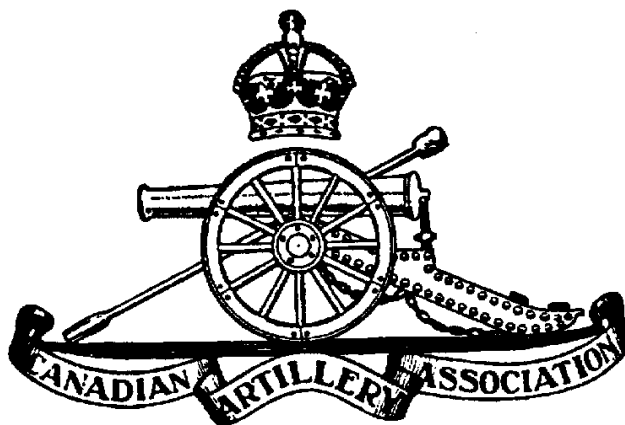


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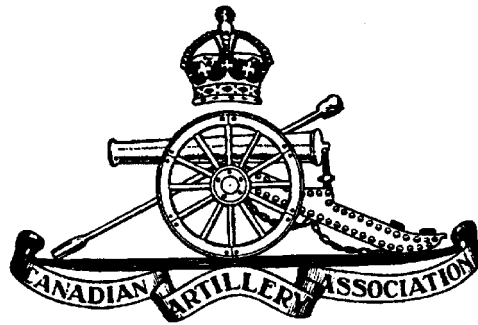
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AURA LIEU
À
QUEBEC, QUEBEC
DU 11-13 SEPTEMBRE 2008**

RCA ORDER OF BATTLE

Regular Force

1 RCHA, Shilo
2 RCHA, Petawawa
5 RALC, Valcartier
4 AD Regt RCA, Moncton
The RCA School, Gagetown
RCA Band, Edmonton
The RCA Museum

Reserve Force (Militia)

1 Fd Regt RCA, Halifax
2 Fd Regt RCA, Montreal
3 Fd Regt RCA, Saint John
5 (BC) Fd Regt RCA, Victoria
6 RAC, ARC, Lévis
7 Tor Regt RCA, Toronto
10 Fd Regt RCA, Regina
11 Fd Regt RCA, Guelph
15 Fd Regt RCA, Vancouver
20 Fd Regt RCA, Edmonton
26 Fd Regt RCA, Brandon
30 Fd Regt RCA, Ottawa
49 Fd Regt RCA, Sault Ste Marie
56 Fd Regt RCA, Brantford
62 RAC ARC, Shawinigan
84 Indep Fd Bty RCA, Yarmouth
116 Indep Fd Bty RCA, Kenora
1 AD Regt RCA, Pembroke
18 AD Regt RCA, Lethbridge
58 BAA, ARC, Valcartier

OUR PATRON



HER EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE MICHAELLE JEAN, CC, CMM, COM, CD

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**Lieutenant-Colonel James E.F. Bryce CD
President
The Royal Canadian Artillery Association
2006-2007**

Lieutenant-Colonel James E.F. Bryce CD

LCol Bryce was born on 5 September 1940 at Limerigg Scotland. His family emigrated to Canada in October of 1947 and settled in Port Credit which is now part of Mississauga.

He was very active in the Lorne Scots Army Cadets Corps at Port Credit High School and attained the rank of Major and the position of 2 I/C of the Corps before joining the Reserves in 1958. From 1958 to 1960 he served as a soldier and junior NCO in "A" Company of the Lorne Scots then in 1960 transferred to the Regular Force as an Officer Cadet in the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery. Over the next 35 years he served in many units and staff positions. In 1970 the Army selected him to attend University under the University Training Plan (Officers) and in 1972 he completed his degree in Economics, History and Political Science at Queen's University in Kingston. Highlights of his career include service in Germany, the UK and the United States. His favourite jobs were his time as a Gun Position Officer in 2 RCHA in Germany, his service as a Launcher Position Officer in the 1st Surface-to-Surface Missile Battery, also in Germany, and his time in command of "F" Battery 2 RCHA in Petawawa. While he was the Commanding Officer of Central Recruiting Zone in 1991 he was recognized for meritorious service to Mobile Command. He finished his Regular Force Career as a technical staff officer in Ottawa where he was responsible for the purchase of artillery equipment and ammunition.

After his retirement from the Regular Force he ran his own consulting business. From 2002 on, he began to reduce the time spent in his consulting work and took over increasing duties in a number of volunteer organizations.

In 2003 he was appointed as Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel of the 1st Air Defence Regiment, now the 42nd Field Regiment (Lanark and Renfrew Scottish) RCA. He is the President of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association, the Past President of the Ottawa Gunners Association and a member of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada.

He has been strongly supported in all his endeavours for the past 43 years by his wife Rita Barbara Bryce. They have two sons and two daughters all pursuing successful careers in their chosen fields.

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- Official Delegates: (2) LCol Andre Richard, CD
 (3) Col Gary E. Burton, CD
- Official Observers: (4) LCol Michael D. McKay, CD AdeC
 (5) LCol Phil Sherwin, CD AdeC
- Col Commandant: (6) MGen John A. MacInnis, CMM MSC CD
- Director of Artillery: (7) Col R. Lacroix, CD

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The Executive Committee will provide advice at the request of and for the benefit of the President. The Executive Committee may communicate from time to time by any convenient means, or may convene at the call of the President when it is practical to do so.

