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### DEFENCE NEWS

## Canadian Armed Forces teams complete the 2016 Nijmegen Marches



Lookout News

July 22nd, 2016, marked the the end of the 100th annual International Four Days Marches Nijmegen in the Netherlands. This year, more than 200 Canadian Armed Forces members from across Canada and Formation Europe participated in the marching event, and were awarded a special 100th anniversary edition of the Four Day Marches Cross. The CAF contingent, led by Colonel Kristiana Stevens for the second year, marched 40 kilometres a day for four days, an effort culminating in a five-kilometre victory parade. **READ MORE**

## Veterans disappointed with lack of delivery on Liberal campaign promises



Globe and Mail

Nine months after the Liberals came to power saying veterans would not have to fight the government for support and compensation, former soldiers say they are disappointed that so many commitments have yet to be fulfilled, including a promise of a free education for those who complete their service. **READ MORE**

## Defence chief decides to keep Kurdish flag on Canadian uniforms in



## Iraq in an act of solidarity

National Post

Canada's top soldier has decided special forces troops in Iraq will continue to wear the Kurdish flag on their uniforms in addition to the Maple Leaf, despite questions about the practice. National Defence says Gen. Jonathan Vance recently approved the flag patches in part to show solidarity with "a region facing existential threats," but that they should not be construed as support for an independent Iraqi Kurdistan. **READ MORE**



## Navy battles mould in frigate ventilation systems

CBC News

All of Canada's front-line navy frigates have had serious mould problems, something that has routinely affected the health of sailors deployed overseas. The navy has struggled to deal with the blight in the ventilation systems of the warships since it was first documented aboard HMCS St. John's in the fall of 2011, but a former senior non-commissioned officer says his repeated pleas to fix the situation fell on deaf ears. **READ MORE**

## Military studies extending life of Snowbird aircraft 20 years past retirement



CBC News

The military's aging fleet of Tutor jets flown by the Snowbirds demonstration team could remain in flight until 2030 — two decades past the scheduled retirement date. Documents obtained by *CBC News* under an Access to Information request show the Department of National Defence is studying the feasibility of keeping the Canadian-built CT-114 Tutors in operation until 2025 and 2030, despite some "significant concerns" about the aircraft. **READ MORE**

## Air Force inspires cadets



Whitecourt Star

As planes tore through the sky at the Hometown Heroes Airshow, the eyes of Royal Canadian Air Cadets watched on and gained inspiration. Members of Whitecourt Air Cadet Squadron 721 got the opportunity to partake in the air show's opening ceremonies, get up-close to jet aircraft and even meet with the Snowbirds themselves. **READ MORE**

## Col. Paul Doyle takes over as 4 Wing commanding officer



Cold Lake Sun

Brig.-Gen. Eric Kenny officially handed over command of 4 Wing to Col. P.J. Doyle on July 21. Kenny took over as wing commander in 2014. Throughout his term, he worked to improve the quality of life for members and families of 4 Wing; focus on NORAD (North American Aerospace Defence Command) operations; improve the training program for pilots and technicians; and integrate Air Force capability with other Armed Forces organizations, such as the Royal Canadian Navy. **READ MORE**

### RCAA NEWS AND UPDATES

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## Annual RCA Training Event



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This year, our 131st Annual General Meeting and Annual RCA Training Event are being held in Ottawa, Ontario on Friday October 21st and Saturday October 22nd 2016. **READ MORE**

## L'événement de formation annuel de l'arc



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Cette année, l'a 131<sup>e</sup> Assemblée générale annuelle (AGA) et l'événement de formation annuel se tiendront à Ottawa (Ontario) du vendredi 21 octobre au samedi 22 octobre 2016. **LIRE PLUS**



## 1 RCHA Young Guns Annual Reunion

This reunion held in Trenton every year, is a gathering of young gunners who served in Germany with 1RCHA during the 70's and 80's. Everyone is welcome see details below.

**What:** 1 RCHA Reunion (Germany time frame)

**Where:** Trenton Ontario

**When:** 29-31 July

29 July 2016- Meet and Greet Trenton Legion

30 July 2016- Golfing (Rick Reid for Details) It has a start time of 1045 hrs at the Base Golf Course

30 July 2016- Approx. 1700hrs (5pm) There will be an evening party at the Trenton Legion (a German Meal prepared By Tim Phinney number for meals to Rick Reid)

Entertainment will be provided by Joe Claus and his Merry band with special Guest star singer Pete Lewis. Should be a great night. 31 July 2016 there is a usually breakfast for those who wish to attend and final farewells. Contact: Lane Lambert

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### THE LAST POST

**BURNS**, William (Billy) Burton, passed in New Brunswick, 22 July 2016

**MORRIS**, Dave, Sargent (Ret'd), 22 July 2016

**AMOS**, William (Bill) Joseph Captain (Ret'd), 19 July 2016

**MARSH**, Michael Vincent, 7 July 2016

**HALLAM**, Rodney William, MWO (Ret'd), 1 July 2016

**JOHNSTON**, Willis A. (Woody) MWO (Ret'd), 5 June 2016

**MCGEAN**, John Howard Basil (Baz), 24 May 2016

**KELLY**, Raymond Gerald, 23 May 2016

**MILANI**, John R. Maj (Ret'd), 21 May 2016

**THOMPSON**, Garfield Baily (Tom) Sgt (Ret'd), 19 May 2016

**MOORE**, Allan David, 15 May 2016

**BREWSTER**, Gerald Douglas, 13 May 2016

**DUGAN**, William (Willie) Daniel, 7 May 2016

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