'une cinquantaine de résolutions regroupées dans un imposant document, épais d'un demi-pouce (ou 1,27 cm, si vous préférez). En aucun cas le ministre, le Chef de l'état-major de la Défense, ou aucun fonctionnaire supérieur n'ont le temps de lire et d'analyser un document de cette taille. Pour être efficace la FAD devrait présenter une résolution principale, rédigée sur une seule page.

Je recommande que l'AARC profite de cette réunion pour présenter une résolution d'une page demandant que la FAD révise ses méthodes afin d'assurer qu'une seule résolution principale, rédigée sur une seule page, soit adressée au Ministre. Ce n'est que de cette façon que le bureau de la FAD pourra exercer un suivi et demander au gouvernement de prendre les mesures voulues.

Les quelque cinquante autres résolutions pourront être soumises par les voies habituelles au personnel du QG du commandement de la Force mobile.

L'an dernier, j'ai émis le souhait de voir nos nombreuses associations régimentaires, dispersées à travers le pays, réunies en une seule, soit l'AARC. La participation et l'appui à travers le pays, réunies en une seule, soit l'AARC. La participation et l'appui à la famille régimentaire n'en seront qu'accrus, grâce au nouveau sentiment d'appartenance des associations, et nous pourrons ainsi faire mieux entendre "la voix des artilleurs".

Notre président et son comité ont contacté ces associations et ont recueilli un réponse enthousiaste: le besoin existe. Nous devons maintenant étudier soigneusement la façon de modifier notre constitution pour y intégrer ce nouvel élément. Cette question sera débattue plus tard et je crois qu'il s'agit du plus important sujet au programme de cette réunion annuelle.

À mon avis, la prochaine étape doit être le lancement d'un bulletin des artilleurs, ququel participeraient toutes nos unités et associations à travers le pays.

Je sais que tous ceux qui ont eu la chance de rencontrer l'artilleur-chef lors de sa brève visite l'ont grandement apprécié. Dans une lettre adressée à mon épouse la semaine dernière, il écrivait combien l'extraordinaire esprit de corps des artilleurs rencontrés à Kingston, Petawawa et Ottawa, les trois bases visitées, l'avait impressionné.

Il ne fait aucun doute que nous, artilleurs, possédons un sens aigu de l'honneur et de la solidarité, nourri par le sentiment d'appartenance à une famille régimentaire forte. It n'en tient qu'à nous de développer encore cet esprit en accroissant l'autorité et le prestige de l'Association.

Enfin, j'ai demandé, en votre nom, qu'une place nous soit réservée, à nous artilleurs, lors de la visite au Canada de notre Capitaine général en 1984. J'ai demandé que le programme de Sa Majesté comprenne une soirée où elle serait l'invitée des artulleurs. J'ai précisé qu'un déjeuner serait toutefois une solution acceptable.

J'en ai parlé à des amis à la Résidence de son Excellence le Gouverneur général et j'ai par la suite adressé une demande officielle. On m'a répondu que des exemplaires de ma lettre ont été adressés au Secrétaire d'Etat et au Palais de Buckingham. J'ai aussi demandé à l'artilleur-chef de faire tout en son pouvoir afin que notre invitation soit acceptée.

J'espère que cette réception aura lieu, car se serait un grand événement pour notre régiment.

Je souhaite à tous les membres de notre famille régimentaire un année remplie de succès.

W.W. Turner

DIRECTOR OF ARTILLERY

PRESENTATION

Thank you, General Salmon, for those very kind words of welcome. I am delighted to have this opportunity to address you this afternoon. It's a pleasure to see so many old friends here and a great opportunity to make some new ones.

I have already had the chance to visit several militia and regular force units both in garrison and in the field. It is my intention to visit each unit at least twice during my tour as director. Travel funds being limited, I will take advantage of training concentrations where I can see several units at the same time in the best possible environment in the field.

I have been favourably impressed with what I have seen, there is obviously a great deal of enthusiasm and drive being applied to training. We have a good base to build on and I would now like to discuss where I think we should be going as we build on that base.

It is time that we in the artillery begin to look on the artillery as a "system". We should no longer be looking at individual problems or sets of problems in isolation but rather we should look on all the components of the artillery, in the words of the OED, as "a complex whole, a set of connected things or parts." Thus the word "system" accurately describes what the artillery is. Unfortunately for many of us the detail and pressures of our day-to-day employment are such that we don't have the opportunity to sit back and consider the artillery as a system. We literally often cannot see the forest for the trees. Yet it is important that we do so.

I am fortunate because, as director, it is my mandate to provide an overview of the artillery system and I have terms of reference and staffs appropriate to this mandate. Therefore, I am preparing plans, both short and long term, that treat the artillery as a complex whole in which changes in one part affect all the others and in which the overall goal for the system is paramount.

Our first equipment priority is to provide weapons capable of meeting our operational requirements. In the near term, we hope and intend that the field artillery system will consist of improved numbers of equipments with a greater proportion of more modern equipments. The system will be kept current not only by equipment acquisitions but also by a vigorous research and development programme which will explore areas of technology offering improvements in the area of command and control, increased range, and increased survivability. The research and development program will lead to initiatives in operations research and combat development.

Within the corps artillery division, the largest and most capital intensive units are air defence units. I expect that the Canadian artillery will be increasing its air defence role and that there may be a place for the militia in that particular role. We have begun discussions in that regard although I must caution that our plans are very tentative indeed as we have no guarantee that we will be able to purchase more air defence equipment, despite the obvious operational need.

When I have finished speaking to you, LCol Bob Mitchell will carry on with a more detailed presentation on the artillery equipment program. You will see how, despite funding limitations, we are trying to move closer to the ideal represented by the corps artillery division.

In the artillery however, we have always realized that equipment is worth nothing if you do not have the men to man it and if they are not trained to perform their assigned duties. For this reason I would now like to talk briefly on some aspects of the personnel component of the artillery system.

Obviously, as we acquire new equipment we will have to expand our personnel base to man this equipment. But we also need to have the trade structure and training system in place to accommodate the new equipment and the gunners who will man it. We have already begun putting these in place.

We have recently redesigned the officers career pattern and trade model. This document now will accommodate both field and air defence equipment and will fit a variety of organizations (either a single fire unit field battery or a two troop field battery, for example). We have affirmed that field artillery will remain the mainstream of the artillery officers specification. There will be no split into separate trades and no sub-trades. Air defence and locating will be specialties. Our basic officer training will, therefore, remain field artillery oriented.

We recognize, however, that some officers will (and probably should) spend much of their careers, particularly at the senior lieutenant and captain rank, in one of the specialties. It is considered important that these officers not be limited in promotion or employment prospects by our current equipment and establishment shortfalls.

The officers career pattern was therefore structured to permit cross employment. The structure will allow officers to cross from field to air defence and perhaps back again with minimum or no disruption to their careers. We in fact expect that all officers who work in one of the specialties will return at one point or another to field artillery.

We have constructed a flexible career structure that will permit full use of all our personnel resources. There will be no "dead ends" in the specialties. In fact, I believe that expertise and experience in more than one area of the artillery will be of considerable benefit to an artillery officer.

Our approach to the other ranks trade structure is quite different. We have recognized that field and air defence employment for other ranks is quite unrelated and is very equipment specific. We are therefore considering introducing separate trades for field and air defence to the rank of WO. Our MWOS and CWOs would all form part of a "cap" trade and would be eligible to work in both field and air defence artillery.

You will be glad to know that, after many years of depending on British training, we are now teaching our own air defence instructors, both officers and NCOs. This is an important step and will be of great value.

That then, is a brief survey of some of the ways we are trying to move the Royal Regiment into the future. I would now like to look at other regimental matters.

I am pleased that the RCAA has chosen to dedicate this meeting to looking at its future and goals. This can only be of benefit to us all. We have seen over the past few years a closer relationship between the militia and regular force gunners. This is excellent and should continue.

You will have noticed that the draft standing orders, which many of you have been asked to comment on, have been reoriented to include regular and militia units. I hope that with the help of your comments we will be able to extend that distinct improvement. You can do something in this regard as well. The Canadian Gunner should be the magazine of all gunners. It should, therefore, include articles from all gunner units and I call on militia COs to see that it does so. Starting this year!

I have been told that your very commendable fund raising efforts have (as well as raising considerable funds) uncovered some 23 artillery organizations across Canada. Some of these are very large and active. I would like to strongly encourage you to do your utmost to draw these organizations into the RCAA. Our voice would be much stronger and the Royal Regiment would benefit enormously from such a union, or perhaps federation would be a better word.

Well, I think I have spoken long enough. I am encouraged by the steps that we are taking to prepare ourselves for the future. We have many hurdles to overcome but I am optimistic that we will, as gunners always do, triumph.

DIRECTEUR DE L'ARTILLERIE

EXPOSE

Je remercie le général Salmon de ce chaleureux accueil. Il me fait extrêmement plaisir aujourd'hui de m'adresser à vous. Il fait bon de revoir d'anciens amis et de faire de nouvelles connaissances.

J'ai déjà eu l'occasion de visiter plusieurs unités de la milice et de la force régulière en garnison et en campagne. J'ai l'intention de rendre visite à chaque unité au moins deux fois pendant ma tournée à titre de directeur. Comme mes fonds de déplacement sont limités, j'essayerai de me rendre sur les lieux des rassemblements, ce qui me permettra de rencontrer plusieurs unités en même temps dans le meilleur milieu qui soit, c'est-à-dire, en campagne.

J'ai été très impressionné par tout ce que j'ai vu jusqu'à maintenant; il est évident que l'enthousiasme et le dynamisme ne manquent pas lors de l'entraînement. Nous disposons d'une base solide sur laquelle nous pouvons bâtir, et j'aimerais maintenant vous indiquer quelles devraient être nos orientations à partir de cette même base.

Nous devrions commencer à voir l'artillerie comme un "système". Il ne faut plus tenter de résoudre les problèmes un à un; nous devons plutôt considérer tous les éléments de l'artillerie comme "un ensemble complexe, une série de composantes et d'éléments connexes". En ce sens, le mot "système" décrit très bien ce qu'est l'artillerie. Malheureusement, pour bon nombre d'entre nous, les préoccupations et les pressions de notre travail quotidien ne nous permettent pas de nous arrêter un instant pour considérer l'artillerie en tant que système. Souvent, on ne voit que le détail et non l'ensemble global. Il devrait pourtant en être autrement.

J'ai de la chance, car en tant que directeur, j'ai pour tâche de donner une vue globale du système d'artillerie, et je détiens le mandat et le personnel pour ce faire. Je prépare donc des plans, à court et à long termes, dans lequel je traite l'artillerie comme un ensemble complexe, où les changements apportés à un élément touchent tous les autres et où l'objectif global pour le système est d'une importance primordiale.

Au chapitre de l'équipement, notre plus grande priorité est de fournir des armes pouvant répondre à nos besoins opérationnels. Dans un avenir rapproché, nous espérons que le système d'artillerie en campagne comprendra un nombre accru d'équipements et une plus forte proportion d'équipements plus modernes. Notre système pourra suivre l'évolution technologique non seulement grâce à l'acquisition de nouveaux équipements mais également à un vigoureux programme de recherche et de mise au point explorant des domaines de technologie permettant d'améliorer les techniques de commandement et de contrôle, la portée des armes et la survie des troupes. Ce programme débouchera sur des initiatives dans la recherche opérationnelle et le perfectionnement des systèmes de combat.

Au sein de la division du corps d'artillerie, ce sont les unités de la défense aérienne qui comptent le plus de personnel et nécessitent le plus de fonds. Je m'attends à ce que l'artillerie canadienne intensifie son rôle dans le domaine de la défense aérienne et à ce que la milice y occupe une place. Des discussions sont déjà amorcées sur ce sujet, mais je dois vous informer que nos plans n'en sont encore qu'au stade provisoire et que nous ne jouissons d'aucune garantie à savoir si nous pourrions acheter des équipements additionnels de défense aérienne, malgré nos besoins opérationnels évidents.

Lorsque j'aurai terminé mon exposé, le lcol Bob Mitchell vous entretiendra sur le programme d'équipement de l'artillerie. Vous pourrez ainsi constater dans quelle mesure, en dépit des restrictions budgétaires imposées, nous essayons d'atteindre les objectifs fixés par la division du corps d'artillerie.

Cependant, dans l'artillerie, nous avons toujours su qu'il est inutile de disposer de tout un éventail d'équipements si nous n'avons pas le personnel nécessaire, ou si le personnel n'a pas reçu la formation nécessaire pour remplir ses fonctions. C'est pourquoi j'aimerais vous glisser quelques mots sur certains aspects se rattachant aux effectifs du système d'artillerie.

Il est évident qu'à mesure que nous garnissons notre arsenal nous avons besoin d'un plus grand nombre de militaires pour manier cet équipement. Mais, il nous faut aussi disposer de la structure de métiers et du système d'instruction nécessaires pour le nouvel équipement et les artilleurs qui l'utiliseront. Ce travail est déjà amorcé.

Dernièrement, nous avons révisé le programme de carrières des officiers ainsi que les classifications. Le document produit servira maintenant pour les postes en campagne et ceux de la défense aérienne, et conviendra à toute une variété d'organismes (une batterie de campagne constituée d'une seule unité de tir ou une batterie de campagne composée de deux troupes, par exemple). Nous avons affirmé que l'artillerie de campagne demeurera le pivot de la monographie des officiers d'artillerie. Les classifications ne sont pas divisées et il n'y aura aucune sous-classification. La défense aérienne et le repérage seront considérés comme des spécialistes. La formation élémentaire des officiers continuera par conséquent d'être axée sur l'artillerie en campagne.

Nous admettons toutefois que certains officiers passeront (ou devraient probablement passer) la majorité de leur carrière, particulièrement les lieutenants et les capitaines comptant le plus d'ancienneté, dans l'une de ces spécialités. Il importe donc que ces officiers ne soient pas limités dans leurs chances de promotion ou leurs perspectives d'emploi par nos équipements actuels et nos pénuries de personnel.

Le programme de carrières des officiers a donc été structuré de façon à permettre les permutations de l'artillerie de campagne à l'artillerie de défense aérienne, et peut-être le retour à l'ancienne classification sans que la carrière du militaire ne soit trop perturbée. En fait, nous prévoyons que tous les officiers qui travaillent dans l'une ou l'autre des spécialités retourneront à un moment ou l'autre à l'artillerie de campagne.

Nous avons établi un plan de carrières flexible qui nous permettra de pleinement utiliser toutes nos ressources en personnel. Toutes les spécialités auront des débouchés. En fait, je crois qu'il sera très avantageux pour l'officier d'artillerie d'avoir des compétences et de l'expérience dans plusieurs domaines de l'artillerie.

Notre façon d'aborder les métiers des non officiers est assez différente. Nous reconnaissons que les métiers d'artilleur de campagne et de servant de pièces anti-aériennes sont assez différents et que leur équipement est très particulier. Nous envisageons donc d'introduire ces deux métiers jusqu'au grade d'adjudant, Les adjudants-chefs et les adjudants-maîtres devraient partie d'un métier dit "dominant" et pourraient occuper le poste d'artilleur ou de servant de pièces anti-aériennes.

Vous serez très heureux d'apprendre que nos instructeurs n'auront plus à suivre leur formation en Grande-Bretagne nous pouvons maintenant assurer la formation des instructeurs de servants de pièces anti-aériennes, tant chez les officiers que les sous-officiers. Il s'agit là d'une importante amélioration qui sera très valable.

Voilà en bref les orientations que nous voudrions donner au régiment royal dans l'avenir.

Examinons maintenant d'autres questions régimentaires.

Je suis heureux que l'artillerie royale canadienne ait choisi ce moment pour se pencher sur son avenir et les objectifs qu'elle vise. Cela ne peut qu'être avantageux pour nous tous. Au cours des dernières années, nous avons constaté que les artilleurs de la milice et ceux de la force régulière entretiennent des relations plus étroites. Ceci est excellent et il faut continuer dans la même voie.

Vous avez sans doute note, dans la version provisoire que bon nombre d'entre vous ont été appelés à commenter, que l'on donne une nouvelle orientation aux ordres permanents afin d'y inclure les unités de la force régulière et de la milice. J'espère que vos observations nous permettront de rendre permanente cette amélioration notable. Vous pouvez également faire votre part à cet égard. L'artilleur canadien doit être le magazine de tous les artilleurs. Il doit par conséquent comprendre des articles provenant de toutes les unités d'artillerie, et je compte sur les commandants de la milice pour y voir à compter de cette année.

J'ai entendu dire que vos efforts louables pour recueillir des fonds ont permis de découvrir quelque 23 organisations d'artillerie dans tout le Canada, dont certaines sont assez importantes et actives. J'aimerais fortement vous encourager à faire l'impossible pour attirer ces organismes vers l'artillerie royale canadienne. Nous aurons ainsi plus de poids et le régiment royal retirerait beaucoup d'une telle union, ou peut-être le mot fédération conviendrait-il mieux.

