

Van Arty Association and RUSI Van Members News Mar 15, 2022

Newsletters normally are emailed on Monday evenings. If you don't get a future newsletter on time, check the websites below to see if there is a notice about the current newsletter or to see if the current edition is posted there. If the newsletter is posted, please contact me at bob.mugford@gmail.com to let me know you didn't get your copy.

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Upcoming events – Mark your calendars (see Poster section at end for details)

Army Gala. The **2022** Gala has now been cancelled.
New Date:- **May 6, 2023**, at the Sheraton Wall Centre

Commemoration Cyprus 2024 – see posters

- Mar 16** Wednesday 'Zoom' Lunch meeting
RUSI(NS) - Distinguished Speaker - Surveillance of Sea Surface Activities
- Mar 23** Wednesday 'Zoom' Lunch meeting
- Mar 25** Hockey for Ukraine – BCR Vs SHC
- Mar 30** Wednesday 'Zoom' Lunch meeting
- Mar 31** Web Event - An Evening with Gen Roméo Dallaire

The 15th Field 100th Anniversary Teahouse Mess Dinner

Hope all is well with you and yours.

Finally, the news we have been waiting for:
"Public Health Restrictions due to Covid-19 have been eased"

Note:- This does not apply to Armouries yet. The Army works to its own schedule, and we will announce here when the Armoury reopens.

Organized gatherings and events

Indoor or outdoor gatherings and events can happen at full capacity. Dancing is allowed.

- [Proof of vaccination](#) required for entry (12+)

- [Masks required](#) at indoor events, including when dancing

Upon receiving this update, the Teahouse Restaurant has confirmed they will offer full capacity for our event.

The 15th Field 100th Anniversary Teahouse Mess dinner has now been scheduled for 1800 for 1900hrs May 23 2022.

Please mark your calendars and plan accordingly. To purchase tickets or to confirm you have prepaid please contact HLCol Don Foster. email dgfoster60@gmail.com

Hope to see you on May 23, 2022.

Ubique,
Don Foster
HLCol

RUSI(NS) - Distinguished Speaker 16 March 2022

Surveillance of Sea Surface Activities in Atlantic Canada

The Royal United Services Institute of Nova Scotia extends an invitation to a presentation Wednesday, 16 March by Jan-Andrej Skopalik, Regional Manager, National Aerial Surveillance Program, Transport Canada Atlantic Region, titled "Surveillance of Sea Surface Activities in Atlantic Canada." His bio is attached. (see poster section)

This presentation will discuss the various activities conducted by the National Aerial Surveillance Program crews in support of Canada's National Oil Spill Preparedness and Response Regime and the North Atlantic Right Whales Initiative. The event will start at 1 pm Halifax time, Wednesday, 16 March, then be followed by Q&A and finish by 3 pm Halifax time.

Registration is required. There is no fee to attend this event. To register, email RUSINovaScotia@gmail.com by close-of-business Sunday, 13 March. As the subject line for your registration email, put: RUSI(NS) Distinguished Speaker 16 March 2022 Registration. In addition to your name, please provide your organization (association, company or unit). Participation is limited and later registrants may have to be put on a waiting list. If after registering your availability changes and you are no longer able to attend, please advise RUSI(NS) as soon as possible so your spot can be re-assigned.

The event will be done by Zoom. Instructions will be emailed to registrants by end Monday, 14 March. If you have not received them by end 14 March, please check your spam folder and, if necessary, email RUSI(NS).

RUSI(NS) events may be cancelled at short notice. Email RUSI(NS) if there is a question about an event occurring.

CAH Darlington
Commander, Royal Canadian Navy (retired)
Vice-President, RUSI(NS)

Dear Friends of the Juno Beach Centre



*Aerial view of the Juno Beach Centre from 2014. The building behind the parking lot on the left no longer exists and is the site of the condo development.
©JBC*

A new battle for Juno Beach is underway.

There is no better place to honour the courage of the Canadians who served in the Second World War

than the Juno Beach Centre (JBC). Yet the museum is now facing its greatest threat in nearly 20 years of existence. Foncim, a French property developer, plans to erect a 70-unit condominium development on Juno Beach, just east of and between the museum and the Seullès River. The development is called *Domaine des Dunes*. We are not generally opposed to projects like these on former battlegrounds; the French deserve to enjoy the freedoms our veterans' sacrifice brought them. However, the Dunes project plans to use the JBC's private road for access to the building site by construction vehicles and workers. We have great concern for the impact that this will have on the Juno Beach Centre.

