

## Van Arty Association and RUSI Van Members News July 6, 2021

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**Wednesday Lunches - Lunches suspended until further notice. Everyone stay safe!!**

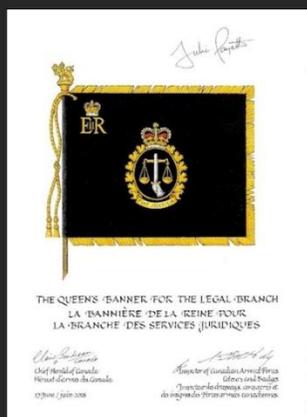
**The 2021 BC Military Gala is **CANCELLED**. The Sheraton Wall Ctr is booked for Apr 23, 2022**

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

- Jul 07** Wednesday 'Zoom' Lunch meeting
- Jul 14** Wednesday 'Zoom' Lunch meeting  
 Juno Beach Online Historical Tour - The Air Support Rollercoaster and  
 French-Canadian Infantry Units In Normandy
- Jul 21** Wednesday 'Zoom' Lunch meeting

## Queen Elizabeth II presents a Royal Banner to the CAF Legal Branch

Marcello Sukhdeo, June 25, 2021



*Image: CAF.*

During a virtual audience held on June 22, Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, as Colonel-in-Chief of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) Legal Branch, presented a Royal Banner to the CAF Legal Branch. The Royal Banner was

received by RAdm Geneviève Bernatchez, Judge Advocate General, and senior ranking legal officer. This Royal Banner was granted to honour the CAF Legal Branch on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This is the tenth presentation of a Royal Banner to the CAF. The last presentation was in 2015, when Her Royal Highness, The Duchess of Gloucester presented a Royal Banner to the Royal Canadian Dental Corps. Queen Elizabeth II has graciously consented to serve as the Colonel-in-Chief of the CAF Legal Branch since 2013, on the day following the 60th anniversary of Her Majesty's coronation as Queen in Westminster Abbey. The appointment is a highly symbolic reflection of The Queen's coronation oath that included an oath "to cause Law and Justice, in Mercy, to be executed in all judgements" throughout her reign. The acceptance of the appointment by Her Majesty is a mark of tremendous honour for the CAF and a reaffirmation of loyalty and duty to The Queen on the part of the CAF.

The position of Colonel-in-Chief is a Royal Appointment – an honorary title normally reserved for the Sovereign and Members of the Canadian Royal Family. Although its origins can be traced back to the British Army, the appointment of Royal Colonels-in-Chief has been an integral and proud aspect of the life of numerous Canadian regiments, branches, and units for over a century. The Colonel-in-Chief is the guardian of history and traditions and serves to promote ethos, identity, and pride in service. "The Canadian Armed Forces take great pride in the achievements of its Legal Branch during its first 100 years of commitment to Justice in service of Canada," said Lieutenant General Wayne Eyre, Acting Chief of the Defence Staff. "It is an honour to receive a Royal Banner from Her Majesty commemorating this important milestone; reflecting the service of many legal officers and their families, past and present." According to the news release, Royal Banners are special flags presented to commemorate specific services, are presented as special marks of Royal favour, and designs vary by circumstances. This live virtual event was hosted by Her Majesty from Windsor Castle with RAdm Bernatchez attending in Ottawa. The Queen also took the opportunity to virtually meet with a small and diverse group of members of the CAF Legal Branch.

