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RCAA NEWS AND UPDATES

Change of RSM RCA / Changement de SMR ARC



On 11 May 2017, CWO Beaudry passed the charge of RSM RCA to CWO Hoegi.

Lors du 11 mai, l'AdjuC Beaudry passa la responsabilité de SMR ARC à l'AdjuC Hoegi.

Notification of changes to RCA publications, The Canadian Gunner and The Quadrant



The RCA Regimental Fund Executive Board convened on 7 March 2017 to vote on the annual budget for fiscal year 17-18. One key agenda item which informed the budget, was the virtues of adopting an electronic distribution format for Regimental publications, namely The Canadian Gunner and The Quadrant. **READ MORE**

The 84th Independent Field Battery RCA: Small unit, big heart



The 84th Independent Field Battery, along with 51st Field Battery make up 1st Field Artillery Regiment, RCA and continues their proud tradition of producing high quality soldiers. The unit is located in the small coastal town of Yarmouth, N.S., and has a long and decorated history, dating back to the War of 1812. They were the first company of militia volunteers to be issued rifles in the Dominion of Canada in 1857 and was the home of the Army Basic Training Centre during WWII, training approximately 10 000 soldiers. While the battery's history is decorated and they are thriving today, it has not been without its challenges. In the late 1990s, the unit had as few as nine members. They are also located approximately 150 kilometres from the nearest small arms range and are a 725-kilometre drive from CFB Gagetown, the nearest training area in which they may fire live artillery rounds. **READ MORE**

Bytown Gunners Firepower Museum Projects/Des Projets du Musée de la Puissance de Feu des Artilleurs de Bytown



[Project 2015-01 2 PDR Anti-Tank Gun Rebuilding](#)

[Project 2016-01 60 CWT Truck Restoration](#)

Project 2016-01 3 Quad Restoration

30th Fd Regt RCA Ex TULIP GUNNER



30th Fd Regt RCA Ex TULIP GUNNER (Ottawa Tulip Festival — 19-21 May), at Cattle Palace and Rideau Canal, Lansdowne Park. Saturday 20 May: WWII encampment commemorating the Liberation of Holland. Sunday 21 May: Battle Re-enactment at 14:00 hrs.

30th Fd Regt RCA RCA Change-of-Command on Monday 22 May (Victoria Day)



The CofC Parade between LCol Jim Hampson and LCol Dave Buchanan will follow the Salute and starts at noon on Monday 22 May 2017. Location: Next to the Gun Line, East of Center Block, Parliament Hill. Morrison Armoury Mess will be open after the CofC. RSVP required for Mess Attendance. For further information contact the 30th Fd Regt Chief Clerk, Sgt Kristin Kuschneret-Coursol at: kristin.kuschneret-coursol@forces.gc.ca or at phone number: 613-993-7948.

Artillery Day at Fort Wellington, Ontario, Saturday 27 May 2017



Ontario Travel

Join us on Artillery Day and enjoy artillery demonstrations commemorating the impact of the Fenian Raids on Canadian Confederation, featuring the active reservist unit, 30th Field Artillery. **READ MORE**

Journée d'artillerie au Fort Wellington, Ontario, samedi le 27 mai 2017



Ontario Travel

Joignez-vous à nous lors de la Journée de l'artillerie et regardez des démonstrations d'artillerie commémorant l'impact des incursions des Fenians dans le territoire de la Confédération canadienne, mettant en vedette l'unité de réservistes active, la 30e Brigade d'artillerie de campagne. **LIRE PLUS**

Second World War Gunner Veteran seeks wartime comrades



59th (Newfoundland) Heavy Regt, Royal Artillery — Contact with WWII comrades in 23 Bty or Regimental HQ sought. Ronald Rosenberg, 212-280 Boylston St, Chestnut Hill, MA, 02467, USA. Email: mrandrr1948@gmail.com

Vancouver Artillery Association and RUSI Vancouver Members News — May 16, 2017



Check out the latest news and updates from the Vancouver Artillery Association and RUSI Vancouver. **READ MORE**

