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Dash 8 — Update



This distinctive nose will be found on the Winnipeg flight line soon.

The art of directing an aircraft accurately from point A to point B has come a long way

since the Second World War years. Since then Air navigators have undergone exten-

sive training courses on a variety of aircraft such as the Anson MK1, Lancaster,

Expeditor, B-25 Mitchell, Dakota and C130 Hercules. Based on the fact that 80% of the students graduating from the Navigation School today are destined for a Maritime environment, flying on either the CP 140 Aurora or ASW Helicopters and that advanced integrated computer systems are a fact of life, one can appreciate that the time has come for CFANS to step up to a modern training aircraft namely the CT 142 DASH 8.

The delivery of the first CT 142 is scheduled for early 1989. By the end of 89, four DASH 8 aircraft should have arrived at CFB Winnipeg and become a common sight on the flight line.

The modified Series 100 aircraft is built by deHavilland Canada in Toronto. The CT 142 maximum cruise speed at 15000 feet will be 260 knots, not quite what the Hercules can achieve (305 kts), but fuel consumption will be consider-

ably less. The DASH 8 will burn less than one quarter of what the C130 consumes, resulting in a significant saving in training dollars.

The arrival of this new aircraft will also cause changes on the Base. Proposals call for 429 Sqn to move to Trenton, Ont, once training ceases on the C130 and operate as a line ATG Sqn. A mix of CFANS Regular and 402 Sqn Reserve staff will pilot the DASH 8. With the delivery of the aircraft and additional classrooms in building 84, CFANS will have the capacity to produce more navigators for operational Air Force squadrons.

As depicted above, it will be both an exciting and a hectic year at the Navigation School where instructors will be busy writing new lesson plans and getting acquainted with the CT 142. By the end of 1989, the four DASH 8's should be a fact of life at CFB Winnipeg.

Beatty Annonce une Augmentation de la Solde et des Avantages accrus pour les Réservistes

TORONTO — Le ministre de la Défense nationale, l'honorable Perrin Beatty, a annoncé que les membres de la Réserve bénéficieront d'une majoration de la solde de même que d'avantages additionnels. L'annonce a été faite au cours d'une conférence de presse tenue dans la ville des vents le 8 mars 1988.

Le gouvernement a approuvé des augmentations pour les effectifs des catégories A et B de la Première réserve. Une première augmentation de 4,5 p. 100 avec effet rétroactif à compter du 1er octobre 1987 sera d'abord accordée; puis une autre de 3 p. 100 à compter du 1er avril 1988, et une de 4,5 p. 100 à compter du 1er octobre 1988. En outre, le mon-

tant accordé pour les périodes de travail de moins de six heures passera de 45 à 50 p. 100 du montant global pour une journée entière de travail. Il s'agira d'un élément supplémentaire de motivation pour les réservistes qui consacrent régulièrement une ou deux soirées par semaine à leur service militaire.

Dans le Livre blanc sur la défense qui fut déposé en juin dernier, le gouvernement canadien soulignait la nécessité de procéder à une revitalisation de la Réserve. (Dans la plupart des pays de l'OTAN, les forces de réserve sont plus nombreuses que les forces régulières. Avec un nombre de 21 300 réservistes en service en comparaison de 84 600

membres au sein de la Force régulière, le Canada constitue une exception flagrante à cet égard.)

"L'un des principaux éléments de notre nouvelle politique de défense est la revitalisation et l'expansion de la Réserve, afin d'en faire un des piliers de notre force totale", de dire M. Beatty.

Un régime d'assurances comportant des bénéfices similaires à ceux des membres de la Régulière est maintenant offert aux réservistes. De plus, les réservistes pourront voyager à bord des avions militaires canadiens, selon la disponibilité des sièges, au même titre que leurs homologues de la Force régulière.

Beatty Announces Increased Pay And Benefits for CF Reserves

TORONTO — The Honourable Perrin Beatty, Minister of National Defence, announced increases in pay and benefits for members of Canada's Reserve Force at a news conference held the 8th of March 1988.