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RCAA Executive Committee 2006-2007



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1876-79	Major-General Sir E. Selby Smith, KCMG
1880-83	Major-General R.G.A. Luard
1884-87	Lieutenant-Colonel W.R. Oswald
1888-89	The Honourable Colonel A.M. MacDonald
1890	Major-General F. Middleton, KCMG CB
1891	Lieutenant-Colonel A.A. Stevenson
1892	Lieutenant-Colonel A.E. Curren
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1894-96	Colonel The Honourable Edward Gawlor Prior, MP
1897-98	Lieutenant-Colonel F. Minden Cole, CMG VD
1899-01	Colonel D.T. Irwin, CMG VD
1902-03	Major-General W.H. Cotton
1904-05	Colonel Sir John Hendrie, KCMG CVO
1908	Lieutenant-Colonel H. McL. Davison
1909	Colonel R Costigan, DSO
1910	Colonel N.F. McNachton, CVO
1911	Colonel E.M. Renouf
1912	Lieutenant-Colonel E.W. Rathbun
1913	Lieutenant-Colonel Lacey R. Johnson
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1929	Colonel E.G.M. Cape, DSO
1930	Colonel Mackenzie Waters, MC
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1970-71	Colonel B. Shapiro, CM CD
1971-72	Lieutenant-Colonel A.G. Lynch-Staunton, CD
1972-73	Lieutenant-Colonel J.C. McKenna, CD
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1976-77	Lieutenant-Colonel B.G. Brulé, CD
1977-78	Colonel E.H. Rowe, OMM CD
1978-79	Lieutenant-Colonel J.E. de Hart, MC CD
1979-80	Brigadier-General W.T. Wickett, CD
1980-81	Colonel R.A. Jacobson, CD
1981-82	Colonel J.R.G. Saint-Louis, CD
1982-83	Brigadier-General L.M Salmon, CD
1983-84	Lieutenant-Colonel G.E. Parnell, CD
1984-85	Lieutenant-Colonel J.R.M. Hubel, CD
1985-86	Colonel E.A. Bauer, CD
1986-87	Colonel M.J. Day, CD
1987-88	Colonel S.T. McDonald, CD
1988-89	Lieutenant-Colonel G.E. Burton, CD
1989-90	Brigadier-General R.P. Beaudry, CD
1990-91	Colonel R.W. Johnston, CD
1991-92	Lieutenant-Colonel D.A. Wynn, CD
1992-93	Lieutenant-Colonel J.D. Gibson, CD
1993-94	Colonel D.L. Berry, CD
1994-95	Judge R.M. MacFarlane, MBE

1995-96	Lieutenant-Colonel R.M. Fitzpatrick, CD
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1997-98	Colonel J.P. Jeffries, CD
1998-99	Lieutenant-Colonel M.D. McKay, CD AdeC
1999-2000	Lieutenant-Colonel S.J. Goldberg, CD
2000-2001	Lieutenant-Colonel R.G. French, CD
2001-2002	Lieutenant-Colonel W.H Wallace, CD
2002-2003	Lieutenant-Colonel P.A Sherwin, CD AdeC
2003-2005	Lieutenant-Colonel C.E. Healey, CD
2005-2006	Colonel G.E. Burton, CD
2006-	LCol James E.F. Bryce, CD

Past Colonels Commandants

1 Apr 1925 - 20 May 1925	Major-General T.B. Strange
10 Jul 1925 - 19 Mar 1928	Colonel Del T. Irwin, CMG VD
20 Mar 1928 - 25 Aug 1934	HCol Brigadier-General W. O.H. Dodds, CMG DSO VD
1 Nov 1934 - 17 Jan 1948	Major-General H.A. Panet, CB CMG DSO
18 Jan 1948 - 17 Jan 1958	Major-General H. O.N. Brownfield, CBE MC CD
18 Jan 1958 - 17 Jan 1964	Brigadier P.A.S. Todd, CBE DSO ED CD
18 Jan 1964 - 17 Jan 1969	Major-General A.Bruce Matthews, CBE DSO CD
18 Jan 1969 - 17 Jan 1975	Major-General H.A. Sparling, CBE DSO CD
18 Jan 1975 - 3 Aug 1979	Brigadier-General E.M.D. Leslie, DSO CD
4 Aug 1979 - 31 Aug 1986	Brigadier-General W.W. Turner, CD
1 Sep 1986 - 15 Aug 1992	Lieutenant-General W.A.B. Anderson, OBE CD
1 Aug 1992 - 1 Sep 1995	Colonel The Honourable Judge R.A. Jacobson, CD
1 Sep 1995 - 22 Sep 2001	Brigadier-General R.P. Beaudry, CD
22 Sep 2001 - 15 Sep 2007	Major General J.A. MacInnis, CMM MSC CD
15 Sep 2007 -	Brigadier-General Ernest Beno, OMM, CD

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Oct 1965 Colonel J.P. Beer, MBE, CD
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Jan 1975 Lieutenant-Colonel J.O. Ward, CD (acting)
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Jul 1977 Colonel H.J. Stein, CD
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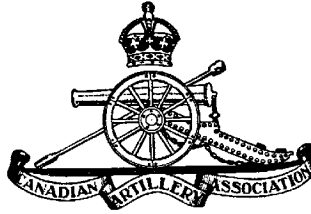
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1962-1972 LCol E.C. Scott, ED
1973-1979 LCol N.F. Scardina
1980-2004 LCol B.G. Brulé, CD

Assistant Secretary-Treasurers

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1949-1961 LCol E.C. Scott, ED
1962-1969 LCol H.T. Vergette, CD



*They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning
We will remember them.*

