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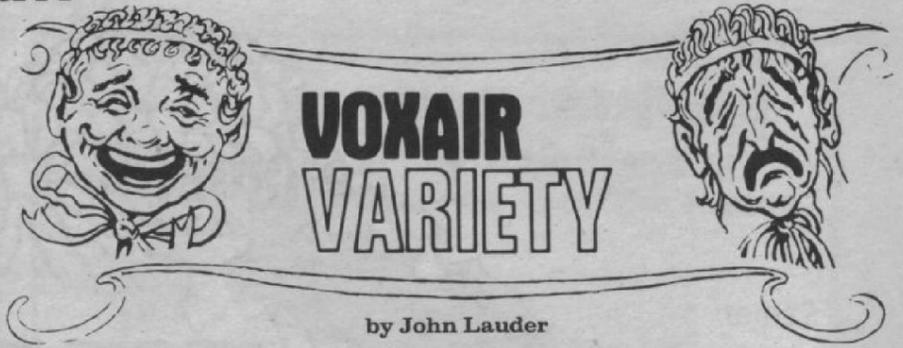
Warm Wishes



Merry Christmas to Everyone!



Merry Christmas



by John Lauder



"They told us when we left the west coast that we could get a chance to fly in Air Command, but this is ridiculous. . ."

Christmas is coming, the geese (and all the rest of us) are getting fat; and all the performing groups in town are out for your pennies and support. We will have ballet for adults and children, music for the same, and much theatre, mainly designed for the young folk.

The Royal Winnipeg Ballet have almost made a tradition of offering their version, by choreographer John Neumeir, of the ballet Nutcracker, with the great Tchaikovsky music. This is a slightly jazzed up version of the classic show, as seen on television, and as given by the National Ballet and others. But still it is very enjoyable.

There are eight shows between December 26th and December 30th; each evening at 8 p.m., with matinees at 2 p.m. on Saturday the 26th, Sunday the 27th, and Thursday the 31st. Tickets from 956-0183 or 942-9262.

On the music side the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra will offer a "Christmas Pops" with the University Singers Choir and Conductor Richard Hayman. This is for all ages, and on both the 18th and 19th, and 8 p.m. On the 20th, at 2 p.m. there is the "Concert for Kids", again with Richard Hayman, only this time he is disguised as St. Nick, and will lead the orchestra through such hits as Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, Jingle Bells, and Santa Claus is Coming to Town.

"Anne of Green Gables" has been celebrated as books, movies and in Charlottetown as an annual money-making musical. The musical version is now coming here, thanks to Rainbow Stage. It will open on December 19th, and run through January 2nd at the Pantages Playhouse on Market Avenue. Matinees are on Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays throughout the run, with evening shows at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$16 and \$12, with a 25% discount for children under 14 when accompanied by an adult.

The cast will not come from Charlottetown, and will mostly be local stars of Rainbow's summer productions. The director is to be Alan Lund, who introduced the show to PEI, and who was here last summer to direct "My Fair Lady".

For this one ticket sales have been hot, so you should hurry if you wish to go. BASS is selling them, and the number to call is 943-9262.

The Prairie Theatre Exchange, at 160 Princess Street, are offering a family holiday show — "Snowsuits, Birthdays and Giants", from December 19th to January 3rd. Tickets from 942-7291.

At the Gas Station Theatre, at River Ave and Osborne Street, there are two childrens shows this season. From December 16th to the 20th, The Potato People will be featured, and from the 21st to the 23rd, and again from the 27th to the 29th, the Living Images Mime Company will offer fun. "The Present Perfect" as the Potato People show is called, is timed on Friday the 18th at 7 p.m.; and on Saturday and Sunday at 1 and 3:30 p.m. For reservations call 947-0394. Tickets are \$5.50. And for the Living Images Mime Co. shows, the tickets are \$2.75, and call 284-2757. This one promises boogey-men, car chases and balloon animals in the hour of fun.

And in the adult stage production category, the Manitoba Theatre Centre will open "Ten Little Indians" the Agatha Christie who-dunnit, on Dec. 31st. Ten unsuspecting strangers are brought together by a mysterious host for a weekend at a remote country house. The guests are killed off one by one . . . you get to be the detective. Hopefully this play will offset the recent MTC show "101 Miracles of Hope Chance" which played from November 19 to December 12th, and was not the best piece of writing ever seen here.

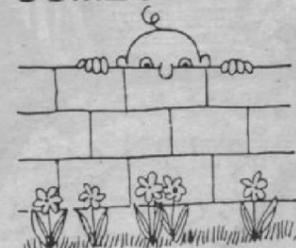
"Little Indians" will run until January 23rd, and you can reserve tickets by phoning 942-6537.



When what to my wondering eyes should appear . . . ? Merry Christmas from the staff of the Voxair!

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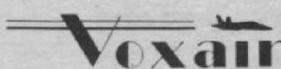
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The Base Chief Said . . .

That darn dog! Now he is snitching on me, man's best friend indeed! What's Quincy been up to? Well let me tell you. First of all I am a smoker, secondly, I do not normally smoke in the house out of respect for those who have to share space with me. My normal routine has been to get up about 10 minutes early, put Quincy out, and while he's doing his thing, I light up. It hasn't been too bad, until lately that is. It's getting a bit chilly standing on the back steps in a dressing-gown at 6 am. So I thought if I set up my two smoke filters in the basement, no one could tell if I was smoking or not. Anyway, there I was enjoying one of the few pleasures I have left in life, and that darn dog ran right upstairs, and told Ann what I was up to.

Oh well, it seems like everyone is yapping about smoking these days so why should Quincy be any different? Base CE could have saved some money on smoke detectors with that rat around.