"On behalf of the Government of Canada, I extend my sincere appreciation to Her Majesty, The Queen for this special recognition of more than a century of service to Canada, and the Crown, bestowed upon a very deserving Canadian Armed Forces Legal Branch," said Harjit S Sajjan, Minister of National Defence. This was the first event during which Her Majesty has granted an audience with the CAF since the beginning of the pandemic. The CAF Legal Branch was created by Order in Council on February 28, 1918, and presently consists of approximately 300 Regular and Reserve Force members serving primarily in the Office of the Judge Advocate General, the Office of the Chief Military Judge, and within Military Personnel Command. The CAF Legal Branch also consists of Court Reporters and Legal Officers

## **Canada Has Done a Complete About Face on Ballistic Missile Defence**

*Michael Byers    Special to the Globe and Mail    June 28, 2021*

The US State Department – not the Canadian government – recently revealed that Canada's next generation of warships could be equipped for ballistic missile defence when it announced it had approved the export of the AEGIS Combat System to Canada. The decision came in response to

a very quiet request last year from the Department of National Defence; there was no presser by Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan and no opportunity for Canadian journalists to ask questions. The announcement was made without a debate in Parliament and after 36 years of successive governments choosing to keep Canada out of US missile defence programs, which began with Ottawa's rejection of Ronald Reagan's "Star Wars" program in the 1980s. Canada's top soldier says the West faces being outmatched in military defence by China. The AEGIS Combat System includes the world's most advanced radar (AN/SPY-7) and vertical missile launching (MK 41) systems. Canada is also acquiring the Cooperative Engagement Capability, a remote firing system that allows a commander on one ship to launch missiles from another, without the latter being in the decision loop.



*Rendering of the future F-110 frigate equipped with AN/SPY-7(V)2.*

*Photo courtesy of Navantia*

The AN/SPY-7 is designed specifically for ballistic missile defence. Canadian ships will be able to track incoming missiles and instantaneously share that information with US vessels and ground-based missile interceptors. The US Navy's AEGIS-class vessels are equipped with SM-3 missiles designed for intercepting intermediate-range ballistic missiles and tested against intercontinental ballistic missiles. SM-3 missiles travel at 18,000 kilometres per hour and can reach an altitude of 1,000 kilometres. Canada is currently purchasing shorter-range SM-2 missiles for air defence. But its newly equipped ships will also be able to launch SM-3 missiles, if and when Ottawa chooses to acquire them. Indeed, it makes little sense to purchase AN/SPY-7 radar systems unless the plan, at some point, is to buy SM-3 missiles. Even without SM-3 missiles, AN/SPY-7 radar systems are inconsistent with Canada's long-standing policy on ballistic missile defence. In 2005, prime minister Paul Martin not only rejected US president George W. Bush's request that Canada join the program, he also refused to host a US radar facility in Labrador. The AEGIS announcement comes with a hefty price tag: US\$1.7 billion to equip just three of the 15 Canadian surface combatants being built in Halifax. And make no mistake – by choosing this ballistic missile equipment for the first three vessels, Canada is effectively committing itself to acquiring it for the next 12. Otherwise, its new warships would not be fully compatible with each other.

Canada's military leaders will also know that the combination of AN/SPY-7 radar systems and SM-3 missiles provides a potent anti-satellite (ASAT) capability. In 2008, an SM-3 missile launched from a US Navy AEGIS-class vessel was used to shoot down a malfunctioning US satellite before it re-entered the atmosphere. Acquiring anti-satellite capability would contradict

Canada's long-standing opposition to space weaponization and the generation of space debris, as it reaffirmed in a submission to the United Nations just two months ago. The US does not need to equip Canada with these technologies. With ballistic missile interceptors deployed in Alaska, California, Eastern Europe and on dozens of naval vessels, it can respond to any missiles that might be launched from North Korea or Iran. The question is whether Canadian ships will continue to be welcome in US carrier groups, a practice much valued by our military leaders but dependent on technological interoperability with US vessels. Interoperability with our closest ally is certainly desirable, but it is not a trump card. We also need to weigh the implications of ballistic missile defence for nuclear non-proliferation and space weaponization, relations with China and Russia and Canadian sovereignty.