Reporting out of France has already led a small but growing group of Canadians to organize Save Juno Beach. We thank them for their support and hope that you will join this citizens' campaign. Thank you to our donors and supporters who have already reached out to offer support. We are rapidly approaching a point of no return. This is an existential threat to the Juno Beach Centre and the Canadian memorial presence in Normandy. Without your support, the legacy that our veterans built for future generations on Juno Beach may disappear entirely. To join fellow Canadians in the fight to "Save Juno Beach", please go to:- <https://www.savejuno.beach.ca>.

Canadian Gunners Form The Queen's Guard

"...the profound honour of forming the Queen's Guard for three weeks at Her Majesty's residences..."

*By Brigadier General J.J. Selbie (Ret'd) (Late RCA)
Past Colonel Commandant (2014-2021)
The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery*

The year 2021 marked a significant Canadian military milestone – the 150th anniversary of the establishment of "A" and "B" Batteries - the first "full-time" or "regular" elements of the post-Confederation Canadian army.



Following the American Civil War, Britain's policy was to make self-governing colonies responsible for their own defence and, in 1871, all Imperial troops in Canada, excepting the Halifax garrison, were withdrawn. In response, Militia General Order No. 24 dated 20 October of that year, authorized the formation of "A" and "B" Batteries of Garrison Artillery and Schools of Gunnery at Kingston and Quebec City respectively. They were commanded by Lieutenant Colonels G.A. French and T.B. Strange, on secondment from the British Army, and manned by officers and men on attachment from Active Militia field and garrison batteries around a nucleus of instructors formerly of the Royal Artillery. They were very much "total force" or "one army" units and their impact was profound.

As distinguished Canadian historian George F.G. Stanley states: " ... the Royal Schools of Gunnery at Quebec and Kingston, within a few years, provided the militia artillery with a leaven of well-trained NCOs and gunners which it had never before possessed. Owing to this, perhaps more than to anything else, the artillery established itself as the most efficient branch of the Canadian militia service and acquired a pride in itself which it has never ceased to possess. " (1)



The significance of their creation transcends the heritage of a single regiment or corps - even one as large and deeply rooted as the artillery. Replacing as they did the withdrawing British Army garrisons; their formation marked a watershed in Canadian military history. Henceforth, Canada would bear responsibility for its

defence commensurate with its new political autonomy.

"A" and "B" Batteries exist today as elements of 1st Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery (1 RCHA). The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery, of which they form part, comprises twenty-three regular and reserve force regiments and independent batteries represented in thirty-three communities from Victoria to Yarmouth and is renowned for its service to Sovereign and Country at home and abroad, in war and in peace – “Ubique, Quo Fas et Gloria Ducunt” as our regimental mottos proclaim (“Everywhere, Where Right and Glory Lead”).

Thus, the 150th anniversary of this event was of historical importance not only for The Royal Regiment but for the Canadian Army and for Canada itself. And so it was that The Regiment undertook a series of events and activities through the spring, summer, and fall, from Artillery Day (26 May) to St Barbara’s Day (4 December) to celebrate the occasion accordingly. Of these, the undoubted highlight was the profound honour of forming the Queen’s Guard for three weeks in October at Her Majesty’s residences in London (Buckingham Palace and St James’s Palace) and at Windsor Castle and, also, at the Tower of London. Since 1952, Her Majesty has been our Captain General – a relationship we treasure – but this was the first time we have had the opportunity to demonstrate publicly our loyalty and devotion in such a tangible and symbolically meaningful way.

Preparations for the mission began in earnest in August at The Royal Regiment's Home Station in Shilo, Manitoba. It was here that the RCA United Kingdom Public Duties Contingent, as we termed it, came together with a strength of 130 all ranks. The command team and most members were drawn from 1 RCHA stationed in Shilo. These were joined by representatives from other regular force artillery units in Petawawa, Valcartier and Gagetown as well as public affairs and medical personnel. Also, part of the contingent was the Royal Canadian Artillery Band from Edmonton.

Drill, especially ceremonial drill of the sort employed by the Queen's Guard, is not as frequent a feature of a soldier's life as it once was, and so "square bashing", conducted with the assistance of a Colour Sergeant and a Warrant Officer of the Grenadier Guards deployed to Canada for this purpose, was one of two dominant features of the preparation programme.



The second was the tailoring of uniforms. I am especially proud of our success as a Regiment in readopting and procuring the traditional dark blue RCHA "Undress" or "Patrol" order of dress, complete with shoulder chain mail, for wear by members of the Guard. The Band, for their part, wore the traditional RCA "Full Dress" uniform. Ensuring the perfect fit of so many uniforms was a mammoth undertaking and would not have been possible were it not for an exceptionally talented and dedicated team comprising the Master Tailor from King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery, also flown over from the UK, and two highly capable seamstresses and Friends of The Regiment from Brandon who volunteered their services, and in whose debt we will always be.