Je crois que j'en ai assez dit. Je suis très encouragé par les moyens que nous prenons en vue de nous préparer pour l'avenir. Nous avons plusieurs obstacles à surmonter mais je suis persuadé que nous y arriverons, comme les artilleurs l'ont toujours fait.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Financial Report LCol B.G. Brule

RCAA Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for the Year Ending 31 Aug 83

Operating Receipts

Membership fees 1982-83		6,641.10
History Sales		872.00
Donations		7,590.35
Records Sales		2,263.00
CDA Grant		7,537.00
Annual Meeting Registration		2,880.00
Interest on Term Deposits		1,746.39
Reimbursements		<u>264.20</u>
		29,794.04

OPERATING EXPENDITURES

Travel Meeting 1982		10,168.98
Annual Meeting Expenses and CDA		4,096.88
Competitions Committee		985.43
Salaries	600.00	
Clerical Help	<u>400.00</u>	1,000.00
Rent		500.00
Canada Pension Plan		.90
Office Supplies		504.51
Postage		2,223.66
Auditor Salary		200.00
Memorial Maintenance		882.68
Bank Charges		21.85
RCA NPP Fund		1,207.93
CISS Fees		150.00
Donations, RCA Band, Memorial (England)		867.10
Misc.		22.85
		<u>22,832.77</u>
Net Operating Receipts Over Expenditures		6,961.27
TDR Purchases and Redemptions		
Redemptions		24,000.00
Purchases		30,000.00
		<u>(6,000.00)</u>
Net Receipts Over Expenditures		961.27
Balance in B of M 31 Aug 82		<u>2,308.50</u>
Balance in B of NS 31 Aug 83		3,269.77
Bank of Nova Scotia Term Deposits		
Due 29 Oct 83 @ 7.25%	8,000.00	
Due 19 Sep 83 @ 7.50%	1,000.00	
Due 19 Sep 83 @ 7.50%	3,000.00	
Due 2 Jul 84 @ 8.00%	8,000.00	
Due 21 Jul 84 @ 8.00%	<u>2,000.00</u>	22,000.00
City Savings and Trust Guaranteed Investments Receipts		
Due 12 Apr 84 @ 9.50%	4,000.00	
Due 12 Apr 84 @ 9.50%	<u>1,000.00</u>	5,000.00
		<u>27,000.00</u>
		\$30,269.77

Accountant's Report to Members of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association

I have reviewed the statement of receipts and disbursements of the ROYAL CANADIAN ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION for the year ended August 31, 1983 and the statement of cash on deposit in the Bank of Nova Scotia and term deposits and guaranteed investment receipts as at August 31, 1983. My review consisted of comparison and scrutiny of the journals and supporting documentation supplied to me by the treasurer.

In my opinion the financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Association as at August 31, 1983 as well as the changes in the financial position for the year then ended.

National Rank Qualifying School 1983

1. I wish to make one observation on the conduct of the 1983 National Rank Qualifying School (Artillery), separate to and at the outset of this Final Report. The author had the opportunity to be the DCO/CI of the 1980 School and prepared the Final Report of that year.
2. As Commanding Officer this year, I naturally reviewed the reports of the past three years and was disappointed to discover that several critical failings of the past have never really been satisfactorily resolved. The list of recommendations varies slightly from year to year. This year's recommendations and observations will be dealt with in detail within the Report, but by just mentioning one now I would like to attract the attention of the reader on a long standing problem.
3. The School is advertised as National but is actually regional in its conduct. This is somewhat understandable as Militia Area Prairie (MAP) is annually tasked to organize all aspects of the School. Stores, guns, equipment and vehicles are rarely requested from outside MAP resources and rightly so, however, the provisions of staff and instructors is another matter. Very few positions are reserved for only MAP personnel, but rather the slate is given to Forces wide exposure to attract the best possible team for the following year from national resources. There are NOT sufficient RSS officers and NCOs in MAP to fill all critical slate positions, even if supplemented by capable 'Callouts' and Militia.
4. Again this year's Report includes a staff slate for NRQS 84 and Positions are annotated with the recommended source. The RSS Artillery resources of Canada should be available to ensure that the best available instructional staff is provided. It is difficult to foresee any other employment that an RSS officer or NCO could have that would be more important during the summer than the training of his Militia.
5. An informal survey of RSS officers, outside MAP, revealed some were on leave during the period of NRQS. At the same time we were obligated to employ several Militia officers and NCOs that lacked the experience and instructional ability of a Regular Force member. It might be argued that NRQS provides an ideal opportunity for a young Militia officer and NCO to improve his knowledge and instructional technique. However, as the majority of the courses are less than two weeks in duration, and the amount of material to be taught so extensive, I suggest we can ill afford less than the best on the slate. We shouldn't gamble on the possible suitability of Militia instructors as course officers. Only proven and knowledgeable Militia officers and NCOs can be accepted at NRQS--and there are

several that have made a good contribution to the training and would be welcomed again. But there have been others, this year, and in the past that have not measured up, at times through no fault of their own. The loser is the student and the Militia.

6. The annual 3RCHA 'bail out' should be eliminated and include only those positions originally tasked to the Regiment. This year, with 10 days to go before the commencement of training, NRQS was still short 43 instructors and staff. Once again 3RCHA came to our rescue, but this has to stop. It is not professional nor I suggest very ethical on our part. It is presumptuous.

7. The Firing Troop provides a considerable number of positions for the Militia to be employed for up to six weeks and an excellent opportunity to practice skills recently acquired on course. To date only two units, 30 Fd Regt and 26 Fd Regt, have taken good advantage of these positions that are open to all that meet the qualifications. Again, a more National participation in the Firing Troop would seem to be beneficial to the Militia as a whole.

8. The limitations in ranges, ammunition, training stores and aids, and supervision frequently experienced at the unit are eliminated. COs would be much the better off at a Milcon or in the Fall having employed a unit member in the NRQS Firing Troop.

National Rank Qualifying School - Final Report 1983

1. The National Rank Qualifying School (Artillery) was again conducted at CFB Shilo, Man during the period 4 Jul - 12 Aug 83. A total of 12 courses involving 42 staff, 56 instructors and a total of 161 students. A Firing Troop that fluctuated in strength between 56 and 90 all ranks supported the courses for the complete period. A more comprehensive breakdown of statistical information is reflected in Part 2 - Training.

2. The school has been conducted for a number of years in Shilo with minimal changes to the format and organization. It is felt that this year's operation was a good success. The following factors that contributed to achieving this were:

- a. The return of many key RSS and Militia staff and instructors for the second and third year. The early arrival of a few critical appointments was again repeated.
- b. Minimal changes to staffing the School Headquarters in the past few years and the continued use of the same headquarters, training buildings and Mt, QM and gun shed etc.
- c. The initiation of many production requirements well prior to the summer by the OPI NRQS at HQ MAP and the RSSO and his staff in Brandon.

3. Finally, and this becomes repetitious as it is repeated each year, the unqualified support of CFB Shilo and 3RCHA to the conduct of this vital Militia training is extremely important. Both units unfailingly respond to NRQS requirements from the onset--Base in the logistical field, and 3RCHA in the provision of instructors and equipment. They are familiar with our format and needs and do not hesitate in welcoming the School to the Home of the Gunners.

VISITORS

4. The following individuals visited NRQS as indicated:
- | | | | |
|----|--------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| a. | 18/19 Jul 83 | Maj P. Daigle | HQ FMC |
| b. | 20 Jul 83 | LCol D. Berry | HQ Mil Area Prairie |
| c. | 26 Jul 83 | Maj E. Peterson | HQ Mil Area Prairie |
| d. | 27 Jul 83 | Col D.B. McGibbon
CWO E.E. Patrick | D Arty, NDHQ, and
NDHQ |
| e. | 03/04 Aug 83 | Maj W. Scott | HQ Mil Area Prairie |
| f. | 09 Aug 83 | Maj K. Mulligan | Man Mil Dist |
| g. | 11/12 Aug 83 | Col R. Alden | COS HQ Mil Area Prairie |
| h. | 17 Aug 83 | BGen D. Paine | Comd Mil Area Prairie |

Col J.A. MacInnis, Base Commander, CFB Shilo visited NRQS in the field on 29 Jul 83 to make presentations to the top candidates of qualifying courses and addressed the School as did Col R. Alden 12 Aug 83.

GATES SUPPORT

5. The Firing Troop of NRQS supported the German Army Training Establishment (GATES) on two occasions. The provision of indirect fire support on the weekends of 16/17 Jul and 6/7 August 83 was sincerely appreciated by the participating units in EX BLACK BEAR and should be continued in future years if it does not detract from NRQS training. Although the support is somewhat 'canned' and repetitive, it considerably enhances the battle runs.

ACCOMMODATION IN 1984

6. The quartering of NRQS has gone through a variety of combinations over the years. Although spread somewhat within the Base, the school has adequate accommodation for headquarters, instructors' offices, QM, MT and lecture facilities.

7. The question of student and staff quartering as well as lecture room facilities for 1984, however, should be resolved this Fall. The possible use of E-12, E-13 and E-6 (lecture building) by the RCA Battle School this coming year plus the eventual loss of the officer quarters in A Lines may leave only the half of the top floor of L102 for use next summer.

8. The two apparent options open to NRQS are the erection of a tented camp or the use of the Provincial Warning Centre (PWC). The former is feasible in the area south of G-4. I understand utilities and ablution facilities could be provided. The availability for canvas and funds to possibly pour pads is not known. However, tented accommodation does not lend itself to providing suitable lighting and atmosphere for effective studying in the evenings. Because of the extremely concentrated courses and abbreviated standards, especially in officer and technical courses, most evenings are scheduled for instruction or completion of homework assignments. Thus the suitability of accommodation provided students should be weighed in this decision.

9. The PWC, from the user's viewpoint would appear preferable. In addition to providing excellent air conditioned quarters, it considerably simplifies the

control of quarters. It is understood that there is a reluctance by the authorities to make the PWC available for such purposes. But it would appear to be a very practical and less expensive solution to the problem. The logistical implications of setting up a tented camp for upwards of 250 personnel with its inherent limitations would seem to make a strong case for the use of the PWC for the summer of 1984.

10. Lecture facilities may have to be acquired from 3RCHA if available in Jul/Aug 84 if E-6 is not returned to NRQS in time.

11. Whatever, the accommodation plan, no other location should be considered for conducting NRQS (Arty). Shilo, the Home Station of the Gunners, has ranges second to none. Militiamen require the exposure gained in Shilo via the Museum, Messes and ranges to complete their history indoctrination unto the RCA.

DISCIPLINE AND SECURITY

12. Disciplinary problems were minimal over the two month existence of the School. This was due I believe to three factors. Firstly, tight control of unit vehicles which included locks and chains on all steering columns so that a repeat of last year's incidents would not recur. The 'tone' and example set by the School RSM was extremely important to our success. We were fortunate indeed to have CWO G. Wilson MMM, CD, RCA of Thunder Bay, Ont called out for this employment. A more energetic, conscientious but fair individual couldn't have been provided. He enforced the rules and left no doubt as to the consequences for wrong doing. Finally, one Militia Senior NCO instructor and three students were RTU'd expeditiously early in the School's first series of courses.

FIRING TROOP

13. Regarding the Firing Troop I have a suggestion to make. This is a unit that fluctuates in strength at a number of stages in the course of the six weeks. The troop's function is to support the various officer and technical courses during dry and live firing. They can have peak periods of training followed by breaks of a day or possibly two. Therefore, it must be a well disciplined group under a tight but sensible rein. Idle time should be intelligently used. Field training has to be at the highest standard attainable to ensure the courses being supported get the best value for their training time.

14. For the above reasons I recommend that the Firing Troop also have the benefit of an experienced RSS Officer and Senior NCO in the command roles. There are considerable training benefits to be gained as a member of this vital element and as previously argued regarding the instructional staff, this troop deserves the placement of one Senior Artillery Captain and at least one Senior NCO from RSS resources.

AWARDS

15. Two award ceremonies were held in the field at the conclusion of the traditional two day exercises at the end of the two groups of courses. Col J.A. MacInnis, B Comd did the honours on 29 Jul and Col R. Alden, COS MAP made the presentations 12 Aug 83.

16. This year, I believe for the first time, a photograph and suitable release has been sent to the CO of each unit that had a top candidate for their retention and local press coverage.

17. The top candidate of the 1983 NRQS (Arty) Courses conducted in CFB Shilo and CFB Gagetown were:

THE DOMINION ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION CUP

Major Qualifying Block 12 - *Capt D. Fraser 116 Fd Bty, Kenora

THE ROYAL CANADIAN ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION CHALLENGE CUP

Captain Qualifying Block 9 Serial 1 - Lt K.R.W. Mech, 7 Toronto Regt

Captain Qualifying Block 9 Serial 2 - Lt D. Patterson, 2 Fd Regt, Montreal

Lieutenant Qualifying Block 4 - 2Lt S.E. Steinke, 20 Indep Fd Bty, Leth

THE MCGIBBON CHALLENGE CUP

Lieutenant Qualifying Block 5 - 2Lt D.L. Boudreau, 3 Fd Regt, Saint John

THE MCKEAG SWORD

Lieutenant Qualifying Block 6 - 2Lt D.L. Bourdreau, 3 Fd Regt, Saint John

ADVANCED ARTILLERY TECHNICIAN TQ4 TROPHY (DIRECTOR HEAD)

Advanced Artillery Technician TQ4 - Sgt Stewart P.A., 15 Fd Regt, Vancouver

BASIC ARTILLERY TECHNICIAN TQ2 TROPHY (9 PDR GUN)

Artillery Technician TQ2 - Bdr Kossman W.W., 20 Fd Regt, Edmonton

CFB SHILO WARRANT OFFICERS' & SERGEANTS' TROPHY (6 PDR GUN)

Artilleryman Detachment Commander TQ3 - Bdr Lynam I.M., 5(BC) Fd Bty, Victoria

ARTILLERY COMMUNICATOR TQ2 TROPHY (13 PDR SHELL CASING)

Artillery Communicator TQ2 - MBdr Pratt G.S., 20 Fd Regt, Edmonton

ARTILLERYMAN TQ1 TROPHY (GUNNERS' QUADRANT)

Artilleryman TQ1 - Cpl Christie I.A., S.A.L.H., Calgary

Non Trade Driver/Artillery Driver Wh TQ2 - Gnr Stoddart G.W., 20 Fd Regt, Edmonton

Casualty Aide TQ3 - MCpl(W) Chevrette, Svc Bn, Winnipeg

*As Capt Fraser was employed in Firing Troop after the attendance on the Block 12 Course, he received his award on 12 Aug 1983.

Total number of candidates was 161 compared to 146 in 1982.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF PRESENTATIONS OF NRQS 1983 INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

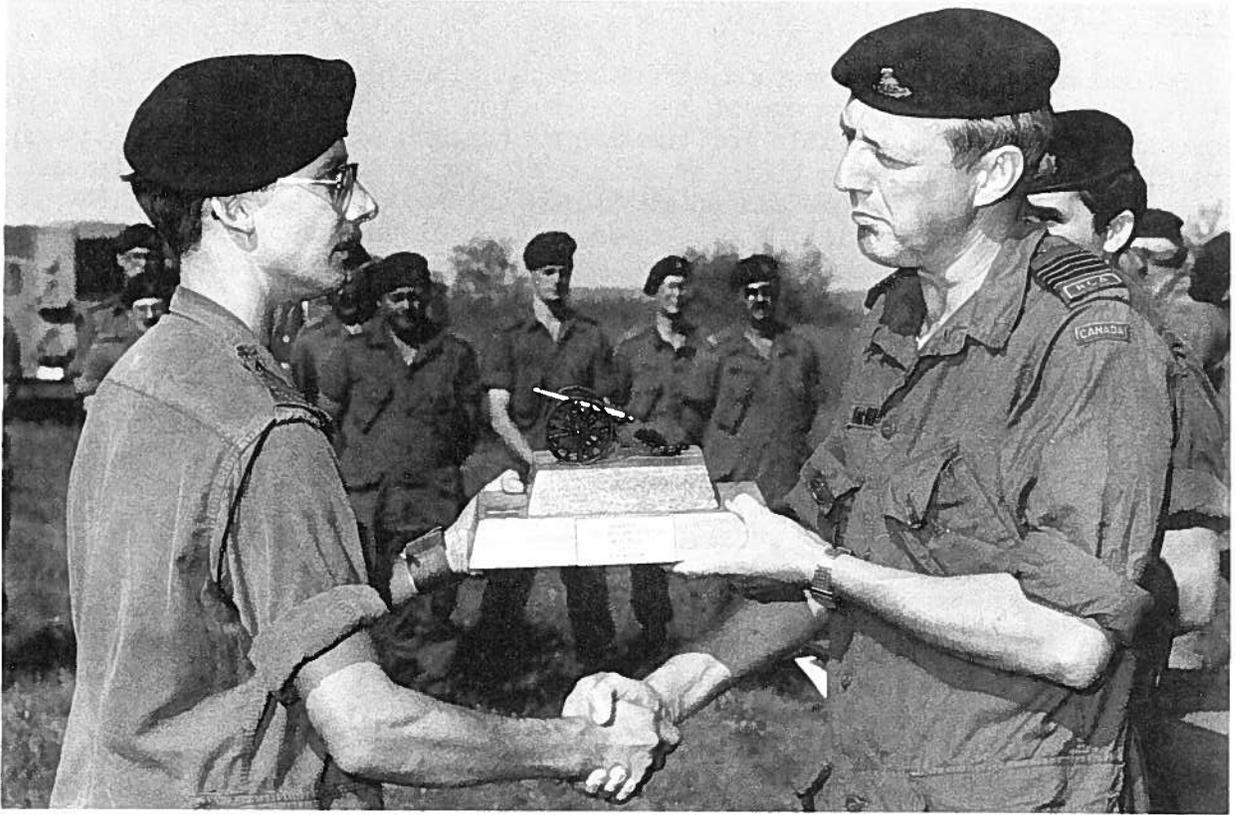
- Page 37 Top Capt. D. Fraser, 116 Fd Bty, Kenora, Ont receives the Dominion Artillery Association Cup for Major Qualifying Block 12 from Col R. Alden, COS HQ Mil Area Prairie
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- Page 40 Top Bdr Lynam I.M., 5(BC) Fd Bty, Victoria, receives the CFB Shilo WO & Sgts Trophy (6 Pdr Gun) for Artyman Det Comdr TQ3 from Col J.A. MacInnis
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- Page 41 Bot Cpl Christie I.A., SALH Calgary, receives the Trophy (Gunners Quadrant) for Artyman TQ1 from Col J.A. MacInnis











COMPETITIONS

Before extending our congratulations to the winners in the annual Competition it is important that we recognize the dedication and effort of the Regular Force personnel who are responsible for the administration of the RCAA Competition. The efforts of the marking teams are sincerely appreciated by all units and in particular we should extend our appreciation to the Artillery Cell at FMC for their collection and collation of scores. The Cell has also recently completed a major rewrite of the Competition; to be fired for the first time in the coming competition year.