Clearly, Canadians deserve a parliamentary debate on this matter. Should we be supporting US missile defence? Should we have the capability to strike both ICBMs and satellites? Do we really want to give US commanders the ability to launch missiles from our ships? In 1985, after numerous parliamentary debates, prime minister Brian Mulroney said no to Canadian participation in "Star Wars." Two decades later, after more debates, Mr Martin said no to US missile defence. During his nine years as prime minister, Stephen Harper never revisited the issue. In 2017, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau reaffirmed the decision to stay out of ballistic missile defence. He did so after proponents of Canada's involvement, energized by president Donald Trump's calls for more NATO defence spending, mounted an aggressive advocacy campaign. Today, parliamentarians should insist that Mr. Trudeau explain his about-face. Why is he signing Canada up to US ballistic missile defence? And why is he doing so on the sly?

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## **Weird Ways to End A Siege — Some Strange Strategies**

*Jesse Beckett War History Online Jun 11, 2021*



*The storming of the fortress of Stampace in Pisa. Artist: Vasari, Giorgio.*

*(Photo Credit: Fine Art Images/Heritage Images/Getty Images)*

The constant battle between defenses and breaking those defenses has raged throughout the history of humanity. Today, the war is mostly over, with offensive weapons emerging victorious. There are plenty of firearms that can penetrate body armor, anti-tank weapons that can destroy tanks, and missiles that can destroy

bunkers. This conclusion has not always been this clear, though, as for most of humanity's existence defenses have prevailed. When your most powerful weapon is a club, what can you do against a stone wall? This forced mankind to get creative in their techniques of breaching defenses. Here are some of the weirder ones, in no particular order.

## 1. Rocket cats

*Detail from a manuscript depicting the "rocket cat."*

*(Photo Credit: Laura Aydelotte / Wikimedia Commons CC BY-SA 4.0)*

A 16<sup>th</sup>-century artilleryman named Franz Helm, who lived in what is now Germany, authored a book on munitions, weapons, and artillery. In this book, he detailed a technique of causing havoc in a defensive system or town, with the use of a cat. Helm wrote:

*Create a small sack like a fire-arrow. If you would like to get at a town or castle, seek to obtain a cat from that place. And bind the sack to the back of the cat, ignite it, let it glow well and thereafter let the cat go, so it runs to the nearest castle or town, and out of fear it thinks to hide itself where it ends up in barn hay or straw it will be ignited.*



It is unknown if this rather optimistic plan was ever used, but if it was, it would have likely resulted in more destruction to your own property than to the enemy's.

## 2. Up the toilet



*An unorthodox entrance:*

*a garderobe toilet in Chrik Castle, Wales.*

*(Photo Credit: Prichardson / Wikimedia Commons)*

This form of entry was through a part of a castle itself, rather than bringing your own equipment. Château Gaillard, a medieval castle, was completed in 1198 in France by Richard the Lionheart and was considered impenetrable at the time. Within 10 years of its competition, the castle had fallen into the hands of French King Philip II. His forces managed to enter and

capture the castle's outer areas but couldn't break through the central keep. One of his men noticed a channel in the wall leading to one of the castle's toilets. A man climbed up this filthy channel, through the toilet, and into the castle, where he opened a window to allow his fellow troops to enter too.

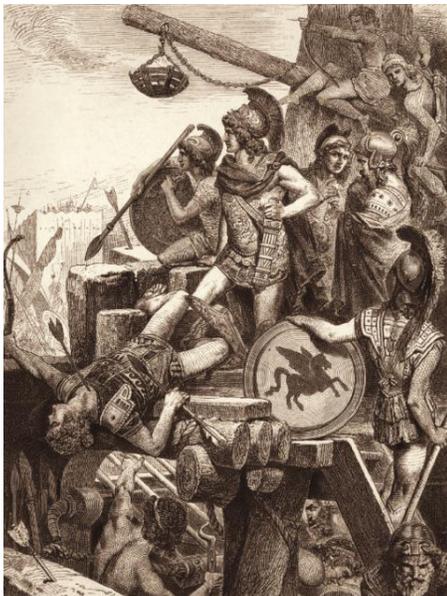
### 3. Flinging corpses

*Illuminated manuscript of Rashid ad-Din's Jami al-Tawarikh depicting a Mongol siege of a city.*  
(Photo Credit: Wikimedia Commons)