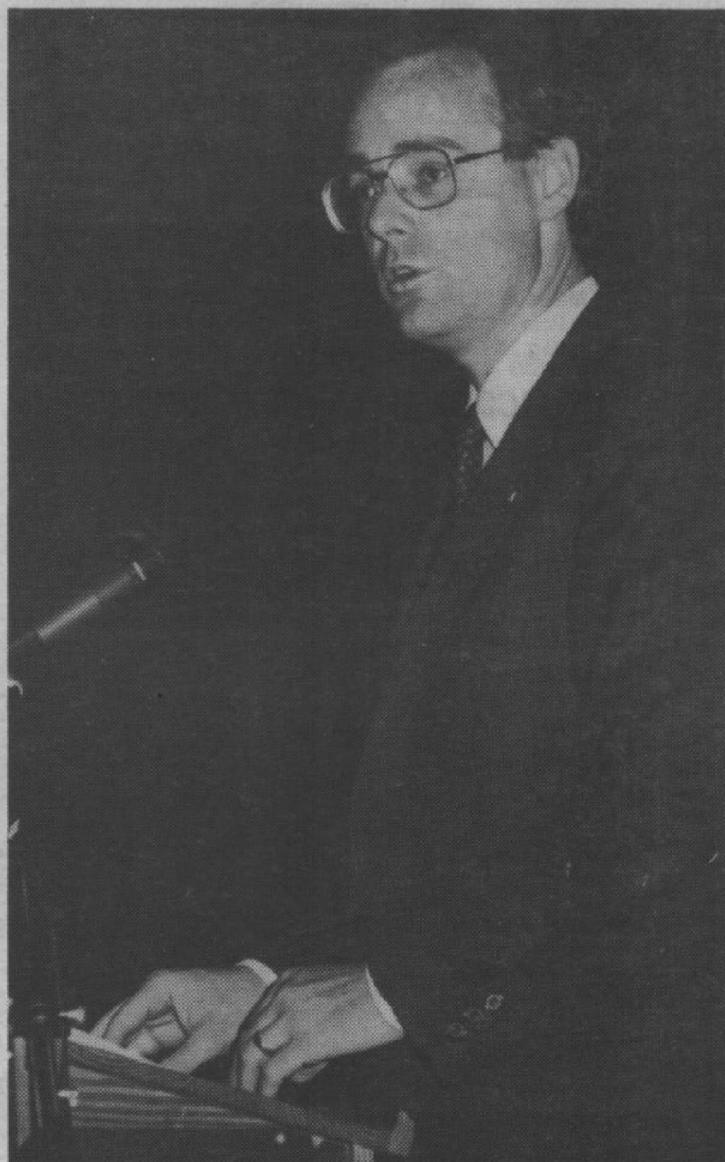
The Government has approved increases for Class A and Class B Primary Reserve Force service averaging 4.5 percent retroactive to October 1, 1987; 3 percent effective April 1, 1988; and another 4.5 percent effective October 1, 1988. As well, the rate of pay for less than six hours' work will be increased from 45

percent to 50 percent of the full-day rate of pay, a further incentive to reservists who regularly give up one or two evenings each week for military service.

The need for expansion and the revitalization of the Reserve Force were emphasized in the Government's White Paper on defence, released last June. (In most NATO countries reserve forces outnumber their regular force counterparts, but Canada stands out as a glaring exception with only 21,300 active Reservists as compared to 84,600 Regulars). "One of the most important

elements of our new defence policy is the revitalization and expansion of the reserves," said Mr. Beatty, "to make them a fully effective component of our Total Force."

The Reserve Term Insurance Plan which offers similar benefits to the policy available to Regular Force members has been introduced to Reservists. Travel on regularly scheduled Canadian Forces passenger aircraft, on a space available basis, will also be granted to Reservists as it is to their Regular Force counterparts.



Le ministre de la Défense nationale, l'honorable Perrin Beatty.

The honourable Perrin Beatty, Minister of National Defence.



The Base Chief Said...

Well I made it back from Base Supply with the Base Commander. If you remember, the topic of conversation in the last issue of the Voxair, was a dream I had. I'd like to get back to it.

Quincy and I left the WOs' & Sgts' Mess. We headed off toward Base Headquarters. We observed flower beds from the corner starting at the Fire Hall, all along the roadway to the Officer's Mess. They were filled with colourful blooms, and would certainly impress any visiting VIP to this Base. We arrived at Base Headquarters where a major change had occurred. There had been a new wing added to the current building. This new addition contained two major sections of the Base; the Base Comptroller, and the Base Civilian Personnel Officer. The building was air conditioned, and everyone working there seemed to be pleased with their new surroundings. Every time Quincy is around Base Headquarters, it's mandatory that we stop in and see the ladies in the Central Registry. I was pleased to note that they had benefitted from all the new construction as well. There was a brand new filing cabinet amid the old olive drab cabinets that they have had for years. I asked Irma Harper about it. She said that after working

there for 15 plus years, she considered this acquisition to be real progress, and wasn't complaining.

From Base Headquarters we headed toward the Hangars. On the way we passed CE and observed their new addition to Bldg 100. I had been told that Defence Construction Canada was now located there, and was considered to be a step in the right direction. I don't know how they did it, but the Guard House at the Hangar had been moved to form an island in the centre of the roadway. This was something that we had been trying to accomplish for years, and there it was!

Quincy and I showed our passes, and proceeded down the Hangar line. Yes, Quincy now had his own pass complete with picture, thanks to all his friends at Base Security.