Preparations culminated with the "Fit for Role" inspection held at Wellington Barracks, London on September 27th. Drill, dress, and deportment of a rare high standard - these were the criteria applied by the Brigade Major and the Garrison Sergeant Major of the Household Division in assessing the Contingent's readiness to perform its assigned "Public Duties". Having put them through their paces and cast their eagle eyes over every detail, their pronouncement was, "really outstanding".

As Colonel Commandant, it was my great privilege and pleasure, along with the Regimental Colonel, to join the Contingent for their first week of duties. It was a delightfully proud and memorable seven days beginning with the Contingent photograph taken at the famed Royal Artillery Barracks at Woolwich - as iconic a venue as one could choose for such an historic picture.

Monday was spent at Larkhill - headquarters of our Allied Regiment and home of the Royal School of Artillery. That evening we dined, back in London, at the Army and Navy Club as guests of Lieutenant-General Sir Andrew Gregory KBE CB Master Gunner St James's Park. The Master Gunner provides the link between the Royal Regiment of Artillery and the Captain General and is accorded the status of senior Gunner of the Commonwealth.

Tuesday, the Contingent's Windsor Castle Detachment mounted guard for the first time. What a thrill it was standing in the forecourt of the Castle and seeing the detachment march through the gate led by the RCA Band playing our Regimental March (British Grenadiers /Voice of the Guns). During the inspection of the Guard, the Band played a series of carefully curated Canadian pieces including the Hockey Night in Canada theme – our second national anthem – and a real crowd pleaser on that occasion, I can assure you.

Later that day, after dinner with the Contingent officers at St James's Palace, it was off to the Tower of London to witness the ancient Ceremony of the Keys, denoted by the famous exchange between the sentry – for the first time in history a Canadian Gunner – and the Chief Yeoman Warder:

“Halt! Who comes there?”

“The Keys”

“Whose Keys?”

“Queen Elizabeth's Keys”

“Pass Queen Elizabeth's Keys. All's well”.

And then between the Chief Yeoman Warder and the balance of the Guard:

“God preserve Queen Elizabeth!”

“Amen!”

The balance of the week included viewing, from within the forecourt, the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace, and visits to King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery and to Pooley Sword near Brighton. (Pooley have supplanted Wilkinson as leading supplier of “swords, dirks and lances” to the Armed Forces of Britain and the Commonwealth). As well, we were able to thank many of those who helped make the Public Duties mission such a success by greeting them at a UBIQUE 150 reception at Canada House.



However, the occasion whose memory I will most treasure occurred on Wednesday, October 6th at Windsor when Her Majesty, who was in residence there throughout the Contingent's tour of duty, visited the Windsor Castle Detachment in the Guardroom where the soldiers live when not on duty at a sentry post. Many readers will have seen the television film coverage of the visit and doubtless remarked upon the maple leaf brooch she wore and her radiant smile which she generously shared with us all.

Palace officials told us that this was the first time, of which they were aware, that The Queen had actually toured the Guardroom – a notably spartan facility in accordance with its function. Inside, standing by their beds proudly at attention, were the detachment members. Her Majesty exchanged words with each of them in turn, including one Bombardier who reminded her that that they had met once before – at the opening of the Canadian Museum for Human Rights in Winnipeg. It was then back outside where I introduced to her the senior members of the Contingent including the Regimental Colonel; Commanding Officer and RSM of 1 RCHA; the Officer Commanding the Contingent and the Contingent Sergeant Major; and the Director of Music and Sergeant Major of the RCA Band. Her Majesty allowed to the OC, Major Crosier, that she thought it kind of The Times to have featured him on the front page of its Monday edition!



It was then time for Her Majesty to graciously make a presentation to The Regiment – an RCA pattern sword crafted by Pooley Sword and inscribed:

*Presented by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
Captain General of The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery
On the 150th Anniversary of the Formation of “A” and “B” Batteries 20 October 2021*



This sword, known now as The Captain General’s Sword, will be used to recognize annually, a Captain of each of the regular and reserve components of The Royal Regiment, assessed to have exhibited the most exemplary leadership during the course of the year.