A force placing a castle under siege would often set up a camp nearby as a base of operations. These camps were filled with unhealthy, unhygienic troops, and disease was everywhere. In 1346, the Mongols attacked the Crimean city Caffa and began a long siege. Eventually, the Mongol army began suffering from the Black Death, which was ravaging through their encampment. While most armies in this condition would most likely retreat, the Mongols saw the silver lining and started catapulting disease-ridden corpses over the city walls, with the aim of infecting those inside. Some of the fleeing inhabitants of Caffa may have carried the Black Death to Europe, but this is not known for sure.

### 4. Hot Sand



*Alexander during the siege of Tyre.*  
(Photo Credit: Stock Montage via Getty Images)

This method was used by those under siege to repel attackers. Castles employed various techniques to keep attackers at bay, including dropping hot or burning things from the walls. In 332 BC, Alexander the Great besieged and attacked the city of Tyre. The defenders inside resorted to heating up fine sand until it was glowing red, before pouring it out onto the attackers below. This was particularly effective, as the sand's tiny particles would flow between the gaps in troops' armor. The only relief was to remove the armor, which would

then leave them vulnerable to archers. Other similar methods included using burning hay, hot water, and hot oil.

## **5. Bees and beer**

When attacking a walled area, the Vikings, who knew the defenders would be firing down onto them, used wooden structures called hurdles for protection while they made their way through the walls. When they attacked the English town of Chester, the defenders gathered up as much beer as possible and heated it up, then poured it down onto the attackers, literally burning off their skin. Their wooden covers could resist projectiles, but the hot beer was able to seep through the gaps. In response, the Vikings sealed their shielding with animal hides, deflecting the hot beer. Again in response, the defenders began throwing beehives at the Vikings, who were then savagely swarmed by angry bees.

## **Vancouver Artillery Association Yearbook Updates**

**Captain Robert (Bob) Spring** - Our sympathy goes out to the family and friends on the passing of Captain Robert Spring on 30 June 2021 at the age of 85. Bob was a member of 15th Field Artillery Regiment from 1959 until 1962 and from 1964 until 1967. He was a long time Associate Member of the Mess, a Director and an active volunteer with the Regimental Museum Society and a member of the Vancouver Artillery Association. An obituary will be sent out when available. A memorial service will probably be held in the Officers Mess in the fall – depending on COVID restrictions at the time <https://www.vancouvergunners.ca/obituaries-2021.html>

**The Fallen** – Private Ernest Edward Lee was added to our list of Fallen. Private Lee served overseas in the First World War with the 43rd Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force and volunteered to serve with the Veterans Guard of Canada in the Second World War. His company was assigned to man the perimeter defences on Yorke Island where he passed away on 11 March 1943 due to a coronary occlusion. <https://www.vancouvergunners.ca/the-fallen.html>

**Canada Day** - The Regiment fired their annual 21 gun Canada Day salute but were, unfortunately, restricted to firing from Deadman's Island with a limit to the amount of personnel available to attend. View the firing of the first few rounds in the link below. First round was fired in honour of George Chow who passed away earlier this year.