Laurence Binyon 1869-1943

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MCpl Harry Bishop	26-Sep-06	2 RCHA
Vernon Stanley Bishop	Feb-07	5 Med Regt WW2
Capt George Blackburn CM, MC	15-Nov-06	WW2
George Elmer Bonnell	26-Jul-07	WW2
Robert Rae Borland	05-Sep-06	WW2
A Dexter Bruce	27-Jun-06	Korea
Robert William Bruce	06-Nov-06	WW2
WO2 John Chimko	11-Jan-07	RCHA
Joseph Ralph Chouinard	26-Dec-06	4 Med Regt WW2
Major Richard Rollit Cottingham		
Walter Darling	01-Aug-07	WW2
Major Bob Davidson		WW2
Sgt Gordon Alfred Davis	10-Jan-07	RCHA
Robert Roy Dean	20-Jul-07	WW2
MWO Paul Dearman	03-Dec-06	RCHA
Larry Derwent	16-Aug-06	
Gerry Deveau	20-Jul-07	5 RALC
Regent Dubois	22-Jun-07	
Charles Herbert Edgett	12-Jan-03	2 Fd Regt WW2
Capt Joseph Fedder	Apr-04	7th Tor Regt RCA
Frank Felix	07-Aug-07	
David Filliter	21-Aug-06	WW2
LCol Donald R Foster	15-Sep-06	
Capt Jefferson Francis	04-Jul-07	KIA Afghanistan - D Bty 1 RCHA
Gordon Gillis	22-Jul-07	
Major Clark Edwin Gothard	05-Mar-07	WW2 & 54 Bty RCA
LCol George Hegan	11-Sep-06	
Bob Hills	25-Jul-07	4 RCHA
Gnr Ronald Robert Holder	07-Mar-07	WW2
Marcus Hughes Holmes	29-Sep-06	WW2
LCol Stanley Patrick Hunter		RCA
William Arthur Jackson	21-Jun-07	15 Fd Bty WW2

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Wilmer Kenneth Killaly	04-Jul-07	Korea
Capt Graham Kneale	12-Mar-07	WW2
Major Terrance Larkin	01-Jul-06	WW2
Royal Larocque	07-Mar-06	2 RCHA
Hartley Logan	29-Nov-03	WW2
Sgt Cammy Lonphee		1 & 2 RCHA
Sgt Clements A Lyons	19-Jan-06	RCHA
RA MacLeod	07-Feb-07	
Frank Douglas Matthews	18-Nov-05	WW2
Arthur Vincent McCormick	30-Jul-07	WW2
Phillip Monteith	31-Aug-06	WW2
Douglas Patrick Muzzerall	01-May-06	WW2
Col Brian Noonan	09-Jun-07	42nd Fd Regt RCA (L&R Scots)
Sgt Tom O'Quinn	22-May-06	Korea, 2 & 4 RCHA
John Swaffield Orton	14-Jul-06	WW2
MWO Francis E Moss CD	08-Jul-07	WW2 & Korea
Lt Ronald Kenneth Palmer	09-Jul-07	WW2
Lawrence Walter Patterson	17-Jul-06	RCA
Ivan K Penfold	25-Jun-06	WW2
C Walter Quinn	07-Jul-06	WW2
Col RA Rogers	09-Jun-07	WW2
Marty Sabeau	03-Aug-07	
William Sauders	04-Jun-06	WW2
Harry Alexander Savage	23-Mar-03	WW2
Frank Smith	20-Jan-07	WW2
MBdr Ralph Smithers	Aug-05	2 & 4 RCHA
Hedley Stokes	16-Sep-06	2nd Survey Regt WW2
Allen Edwin Strang	10-Oct-06	5 Fd Regt RCA
William Raymond Thompson	03-Jan-07	WW2
MBdr Lorrie Tucker	28-Aug-06	2 RCHA
John Vieau	01-Jan-07	RCHA
RSM Fred G Wagg	10-Oct-06	26 Fd Regt RCA
Pat Watkin	07-May-06	
Col Jack Weibe	16-Apr-07	10 Fd Regt RCA
MWO Bill Williams	18-Jul-06	2 RCHA
Vic Williams	04-Aug-07	

PROCEEDINGS

The 131st Annual General Meeting of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association commenced with the reading of the **Last Post** by LCol Donald G. Hamilton, Secretary. It was followed by a Minute of Silence.

President's Opening Address – LCol James E.F. Bryce, CD

Welcome to our 131st AGM. This meeting comes at a time where once again the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery is distinguishing itself by its performance on the battlefield. Through their competence, bravery and professionalism the Gunners have contributed magnificently in helping our army achieve the successes that it has. In doing so, they have reminded an army that was fast forgetting the need for artillery that there is a reason why we are “the last argument of kings”.

The theme of our seminar is force protection, a very topical subject given the type of warfare we are engaged in. We will be hearing first hand from those with current experience and will go away from here with a greater understanding of the challenges and the potential solutions available to them.

On a more prosaic level, I would like to sum up what I feel the RCAA has accomplished over the past year and tell you about my plans for the future. As you know, this was my first year in the appointment and like all new appointees I have relied heavily on the advice of my predecessors and the advisory committee. I want to publicly thank Gary Burton, Philip Sherwin, André Richard and Donald Hamilton for their help and support.

I have maintained the good reputation that we have established in the past with the CDA. It is fair to say that we are one of their strongest supporters and from the feedback I get from them, our involvement is appreciated. I will be giving a more detailed report on our CDA activities later this morning.

We have established the RCAA countrywide net to pass important messages from the colonel commandant, the director and the senior serving gunner.

We chose two excellent representatives of the regiment as recipients of our Chip Evoy and Jack Dehart bursaries. The Master Gunner Chip Evoy memorial bursary was awarded to Bdr Polyvyanny of the 7th Toronto Regt. His commanding officer LCol Kalogerakis sent me a message saying how surprised and appreciative the Bdr was. The LCol Jack Dehart memorial bursary was won by Lt Steven Couture of the 6e Regiment. Lt Couture m'a envoyé une lettre de remerciement que je veux vous lire:

We have updated our RCAA constitution “the rules of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association” to put it into bilingual format. In the process we noted some secretarial differences between the two previous versions and corrected them. The resulting 2006 version has been briefed to both the officers of the RCAA and the advisory council. Andre Richard who was our OPI for this initiative will be briefing you on the format and what we have done and I will be asking for your approval to recognize this as the “official” version of our rules.

