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## Regimental News Nouvelles du Régiment

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**New!** Canadian howitzers in action in Latvia.

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**New!** Canadian Gunners host British Gunners for a Sports Day. The event was hosted by 7th (Tor) Regt, 11th Fd Regt and 56th Fd Regt

**for the visiting Royal Artillery Mens and Women's Football Teams in Toronto on Saturday 16 September.**

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**La biographie de l'Artilleur principal en service: MAJOR-GÉNÉRAL S.C. HETHERINGTON, OMM, CSM, CD  
COMMANDANT DU CENTRE DE LA DOCTRINE  
ET DE L'INSTRUCTION DE L'ARMÉE CANADIENNE**

**Biography of the Senior Serving Gunner: MAJOR-GENERAL  
S.C. HETHERINGTON, OMM, MSC, CD  
COMMANDER CANADIAN ARMY DOCTRINE AND TRAINING CENTRE**

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**New!** RCA Museum listed as a Star Attraction by Travel Manitoba

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**116th Independent Field Battery, Kenora, ON.** Kenora has held a Gunner unit since 1936 when the Kenora Light Infantry were converted into medium artillery. At one point holding the headquarters and one battery of 40 Medium Regiment, Kenora now is the home of 116 Independent Field Battery.

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### **30th Field Regiment RCA Annual Regimental Dinner - Wed 27 Sep 17**

The Regimental Dinner will be held on Wed, 27 Sep 2017. Timings are 1830 hrs with the meal being served at 1900 hrs.

Dress: DEUs, Mess Dress or Business Suit with medals  
Costs: Association (Former Members & Guests) is \$65.00  
Senate is \$115

Meal: 1/4 Chicken

Please RSVP to the Chief Clerk, Sgt Kristin Kuchnereit-Coursol @  
[KRISTIN.KUSCHNEREIT-COURSOL@forces.gc.ca](mailto:KRISTIN.KUSCHNEREIT-COURSOL@forces.gc.ca) NLT Friday, 22 Sep 2017,  
It would be greatly appreciated if you could provide your home mailing address, as well,  
so that Receipts can be mailed out later.  
Thank you and the Regiment, Senate and Association look forward to seeing you.

## Association News Nouvelles des associations



Painting - Canadian Gunners in the Mud, Passchendaele,  
by Alfred Bastien (1873–1955).

**New! Exhibit - 100 Years of Remembrance: Canadians in Belgium in the Great War, 1914–1918.** The International Pavilion, [7 Clarence Street, Ottawa](#). This exhibit will put the centenary of the famous Battle of Passchendaele (1917) forward to raise awareness among Canadians about how their forebears suffered, fought and lived in Belgium during the First World War.

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**New!** H2652 Honorary Colonel A. Britton Smith, MC, CD, LH, QC, LLD, honoured on RMCs Wall of Honour.

**Nouveau!** H2652 Colonel honoraire A. Britton Smith, MC, CD, LH, c.r., LLD honoré sur le Mur d'honneur du CMR.

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**Les Bourses de l'Association de l'Artillerie Royale Canadienne.** Le AARC parraine deux bourses par an pour un montant de 1000,00 \$ chacun pour aider les artilleurs de la Réserve qui sont des étudiants dans les établissements d'enseignement postsecondaire. Les candidatures doivent être reçues par le secrétaire / trésorier de l'AARC ([sec.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com](mailto:sec.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com)) au plus tard le 31 décembre.

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**RCAA Bursaries.** The RCAA sponsors two bursaries annually in the amount of \$1000.00 each to assist Reserve Gunner students at post-secondary educational institutions. Applications must be received by the Secretary/Treasurer RCAA ([sec.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com](mailto:sec.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com)) by 31 December.

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**Update. RCAA AGM and RCA Board (12-14 Oct 17) Administrative Instruction.** Please quote Booking Code CGRCA2 when booking accommodation **by phone (Toll free 1-866-468-4442)** at the Day's Inn Ottawa Airport for the RCA Board/RCAA AGM.

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**Compte rendu. L'AGA de l'AARC et le conseil de l'ARC (12-14 oct 17) Instructions Administratives.** Lorsque vous faites vos réservations **par téléphone (gratuit 1-866-468-4442)** à l'Hotel Days Inn de l'aéroport d'Ottawa pour le Conseil de l'ARC et l'AGA de l'AARC, vous êtes priés d'indiquer le code : CGRCA2.