The Vancouver Artillery Association assisted with the Aldergrove Canada Day parade by providing the ILTIS and additional drivers for the Western Museum of the Armed Forces. <https://www.vancouvergunners.ca/canada-day-2021.html>

**Yorke Island War Diaries** – Additional diaries are now online at <https://www.vancouvergunners.ca/war-diaries---yorke.html> Check out the latest uploads:

**October 1942** - Major Rix OC, platoon Cdn Fusiliers arrived, Court of Inquiry into injury, A.A. Section instruction, camera prohibition, out of bounds – New Orleans Club and Alexandra Ballroom, care of boots, dismantling of armament drill, commenced transfer of S/L and F/C

equipment in D.S., #2 AA Gun moved to Hill 260, thunder flash usage, theft of paintbrushes and taps, regimental swagger sticks, shows in Mess Hall – *In the Navy, Paris Calling*, cargo ship aground 5 miles south, General Pearkes visit

**November 1942** - Major Rix OC, Armistice Day not celebrated, drill hall used for first time, Captain Whitehead appointed Acting OC, Ride ‘em Cowboy, Flying Cadets, Wolf Man, Queen of Hearts shown in the Mess Hall, camp barber, bingo in the Mess Hall, saluting is becoming very bad, temporary quarantine due to measles, gale wind – 2 trees fell, 14 day quarantine imposed, request for Parachute Battalion volunteers, listening post at Courtney Bay and Sunderland Point built by Veterans Guard, red and blue RCAs will be worn on walking out uniform, coal miner request, presentation of Wallets, photography regulations

**February 1943** - Major Thomas OC, Battery rotation with 58<sup>th</sup> Battery Point Grey Fort, AA practice shoot with .50 cal, Court of Inquiry – Water scow fire, Mess Hall shows – *Men of Texas, Mexican Spitfire at sea, Flight Lieutenant, Joan of Paris, Lucky Legs, The Gay Falcon, Between Us Girls*, no cutting of standing trees, burnt boots, use of enemy wireless, urinating in toilets instead of urinals

**June 1943** - Captain Whitehead OC until arrival of Major Thomas, concert parties, sand and gravel delivery, 1 inch aiming rifle practice shoots, 3 pdr shoots, shows in mess hall – *The Road to Morocco, The Glass Key, The Maltese Falcon, True to the Army, Gentleman Jim, Skylark*, insurance for loss of personal effects, bingo prize – cigarettes, suggestion box installed, heating of buildings to cease, coal mining leave, Board of Officers – condition of the cheese.

**August 1943** - Major Thomas OC. There is a smoker held in the Mess Hall and the following movies played during the month – *Hit the Ice, Submarine Patrol, Forty Thousand Horsemen, I Wake Up Screaming, Sabotage Squad, Swamp Water, Two Tickets to London, Sing Your Blues Away, Caught in the Draft*. A Court of Inquiry for the loss of a water hose and a Board of Officers looked into the situation with garbage cans on the island. There was a notice regarding damage to the canteen pool table, a Y.M.C.A. travelling art exhibition and the Spotlight Review concert. Life seems not too bad on Yorke in the summer of '43.

**June 1942** - Major Rix Officer Commanding. It appears that the blank side of old orders were recycled providing something similar to a throwback Thursday. Dutch Harbour and Estevan were reported bombed and a complete coast blackout was imposed with all leave canceled. Movies in the Mess Hall included *Convoy, Blondie meets the Boss and I was a Prisoner on Devils Island*. Two Bofors anti-aircraft guns arrived, 4.7” gun dismantling began and the first 6” gun arrived.

**WW2 25 Pound Field Gun Clinometer In Case** - We haven't even collected enough donations to pay for the 25 Pounder Panoramic Telescope and here we are shopping for a Clinometer. \$136.50 gets us a World War 25 Pounder Field Gun Clinometer with case. Brass construction MkIV manufactured by R.E.L. Canada and dated 1943. In issue leather case that shows wear. We’ve reached our goal for the clinometer but we still owe for the panoramic site. Check out all the details here <https://www.vancouvergunners.ca/quartermaster-stores.html>

**Yorke Island Expedition – 14 – 18 July 2021** - With the lifting of the BC COVID travel restrictions, there is an opportunity to organize an expedition to Yorke Island in July! Tentative plans would include:

A- Assessment of rock facade with focused photographs of damage, and

B - Creation of photographs depicting today's view of historic Yorke Island photos (a collection of then and now pictures)

Interested in joining the expedition? There will be costs for the ferry, transportation, food and lodging. You will need to bring along a rucksack with sleeping bag and camping gear. Donations to help defray the costs would be appreciated. <https://www.vancouvergunners.ca/whats-new/yorke-island-july-2021>

**VAA Virtual Lunch every Wednesday at Noon PDT - <https://zoom.us/j/710845848> - Drop in for 10 minutes or stay for an hour.** Remember – Stay healthy and stay safe!