I have appointed chairmen to our revenue generating committee, our membership committee and our regimental affairs committee, Maj Don Dussault, Col Gilbert Saint-Louis and LCol JJ Fraser

respectively. Our membership level in Quebec has not been strong in recent years and I have asked Don and Col Saint-Louis to look at what we can do to overcome this. I have also asked Don to look at possible sources of revenue since I am concerned about our financial future. I hasten to add that we are in a reasonable financial situation but it is only reasonable as long as we continue our present level of activity and as long as our membership and demographics do not change. I would like to see an increase in the things that we do and some changes in the way we work. Those increases and changes could not be accommodated within the present level of funding. To cite two examples, I would like us to have access to a translator and, I would like us to produce and maintain a more professional web site.

I also want us to be better funded as insurance against a future that I can't predict. Based on what I hear at the CDA, some associations are in decline and short of funds. Don will be suggesting some courses of action during his briefing to you and I will be asking your approval for moving forward with them.

I have some ideas for the next year, which I would like to implement, and which I think we can do within our present level of funding.

First, I want to see if we can put together some form of recognition and support for our soldiers wounded and injured in Afghanistan. I am not thinking here of anything to supplant the standard support these gunners receive from the system but things supplementary. For example, it should not be too hard to provide some packages of hospital comforts that could be held in Kandahar, in Germany and here at home. I will be asking JJ Fraser to have a look at this in the very near future.

Secondly, there is likelihood that a book will be commissioned on the artillery experience in Afghanistan. This book would be written by the gunner historian LCol (ret'd) Brien Reid. We can't afford to support this idea financially at this time but there would be other ways in which we could support this worthwhile project. And,

Third, as I just mentioned I would like to move forward with an initiative to increase our membership in Québec based on a model you will be hearing about from Don Dussault.

In these initiatives, I will of course be governed by the advice and counsel that I receive from our officers and the executive committee and will not spend your money or invoke your good name without their approval

Encore, merci pour avoir pris le temps d'assister à notre réunion et pour votre intérêt et votre appui. J'espère que vous allez trouvé notre réunion valable, notre conférence intéressante, et nos évènements sociaux agréables.

BUSINESS ARISING

Bursaries

- LCol Jack DeHart – Lt Steven Couture, 6e Regiment RAC
- Master Gunner Chip Evoy – Bdr Polyvyanny of the 7th Toronto Regiment RCA



Lt Steven Couture receives the LCol Jack DeHart bursary from LGen (HLCol) Romeo Dallaire



Bdr Artem Polyvyanny receives the Master Gunner Chip Evoy bursary from LCol Bill Kalogerakis (r) and CWO Pedro Rosa (r)

Acceptance of the 2005-2006 Annual Report.

Moved by LCol Wally Wallace, seconded by LCol Jim Brazill. **CARRIED.**

Business arising from the 2006 AGM

Discussion regarding the RCAA Network.

Business arising from the Executive Meeting.

-The Association was notified of the appointment of new Trustees; LCol C.E. Healey, LCol M.D. McKay and BGen E. Beno

-The Association was briefed on amendments to the Constitution that would be tabled at the 2008 AGM.

-A membership trial will be conducted in Quebec linking the members of various Quebec Artillery associations directly with the RCAA.

-Discussion ensued concerning a national lottery to assist in raising funds for the RCAA.

Approval of 2007 Financial Statements (See page 34)

Moved by LCol Ralph French, seconded by LCol Kirk McGeachy. **CARRIED.**

Approval of 2007 Travel Expenses.

Moved by LCol Betty Coleman, seconded by LCol Clyde Healey. **CARRIED.**

Committee Reports

Heritage

LCol Jim Bryce on LCol David Ross's behalf presented an update.

Regimental Affairs, Constitution & Improvement

LCol Jim Bryce on LCol J.J. Fraser's behalf presented an update on the Artillery outreach program known as RCAA Net.

Membership

Col Gilbert Saint-Louis presented an update on the Membership trial for 1 year with the Montreal Gunners Association.

Revenue Generating

Maj Don Dussault presented the concept of a National Artillery lottery.

CDA

LCol Jim Bryce

In this past year I have tried to build on the strong base we have with the CDA as a result of the work of previous Presidents. We participated actively in CDA Council Meetings and were well represented at the CDA AGM in Ottawa on 14-16 Feb this year. This year we re-submitted Dr. Jacques Castonguay as our nominee for the Vimy Award and have just submitted a nomination for the CDA 75th Anniversary Book Prize. We have been active on commenting on issues that have been sent to us by the CDA involving the staffing of position papers by various associations, most recently one by the Air Force Association dealing with strategic planning for procurement. Our input has always been well received and indeed, from comments made to me by the Executive Director of the CDA it is clear

that he considers the RCAA as one of the stronger associations. This is an objective confirmation of the evidence I have seen and heard at the CDA Council meetings. Many of the Associations are not in as strong a position as we are either financially or in membership.

Our Vice-President LCol André Richard, attended the CDA Council Meeting of 18 Nov 06 as our representative. At that meeting he read the following report:

The RCAA has been actively passing on information received from RCA sources and from the CDA to its Executive and members of the Advisory Committee over the past year. We have relied on these members to disseminate any information received to their units and associations and we are quite confident that this network works to get information out to our internal audience. We are now laying the groundwork for a far more efficient internal RCA network by linking up all of the local artillery associations country wide. Through this network we hope to get our message out to the widest possible Gunner audience and through them where necessary, to the public.

Our travelling museum display and the RCA virtual Museum are proving to be valuable tools in getting the RCA in the public eye. The travelling display has just completed a successful stay in Montreal and will now be travelling to the West Coast for display there.