As a last-minute request, I had asked the Regimental Colonel to lead “three cheers for Her Majesty” as The Queen returned to her Range Rover. I thought she would hear them as she entered the vehicle. Instead, she stopped and turned to face and acknowledge her Canadian Gunners as they heartily cheered their Captain General and Sovereign. Judging by the strength of the voices and the smile on Her Majesty’s face, it was, I believe, a moment of shared pride and affection. A few minutes after her departure, the Range Rover returned with The Queen’s Royal Marine Equerry who conveyed the message that Her Majesty had very much enjoyed her visit and that she hoped arrangements would be made for all members of the Contingent to “see the sights” while in London.



While I returned to Canada on October 9th, the Contingent continued to perform its duties, with distinction, until October 22nd. As soldiers and as Gunners, we are aware of and understand more than most Canadians, the role of the sovereign in our constitutional monarchy. From the Crown on our cap badge, to the Royal

Cypher inscribed on the barrels of our guns, we are constantly reminded of our enduring duty of loyalty and service to the state, as personified by the Queen or King in an office above and beyond the political frays of the day. As such, there could have been no finer nor more fitting celebration of our 150th anniversary than to have enacted this relationship as we did, for the first time in our history, at Windsor in October. May the next 150 years bring continued opportunities for service, UBIQUE – QUO FAS ET GLORIA DUCUNT.

(1) Stanley, George F.G., Canada’s Soldiers: The Military History of an Unmilitary People, Third Edition, (Macmillan of Canada, Toronto, 1974) p. 242.

The Complete Idiot's Guide to Military Logistics

It's the boring stuff, the Russians are learning, that kills you in the end.

Thomas E Ricks Backbencher Mar 13, 2022

Russia’s intended campaign — an assault strike predicated on speed and Ukrainian political weakness — has tipped into a joint combat operation requiring logistical and communications planning that does not seem to have been in place, say analysts Sam Jones, John Paul Rathbone, and Dmitri Sevastopulo in the Financial Times, March 12. When I was a military correspondent,

here is how I would explain the importance of logistics in military operations. This will help you understand the problems the Russian army is encountering in Ukraine. Say you and your family want to visit Granma back in Indiana, about 500 miles away. You and your partner throw the kids, the dog and some clothes in the minivan, and you're ready to go.



But wait: There is no food available on your route. So, you go back inside and pack up a couple of days of meals, squeeze it into the back. And you feel ready. Also, there are no gas stations on the way. You don't feel comfortable carrying

gas cans in the car, so you get your pickup truck, and fill up some cans, and put them in the back. You can drive that while your partner drives the minivan. But also, there are no dependable sources of potable water. So, you put 200 gallons into cans and lift them into the back of the pickup. Also, there are no doctors or hospitals. So, you persuade some medical people you know to come along in their own car. But they also need food and water and gas, and space for their bandages and medicines and equipment, so they bring two pickups with them, loaded up.

Now we have a convoy of five vehicles. Ready to go? Not quite. There also is reliable information that you could be attacked along the way. So, you get five truckloads of soldiers—two for the front, two for the back, and one to control and command their operations. But wait. This security force also needs food, fuel, and water. So that's another five truckloads right there. Plus, they need ammunition and back up gear. And batteries for all their radios. Add another truck. When they show up, the medical people roll their eyes and say that with all these additional people, they're gonna need another truckload of supplies. Finally, you have the convoy ready. You roll out and get about a mile. A truck gets a flat! Guess what: There are no automotive repair shops on your route either. So, you round up a team of mechanics. They have their own truck, plus three for food and water. And two for fuel. And two truckloads more for spare tires, engine oil, filters, and tools.

And finally, your convoy, now consisting of 25 vehicles, is on the road. But you need to avoid the main roads, which might be mined, or have ambushes waiting. So, you take to the back country, even to dirt roads. That way is safer, but it also is mighty slow. In two days, you make just 63 miles, and then begin to run low on food and fuel. So, you hunker down and do some new calculations on how many more truckloads of those you might need.

Now you are thinking like a military logistician.

Vancouver Artillery Association Yearbook Updates

Arctic Eagle 22 - In late February soldiers from 15th Field Artillery Regiment participated in Exercise ARCTIC EAGLE-PATRIOT 22 in Anchorage Alaska. They took part in Light Urban Search and Rescue and CBRN response drills. Some soldiers were also trialing a new Chemical Protective Uniform and new C5 gas mask.

<https://www.vancouvergunners.ca/arctic-eagle-22.html>

Corporal Helmcken Diary 1 to 7 Apr 1918 - Another week in the First World War life of Gunner Helmcken. This week's rotation has him working with the ammunition resupply.

<https://www.vancouvergunners.ca/whats-new/ukraine-conflict>

With the relaxing of provincial COVID restrictions, we have been given permission to work on administratively in the museum on Wednesday with a small crew. The Museum is still not open for visitors yet but we'll keep you posted and we'll try and link up the VAA Virtual Lunch from that location at Noon PDT - <https://zoom.us/j/710845848> . Remember – Stay healthy and stay safe!