Museo Militaria



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Museo Militaria is a war history museum showcasing the history of Finnish artillery, engineering and signalling from the Middle Ages to modern times. **READ MORE**

3e régiment d'artillerie de marine



Armée de Terre

Le 3^e Régiment d'artillerie de Marine est le régiment opérationnel du haut Var. Forts d'un passé glorieux, les 800 bigors qui le composent maintiennent les traditions de rusticité et de faculté d'adaptation qui caractérisent les Troupes de Marine. Soudés au sein d'une brigade prestigieuse, les bigors du 3 se distinguent par leur aptitude à faire face à toute situation avec rigueur et enthousiasme, et servent aux quatre coins du monde. **LIRE PLUS**

DEFENCE NEWS

General Robert Brown delivers the annual Kermit Roosevelt Lecture 2017



RUSI

General Robert B. Brown, commander of the U.S. Army Pacific, addressed this year's lecture which reflected on current security dynamics in the Pacific, the role of land forces in the region and U.S. Army's emerging concept of Multi-Domain Battle. [READ MORE](#)

IDEF 2017: Boran lightweight towed howitzer nears qualification



Jane's 360

The Turkish company of Makina ve Kimya Endustrisi Kurumu (MKEK) has completed two prototypes of its 105 mm Boran Air Transportable Light Towed Howitzer (ATLTH), which it is developing to meet the requirements of the Turkish Land Forces Command (TLFC). According to MKEK qualification trials will begin soon and are expected to be completed by October. No details of the quantities of the Boran ATLTH required by the TLFC have been released but these would replace some of the ageing 105 mm M101A1 towed howitzers which were originally developed before the Second World War. [READ MORE](#)

New project aims to give Canadian military veterans a second career in cyber security industry



IT World Canada

It's no secret Canada has a severe technology industry skills shortage, but a new partnership between the Canadian Advanced Technology Alliance (CATA), Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) and the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) is hoping to change that. The public and private sector collaborative effort will be announcing a pilot project at CATA's Innovation Gala, aimed at helping veterans use their military skills and training in apprenticeship job placements with "leading Canadian public and private sector employers." [READ MORE](#)

Saudi Arabia unveils Saqr 1 armed drone



Quwa Defense News & Analysis Group

The King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology (KACST) recently unveiled its first armed unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) — the Saqr 1. The Saudi Press Agency reports that the Saqr 1 is equipped with a Ka-band satellite communications (SATCOM) system with a range of 2,500 kilometres, average altitude of 20,000 feet and endurance of 24 hours. It can deploy laser-guided air-to-ground missiles and bombs with ranges of up to 10 kilometres. [READ MORE](#)

Canadians in Latvia to keep calm and carry on in face of massive Russian military exercise



CBC News

The Canadian military is taking a wait-and-see approach to a massive Russian military exercise scheduled to take place on the border of the Baltic states this summer — but the country it's being asked to protect is decidedly more nervous. Defence officials in the United States said this week that they will pay close attention to the drills, which are expected to involve between 70,000 and 100,000 Russian troops equipped with tanks, armoured vehicles, aircraft and helicopters. [READ MORE](#)

IDEF 2017: Turkey develops wheeled 155 mm self-propelled artillery system



Jane's 360

Aselsan and the Army General Directorate of Military Factory — or Askeri Fabrikalar Genel Mudurlugu (AFGM) — have developed a self-propelled (SP) artillery system called the Kamyona Monteli Obius (KMO) to meet a potential requirement by the Turkish Army. The KMO is essentially a 6x6 cross-country truck chassis with a two-

door forward control cab that carries and deploys a 155 mm/52 calibre ordnance derived from the MKEK Panther towed howitzer, which was developed in the 1990s and has entered service with the army. **READ MORE**