People have been asking questions about Quincy. I would like to set the record straight, yes, there really is a Quincy. Let me tell you something about him. He is an 18 month old Golden, American Cocker Spaniel. He has a graduation certificate from a beginners dog obedience class. He must have cheated on his final exam, or else he's forgotten everything he was taught. No, he will not become the Assistant Base Chief when Sgt Mike Ramsden is posted. I've been invited to bring him in to work, with the provision that I warn people before, so everyone can ensure that they are properly dressed.

Quincy will not become the mascot of CFB Winnipeg, notwithstanding that there have been a number of mascots in the Air Force over the years. Who wants a snitch for a mascot anyway?

Fashioned of metal, is the well known yet seldom seen "Cecil the

Snake", of 444 Tactical Helicopter Squadron. The device on the Squadron Badge is the hooded cobra and many years ago, in Germany, a fine likeness of this fierce reptile was acquired in a shop. From then on, he was called Cecil the Snake. But because visitors from other Squadrons have been known to cast covetous glances at Cecil, the cobra has been entrusted to the care of the junior officer of the squadron, there being dire penalties awaiting this gentleman should anything happen to Cecil. As a result, this unusual mascot emerges from his secret refuge only for very special occasions in the mess.

Perhaps the most cherished and the most coveted of the long parade of inanimate mascots which led truly charmed lives in the Air Force was the Greater Yellow-Legs of Ottawa's 2416 Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron of the RCAF in the 1950s, which, when glasses were raised in the Squadron Mess, brought forth the solemn toast, "The Honoured Twillick!"

So great was the fame of this bird that it was essential, for his own security, that he spent most of his quiet hours bound by a huge chain in a strong wrought-iron cage. For this mascot was no ordinary Twillick Bird. Not only did he occupy the honoured position of being the major device on the Squadron's official badge, but he dominated the scene of every mess function. Unknown to the uninitiated, the Twillick Bird was fitted with an uncommonly capacious holding tank, together with a spigot concealed in the feathers just abaft the landing gear. With a flourish, the Twillick-Master would give a twist to the spigot and proceed with the ceremonial "Charging of the Noggins" with a brew which defied normal analysis, but which always evoked the lusty toast, "Up the Twillick!"

Back in 1957, there was a goat mascot at RCAF Station Camp Borden.

Impeccably groomed and turned out in a tasselled coverlet of silk bearing three chevrons, "Sergeant W. Mark-time" graced all inspection parades of a training school on the base. Say, I wonder if Ann likes goats?

I've been having a bit of dental work done. Right now as I sit and write this, I have a gaping hole right in front. Doctor Freeman assures me that he'll have it all fixed in no time. I hope so, because I don't mind smiling. I just don't want to look like some of those hockey players who play for the CFB Winnipeg Old-Timers.

Here's another article in the leadership/management series. Appropriately, we can call this one, "TRY A SMILE".

The most important thing in dealing with people is so simple that it sounds like a lot of malarkey. But it works like magic! SMILE, DAMMIT, SMILE. But many of us wait for the other fellow to unfreeze first. Take the initiative — lead off with a smile. You've got nothing to lose and worlds to gain. A little thing like a smile is often the difference between success and failure. It puts a different complexion on everything.

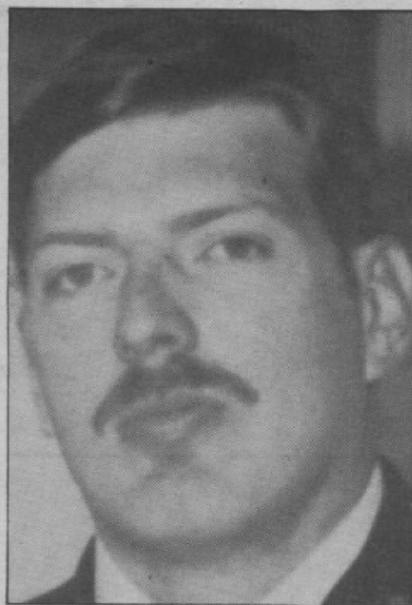
When someone smiles, it's just like saying "Hey, I like you, let's be cooperative". What better way could there be for starting an interview or relationship with people? And a smile shows more than that. It also shows, "Look, I'm not a stuffed shirt; I don't take myself too seriously. Let's be human."

It's easy to work for a supervisor who possesses a smile and sense of humour. And remember, other people feel the same way about you. Good spirits are contagious.

When things get you down, take a look at yourself and chuckle. Life goes on just the same, and you might as well be pleasant about it. Try and smile and you will feel better — and you will do better too.

On behalf of my wife, Ann, and of course Quincy, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