Who (or What) Is It?

Last Week: DON'T return to sender? The bizarre **Russell Boomerang Grenade** proposed for



the Australian Army in World War I. But boomerang-like as it may have been, it would not have come swirling back onto its thrower: being made of flat galvanised iron and with an 85gm charge of blasting gelignite and a detonator at one end, its Melbourne engineer inventor Mr GV Russell reasoned that being heavier at that one end it would travel long distances, in a forward direction only, to target enemy trenches or other strongholds. And certainly, far more efficiently than the risky

"hand bombs" that Australian front line troops were frighteningly then making themselves -old jam and bully beef tins packed with explosives. At trials in Melbourne in August 1915 of the Russell Boomerang Grenade, a watching newspaper reporter described it as "swooping down like a hawk on its target," but the Australian Grenade Training School was less enthusiastic and dismissed it as "erratic and uncertain of no value for military purposes." Mr Russell successfully appealed for more trials to be allowed, but his Boomerang Grenade still did not pass scrutiny and only one has survived to this day and that is on show at the Australian Infantry Museum at Singleton in the NSW Hunter Valley.

This Week: We take quite a turn today from fun tanky thingies, and flying machines, to look at the life of an amazing military person. Unusually for the time, this soldier was a woman, and, not only that, but one in a country that was not known for its advancement of women's rights at the time (nor now, if truth be told).

She was a soldier for only a few years, but that applies to many of us, few being born in uniform, other than the editor, and only Chelsea Pensioners continuing to wear their kit daily until a ripe old age. Her rather smart outfit gives a few clues to her nationality, but not entirely to the army in which she served. By smart, I refer to the first photo. Such is not the case with the second, taken about 20 years after the first. Sadly, we can all recognize this “uniform” as that which symbolizes one of the darkest episodes of the human story. Her haggard look shows what she has been through, but the smiles of the two women in front of her show that this story has had a happy ending.



So, who is our storied lady? In what army did she serve, and how was she saved from the horror of the fate that is usually indicated by the stripped uniform she is shown wearing in the second photo? This is an obscure story, so I wouldn't be surprised if no one gets the answers. However, it is one that is fascinating, and should be better known. Send your ideas to the editor, Bob Mugford (bob.mugford@gmail.com), or the author, John Redmond (johnd.redmond@telus.net).

From the 'Punitary'

What did the grapes say when the hippo stepped on them?
Nothing. They just let out a little wine.

Murphy's Other Laws

Big words seldom accompany good deeds

Quotable Quotes

Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant.
-Robert Louis Stevenson

Wednesday Digital Video Lunch

No need to worry about COVID-19 when you go digital. Pop into our video lunch **at noon** on Wednesdays and say hi. All you need is a laptop, tablet or smartphone. These sessions are being hosted by the Vancouver Artillery Association and are **open to all – especially those who attended our Wednesday lunches.** Join us to check up on your old lunch buddies.

<https://zoom.us/j/710845848>

Password:- Ubique



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Invite 2 friends! We have room for 100! See you on Wednesdays at noon. Bring your own lunch and beverage of choice.

Hockey for Ukraine

BCR Vs Seaforth Highlanders - 25 March 2022

INVITATIONS



HOCKEY FOR UKRAINE

THE BC REGIMENT (DCO) VERSUS THE SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS OF CANADA
25 MARCH 2022

Fellow Dukes and Friends,

The Regiment's Padre, The Very Rev. Christopher A. Pappas, Rector of Christ Church Cathedral, the Home of our Regiment's Colours, has arranged for a link which will take you to a fundraising page in support of the Ukraine Humanitarian Relief Fundraiser. As our Members of the Regiment are supporting this relief effort, a hockey game with members of The Seaforth Highlanders of Canada has been arranged to promote and support the Fundraiser and will take place on March 25th. Further details will be forthcoming regarding the availability of tickets in **The BCR News**. Donations over \$20 will receive a tax receipt and the donation can be made online by scanning the QR code and going directly to the donations page.

We look forward to your support, take care and all the very best!

Up the Dukes!

QR Code below



DUKES vs SEAFORTH UKRAINE FUNDRAISER 25 March 2022 - 8:00pm puck drop. UBC Thunderbird Arena - 6066 Thunderbird Blvd, Vancouver. The link below will take you to a dedicated fundraising page for the Ukraine humanitarian fundraiser. The attached can be shared on social media / posters at the Drill Hall - people scan the QR code and go directly to the donations page.