Exchange officers from the UK, New Zealand and US Artillery representatives including Maj Gen Ralston, the Commandant of the US Army Field Artillery Center attended our RCAA Annual General Meeting in Halifax in September. The briefings and discussions given by a wide range of DND Staff gave all of these officers and NCOs an excellent insight into Canadian operations and our commitment to success in Afghanistan. While most of these personnel were already aware of Canada's contribution, their briefing in the forum of our AGM certainly had a valuable public affairs aspect.

Both André and I attended the Council Meeting on 14 Feb 97 where I read the following report:

The RCAA has done well over this past year. Our financial position is adequate to fair and we are able to meet our costs such as they are without touching our reserve.

Our efforts are now directed at strengthening our representation in Quebec and using the lessons learned there to possibly build a new model for membership country wide. What we are looking at specifically is whether lowering our annual membership dues but combining them with membership dues in local Gunner organizations will result in increased membership numbers. If our AGM approves it we will launch this initiative in Quebec next fall then apply it in other regions in subsequent years.

Our outreach program has been strengthened by the establishment of an RCAA net linking the local Gunner organizations across the country. These organizations are composed of both serving and retired members, Regular and Reserve and, while there have been informal links in the past, the coverage we have now was never assured. This net was used for the first time last month to distribute a SITREP from the Director of Artillery to those local organizations for distribution to their members.

We will be announcing the winners of our two \$500.00 bursaries at a Gunner Luncheon we will be hosting Friday at noon. These bursaries commemorate the Service of LCol Jack De Hart MC and Master Gunner Chip Evoy MM and Bar.

At this Meeting we were presented with a scroll recognizing our "steadfast and continuing support". These scrolls were created to mark the CDA's 75th Anniversary.

Artillery Advisor Board

LCol Philip Sherwin – reported on the activities of the Artillery Advisory board he attended at the Field Artillery School (FAS) in Gagetown NB May 10 & 11, 2007.

Force Generation – experiences from the armoury floor. LCol Dan Kuhn gave a presentation on lessons learned.

Evaluation

LCol Jim Bazill gave an in-depth presentation on the committee and its aim and goals.

Area Reports were presented by the respective Area Representatives

- LFCA – LCol Kirk McGeachy, 3 RCA
- SQFT – LCol Ken Haeck, 62 RAC
- LFCA – LCol Ian Becking, 30 RCA
- LFWA – LCol Ross Thompson, 26 RCA

Update to the RCAA Rules

LCol Andre Richard briefed the Association on the work done this year to correct minor variances in the last two versions on the RCAA Rules. Also, the format was changed to ensure that a bilingual format would be maintained. These secretarial changes were agreed upon by the Membership present.

Address by Colonel Commandant – Major General John A. MacInnis, CMM MSC CD

Fellow Gunners and Friends of Gunners

The role of the Colonel Commandant of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery, in my view, is to help provide a bridge from the positive aspects of our collective past to our future. It is therefore more than a retrospective role and I don't intend to be more than a little retrospective in this my final address to you. It is also, by extension, my farewell as Colonel Commandant to all members of our Regiment. What I would like to leave you with are some observations and thoughts on the following:

- The changing face of artillery operations;
- The place of the honorary colonel/lieutenant colonel within the Royal Regiment;
- Our Regimental Heritage;
- This Association, its role and challenge for the future.

First Artillery Operations

As you may know I suggested to the President RCAA the topic of Force Protection for this year's seminar and I will say more on that subject during the seminar tomorrow. Today I want to point out the dramatic shift that has occurred in the tactical employment of artillery in the past five years. My first observation is that the battery has regained its pre-eminent status as the fundamental organizational element of the RCA. It has thus regained a position which it held for decades prior to World War 2. Since that time and for the duration of the Cold War focus centered on artillery regiments, brigades and divisions as a means of providing the indirect firepower deemed necessary to counter the soviet hoards. Current operations seem to negate this requirement while demanding that the battery be not only self-contained but multi purpose as well. The tactical imperatives of the deployed battery has been to provide suppression, precision, a combination of both, and elements of

force protection. To say that they have successful in carrying out these functions drastically understates the reality. Meanwhile, current and immediate past COs of regular regiments have exercised their period of command to a large extent in training and mobilizing one or more batteries for operations. Their experiences need to be reviewed and examined because they differ considerably from those of us who have commanded units up to 2002. Additionally, technological advances particularly in miniaturization and digitization make it much simpler to coordinate and control the fire of multiple fire units if and when required. This of course raises the question of the organization and composition of regiments, both regular and reserve, going forward. A second post cold war reality is that operational deployments are discretionary with respect to size, composition and most importantly, timing. This has resulted in a much closer relationship between regular and reserve units of the Royal Regiment as our militia units meet the challenge of supporting these mini-mobilizations. This positive interaction is enhanced by one of the Royal Regiment's greatest strength - the fact that we wear a common badge. How to further exploit this in an effective and efficient manner is also a challenge going forward. Air defence artillery has not escaped the changing reality of post cold war operations and I will have more to say on the subject tomorrow. Suffice at this time is to say that I regret the untimely demise of the reserve AD units, a demise which was based on a premature, wrong-headed decision. Nevertheless it is time for us to think beyond ADATS and beyond Afghanistan in both field and AD Artillery. This is the operational imperative. This is the challenge for the Regiment – to build upon the amazing successes of the field artillery and the changing nature of air defence artillery as we move beyond the war in Afghanistan. At this point I would like to commend DArty for his pragmatic approach to his job and to once again highlight the extraordinary contribution made by the RCAS in moving the guns to their rightful place in the overall scheme of things. Well done.