### **Who (or What) Is It?**

**Last Week:** The Pegasus 155 mm/39 calibre LWH weighs 5.4 tonnes and is fitted with an APU



on one of its trail arms. The APU is a 21 kW Lombardini 9LD625-2 diesel engine that provides power to the two main road wheels located at the front of the carriage, with steering via the two smaller wheels at the rear. Using the APU a maximum road speed of 12 km/h is claimed. The Pegasus was jointly developed by the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF), the Defence Science & Technology Agency (DSTA) and Singapore

Technologies Kinetics (ST Kinetics) to meet the Army's operational requirements. It is a highly automated and efficient system that delivers range and firepower comparable to heavier systems such as the Primus and the FH88.

To reduce weight, the structure of the 155 mm/39 calibre LWH is made of lightweight materials, such as titanium and high alloy aluminium. It is claimed that an innovative recoil management design serves to reduce recoil by one-third. Through a simple see-saw action that shifts the gun's centre of gravity to suit different missions, it is claimed that the Pegasus LWH can be deployed with a crew of eight people in less than 2.5 minutes. In addition to providing power to enable the Pegasus LWH to act as an autonomous system over short distances, the Auxiliary Power Unit (APU) also powers the ammunition loading system, which reduces crew fatigue during sustained firing missions. It is claimed that a burst of three rounds can be fired in 24 seconds, with a maximum rate of fire of 4 rounds per minute for three minutes and two rounds per minute for 30 minutes. All types of 155 mm artillery projectile and associated charges can be fired by the 155 mm Pegasus LWH.

**This Week:** Let us once again venture into the world of grease, noise, and guns. As many of you know, anything green, olive drab, or khaki is described as a “tank” by the media. This has lead to some confusion in the minds of those less-educated members of society in regards to any and all military vehicles. Admittedly, there has been some blurring of the definition of what



constitutes a tank over the years. While it is generally accepted that tanks don't have wheels, there have been one or two exceptions. However, 99.9% are tracked. It gets a bit questionable when the discussion turns to turrets, as the original ones didn't have such, and even a few later ones

neglected that seemingly essential component. Who amongst us would argue with a large Swede that the “S” tank wasn't a tank? On the other hand, just having a turret doesn't qualify a vehicle as a tank. As a tiny toddler in Shilo, I, and another little miscreant, was arrested by the “Meat Heads” for entering a vehicle park and playing about in some Wolverines. The kindly CProC chaps told us they weren't tanks; rather, they were self-propelled anti-tank artillery, which is why they were at Shilo. The MPs also treated us to a couple of O'Henrys before driving us home in a jeep.

All that palaver leads us to this week's quiz subject. It's green. It's big. It's tracked. It kind of has a turret. What is it? You have to be a really geeky military nut to get this one. If you are, or if you do, please contact the editor, Bob Mugford ([bob.mugford@gmail.com](mailto:bob.mugford@gmail.com)), or the reformed criminal author, John Redmond ([johnd.redmond@telus.net](mailto:johnd.redmond@telus.net)).

### **From the 'Punitary'**

What did one worm to another: “Follow me. I know a restaurant where we can eat dirt cheap.”

### **Murphy's Other Laws**

Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there.

### **Quotable Quotes**

The secret of happiness is something to do." - John Burroughs

## 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>

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# JUNO BEACH CENTRE

## Register Now for the Maple Leaf Route Webinar Series!

Inscrivez-vous maintenant à la série de webinaires « *Maple Leaf Route* » !