During the past competition year, all units except one competed. This in itself is commendable but it should be pointed out that the scores were generally not as good as those of the previous year.

The winners are as follows:

Regimental Competition (Exercise Valley Road)

1. The Commandant's Challenge Cup
3 Field Regiment
Saint John, N.B.
2. The Cape Challenge Cup
62e Régiment de campagne
Shawinigan, P.Q.
3. The Sir James Aitkins Challenge Cup
11 Field Regiment
Guelph, Ontario

Battery Competition (Exercise Valley Stream)

1. The Murray Challenge Cup
5 (BC) Field Battery
Victoria, B.C.

The following summary will provide an indication of the unit standing in the Regimental Competition for this year and the previous competition. It should be noted that the winner of the "Most Improved Unit Trophy" is 6e Régiment de campagne.

<u>Standing</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Mark 81-82</u>	<u>Mark 82-83</u>	<u>Difference</u>	
1	3 Fd Regt	67.0	78.0	+ 11.0	
2	62 RAC	63.9	76.0	+ 12.1	
3	11 Fd Regt	62.1	72.8	+ 10.7	
4	2 Fd Regt	63.6	72.65	+ 9.05	
5	7 TOR Regt	81.3	72.1	- 9.2	
6	** 6 RAC	56.0	70.65	+ 14.65	**
7	1 Fd Regt	71.5	69.7	- 1.8	
8	15 Fd Regt	76.0	68.5	- 7.5	
9	30 Fd Regt	85.0	68.4	- 16.6	
10	49 Fd Regt	72.2	68.0	- 4.2	
11	26 Fd Regt	DNC	62.9		
12	56 Fd Regt	73.3	61.8	- 11.5	
13	20 Fd Regt	72.2	58.4	- 13.8	
14	10 Fd Regt	DNC	DNC		

(NOTE: **Most Improved Unit is 6e Régiment de campagne.)

The following summary will provide an indication of the unit standing in the Battery Competition.

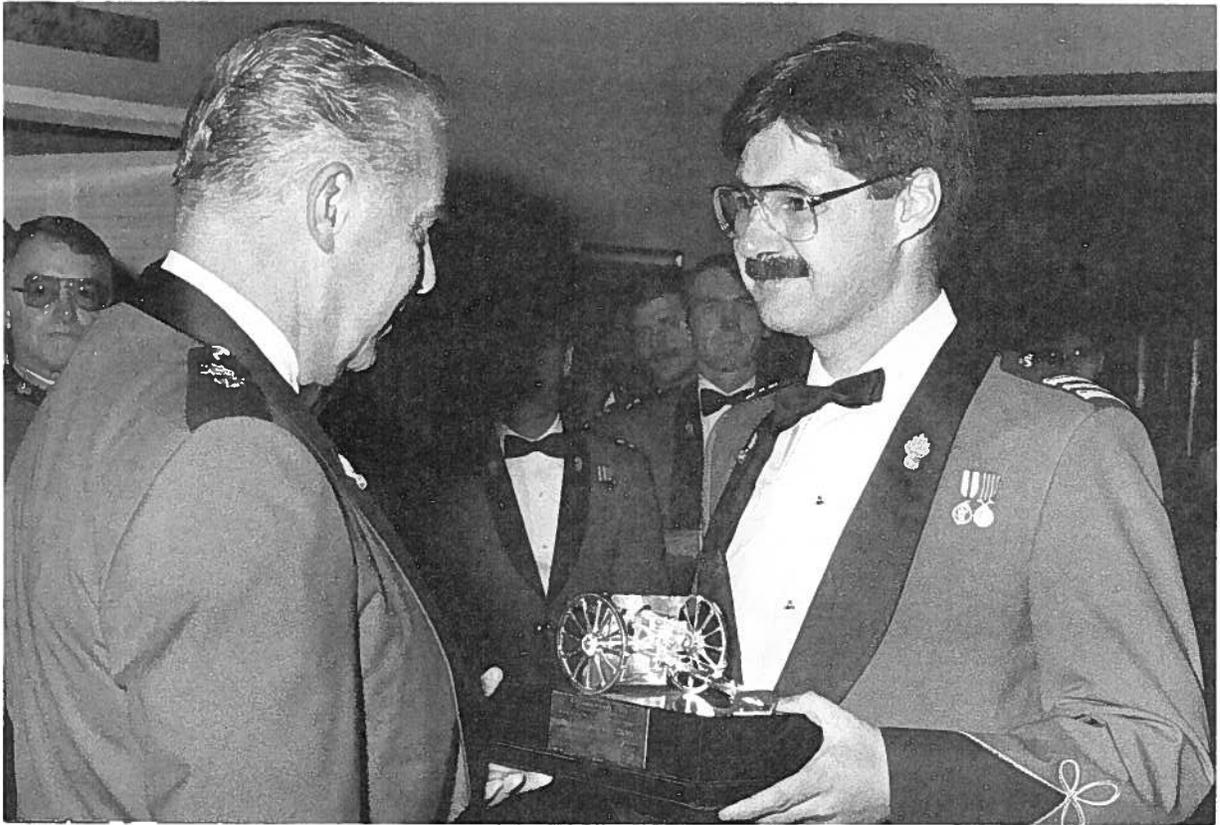
<u>Standing</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Mark 81-82</u>	<u>Mark 82-83</u>	<u>Difference</u>
1	5 (BC) Fd Bty	76.8	71.2	- 5.6
2	116 Fd Bty	50.7	68.0	+ 17.3
3	84 Fd Bty	72.2	65.5	- 6.7
4	20 Fd Bty	DNC	44.0	

(NOTE: The Most Improved Unit Trophy is awarded only in the Regimental Competition.)

Congradulations to the winners, and good luck and good shooting to all units in the coming competition. The revised competition is an excellent one and will continue to provide the incentive to excell as gunners.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF PRESENTATIONS OF TROPHIES AND AWARDS

- Page 45 Top BGen W.W. Turner presents the Commandant's Challenge Cup to LCol G.L. Moffit of 3 Field Regiment for first place in the regimental competition
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- Page 46 Top LCol G.E. Parnell presents the Cape Challenge Cup and its keeper Cup to LCol R.E. Gauthier 62^e Régiment, for second place in the regimental competition
- Page 46 Bottom BGen R.P. Beaudry presents the Sir James Aitkins Challenge Cup to LCol G.E. Burton of the 11 Fd Regt for third place in the regimental competition
- Page 47 Top BGen W.W. Turner presents the Murray Challenge Cup to Maj P. Sherwin of 5 (BC) Field Battery for first place in the battery competition
- Page 47 Bottom Col A.E. Sherwin presents the Battery Competition Keeper Cup to Maj R. Sherwin
- Page 48 Top LCol J.E. de Hart congratulates Maj J.F. Baulet 6^e Régiment for the most improved unit in the regimental competition
- Page 48 Bottom BGen R.P. Beaudry makes presentation to BGen W.W. Turner
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The Honourable Gilles Lamontagne presents the RCAA prize
to Second-Lieutenant Joseph Steven Guy LeBel at
RMC Graduation Ceremony 21 May 1983

Regimental Affairs Committee - ICol JE de Hart, MC, CD

One recent regimental event of major significance was the visit of Sir Thomas Morony, KCB, DSO, Master Gunner of St. James's Park. The visit took place from 6-10 September 1983. The purpose of his visit was to lecture at the Canadian Land Forces Command and Staff College in Kingston but he was also able to spend time with Gunners in Kingston, Petawawa and Ottawa.

During his stay in Kingston he was entertained at two luncheons, two teas and two dinners. He had tea and dinner with the Colonel Commandant, tea with the Commandant of RMC and the faculty members whom he had known at Shrivenham, lunch with the Kingston Gunners and a formal mixed dinner with the Commandant, staff and ladies of the Staff College. He was presented with a print of the Staff College by the Commandant, a college plaque by the students, a book called Canada's RMC by the Commandant of RMC, and a book on Fort Henry.

The Master Gunner spent a day with 2 RCHA in Petawawa, having coffee in the Sergeant's Mess, lunch with the officers and a mixed formal dinner in the Officers' Mess. He was presented with a print of the 9 pounder gun and mounted detachment which had been used in the Freedom of the City of Kingston ceremonies in July.

All this was followed by a busy day in Ottawa. Gen Morony had lunch with the Director of Artillery and senior Gunner officers during which he was presented with a fine whalebone carving of three polar bears walking in line. This gift was to the Royal Artillery from the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery. The Director also gave him a book on Canada's War Artists.

In the afternoon he was received by His Excellency the Governor General at Rideau Hall. While there he met MWO R.W. Pomeroy (ret) who had just received from the Governor General the Star of Courage, awarded posthumously to his son who had died while attempting to save the life of a man in an industrial accident in Northern Canada.

The same evening the Master Gunner was the guest of The Ottawa Gunners at a super barbeque where 200 officers and wives turned out to meet him and to welcome to Ottawa those Gunners posted to Headquarters during the summer. He was given a book called Canada's Guns, and as usual he was very gracious in his reply.

While in Canada the Master Gunner presented RHA statuettes to the Colonel Commandant for the Canadian Gunners from the British Gunners, and to 2 RCHA. The whole visit was most successful, and it was a delight to have the Master Gunner back in Canada - the first time in seven years.

The Regimental Affairs Committee decided to put one matter before the meeting concerning a possible expenditure of funds now being collected by a special committee. It arose from a suggestion of the Base Commander in Shilo concerning the Fawn Room in the Officers' Mess, which houses the Wolfe Table and other

valuable pieces. The room and furnishings are badly in need of refurbishing to bring it up to an acceptable standard. The Base Commander felt it could be a project for funding by the RCAA and any grants which might be available. He suggests re-naming it "The Association Room", and maintaining it at a high standard of which we would all be proud. At the same time he plans on looking after the dining room and other parts of the Mess by the use of other funds so that over a period of time the Home Station Mess will take on a greatly improved appearance.

Because the Base Commander would like to start on this project in the near future the committee feels that if we agree with the concept we should make funds available at this meeting otherwise we would probably have to wait a full year; and I therefore move refurbishing the Fawn Room and its furnishings, subject to the name of the room being changed to "The Association Room".
Note: The motion was passed.

The Regimental Affairs Committee has received various suggestions about changes in Dress Regulations, and we recommend that the Director of Artillery be requested to explore these matters as quickly and forcefully as possible:

1. Blue berets for the Artillery
2. White lanyards for Other Ranks, preferably worn under shoulder straps but if not possible attached in some suitable manner
3. Overalls and spurs for wear with Mess Dress.

It was brought to the attention of the Committee that two blue spruce trees planted by a Former Colonel Commandant, one in Shilo and one in Gagetown, had died, probably from lack of water during the first year. It is recommended that the RCAA replace the trees with the same or a more suitable type subject to the recommendations of the Base Commander Shilo and the Commanding Officer of the Artillery School in Gagetown.

Note: both these gentlemen agreed to make suitable arrangements if the Executive asks them to proceed.

SYNDICATE REPORT

The syndicate was asked to examine the goals and objectives of the RCAA over the next five to ten years. We discussed the subject in the general context and in more specific fields such as the wisdom of expanding membership, control and priorities of expenditure of funds, arrangements for central billing and communications with Gunners across the country.

The syndicate agreed that our main objective should remain unchanged, that is the promotion of the efficiency and welfare of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery and of all matters pertaining to the Defence of Canada, as set out in paragraph 2 of our Constitution.

It was felt however, that the Association should give wider circulation to its deliberations, and build constituency for itself. Much valuable work is done by many dedicated individuals, but what becomes of it? A few resolutions are passed to the Conference of Defence Associations (CDA) of which some make their way to the Minister or the CDS while others fall by the wayside. We should of course continue to use the CDA forum, but we should also give the widest possible circulation to anything which we feel could be useful in promoting our work, and helpful to the general public when considering defence matters.

As a starting point the current RCAA Position Paper could be sent to the Commons and Senate Committees on Defence, to the other Associations, to the Media as a press release, to the Royal Canadian Legion and to any other defence-oriented organization where it might be useful.

It is becoming more and more evident too that over the next five or ten years we must dramatically improve our internal communication so that all Gunners in Canada know what we and other groups or associations are doing. Many individual efforts are going on but are unnoticed; and lacking in publicity many of them are unsuccessful, or at the very best much less successful than they could have been. To help solve this deficiency we strongly recommend that a newsletter with information from all of them and our various units and schools be circulated on a periodic basis, along the lines outlined by the Colonel Commandant in his address yesterday.

The fund raising programme this fall was a good start to improve our material state in which Gunners from various local groups contributed to the RCAA. This must be vastly expanded - so far we have had responses from a limited percentage of available Gunners. But our aim is not merely to raise money - it surely must also be to weld together the Gunners of Canada into a huge, powerful lobby group so that our views and concerns will be more readily listened to.

In looking at a possible expanded membership we realized that most people who donated money may like to have a say in how it is spent, or at the very least in knowing what projects were planned for the use of the money. One answer seemed to be to bring all local associations into the RCAA, but because the Defense Associations have traditionally been officer associations, problems could arise if local all rank associations were brought in with full rights and privileges. The syndicate would favor an amendment to the constitution permitting local associations to become affiliates of the RCAA, with authority to send a nonvoting officer observer to meetings at no expense to the RCAA. This should satisfy many of the concerns which are occasionally expressed, and should generate considerable interest.

Turning to the RCAA funds, particularly those we have just raised, the syndicate feels it is essential to ensure the moneys are well spent on worthwhile Gunner projects, and that everyone should be informed of the nature of such projects. We therefore recommend that a committee of five members of the RCAA be set up to recommend to the Association how the funds should be used. At least two of the committee members should be able to serve for several years to ensure continuity, one should be the Chairman of the RCA NPP funds while the other two could be Militia Commanding Officers. The syndicate felt the administration of the funds should remain within the RCAA and could naturally fall within the purview of the Regimental Affairs Committee. Therefore the members selected should be asked to serve on the Regimental Affairs Committee. These suggestions and recommendations are referred to the Executive for early consideration and action. One final suggestion was that authority should be given to the Committee to spend a stated amount, possibly \$2,000, on urgent projects without waiting for an annual meeting.

Another subject the syndicate looked at was the central billing system suggested by the Director of Artillery. The more we examined it the more complicated it became because of the large number of organizations involved. Our syndicate recommends that the Regimental Affairs Committee study the suggestion in more detail to find out how many participating organizations there would be, who would be the central control, would an accounting firm have to be hired and so on. A report will be made to the Executive in due course

Training Committee - ICol J.R. Hubel CD

AIR DEFENCE FOR THE MILITIA

Our syndicate examined the question of whether or not the interests of Militia Gunner Units would be well served if AD weapons specifically Blowpipe, were made available to them.

Historically, Militia Gunner Units have played an active and important role in AD taskings in the years following WW II. The deprivations of two militia reorganizations, however, have destroyed the AD capability of the Militia, and have reduced the number of field batteries to the point where there is now a serious imbalance in the artillery/infantry ratio. The AD capability of the army, while adequate in the late 60s and early 70s, is no longer adequate in view of the increasing WP air threat, which briefly is helicopter and FGA attacking in all weather. The Falklands conflict demonstrated once again tragic consequences that can befall a force even when equipped with AD weapons.

It now appears that a quantity of Blowpipe weapons, the same Blowpipe which was so effectively battle tested by the British in the Falklands, can be re-allocated to the Militia. We feel the Militia artillery should seize this opportunity and re-assume its rightful and proud heritage in AD.

The Blowpipe weapon and AD organization have a number of advantages which favour the Militia system:

- a. young people find Blowpipe an inherently interesting equipment;
- b. much Blow pipe can be done at LHQ or in small training areas;
- c. limited accommodation is required for an AD sub-unit (except for vehicles);
- d. Blowpipe offers the opportunity for communications, driving and small arms training, camouflage and concealment - in short skills now well accomplished by field gunners. As well, almost unlimited opportunities exist to train with Canadian or European based formations;
- e. the present AD organizational structure based on three man detachments is a very flexible one which can be adapted to the number of weapons available, size of the parent unit, or other factors;
- f. ranges which can accommodate Blowpipe are presently available in Gagetown, Petawawa and Shilo, thus permitting the necessary geographical distribution and firing sites to Militia Gunner Units;

- g. training missiles are available till 1988-89; and finally
- h. we have an opportunity to partially restore our present much eroded Militia Gunner Base.

Considerable debate centred on the method of re-introducing the AD role to Militia Gunners. Regular Force representatives and veterans felt that mixing field gunners and AD gunners has historically been unsound for reasons of efficiency and morale. On the other hand, to create a new Militia unit from scratch would be a very thorny problem indeed, although we acknowledge that the concept of AD regiments should be the long term goal. For the short term, the general consensus is that re-activating dormant batteries, particularly outlying batteries, would enable a fledgling AD troop or battery to be provided with essential support services that can only come from a properly constituted unit - ie; recruiting, enrolment, GMT training and so on. Secondary considerations included job creation and revitalizing of the military ethos in areas which no longer have any.