The second issue I wish to highlight is the role of the honorary colonels and lieutenant colonels within the regiment. I have the highest respect for the ladies and gentlemen who take on these associated responsibilities. Some have been a stand-in for me over the past six years and others have been particularly helpful and generous in the Heritage endeavour. Many, especially those who are here today, have accepted the fact that they are part of a regiment which goes beyond the boundaries of their respective units. Many have not. It had been my intention to organize a national artillery conference with the honorary members and I have been remiss in not doing so. The point is that there may be some indoctrination missing here especially for those who have little or no military background – and maybe even for some that do. Whether this is a worthwhile issue for the RCAA or my successor - or both - I leave up to you. For my part, I have asked that our Regimental Standing Orders be amended to reflect the fact that the honorary appointees have both a unit and a Regiment-wide responsibility. I also encourage our militia units to ensure that their honoraries are aware of this fact and that they are encouraged to think as such and to participate in this association. Indeed, I would be remiss if I failed to mention at this point the unfailing and unflinching support to the Royal Regiment provided by those of our honorary appointees who are here today. To you I offer my sincere congratulations and thanks. Our Regiment and this Association would be greatly strengthened if all our honorary appointees followed your example.

Next I want to talk a bit about our Regimental Heritage. Last year I visited the Western Ontario Gunners' Association in London. This consists of a handful of gunners who were part of the local militia unit – a unit which was disbanded 45 years ago. Through their uncommon foresight and diligence, they were able to retain a gunner presence in the first class Delta Armouries Hotel in downtown London. To the best of my knowledge, their contribution to the preservation of our heritage remains unacknowledged and to a large extent unappreciated. Meanwhile, a few hundred kilometers to the east in Hamilton resides the residual artifacts of another disbanded unit, this time retained under the auspices of a board of trustees all of whom are of a very advanced age. These artefacts, which include an original copy of the OVERLORD operation order, are in a state of deterioration with no provision being made, to the best of my knowledge, for their eventual preservation. But our heritage is

much more than then the safekeeping of our artifacts. It is the story of our regiment, indeed it is the story of artillery in Canada from the days that the first French explorers set foot on our shores. In many respect the story of our regiment is a metaphor for the beginnings of Canada itself. Our heritage is embodied in the existence of all those wonderful artillery organizations present in this country where retired gunners get together just for the pleasure of being with other gunners. It exists in the as yet unmarked graves of the four gunner veterans of the Korean War whose remains were never recovered at Canoe River in the wilds of British Columbia. It exists in the unwritten volume three of the gunners of Canada and in the yet to be completed story of the guns in Afghanistan. Last but certainly not least, it exists in the Gunner presence here in Shilo, the only place in Canada where we have an operational focal point for our heritage – one of the reasons why I asked that the RCA Central Museum, the RHQ and its associated Kit Shop be together referred as the RCA Heritage Centre. Is the Heritage plan and Campaign moving forward? Yes it is. Is moving quickly? No it is not. But this does not really matter. While there are priorities to be established and completed, there is no real timeline to the plan nor is there a critical need for one. After all, our Regimental Heritage is evolving as we speak. What is needed however has been eloquently written and stated by LGen Mike Jeffrey when he talks about Regimental ownership, governance and a revamped campaign strategy, issues that he is pursuing with vigour. At this stage, I would like to publicly acknowledge his continuing intelligent and thoughtful contribution. I would also like to point out that BGen Beno was present on the first occasion when the heritage idea was brought to the Artillery Council for their endorsement and he wholeheartedly supported it. I expect therefore that the tradition will continue. There are several heritage items which I would like to bring up now and some of them will tie in to my final point related to the RCAA. First, I initially decided to leave the serving general officers of the Artillery Council out of the heritage campaign after receiving their endorsement for the mission and plan. I did this on the grounds that they were supporting the regular force regimental fund and would be approached once they retired. This was wrong as the absence of their names on the donor list was noticed and served as a disincentive for others. I hope now they will come forward and show leadership by their generosity. Secondly, the heritage operational plan needs the staff to make things happen. What we had in mind was a Director of Artillery Heritage and sufficient staff at the Heritage Centre to do the work. Today we have neither. In the past, the Commander Home Station was able to become personally engaged in heritage issues as the last gunner to hold the job, Chris Simonds, certainly did. As was the case with the previous Home Station Commander, the incumbent takes his oversight job seriously, but he can not be expected to get involved with the inner workings of our regimental heritage. The situation is exacerbated by the fact that CFB Shilo, busier now than it has been since the Germans left, is critically understaffed, requiring the Regimental Major to be double-hatted even as the Regimental Adjutant's position remains unfilled. The unavailability of support was the main reason I cancelled the 2007 ad hoc Heritage Council meeting, thus delaying consideration of the plan itself. Of course there is a war on and that takes priority but the situation certainly needs to be examined. Meanwhile we are indeed fortunate to have Marc George as the Director of the RCA Central Museum. His work, his help to me and his contribution to Regimental Heritage were and remain invaluable.

My parting shot concerns the Royal Canadian Artillery Association itself. I have watched as the RCAA struggled to survive over many lean years. Survive it did through the hard work and unselfish contribution of many, some of whom are at this meeting today. In my view it has shown that it can not only survive but it can flourish as well. It must now take the next step and examine itself to ensure that its mission and especially how its mission is been carried out is indeed relevant to the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery. As I recall, its mandate involves "The promotion of the efficiency and welfare of the (RCA) and of all matters pertaining to the defence of Canada (2002)". Now, there is nothing wrong with this statement as long as the promotion of the efficiency and welfare of the regiment is in fact the dominant phrase and that the output reflects meaningful results. I would therefore recommend that you consider the following with respect to the promotion of Regimental efficiency:

- Find an alternative to the so-called area reports that are presented at annual meetings as a means of learning about the current state of the Royal Regiment;
- Considering the operational shift I mentioned earlier, promote, and if necessary underwrite the study of the employment of field artillery in future wars;
- For the same reason, forget about a follow-on to SHELLBURST VALLEY as a measure of efficiency. Rather look at such factors as inter-unit cooperation within each area, unit-by unit strengths and weaknesses, force generation and self-regeneration as applicable. Do this for both regular and reserve units;
- Examine each force initiative as it emerges, such as the concept of tactical grouping, to determine its impact on the Regiment, making recommendations as necessary;
- Continue with the seminar process in your annual meetings but tie them as close as possible to the deliberations of the Artillery Advisory Board sessions held at the RCAS;
- Foster and underwrite if necessary a study of the place of air defence artillery in the future battle space.

