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RCAA NEWS AND UPDATES

Gunners return to Vimy and the Battlefields of Normandy



From 1-10 April, a group of 100 Gunners, representing the serving (both Regular and Reserve, including some Honoraries) and retired parts of the Regimental family, conducted a battlefield tour of Canadian First and Second World War Battlefields in France and Belgium. Organized by BGen David Patterson, who owns his own tour company (Fields of Fire Tours: www.foftours.com), the Gunner contingent, accompanied by 100 Communications branch personnel, had an opportunity to follow in the footsteps of comrades past, in an activity that combined historical professional development and comradeship with remembrance. You've seen the pictures in the last two editions of the weekly RCAA Newsbrief. Here's the story behind them. **READ MORE**

Les artilleurs retournent à Vimy et les champs de bataille de Normandie



Du 1er au 10 avril, un groupe de 100 artilleurs, représentant le service (à la fois régulier et réservistes, y compris des membres honoraires) et des membres retraités de la famille régimentaire, a effectué une tournée des champs de bataille canadiens de la première et de la deuxième guerre mondiale en France et en Belgique. Organisé par BGén David Patterson, qui possède sa propre compagnie de voyage (Fields of Fire Tours: www.foftours.com), le contingent d'artilleurs, accompagné de 100 membres de la Direction des communications, a eu l'occasion de suivre les traces des anciens camarades, dans une activité qui a combiné dans les souvenirs, le développement professionnel de l'histoire et la camaraderie. Vous avez vu les images dans les deux dernières éditions du bulletin d'information hebdomadaire de l'AARC. Voici l'histoire derrière eux. **LIRE PLUS**

RCAA AGM and RCA Board



RCAA AGM and RCA Board is scheduled for 12-14 Oct. 17 at the Morrison Artillery Park, Ottawa. The meet and

greet will be on the evening of Thursday 12 Oct., the RCA Board on Friday 13 Oct. with the dinner that evening and the RCAA AGM will be on Saturday 14 Oct.

L'AGA de l'AARC et le conseil de l'ARC



L'AGA de l'AARC et le conseil de l'ARC se tiendront du 12 au 14 octobre 2017 au Parc de l'Artillerie Morrison à Ottawa. La soirée de rencontre et bienvenue sera le soir du jeudi 12 octobre, le conseil de l'ARC le vendredi 13 octobre suivi du dîner en soirée et l'AGA de l'AARC sera le samedi 14 octobre.

Vancouver Artillery Association and RUSI Vancouver Members News — April 18, 2017



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

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Pour honorer votre service envers le Canada, Beechwood offre aux membres de l'Association nationale des retraités fédéraux des économies significatives à la fois sur les services commémoratifs et les arrangements dans le cimetière à Beechwood, le Cimetière national du Canada. **LIRE PLUS**

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DEFENCE NEWS

Battle of Vimy Ridge 100th anniversary commemoration



CBC News via YouTube

A *CBC News* special hosted by Peter Mansbridge. **SEE MORE**

Les Canadiens célèbrent à Ottawa le centenaire de la bataille de Vimy



Radio-Canada

La cérémonie a commencé vers 19 h 30, avec des discours et de la musique. Des soldats des Forces armées canadiennes ont ensuite allumé 3598 bougies sur le socle du monument, en hommage aux Canadiens qui ont perdu la vie lors de la bataille. Les citoyens ont aussi été invités à déposer des bougies, un geste que des gens

de tous âges et de toutes origines ont effectué au son de la musique, puis dans le silence. **LIRE PLUS**

« Le Canada est né ici », dit Justin Trudeau à Vimy



Radio-Canada

M. Trudeau s'est adressé à la foule de près de 25 000 personnes, dont une majorité de Canadiens, venues assister à l'hommage rendu au Mémorial national du Canada à Vimy. « Ils ont défendu et bâti leur pays [et] ont été courageux sans mesure. Rendons-leur hommage », a-t-il déclaré, soulignant le travail et la bravoure des Canadiens et de leurs alliés lors de cette bataille historique. **LIRE PLUS**

Early Vimy casualty had burning urge to serve



North Bay Nugget

Daniel Eaton was only one of the many Canadians killed at Vimy Ridge. He didn't start out as a soldier — by 1896 at the age of 27, he had worked on a complete survey of the Labrador Peninsula, drafting much of the final report and establishing himself as a leading Canadian geologist. The tall, handsome, self-educated geologist and engineer was brilliant and driven. His future seemed assured — rock solid, you might say. But he resigned, to join the army, with no war to march off to, just a burning urge to serve. Eaton had been a member of the militia since 1887 when he was still living at home, at Salmon River in Nova Scotia. **READ MORE**

Canada military signs agreement with Latvia for upcoming NATO deployment



Ottawa Citizen

Canada and Latvia have put in place an agreement governing the establishment of a NATO battlegroup in the eastern European country. This summer Canada will lead a multinational NATO battlegroup in Latvia as part of what the military has called the alliance's enhanced Forward Presence in Central and Eastern Europe. A technical arrangement was signed recently by Brigadier-General Bruce Ploughman, Chief of Staff Readiness Canadian Joint Operations Command, and Brigadier-General Ivo Mogilnijs, Chief of Staff of the Joint Headquarters of the Latvian National Armed Forces during a ceremony in Riga, Latvia. **READ MORE**