There didn't seem to be too many changes along the line, however, and one thing we did notice, with great satisfaction, was the new MSE 30 bay garage, opposite Hangar 11. Now we could get the buses and special purpose vehicles out of the Hangars and under cover during our harsh winters.

Both hangars 10 and 11 were being used for air planes. What else you ask? Well, in the past we had used them for everything

else but. I didn't see any sign of 14 Trg Gp HQs or ARGHQ. My curiosity was perked, where were they?

On the way back we ran into MCpl Norm Caron, a loadmaster with 429(T) Sqn. Norm was dressed in the new Air Force Blue flying suit, and as always, was smartly turned out, tapered haircut, side burns at the proper length, all zippers closed and boots polished. If all junior ranks were as conscientious as Norm, we wouldn't need dress regulations.

Another person who caught our eye was MCpl Lynn Skwarako, a supply tech who was on her way back to work, carrying what looked like an Air Force blue, non-static parka. She confirmed that it was, and that it would be issued for wear with the new Base Dress, flying clothing, and service dress. Great stuff!

We then headed off toward Base Transport, where we saw the new extension to Bldg 96. Very nice! However, the complex that really caught our eye, and a welcomed addition to the Base, was the new HQ's complex, where the old Canex building used to be. This new, two storey building was home to 14 Trg Gp HQ, Air Reserve Group HQ, DNDOL, Provincial Cadet Office, HQ Prairie Militia Area, and RSS Prairie. Completely remodelled it looked great. That would mean that buildings 4, 5, 9 and 13 were gone. And good riddance to bad rubbish I say.

The Military Police were also enjoying their new addition to Bldg 95. It now housed the MP Ident Section, had vehicle bays, and enough room to store all their BDF stores. I've never seen a happier section.

In the field between the MPs and the old base hospital was a new four court tennis facility. A big improvement over the old set up.

Bldg 62, the former Base Hospital had been returned to use as single quarters for NCMs. There was a new Base Hospital

and Dental facility to the East of Bldg 62 complete with an operating room, so now our doctors could carry out their own operations, instead of sending our service members to the Grace, or Health Science Centre, and for the first time, in a long time, we were up to strength.

This meant that we now had enough quarters on base to meet the needs of our living-in personnel, including an ability to provide quarters for transient cadets during the summer, house the cadet rifle course, and provide the Militia from Kenora, and Brandon with quarters when they were required to fire gun salutes in Winnipeg. Everyone was happy, all except the Birchwood Inn that is.

The new 100 person officers' quarters were providing adequate housing for the candidates of CFANS and CFSAS, as well as all the miscellaneous courses and meetings which are now being held in Winnipeg.

Leaving the Base proper, Quincy and I noted that the old curling rink had been expanded and was now being used as a skating/hockey rink. A long overdue facility. The newly renovated Hercules Lounge had been opened, and was fulfilling its purpose as an all ranks social centre. Units and sections were using it for farewell parties, etc.

The Base Theatre had been remodelled, and with the new seats, sound system, and screen, we were packing them in. A real money maker for base funds.

The Library was gone from Bldg 90, and in its place a PMQ Servicing Centre was operating. This was a place where if you needed a new knob for a bathtub or sink, all you had to do was drop in, pick it up, and install it yourself. A broken screen window could be dropped off in the morning, and picked up on the way home. This was proving to be a very popular facility.

The new Canex was doing well, there had been a further extension to the one opened in 1988,

and the services being provided were as good as you could get anywhere. The new addition also contained an auto hobby club, where people could work on their own cars, rent tools, etc. It was nice not to see derelict cars parked in the driveways of the PMQs.

To the South of Canex, near the churches was a new facility. This building contained the new base library, and a much needed day care centre, a teen drop-in centre, and a meeting hall for cubs/guides/scouts/brownies.

Walking through the PMQs, I was pleased to note that deregulation had resulted in a more attractive neighbourhood. Deregulation meant that a person could install things like a deck in the back yard, or a stone patio area, and not have to worry about returning the PMQ to "As Was" condition on vacating. People had nice fences, flower beds edged with railroad ties, patios, etc. It was great!

As there was lots of time left in the day, Quincy and I hustled home, got the car and drove out to the recently opened Headingly Recreational Complex. This complex is located a few miles West of the perimeter highway, on #1. On our arrival, we walked through the picnic area, complete with BBQs and rustic picnic tables. There were a good number of families enjoying this facility that day. The picnic area was adjacent to the new outdoor swimming and wading pools. We continued our walk around this 200 acre facility, and observed many enjoying the 18 hole golf course, tennis courts, and trailer park. During the winter months, there will be cross country ski trails and a new base curling rink. An excellent place to spend days off. The big users this day, were the wives and children of 3 RCR personnel, who now had a place to go, while their husbands were off on exercise in Wainwright.

I was about to hit a few balls on the driving range, when Quincy licked my face, and woke me up.