The Air Force's MQ-9 Reaper drone just got a whole lot deadlier



Task & Purpose

The MQ-9 Reaper drone is already the deadliest UAV in the U.S. Air Force's arsenal. Designed with a payload capacity of 3,700 pounds and armament of AGM-114 Hellfire missiles and GBU-12 Paveway II bombs, it's no wonder that Air Force officials announced earlier this year that the Reaper would gradually come to replace the iconic MG-1 Predator drone as a fixture of the global war on terror. **READ MORE**

VETS Canada gives ground support to help homeless and at-risk veterans



Calgary Sun

A sharp contrast between military service and civilian life is leaving some veterans vulnerable to homelessness. That's why the Calgary division of VETS Canada is offering ground support during the second-annual Coast to Coast Tour of Duty, in which volunteers walk the streets in 17 Canadian cities to locate and aid homeless and at-risk veterans. "I think they just want to feel like part of our society and feel proud about what they have accomplished in the forces. That's what it's all about, making sure they are taken care of and that they know we appreciate everything they've done, not just once a year on Nov. 11th, but all year round," said Steve Gilliss, lead of Calgary's VETS Canada chapter. **READ MORE**

U.S. Army artillery support used heavily during advance on Mosul



Jane's 360

The U.S.-led air campaign supporting counter-Islamic State forces has had a higher profile, but U.S. Army artillery fires played a significant role as Iraqi security forces advanced upon Mosul, according to a recently redeployed brigade commander. During Iraqi forces' manoeuvres to retake Mosul, the U.S. Army fired about 6,000 rounds of precision surface fires, Colonel Brett Sylvia, commander of the 2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), told reporters at the Pentagon. Col Sylvia's unit began its deployment to Iraq in April 2016 and has since redeployed. **READ MORE**

THE LAST POST

MACUMBER, Erma Venetta. Wife of Bill Macumber, formerly of 1 RCHA



We are saddened to announce the passing of Erma Venetta Macumber at the Hants Community Hospital. Erma was born in Harmony (near Truro), on Jan. 3, 1936 to the late Harold and Verna MacCabe. In her younger years, Erma worked at Windsor Textiles, and also Avon Valley Greenhouses in Falmouth. She loved nature. She loved watching birds, and squirrels and she especially loved planting pansies. She enjoyed going shopping and having her Saturday coffee with her daughter and granddaughter. She was a loving person who loved life. She had a good sense of humour and loved laughing with her family. She will greatly be missed. **READ MORE**

PLOURDE, Gunner Christian



An Artilleryman who was serving proudly with 1 RCHA, passed away peacefully shortly after noon on 5 May 2017. He was surrounded by his wonderful friends and family, and did so knowing that he parted with dignity, courage and grace in the face of tremendous adversity. The funeral will take place at 11:00 AM, Saturday 13 May at the Cathédrale Immaculée-Conception, Edmundston, NB. Further information is available at <http://www.jbcote.com/fr/avis-de-deces/plourde-christian.1047?page=1>.

SMITH, Colonel (Retired) Arthur Harcourt Carington 'Harky,' MMM,



SBStJ, CD, D.Sc.Mil

On Monday, April 24, 2017, Harky slipped away while holding hands with Mary Lee, his wife of 55 years. He was also with his son, Christopher and sister, Eve. In addition to Mary Lee (Lovee), he leaves his daughter in-law Wendy, son Christopher (Lydia Bugden), grandchildren Tyler, William, Sydney and Maggie and his sister Eve. A ceremony to celebrate Harky's life will be held on May 13, 2017 at 1100hrs at Christ Church Cathedral, 414 Sparks Street, Ottawa, Ontario. If desired, donations in Harky's memory to the Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada or to Christ Church Cathedral are very much appreciated. The full obituary can be read at: <http://v1.theglobeandmail.com/servlet/story/Deaths.20170429.93387969/BDAStory/BDA/deaths>

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- [The Puff Range](#) (By LCol (Ret'd) Ted Creech)
- [Vol III. The Gunners of Canada 1967-2014 — Assistance to the Author](#)
- [Reminiscences of Gunner Harold S. Gamblin, 4th Canadian Siege Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery, 1915-1918](#)

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