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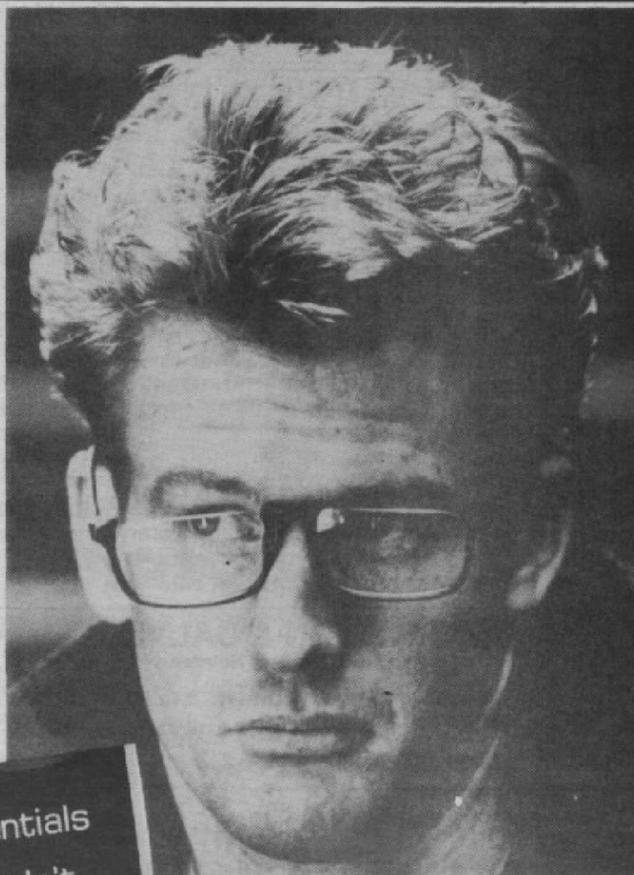
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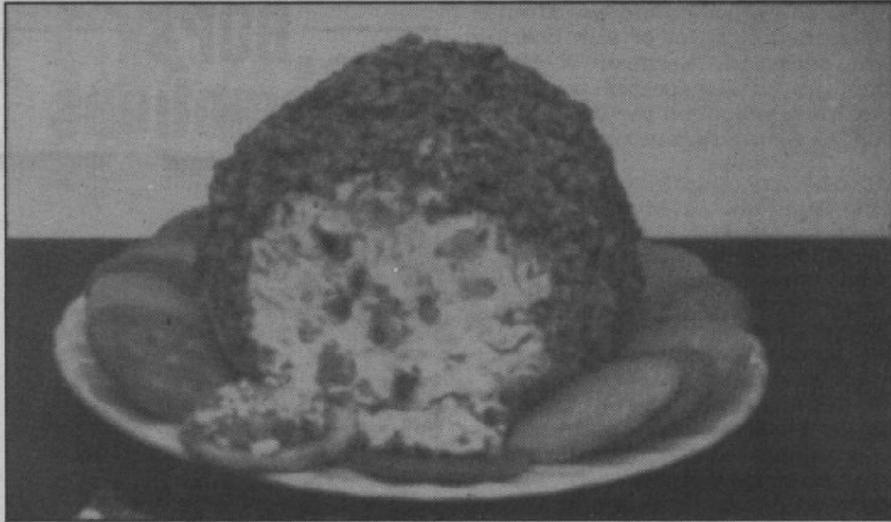


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You can prepare this cheese ball well ahead of time, store at least overnight in the refrigerator and then roll it in

chopped nuts and parsley for an hors d'oeuvre that not only tastes terrific but looks sensational.

Dilly Cheese Ball

- 1 (1) pkg. (89 oz./250 g) cream cheese, softened
 - 1-1½ cups (375 mL) grated sharp cheddar cheese
 - ½ cup (125 mL) chopped Bick's Dill Pickles
 - ¼ cup (50 mL) finely chopped green onion
 - 2 tbsp. (25 mL) mayonnaise
 - 1 tsp. (5 mL) Worcestershire Sauce
 - ½ cup (125 mL) finely chopped walnuts
 - 2 tbsp. (25 mL) finely chopped parsley
- COMBINE first 5 ingredients, beating until smooth
COVER and chill until firm or overnight.
SHAPE into a ball and roll in mixture of nuts and parsley.
SERVE with assorted crackers.



Gingerbread Nametag Cookies from a no-fail mix — a wonderful way to personalize gifts, set a festive table or hang on the Christmas tree.

BAKE YOUR OWN GINGERBREAD DECORATIONS (NC)

Everyone likes to get creative at Christmas and what could be a more festive activity than making Gingerbread Nametag Cookies. A wonderful idea to personalize gifts, decorate the Christmas tree or set a jolly Christmas dinner table, these cookies are made with a no-fail gingerbread mix. All you do is add butter, an egg and milk. They're so simple the youngsters can help you make and decorate them to give to their friends, or hang on the tree.

- #### Gingerbread Nametag Cookies
- 1 pkg. (1 pkg.) Robin Hood Gingerbread Mix
 - ½ cup (75 mL) butter, softened
 - 1 (1) egg
 - 1 tbsp. (15 mL) milk
 - Assorted icings to decorate

- COMBINE Gingerbread Mix, butter, egg and milk. Mix well. Knead with hands to make a smooth dough. CHILL dough if necessary for easy rolling.
- ROLL out dough on floured surface to ¼" (1 cm) thickness.
- CUT with floured cutters and place on greased baking sheet. (If cookies are to be used as Christmas tree ornaments or gift giving name tags, insert the large end of a toothpick through cookie at one end and leave there during baking.)
- BAKE at 375°F (190°C) for 8 to 10 minutes. Don't overbake.
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Feats of courage

by Capt Carole Tremblay

Two members of the Canadian Forces have been awarded the Medal of Bravery by Her Excellency the Governor General, the Rt. Hon. Jeanne Sauvé. Both incidents occurred in Cyprus, each under very different circumstances. The recipients are Capt Gordon Prentice of the 3rd Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment, now Regular Force Support Office with the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry (Wentworth Regiment), and WO Edward Stewart, a member of the 2nd Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, until last January.

Capt Gordon Prentice

In August 1986, Capt (then Lieut) Prentice was tasked to re-establish a United Nations presence in a contested area of the buffer zone in Nicosia known as Beaver Lodge. His unarmed patrol, consisting of himself and two of his best men — MCpl David Durocher and Pte Peter St-Denis — proceeded to the area to carry out this mission. "While in the area," said Prentice, "we were confronted by a dozen Turkish soldiers who backed us up against barbed wire by prodding us in the stomach with the barrels of their rifles."

Negotiations followed between Prentice and a Turkish second lieutenant. "I realized that the Turkish officer was very nervous, because he had been ordered not to allow anyone to enter the area and our presence there probably made him fearful of the reaction of his superiors. He was threatening to shoot us," said Prentice. The tension grew and the Turkish officer ordered one of his men to shoot Pte St-Denis. The Turkish NCO was preparing to do just that when Prentice positioned himself between St-Denis and the weapon. Just as the Turkish second lieutenant was pushing Prentice aside, a Turkish captain arrived, and the spirited discussion

resumed. It continued until it was decided that the three Canadians would remain where they were under the watchful eye of their Turkish sentries until negotiations at a higher level were concluded. By that time, Prentice's calm manner had defused the explosive situation that had existed since the insertion of the patrol some two hours earlier.