(Seulement en anglais)



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Registration is **FREE** and required for all webinars. Once you have registered, you will receive a confirmation e-mail containing a link to the webinar. All webinars begin at 7:00pm Eastern Time (ET) and are approximately 90 minutes in length. The webinar series will only be available in English. We apologize for any disappointment.

If you have any questions about the Maple Leaf Route Webinar Series, please e-mail Eric at [eric.story@canadianmilitaryhistory.ca](mailto:eric.story@canadianmilitaryhistory.ca).

We look forward to seeing you at one of our webinars!

Organisée par le [Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies](#), et en partenariat avec la [Canadian Battlefields Foundation](#) et le [Gregg Centre for the Study of War and Society](#), l'Association Centre Juno Beach est heureux d'annoncer la série de webinaires « *Maple Leaf Route* ». Toutes les deux

semaines, de mai à septembre, nous suivrons les soldats canadiens et britanniques du Commonwealth qui débarquèrent le jour J en juin 1944 et se sont frayés un chemin à l'intérieur des terres lors de la bataille de Normandie.

L'inscription est **GRATUITE** et obligatoire pour tous les webinaires. Une fois inscrit, vous recevrez un e-mail de confirmation contenant un lien vers le webinaire. Tous les webinaires commencent à 19 h 00, heure de l'Est (HE) et durent environ 90 minutes. La série de webinaires ne sera disponible qu'en anglais; nous nous excusons pour toute déception.

Si vous avez des questions sur la série de webinaires « *Maple Leaf Route* », veuillez envoyer un courriel à Eric à [eric.story@canadianmilitaryhistory.ca](mailto:eric.story@canadianmilitaryhistory.ca).

Nous avons hâte de vous voir à l'un de nos webinaires!



**“J’IRAI REVOIR MA NORMANDIE”:  
FRENCH-CANADIAN INFANTRY UNITS IN  
NORMANDY**

Dr. Caroline D'amours, Parks Canada

July 28th at 7:00 pm ET (le 28 juillet à 19 h 00 h HE)

[Register / Inscrivez-vous](#)



**CANADIAN ARMY OFFICER  
DISCIPLINE AND MARTIAL JUSTICE,  
1944–45**

Matthew Barrett, Canadian War Museum

August 11th at 7:00 pm ET (le 11 août à 19 h 00 h HE)

[Register / Inscrivez-vous](#)



## THE CANADIANS IN NORMANDY: ANOTHER GO-AROUND

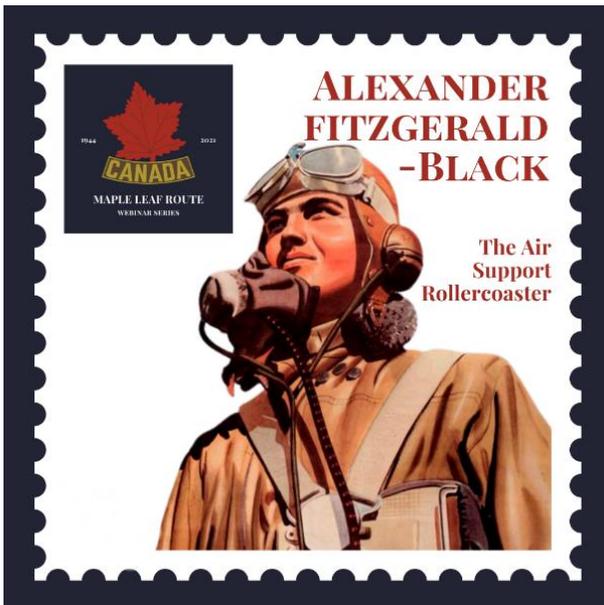
Geoff Hayes, University of Waterloo

September 8 at 7:00 pm ET (le 8 septembre à 19 h 00 h HE)