Canadian Forces to facilitate transition to civilian life



Globe and Mail

The Chief of the Defence Staff is planning to create a branch of human-resource professionals within the military that would be dedicated to helping retiring soldiers, sailors and aviators step more easily into civilian life. One of the most difficult problems facing the Canadian Forces in recent years has been the uneven, and often jarring, process for discharging personnel. That is especially true for members of the military who are forced out of their jobs as a result of a service-related injury and sometimes have to wait unreasonable amounts of time for the benefits that will cover their basic expenses. **READ MORE**

Minister of Veterans Affairs touts government's plan for education



CTV News

The Minister of Veterans Affairs was in the Barrie area to promote the federal government's plan to provide more education to veterans. Minister Kent Hehr talked about the educational initiatives during stops at Georgian College and CFB Borden on Tuesday morning. In the 2017 budget, the Trudeau government promised \$133.9 million over six years for a Veterans' Education and Training Benefit. The fund will provide \$40,000 to veterans looking to go to a post-secondary institute. Those veterans would have needed to serve at least six years. Veterans who have served for at least 12 years can qualify for \$80,000. **READ MORE**

THE LAST POST

BATEMAN, Amelia Euclida



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Amelia Bateman on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at the Dr.

Everett Chalmers Hospital. Born in Shediac, NB on June 28, 1932 to the late Fred and Annie (MacDonald) Mills. She was the wife of the late Carl Bateman. Amelia is survived by her daughters, Theresa Cormier (Joe) of Barachois, NB, Linda Gallagher (Julien) of Strathmore, AB, Louise Piper (Manfred) of Queenstown, NB, Rosemary Bateman (Peter Gorman) of Edmonton, AB; son, Patrick Bateman of Saint John, NB; two half-sisters; two half-brothers; ten grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. **READ MORE**

COOPER, Gerald Joseph



It is with sad hearts that we announce the passing of our brother and uncle, MWO (Ret'd) Gerald Joseph Cooper, peacefully on April 7, 2017, in the Halifax Infirmary, QEII, at the age of 73.

GORE, Margaret 'Scottie' Elizabeth



It is with very heavy hearts that the family wishes to advise you of Scottie's unexpected passing on Monday, April 10, 2017 in Yarmouth Regional Hospital. Born April 8, 1945 in Yarmouth, Scottie married her pen pal, true love and most of all her best friend Gordon Gore on 28 November 1964 and for the next 20 some years travelled with Gordie as he pursued his career in the Canadian Army, returning to Yarmouth in 1986. **READ MORE**

HAYES, Wade



Warrant Officer of the 4RCHA. Peacefully on Sunday April 9, 2017 at St. Mary's of the Lake hospital at the age of 80. Beloved husband of Lenore Hayes of 58 years. Loving father of Rob (Kristie) and Brian (Melanie); cherished grandpa to Shane (Ashley), Aysia (Steve), Ryan (Sarah), Nathan (Fran), Karli (Jamie), and Terry; Great-grandpa to Shyann, Dallas, and Oliver. Sadly missed by many brothers and sisters, nephews and nieces. In keeping with Wade's wishes, cremation has taken place and no service or funeral will be held. We would like to thank the staff of palliative care at St. Mary's of the Lake for excellent care and compassion. Donations to the War Amps would be appreciated

STRILCHUK, Maj (Ret) Dennis A. CD



We are sad to announce the passing of Dennis on April 10, 2017, at Capital Care Lynnwood, Edmonton after a lengthy illness. Dennis is survived by his parents, Dennis Sr. and Rebecca; brother, Terry; nephew, Michael; and step-nieces, Patricia and Katrina. He will be missed by many uncles, aunts and numerous cousins as well as his two special military friends, Mike and Tom. Dennis graduated from O'Leary High School and joined the Canadian Armed Forces at the age of 18. He was commissioned in the Canadian Army and served with the First and Third Regiments, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery (Shilo, Manitoba and Lahr, West Germany) and in many bases across Canada including Army headquarters in Montreal, National Defense Headquarters in Ottawa, the Combat Training Centre and the Royal Canadian School of Artillery at Gagetown, NB, and as a United Nations Military observer in the Gaza Strip, Angola and Mozambique. **READ MORE**

TRENDING ARTICLES

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- [4 CMBG Germany photos](#) (Harold A. Skaarup | www.SilverHawkAuthor.com)
- [Sheldrake's Log: Montreal Gunners Newsletter](#) (Artillery Association of Montreal)
- [Vimy at 100: Myth vs. Reality](#) (CBC Radio)

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We'd like to hear from you! In an effort to enhance the overall content of the RCAA News Brief, we'd

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Nous aimerions avoir de vos nouvelles! Dans le but d'améliorer le contenu global des « Nouvelles en bref de l'AARC », 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. Assurez-vous que les articles sont opportuns et pertinents, et comprennent des photos sous-titrées. Les soumissions pour le « Bulletin électronique » hebdomadaire de l'AARC 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 en bref de l'AARC » publiées chaque semaine doivent être envoyés à 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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