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**RCAA AGM and RCA Board (12-14 Oct 17) Schedules.**

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**Des horaires de l'AGA de l'AARC et le conseil de l'ARC (12-14 oct 17)**

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**Réunion des anciens de 5e RALC - Samedi le 26 août 2017.** Samedi le 26 août l'association a tenu sa rencontre régionale de l'année de la région d'Ottawa-Gatineau à la filiale 632 d'Orléans de la Légion royale canadienne.

**5 RALC Association Reunion - Saturday 26 August 2017.** On Saturday 26 August, the Association held its yearly get-together in the Ottawa-Gatineau region at Branch 632 (Orleans) of the Royal Canadian Legion.

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**Request for Information Regarding Gunners to be Added to the 7th Book of Remembrance.** Mike Walker is looking for information on two individuals: LCol G.N. Chambers, CO 2RCHA 1959-60, and Bdr Jack States 2RCHA, for the 7th Book of Remembrance.

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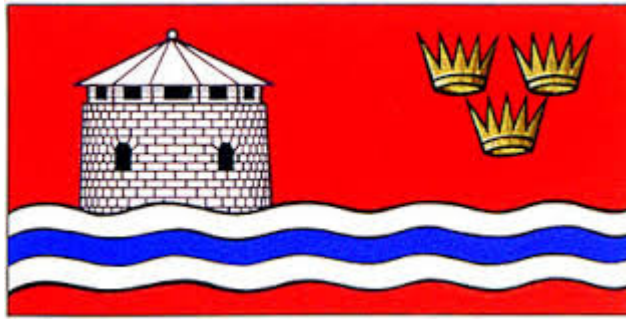
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**The Royal Artillery Association September Newsletter.**

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**Kingston Gunner Breakfast, Saturday 30 September 2017.**

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**New! Vancouver Artillery Association and Royal United Services  
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**5th Annual Canadian Intelligence Conference.** Tuesday, November 7th, 2017 Victoria Room, Diefenbaker Building, 111 Sussex Dr, Ottawa, ON K1N 5A1. Theme: "HYBRID WARFARE AND THE IMPLICATIONS FOR THE CANADIAN INTELLIGENCE ENTERPRISE"

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## Defence and Security News

## Nouvelles de défense et de sécurité



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**New! PPCLI Mental Health and Suicide Workshop CFB Edmonton 24 - 26 Oct.** In support of the Veteran Community and in partnership with Veterans Affairs Canada, a customized version of the Mental Health First Aid for members of the Veteran Community is being offered. Training will be offered in English.

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**New! Pensioners' Dental Services Plan (PDSP) September 2017 Communiqué - Contribution rates effective October 1, 2017.**

To view the PDSP Communiqué, please follow the steps outlined below:

1. Visit [www.sunlife.ca/PDSP](http://www.sunlife.ca/PDSP)

2. Click on PDSP Communiqué under Information and Updates.

If you encounter any difficulties, please contact our Customer Care Centre toll free at 1-888-757-7427 (in North America) or at 613-24 7-5100 (in the National Capital Region).

**Nouveau! Régime de services dentaires pour les pensionnés (RSDP) Communiqué du septembre 2017 - Taux de cotisation en vigueur au 1er octobre 2017.**

Pour voir le communiqué RSDP, suivez les étapes décrites ci-dessous:

1. Visitez <https://www.sunnet.sunlife.com/signin/csi/pdsp/f/home.wca>

2. Cliquez sur le communiqué PDSP sous Informations et actualités.

Si vous rencontrez des difficultés, veuillez communiquer avec notre Centre de service à la clientèle sans frais au 1-888-757-7427 (en Amérique du Nord) ou au 613-247-5100 (dans la région de la capitale nationale).

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**Nouveau! Jeux Invictus: 23 au 30 septembre 2017, Toronto.** La Invictus Games Foundation a été créée à Londres, en Angleterre, en 2014 pour poursuivre et développer le legs des Jeux Invictus, événement de sport adapté du prince Harry pour les militaires et anciens combattants blessés et malades.

**New! The Invictus Games: September 23 to 30, 2017, Toronto.** The Invictus Games Foundation was established in London, England, in 2014 to pursue and develop the legacy of the Invictus Games, Prince Harry's

adaptive sport event for injured, ill and wounded servicemen and women and veterans.

