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The [photos](#) show the reception of the Captain General's Baton by the Col Comdt, BGen (Ret'd) Jim Selbie with the U.K. Defence Adviser, Brigadier Jonathan Calder Smith, the RA team led by Lt Richard Thornton and a goodly number of local serving and retired gunners. The second photo shows the Col Comdt signing the scroll carried in the baton with Lt Thornton at his side and flanked by Brigadier Calder Smith and Col Tim Young, Regtl Col RCA. **READ MORE**

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### Oakville student receives award for Juno Beach poem



Inside Halton

A Grade 7 Appleby College student, who heeded the words of a Canadian Second World War veteran to share his experience at Juno Beach, has received an Ontario Command Medal from the Royal Canadian Legion for a haunting poem written about the battlefield. [READ MORE](#)

### Cornwall woman searching for owner of veteran's pin



CBC News

A woman in Cornwall is trying to reunite a veteran's pin with its rightful owner. Last week, Dawn Rodd noticed a small blue pouch sitting at the end of her driveway. Inside, she found a silver pin — a set of wings with a star on top. [READ MORE](#)

### Canadian Forces could move military test facility from Alberta to Ottawa area



National Post

As part of efforts to cut costs, the Canadian Forces is looking at options to revamp its Alberta-based aerospace test facilities, including transferring some of the work to private industry or moving the organization to a more accessible location, such as the Ottawa area. [READ MORE](#)

### Aircraft ditches in ocean — Canadian Forces crew rescues two men



Ottawa Citizen

Aircrew and SAR Techs of 442 Transport and Rescue Squadron rescued a pilot and passenger from a remote beach on the west coast after they ditched their aircraft about 100 meters from shore. The incident occurred about mid-afternoon on April 18th, 2016, near Goose Bay, on the British Columbia mainland, about mid-way between Port Hardy and Bella Bella, according to details provided by 19 Wing Comox. [READ MORE](#)

### Roof of DND building in Gatineau collapses after fire



CBC News

A fire at a Department of National Defence building in Gatineau caused part of the building's roof to collapse. One firefighter suffered minor injuries after the fire broke out at around 6:50 a.m. on the sixth floor of the Louis St. Laurent building at 555 Carrière Blvd. [READ MORE](#)

### DND bureaucrats 'torpedoed' former Tory government's attempts to buy warships



National Post

The bureaucracy at National Defence helped scuttle two attempts by the Harper government to acquire helicopter landing ships over the last few years, documents show. The most high-profile of the cases involved the sale by France of two Mistral-class warships, which had originally been built for Russia, but were on the auction block after the Kremlin's annexation of Crimea. [READ MORE](#)

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