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"Take Post" — The Journal of The Toronto Gunner Community



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This journal, "Take Post" is published bi-monthly under the authority of the Honorary Colonel, 7th Toronto Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery. Take Post reaches out to all Gunners and those interested in being part of the Regimental Artillery Family of the Greater Toronto Area. The purpose is to share information and strengthen the ties between serving members, retired Gunners, Gunner families, friends of the Artillery, and the Greater Toronto Community. **READ MORE**

Changes To Canadian Army General Officers Uniform



Beginning in 2011 with the MND restoration of the names of the Royal Canadian Navy, Canadian Army, and the Royal Canadian Air Force and the MND restoration of Canadian Army Non-Commissioned Member rank names and officer rank insignia in 2013, the Canadian Army has been in a progressive evolution of its Corps and Army identity to reflect a balance of its pre-1968 roots alongside its Canadian Armed Forces unification identity. **READ MORE**

Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery Sergeant of the Year Award



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This is for info to all Gunners. We are now in our fourth year of nominating Sergeants for The Brigadier-General Ernest Beno Award for Leadership in the Rank of Sergeant (The RCA Sergeant of the Year Award). Nominations

are due annually at RHQ RCA by 26 May. This is an update of the Sergeants selected for the past three years.

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Sheldrake's Log

Montreal Gunners Newsletter

Donald Dussault was appointed Honorary Colonel of the 2nd Field Regiment, RCA effective February 25, 2016. Prior to his current appointment, Don had been the Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel since November 7, 2012. **READ MORE**



DEFENCE NEWS

Last Canadian veterans' hospital in Ste-Anne transferred to Quebec

Montreal Gazette

There was little fanfare leading up to the historic April 1 transfer date of the veterans' hospital in Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue from federal to provincial jurisdiction. It was just over a year ago that Quebec Health Minister Gaétan Barrette confirmed that Ste-Anne's Hospital, the last remaining veterans' hospital operated by the federal government, will be transferred to the province in spring 2016, a proposition that had been discussed on and off for more than a decade. **READ MORE**



600 Canadians still assigned to Iraq mission but no word on when new military personnel will arrive

Ottawa Citizen

In the first week of February, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced the changes in the Iraq mission. The CF-18s were to be withdrawn while the Auroras and refuelling aircraft would stay. Canada's contribution would actually increase by more than 200 personnel, with those extra staff being assigned to the training mission, according to the government. **READ MORE**



Royal Canadian Navy testing reduced crew sizes on frigates

Global News

Defence planners hope "X" marks the spot for the sailor-strained Royal Canadian Navy as the military has embarked on a set of experiments aboard existing frigates aimed at reducing crew sizes on its future warships. **READ MORE**



Wounded Warriors Canada announce the Highway of Heroes bike ride

Cycling Magazine

Wounded Warriors Canada announced the first annual Highway of Heroes bike ride. Beginning on September 24 at the Afghanistan Repatriation Memorial in Trenton, Ont., the ride is open to 200 participants. The 170 km two-day ride is organized in honour to those who have fallen serving Canada. Awareness and funds raised by the event will go to supporting injured and ill Canadian Armed Forces members, veterans, first responders and their families. **READ MORE**



3,500 Canadian Army soldiers to take part in major exercise

Ottawa Citizen

Approximately 3,500 soldiers from the Canadian Army's 1 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group will take part in Exercise PROMETHEAN RAM in Wainwright, Alberta. **READ MORE**



New names being added to Orillia veterans' memorial

Orillia Packet

The names of 88 local Second World War veterans will soon join those of First World War soldiers on a monument in town. "We had a memorial down beside the legion and on one side was World War 1 veterans. Nowhere in Orillia was one for the World War 2 veterans," said Rick Purcell, president of Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 34. "We thought it would be a good idea to take those 88 names and put them on the other side of the memorial." **READ MORE**



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