Letter of Appreciation

Retirement Seminar

I had the opportunity of attending the recent Retirement Seminar. On behalf of all the attendees, I would like to express sincere appreciation for a job well done to Sharon Fournier, Joan Bristow and Lottey Klapatiuk.

Kudos

Harold Silverman

Community Service Awards

Have you completed a Nomination Form yet?

What Nomination Form, you say?

For the CFB Winnipeg Military Community Service Award. All members of the Winnipeg Military Community are invited to submit names of those they feel deserve a Community Service Award for their volunteer efforts in helping to improve our community. Nominees should have provided voluntarily his/her time and experience in some

respect, not necessarily benefiting the whole community but certainly a reasonable part. Full guidelines on who, why and how you should vote have been published in the 30 March 1988 issue of VOXAIR. Nomination forms are available at the BOR, Bldg 90 and from all Base Exchange outlets.

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CFANS News Corner

Welcome back for a quick note from the Nav School. We are still trying to coerce our ATG naves back to their primary duties after the recent Air Head Express exercise. Most crews had an enjoyable time racing back and forth to Norway. One crew was never in the running, however, as their navigator, who shall remain nameless, kept getting lost in the washroom. By the time Capt Hoogkamp was released again, it was discovered someone had stolen his boots. A thorough search discovered them where he had taken them off. Rumour has it, next time he will be assigned his own personnel loadie to look after him.

In more general news, we recently enjoyed a day of skiing at

Holiday Mountain. While most took to the slopes to ski, some like Jim Benninger found it an excellent time to practice his photography. Two things were discovered: (1) the centre of the ski run is a great place to take action photos; and (2) Newton's First Law of Motion is valid as well as the theory of inelastic collisions.

Congratulations are in order for the nav school ball hockey team who placed second in the recent base tournament. They were narrowly defeated 3-2 in the final game against ICEU. A well done to all players but there will be trades made.

The semi-annual students mess dinner was once again a success. Instructors dutifully listened to how students are be-

ing mistreated and students stood in awe at how tough it was when their instructors were students. Most students were left thankful we live in a more permissive society. All this was tempered by an excellent talk by our guest speaker, LCol Alex McKinnon, CO HS 443 Sqn. LCol McKinnon has had a varied and interesting career to date, and he made students aware there is life after CFANS.

As our hockey season ground to a close it's nice to know Oren Gould scored a goal (with a goalie present) and Mike Connors played ninety minutes of hockey penalty free.

It is also nice to know people are reading my articles. Feedback has increased 100 percent. Thanks Mike!

Book Review

by Ann Carson

Nature Poetry

Persévérance by Michel Dachy, Saint-Boniface: Les Editions du Blé, 1984, 67 pp., \$6.00 paper.

LES EDITIONS DU BLÉ was founded in 1974 in Saint-Boniface, with the objective of publishing in French authors from Manitoba and Western Canada (in that order) or books relevant to Manitoba and Western Canada (also in that order). Les Editions du Blé has published fifty-three titles to date, of which Michel Dachy's *Persévérance* is the most recent.

Dachy is a French-speaking Belgian who came to Canada — to Calgary, to be more precise — some seven years ago, and who now lives in Montreal. His book of short poems is very much in the tradition of nineteenth-century French lyrical poetry. The versification is conventional: the lines are rhymed, though with an infrequent use of the alexandrin. The word order is quite frequently inverted ("Tous ces champs de blé/Comblés ils seraient, les lendemains...") which results only in heaviness, not in innovation.

In spite of the evident sincerity of the author, the tone is quite often banal and sentimental: what could be profound and moving succeeds in being merely trite. The images are of the countryside — willows, roses, snow, trees, moon, ponds — but they lack specificity. A passage such as

je respirais la nature,
je refondais en neige,
je redevenais floçon...

could refer to winter in Belgium equally well as to winter in Canada.

Philosophical concepts are conspicuously absent from this imagery, as is any philosophy of nature. Unlike Vigny, who, starting with a concrete image, develops an idea, Dachy cites images of nature without drawing any conclusion from them.

At its best, however, this volume contains some striking images, felicitous turns of phrase, and sometimes even a line which brings to life a poem which has

seemed commonplace up to that point. Beginning with a simple image, Dachy occasionally weaves a net of suggestive references which finds a responsive echo in the soul of the reader:

Se pourrait-il que la rose
Des anges enfermait les mots
Qui, de nos humeurs feraient
vendanges?
Livre somptueux aux fragiles
vitraux!
Avec du jade comme poignée
Blanche porte de tulle,
Toute de diamant auréolée,
Sa clef ne tourne qu'au
crépuscule.

This is not a great book of poetry. But there are certain signs which suggest hope for the future. Poetry, someone once said, is a work of long duration, and sometimes one must take eloquence and wring it by the neck.

