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### RCAA NEWS AND UPDATES

**New photographic portrait of Her Majesty The Queen, Captain-General of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery on the occasion of the 150th Anniversary of Confederation**





His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada, is pleased to announce that Buckingham Palace has released a new photographic portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of Confederation and the Royal Tour to Canada by Their Royal Highnesses The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall. His Royal Highness is officially representing Her Majesty The Queen for these celebrations. [READ MORE](#)

### [Portrait photographique de Sa Majesté la Reine, le capitaine-général du Régiment royal de l'Artillerie canadienne pour souligner le 150e anniversaire de la Confédération du Canada](#)



Un portrait photographique de Sa Majesté la Reine a été dévoilé par le Palais de Buckingham pour souligner le 150e anniversaire de la Confédération. Le portrait, réalisé par le photographe canadien Ian Leslie Macdon a été publié au moment où Leurs Altesses Royales le prince de Galles et la duchesse de Cornouailles ont entrepris une visite de trois jours au Canada, du 29 juin au 1er juillet 2017, pour les célébrations de l'anniversaire du pays. [LIRE PLUS](#)

### [Message from the Senior Serving Gunner, MGen Hetherington](#)



Fellow Gunners everywhere,  
My name is MGen Simon Hetherington and on 26 April, I was truly honoured to assume the role of your Senior Serving Gunner (SSG). I must begin my introduction to you by acknowledging the work done by my predecessor, MGen Mike Rouleau during his relatively brief, but standard-setting tenure as your SSG. Gen Mike is universally known and respected as a thoroughly professional, forward thinking and charismatic leader. Despite his incredibly demanding position as the Commander of Canada's Special Operations Forces, he immediately embraced his role as SSG and has, as usual, set the example for me as I follow in his footsteps. [READ MORE](#)

### [Message de l'Artilleur principal en service, le mgen Hetherington](#)



Je me présente, le Mgén Simon Hetherington, et le 26 avril dernier, je fus profondément honoré d'assumer rôle de votre Artilleur principal en service (APS). Je me dois de débiter mon introduction par reconnaître le travail accompli par mon prédécesseur, le Mgén Mike Rouleau, durant sa relativement brève, mais des plu exemplaires, période comme APS. Le Général Mike est universellement connu et respecté comme un che des plus professionnels, avant-gardiste et charismatique. Malgré sa position de Commandant des Forces d'opérations spéciales du Canada qui est hautement exigeante, il s'est immédiatement lancé dans son rôle d'APS et a, comme d'habitude, démontré l'exemple pour moi qui m'apprête à suivre ses pas. [LIRE PLUS](#)

## [CWO Wayne Lundrigan passed the responsibility of RSM 2 RCHA to CWO \(Master Gunner\) Rodney Gallant on Monday 28 June 2017](#)



[Click here](#) to read more, and [click here](#) to view photos of the event.

## [Vancouver Artillery Association and RUSI Vancouver Members News — July 4, 2017](#)



Check out the latest news and updates from the Vancouver Artillery Association and RUSI Vancouver. [RE MORE](#)

## [Western Canadian band The Wardens writes song, 'Troop Train' about the Canoe River Train Disaster](#)



A Western Canadian band, "The Wardens," has written a song, "Troop Train" about the Canoe River Train Disaster of 21 Nov. 1950, near Valemount, B.C., in which 17 members of 2 RCHA were killed while on their way to the Korean War. Click on the "Sleeping Buffalo" album icon. "Troop Train" is the fourth track, and can be purchased online. [READ MORE](#)

## [Reminder — Fortissimo: Beating Retreat Ceremony: 20-22 July 2017, Ottawa](#)



Ottawa Tourism

This annual military and musical spectacular features massed military bands, pipes and drums, guest performers and the soldiers of the Ceremonial Guard. 30th Field Regiment RCA (The Bytown Gunners) normally fire a gun salute to accompany the playing of Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture during the Fortissimo concerts. [READ MORE](#)

## [Un rappel — Fortissimo: la Cérémonie de battement de la retraite, le 20-22 juillet 2017, à Ottawa](#)



Tourisme Ottawa

Cette présentation militaire et musicale impressionnante met en vedette des musiques militaires, des corps de cornemuses et tambours, des artistes invités et des soldats de la Garde de cérémonie. Normalement, le 30<sup>e</sup> régiment de campagne de l'ARC (The Bytown Gunners) participe aux concerts de Fortissimo en accompagnant la pièce Ouverture 1812 de Tchaikovsky avec le tir des canons. [LIRE PLUS](#)

## [What's New](#)



and defence items.