The patience and composure of the 23-year-old Canadian officer and his men were taxed over the next 36 hours. "We took turns sleeping, limiting ourselves to four-hour naps. Our chief concern was to keep awake to lessen the chances of our being attacked, particularly since one of our guards had informed me that, although we were chatting peacefully enough, he would have no qualms about executing me if ordered to do so," said Prentice. Despite the precariousness of the situation, Capt Prentice managed to lessen the tension to some extent as the hours ticked by, and this was essential if a potentially serious altercation was to be avoided.

"Despite the long wait, I was preoccupied with the situation. I watched everything. Besides trying to predict the reactions of the Turks, I was making sure that my men did not do anything untoward," said he. The calm, firm manner of this young Canadian officer resulted in a happy ending, with successful negotiations at a higher level.

There is something to be learned from every experience. In the case of Gordon Prentice and his associates, these events demonstrated the importance of rigorous training, attention to detail and a refusal to settle for less than what can really be accomplished, because a serviceman is liable to be sent anywhere, at any time, to deal with situations involving risk. It is common knowledge that the success and safety of any mission is preparedness.



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Advice On Stock Markets

In the first three columns we attempted to lead you through the hoops to your own "personal" financial plan. It seems timely however to divert somewhat from this course and comment on the roller coaster ride of the current stock market.

The stock markets of the world seem to operate under their own special law of gravity: What goes up will ultimately come down, and in due course go up again.

The current turmoil in the stock markets serves as a useful, if not stern, reminder of this behavioral pattern. For just over five years Canadian investors have witnessed a strong "bull" market — that is to say, the prices of many common stocks rose steadily, even sharply at times. Of course, there has been the occasional downward lurch during this time, but overall the stock markets climbed to record-high levels.

Everyone in the investment business knew that sooner or later there would be a market correction. Some perceptive observers spotted the signs of a market decline as early as last spring, when many common stocks started to become over-valued. They advised Canadians who invest in common stocks (often termed equities) or equity-based mutual funds to limit their risk exposure by investment diversification, by putting some of their money into fixed income investments such as guaranteed investment certificates. In effect, building a balanced portfolio of fixed investments and equities.

However, nobody predicted the stock markets would fall as steeply as they did on October 19. The pace-setting New York Stock Exchange suffered its most severe drop in history, far exceeding the big "crash" of October, 1929. As it turns out, the slump was largely due to technical factors, caused by programmed trading generated through computers. The adjustment was inevitable, however it was expected to be much more gradual.

In any event, there was talk about billions of dollars of investment losses

being suffered and that we might be on the brink of a business recession. The reality is grim — but nothing as bad as some doom and gloomers would have us believe.

First of all, a lot of those so-called losses are not actual money losses. You don't actually lose money from an equity investment unless you sell your holdings for less than you paid for them originally. Sure, the sale value of your investment may be down from what it had been; but if it was a fundamentally sound investment in the first place its value will climb back when the stock market experiences its inevitable recovery.

For example, suppose you invested \$10,000 five years ago in XYZ Mines Ltd. when the shares were priced at \$4 per share. They increased steadily in value over the years to the point where they were valued at \$10 a share by the middle of October, 1987.

Then came Black Monday, October 19. The mass hysteria helped to drive the price of XYZ Mines' shares down to \$7 per share. If you had allowed yourself to be panicked into selling at that price you would get \$3 a share less than if you had sold a week earlier. But you would have received a \$3 share more than the investment originally cost you.

On the other hand, if you kept your cool — and your faith in XYZ Mines as being a sound long-term investment — and did not sell any shares, you still have a stock ownership position which will be enhanced once the next bull market rolls around. The value of your stock may rise to even greater price heights than \$10 a share.

You will have to be patient, of course — this is a market that will reward patience. Many good stocks are now realistically valued or even under-valued and therefore potentially worth buying.

But for the time being, it might be best to sit back and wait for the markets to calm down. At present they are in a very volatile state.

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"Let The Buyer Beware!!"

By William E. Doyle

With the holiday season fast approaching, it is perhaps a good time to be aware of the rights that a consumer has when purchasing retail goods. Unfortunately, most consumers are unaware of their contractual rights and obligations when they are entering into a purchase agreement, be it for a vehicle, clothing, a health club membership, or a magazine subscription.

Any such purchase of goods or services constitutes a legally binding contract or agreement between seller and the purchaser. Writing is not a requirement. However, if there is a written agreement, the terms of the contract will be interpreted by reference to such document. In the absence of a written agreement, the contract is comprised of what is spoken by the individual parties together with terms implied either by custom or by law.

Many people mistakenly believe that a purchase of retail goods may be cancelled by the purchaser within a short period of time by merely requesting a refund or an exchange from the store. However, this is not the case. Other than those restricted circumstances prescribed by the relevant legislation, the stores are not required to give a refund or allow for an exchange of goods. Many stores, however, in order to foster goodwill with the public, have a policy of exchange or refund without question. If the store refuses to allow a refund or exchange though, the purchaser has no recourse unless a term of the contract (express or implied) has been breached by the seller.

Dealing with a retail sale of goods, the goods purchased must correspond with the description under which they are sold. For example, if a purchase is made through a catalogue, the item can be returned if it does not match the description and the picture contained in the catalogue. Similarly, any goods purchased at a retail outlet are to be new and unused unless otherwise described, and it will be possible to return the goods if such is not the case. The goods must also be of merchantable quality and they must be reasonably fit for the purpose intended. Therefore, if the goods malfunction or appear, within a reasonable period of time, to be otherwise

unsatisfactory, they can be returned for this reason as well.