Clearly, I am pushing for more currency and relevance in your deliberations and impact in your output. Don't hesitate to induce a little healthy friction in your comments and recommendations. But it is in the Regimental welfare arena in which I hope you become more actively engaged. After all, the chain of command does do a creditable job of looking after the efficiency of units within the Regiment, but who in that chain is a little bit concerned about the welfare of the Regiment as a whole? This I contend is the primary reason for the existence of the RCAA – the welfare of the Regiment as a whole – regular, reserve and retired.

Let me remind you now of the mission of the heritage plan which is to codify, preserve, display celebrate and fund our distinctive gunner heritage. Every one of the goals and objectives associated with this mission is related to the welfare of the regiment as a whole as do matters of governance and finances. It was clear to me when the issue was still an idea that the RCAA was not in a position to take a leadership role although many members came on board with alacrity and generosity. My challenge to you therefore is to officially embrace the heritage endeavour at this meeting. Indeed I ask you to go further and to push for such items as the staffing of the Heritage centre and the periodic placement of a gunner in the position of Commander Home Station. Finally, my sincere hope it that the RCAA will pursue the goal of one day taking shared, if not full, ownership of all matters related to our great and continuing heritage.

Good luck to you all. It has been a real blessing to have been your 14th Colonel Commandant. Good Shooting.

Other Business

To recognize the out-going Col Commandant's service to The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery, the Artillery Support Group in Guelph graciously agreed to provide the necessary funds to allow for 2x LCol Jack De Hart MC bursaries and 2x Master Gunner Chip Evoy MM and Bar bursaries in 2008 of \$1,000 each.

RCA RHQ Report was presented by Major Gerald Lessard

RCA Museum Report was presented by Marc George, Director, RCA Museum. BGen Al Howard provided the introduction into the symposium on "**Force Protection**".

Panel Discussion – The way ahead for force protection in the RCA.

Moderator: MGen JA MacInnis - Colonel Commandant
Panelists: BGen A Howard – Acting Sr Gunner
Col R. Lacroix – DArty
BGen E Beno
Major Dan Bobbitt

Message to our Captain-General

On the occasion of the 131th Annual Meeting of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association the Colonel-Commandant of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery, the President of the Association and all members present send loyal greetings to her Majesty, our Captain-General.

Expression of loyalty to our Captain-General presented by Col EH Rowe, moved by Col J Jefferies, seconded by LCol W Wallace. **CARRIED.**

Election of Officers

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, LCol CE Healey presented the following list of members be nominated for the Executive of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association for the year 2007-2008.

President: LCol James Bryce
Vice-President: LCol Andre Richard
Secretary: LCol Donald G. Hamilton
Treasurer: LCol Philip Sherwin
Past President: Col Gary E. Burton

A call for nominations from the floor was made. There being no further nominations, moved by Col Berry, seconded by LCol French. Col E. Rowe moved that the nominations be closed. **CARRIED.**

Advisory Council

The Nominating Committee recommended that the advisory council for 2007/2008 be established as LCol Walter Wallace, LCol Clyde Healey, Col Jim Jefferies, MGen John A. MacInnis and Col Anthony Sosnkowski, moved by BGen Salmon, seconded by Col AE Sherwin. Col C. Ross moved that the nominations be closed. **CARRIED.**

The Nominating recommended that the Association consider an amendment to the Rules of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association to provide for the position under Ex-Officio for the RSM-RCA.

Honorary Life Members

Col Jim Hubel presented a nomination in favour of Brigadier H.E. (Ted) Brown, OBE, OStJ, ED, CD, BA, seconded by LCol Jim Brazill. **CARRIED.**

LCol Ken Haeck presented a nomination in favour of Colonel(H) G. Dufresne, CM, OStJ, ED, CD, seconded by LCol Andre Richard. **CARRIED.**

Presentations

Presentations were presided over by Honoraries Col Gary Burton and LCol Mike MacKay of the 11 Field Regiment RCA to the RCA Heritage Campaign. Presentations totaling \$100,000 were made by LCol MacKay, Maj Schotsch representing RHQ, Capt Vienneau representing 11 Bty, Capt Tischhauser representing 16 Bty and Maj Pickering representing 29 Bty.

Meeting adjourned 1610 hours



REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

Printing of the PowerPoint presentations screens in legible format has proven more than the RCAA can reasonably afford. In the event members wish to receive a copy on CD please contact LCol Donald Hamilton at the address or email listed on page 7 to this report.

Reports given using PowerPoint in order of presentation were:

Friday - 14 Sep 07

1040 - Force Generation – LCol Dan Kuhn

1120 - Reports by Area Representatives

LFAA - LCol Kirk McGeachy

SQFT - LCol Ken Haeck

LFCA - LCol Ian Becking

LFWA – LCol Ross Thompson

1345 - RCA HQ Report - Maj Gerald Lessard

1405 - RCA Museum Report – Major Marc George

Saturday – 15 Sep 07

0900 - Directorate Land Strategic Planning update – Major Mike Sullivan

0935 - Directorate of Land Requirements update – Major Kevin Duff

1040 – The Artillery Plan update – LFDI-2 – Major Mike Sullivan

1115 - Directorate of Army Training update - DAT3-3 – Major DA Russel

1150 – The RCA School update – LCol Bryan MacPherson

1340 – Update on RCA operations in Afghanistan – Major Dan Bobbitt

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Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
For the year ending 31 August 2007**

