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RCAA NEWS AND UPDATES

Visit of the Master Gunner St. James's Park



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As part of Ubique 300, the Royal Artillery's 300th Anniversary, the Master Gunner St. James Park, General Sir Timothy John Granville-Chapman, will be visiting Canada at the end of June. The Master Gunner (of), St James's Park is the ceremonial head of the Royal Regiment of Artillery and channel of communication between the Regiment and the Captain General (Queen Elizabeth II). He will be visiting Ottawa on 24 June; after laying a wreath at the Royal Canadian Artillery Memorial in Green Park he will join Canadian Gunners for lunch in the OP at the Army Ottawa Officers' Mess. All Gunners (serving and retired) are encouraged to attend this stand up lunch with the General Sir Timothy John Granville-Chapman from 11h30 to 13h00. There will be Chicken Scarpariello on the menu and ticket are available in the mess (\$7.50).

Air Defence Artillery Technical Supervisor Course



MBdr S.R.Worsley

The Air Defence (AD) Artillery Technical Supervisor course, which commenced on 15 March 2016 and concluded on the 21st of April 2016, was a six week course which trained students to supervise the day-to-day operations of an AD Troop Command Post (CP), Battery CP, Air Space Coordination Centre (ASCC) as well as Reconnaissance for AD weapons and sensors. With a course load of twelve students who converged on Base Gagetown from Units located across Canada, training occurred at The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery

School, with Captain Cusson as and Warrant Officer Nowell as the respective Course Officer and Course Programmer. **READ MORE**

Cours de Superviseur Technique D'artillerie Antiaérienne



Bdrc S. R. Worsley

Le cours de superviseur technique d'artillerie antiaérienne, qui a débuté le 15 mars 2016 et a pris fin le 21 avril 2016, était un cours de six semaines qui forme les stagiaires afin que les stagiaires supervisent les activités quotidiennes d'un poste de commandement (PC) de troupes antiaériennes, d'un PC de batterie, d'un centre de coordination de l'espace aérien (CCEA) ainsi que de la reconnaissance des armes et des capteurs antiaériens. Le contingent de douze stagiaires provenant d'unités de partout au Canada a convergé vers la Base de Gagetown, et l'instruction s'est donnée à l'École du Régiment royal de l'Artillerie canadienne, le Capitaine Cusson et l'Adjudant Nowell étaient respectivement l'officier responsable du cours et le chargé du programme du cours. **LIRE PLUS**

Gunners Converge on Battery Commander's Course



Captain Lindsay Jackson

It is the smoke, thunder, flash and fear of Firepower that creates an elemental beast that only Gunners can tame. At The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery School (RCAS), students on the Battery Commander's course are learning just that, as they unleash devastating effects in support of the manoeuvre elements of the Canadian Army. Encompassing fourteen students from across Canada, this world-class course requires not one, but two Units to conduct the culminating Field Training Exercise (FTX). Joining their Gunner brethren the RCAS is 5e Régiment d'artillerie légère du Canada (5 RALC), who conducted a road move from their base in Valcartier, Quebec to complete a merger of both Individual and Collective Training. **READ MORE**

Des artilleurs convergent vers le cours de commandant de batterie de l'artillerie de campagne



Capitaine Lindsay Jackson

Ce sont la fumée, les grondements les éclairs et la crainte qu'inspire la puissance de feu qui créent cette furie que seuls les artilleurs peuvent dompter. À l'école du Régiment royal de l'Artillerie canadienne (École du RRAC), c'est ce qu'apprennent les stagiaires du cours de commandant de batterie de l'artillerie, alors qu'ils libèrent des effets dévastateurs à l'appui des éléments de manœuvre de l'Armée canadienne. Comptant quatorze stagiaires de partout au Canada, ce cours de classe mondiale a besoin non pas d'une, mais de deux unités pour tenir l'exercice d'entraînement en campagne (XEC). Les stagiaires en artillerie de l'École du RRAC ont vu leurs camarades du 5e Régiment d'artillerie légère du Canada (5 RALC) se joindre à eux. Ces derniers ont effectué un mouvement routier à partir de leur base à Valcartier (Québec) pour fusionner l'instruction individuelle et l'instruction collective. **READ MORE**