Whatever the final method of implementation, certain key considerations must be observed, mindful of preserving our present assets, our trained field batteries, which have taken so many years to bring to their present high state of training, and bearing in mind also that many units have been reduced to two batteries, which in the field effectively produces a single firing battery. Therefore, no militia artillery unit can afford to lose an existing sub-unit, or any of its manpower or equipment to assume an AD role.

The culmination of any soldier's training is the firing of the weapon or weapon system on which he has trained. It therefore follows that Blowpipe ammunition must be made available to Militia Gunners on a recommended scale of that now received by the Regular Force (1 missile/18 months).

Training support and equipment must be provided to Militia AD units including future Blowpipe improvements or the issue of related equipments such as target acquisition devices. With these important principles in mind, we enthusiastically endorse the concept of re-introduction of AD weapons into the Militia artillery. We are willing to assist in shouldering the increasingly awesome battlefield responsibility - that of countering the enemy air threat-which is now the number one threat.

We recommend that the RCAA Executive consider our views as the possible basis of a position paper.

Constitution Committee

The Committee recommended the following amendments to the RCAA Constitution. These amendments were approved by the general meeting and are reflected in the text appended to this report. Refer to the 1981-82 report for original text.

Sections 4. (a) (3) (i) and 4. (d) (1)

Sections 5. (b) (1) (i), 5. (b) (3) (i) and 5. (b) (3) (ii)

Sections 9. (a) (2) and 9. (a) (3) (iii)

Sections 21. (b) (1), (2), (3)

Finance Committee - Chairman: LCol N.F. Scardina
Members: Col R.A. Jacobson
LCol R. Gauthier
LCol B.G. Brulé

At the 1982 AGM of the RCAA a finance committee was appointed and charged with the responsibility of raising funds for worthwhile Regimental projects, by implementing the new status of the Association as a non-profit organization. The committee's recommended program to achieve this aim is shown on pg. 47 and 48 of the 1981-82 Annual Report. The program was implemented according to that plan.

A letter of solicitation was designed by the committee, (you have all received a copy of it), it was submitted to D Arty for his approval because of the involvement of the RF gunners, and then translated to accommodate francophone units, and individual gunners.

The statistical picture is as follows. A total of some 2,950 letters of solicitation were sent out, 2,750 in english and 200 in french. About 350 letters were sent in August and early in September, therefore returns from these mailings are probably still in the postal system and many not be included in the figures provided by the secretary. For purposes of this report we have recorded that 317 donations were received (about a 12% return), and that these donations amounted to \$8,325. Against gross receipts, expenses were \$2,278. for the purchase of envelopes, printing, typewriter rental and postage. The approximate cost of each letter package was therefore about 80 cents. Now that we have a better idea of our gunner population, and records to work from, we should be able to reduce expenses slightly for the 1984 solicitation.

Some 28 local gunner associations were recorded and of these 15 supported the program by either requesting quantities of letter packages or sending me their mailing lists. I received promises of support from two or three others after they have held their own annual meetings this fall. Of the 18 militia units only eight requested quantities of letters. While this is a disappointing return it could be attributed to the fact that implementation of the program never got into full swing until June, that is, just prior to the summer stand down for the militia. However, as there are still three full months left in taxation year 1983 I expect that those units that did not participate because of an unfavourable time element, will in fact do their duty.

The solicitation for donations to support deserving institutions of the Royal Regiment will be an annual undertaking. The benefit of this support will, in time, directly or indirectly affect us all. If we all support this program with the minimum donation requested it cannot help but be an unqualified success.

We have promised in next year's letter to indicate to the donors how their funds were expended. This is only fitting and proper. As the sources of these donations were the regular force, militia, and retired gunners as represented by the local associations it would seem appropriate that these

three "components" be represented on a committee charged with the responsibility of allotting the funds. We therefore recommend that a standing committee consisting of the Director of Artillery, or some other senior regular force officer, a serving senior militia officer and a member of a local gunner association, be appointed for this purpose.

A project of this magnitude and substance could not have passed without generating some curiosity, and subsequently side issues. While the overall aim was to seek "treasure", some of the greatest treasure was the discovery of the many local gunner associations scattered all across Canada. We have recorded 28, but I believe there are still a few to come to light. Many of these locals are WW2 unit and battery associations, such as, 12 Fd Regt Assn, 445 members; 17 Fd Regt Assn, 211 members; 83 Bty Veterans Assn, 250 members; 77 Bty Assn, 150 members; to name but a few. The potential in economic and perhaps political support from these associations should be obvious. We need them! We must find a way to "brigade" them under the umbrella of the RCAA. That is one task that this association must come to grips with at this annual meeting.

POSITION PAPER SYNDICATE - Col J.R. Matheson

The Position Paper - Informing Canadians About National Security, was approved and subsequently forwarded to the CDA for consideration at the 1984 CDA AGM.

Informing Canadians About National Security

We believe that the public has a fundamental right to know and the government has an obligation to provide, the facts and information relating to national security and defence. By virtue of daily satellite and electronic surveillance, the full extent and deployment of Soviet military resources in the seven seas, in the air and in ground combat forces is well known to the government. The size, nature and quality of these forces is no secret except to the Canadian public. Canadians have a right to know far more than they do at present.

Defence today is at the forefront of public interest and concern stimulated in part by the tension and conflict of the times but more particularly by a well organized and co-ordinated peace movement which advocates a policy of unilateral disarmament. They advocate that we lead by example, abandoning our military alliances and dependency upon arms because there appears to be no answer to the Russian buildup of weapons systems.

On the other hand, military strategists point to the extended fourteen year United States arms freeze and the excellent use made of this period by the Soviets in developing the number, power, variety and accuracy of their North American and European strike capability. They allude to the increasing imbalances (for example, 17,000 tanks for NATO versus 45,000 plus on the other side). To disarm now these strategists say is suicidal and an invitation to war.

The history of two centuries shows that Canadians are extremely responsible in matters of defence provided that they are furnished with the facts. The majority believe that this valuable real estate and our way of life are worth defending. The objective of our society is peace, order and good government. The first democratic obligation of government is to safeguard the people and the first obligation of citizens is to "stand on guard" for country.

The theory that Canada can exist in a fractious, hostile world as a benign, kindly-intentioned neutral state without power to defend itself, is unacceptable. The greatest argument for maintaining combat capability is that it provides the largest possible assurance that war will not occur.

During this period of pressure and persuasion to disarm, it is imperative that every effort be made to provide the public with the facts upon which to render wise judgement. An excellent beginning was made in the Senate study of defence but this issue is so fundamental that the dialogue need be greatly enlarged and expanded. The Canadian people must be invited into the consultation and information now within the control of the government should be made known to all Canadians through the media.

Peace can be purchased only by vigilance and strength. In place of slogans, we need facts, reasonableness and widespread public discussion as only the truth will provide the foundation to protect our freedom.

RESOLUTIONS SYNDICATE - Col E. Bauer

The following resolutions resulted from the deliberations of the committee, were carried and forwarded to the CDA.

Resolution #1/83 - Militia Field Force Structure

Whereas the "Minister's Statement - Defence Estimates 1983/84" stated that much of the capability of the Canadian Army to reinforce our NATO forces, to defend Canada and to sustain our forces in battle would depend on the Reserves;

Whereas there is therefore a clear requirement for the militia which has the capability to quickly supply when required major components of a field force and of the sustainability structure;

Whereas a field force must be capable of sustained operations and must include the necessary support structure;

Whereas such a force can only be found in division and higher formations;

Whereas these formations must consist of an appropriate balance of arms and support units;

Whereas neither the basis of these formations nor all the required types of units now exist in the militia.

Therefore be it resolved that the militia be reformed into a balanced field force structure with the necessary headquarters and units.

Resolution #2 - Benefits for the Reserve Forces

Whereas reservists now play an integral part in fulfilling the tasks and roles of the total armed forces;

Whereas reservists do not now have access to many current activities and benefits the regular force personnel only are eligible for;

Whereas access to many of these benefits would serve to foster a greater sense of belonging, and thus aid in the increase to retention time.

Therefore be it resolved that a standing committee of the CDA be established to investigate the entire question of reservist access to benefits now reserved solely for the regular force and government employees.

Resolution #3/83 - Cruise Missile Testing

This resolution was sent to the Prime Minister and to the media shortly following the general meeting.

Whereas the strategic aims of the USSR and its partners in the Warsaw Pact represent a real and continuing threat to the security of Canada

Whereas Canada has based its national security policy on partnership in a defensive collective security alliance namely the North Atlantic Treaty Organization

Whereas the cruise missile has been developed as a part of the NATO deterrence capacity and that system needs to be flight tested over terrain similar to that which it would encounter in its operational role and such terrain exists in Northern Canada

Now therefore be it resolved that the RCAA supports and commends the decision taken by the Canadian Government to permit the testing of the unarmed cruise missile system in Northern Canada.

Following a discussion of the Regimental Affairs Committee report the following was approved:

"The Association allocate up to \$4,000 to be used by the Base Commander to refurbish the RCAA Room (formerly Fawn Room) in the Officers Mess RCA, Home Station, CFB Shilo".

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

ATLANTIC REGION

The Atlantic Region Militia Artillery Units are:

First Field Regiment (Halifax-Dartmouth) RCA (M)
Third Field Regiment RCA (M) The Loyal Company
Eighty Fourth Independent Field Battery RCA (M)

The three Atlantic Artillery units experienced a very busy and productive year, taking full advantage of the Inventron and ranges at CFB Gaagetown for CPX's and live firing exercises. Each unit participated in their own District exercise and took part in community activities.

3Fd participated in Tattoo 200, which was presented at Saint John as part of the cities Bicentennial celebration. The Tattoo played to a sell out audience for five evenings and was a complete success. It may be repeated next year.

The band of 3Fd produced an L.P. record to commemorate the Bicentennial of Canada's first incorporated city.

During Loyalist Days the Saint John gunners performed a Sun Down Ceremony in period uniform firing two six pound guns.

1Fd fired a salute for the Trooping of the Colours of the 2nd Bty of the RCR in Halifax.

COURSES

LHQ courses were conducted for GMT, TQ 1 Artymn, TQ 1 Comms, TQ 1 Adm and TQ 1 MSE IO, Dvr non trade, Dvr Arty wheeled, TQ 2 Comms and TQ 2 Arty Tech.

Personnel attended regular force courses in advanced arty tech and the detachment commanders 2IC course.

Unit personnel attended rank and trade qualification courses at CFB Shilo, CFB Borden and MTC Aldershot and were scheduled for courses at Farnham, Quebec, but at the last minute we received word the English courses were cancelled, when in fact, they were not.

Personnel also were on fly over and on call out to Alert and RV 83.

ROYAL VISIT

A highlight of our year was the visit to Halifax and Saint John of their Royal Highnesses The Prince and Princess of Wales. 1Fd and 3Fd fired the Royal Salutes and participated in the Honour Guard in their respective cities.

AUGMENTATION BATTERY

Mike Bty, the augmentation bty for the Artillery School at CTC was fully supported by the Atlantic gunners. In addition to supporting CTC and providing summer employment M Bty is a valuable training experience for the gunners who are selected to attend.

SYEP

3Fd conducted their SYEP at 89th Bty in Woodstock and ran a GMT course at 115 Bty in Saint John in lieu of SYEP.

84 Bty in Yarmouth ran their SYEP, but this year they were not allowed to include TQ 1 Artymn in the programme, as they have in previous years. This had a serious effect on Ex Atlantic Barbara. Their SYEP normally provides the gunners for two gun detachments and since the course officer and instructors had to remain at LHQ they were unable to field a separate bty for the exercise.

EXERCISE ATLANTIC BARBARA

In March the three units combined for a CPX using the Inventron at CTC to practise their skills for EX Atlantic Barbara.

In Aug the Atlantic gunners conducted Exercise Atlantic Barbara IV. The three units formed a two bty, 260 man Regt with support personnel from AMA's Comm Sqns and Svc Bns.

The Regt based out of Blue Mountain Camp and provided all its own service support with the exception of two cooks from CFB Gagetown

This year 5 RALC formed a Division HQ to control the movement of all arty units on the Gagetown ranges.

The exercise began with bty fire missions and progressed through regimental missions and culminated with divisional missions with AMA, Secteur De L'Est and 5 RACL.

The absence of 84 Bty due to the SYEP decision and the occasional absence of the OP tasked Bty left RHQ with only one bty, so at times Regt fire missions were impossible.

The highlight of the exercise for the OP tasked Bty was the airlift of the guns by Chinook from the ranges to Blue Mountain Camp, a distance of 35 kilometers. The next morning they were air lifted back to the ranges to continue live firing.

Hopefully next year a mortar platoon from the 2nd Battalion Royal New Brunswick Regt and the Princess Louise Fusiliers will join with the Atlantic gunners for Ex Atlantic Barbara V.

The support received from Base Gagetown, particularly the Arty school, for this exercise and throughout the year has been excellent.

EQUIPMENT PROBLEMS

The OP tasked Bty has continued to receive equipment and vehicles throughout the past year and are now almost up to establishment. The other two units however are still short of radios and vehicles, particularly CP's. All units still do not have their own cam nets.

HONOURARY APPOINTMENTS

One sad note in the past year was the death of the former Honourary Col of 1 Fd Regt, Victor De B Oland, a long time friend and supporter of the Militia.

Brigadier General B. Robertson and Col JEH Miller have been reappointed as Honourary Col and LCol of 1 Fd Regt.

LCol Martin O'Leary has been reappointed as Honourary LCol of 3 Fd Regt.

APPOINTMENTS

LCol G.L. Moffitt was appointed Commanding Office of 3 Fd Regt, 01 Sept 83.

CENTRAL REGION

GENERAL

1. Central Region, encompasses Central Militia Area, which is basically the Province of Ontario. It contains 5 Artillery Units, which are spread through out the Province. The five CMA Artillery Units are in good shape and carrying out effective Gunner training, They are as follows:

- a. 7 Toronto Regiment RCA - Toronto
- b. 11 Field Regiment RCA - Guelph/Hamilton
- c. 30 Field Regiment RCA - Ottawa
- d. 49 Field Regiment RCA - Sault Ste Marie
- e. 56 Field Regiment RCA - Brantford/St Catharines/Simcoe, Niagara Falls

TRAINING

2. All five units have been very active over the past 12 months with unit training. As well as Refresher Training, General Military Training, TQ-1 Artilleryman course, many of the units have conducted TQ-2 Communicators, Technician and Drivers Courses.

3. All five units competed in the RCAA Competition and as well did other live fire weekends at Meaford, Petawawa and Grayling Michigan. Some of the units took advantage of the Invertron training available in Petawawa and conducted CPXs at both the battery and Regimental Level.

4. The bulk of the training carried out by the 7 Tor Regt and the 11 Fd Regt has been focused on the fact that they have been given the Operational

tasking from FMC, with the 7 Tor providing a Regimental HQ and one battery, while the 11 Fd provides the other battery. Both units live fired at Meaford four times during the period March to June with 3 of those exercises being Regimental exercises.

5. In addition to normal training the 30th Field provided considerable assistance to CMA ARTS at the Connaught Ranges in conducting TQ 2 Communications and Technician training. They also provided 45 personnel (all ranks) to the Firing Troop at the NRQS at Shilo.

6. The 49th Field, in addition to their normal training, participated in Exercise Black Bear at GATES in Shilo and conducted Small Arms Training in Grayling. The 56 Field Regiment participated in Exercise Arrowhead at Camp Ipperwash, which was an Infantry oriented competition conducted by London Militia District.

SUMMER CONCENTRATION

7. This year's Summer Concentration, designated MILCON 83, was held at Petawawa for all CMA Artillery Units. The 5 Artillery Units were formed into 2 Artillery Regiments. One Regiment was the Operationally Tasked Regiment consisting of the 7 Toronto Regiment and the 11 Field Regiment. The second Regiment was a 3 Battery Regiment with the 30th, 49th, and 56th Field each providing a battery. A small co-ordinating cell was set up to co-ordinate training for the two Regiments. The training carried out at MILCON 83 was successful with our aims, which included live fire support to the infantry being met.

8. This summer the TQ1 Artilleryman Phase of the Summer Youth Employment Programme was done collectively at Petawawa prior to summer camp. This meant that when the units arrived at Milcon, that the summer students were fully trained including having completed their live fire PO checks. This was quite instrumental in getting the training off the ground quickly at a higher level. It is hoped that this concept will be carried on.

OTHER EVENTS

9. The 7 Toronto Regiment participated in a number of salutes and parades, in addition to the training which they carried out. They have just recently had a change in Honourary Colonels with Col Pyper becoming Honourary Colonel and Col Sosnkoyski becoming the Honourary LCol. The 11 Field held their first annual Regimental Picnic, while the 56 Field held their first annual Regimental Sports Day. The 56th Field fired the Royal Salute for HRH Prince Philip in London Ontario as part of the 100th Birthday Celebration of the Royal Canadian Regiment (RCR).

10. The 30th Field Regiment has fired some 12 salutes since January this year and like the 11th Field Regiment, are anticipating a Change of Command this fall. The 49th Field, on the 16th of March, had a change of Hon Col with Col D. Joyce retiring and Col, the Honourable J.B. Aird Lieutenant Governor of Ontario becoming the new Honourary Colonel.

SUMMARY

11. The CMA Gunners look forward to another busy and challenging 12 months and would like to wish Gunners everywhere Good Shooting.

1982-83 Annual Report - 10 Fd Regt RCA (M) Regina, Sask.