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Donation to MP Blind Fund



Sgt Frank Galway and Pte Dave Grubber are shown accepting a donation for \$100.00 from the 51st Beavers and Cubs of Winnipeg on behalf of the Military Police Fund for Blind Children. So far, this year, the Military Police Fund for Blind Children has amassed in excess of \$6,500.00.

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Beating the Battle of the Budget

by Capt Jane Smith (NPFAO)

How many of us have made a valid attempt at developing a budget and sticking to it, only to give it up after a short period because it was just too difficult and complicated and just wasn't worth the effort?

What I intend to do with this article is to develop a simple straightforward effective budget that everyone can use. The question you may be asking yourself right now is "why should I bother with a budget at all?" Simply, we all appreciate the value of our hard-earned dollars and should be aware of just how we spend our money. "Where does it go every month?" A budget will enable us to identify areas where we are likely to fall short and to avoid unnecessary expenditures. This is very important because if we are not aware of exactly how much income we have left over after expenses, we are more apt to go ahead and make that extra purchase. This may keep happening until it is too late and we are already in debt over our heads. This may never happen to most of us but, isn't it better not to

take that chance and have control over our financial situation? When we pay all our bills as they come due, the interest charges we save will be in our hands and not those of our creditors.

I have developed a Budget Sheet to assist you in setting up a budget. In time it can be moulded to meet your own individual needs. The first few months of budgeting using this method will naturally take a little more of your time. Once you get used to it, it will be second nature. Throughout the month you will find yourself referring back to your budget for different reasons. Maybe you want to see if you can afford a particular purchase this month and, if not, how long it will take before you are in a position to do so. This is a very important consideration because we must all live within our means. And, believe it or not, eventually at some time in our lives we will resort to budgeting — because it does work. So, "Good Luck" with the "Battle of the Budget"; very soon you'll realize that it is not a battle at all, — it's a bonus!



Hercules Lounge Update

by Capt Jan Kasun

Those of you who have been in Winnipeg for a while may remember hearing that Base Fund approved the expenditure of \$150,000 to upgrade the Hercules Lounge. Our more observant patrons have cleverly noticed that the facility hasn't changed much in the intervening year. I suppose the best response

to that is to say that Rome wasn't built in a day — especially not if an "A" for "P" and a "CER" were required. To novices in the building game those are forms that must be approved by virtually everyone from Base to NDHQ and back. After this long process is completed the paper construction begins with a vengeance. A

set of detailed specifications must be prepared and sent out to various contractors to solicit bids to actually complete the project.

Of course while all this essential work is completed it is very difficult for the casual observer to see any actual progress, except that routine maintenance slows to a halt because the facility is "being renovated". The only sign of progress is the steady deterioration of the outlet!

Where are we now? Well, hopefully as you read this several contractors are eagerly reading our specifications and preparing extremely low bids so they can be the lucky winner of the tender call. Assuming this stage goes well you can expect to see actual construction (well — destruction to start) in mid May.

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14 Trg Gp HQ

It is doughnut day at 14 Training Group HQ. The denizens of 11 Hangar munch on their 400-calories-per goodies and gaze wistfully out at the airfield. There it stands, like a lone sentinel beside the taxi strip. A monument to low technology, the stalwart windsock swings and bobs, indicating to its despairing observers a continuing north-west wind. Shall this eternal winter never end?

Not to worry however. Within the walls of our headquarters cum freight shed, brighter things prevail. Cpl Barb Semeniuk adds her smiling face and friendly efficiency to the Orderly Room staff. Barb is a recent convert to Administration from the Communications branch.

Congratulations are in order for Capt Jim Thexton of the Air Tech Training Staff, on his recent promotion. Beside his regular duties managing the Air Trades Advancement Training system, Capt Thexton also manages the HQ staff coffee fund. His recent successful marketing of snack foods in the coffee room has

gained him the title of "Mr. Chips".

Florida vacations must have a way of making the entrepreneurial juices flow. This gentleman is clearly goal-oriented. No Willy, that doesn't mean he wants to play forward on the hockey team next winter.

Speaking of southern sojourns, El Sombrero Grande continues to sport his dusky complexion and contemplates posing for the swimsuit edition of Training Development Quarterly. Capt Don McLeod will commence French language this summer which could result in a curious cultural melange called Gaelic-Gallic, which is galling to even think about.

The 14 Trg Groupies intend to enter a team in the base slow-pitch softball league this summer, should such a season occur this year. This is for fun more than competition, so ability is not that important. If you're interested in taking a swing at the mosquitoes this summer, talk to Mr. Brian Boughton or Capt Willi Plikett.