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Registration is **FREE** and required for all webinars. Don't miss the next two webinars in this fascinating series:



### **The Air Support Rollercoaster: *Canadian Soldiers' Morale in Normandy***

Canadian war diaries and memoirs of fighting on the ground contain myriad compliments and criticisms about what the Allied air force was doing during the Battle of Normandy. The peaks and valleys present an undulating curve of Canadian soldiers' morale in Normandy. The Juno Beach Centre Association's own resident historian, Alex Fitzgerald-Black, will examine this "rollercoaster" in a sweeping tour of Canadian army operations from Juno Beach to the Falaise Gap.

**July 14th at 7:30 pm ET | Register [HERE](#)**

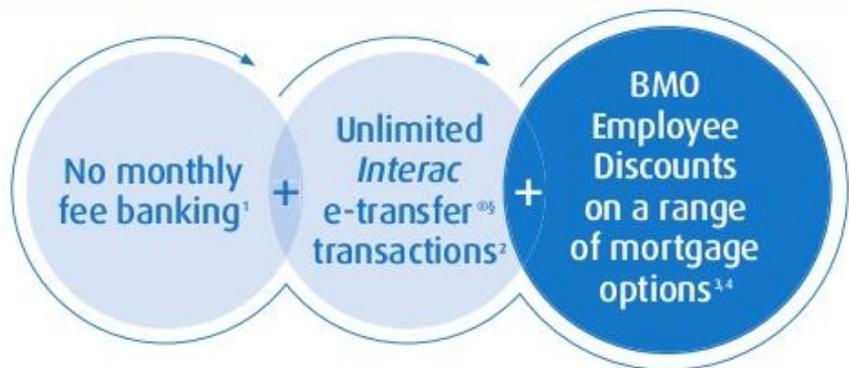
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# Frequently Asked Questions

## 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<sup>®</sup> 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](http://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.<sup>12</sup>

### 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](http://bmo.com/cdcb) to learn more.



Scan the QR code to get more information.



<sup>1</sup>The monthly Performance Plan fee is waived. You are responsible for all transaction, service and product fees not included for free in your Bank Plan. <sup>2</sup>The 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. <sup>3</sup>Interac e-transfer<sup>®</sup> transactions are subject to maximum transfer dollar amounts. <sup>4</sup>Applications and the amount you can borrow are subject to meeting BMO's usual credit criteria. <sup>5</sup>Some 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. <sup>6</sup>Some conditions may apply. <sup>7</sup>We 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. Applicable 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 15, 2020. <sup>8</sup>Plan, transaction, service and product fees may still apply. <sup>9</sup>You're eligible for OnGuard<sup>®</sup> if you are a BMO customer who has a lead account<sup>10</sup> 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<sup>®</sup> 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<sup>®</sup> service. <sup>11</sup>The 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. <sup>12</sup>OnGuard<sup>®</sup> retail value is \$155.88 annually (charged at \$12.99 per month). <sup>13</sup>OnGuard<sup>®</sup> 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](http://www.bmo.com/onguard/SIGconditions). <sup>14</sup>CreditView<sup>™</sup> 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. <sup>15</sup>You 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. <sup>16</sup>Ongoing 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](http://bmo.com/rates-fees) for current rates and fees. <sup>17</sup>The 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. <sup>18</sup>Registered trade-mark of Bank of Montreal. <sup>19</sup>Interac e-Transfer is a registered trademark of Interac Inc. <sup>20</sup>OnGuard is a service of Sigma Loyalty Group. OnGuard<sup>®</sup> is a trademark of Sigma Loyalty Group Inc. Identity Guard<sup>™</sup> is a registered trademark of Intersections Inc. <sup>21</sup>CreditView is a trademark of TransUnion LLC. <sup>22</sup>MasterCard is a registered trademark, and the circles design is a trademark of Mastercard International Incorporated. Used under license.