10 Fd Regt is comprised of a Headquarters element plus 18 Bty, located in Regina, and 64 Bty, located in Yorkton. The training year, 1 Sep 82 to 1 Sep 83, saw the Regiment conduct 8 field exercises despite a shortage of gun sights, and take part in 2 District sponsored exercises. In addition small arms training and BMT and TQ1 courses received considerable attention during the year.

Throughout the year, our effective strength showed continual improvement, rising from 28 as of 1 Sep 82 to 54 as of 1 Sep 83. The peak strength was 57, reached in Jun 83. Further progress in recruiting is anticipated for the coming year.

The Regiment played a noteworthy part in two special ceremonial occasions. On 6 Jul 83 it fired a 15 gun salute to mark the installation of the new Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable F.W. Johnson. Five days prior to this, as part of the Canada Day celebrations, the Regiment and the Government of Saskatchewan. This plaque now marks the official saluting base in Saskatchewan for all ceremonial salutes.

Work continues on a special project at CFB Dundurn where a dug-in OP is being constructed for demonstration and teaching purposes. 18 Bty hopes to have this project completed in 1984

1982-83 Annual Report - 20 Fd Regt RCA (M) Edmonton, Alberta

September, 1982, started off with exceptional promise for a busy training year: We were not disappointed.

We undertook small arms classification at Camp Wainwright from 17-19 SEP, with Ex Pot Shot VI and qualified some 31 all ranks. Our first artillery live firing exercise (Ex Prairie Scramble) on 01-03 OCT emphasized fire and movement and provided the No. 1s with open actions. In conjunction with Northern Alberta Militia Districts (NAMD) FTX on 22-24 OCT, we again practised artillery drills, live firing, bivouac procedures, while supporting other units in the field. All these preliminaries gave us good standing for Ex Valley Road, the RCAA annual competition on 05-07 NOV. Needless to say, we felt very comfortable with our performance.

Ex Big Lift was to say the least a grand effort. As reported in Sentinel ("Gunners and Choppers in Action" 1983/3, Pages 14-15), both 447 Tpt Hel Sqn and 408 Tac Hel Sqn combined to air transport the guns and the troops from Edmonton to the field at Camp Wainwright, and return. The Chinooks and the Hueys encountered no difficulties once the ice fog had cleared, and the delay in departure allowed time for the men to familiarize with the rotaries, thanks to the co-operation of the pilots and ground crews. Upon arrival at Camp Wainwright, the guns were slung into place, transported to the gun position, and nicely plunked onto their assigned platforms. Ammunition was dumped centrally,

and personnel were relayed by the Hueys to their guns: everything was air transported. The guns opened up firing data provided by the Air OP, who were fleeing around in Kiowas. The weather, unfortunately moved in during the late afternoon of Saturday, curtailing shooting. The action moved indoors back at the Quonset huts during the evening where many a war story was exchanged between gunners and flyers, and "a good time was had by all." With as early TTBR on Sunday, the guns once again went into action until early noon, when plans were then executed for the return flight. Weather conditions went from bad to worse and Plan B (ground tpt) was seriously considered for the 200km trek. However, it was willed that we should fly in formation all the way. It was quite a sight - with all those Chinooks, Hueys, and Kiowas - and the gunners were thoroughly delighted.

May 28, 1983, was a special occasion for the Regiment. The City of Red Deer graciously granted the Unit the Freedom of the City. Under a bright sunny sky, the Regiment put on its ceremonial best, when upon being granted the freedom by His Worship Mayor R. McGee, it marched through the downtown core with swords drawn and bayonets fixed, to the accompaniment of the pipes. A roll past of the entire Regiment, with its recce vehicles, two command posts, six gun tractors and guns then proceeded to the Exhibition Grounds where an eleven gun commemorative salute dovetailed an earlier two minute silence for fallen comrades. The Regiment was specially honoured by the presence of the Colonel Commandant, BGen W. Turner, the Director of Artillery, Col H. Wheatley, Col A.R. Gebauer Comd NAMD and Honourary Colonels G. Lynch-Staunton and E. Cormack. A final gathering back at the Red Deer Armouries saw men and guests partake in a sumptuous buffet, spirits, and other merriments. A photo session permanently preserves the occasion on celluloid.

The Regiment executed its share of ceremonial duties, including official Royal salutes on Remembrance Day, Victoria Day, and Canada Day. However, of particular pleasure was our participation at 440 Tac Hel Sqn's Presentation of Standards parade on 21 MAY 83. The Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta, His Honour Frank Lynch-Staunton, was accorded a 15-gun Royal Salute at CFB Edmonton (Namao) upon his arrival. An Honour Guard from the Base and a good crowd was on hand to witness the presentation ceremonies and to witness a fly-past of CF-104 Starfighters, C-130 Hercules, Harvard Trainers, and a miscellany of Helicopters which thoroughly delighted all.

No less exciting was the visit of Their Royal Highnesses The Prince and Princess of Wales to Edmonton in conjunction with Universiade '83. The Regiment was on hand at the Legislature Grounds on 29 JUN to greet them with a 21-gun Royal Salute. Included with the dignitaries and a LdSH Honour Guard was a crushing noon-day crowd straining to catch a glimpse of Charles and Dianna, in a Florentine setting of reflecting pools, water jets and arches, fountains, floral glory, and marble structures. As usual, the OP party had a front row centre location. The Royal couple's departure on 01 Jul from Namao was again graced by a Royal Salute in the presence of a LdSH Honour Guard and Mounted Troop. Even the horses weren't gun shy! The Regiment's participation in these ceremonies fittingly concluded the Royal party's very successful Canadian Tour.

1982-83 Annual Report - 20 Indep Fd Battery RCA (M)

20 Indep Fd Bty, located in Lethbridge, Alberta, has completed another full year of training and with it we begin our 76th year as a unit. 20 Bty training this year was highlighted by 3 field firing exercises, a winter warfare exercise, the shoot to live program and two salutes. This year the unit sent 11 members to Shilo to train on the Inventron. This training was prolonged for three extra days when the Brandon airport was snowed in. However, the troops soldiered on. Once again the Bty was involved in CPX trg in Calgary this time assisted by the gunners of 20 Fd Regt Edmonton.

During February the unit received funds from the Alberta Project and was able to conduct a BMT-GMT course for students. The course produced 17 new gunners for the Bty. These members were then put on a Driver non-trade course which followed.

June was a red-letter month, the Battery fired the RCAA competition for the first time in years.

1983 has been a busy year for the Battery on the ceremonial and social side. Apart from the usual New Years levee, St. Barbara tea and dinner, the Unit held a 75 Anniversary Mess Dinner and Ball with the guest of honour Gnr James Francis Logan the last surviving member of the original Bty founded in 1908. 20 Indep Fd Bty starred in a half hour documentary entitled "GUNNERS" produced by CFAC TV as a public service to help us celebrate our 75th. We now look forward to our 100th. UBIQUE.

1982-83 Annual Report - 26 Fd Regt RCA (M) Brandon, Manitoba

The primary role of 26 Fd Regt has been to continue to support the requirements of the Op Tasking of 71 bty, from recruiting to individual and collective training to the acquiring and maintaining of more vehicles and equipment. Due to the momentum provided by increased funding, equipment, and the effects of the recession, our recruiting program was more active than in the past, resulting in far more recruits than in recent years.

We completed two BMT/GMT courses between Jan and Jun 83, the majority of the graduates went on to TQ1 Arty training in July. Also, we have had excellent cooperation from 3 RCHA and the RCA Battle School in loading our available candidates on their courses. In all, we have trained personnel on Arty Driver Towed TQ2, Communicator, Arty Tech TQ3, Jr NCO, Basic Rifle Coaches Course (for Shoot to Live Program) and officer training.

Collective training took the form of three live firing exercises in the fall 82, and a build up to Ex Limber Gunner in Mar/Apr 83, wherein 71 Bty and the Ops Bty from 15 Fd joined 3 RCHA in a six day combined live firing exercise as formed sub-sub units. It was extremely successful, and our first taste of what the Op Tasking was all about. Shots on film were taken on this exercise now form the nucleus of a recruiting film we've developed.

The level of training has increased greatly from last year, and is continuing apace. The culmination of summer training was the long road move to MIC Dundurn to support Milcon 83, which was also a highly successful training week.

Training for fall 83 is in full swing. Our first live firing took place in support of GATES, Ex Black Bear and Ex Yellow Bear, 17/18 Sep 83. We are now preparing to fire our Annual Competition in October.

1982-83 Annual Report - 116 Indep Fd Bty RCA (M)

116 Indep Fd Bty, Headquartered in Kenora, Ont. had a busy and eventful year in 1982-83. The Battery ended the year larger and better trained than at the beginning of the training period.

The unit took part in 13 field training exercises, including 6 live fire and movement exercises, and firing exercise 'Black Bear' in support of the German Army Training Establishment in Shilo. The Battery also fired 5 ceremonial salutes in Winnipeg.

The Battery ran a total of 4 courses during the 82-83 training year, including a GMT Recruit and Basic training course, a TQ1 Artilleryman, a TQ2 Artillery Drive and a TQ2 Artillery Communicator course.

This year, the unit had 56% of its total strength attend summer courses, with a most encouraging number of 'A' grades.

1982-83 saw a number of changes in key Battery personnel. Major N.E. Johnson retired after 4 years as Commanding Officer, and was replaced by Capt. J.H. Lamb. The Unit also received a complete new slate of 3 RSS staff at the end of the summer of 1983.

The Battery's main problem is a lack of numbers, but it is hoped that the resumption of recruiting later in this training year will alleviate this situation.

MILITIA AREA PACIFIC REPORT

There are two artillery units in Militia Area Pacific. They are:

15th Field Artillery Regt RCA commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel John MacGregor CD RCA and located in Vancouver, B.C.

5th (B.C.) Field Battery RCA commanded by Major Philip Sherwin CD RCA and located in Victoria B.C.

Both units have had a varied training year but for the first time because of operational commitments were not able to train together at any time. The training in both units included the usual local headquarters trades training however this year there were a number of highlights. In particular:

15th Field Artillery Regiment

- a. Upon receipt of the operational tasking the 15th Field Artillery Regiment took all in hand and grew in strength to 130 all ranks. In March of this year the 15th held a live firing practise at Fort Lewis Washington U.S.A. This exercise was a prelude to exercise Limber Gunner held in Shilo, Manitoba 01 to 10 April 83. Exercise Limber Gunner was the first operational test for 15th as they succeeded without difficulty in moving 116 all ranks, six guns and twenty three vehicles on fourteen Herculees

transport aircraft from Vancouver, B.C. to the deployment area in Shilo. The exercise was challenging and contributed greatly to morale and to the setting of the standard for future operations.

- b. This year the 15th also had the top two candidates on the National Rank Qualification School Senior NCR Course.
- c. Colonel Jim Griffiths, a senior retired officer of 85th Battery 15th Field Artillery Regiment, is now the Honourary Colonel of the 15th.

5th (British Columbia) Field Battery RCA

- a. The strength of the Fifth remains at 150 all ranks. The unit held three live firing practices this year, Thanksgiving, Easter and MILCON. All exercises were well attended and were successful in part to the generosity of the 15th who, because they were on a different training cycle, were able to loan equipment. This year was particularly good as Milcon 83 saw the unit maintain for the third year in a row, 100+ men on exercise.
- b. There were a number of firsts this year as the Fifth had the top TQ3 Artillery Candidate as well as top individual and snap shot in the Militia Area Pacific Blair Rifle Shoot. Additionally the Fifth won the Falling Plates competition defeating 14 other teams drawn from all combat and supporting arms in the area.

There were a number of events which the units shared a common interest.

This year, at the Area Rank and Trade School run by elements of both units, we qualified 18 Artillery TQ1, 25 TQ2 Artillery Technician and 21 TQ2 Artillery Communicator.

The Bands were active in B.C., Washington U.S.A. and Manitoba this year playing in 138 events to a total audience of some two hundred twenty thousand (220,000) listeners. Events of note were:

- a. The presentation on 10 March of the Queens Colour by His Royal Highness Prince Philip to the Rocky Mountain Rangers in Kamloops, B.C.
- b. The bands performance as the premier band, to the Governor of the State of Washington and an audience of 8,000 at the Pacific Northwest Band Festival held on the 26th August in Olympia Washington.

Both bands are actively soliciting funds for period uniforms and expect to be in full dress by December of this year.

The respective unit museums are now well established as accredited museums within the B.C. Museums association. The Fifth museum received three Federal grants and seven Provincial grants to catalogue and preserve some 5,300 documents and correspondence dating from 1861 to 1927.

There were two disappointments this year. Both units were willing but not able to participate in exercise Black Bear in Shilo, Manitoba and because of operational commitments the two units were not able to train together at Milcon. It is expected that this will change for the future and we are both confident that the realistic, challenging training will continue.

PRESENTATION ON RCA MUSEUM

I appreciate this opportunity to speak to you today. I would like to give you a general sitrep on the RCA Museum, and our future plans which include a proposal to move to a new museum site.

Since it opened in 1963, the RCA Museum has been located at CFB Shilo, the Home Station of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery. To date the RCA Museum has enjoyed a very successful year. Our attendance record last year was over 8,000 visitors and this year we had 8,300 visitors including 63 guided tours. We took mobile displays and floats out to seven towns in Manitoba during the summer months. We presented our theme and our part in Canada's Heritage to approximately 200,000 people. The RCA Museum placed a 1 1/2 page ad in a tourist newspaper which was distributed free of cost during those tours and we had a 30 second ad on radio throughout the summer months.

The RCA Museum has begun restoration on a MK II 12 pounder limber and we have expanded our small arms display with nine new acquisitions.

These activities were made possible because the museum was very successful in acquiring grant money to hire workers. In May of this year we received funding totaling \$61,000.00 to hire two research librarians and a carpenter for one year. \$19,000.00 of this \$61,000.00 will be used to provide materials for the project including the acquisition of a computer for the RCA Museum and Kit Shop. The RCA Museum hired five students to work throughout the summer on special projects, maintenance projects and the outreach program. In addition to this the RCA Museum has had 5 people employed on the Westbran Work Project in the Museum and Kit Shop through out the year. These people are employed as engravers, wood workers, typists and researchers. The RCA Museum will also apply the 3 workers on the Canada Work Program this fall.

The total grant money received this year is approximately \$104,000.00. This money just keeps the Museum running. It does not pay for permanent staff.

Our future plans are very straight forward in nature. Grant money from the Museum Maintenance Grant from NDHQ plus grant money on summer employment will continue to be used to develop our Artillery Park which is located in the field north of building A 10. Last years summer employment program people scraped and painted all of our outdoor displays. This year we have begun to place concrete pads under 1/3 of our displays. By 1985 we hope to have placed concrete pads under all of our displays, laid out gravel walks, planted trees and shrubs and put in park benches.

The success of our different programs is mainly due to our having a full time curator, CWO Master Gunner Lunan. The RCA Museum has recognized a need for a full time curator and if we can not replace Master Gunner Lunan in March of 1984 with another military person, we will endeavour to hire a full time civilian curator.

Finally, our biggest project as far as future plans is concerned is our proposed move to a new and bigger museum site. As you are all aware the RCA

Museum and Kit Shop are housed in building C2 and C4 with approximately 11,000 square feet of usable space. We are proposing to move to building A12 and A16 which would increase our usable space to approximately 13,700 square feet. The reasons for the decision to move are basically:

- a. overcrowding in storage and library facilities
- b. overcrowding of displays
- c. lack of Kit Shop working area
- d. C2 & C4 are two of the oldest buildings in Shilo. They are fire traps.
- e. We lack a proper fire suppression system

With regards to funding for this proposal, we have approached this problem from two directions:

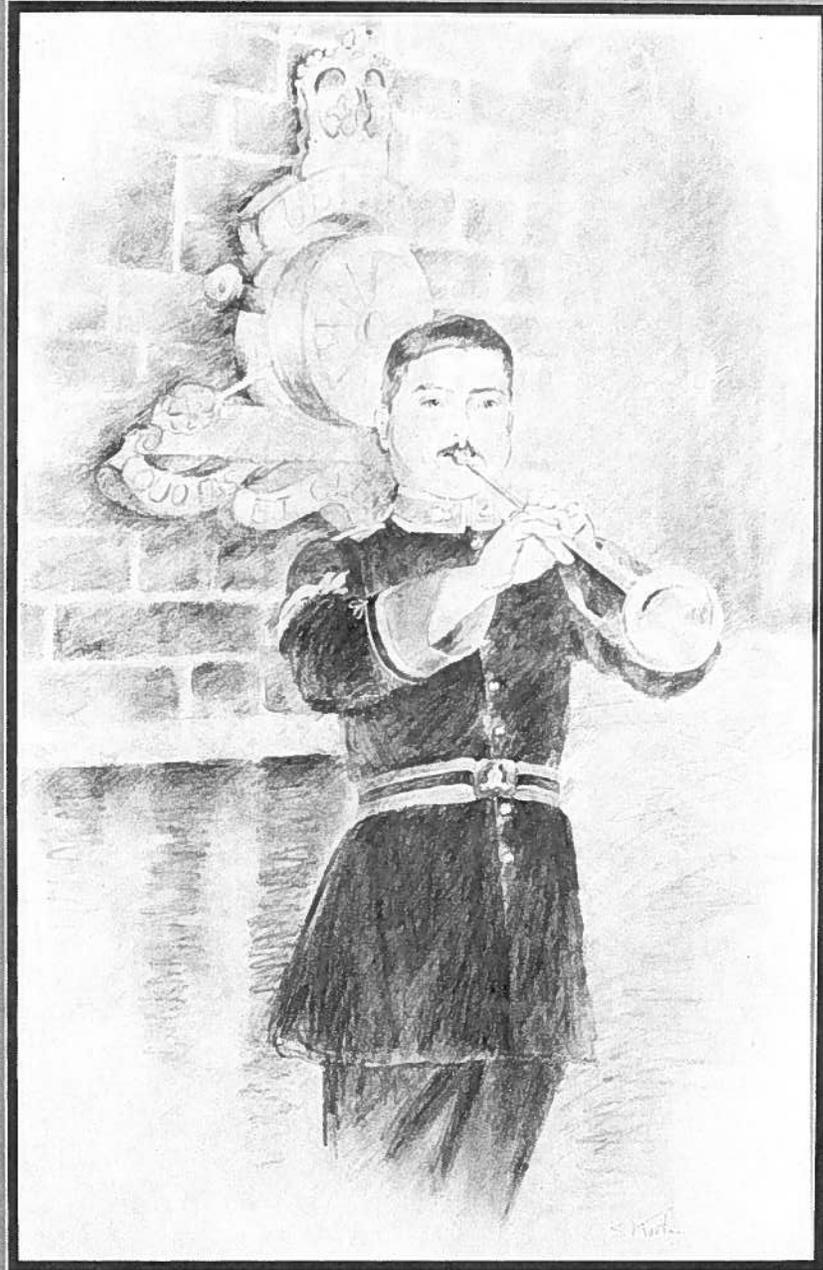
- a. An approval for a project with a cost of \$267,000 was submitted to FMCHQ in Nov 82. Costing of this Project for the renovation of A12 and A16 was split at approximately \$63,000 Non Public and \$204,000 as public funds.