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676 KITTYHAWK SQUADRON ROYAL CANADIAN AIR CADETS

The 30th Anniversary Annual Inspection of the 676 Kittyhawk Squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Cadets of Sidney, BC will be held on the 11th of June 1988. The Reviewing Officer will be the Honourable Robert Rodgers the Lieutenant Governor of BC. In addition, on Friday evening of the 10th of June a gala dinner and dance will be held for all ex-squadron members and escorts. For further information please write to:
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Friday — 24 Jun PM MTGIF — all messes open
Saturday — 25 Jun PM Dinner and dance — all ranks
Would any interested persons please contact Mike Shea at the address shown below, stating name, rank, transport and accommodation, reservation requirements as well as former Falcon affiliation. The cost will be \$15.00 per person plus accommodations. Your immediate response will greatly help in planning this get together.
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We hope more Air Gunners will join with us, and tell us your story so we can preserve your recollections and publish as much as possible, to share your adventures with your wartime comrades and, we hope, with those who came after us. You might be able to make it to our next reunion at Winnipeg September 15th, 1988, where we'll also join with the Commonwealth Wartime Aircrew Reunion — September 14-18, 1988. We hope you will join in!

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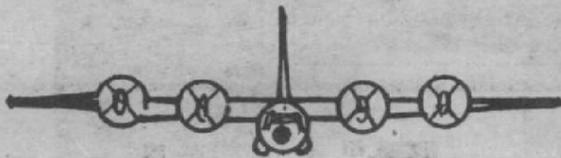
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429 SQN Bits



Here again, more news from 429 Heavy transport Squadron starting with the big boss himself. LCol Barnes had his birthday on March 20th and someone decided to give him a special gift. His horse gave birth to a nice healthy, little colt and made the CO a proud grand father oat. Also his secretary, Mrs Barbara Williams, still can't sleep at night since she found in her office a stuffed mother dog with her two puppies one morning. She is desperately trying to figure out where they came from... Meanwhile Sgt Johnston almost got his car plate and driving licence removed but Kevin McGowan, from fun phone call, identified

himself and brought down Chuck's blood pressure to normal. We would like to welcome back Capt Gallego and Capt Godfrey from their arctic survival course. It was apparently good fun but we noticed that both are drinking much more hot coffee these days. Finally we wish good luck to Capt Louis St. Pierre who is leaving the CF for civvy street. Thanks for having presented us with a new hairstyle cut, but the SWO rejected the idea. Also Capt Tim Sexsmith is to be posted in June to 426 Sqn, but we will have time to write you some dirty stories about him before his departure.

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CFANS Awards



LCol A.G. Armstrong, Comdt CFANS, is shown awarding recently qualified new instructors with their "B" categories. An instructor receives a "B" category when he has been rated satisfactory in the trainer and the aircraft. Shown receiving their awards from left to right are Capt Dan Daley, Capt Ken Dickinson, LCol A.G. Armstrong, Capt Chris Roy, and Capt Randy Sannes. Well done to all and nice teeth Chris.



LCol A.G. Armstrong, Comdt CFANS, is shown awarding Capt Kaz Oreziak with his A-1 instructor category rating. An A-1 rating is significant in that it is the highest rating a flying instructor can achieve. To qualify Kaz has been rated superior in all aspects of instruction. Well done Kaz!



LCol A.G. Armstrong, Comdt CFANS, is shown presenting Capt Gord Reid with his certificate upon successful completion of the OPD Program. He is now prepared to answer questions on all aspects of the military.

For 35 Years of Service!!!



Mr John Browning SO Fin at 73 CommGp is shown receiving the Long Service Award from LCol Eric J Sim, Commander 73 CommGp. The award is presented for 35 years efficient government service. Mr Browning is a native of Regina, Sask and joined the Royal Canadian Navy in April 1952. He served as a "Pay Writer" on both coasts. Mr Browning retired from the Navy in 1977. He then worked in Base Internal Audit section at CFB Winnipeg. He assumed his duties at 73 CommGp in 1980.

Long Service Medal



Congratulations to Mr Rick Diespecker, Base Accommodations Officer, for completing over 35 years of dedicated service with the Government of Canada. Rick is being presented with his Long Service Medal by the BAdmO, LCol K. Doerksen and Major D Brazeau Base Personnel Services Officer.

United Way Second Consecutive Challenge Plaque



Col Reynolds, Base Commander, is shown presenting the United Way Challenge Plaque to MGen Chisholm, Air Command Deputy Commander.

The Challenge Plaque, donated by the Astra Credit Union, is awarded to the unit, amongst CFB Winnipeg's three major units, which has reached the highest participation level for the United Way campaign. For the second year in a row, the trophy is awarded to Air Command HQ.

MGen Chisholm is receiving the Plaque on behalf of LGen Ashley, commander of Air Command.

Included in the picture is Capt Schofer, the Chairman of United Way campaign for CFB Winnipeg and Lt Sullivan, the representative for 3 RCR.