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**Le programme Du régiment aux bâtiments® (DRB)** a été constitué à titre d'organisme à but non lucratif au Canada. Ce programme est semblable à son équivalent aux États-Unis, le programme H2H, toutefois le pendant canadien propose des emplois au Canada pour toutes les personnes ayant fait leur service (ou qui font leur service et qui désirent une carrière au civil) soit des forces régulières, soit de la réserve des Forces canadiennes. Le programme offre la formation nécessaire pour obtenir le statut de compagnon d'apprentissage dans les métiers de l'industrie de la construction inclus dans le programme.

**Helmets to Hardhats Canada® (H2H)** has been incorporated in Canada as a Not for Profit Organization. It is similar to its sister H2H program in the United States, but is designed to provide an opportunity in Canada for anyone who has served (or is currently serving and looking to transition to a civilian career) in either the Regular or Reserve Force Components of the Canadian Forces. The program offers the required apprenticeship training to achieve journey person status in any of the applicable trades within the building and construction industry.

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**Veterans Outreach Initiative.** Working with branches located near 12 Canadian Armed Forces bases across the country, our national office will be conducting town halls with veterans from mid-October to early November. We will be looking for input from retirees and serving Canadian Armed Forces and RCMP members as well as their families about the transition process out of uniform and veterans' experiences afterwards. The results of these discussions will be rolled into a report and presented next spring to the federal ministers of Defence, Veterans Affairs and Public Safety. Look for updates in the coming months in our e-newsletter, on our website and in Sage.

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**Initiative de communication avec les anciens combattants.** En collaboration avec les sections situées près de 12 bases des Forces armées canadiennes au pays, notre Bureau national organisera des forums publics de la mi-octobre au début de novembre. Nous consulterons les membres en poste et retraités des Forces armées canadiennes et de la GRC ainsi que leurs familles au sujet du processus de transition à la vie civile et des expériences des anciens combattants par la suite. Les résultats de ces discussions seront intégrés à un rapport qui sera présenté au printemps prochain aux ministres fédéraux de la Défense, d'Anciens Combattants et de la Sécurité publique. Soyez à l'affût des mises à jour à ce sujet au cours des prochains mois dans notre bulletin électronique, sur notre site Web et dans Sage.

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**New!** The CDA Institute is pleased to bring you our weekly update of security & defence items for 14 September 2017.

**Nouveau!** L'Institut de la CAD est heureux de vous apporter notre mise à jour hebdomadaire des articles de sécurité et de défense, pour le 14 septembre 2017.



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**New!** Romania orders the High Mobility Artillery Rocket System (HIMARS).

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**New!** China's CH-4 armed reconnaissance UAV receives upgrades.

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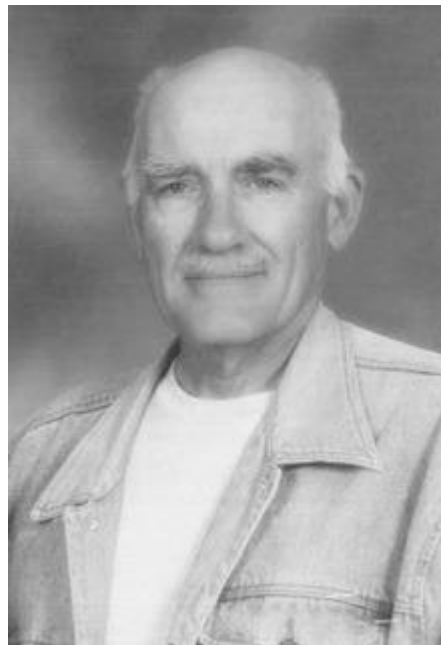
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**Last Post**  
**Des personnes décédées**



**CROSBY, Charles.** Veteran of the Second World War. Passed away peacefully, on September 5, 2017 at 93 years of age. Beloved husband and best friend of Donna (nee Burns), and the late Yvonne (1986, nee Rivait). Loving father of Chuck (Anna), Dave (Barb), and Dan (Debbie). Loved Papa of Dan, Kim, Yvonne, Joanne, Chuck, and Lauren. Great-grandfather of Jackson, Eva, Jaxon, and Jason. Dear Step-father of Cheryl Segaric (Tony, B.C.), and Joe LeBoeuf (Kathy). **First published 14 September 2017.**