At present the RCA Museum can committ approximately \$40,000 towards the \$63,000 target for NPF. I have also asked the \$116,000 grant from the Province. If we are successful with our request, the proposed renovation project may start as early as spring of 1984. We will know if we have been successful by the second week of Oct 83.

If we are not successful we will continue to apply for grants to aid us in our requirement for funds.

The more NPF funds we can acquire for this project, the sooner we expect FMCHQ to react favourably towards it.

It is my hope that enough interest in and support of this project will be generated throughout the Regular Force and Militia Artillery units, plus the RCAA and other Gunner associations. The credibility of the RCA Museum as a museum and the safety of our acquired artifacts and donations are at stake here. The value of the RCA Museum property and the excellent PR it brings to the Corps far outweigh the cost of completing this renovation project.



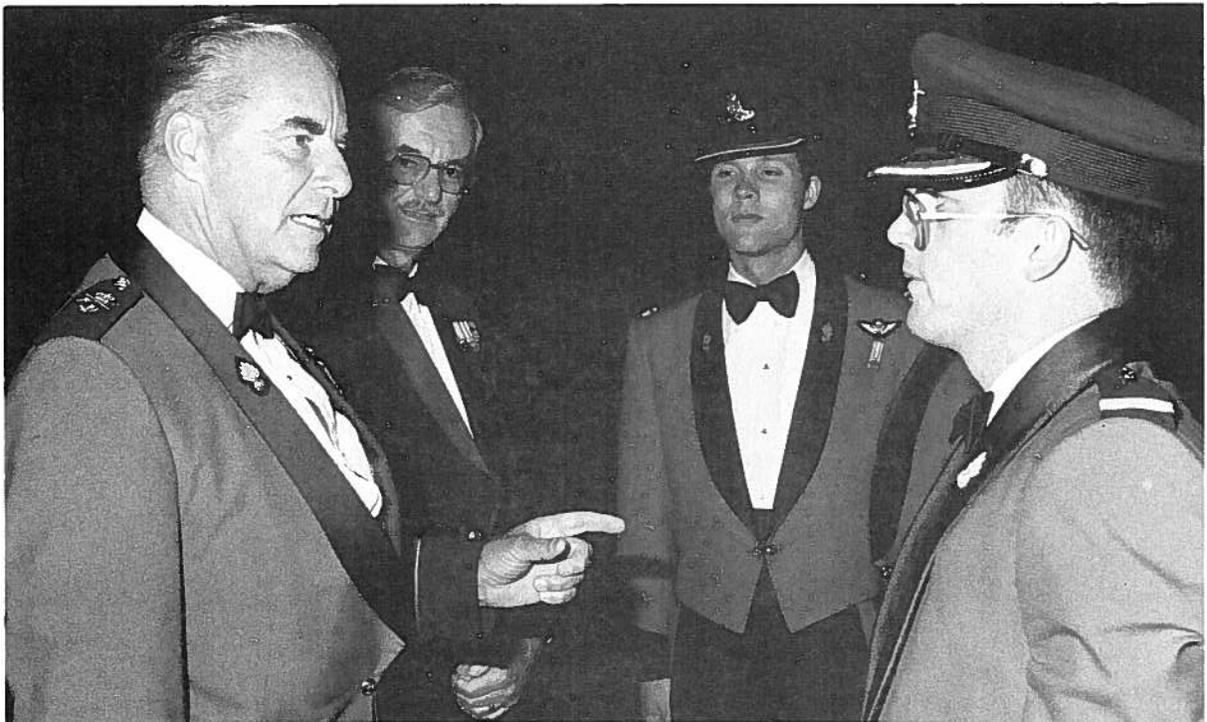
Charcoal drawing of RCA Band trumpeter commissioned by 2 RCHA. Financial assistance provided by RCAA. Drawing hangs in 2RCHA Mess in Petawawa.



BGen R.P. Beaudry taking salute and inspecting guard.







BGen W.W. Turner inspecting 2RCHA officers guest night firing troop.



2RCHA Guest Night Firing Troop.



BGen W.W. Turner and officers of the "Army of the West"



Col J.A. MacInnis, Maj B. Saunders and BGen L.M. Salmon



The Guest Night head table.





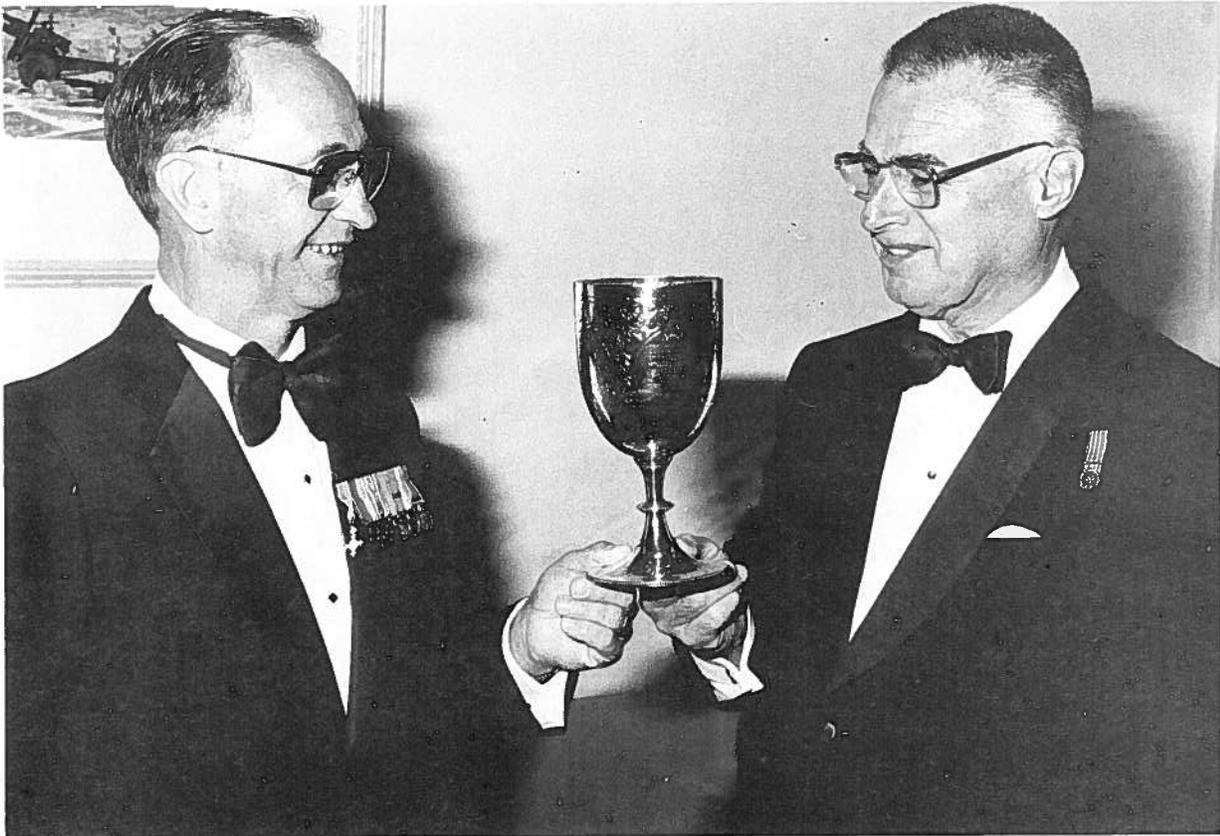
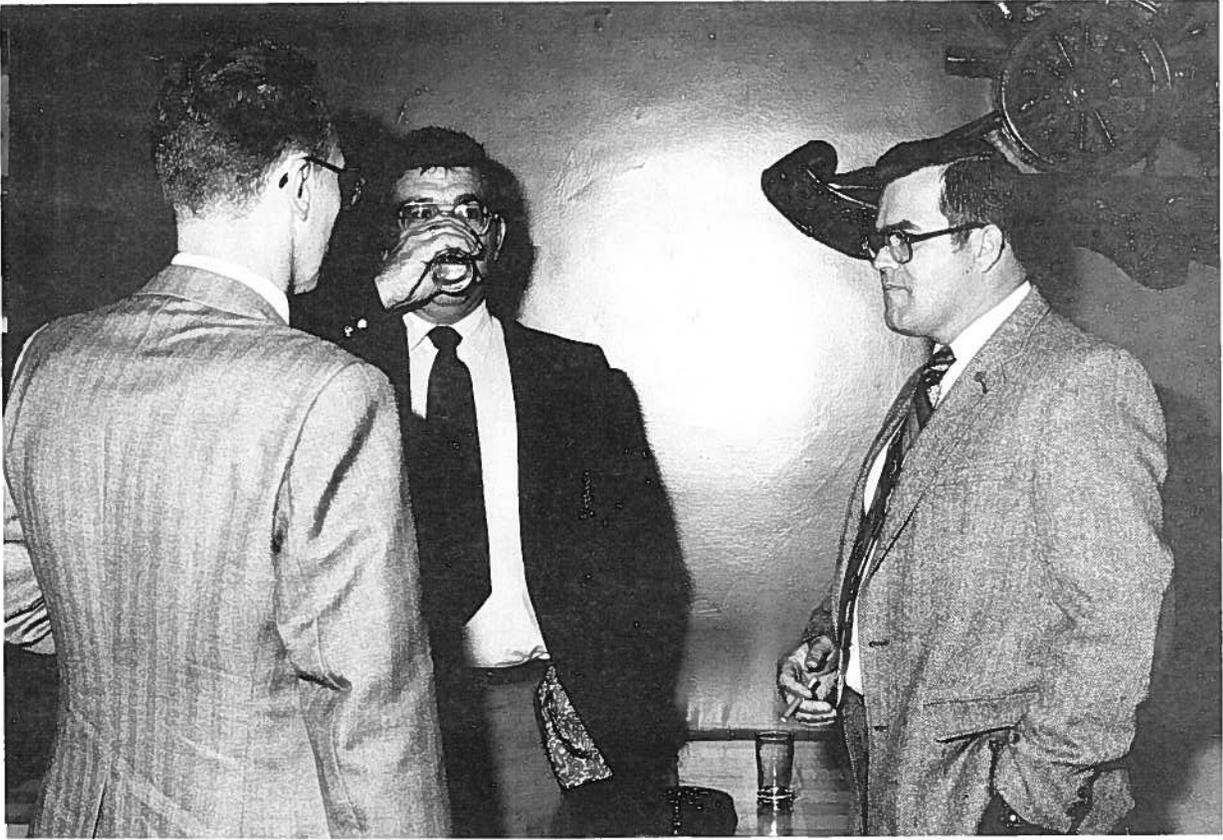
Enjoying a fine meal





Col J.A. MacInnis, BGen L.M. Salmon and bandmaster, Central Band







Enjoying 26 Fd Regt hospitality.





Artillery delegates and guests, CDA Guest night Jan. 83



Artillery delegates and guests, CDA Guest night Jan. 84

Guest Night Dinner

The Association's traditional Guest Night Dinner was held on Friday evening 23 Sep. Among the guests were the delegates, officers of 3RCHA, the Commander, Home Station Shilo and individual members of the Association. Competition prizes and trophies were presented to the winners prior to the dinner. The guests were entertained by the CF Central Band from Winnipeg which provided an excellent variety of marches and dinner music. Our most sincere appreciation goes to the Band and Mess staff of CFB Shilo for their great efforts on this occasion.

Report of the Nominating Committee - Col J.R.G. Saint-Louis

The following officers were nominated for appointment to the Executive Committee for 1983-84:

President	LCol G.E. Parnell
Vice-President	LCol J.R. Hubel
Sec-Treasurer	LCol B.G. Brulé
Advisory Committee	Col E.H. Rowe
	Col A.E. Sherwin
	Col R.A. Jacobson
	LCol J.C. McKenna
	Col J.R.G. Saint-Louis
Past President	BGen L.M. Salmon
Auditor	Mr. J.E. Baldwin

Regional Representatives:	LCol E.H. King	- Atlantic
	LCol S.J. Goldberg	- Secteur de l'est
	LCol C.E. Healy	- Central
	LCol J. Graves	- Prairie
	LCol J. MacGregor	- Pacific

The report was duly moved and approved. LCol Parnell, President for 1983-84 expressed his appreciation on behalf of all members for the sincere efforts everyone had made during the meeting, particularly to the out-going President Col Salmon. He also voiced every members view on the splendid reception the Association received from the Base Commander and the CO 3RCHA and their respective staffs and for their exceptional contribution to the meeting. A motion of appreciation to Col Salmon was unanimously approved.

Delegates appointed to the January 1984 meeting of the Conference of Defence Associations:

LCol G.E. Parnell
Col J.R.G. Saint-Louis
LCol J. Hubel
LCol S.T. McDonald
LCol G. Burton

Advisors

BGen W.W. Turner
Col D.B. McGibbon

Official Observers

Col J.R. Matheson
LCol B.G. Brulé

Trustees Appointed

LCol G.E. Parnell
BGen W.W. Turner
Col R.A. Jacobson

Signing Officers Appointed

LCol B.G. Brulé
LCol N.F. Scardina
LCol J.E. deHart

CISS Representatives

LCol J. Hubel
LCol J.C. McKenna (alternate)

Committees

1. Gunners of Canada reprint

Chairman - LCol R. Dallaire
Members - LCol B.S. MacDonald
- LCol R.O. Gauthier

2. Historic Sites

Chairman - Col J.R.G. Saint-Louis
Members - LCol R. Dallaire
- LCol G. Guay
- LCol C. Gaudreau
- Col J.H. Turnbull

3. Competitions

Chairman - LCol S.T. McDonald

4. Finance

Chairman - LCol N.F. Scardina
Members - Col R.A. Jacobson
- LCol R.O. Gauthier
- Col C. Archambault

5. Regimental Affairs

Chairman - LCol J.E. deHart

6. Position Paper

Chairman - Col J.R. Matheson
Members - Col D.B. McGibbon
- Col E.H. Rowe
- BGen W.W. Turner

7. Training

Chairman - LCol G. Burton
Members - Maj P.A. Sherwin
- LCol S.J. Goldberg
- LCol S.L. Moffitt

Approval was given by the Executive Committee to the Association fees to be charged to Associate Affiliated Organizations as follows:

\$1.00 per year per member up to a maximum of \$50.00 per year for each such organization. Approval was also given by the Executive Committee to the Vice President, LCol J. Hubel, to take steps to establish the publication of an RCAA newsletter.