Thank you to all who have participated in the campaign.

CHAPLAINS CORNER



For those of you who are not aware of this Chapel Project, I will give you a short history. While we were posted in Goose Bay, we became aware of the situation on the North Coast of Labrador with the predominantly Inuit peoples. Traditionally, they have been a sea facing culture fishing in the short summers and sealing in the winter. Greenpeace and their campaign against sealing has destroyed the latter market and, depending with whom you speak, the increased seal population or cooler waters on the Labrador shore have lead to very poor fishing seasons. As a result, they have had to rely on Welfare as they have not been able to get enough work to qualify for Unemployment Insurance. They are presently trying to establish a commercial caribou hunt from the large George River head in the North.

Clothing Collection

Yes! We will be/are collecting heavy clothing again this year. Some of the RCR families have already been sorting through their clothing in preparation for moving to the more temperate climate of Germany. If you find that you have winter clothing that your family has outgrown, just bring it along to the Chapel. Children seem to outgrow their clothing more quickly but you need not restrict your donation to children's clothing as all warm clothing will be appreciated.

A relative of Betha's was a full time teacher in the most Northern community, and is now a permanent resident. She has told us of boys and girls going to school in November with no socks, or light fall wind breakers (November is winter, not fall in Labrador). We have not always sent the clothing to the same community for the need is similar along the coast, but with your help, we can aid these people on the short term until they establish the commercial caribou hunt.

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Small Details Yield Happy Travel Memories

by Michele Fraser, CA

For all too many Canadian travellers, the romance of travel overwhelms the sense of the practical — the planning that is so essential to the success of their vacation.

Before you get swept away looking at those lush travel brochures, spend a few hours considering all those little things that will help make your foreign vacation memorable. Start with the basics: What will you take to pay for your vacation entertainment, lodgings, meals and tours?

You really have three choices of payment, each with its own special advantages and disadvantages. Let's review them:

Cash: As the old axiom goes, cash is the one thing that's accepted everywhere. Almost — cash is accepted everywhere, providing it is the right currency. So before you go, check on the currency they take where you will be visiting. Then check the exchange rates — you may be able to do better on the exchange rates right here at home than you will overseas. A reminder: despite recent battering, the U.S. dollar is still welcome in most foreign countries.

Next, consider the advantages and disadvantages of cash. It is highly liquid, but it's irreplaceable if lost — and if it is lost, that could spell the end of your vacation before it really gets underway. The best rule: Don't store all

your cash in one place and put some of it in the hotel safe when you arrive, so you won't be wiped out if your cash-in-hand is lost or stolen.

Travellers' Cheques: Don't believe the TV ads, they're not universally accepted. Before you buy, check if you can cash them where you are going, if they're available in the currency of the local countries you will be visiting and how long it would take to replace them if they were stolen.

Credit Cards: Credit cards offer lots of advantages. You don't have to carry a lot of money, you have a built-in cushion for emergencies, and they are easy. They are accepted in most places. But be warned, not all places accept them; you should know how to cancel them and replace them if they are lost or stolen; and you do run the risk of getting carried away with them and forgetting how much you are spending.

Getting carried away usually leads to a shock when you get back, the bill arrives and you discover — with the exchange rate added on — just how much you really spent.

Perhaps the best way to travel is with a combination of the three — cash for the little things, travellers' cheques for the day-to-day things such as meals, and one or two major credit cards for entertainment, special purchases or emergencies.

Other common sense traveling tips:

- * Keep your credit card slips and compare them with your bills so you don't get stuck with a bogus bill.
- * Don't keep all your money — cash, travellers' cheques and credit cards in one place — then if one bag is lost or stolen, your whole vacation isn't ruined.
- * Stick to a budget — don't let the romance of the vacation carry you away. Draw up a budget and figure in things like departure taxes, rental cars, meals, side trips and souvenirs.
- * Keep track of the local exchange rate — what seems like a bargain in local currency can be very expensive when converted to Canadian.
- * Prepay as much as possible to reduce additional expenses.
- * Make sure you have cancellation and medical insurance — they are worth the little they cost if you need them.
- * Finally, don't forget about the on-going expenses at home — the rent or mortgage still has to be paid and so do the hydro and telephone bills — make sure you have arranged to have someone intercept your bills and pay them for you so you won't come home to "Final Notices" in the mail.

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- b. 9 juillet à 1430 heures — Passation de commandement; et
- c. 10 juillet à 1030 heures — Messe et brunch familial.

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- c. Capitaine Jocelyn Cousineau — 844-5725.

Ces fêtes régimentaires seront une occasion de renouer de vieilles amitiés et de se remémorer des souvenirs uniques.