<https://www.thecathedral.ca/pages/humanitarian-relief-for-ukraine>

The 15th Field 100th Anniversary Teahouse Mess Dinner



Monday 23 May 2022
18:00 for 19:00 hours

at

The Teahouse in Stanley Park
7501 Stanley Park Drive
\$150.00

RSVP to dgfoster60@gmail.com



Timings

- 18:00 – Guests arrive
- 18:15 – Plaque unveiling
- 18:30 – 105mm Howitzer salute
- 18:45 - Presentations
- 19:00 - Dinner

Major General Albert Bruce Matthews, CBE, DSO, ED
Colonel Commandant of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery
Unveils the original commemorative plaque on
16 October, 1966 at Ferguson Point



Photograph showing a group of men at unveiling of Memorial at Ferguson Point in Oct 1966. Pictured (L-R): Warrant Officer Class II R. Guttridge, Lance Bombardier Elboim, [unidentified], [unidentified], Brigadier R.T. Dumoulin, Lieutenant Colonel N.D. Elsdon, Lieutenant Colonel A.M. McGavin, General Sir Charles Loewen, Lieutenant Colonel W.S. Jackson, Major General A.B. Matthews, Lieutenant Colonel G.F. Blythe, Colonel G.M. Platt, Lance Bombardier D. Davidson, Sargeant R. Thompson, [unidentified], Warrant Officer Class I P. Smith.



The
Royal United Services Institute of Nova Scotia
presents
Distinguished Speaker
Jan-Andrej Skopalik
National Aerial Surveillance Program
Transport Canada



Surveillance of
Sea Surface Activities
in Atlantic Canada

1 pm Halifax time, Wednesday, 16 March 2022
via Zoom

register through RUSINovaScotia@gmail.com



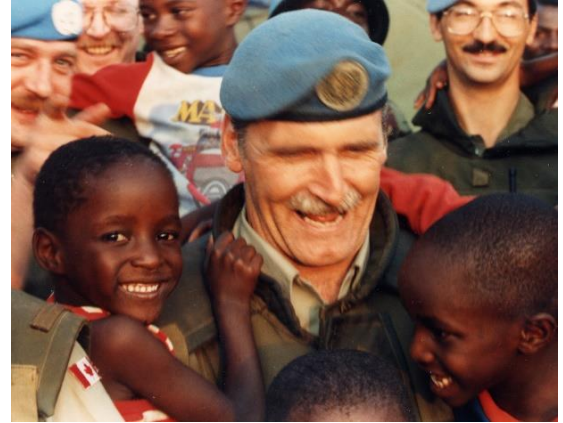
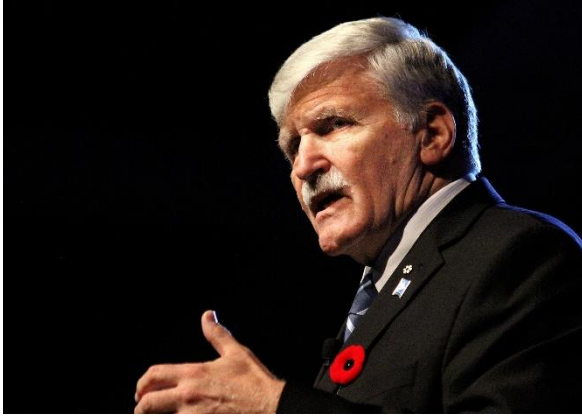


Jan-Andrej Skopalik

Jan-Andrej Skopalik started his career in the Public Service with Environment and Climate Change Canada as an Ice Service Specialist, and has been with the National Aerial Surveillance Program (NASP) since 2007. Whilst working for the NASP, Jan has been involved with the Deepwater Horizon response in the Gulf of Mexico, the Lac Mégantic and the Gogama train derailments, and the MV *Manolis L* oil recovery efforts off the coast of Newfoundland and Labrador, as well as assisting with the 2014 Moncton Shootings and the search for a suspect accused of stabbing a Bridgewater, NS, police officer in 2020 for the RCMP. Jan has worked both in the field and as a part of several Incident Command Posts throughout his career.

Web Event

An Evening with Gen Roméo Dallaire / une soirée avec le général Roméo Dallaire



The **RCA Association** proudly invites you to register for our next Web event to be held on **31 March 2022 at 7pm ET.**

**An evening with
Lieutenant-General The Honourable R.A.
Dallaire (Ret'd) OC, CMM, GOQ, CSM, CD**

Well known to the Regimental family, General Roméo Dallaire will speak on his work to fight against the recruitment and use of children in armed conflict, as well as other issues of interest to all members of the Association (PTSD, moral courage, leadership in crisis).