L'Institut de la CAD est heureux de vous apporter l'édition du 29 juin 2017 de *What's New*, notre analyse hebdomadaire des articles de sécurité et de défense. [READ MORE](#)

## Prince's Operation Entrepreneur



Prince's Operation Entrepreneur is a national program for transitioning Canadian Armed Forces members interested in starting their own business. [READ MORE](#)

## L'Opération Entrepreneur du prince de Galles



L'Opération Entrepreneur du prince de Galles est un programme national conçu pour les membres des Forces armées canadiennes en transition intéressés à lancer leur propre entreprise. Nous vous offrons les outils que vous avez besoin pour réussir comme entrepreneur : une formation, du mentorat, du financement et des ressources. [LIRE PLUS](#)

## RCAA AGM and RCA Board



RCAA AGM and RCA Board is scheduled for 12-14 Oct. 17 at the Morrison Artillery Park, Ottawa. The meet and greet will be on the evening of Thursday 12 Oct., the RCA Board on Friday 13 Oct. with the dinner that evening and the RCAA AGM will be on Saturday 14 Oct.

## L'AGA de l'AARC et le conseil de l'ARC



L'AGA de l'AARC et le conseil de l'ARC se tiendront du 12 au 14 octobre 2017 au Parc de l'Artillerie Morris Ottawa. La soirée de rencontre et bienvenue sera le soir du jeudi 12 octobre, le conseil de l'ARC le vendredi 13 octobre suivi du dîner en soirée et l'AGA de l'AARC sera le samedi 14 octobre.

## Museum of the Czechoslovakian fortification



Artillery fortification BOUDA is a cultural monument of the Czech Republic and an integrated part of the extended system of fortifications built to defend the former Czechoslovakia during the second half of the 30s. It consists of five mighty bastions (three infantry blocks, one artillery block and the entrance block), which were built to the strongest level of construction. Deep inside the mountain, the blocks are connected by an external system of tunnels and caverns, which contained everything the garrison of 316 carefully selected and specially trained soldiers of the border guard needed to accomplish their combat task. [READ MORE](#)

## The Royal New Zealand Artillery Association



The Royal New Zealand Artillery Association was formed in 1934 as an advocacy group in welfare matters both serving and non-serving New Zealand Gunners. It is a medium for continuing Gunner camaraderie, keeping in touch with and bringing together both present and past soldiers who have served the guns. Today the Association's members are active in maintaining an effective support network; participating in reunions and gatherings; preserving historic sites, archives, equipment and memorials; attending commemorations and

## Museum of Artillery Torun, Poland



Museum of Artillery in Torun was established on the basis of special order of the commander of Military College of Rocket and Artillery in Torun dated 14 January 1977. The museum exhibits are artillery devices not so long ago was in use as an educational equipment for school training. The Museum continues — through its development — the traditions deriving from the interwar period when according to the decision of the He of General Staff Marshal Józef Pilsudski dated 1923 the Military College of Artillery was appointed in Torun For the purpose of training the Artillery Museum was founded as well. Museum exhibits and archives did not survive the Second World War. The purpose of the present-day museum is to conduct educational activities and to collect items on the history of Polish and world's military and the history of artillery and weapons. [READ MORE](#)

### DEFENCE NEWS

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## Archeologist digs for clues in quest to identify owner of lost bracelet



Inside Halton

A service bracelet found in the fields of France has occupied the last two years of archeologist Denis Renaud's life. But perseverance pays off and in his case it did so tenfold as he shared his search to locate the Milton family of Harry Fox, the owner of the bracelet that fell off the young soldier's wrist, 73 years ago, during the Second World War. Harry, who died 12 years ago, is buried in Milton's Evergreen Cemetery. [READ MORE](#)

## On a retrouvé le soldat Fox



Le Droit

Après deux ans de recherches, l'archéologue gatinois Denis Renaud a remporté son pari fou : retrouver le soldat Harry Fox. Je vous ai parlé de M. Renaud dans une chronique de mai 2015 qui s'intitulait justement faut retrouver le soldat Fox. À l'époque, M. Renaud collaborait à des fouilles archéologiques sur un site occupé par les troupes canadiennes en juillet 1944, tout près de la ville française de Caen. [LIRE PLUS](#)