The Basic Military Qualification (BMQ) Course



Vancouver, British Columbia — The Basic Military Qualification (BMQ) course of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) is complex and rapidly dynamic for both staff and candidates. The BMQ course focuses on training all Canadian military trades in basic military skills. It is mandatory for all recruits entering the CAF as per the prerequisite for their trade specific training, better known as DP-1 SQ. From January to May, 2016, the BMQ course number 0272 has been presented with numerous challenges requiring developed strategies in addressing them. **READ MORE**

Le cours de Qualification militaire de base (QMB)



Vancouver (Colombie Britannique) — Le cours de Qualification militaire de base (QMB) des Forces armées canadiennes (FAC) est à la fois complexe et frénétique, aussi bien pour le personnel que pour les candidats. Le cours de QMB se concentre sur la formation de tous les groupes militaires canadiens en ce qui concerne les compétences militaires de base. Il est obligatoire pour toutes les recrues qui s'enrôlent dans les FAC, à titre de condition préalable pour leur formation propre au métier, mieux connue sous le nom de PP-1 QS. De janvier à mai 2016, le cours de QMB numéro 0272 a été confronté à de nombreux défis qui ont exigé des stratégies songées

pour en venir à bout. **LIRE PLUS**

DEFENCE NEWS

Working together: Military and police take over Brunette Island for exercise Atlantic Guardian



CBC News

The isolated Brunette Island in Fortune Bay probably saw more activity than it has since the failed experiment in 1964 to introduce bison to Newfoundland and Labrador. The place was swarming with police and military taking part in Exercise Atlantic Guardian, a joint operation involving the Canadian Navy, Army, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and other agencies. The goal was to see how well they can co-operate and communicate during an emergency or other situations where they have to work together. **READ MORE**

Military test response plan for major earthquake



CFB Esquimalt Lookout

The very real threat of a major earthquake and tsunami looms in Vancouver Island's future, and being ready to respond once the shaking stops is essential. Last week, the province and the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) joined together to test every aspect of their emergency response plans. **READ MORE**

Submarines and special forces soldiers are front line in stealthy warfare



Toronto Star

Far off the coast of Portugal, the Canadian special forces soldiers vaulted themselves out the back of a military Hercules transport plane with nothing but empty ocean below. Well beyond swimming distance to the coast, it seemed like an act of dangerous derring-do, even for special forces soldiers. **READ MORE**

ISIS-inspired board game helps Canadian military with planning



CBC News

Canada's military has been experimenting with a tabletop game inspired by the war against ISIS to help plan what tanks, planes, ships and people it needs to fight effectively in the coming decades. The ISIS Crisis uses dice, markers and a large map of Iraq and Syria, and is the latest twist in a government-wide effort to use more games in the workplace for training and education. **READ MORE**

Canada considers European troop commitment as CSIS warns Russia is 'mobilizing for war'



CBC News

The Trudeau government is considering a request to commit hundreds of troops to eastern Europe and take part command of a new NATO force being assembled to deter Russian aggression. Canada's participation in the Baltic operation was discussed Tuesday by the military alliance's defence ministers, including Canada's Harjit Sajjan, at a meeting in Brussels. **READ MORE**

Alberta history enthusiasts soldier on at The Military Museums' Summer Skirmish



Metro News

Ileana Tschabold sits in the shade of a tree outside The Military Museums in Calgary, working away with a needle and thread. She's sewing a patch onto the sleeve of her coat that reads, "Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps." Tschabold was one of dozens of history enthusiasts who came out in period garb to meet with the public and show them a small slice of living military history over the weekend at the museum's Summer Skirmish. **READ MORE**

Dartmouth opens clinic for veterans



Chronicle Herald

With veterans returning to Nova Scotia from places like war-torn Afghanistan, over 1,300 Veterans Affairs clients are currently being supported with a disability benefit for a mental health condition in the province, according to federal numbers. A new Dartmouth clinic will be available to treat them, along with the province's portion of Canada's 3,816 RCMP former members and and 1,156 Second World War/Korean War veterans also on disability for operational stress injuries such as anxiety disorders, depression and post-traumatic stress disorder. **READ MORE**

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