Delegates and Members Attending
the 98th Annual Meeting
September 22,23,24, 1983

Atlantic Region

Col E.A. Bauer CD	W N.B. MD	Saint John
LCol L.A. Branum CD	Arty School	Oramocto
Maj A.G. Gallant CD	RSS Atl.	Westfield
LCol R.W. Johnston CD	W N.B. MD	Saint John
LCol E.H. King CD	1 Fd	Halifax
LCol G.L. Moffit CD	3 Fd	Saint John
LCol G.E. Parnell CD	Atl. Area HQ	Halifax
Col J.H. Turnbull OMM OSTJ CD	3 Fd	Saint John

Secteur de l'est

Maj J.F. Coulet CD	6RAC	Lévis
Maj R.J. Boutilier CD	2 Fd	Montreal
LCol N.H. Connally CD	FMC HQ	St Hubert
LCol R.A. Dallaire CD	5RALC	Valcartier
LCol P.B. Fecteau CD	SE	Montreal
LCol R.O. Gauthier CD	62 RAC	Shawanigan
LCol S.J. Goldberg CD	2 Fd	Montreal
Maj M. Prankin CD	2 Fd	Montreal
Col J.R.G. Saint-Louis CD	SE	Montreal
Col T.K. Stafford CD	Dist #1	Montreal

Central Region

BGen R.P. Beaudry CD	NDHQ	Ottawa
LCol B.G. Brulé CD	RCAA	Ottawa
Maj J.J. Bulger CD	Ret'd	Gananoque
LCol G.E. Burton CD	11 Fd	Guelph
Capt S.J. Davis CD	NDHQ	Ittawa
LCol deHart MC CD	CDA	Ottawa
LCol C.E. Healey CD	49 Fd	Sault Ste. Marie
LCol J.R. Hubel CD	CMA HQ	Toronto
LCol B.S. MacDonald CD	TMD	Toronto
Lt R.M. MacFarlane MBE	Ret'd	Gananoque
Maj D.J. MacGillivray CD	7 Tor	Toronto
LCol C.W. Marmo CD	30 Fd	Ottawa
Col J.R. Matheson KStJ CD	30 Fd	Perth
Col D.B. McGibbon CD	D Arty	Ottawa
LCol J.C. McKenna CD	RCAA	Ottawa
Maj T.W. Melnyk CD	NDHQ	Ottawa
LCol R.B. Mitchell CD	NDHQ	Ottawa
LCol C.R. Mouatt CD	7 Tor	Toronto
BGen L.M. Salmon CD	HQ CMA	Toronto

Maj E.M. Pancoe CD	56 Fd	Brantford
Maj D.E. Peterson CD	NDHQ	Ottawa
Col E.H. Rowe OMM OstJ CD	49 Fd	Sault Ste. Marie
LCol N.F.E. Scardina CD	30 Fd	Ottawa
LCol E.L. Schrader CD	HQ CMA	Toronto
BGen W.W. Turner CD	Col Cmndt	Kingston

Prairie Region

Col W.G. Ames OMM CD	Ret'd	Ardrossan, Alta
LCol D.L. Berry CD	Prairie Mil	Brandon
LCol C.H. Davies CD	26 Fd	Brandon
Col A.R. Gebauer CD	NAMD	Edmonton
Maj D.P. Graham	20 Bty	Lethbridge
LCol T.J. Guiler CD	PMA	Winnipeg
Capt J.H. Lamb	116 Bty	Kenora
Col G.W. Manson CD	26 Fd	Brandon
Capt D.A. McCuish	116 Bty	Kenora
LCol J. O'Kane CD	10 Fd	Regina
LCol T.R. Smith CD	Ret'd	Canmore, Alta

Pacific Region

Lt P.L. Faliszewski	15 Fd	Vancouver
Maj J.A. Jessap	15 Fd	Vancouver
LCol J.G. MacGregor CD	15 Fd	Vancouver
LCol S.T. McDonald CD	MA PAC	Vancouver
Maj R.E. Mugford	15 Fd Vancouver	Vancouver
Col A.E. Sherwin CD	Ret'd	Victoria
Maj P.A. Sherwin CD	5 Bty	Victoria

Canadian Forces Europe

Capt J. Lord CD	129 AAD Bty	Lahr
Capt W.D. McRobbie CD	128 AAD Bty	Lahr

RULES OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION

(REVISED 1983)

NAME

1. The name of the Association shall be the Royal Canadian Artillery Association.

OBJECT

2. (a) The promotion of the efficiency and welfare of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery and of all matters pertaining to the Defence of Canada.

(b) The Association shall be a non-profit organization.

PATRON AND VICE-PATRONS

3. The Governor-General of Canada and the Lieutenant-Governors of the Provinces may be respectfully requested to become Patron and Vice-Patrons, respectively, of the Association.

MEMBERSHIP

4. (a) Ordinary Members
 - (1) All serving Artillery Officers of affiliated units of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery.
 - (2) Other serving Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery Officers who have paid the current individual membership fee.
 - (3) (i) Retired or former Artillery Officers of the Canadian Armed Forces acceptable to the Association who have paid the annual individual membership fee.

(ii) Retired officers are those who are no longer members of the Regular Forces or the Primary Reserve.
- (b) Life Members
 - (1) Any serving or retired officer of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery may make application to become a Life Member of the RCAA.
 - (2) Such application must be proposed and seconded by Ordinary Members of the RCAA who shall submit it to the Secretary thirty days before the annual meeting and who shall accompany it with a service history of the applicant.

- (3) Such properly constituted applications shall be examined by the Executive Committee who may, if they so decide, submit the application to the General Meeting with their recommendation.
- (4) The fee for Life Membership shall be at a rate that may from time to time be determined at an annual general meeting.

(c) Elected Honourary Life Members

- (1) Any person who is deemed to have rendered outstanding service to the Artillery may be elected an Honourary Life Member of the Association at a General Meeting. His record of service in the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery should normally be the dominant factor in selection.
- (2) Nominations should be submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer thirty days before an Annual Meeting Accompanied by reasons and where applicable, by a service history. Such nominations will be examined by the Executive Committee who may submit their recommendations to the General Meeting.
- (3) Voting will be by all eligible voters present on each name submitted.

(d) Associate Members

- (1) Serving or retired officers of other Canadian classifications who have served with an Artillery unit or other Artillery Officers of NATO or other Commonwealth forces acceptable to the Association who have paid the annual Associate Membership fee.

AFFILIATIONS

5. (a) Affiliated Units

The following upon payment of units fee, may become affiliated units with voting powers as determined in Para 9:

- (1) Artillery Regiments
- (2) Independent Artillery Batteries, and
- (3) The Artillery Department of the Combat Training Centre.

(b) Associate Affiliated Units

- (1) The following, upon payment of affiliation fees, may become Associate Affiliated Units with the approval of a General Meeting.
 - (i) Other Artillery Associations which are based locally in a community or nationally.
- (2) Associate Affiliated Units do not possess voting described in Para 9.
- (3)
 - (i) Representatives to the AGM of Associate Affiliated Units must hold membership in the RCAA in accordance with para 4.
 - (ii) Representatives to the AGM of Associate Affiliated Units are not eligible for travelling expenses and allowances unless that representative is an authorized delegate under para 23.

6. Rights of Membership

- (a) At the General Meeting all members will have the privilege of taking part in the proceedings other than voting.
- (b) Voting will be restricted to this set forth in para 9.
- (c) Any Ordinary Member may propose a resolution to a General Meeting provided that another Ordinary Member seconds it. Only eligible voters may vote on the resolution.

7. Cancellation of Membership

The membership of any member or the affiliation of any Unit may be cancelled by a three-fifths vote at a General Meeting. Before a vote is taken the person or unit concerned must be given an opportunity to present his/its case in writing and may address the meeting in person. In the case of HQ the address will be limited to the CO or one person nominated by him.

MEETINGS

8.
 - (a) A General Meeting of the Association will be held annually unless otherwise decided at a General Meeting.
 - (b) A special General Meeting may be called by the President at the request or concurrence of two thirds of the Executive Committee.
 - (c) All members are eligible to attend.

- (d) The General Meetings are to be held at a place and time of year to be decided at General Meetings; the exact dates are to be decided by the Executive Committee.
- (e) The President will preside, but in his absence, the Vice-President will take his place or, if not present the senior serving Militia Officer on the Executive committee.
- (f) At a General Meeting the business of the Association will be transacted and such powers as may be deemed fit well be delegated to the Executive Committee.

VOTING PROCEDURES

9. (a) Eligible Voters: At General meetings those eligible to vote will be:
- (1) Elected Officers and Members of the Executive Committee of the Association except the Secretary or Treasurer.
 - (2) One representative from each affiliated unit as determined in para 5. (a).
 - (3) Any Artillery Officer who is:
 - i. Commander of a Militia Area
 - ii. Commander of a Militia District
 - iii. Chief of Reserves
 - iv. Chairman of the Conference of Defence Associations
 - (4) The Director of Artillery
- (b) Any eligible voter or unit who is not represented at a meeting may:
- (1) On subjects of which notice has been given sent to the Secretary a written vote,
 - (2) In any case, give "proxy powers" to any eligible voter: such power is to be notified to the Secretary in writing stating whether such power is for specific subjects or all subjects that may arise. The above is to apply to both General and Executive Committee Meetings. For purposes of voting the person or unit giving the proxy shall be deemed present at the meeting and shall abide by vote of his proxy.

On the request of any eligible voter those abstaining on any motion will be recorded by name.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

10.

- (a) The following order of business will be observed at the Annual General Meeting:
 - (1) Presentation of Reports
 - (2) General Business
 - (3) Election of Officers
 - (4) New Business
- (b) The outgoing President, or the Officer presiding at the meeting will preside at the Annual Dinner.

MINUTES OF MEETING

11.

- (a) Extracts of the Minutes of all General Meetings will be published in the Annual Report.
- (b) Any action authorized by the Executive Committee will be published in the Annual Report.

OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

12. Officers of the Association

- (a) The Officers of the Association shall consist of:
 - (1) A President (not eligible to serve two consecutive terms)
 - (2) A Vice-President (not eligible to serve two consecutive terms)
 - (3) A Secretary
 - (4) A Treasurer
- (b) The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined.
- (c) A regular Officer may not serve as an Officer of the Association.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

13. For the administration and the conduct of the business of the Association throughout the year, there will be an Executive Committee consisting of
- (a) The President and Vice-President of the Association.
 - (b) One representative from serving units from each area as follows:
Atlantic, Eastern, Central, Prairie, and Pacific.
 - (c) The Immediate Past President.
 - (d) Ex-officio (1) The Colonel Commandant
 (2) Past Colonels Commandant
 - (e) The Director of Artillery
 - (f) An Advisory Committee of five Retired Officers elected for an initial one year term and thereafter eligible for further specified one or two year terms but not eligible to serve more than five consecutive years.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

14. (a) All Officers and Members of the Executive Committee will be elected by a General Meeting.
- (b) Nominations shall be made by a Nominating Committee consisting of the immediate Past President as Chairman plus, as members, those other Past Presidents in attendance at the annual General Meeting for
- (1) The Officers of the Association, and
 - (2) The members of the Executive Committee except the Area Representatives.
- (c) Representatives from each Area shall be elected by the eligible voters in each Area.
- (d) Further nominations may be made by any member of the Association before voting on the nominations takes place.
- (e) In the event of the inability of any member of the Executive Committee to continue effective service for cause such as incapacitation, death, relocation, or resignation, replacement, if required by the activities of the Association, may be made by the remaining members of the Executive Committee until the first following General Meeting.

DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

15. (a) To preside at the General Meeting and the Annual Dinner.
- (b) To preside at meetings of the Executive Committee.
- (c) To take such action with respect to new business as cannot wait until the next General Meeting of the Executive Committee or the next General Meeting.
- (d) To appoint the requisite number of delegates and alternates to attend the Conference of Defence Associations.
- (e) To appoint the Chairman and members of the various Standing Committees or Special Committees to serve in the interval between General Meetings, and
- (f) To carry out such other duties as may be assigned by a General Meeting or a meeting of the Executive Committee.

DUTIES OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT

16. (a) To preside in the absence of the President. In the absence of the Vice-President his functions shall be carried out by the senior serving officer of the Executive Committee.
- (b) To assign members to the various Standing and Special Committee at the General Meeting, and
- (c) To carry out such additional duties as shall be assigned by the President, the Executive Committee, or a General Meeting.

DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY

17. (a) To attend all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Committee; and to keep minutes of the transactions at such meetings in books provided by the Association and to be kept by him for that purpose.
- (b) To carry out the orders of the Association or of the Executive Committee, as the case may be, or the presiding officers thereof;
- (c) To prepare all reports of the prize lists, and to certify and submit the same to the proper meetings and officers of the Association, and to keep all records thereof;
- (d) To be responsible for notifying all units and members of the amount of dues

- (e) To discharge other duties as may be required from time to time by the Annual General Meeting, the Executive Committee, or by the President;
- (f) The remuneration of the Secretary shall be fixed by the General Meeting from time to time
- (g) He shall not be eligible to vote at a General or Executive Meeting.

DUTIES OF THE TREASURER

18.

- (a) To deposit to the credit of the Association in a bank named by a General Meeting, all sums of money paid to him on behalf of the Association
- (b) To pay all moneys for current expenses in accordance with the instructions of General Meetings or the Authority of the Executive Committee, by cheque drawn by him and countersigned by the President of the Association, a member of the Executive Committee, or a member of the association nominated by them and not below the rank of Major;
- (c) To invest the surplus moneys of the association as shall be determined from time to time by a General Meeting or a meeting of the Executive Committee in such debt securities as shall from time to time be determined by a General Meeting or a meeting of the Executive Committee.
- (d) To prepare annually his accounts up to the end of the Association year and to submit the same with all proper vouchers to the Auditor of the Association for his audit, and at such other times as may be directed by the Executive Committee; and to present the Auditor's report and statement to the next General Meeting.
- (e) The remuneration of the Treasurer shall be fixed by the General Meeting from time to time
- (f) He will not be eligible to vote at a General or Executive meeting

FUNCTIONS AND MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

19.

- (a) To perform such functions as are allotted to it annually by the General Meeting
- (b) To take such action as regarding new business as cannot wait until the next General Meeting as they see fit;

- (c) To report to the General Meeting on all actions taken;
- (d) To meet as required by the President of the Association or if he is not available, by order of the Vice-President. Such meetings may take place by telephone or mail.
- (e) To, when required, appoint three trustees to advise on the investment of funds or the selling of securities;
- (f) A quorum will consist of six members but must have representatives of at least three areas
- (g) In the event of no members of the Executive Committee of an area being available to attend an Executive Committee meeting and if the area Representative does not consider that the views of the area can be properly expressed in writing or by proxy, he may delegate a member from that area not below the rank of Major to attend and vote for that area.
- (h) The presiding Officer will have a "Casting Vote".

COMMITTEES

- 20.
 - (a) Special or standing committees shall be appointed as required by a General Meeting or the Executive Committee.
 - (b) The terms of reference of each special or standing committee shall be determined by the President in consultation with the Executive Committee.

FINANCE OF THE ASSOCIATION

21. Annual Fees

- (a) Serving Officers
 - (1) Serving Militia artillery officers fees shall be at a rate that may from time to time be determined at an Annual Meeting.
 - (2) Serving Regular artillery officers fees shall be at a rate that may from time to time be determined at an Annual General Meeting.
 - (3) Associate Affiliated Unit fees shall be at a rate that may from time to time be determined at an Annual General Meeting.

(b) Individual Fees

- (1) Fees for Retired Artillery Officers and for Associate Members shall be at a rate that may be determined from time to time at an Annual General Meeting.
- (2) Honourary Life and Life Members shall not be required to pay annual fees.
- (3) Fees for Associate Affiliated Units shall be at a rate to be determined from time to time at an Annual General Meeting.

22. Financial Year and Auditing of Accounts

The financial year of the Association shall be from September 1st to August 31st of the next year, both dates inclusive. The accounts shall be audited annually and presented to the next General Meeting. A Chartered Accountant shall be appointed annually by the General Meeting to audit the accounts of the Association.

23. Authorized Delegates to General Meeting

Unless otherwise decided at a General Meeting, delegates authorized to attend a General Meeting with expenses paid, provided affiliation fees have been paid shall be:

- (1) Officers of the Association and Members of the Executive Committee.
- (2) One officer per affiliated unit, except that an officer on the Executive Committee shall represent his unit.
- (3) All Artillery Officers who are:
 - (a) Commanders of Militia Areas
 - (b) Commanders of Militia Districts
 - (c) Major General Reserves
 - (d) Chairman of the Conference of Defence Associations
 - (e) The Director of Artillery

24. Travelling Expenses and Allowances

- (a) Unless otherwise decided at a General Meeting travelling expenses and allowances are authorized for:
 - (1) The Executive Committee, Chairman of standing committees, and, delegates, other than those serving officers whose travelling expenses are being paid for out of public funds, to a General Meeting.

- (2) The Executive Committee to special Executive Committee meetings.
- (3) Officers of the Association or other person(s) nominated by the President to represent the Association at special meetings called by Canadian Force Headquarters or other meetings.
- (4) Association delegates to the Conference of Defence Associations annual meeting if expenses are not paid for by the Department of National Defence.

Rates and allowances shall be:

- (1) if travelling by air:
 - i. return economy air fare from nearest airport, and
 - ii. return first class railway fare to nearest airport, and
 - iii. necessary taxi fares;
- (2) if travelling by rail:
 - i. first class return railway fare, and
 - ii. lower berth and-or chair each way
 - iii. necessary taxi fare
- (3) If travelling by POMC the same rates and allowances are permitted as for travelling by rail.
- (4) Allowances while attending meetings elsewhere than a Canadian Forces Establishment shall be decided at a General Meeting. Two days are authorized for delegates and three days for members of the Executive Committee. Those whose train or air connections necessitate an extra day may claim for an extra day.
- (5) Meal allowances shall be at public service rates.

CHANGES IN RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION

25. (a) Changes in Rules of the Association will be made only with the approval of the General Meeting.
- (b) Any proposed changes will be notified to the Secretary 60 days in advance of the meeting, and will be forwarded to all voting members not less than thirty days prior to the annual meeting.

RÈGLEMENTS DE L'ASSOCIATION DE

L'ARTILLERIE ROYALE CANADIENNE

(RÉVISÉS EN 1983)

NOM

1. Le nom de l'association est "Association de l'Artillerie royale canadienne".

OBJECTIF

2. Améliorer l'efficacité et le bien-être du Régiment royal de l'Artillerie canadienne, et se préoccuper de toutes les questions touchant à la défense du Canada.

PARRAINAGE

3. On pourra demander au Gouverneur-général du Canada et aux lieutenants-gouverneurs de chaque province de parrainer l'Association.

MEMBRES

4. a. Membres ordinaires

- (1) Tous les officiers d'artillerie en activité appartenant à unités rattachées au Régiment royal de l'Artillerie canadienne.
- (2) Les autres officiers du Régiment royal de l'Artillerie canadienne en activité qui ont acquitté leur cotisation annuelle individuelle.
- (3) (i) Les officiers d'artillerie à la retraite, qui ont déjà été membres des Forces canadiennes que reconnaît l'Association, s'ils ont payé leur cotisation annuelle individuelle.
(ii) Les officiers à la retraite sont ceux qui ne sont plus membres de la Force régulière où de la Reserve primaire.

b. Membres à vie

- (1) Tout officier du Régiment royal de l'Artillerie canadienne, en activité ou retraité, peut faire une demande pour devenir membre à vie de l'AARC.
- (2) Cette demande doit être soumise et appuyée par des membres ordinaires de l'AARC; elle doit être déposée trente jours avant l'assemblée annuelle et accompagnée d'un résumé des états de service de l'intéressé.