The presentation will last approximately 45 minutes followed by a 15-minute question period.

***Break out rooms will be open after the main part of the evening for gunners to connect informally.**

Please join us for this very special Web Event.

[Register now!](#)

****Please note that the joining link will only be sent to registered persons on 31 March 2022.**

Contact president.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com if you have any concerns.

L'Association de l'ARC est fière de vous inviter à vous inscrire à son prochain événement Web qui aura lieu **le 31 mars 2022 à 19 h HE.**

**Une soirée en compagnie du
Lieutenant-général, l'honorable Roméo A.
Dallaire (ret.), OC, CMM, GOQ, CSM, CD**

Bien connu de la famille régimentaire, le général Roméo Dallaire parlera de son travail pour lutter contre le recrutement et l'utilisation d'enfants dans les conflits armés, ainsi que d'autres sujets d'intérêt pour tous les membres de l'Association (TSPT, courage moral, leadership en crise).

La présentation durera environ 45 minutes et sera suivie d'une période de questions de 15 minutes.

***Les salles de pause seront ouvertes après la partie principale de la soirée pour permettre aux artilleurs de renouer connaissance de manière informelle.**

Veillez vous joindre à nous en vous inscrivant maintenant.

[Inscrivez-vous !](#)

****Veillez noter que le lien d'adhésion ne sera envoyé qu'aux personnes inscrites le 31 mars 2022.**

Contactez le president.rcaa.aarc@gmail.com si vous avez des questions.

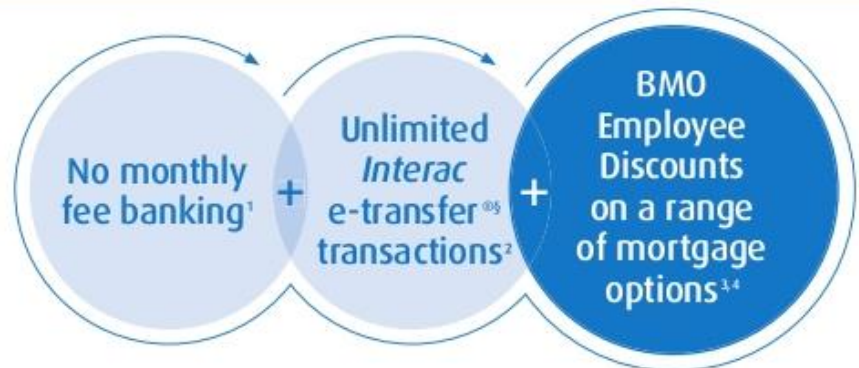
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- Flexibility to move or break your mortgage through the Integrated Relocation Program⁵
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- Unlimited *Interac* e-transfer⁰⁵ transactions²
- OnGuard⁰⁸ Identity Theft Protection Service at no charge^{7,8}
- Keep the same accounts no matter how many times you relocate
- Access to CreditView⁰⁹ – the free, instant way to get your credit score⁹



Lines of Credit

- BMO employee discounts on unsecured and secured personal lines of credit³
- Student line of credit with preferential pricing and flexibility¹⁰

Credit Cards



- Choose the BMO Support Our Troops CashBack⁰¹¹ or AIR MILES⁰¹² MasterCard⁰¹³
- No annual fee¹¹
- Support Canadian Forces Morale and Welfare Services with every purchase you make
- Visit bmo.com/sot to find out about the welcome offers

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Canadian Defence Community Banking (CDCB) Program?

BMO and Canadian Forces Morale and Welfare Services have teamed up to offer the CDCB Program to eligible members of the defence community and their families.

Who is eligible for the CDCB Program?

Program benefits are exclusive to regular force personnel, reserves, recruits, military families, Veterans and retirees, as well as Department of National Defence (DND) and Staff of the Non-Public Funds civilian personnel, the RCMP and the Canadian Coast Guard.

Can BMO help me if I am relocated or deployed?

One way BMO can help is by covering your prepayment charges when you are relocated or deployed through the Integrated Relocation Program, and have to move or break your mortgage.

How does Canadian Forces Morale and Welfare Services (CFMWS) get funded by the BMO Support Our Troops MasterCard[®] program?

BMO pays royalties to CFMWS each quarter. CFMWS uses the royalties to fund the Support Our Troops National Summer Camp Programs and more.

How can I get help with home financing?

Visit a branch, find a Mortgage Specialist at mortgagelocator.bmo.com or call 1-866-548-7490 or collect from overseas at 514-877-7738 to get help with home financing.