OPERATING RECEIPTS

Member Fees (Unit & RF)	5,900.00
Member Fees (Ordinary & Life)	3,955.00
Donations	8,779.70
RCAA AGM registration fees	18,103.00
GST Rebate	238.12
Donation CDA	800.00
TOTAL OPERATING RECEIPTS	37,775.82

OPERATING EXPENDITURES - PROGRAM

Annual Meeting 2006 - Travel	5,299.43
Annual Meeting 2006 - Other	16,846.02
Memorial Maintenance - France	1,744.55
CDA Meeting Expenses	3,204.89
Printing	551.21
Donations (30 RCA/RMC)	250.00
Bursaries	1,000.00
Quadrant/Canadian Gunner	3,048.00
Alberta Gunners Account	1,396.70
	33,340.80

OPERATING EXPENDITURES - ADMINISTRATION

Office Support Services	1,973.76
Rent & Storage	1,800.00
Office Supplies	411.64
Bank Charges	49.11
	4,234.51

**TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES
- Program and Administrative**

37,575.31

Net Receipts over Expenditures

200.51

Operating Account Balance 31 August 2006

27,553.78

Operating Account Balance 31 August 2007

27,754.29

INVESTMENTS

Investment Reserve on deposit to RBC (note 4)

33,775.98

TOTAL

61,530.27

RCAA AGM Attendance 14-15 September 2007

Col	WG	Ames		Maj	Chuck	LaRoque	COS CFB Shilo
BGen	Robert P	Beaudry	RCAA	Major	JBG	Lessard	RCA RHQ
LCol	Ian C	Becking	30 RCA	LCol	Woody	Linton	116 Bty
BGen	EB	Beno	Col Cmdt	CWO	Nelson	Lizotte	30 RCA
Col	Donald L	Berry	26 RCA	Major	Alex S	MacDonald	1 RCA
LCol	Tim J	Bishop	1 RCHA	MGen	J.A.	MacInnis	Col Cmdt
Major	Dan	Bobbitt	2 RCHA	Maj	Raymond	Magnan	49 RCA
LCol	Daniel M	Bouchard	4 AD	CWO	JM Steve	Manny	DGRMC
LCol	James L	Brazill	RCAA	CWO	Bruno	Marier	6 RAC
LCol	James	Bryce	42 RCA	CWO	Mike L	McDonald	LFDTs
Capt	David A	Burnett	TAA/7 RCA	LCol	D Kirk	McGeachy	3 RCA
Col	Gary E	Burton	11 RCA	LCol	Michael	McKay	11 Fd
Major	Sean E	Carragher	11 RCA	LCol	Brian	McPherson	RCAS
Col	Harry D	Chapman	11 RCA	Major	David E	Meehan	56 RCA
HLCOL	Betty J	Coleman	26 RCA	Col	D	Neasmith	DLFD
CWO	Claude	Coulombe	4 AD	LCol	C. Bruce	Noble	49 RCA
LCol	L Craig	Dalton	2 RCHA	Capt	Glen L	Parkinson	11 RCA
Capt	John M	Dean	TAA/7 RCA	Capt	J Rod	Pettigrew	11 RCA
Capt	John W	Dean	7 RCA	Maj	Paul H	Pickering	11 RCA
LCol	Kevin PJ	Doyle	31 CBG	CWO	Geoff	Popovits	26 RCA
Major	Kevin F	Duff	DLR	LCol	Andre	Richard	RCAA
LCol	Norbert	Dufresne	38 CBG	CWO	Pedro	Rosa	7 RCA
Capt	Mike	Duguay	18 AD	Col	Cameron	Ross	LFCA
CWO	Joe P	Dulong	1 RCA	Col	Ed H	Rowe	49 RCA
Major	Donald A	Dussault	RCAA	2Lt	Jevon D	Rudder	11 RCA
Col	Glyn K	Edwards	20 RCA	CWO	Chris P	Rusk	2 RCHA
LCol	Dany	Fortin	5 RALC	Major	Darrell A	Russel	DAT 3-3
LCol	Ralph G	French	11 RCA	Col	Gilbert	Saint-Louis	2 RCA
LCol	Richard	Garon	6 RAC	BGen	Leonard	Salmon	56 RCA
Major	Marc	George	RCA Museum	Maj	Mike	Schotsch	11 RCA
CWO	Tony K	Gilks		Col	Arthur	Sherwin	5 RCA
CWO	Daniel	Giroux	RCAS	LCol	Philip	Sherwin	RCAA
Maj	Blake A	Golder	49 RCA	Major	Mike	Sullivan	LFDI 2
CWO	Jeff W	Gowanlock	56 RCA	Capt	RT	Templeman	11 RCA
CWO	Alan	Grenier	5 RALC	LCol	Ross D	Thompson	26 RCA
Major	Michael	Gomes	7 RCA	Capt	David R	Tischhauser	11 RCA
LCol	Ken F	Haeck	62 RAC	Col	JG Eric	Tremblay	Comd 5 CBG
Capt	Stephen	Haire	RCAS	Major	Shane D	Vahey	30 RCA
LCol	Donald G	Hamilton	RCAA	OCDT	Jeff N	Valks	11 RCA
Capt	Tim	Haveman	1 RCHA	LCol	Peter FW	Veuger	15 RCA
LCol	Clyde	Healey	49 RCA	Capt	Jeff	Vienneau	11 RCA
BGen	Al	Howard	Comd LFCA	CWO	N Don	Walker	11 RCA
Col	Jim RM	Hubel	7 RCA	LCol	Walter	Wallace	49 RCA
LGen	Michael	Jeffery		LCol	J Donald	Wilkin	56 RCA
Col	Jim P	Jeffries	26 RCA	CWO		Wilks	DAT 3-3
LCol	Bill	Kalogerakis	7 RCA	CWO	Paul	Yetman	11 RCA
LCol	Dan	Kuhn	15 RCA				
Col	CR	Lacroix	DARTY				