In addition, it is important to note that in the event that a seller, elsewhere than at its usual place of business, approaches, offers or solicits a sale without any prior request by the buyer, the buyer has a specific right of cancellation. In such a situation, such as is in the case of door to door sales or telephone solicitation, the buyer has 4 days to give notice in writing of his intention to cancel, and the seller must in writing notify the buyer of this right.

Often purchases are paid for by way of credit card and as a cardholder it is important to be aware of one's rights in this regard. First, a credit card cannot be issued to a person without the written or verbal request of that person. Upon issuance however, particular note should be taken of the agreement which accompanies the card which has been issued as such specifies those terms by which the cardholder is bound. Such terms will deal with credit limit, user fees, the interest rate charged, and the like.

Often, if one's credit card is lost or stolen, one becomes needlessly worried by the anticipated liability when such card is in the possession of someone else. Pursuant to the Consumer Protection Act however, the cardholder is not liable for any debt incurred through the use of the card after the cardholder has in person or by registered mail notified the card issuer that the card has been lost or stolen and is no longer within his possession or control. In addition, it should be noted that the Act prescribes that the holder is not liable for any debt in excess of the lesser of \$50.00 or the credit limit associated with the card.

In summary, it would appear that the general rules relating to a consumer are simple enough, but ones with which one is often not familiar. A familiarity with such rules will often work to simplify one's dealing when making retail purchases, and give one more peace of mind.

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The Right-Honorable Jeanne Sauvé, Governor General of Canada.
La très honorable Jeanne Sauvé, Gouverneur Général de Canada.

Governor General of Canada

As Commander-in-Chief, I join with all Canadians in wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thanks to you, Canada can rest assured of its stability and safety. Whether at home or abroad, you perform a vital role, dedicating yourselves to the promotion of peace everywhere. It is comforting to know that the women and men of our Armed Forces are working for the good of the international community and in defence of individual and basic human rights. Though the dark clouds of war overshadow our world, yours is an encouraging light.

I would like to thank each and everyone of you and the members of your families, and assure you of the support of the men and women you protect. The people of Canada are proud of you. We are well aware of how much we owe you; we know what you endure, and we know that your mission of service demands from each of you a loyalty and devotion born of the love you have for your homeland. In this holiday season, it gives me great pleasure to convey to you this assurance of our respect and kinship.

Gouverneur General du Canada

Tous nos compatriotes se joignent à moi pour vous souhaiter un joyeux Noël et une heureuse année. En qualité de commandant en chef, je vous exprime ma gratitude personnelle et celle de notre pays.

Grace à vous, le Canada peut compter sur sa stabilité et sur sa sécurité. Que ce soit sur notre territoire ou ailleurs, vous vous acquittez d'une tâche sérieuse et vous vous employez à promouvoir partout la paix. Dans la conjoncture actuelle, il est réconfortant de penser que les hommes et les femmes de nos Forces Armées oeuvrent pour le bien-être de la communauté internationale et pour le respect de la personne humaine et de ses droits. Dans le brouillard des guerres qui assombrissent le monde, vous projetez une lumière rassurante.

A chacun de vous comme aux membres de vos familles j'adresse mes remerciements et vous assure de l'affection de ceux et de celles que vous protégez. Le Canada est fier de vous; il sait ce qu'il vous doit; il sait que vous connaissez des épreuves et que votre mission de service exige de vous tous une loyauté et un dévouement qu'inspire l'amour que vous avez pour votre patrie. Je suis heureuse de vous faire part de nos sentiments de solidarité et de fraternité.



Brigadier General M.S. Eichel, Commander of 14 Training Group.
Brigadier Général M.S. Eichel, Commandant du 14^e Groupe d'Instruction.

Commander of 14 Training Group

As the Christmas season approaches I would like to share my gratitude and that of my family, for the blessings we enjoy among our friends and colleagues.

Despite the problems that Canadians, like people everywhere, face, our country is a rich and favoured place to live and as Canadian service members we are among the most favoured of all. Our material wants and our social, psychological and spiritual needs are cared for in a way that should give us all pause for thought. As well, the sense of purpose and self worth that we share, or ought to share at least, is a source of strength that many people of this world do not have. We are indeed a fortunate few.

On behalf of the members of 14 Training Group, my family and myself, I wish everyone a pleasant Christmas season and a healthy, happy and prosperous year ahead.

Commandant du 14^e Groupe d'Instruction

A l'approche de la saison des Fêtes, j'aimerais vous faire part, en mon nom et en celui de ma famille, le bonheur de vous connaître en tant que collègues et amis.

Malgré tous les problèmes que les habitants de cette planète doivent affronter, nous, Canadiens, avons la chance de vivre dans un des pays les plus riches et favorisés. Notre position dans les Forces Armées canadiennes est particulièrement enviable car nos besoins matériels, sociaux, psychologiques et spirituels sont comblés et satisfaits à travers l'organisation. Cette réalité ainsi que le sentiment d'être utiles à notre pays devrait nous porter à réfléchir.

Ces deux dons sont une véritable source de force que la majorité de notre monde ne partage pas. Nous appartenons à une minorité de fortunés.

Au nom des membres du 14^e Groupe d'Instruction, de ma famille et en mon nom personnel, je vous souhaite tous une merveilleuse saison des Fêtes, la santé et une nouvelle année des plus prospères.

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Messages



Leutenant General L.A. Ashley, Commander of Air Command.
Lieutenant Général L.A. Ashley, Commandant de Commandement aérien.

Commander of Air Command

As the Christmas season approaches, and with it the end of another year, I would like to extend to all of the Air Command family warm personal greetings. While the majority of us will be with family and loved ones sharing the true joys of the Christmas season, we should be mindful of those who must remain on duty in Canada and overseas.