How much can I save in bank fees with the CDCB Performance Plan Chequing Account?

You can save \$191 each year in monthly plan fee, \$120 each year with 5 non-BMO ATM withdrawals included each month, and \$155 each year in Identity Theft Protection at no charge.¹²

How can I contact BMO to learn more about the CDCB Program?

- Visit any BMO branch
- Call 1-866-548-7490
- International customers can call collect at 514-877-7738
- Find us on Social Media

Visit us in branch or at bmo.com/cdcb to learn more.



Scan the QR code to get more information.



¹²The monthly Performance Plan fee is waived. You are responsible for all transaction, service and product fees not included for free in your Bank Plan. ¹The monthly Plan fee may still apply. Other transaction fees may apply if you have a Bank Plan that does not include unlimited everyday banking transactions. A cancellation fee may still apply when you cancel the transaction. ²Interac e-transfer[®] transactions are subject to maximum transfer dollar amounts. ³Applications and the amount you can borrow are subject to meeting BMO's usual credit criteria. ⁴Some conditions may apply. These special offers are not available for the 5-year or 10-year BMO Smart Fixed Mortgage or a Homeowner Readline. To qualify for the CDCB special rates on 5-year fixed and 5-year variable rate mortgage, you must have a Canadian Dollar Primary Chequing Account (Chequing Account) with a CDCB Performance or Premium Plan; and set up the Chequing Account as the funding account for the BMO Mortgage; and have one (1) recurring direct deposit into the Chequing Account. ⁵Some conditions may apply. ⁶We guarantee your interest rate for the selected fixed rate mortgage type and term for up to 130 days from the rate guarantee start date. If the mortgage is not funded within the 130-day period, the interest rate guarantee expires. ⁷Applicable to residential mortgages only and subject to Bank of Montreal standard lending criteria for residential properties. Longest rate guarantee of any major bank as of November 18, 2020. ⁸Plan, transaction, service and product fees may still apply. ⁹You're eligible for OnGuard[®] if you are a BMO customer who has a lead account¹⁰ with one of the following Bank Plans: Performance Plan, Premium Plan, Platinum Plan or Employee Plan. In addition, to qualify for OnGuard, you must be a Canadian resident who has reached the age of majority for your province or territory, and you must be registered for BMO Online Banking and/or Mobile Banking and you must have a valid email address on your BMO profile and your lead account must be in good standing. Customers with an eligible Bank Plan with the Kids or Teens discounted banking program do not qualify for OnGuard. All accountholders of a lead account with an eligible Bank Plan qualify for OnGuard[®] provided they meet the above-eligibility requirements. If you switch your lead account to an ineligible Bank Plan, then you will no longer qualify for the OnGuard[®] service. ¹¹The lead account is the one you designate to pay any fees required by your Bank Plan, for example, your monthly Plan fees and transaction fees. ¹²OnGuard[®] retail value is \$155.88 annually (charged at \$12.99 per month). ¹³OnGuard[®] is provided by Sigma Loyalty Group and Intersections Inc. Sigma Loyalty Group and Intersections Inc. Terms and conditions can be found at www.bmo.com/onguard/SIGconditions. ¹⁴CreditView[®] is a service provided to you by TransUnion. Using this service does not impact your credit score. This service is being made available to you as a customer of BMO ("Bank of Montreal") at no additional charge. ¹⁵You must be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant enrolled in a Canadian or non-Canadian post-secondary school or university. Co-signer may be required. Subject to credit availability and verification of identity. ¹⁶Ongoing interest rates, interest-free grace period, annual fees and all other applicable fees are subject to change. Cash advances include balance transfers, cash-like transactions and Mastercard cheques. Visit your branch, call the Customer Contact Centre at 1-800-263-2263, or visit bmo.com/rates-fees for current rates and fees. ¹⁷The monthly Performance Plan fee is waived. You are responsible for all transaction, service and product fees not included in the Performance Plan. Some non-BMO ATMs may charge you a convenience fee. The convenience fee is not a BMO fee and is added to the total amount of your withdrawal. You are responsible for the convenience fee that may be applied to your transaction.

¹⁸Registered trademark of Bank of Montreal. ¹⁹Interac e-transfer is a registered trademark of Interac Inc. ²⁰OnGuard is a service of Sigma Loyalty Group. OnGuard[®] is a trademark of Sigma Loyalty Group Inc. Identity Guard[®] is a registered trademark of Intersections Inc. ²¹CreditView is a trademark of TransUnion LLC. ²²MasterCard is a registered trademark, and the circles design is a trademark of Mastercard International Incorporated. Used under license.