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**CRUX, Malcolm Gordon.** Veteran of the Korean War - It is with great sadness that the family announces the passing of Malcolm Gordon Crux on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 at Parkwood Hospital, London in his 84th year. Beloved husband of the late Mary Crux. Cherished father of David (Debby) Crux and the late Debbie Crux. Proud grandfather of Ashlee (Mark) and Shane (Jessica). **First published 14 September 2017.**

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**GEOFFRION, Guillaume Louis, LL.L., Q.C., Ph.D.** 1917 - 2017. Veteran of the Second World War. In his one hundredth year, Guillaume Geoffrion,

youngest son of Aimé Geoffrion and Marguerite Thibaudeau, died at Chateau Westmont, Montreal, with his wife Daisy and her two daughters, Bethann Colle and Claire Colle, both of Toronto, by his side. **First published 14 September 2017.**

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**JORGENSON, Robert "Bob" Arthur.** Veteran of the Second World War. Passed away peacefully on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at St. Elizabeth's Village Retirement Home in his 97th year. Predeceased by his loving wife Fran. Proud father to Sandra, Bob (Kathie), David (Laura), and Neal (Terri). Much loved grandfather to Blake, Chelsie (Kyle), Taryn (Javier), and Travis. Great-grandfather to Ryder and Brodie. Very dear friend to Greta. **First Published 21 September 2017.**

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**KEMPSON, John James.** Veteran of the Second World War. Of Calgary, passed away peacefully and surrounded by his family at Sarcee Hospice on Monday, August 7, 2017 at the age of almost 92 years. John was born in Montreal on September 4, 1925 to Elizabeth and William Kempson. He was married to Shirley Miriam (nee Holden) for almost 50 years and they lived in East Greenfield, QC, Hamilton and Cornwall, ON and for over 40 years in Calgary, AB. **First published 14 September 2017.**

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**KING, William Edward.** Veteran of the Second World War. Passed peacefully away on Monday, May 29th, 2017 in the presence of his loving family at the Veteran's Pavilion, L.A. Miller Centre at the age of 97 years. Leaving to mourn his loving wife of 61 years, Ruby (Snow); sons: Robert (Sheryl), Billie, Barry (Patricia), Jeffrey; his loving granddaughter Lauren; nephew John Reelis (Joyce); brothers-in-law: Harry Snow and Kevin Snow (Peggy); also, a large number of nieces and nephews. **First published 7 September 2017.**

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**MALONE, Robert.** It is with great sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of Robert (Bob) N. Malone, on June 21st, 2017 in the Beausejour Hospital, Beausejour, MB. Bob was born July 4th, 1936 and was a beloved husband, father, brother and friend, and was predeceased by his parents Brigadier General R. S. Malone and Helen Mary Malone, oldest daughter Laurie Seel, son-in-law Brian Seel, son Robert (Bobby) Malone Jr. and stepmother Ioana Soutzo Malone. **First published 7 September 2017.**

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**McCORMICK, Roy.** Veteran of the Second World War. After a life well lived, Roy, age 98, closed his blue eyes for the final time on Monday, June 26th, 2017. Roy was born on the 23rd of March, 1919 in Glace Bay, the son of the late Thomas McCormick and Mabel (Bond) McCormick. **First published 7 September 2017**

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**McLAUGHLIN, John F. (Ti-John).** Vétéran de la Deuxième Guerre mondiale. À l'aube de ses 100 ans, entouré de sa famille à la Résidence Beattie-Landry Ltée de Tracadie, est décédé paisiblement John F. McLaughlin de Tracadie, le dimanche 9 avril 2017, à l'âge de 99 ans et 10 mois. Époux de feu Rita Paulin (2009). Il est né à Val-Comeau le 11 juin 1917 et était fils de feu François (Frank) McLaughlin et de feu Joséphine Légère. **Première publication le 7 septembre 2017.**

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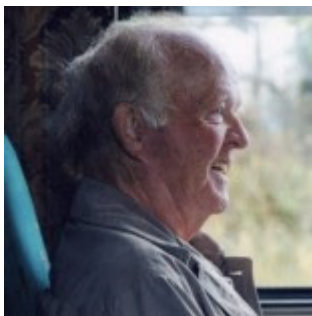
**McPHAIL, Allan Gordon.** Veteran of the Second World War. In his 95th year, of Cannington, Ontario, passed away suddenly on August 1, 2017. **First published 7 September 2017.**