SPORTS

Prairie Regional Basketball Tourne

During the week of 21-24 March, the Base Basketball Team participated in the Prairie Regional Basketball Tournament at CFB Edmonton. The other teams involved were CFB Edmonton, CFB Cold Lake and CFB Moose Jaw. The draw consisted of a round-robin with each team playing the other team once, and the best two teams meeting in the finals.

All the teams were evenly matched and as a result, all the games were very competitive. We began the tournament with a loss against CFB Edmonton. This left us in the position of having to win our last two games in order

to reach the finals. We won our first game against Cold Lake and pulled the upset of the tournament by defeating the defending champions from Moose Jaw!

The final game pitted us against a very strong CFB Edmonton team. The game was hard fought with CFB Edmonton coming out the victor.

We would like to thank the Base Peri Staff for all their support as well as Base Transportation for the vehicle they provided us with.

The team members were Roy Field, Bob Burke, Dan Barill, Ron Higgins, Kyle Easter, Dwight Campbell and Chris Kirby.

Commander Mobile Command Visits 3 RCR



LGen Fox, Comd FMC, inspects the Regimental Quarter Guard accompanied by Sgt Sheldon Gordon.

On the 4th of March, 3 RCR welcomed LGen Fox, Commander Mobile Command, to Kapyong Barracks. LGen Fox, who was on his way to Officer Study Week in Shilo, stopped by to personally present the CDS Commendation to Pte John Banga for meritorious service while in Cyprus in 1986. He also had a chance to promote Pte Gord Morrison to MCpl.

While at Kapyong Barracks, LGen Fox inspected the Regimental Quarter Guard under the command of Sgt Sheldon Gordon. With little time left, the Commander of the Army spent a few minutes speaking to the WO's and Sgt's Mess hosted by Regimental Sergeant Major Bob MacDonald before he left for Shilo to brief the 1 CBG Officers on the Army 2002. — Pro Patria.

News From The Lady Curlers

Since last reporting on the CFB Ladies Curling Section it has come to light that another team from our club participated in the Stonewall Ladies Open Bonspiel and had a ball — just that! Skip-Shirley Eaton, 3rd Reta Campbell, 2nd Irene Feasy, lead Gray McKay.

Grannie Spiel

Mar 17. This spiel was enjoyed by all participants. Winners of first prize were Mel Pageot, Pearl Kingens, & Elsie Smart. Rocking Chairs, (miniatures of course). Runners up Dolly James, Leila Farrell, & Irene Lins. Many other prizes were presented for fun and games. Liisa Champion was also presented with a pin saying Honorary Grandmothers Helper. You cannot be a Grandmother and operate this bonspiel.

Rosebowl

Mar 26. This spiel was a huge success. Dress of the day was the Circus Theme. This event is actually the official windup of the C.F.B. Ladies Curling Section. Lots of prizes and dinner (which is a smorg). This event is open to all of our female members. This years winners being — Jody Anscomb, Doreen Satterwaite, and Norma Kohli.

Runners Up — Mavis Baines, Jean Sauder, and Robin Walsh. Best Circus Costumes were — Marg. Atkinson, Leila Farrell, and Jackie Ridley.

Numerous other winners. Costumes included A Ringmaster, an Animal Trainer, a Tightrope Walker, a Two Headed Monster, & many, many Clowns. Fun was had by all.

A Paper Tole Picture was donated to the club, which was raffled. Norma Kohli was the holder of the lucky ticket.

Appreciation Plaque

Given for outstanding support and service to the C.F.B. Ladies Curling Section — presented to Marilyn Smith.

Novice Award

Given to the most improved curler in the 1987-88 season Jan Riley.

Fri. Nite Standings

- Going to the prize round
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 5. Dorothy Debrouere
 6. Marg. Atkinson
 7. Jody Anscomb

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Mavis Baines
- As her first official function as President Liisa Champion presented Leila Farrell (her mom) with her Past Pres Pin.

Future Events

June 11 — where — Tuxedo

Golf Course — all female curlers — 9 Holes — Dinner — contact Brenda Jahns 453-8561 \$20.00 No Guests.

August 6. — where — Tuxedo Golf Course — Mixed — contact Brian Kentziger 895-9400 Guests Welcome.

Windup Banquet

May 6 — where — Birchwood Inn — All Members Welcome contact FOB Bar. 888-4354.

Enough for now. We'll bring the winners of the prize round curling, and the President's Vice/President's to you at a later date.

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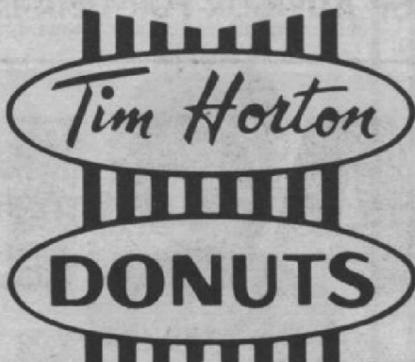
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