1987 has been a busy and exciting year. The recent defence policy charts a new course for Canada's Air Force and presents some new challenges. The new uniforms have contributed to a renewed sense of Air Force family.

During the year Air Command personnel have been involved in air operations worldwide and have supported peacekeeping, rescue missions and humanitarian tasks which have taken you all over the world. As always you have performed with skill and dedication bringing credit upon yourselves, your service and your country. Your commitment to "peace on earth" has been significant.

You have also demonstrated your compassion and sense of community responsibility by your enthusiastic support to charities, blood donor clinics and other community activities dedicated to helping those less fortunate.

In these many ways you have continued to serve the world, your country and your community with distinction and honour. You have earned the right to be proud of your accomplishments. I know that I am proud to be a part of an Air Force served by such people.

To all of you, wherever you serve, my wife, family and I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Commandant du Commandement Aerien

La saison des Fêtes approche ainsi que la fin de l'année, j'aimerais profiter de cette occasion pour souhaiter personnellement à toute la famille du commandement aérien mes meilleurs voeux pour le temp des Fêtes. N'oublions pas tous ceux qui seront à leur poste durant les festivités, au Canada et outre mer.

Durant l'année, le commandement aérien et son personnel ont été impliqué dans des opérations de maintien de la paix à travers le monde. Comme d'habitude vous avez travaillé de façon professionnelle et honorable, de ce fait vous avez apporté de fierté pour vous-même, les Forces canadiennes et votre pays. Votre travail pour la paix dans le monde est très important.

Vous avez aussi démontré un sens de responsabilité vis-à-vis votre communauté. En supportant les oeuvres de charité, en participant au collecte de sang et aux autres activités qui ont servi au moins fortunés.

Par ces différents gestes posés envers le monde, vous pouvez être fier de vous et de ce que vous avez accompli. Je le sais, parce que je suis fier d'être membre d'une force aérienne qui est composée de gens comme vous.

A vous tous, ma famille et moi, nous souhaitons un très joyeux Noël et une bonne et heureuse année. Santé et bonheur pour 1988.

Base Commander

Christmas is nearly here and it is the time of the year when most of us will join with our families and reflect on the events of the past year. This year 18 members of our base will not be able to enjoy family reunions because they are serving temporarily at Alert, in Cyprus, the Golan Heights and in the Sinai. We extend to them our warmest wishes and our appreciation for their dedicated commitment.

Again we have had a busy year and a good year in flying operations, support activities, flight and general safety, training and in our transient operations. I thank and compliment all of you for your individual and collective contributions.

Many of you will be travelling extensively over the holiday period and I wish you safe journeys. To everyone and your families have a joyful holiday season and a rewarding 1988. I look forward to working with you next year.

Commandant de la Base

Noël approche à grand pas, c'est le temps de l'année où la plupart d'entre vous vont rejoindre leur famille pour discuter des événements de la dernière année. Malheureusement cette année 18 membres du personnel ne pourront pas rejoindre leur familles car ils sont temporairement en service à Alert, Chypre, Golan Heights et au Sinaï. Nous leurs offrons nos meilleurs voeux et notre appréciation pour leur dévouement.

Nous avons eu une année très occupée et une bonne année pour les opérations aériennes, les activités de soutien, la sécurité de vol, la sécurité générale, l'entraînement et nos opérations pour les visiteurs. Je remercie et je félicite chacun de vous pour vos contributions individuelles et collectives.

Plusieurs d'entre vous vont voyager de façon intensive durant la période des fêtes, je vous souhaite un bon voyage, sans accident. A chacun de vous et à vos familles, je souhaite de joyeuses fêtes et une bonne et heureuse année. Je me réjouis d'avance de pouvoir travailler avec vous l'année prochaine.



Colonel Loren H. Reynolds, Base Commander.
Colonel Loren H. Reynolds, Commandant de la base.

Noël

Voxair Aircom RC Chaplains Meet

CHAPLAINS CORNER



Twenty-three of the twenty-six Chaplains (RC) presently serving in Air Command attended a Seminar held at Villa Maria Retreat House in Winnipeg, 19-23 Oct 87.

From left to right, first row: Maj J.G. Gagnon, LCol E. Jankowski, Col J.P.G.R. Vaillancourt, Col J.E. Landry, Maj M.A. Stack, Maj R.H. McKenna, Maj R.J. Landry. Second row: Capt L. Turcotte, Lt (N) J.L. Domotor, Capt H.P. McKeown, Capt J. Marcoux, Capt E.N. Molon, Maj J.M.B. Perreault, Maj J.A.L.G. Borg, Capt G.M. White, Capt J. Grech, LCdr A.L. Roy. Third row: Capt J.R.J. Beaulieu, Capt R.C. Vickers, LCdr J.J. MacIntyre, Capt A.J. Hamel, Maj K.R. Greer, LCdr R.J. MacFarlane, Maj J.C.A.G. Veilleux, Maj J.R. Gagnon. Col J.P.G.R. Vaillancourt from NDHQ and LCdr R.J. MacFarlane from CFB Shilo attended as guests.

Greetings From Your Chaplains at Xmas

Christmas Greetings from your Chaplains, our Families and the Chapel Congregations. As this edition of the Voxair hits the streets, we couldn't be busier! Having survived Op Eval, we now find ourselves in the midst of Christmas Parties, our Men's Christmas Dinner and tomorrow the Christmas at homes, at the Messes. For any who are trying to get home for Christmas, Air Canada's strike has probably complicated your plans. So, here we are in the midst of the hustle and bustle, the noise and distraction of the Christmas Season.

Christmas has not really become more complicated. If you read the Biblical accounts, it sounds like Bethlehem was quite the bustling little town on that first Christmas with old friends and neighbours as well as a good many strangers passing through on their way to register. People didn't move that far in those days (unlike our wandering ways), so if someone moved out of town, chances are one would not see them again. Now with

the requirement to return to the place of your birth for registration, a lot of people would have to return and you can only imagine the parties that were going on as old chums were able to sit down and commiserate about the 'good old days'. Really, it sounds very familiar to the situation in which we find ourselves these days.