- (3) Ces demande en bonne et due forme seront examinées par le comité exécutif qui pourra, s'il le désire, les soumettre à l'assemblée générale avec sa recommandation.
- (4) Le montant de la cotisation à verser pour devenir membre à vie de l'Association sera fixé et réexaminé lors des assemblées générales annuelles.

c. Membres à vie honoraires élus

- (1) Toute personne qui est reconnue avoir rendu à L'Artillerie des services exceptionnels peut être élue membre à vie honoraire lors d'une assemblée générale. Les premiers critères de sélection sont en général ses états de services au sein du Régiment royal de l'Artillerie canadienne.
- (2) Toute proposition de candidats doit être transmise au secrétaire-trésorier trente jours avant l'assemblée annuelle, accompagnée d'explications et, s'il y a lieu, d'un résumé des états de service. Ces propositions seront examinées par le comité exécutif qui pourra faire part de ses recommandations à l'assemblée générale.
- (3) Chaque candidature sera soumise au vote de tous les électeurs présents.

d. Membres associés

Les officiers d'autres classification des Forces Canadiennes, en activité où à la retraite, qui ont servis un unité de d'Artillerie de l'OTAN et des autres forces du Commonwealth reconnues par l'Association et qui ont acquitté leur cotisation annuelle de membre associé.

ORGANISMES AFFILIÉS

5. a. Unités affiliées

Sur paiement des droits d'adhésion fixés, les unités suivantes peuvent s'affilier à l'Association et jouir du droit de vote tel que décrit au paragraphe 9.

- (1) Régiment d'artillerie;
- (2) batterie d'artillerie indépendantes;
- (3) le département d'artillerie du Centre d'entraînement au combat.

b. Unités affiliées associées

- (1) Sur paiement des droits d'adhésion fixés, et avec l'approbation de l'Assemblée générale, les associations suivantes peuvent devenir des Unités affiliées associées.
 - (a) Associations d'officiers d'artillerie au niveau local.
- (2) Les unités affiliées associées ne jouissent pas du droit de vote tel que décrit au paragraphe 9.
- (3)
 - (a) Les représentants des unités affiliées associées à l'Assemblée générale doivent être membres de la AARC tel que décrit au paragraphe 4.
 - (b) Les représentants des unités affiliées associées à l'Assemblée générale ne peuvent réclamer ni indemnité ni frais de déplacement sauf que ces représentants soient délégués tel que décrit au paragraphe 23.

PRIVILÈGES DES MEMBRES

6.
 - a. Lors des assemblées générales, tous les membres peuvent participer à tous les débats et à toutes les activités, sauf en cas de vote.
 - b. Voir au paragraphe 9 les conditions régissant le droit de vote de membres.
 - c. Tout membre ordinaire peut, lors d'une assemblée générale, soumettre une résolution pourvu qu'il obtienne l'appui d'un autre membre ordinaire. Seuls les membres possédant le droit de vote pourront se prononcer sur cette résolution.

EXCLUSION D'UN MEMBRE

7. Tout membre ou unité affiliée pourra être exclu de l'Association si les trois-cinquièmes des membres se prononcent dans ce sens lors d'une assemblée générale. Avant le vote, la personne ou l'unité en question doit avoir l'occasion de s'expliquer par écrit et même de s'adresser directement à l'Assemblée. S'il s'agit d'un membre de la direction, il s'adressera au commandant ou à une personne nommée par ce dernier.

8.
 - a. L'assemblée générale de l'Association aura lieu une fois par an, sauf décision contraire prise lors d'une assemblée générale.
 - b. Le Président pourra convoquer une assemblée générale extra-ordinaire à la demande ou avec l'assentiment des deux-tiers du comité exécutif.
 - c. Tous les membres peuvent assister aux assemblées

- d. L'époque et le lieu des assemblées générales à venir sont choisis lors des assemblées générales; le comité exécutif a la charge d'en fixer la date exacte.
- e. La présidence de l'Association est assurée par le Président et, en son absence, par le Vice-président ou, en l'absence de ce dernier, par l'officier de la Milice ayant le plus d'ancienneté parmi les membres du comité exécutif.
- f. Toutes les questions touchant l'Association sont traitées lors des assemblées générales, et les pouvoirs nécessaires sont délégués au comité exécutif.

PROCÉDURES DES VOTES

- 9. a. Electeurs - Lors d'une assemblée générale, les membres ci-dessous ont le droit de vote.
 - (1) Les officiers élus et membres du comité exécutif de l'Association, à l'exception du secrétaire ou du trésorier.
 - (2) Un représentant pour chaque unité affiliée, telle que définie au paragraphe 5.a.
 - (3) Tout officier d'artillerie qui est:
 - (a) Commandant de secteur de la Milice;
 - (b) Commandant de district de la Milice;
 - (c) Chef de la Réserve;
 - (d) Président du Congrès des associations de la Défense.
 - (4) Le Directeur de l'Artillerie.
- b. Un électeur absent ou une unité non représentée lors d'une assemblée peut participer:
 - (1) Soit en faisant parvenir au secrétaire son vote par écrit, s'il a reçu des informations sur la question débattue.
 - (2) Soit en sa procuration à n'importe quel électeur présent; il doit alors informer par écrit le secrétaire de cette délégation de pouvoir, en précisant si elle n'est valable que pour certaines questions ou dans toutes les circonstances. Ceci s'applique aussi bien aux assemblées générales qu'aux réunions du comité exécutif. En cas de vote, la personne ou l'unité ayant remis sa procuration est considérée présente et doit s'en tenir au vote émis par son mandataire.
- c. A la demande de n'importe quel électeur, on peut prendre en note le nom de ceux qui s'abstiennent de se prononcer sur une question.

ORDRE DU JOUR

10. a. Lors des assemblées générales annuelles, l'ordre du jour suivant est adopté:
- (1) Lecture des rapports;
 - (2) questions d'ordre général;
 - (3) election des membres de la direction;
 - (4) nouvelles questions.
- b. Le président sortant, ou l'officier le remplaçant, présidera au Dîner annuel.

PROCÈS-VERBAL DES ASSEMBLÉES

11. a. Des extraits du procès-verbal de l'assemblée générale seront publiés dans le rapport annuel.
- b. Toute mesure autorisée par le comité exécutif sera mentionnée dans le rapport annuel

DIRECTION ET COMITÉ EXÉCUTIF

12. Direction de l'Association
- a. Les membres de la Direction sont:
- (1) Le Président (dont le mandat n'est pas renouvelable);
 - (2) le Vice-président (dont le mandat n'est pas renouvelable);
 - (3) le secrétaire;
 - (4) le trésorier.
- b. Les charges de secrétaire et de trésorier peuvent être cumulées.
- c. Un officier de la Force régulière ne peut faire partie de la Direction de l'Association.

COMITÉ EXÉCUTIF

13. Pour l'administration et la conduite des affaires de l'Association au cours de l'année, un comité exécutif est formée, et constitué:
- a. Du Président et du Vice-président de l'Association.
 - b. D'un délégué de chaque unité en service dans chacune des régions suivantes: Atlantique, Est, Centre, Prairies, Pacifique.
 - c. Du Président sortant.

- d. Des membres suivants, nommés d'office -
 - (1) Le Colonel commandant;
 - (2) Les Colonels commandants précédents.
- e. Du Directeur de l'Artillerie.
- f. D'un comité consultatif composé de cinq officiers à la retraite élus, nommés pour un an; ils sont par la suite rééligibles pour un mandat d'un ou de deux ans mais ne peuvent en tout état de cause, siéger plus de cinq années consécutives.

ÉLECTION DES MEMBRES DE LA DIRECTION ET DU COMITÉ EXÉCUTIF

- 14. a. Tous les membres de la Direction et du comité exécutif sont élus lors des assemblées générales.
- b. Les candidatures sont présentées par un comité composé du Président sortant comme Directeur et de deux personnes ou plus choisies par lui parmi:
 - (1) Les membres de la Direction;
 - (2) Les membres du comité exécutif (à l'exception des délégués régionaux).
- c. Pour le choix des délégués régionaux, seuls les électeurs représentant la région en question sont appelés à voter.
- d. Avant la tenue du vote, tout membre de l'Association peut, à son tour, proposer un candidat.
- e. Dans le cas où un membre du comité exécutif se trouverait dans l'incapacité de poursuivre sa tâche, pour cause de maladie, décès, mutation ou démission, le reste du comité peut pourvoir à son remplacement jusqu'à la prochaine assemblée générale, s'il le juge nécessaire.

FONCTIONS DU PRÉSIDENT

- 15. a. Présider l'assemblée générale et le Dîner annuel.
- b. Présider les réunions du comité exécutif.
- c. Prendre les décisions qui s'imposent face à une nouvelle situation, si cela ne peut attendre la prochaine réunion du comité exécutif ou l'assemblée générale.

- d. Désigner les délégués et suppléants requis pour assister au Congrès des associations de la Défense.
- e. Désigner le Président et les membres des comités permanents et comités spéciaux qui siègent entre deux assemblées générales.
- f. Assumer les autres fonctions qui lui seraient assignées lors d'une assemblée générale ou d'une réunion du comité exécutif.

FONCTIONS DU VICE-PRÉSIDENT

- 16. a. En l'absence du Président, le remplacer dans ses fonctions. Si le Vice-président est absent, la présidence est assurée par l'officier ayant le plus d'ancienneté du comité exécutif.
- b. Désigner les membres des divers comités permanents et comités spéciaux siégeant aux assemblées générales.
- c. Assumer les autres fonctions qui lui seraient assignées par le Président, le comité exécutif et lors de l'assemblée générale.

FONCTIONS DU SECRÉTAIRE

- 17. a. Assister à toutes les réunions de l'Association et du comité exécutif; tenir le procès-verbal des travaux effectués lors de ces réunions sur les registres qui lui sont confiés par l'Association et qu'il doit garder à cet effet.
- b. Exécuter les décisions de l'Association, ou du comité exécutif, selon le cas, ou des membres de la direction.
- c. Préparer tous les rapports sur les palmarès, les certifier exacts et les présenter aux assemblées et aux membres de l'Association concernés; les inscrire dans les registres.
- d. Se charger d'aviser tous les membres et toutes les unités du montant des cotisations.
- e. Assumer les autres fonctions qui lui seraient confiées lors de l'assemblée générale, par le comité exécutif ou le Président.
- f. Le montant de la rémunération de secrétaire est fixé et révisé lors des assemblées générales.
- g. Il ne possède pas le droit de vote lors des assemblées générales ou des réunions du comité exécutif.

FONCTIONS DU TRÉSORIER

18. a. Verser au crédit de l'Association, à la banque choisie lors de l'assemblée générale, toute somme qui lui est confiée au bénéfice de l'Association.
- b. Régler les dépenses courantes de l'Association en suivant les instructions émises lors de l'assemblée générale ou les décisions du comité exécutif en faisant un chèque qui doit être contresigné par le Président de l'Association, un membre du Comité exécutif ou un membre de l'Association désigné par eux et détenant au moins le grade de major.
- c. Placer les excédents de l'Association, déterminés de temps à autre par une assemblée générale ou le comité exécutif, dans les valeurs choisies par l'assemblée générale ou le comité exécutif.
- d. Préparer la comptabilité de l'Association jusqu'à la fin de son exercice, la remettre à l'expert comptable de l'Association pour vérification, accompagnée de toutes les pièces justificatives, et toutes les fois que le comité exécutif en ferait la demande; présenter lors de l'assemblée générale suivante les rapports et conclusions de l'expert-comptable.
- e. La rémunération du trésorier sera fixée et révisée lors des assemblées générales.
- f. Il ne possède pas le droit de vote aux assemblées générales et réunions du comité exécutif.

FONCTIONS ET RÉUNIONS DU COMITÉ EXÉCUTIF

19. a. Assumer les fonctions qui lui sont attribuées lors de l'assemblée générale.
- b. Prendre les décisions qui s'imposent face à une nouvelle situation, s'il est impossible d'attendre la prochaine assemblée générale.
- c. Informer les membres, lors des assemblées générales, de toutes les mesures prises.
- d. Les réunions se feront à la demande du Président ou, en son absence du Vice-président. Les membres pourront être convoqués par téléphone ou par lettre.
- e. Nommer trois conseillers, au besoin, pour le placement des fonds ou la vente des valeurs.
- f. Six membres suffisent pour atteindre le quorum, pourvu qu'au moins trois délégués régionaux soient présents.

- g. Si aucun des membres du comité exécutif d'une région donnée n'est disponible et que le délégué régional juge impossible de faire part de son point de vue par écrit ou en donnant sa procuration à un autre membre; il a la possibilité de se faire représenter par un membre de la même région détenant au moins le grade de major et qui votera en son nom.
- h. La voix du Président de la réunion est prépondérante.

COMITÉS

- 20. a. Des comités spéciaux ou permanents seront mis sur pied à la demande de l'assemblée générale ou du comité exécutif.
- b. Le mandat de chaque comité sera établi par le Président assisté des membres du comité exécutif.

FINANCES DE L'ASSOCIATION

21. Cotisation annuelle

- a. Officiers du cadre actif:
 - (1) Le montant de la cotisation pour les officiers d'artillerie servant dans la Milice sera fixé et révisé lors des assemblées générales annuelles.
 - (2) Le montant de la cotisation pour les officiers d'artillerie servant dans la Force régulière sera fixé et révisé lors des assemblées générales annuelles.
 - (3) Le montant de la cotisation pour les unités affiliées associées sera fixé et révisé lors des assemblées générales annuelles.
- b. (1) Le montant de la cotisation pour les officiers d'artillerie à la retraite et les membres associées sera fixé et révisé lors des assemblées générales annuelles.
- (2) Les membres honoraires à vie et membres à vie n'ont à payer aucune cotisation annuelle.
- (3) Le montant de la cotisation pour les unités affiliées associées sera fixé et révisé lors des assemblées générales annuelles.

ANNÉE FINANCIÈRE ET VÉRIFICATION DES COMPTES

22. L'année financière de l'Association commence le premier septembre et se termine le 31 août de l'année suivante, ces deux jours étant inclus. Les comptes sont vérifiés chaque année et présentés à l'assemblée générale suivante. Un comptable agréé sera nommé chaque année par l'assemblée générale pour vérifier les comptes de l'Association.

CHOIX DES DÉLÉGUÉS AUX ASSEMBLÉES GÉNÉRALES

23. Sauf décision contraire de l'assemblée générale, les personnes suivantes sont autorisées à assister aux assemblées générales en qualité de délégués et à recevoir des indemnités, pourvu qu'elles aient acquitté leur cotisation:

- a. Les membres de la Direction et du comité exécutif.
- b. Un officier par unité affiliée, en plus de l'officier qui représente cette unité au sein du comité exécutif.
- c. Tous les officiers d'artillerie qui sont:
 - (1) Commandant de secteur de la Milice;
 - (2) Commandant de district de la Milice;
 - (3) Major-général de la Réserve;
 - (4) Président du Congrès des associations de la Défense, et
- d. Le Directeur de l'Artillerie.

FRAIS DE DÉPLACEMENT ET INDEMNITÉS

24. a. Sauf décision contraire de l'assemblée générale, les personnes suivantes sont autorisées à recevoir des indemnités de déplacement et autres:
- (1) Lors des assemblées générales -

Les membres du comité exécutif, les présidents des comités permanents et les délégués, sauf les officiers du cadre actif dont les déplacements sont payés par le Gouvernement.
 - (2) Les membres du comité exécutif, lors des réunions extraordinaires de ce comité.

- (3) Les membres de la Direction de l'Association ou toutes les autres personnes désignées par le Président pour représenter l'Association aux réunions spéciales organisées par le Quartier général des Forces canadiennes ou à d'autres réunions.
 - (4) Les délégués de l'Association aux réunions annuelles du Congrès des associations de la Défense, si leurs dépenses ne sont pas assumées par le ministère de la Défense nationale.
- b. Les indemnités seront payables dans les conditions suivantes:
- (1) Voyage par avion:
 - (a) Aller-retour depuis l'aéroport le plus proche, en classe touriste;
 - (b) Aller-retour en train jusqu'à l'aéroport, en première classe;
 - (c) Déplacements en taxi.
 - (2) Voyage en train:
 - (a) Aller-retour en première classe;
 - (b) Une couchette ou une place assise, aller-retour;
 - (c) Déplacements en taxi.
 - (3) Si le voyage s'effectue par voiture privée ou officielle, les tarifs et indemnités sont les mêmes que pour les voyages en train.
 - (4) Lorsque les réunions n'ont pas lieu dans un établissement des Forces canadiennes, les indemnités seront fixées lors de l'assemblée générale. Les délégués ont droit à deux jours et les membres du comité exécutif, à trois. Ceux qui doivent prendre un jour supplémentaire en raison de leurs correspondances aériennes ou ferroviaires peuvent réclamer l'indemnité correspondante.
 - (5) Les indemnités de repas sont les mêmes qui s'appliquent aux fonctionnaires.

MODIFICATIONS DES RÈGLEMENTS L'ASSOCIATION

25. a. Les règlements de l'Association ne seront modifiés qu'avec l'accord de l'assemblée générale.

- b. Toute proposition de changement doit être envoyée au secrétaire au moins 60 jours avant l'assemblée, et transmise à tous les électeurs au moins 30 jours avant la tenue de l'assemblée annuelle.