## Considering the rigours of military life



Legion Magazine

The chief of the defence staff says the Canadian military needs to make more effort to ensure its members have the right stuff to endure the challenges of military life. Speaking to the House of Commons Standing Committee on National Defence, General Jonathan Vance described plans to fundamentally change the military's health-and-wellness regime to better secure the overall well-being of soldiers, sailors and aircrew guarantee those who are sick and injured every opportunity to remain productive contributors. [READ MORE](#)

## Archived issues of the U.S. Army Fires Bulletin (1911-present)



U.S. Army

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## South Korea boosts artillery capabilities



Jane's 360

The Republic of Korea Army (RoKA) is aiming to enhance the effectiveness of its artillery forces by introducing

IQPC Future Artillery conference in London that these new systems will improve the service's ability to engage threats posed by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) and increase the survivability of its artillery units from counter-battery fire. [READ MORE](#)

## Using land power decisively in an era of constant competition



RUSI

Held annually on behalf of the Chief of the General Staff, this conference reflected on the breadth of challenges confronting today's land forces in a global security environment characterized by constant competition and unpredictability. [READ MORE](#)

## Europe's forces expand on the land



Jane's

While asymmetric operations in the Middle East have taken centre stage for a decade, causing a lack of spending by European governments on land capabilities, land warfare platforms are once again coming to fore. Developments in Eastern Europe and Southeast Asia have reaffirmed the importance of heavy armour while many users are seeking to bolster their fleets and update ageing systems to maintain capability into the next decade. [READ MORE](#)

## 'Drone ethics' and the civil-military gap



War on The Rocks

The discussion of "the drones" is pervasive. It has permeated popular culture from Helen Mirren in Hollywood to Anne Hathaway on Broadway and has been given not just column inches, but yards and maybe even miles in newspapers, magazines, blogs, and peer-reviewed journals. Philosophers, theologians, strategists, historians, psychologists, playwrights, film directors, poets, musicians, and anthropologists have, each according to the norms of his or her own discipline, engaged in important (and sometimes unimportant) questions about the Predator and Reaper (MQ-1/9). And, regardless of the discipline, the discussion is almost always about ethics. [READ MORE](#)

### THE LAST POST

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## Bowers, Michael Carroll 'Carl'



Michael Bowers and Elizabeth Carroll, of Chapeau, QC. Predeceased by his wife, Elva Brennan, son Kevin, brothers M.J., Tony (Irene) and James and sisters Mary, Elsie (late Clifford Roach), Beatrice (late Gerry McHale) and Teresa (late Ed Montgomery). A veteran of WWII in the artillery, Carl returned home to Allumet Island, Quebec after the war to civilian life, married and raised his family with Elva on their farm. [READ MORE](#)

## Machut, Gunner David Joseph / Machut, Artilleur David Joseph



Gunner David Joseph Machut, an Artilleryman who was serving proudly with 1 RCHA, was in a vehicle accident on 10 June 2017 and passed away on 13 June 2017. Many members of the Regimental Family had the opportunity to visit him and his family in hospital before his passing and had the opportunity to say goodbye.

Funeral information will be distributed once available.

David Joseph Machut, un artilleur qui servait fièrement le 1 RCHA, fut victime d'un accident de véhicule le 10 Juin 2017 et a succombé suite à ses blessures le 13 Juin 2017. Plusieurs membres de la famille régimentaire ont eu l'opportunité de visiter David ainsi que sa famille à l'hôpital avant son décès et ont eu l'opportunité de dire au revoir.

L'information funéraire sera distribuée une fois disponible.

## Moyer, Beth



Peacefully at home on 24 June 2017 at the age of 54. Beth is the cherished daughter of Patricia Lillian (Seymour) and the late John Thomas Aitchison. She was born on the 13th of July 1962 in Peterborough, ON. She is the loving sister of Laura Hobler (David) of Hepworth, and Craig Aitchison (Maureen) of Wasaga Beach.

## O'Neill, Edward



It is with heavy hearts that the family of Edward Henry O'Neill, husband of Florence (Holland) of 58+ years announce his death at the Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital in Fredericton, NB, on Friday 8 June 2017. Edward was a former member of the Canadian Forces — The Royal Canadian Horse Artillery. [READ MORE](#)

### TRENDING ARTICLES

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- [Canada 150 interactive military history map](#) (Government of Canada)
- [Nammo working on ramjet-powered 155 mm artillery round](#) (Jane's 360)
- [The Military Employment Transition \(MET\) Program](#) (METForce.ca)

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