St. Paul tells us how out of phase man's wisdom is with respect to the wisdom of our Heavenly Father. With the busyness and the movement of great crowds, God's Son was not born centre stage with fanfare and adoring crowds around, as we would expect would be appropriate; rather that history changing/life changing event took place quietly in one of the smaller towns, with no adoring crowds but the stable animals in attendance. If God wanted, He could get our attention and have great crowds submit but He has chosen to ask each of us — to let us choose — and then to grow because we learn to use our own free will. In the noise and confusion of this Christmas

Season, we will have to seek Him in the quieter places and invite Him into our hearts.

For those of you who are travelling, our prayer is for your safe journey and safe return. As we continue in our

Advent preparation, our prayer is that we will each grow more in the Father's way and according to His will. Take time to look and have a Joyous Christmas/Joyeux Noel.

Padre R.E. Baker

Christmas Services

GOOD SHEPHERD		ST. ANDREW	
	20 DEC 87		
0900 Eucharist		1030 Worship Service	
1000 Advent Meditation			
1100 Divine Worship; Carols and Bible Readings			
	24 DEC 87		
1930 Family Christmas Service		1930 Family Candlelight Service	
2300 Christmas Eucharist			
	27 DEC 87		
0900 Eucharist		1030 Divine Worship	
1100 Divine Worship			

Marriage Preparation Weekend

As members of the 3 RCR prepare for their move to Germany next year, a number prepared themselves also for marriage.

On 13 and 14 November at St. Andrew's Chapel, nine couples gathered to discuss such topics as communication, financial manage-

ment, and conflict resolution in marriage. Four padres assigned to CFB Winnipeg gave direction and input to the sessions.

Following the course, members commented that another step had been made in their journey to forming strong and supportive relationships.



Couples attending Marriage Preparation Course 13 & 14 Nov. at St. Andrew's Chapel. Course instructors, front row, l to r Padres Garrity, Jolliffe, Wiley and Day.

What's In A Name

Canadians are all too familiar with the perils of translations. On the international scene, says the World Development Forum, it can spell disaster for marketing efforts since it betrays the large companies' ignorance of local customs and language.

Dr Rose L. Hayden, president of the National Council on Foreign Language and International Studies, says

there are many examples. The Chevrolet "Nova", for instance, didn't sell in Latin America. When spoken, "No va" in Spanish means "it doesn't go". "Body by Fisher" was translated in Flemish as "Corpse by Fisher", and "Come Alive with Pepsi" nearly appeared in China as "Pepsi brings your ancestors back from the grave". Can Coke beat that?

CHURCH SERVICES

Protestant Chapels

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- Holy Eucharist (Anglican Rite) 0900 Sundays
- Divine Worship 1100 Sundays

The Chapel of Saint Andrew (South):

- Divine Worship 1030 Sundays

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	Sun: 1115 hrs	
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73 COMMGP CO(S) CONFERENCE

The Commanding Officers of 73 Comm Group attended a conference held in Bldg 13 CFB Winnipeg on 13-14 Nov 87. From L to R front row: Maj Rick Wright CO 731 Shilo, CWO Yogi George GCWO, Comm Gp Commander LCol Eric Sim and Maj Doug Atkins CO 733 Winnipeg. From L to R back row: Capt Pat Barry CO 734 Regina, LCol Mike Zawilak SSO SIGS Prairie Militia Area, Maj Lorne Colpitts CO 736 Thunder Bay, Capt Bill Boskwick CO 737 Saskatoon and Maj Bruce Folkett CO 735 Winnipeg.

Employee Assistance Program

Employee Assistance Programs are based on the premise that no one goes through life without experiencing problems, and that in any group of people, at any point in time, a significant percentage (as much as 30%) are experiencing personal problems seriously enough to affect their efficiency as employees and play havoc with their personal lives.

Originally, the EAP was designed to assist employees who were suffering from the effects of alcohol and drug addictions. The theory was that since these people spent as much of their time at work, that a recovery process that had its beginnings in the work place could help employees find solutions to their illnesses.

This theory proved to be extremely accurate in many instances. It is a well established fact that an effective workplace recovery program saves jobs and indeed, lives, by identifying troubled workers and offering access to helping resources.

Over the past four decades, EAP has evolved to a "broad brush" program that includes any type of personal and emotional problem, be it family, marital, financial, legal, health, etc.

National Defence EAP

Recognizing all these facts, National Defence has developed a joint union/management program.

It consists of volunteer peer referral agents whose main roles are:

- (1) identification of resources available in the area;
- (2) to serve as a link between employee and outside agencies;
- (3) to be a preliminary screener (general area of trouble);

- (4) advise supervisors how EAP works;
- (5) maintain confidentiality of all information; and,
- (6) follow-up with employee (to ensure referral is appropriate).

It is a voluntary program. An employee cannot be compelled to see a referral agent or accept EAP assistance, nor can they be disciplined for refusing to do so.

However, as the entire concept is based on work performance, it is the responsibility of the employee concerned to maintain acceptable standards of performance.

(DND, by the way has the unique distinction of a peer (volunteer) referral agent program that competes very successfully with those dept and private industries that have paid professional counsellors.)

The supervisor has a key role in EAP; that of identifying the employee whose work performance is below acceptable standards.

Once this has been observed and documented, and it is determined that the poor performance is not work related (i.e. inadequate training or improper equipment), the supervisor should motivate the employee to seek assistance through the EAP by seeing a referral agent.



