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The Canadian Armed Forces Reservists' Paid Internship Program



Canadian Armed Forces

Supported by Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC), in partnership with the Department of National Defence (DND), the Canadian Armed Forces Reservists' Paid Internship Program is aimed at helping members of Canada's Primary Reserve force secure paid internship opportunities that align with their civilian career goals, while also enabling them to continue serving their local reserve unit. **READ MORE**

DEFENCE NEWS

Canada's military plan for Africa will be for a 'long duration'



CTV News

The federal government will soon announce a plan to bolster United Nations peace efforts in Africa, including trans-border operations, Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan said, as he wrapped up a five-country, fact-finding mission to the continent. "I do have a number that we will be announcing shortly that we can sustain for a long duration,"

Sajjan said during a teleconference from the Democratic Republic of Congo. [READ MORE](#)

Logistics woes could strain military deployments



Toronto Star

Canada's military is gearing up for a busy period of overseas deployments but the big task of ferrying troops and supplies to these dispersed missions could stretch defence resources thin, experts say. With ongoing commitments in the Middle East and Ukraine, a newly-announced force for Latvia and an expected mission in Africa, providing logistical support for these widely spread operations could be more than armed forces is able to handle, said retired general Lewis MacKenzie. [READ MORE](#)

Canada buying new fleet of lightweight combat vehicles that could cost over \$190,000 each



Global News

As the Canadian government continues to come under fire for exports of armoured personnel carriers to countries like Saudi Arabia and South Sudan, our own military is looking to augment its capabilities with an entirely new type of ground vehicle. Following in the footsteps of the American military, Canada has issued a call for tender for 52 new ultra-light combat vehicles, or ULCVs. [READ MORE](#)

Canadian Army's tactical armoured patrol vehicles arrive in Gagetown



Ottawa Citizen

The Canadian Army says the 5th Canadian Division has received the first Textron TAPV (Tactical Armoured Patrol Vehicle) at Gagetown, NB. The six vehicles will be used to train operators and maintainers. The fleet of 500 TAPVs will be distributed across seven bases and 24 units over a 17-month period. [READ MORE](#)

Cranbrook veteran honoured with France's highest award



Global News

Lee Brown could hardly contain his excitement as he walked in to the Cranbrook branch of the Royal Canadian Legion. "War is not a pleasant thing but I made it and people are treating me like royalty now," said the 90-year old Second World War veteran, right before he received France's highest award. [READ MORE](#)

Kelowna veterans' affairs office to re-open in November



Kelowna Capital News

The federal government will re-open the Kelowna veterans' affairs office Nov. 1, says veterans' affairs minister Kent Hehr. Hehr, in Kelowna to make the announcement, said the re-opened office will have a staff of nine, about the same number as was there when the former Conservative government closed the office in 2014 as a cost-cutting measure. [READ MORE](#)

Century-old McGregor Armoury is a busy place



Winnipeg Free Press

It's not every day you see children using a Sherman M4A tank and a reconnaissance vehicle as play structures. The machines are situated north of the McGregor Armoury, in Martin Park. The park is named after Lt.-Col. G. J. Martin, commanding officer of the Fort Garry Horse, who was killed in a training accident in 1969. [READ MORE](#)

Canada's forgotten victory



CTV News

It's called Canada's forgotten victory. On August 15th, 1917, roughly four months after the Battle of Vimy Ridge during World War I, Canadian soldiers successfully assaulted a position known simply as Hill 70 near the town of Lens, France. In just five hours, the Canadians had succeeded where other forces had failed. Then they fought off 21 counterattacks over the next five days to retain the strategic high ground. [READ MORE](#)

Army reservists to begin exercises in Alberta and Saskatchewan



Ottawa Citizen

Approximately 1,000 Canadian Army soldiers from 38, 39, and 41 Canadian Brigade Groups will conduct training in Dundurn, Saskatchewan, and Wainwright, Alberta as part of Exercise WESTERN DEFENDER 2016, the Army said in a news release. **READ MORE**

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