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# RCAA AGM and RCA Training Event 21/22 October 2016







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The annual RCAA AGM & RCA Training Event will be held at the Morrison Gun Park (30 Fd Regt RCA) 307 deNiverville Private, Ottawa ON on 21 and 22 October 2016. The program will start with a Meet and Greet at the Gun Park on Thursday evening the 20th. The annual Guest Night will take place at the venue on the 21st. Joining Instructions may be found at www.rcaa-aarc.ca. READ MORE

## SITREP — Gunners Return to Vimy and the Battlefields of Normandy 1 📑 📝 🛅 🖾 - 10 April 2017









As of 26 September 2016 we have 100 Gunners (and friends of Gunners) committed to The Return of Gunners to Vimy tour in 2017, and we have a handful on a the standby list. A number of other senior Gunners will join us for a few days before and during the Vimy Ceremony. The Communications Branch/Signals Corps will also join us with 100, two busloads. All is going well from the perspective of planning, coordination and administration. **READ MORE** 

The 49er Report





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Another summer has passed. The members of 49 Field Regiment can look back on the past few months with pride. A great number of you participated in RST either as students, instructors or support staff. There were others who filled tasks in support of national courses, and still others filling other tasks assigned to the unit. The unit was well represented, wherever our soldiers were READ MORE

#### **DEFENCE NEWS**

## Ottawa moving too slowly on suicide-prevention strategy: Veterans' 💮 👚 🔤 advocates









Canada's Veterans Affairs Minister says the government is working hard on a strategy to prevent military personnel and former soldiers from killing themselves, but veterans' advocates are frustrated with the amount of time it is taking just to assess the scope of the problem. Kent Hehr, the Calgary MP who was appointed nearly a year ago to head the long-troubled veterans department, emerged from a two-day, closed-door meeting with stakeholders to say the participants pointed out he had yet to complete many of the tasks on his mandate letter from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. READ MORE

## Canadian troops spending more time at front lines in Iraq as future of figure 1 miles in mission is unclear







**CBC News** 

Canadian special forces troops are spending more time at the front lines of northern Irag and have been involved in several firefights with Islamic State extremists, but new figures suggest their involvement could come to an abrupt halt next year. National Defence estimates it will spend \$305.8 million on the military campaign up to the end of the next budget year. READ MORE

### Thornhill and Newmarket residents honoured by Veteran affairs









York Region News

Boris Gurevich has earned recognition in more ways than one. The Thornhill veteran has helped write letters for veterans seeking subsidized rooms. He has visited sick veterans, prepared documents to earn veterans benefits and he has organized events commemorating historical events. READ MORE

## Man paddling across Canada for veterans nears end of adventurous journey









Global News

A man and his dog, paddling the country in a canoe as a thank you to Canadian veterans, are on the final strokes of their journey. Mike Ranta left Vancouver, B.C. on April 1 and has spent the last six months paddling and portaging more than 6,000 kilometres across the country with his dog Spitzii. Ranta is going to Royal Canadian Legions across the country gathering signatures from veterans whom he says deserve more support for serving their country. READ MORE

## Prentice honoured for 60 years of service







Northumberland Today

There was a special, and moving, honour awarded at the 85th anniversary dinner of the Royal Canadian Legion Captain Charles S. Rutherford VC, MC, MM Branch 187 in Colborne on Sept. 23. Cramahe Township native Don Prentice was presented with his 60-year service bar. All seven of his children attended the dinner to celebrate with their father who is now the patriarch of a 74-person clan. READ MORE

## New base commander to continue 'relationship' with city







Kingston Whig

Canadian Forces Base Kingston has a new commander at the helm. Col. Andrew Jayne officially took over from

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Brig.-Gen. Steve Kelsey during a Change of Command parade at the Thompson Drill Hall. Jayne is a native of Bridgewater, N.S., and joined the Canadian Forces in 1987 under the regular officer training plan. He's a 1991 graduate of Royal Military College, earning a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. READ MORE

## Special forces commander fined for accidentally firing gun on Iraq front line







Radio Canada International

A court martial found the commander of Canada's elite special forces quilty of accidentally firing his weapon during a visit to Iraqi frontlines and fined him \$2,000. Maj.-Gen. Michael Rouleau had pleaded guilty after he was charged under the National Defence Act with one count of neglect to the prejudice of good order and discipline. READ MORE

#### THE LAST POST

MURPHY, Lionel WWII and Korea, 24 Sep 2016

ROGERS, Richard Blair "Dick" LCol (Ret'd) OMM, CD, 24 Sept 2016

BUSSIERES, Francis "Frank" Anthony Col (Ret'd), 21 Aug 2016

KYNOCK, Reigh Aubrey, 25 Aug 2016

METCALFE, Clinton Howard, Maj (Ret'd) WWII

WORSLEY, Frank "Gump" Bdr (Ret'd), 22 August 2016

**JESSOME**, Barry, L/Bdr (Ret'd), 20 August 2016

GEORGE, Herbert "Sonny", 2RCHA & 4RCHA, 19 August 2016

BARTER, William "Bill", Sgt (Ret'd), 18 August 2016

**HAMILTON**, Harold Bernard, WWII, 13 August 2016

FIORIN, Dino Pietro, Captain (Ret'd), 11 August 2016

LEWIS, (Art) Benjamin — MCpl (Ret'd), 2 & 4 RCHA, 25 July 2016

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

**HELLMEISTER**, Robert, 24 June 2016

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