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**NICOLLE, William Maxime.** It is with sadness that we announce the passing of William (Bill) Maxime Nicolle, 82, at The Moncton Hospital on Sunday, July 9, 2017. Born in Moncton in 1935, he was predeceased by his parents, William and Philomene (Mina) (Arsenault) Nicolle; his first wife, Edith Mansfield; daughter, Linda; brother-in-law, Melvin Hay and sister-in-law, Brenda Nicolle. **First published 7 September 2017.**

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**POWER, Thomas Gerard "Brick."** T. Gerard "Brick" Power passed away peacefully at the Moncton Hospital on Sunday, July 16, 2017 at the age of 84. Gerard graduated from St. Thomas High School (Chatham, New Brunswick) and later St. Thomas University where he achieved his Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and certification in physical education. **First published 31 August 2017.**

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**ROBICHAUD, CWO (Ret'd) Raymond - 69, of New Minas, NS.** It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Raymond Robichaud on Sunday, September 3, 2017 in Kentville. He was predeceased by his mother and father, Honorree and Margaret and his brother, Norman Robichaud of Richibucto, NB. Raymond is survived by his wife of 26 years, Liza Currie. **First published 7 September 2017.**

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**SEPTON, Emile Aaron.** Veteran of the Second World War. July 14 1929 – June 12 2017. Emile Aaron Septon was born July 14 1929, in the small township of Tracadie, county Antigonish, Nova Scotia. His most enjoyable occupation in his life was the many years he spent serving in the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery (RCHA); where Bud made it to the rank of Sergeant. **First Published 7 September 2017.**

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**SHERWIN, Arthur Edward, C.D. RCA:** Aug 5, 1923 - July 22, 2017. Veteran of the Second World War and Past President of the RCAA. Arthur Sherwin, also known to those closest to him as “Art”, “The Colonel,” “Dad” and “Grandpa Boom Boom”, died on July 22, 2017 at the age of 93 in Victoria BC and went on to his next adventure, having lived life exactly the way he always wanted. **First published 7 September 2017.**

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**STEWART, Robbie Keith** - July 20, 1965 - September 2, 2017. Passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, September 2, 2017 at the age of 52. Beloved husband of Maria for 19 years. Cherished son of Brian and Charlotte Stewart and brother of Brian (Adriana) and Mike (Karen). **First published 14 September 2017.**

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**SYRETTE, CWO (Ret'd) Robert (Bob)**. Bob Syrette born March 26, 1926 on the family homestead near Shellbrook, SK passed away in Calgary, AB on September 12, 2017. He is survived by his wife Patricia; daughter Barbara (Bob) Vincent of Rothesay, NB, and their daughter Samantha Vincent (Allan Peacock); daughter Virginia (Owen) Charlebois of Columbia, MD and their son Matthew Charlebois; daughter Katherine (Scott) Walmsley of Fairfield, IA and their daughter Anila Cunningham. **First published 21 September 2017.**

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**YOUNG, William.** Veteran of the Second World War. Dad was well loved by all who knew him. A man of many accomplishments, he never spoke of any of them. What he cared about was his family, his community, the Hamilton Tiger-Cats and a good martini. **First published 7 September 2017.**

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Nous aimerions avoir de vos nouvelles! Dans le but d'améliorer le contenu global du bulletin hebdomadaire « Nouvelles des Artilleurs Canadiens », nous aimerions voir certaines de vos nouvelles dans les prochaines éditions. Veuillez soumettre des articles d'information, des liens ou des événements à venir au directeur exécutif de l'AARC, à l'adresse courriel suivante: [exdir.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com](mailto:exdir.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com). Assurez-vous que les articles sont opportuns et pertinents, et comprennent des photos sous-titrées. Les soumissions pour les "Nouvelles des Artilleurs Canadiens" devraient être reçues au plus tard à 16 h HNE le lundi, afin d'être publiées dans l'édition de jeudi. Les commentaires / suggestions concernant les « Nouvelles des Artilleurs Canadiens » publiées chaque semaine doivent être envoyés à [exdir.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com](mailto:exdir.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com). L'Association de l'artillerie royale canadienne se réserve le droit d'accepter ou de rejeter les soumissions reçues. Les articles apparaîtront selon nos délais de rédaction.



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