73 Communications Group

Canadian Forces Communication Command (CFCC) is a unique Command in many respects and its origin is of particular interest. On 1 April 1965, Communication System (CFCS) was formed by the integration of the three single service organizations. These were the Naval Shore Communication Network (NSCN), the Canadian Army Signal System (CASS) and the RCAF Main Communication Relay Network (MCRN).

On 20 May 1970, the structure and name were changed to reflect Command status. There have been many changes over the years and two of the more significant changes were the addition of the Communication Reserve programme in 1974 and the merging with the Canadian Forces Supplementary Radio System (CFSRS) in 1976.

It was recognized that economies could be realized in the areas of personnel, equipment, accommodation and leased line costs by providing common service from single communication centers. For example, prior to integrating message centers, each of the services operated and maintained Canada-wide longline and/or radio systems. For example, Winnipeg had three message centers each catering to the needs of their respective service.

CFCCHQ is located at Tunneys Pasture in Ottawa and is commanded by BGen William Batt. The Command is divided into seven communication Groups. Groups are based on geographical boundaries and cover the following areas: 70 Comm Gp in Trenton services most of Ontario; 71 Comm Gp in St Hubert services Quebec; 72 Comm Gp in Halifax services the Maritime Provinces; 73 Comm Gp in Winnipeg services the area from Thunder Bay, Ontario to the Alberta Border; 74 Comm Gp in Vancouver services in Alberta and British Columbia; and Comm Gp Europe services CFE and the Middle East. Comm Gp boundaries also extend North of 60 to provide service for Northern Region.

While the Command HQ, Comm Gps, Comm Squadrons, Comm Detachments and Comm Reserve Units provide many services, the following are some of the more significant areas of responsibility:

- Narrative message service
- Interface with telephone and telecommunication companies
- Management and payment of leased telecommunication services
- Advice and support for Regional Operations
- Mobile Radio Detachments for Regional Operations
- Frequency Management
- Communication support for Emergency Government operations
- Augmentation to other Commands for Comms support
- Signals support to FMC Militia Units
- Management, operation and/or maintenance for unique systems provided for other users
- Cable plant installation and maintenance

Another unique aspect of CFCC is the integration of the Communication Reserve into the Command structure. The Commander 73 Comm Gp, LCol Eric Sim, has direct Command of two Regular Force Squadrons (731 Comm Sqn Shilo and 733 Comm Sqn Winnipeg) as well as four Reserve Units (735 Comm Reserve Regiment Winnipeg, 734 Comm Reserve Squadron Regina, 736 Comm Reserve Squadron Thunder Bay and 737 Comm Reserve Troop Saskatoon). Each of the other Group commanders enjoy a similar relationship within their areas.

The two regular force Squadrons have under command Comm Dets within their areas. 731 Shilo has CommDets in CFB Moose Jaw, Regina, Saskatoon and Dundurn. 733 Winnipeg has Comm Dets in CFB Portage La Prairie and Thunder Bay. In both cases 731 and 733 provide BTelO services for their respective Bases.

The four reserve units conduct training throughout the year. They are also involved in the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) each summer which provides training and much needed employment for young adults in their areas. The reserves train in both strategic and field environments and within this force are many dedicated individuals who devote much of their free time to military training and service. The high standard of training, professionalism and confidence of the individual Comm Reservist is very evident in the number of members "called-out" to serve with regular force units and Headquarters in Canada and overseas. Their expertise is called upon under long term employment situations and as augmentees during major exercises such as RV87 and Brave Lion.

73 Comm Gp Headquarters is a reflection of the Command as a whole, Regular and Reserve personnel working side by side, which is the total force concept. The Headquarters also reflects the mix of air and land in new DEUs, and also employs civilian personnel, full time, temporary and/or (term) employees. There is also an HQ detachment at each Reserve Unit to provide regular force advisors to each of the Reserve Commanding Officers.

73 Comm Gp is an active and dynamic organization. The activities of the Group affect all personnel in our military community.



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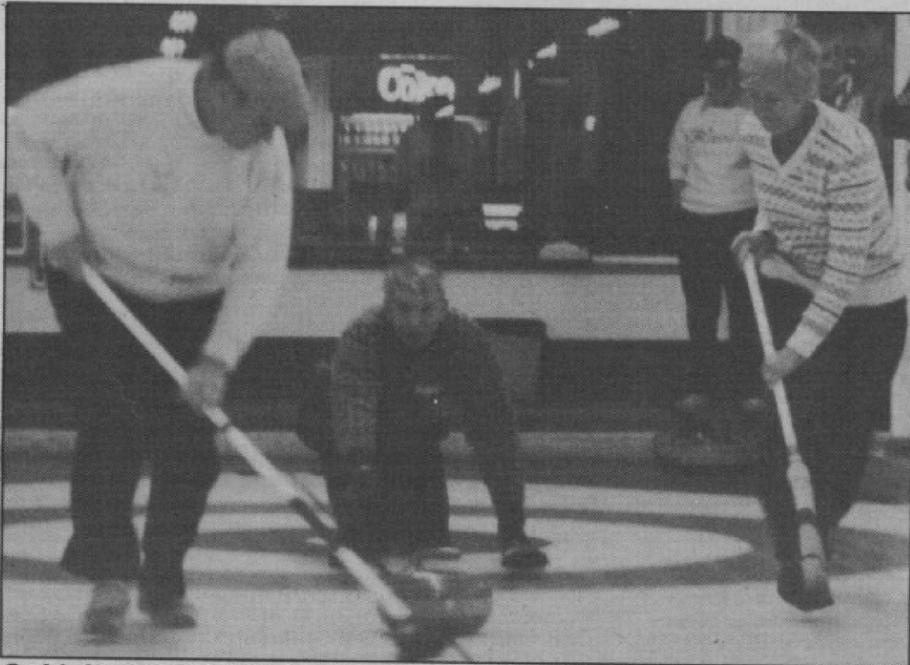
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Admin Bonspiel



On his knees after a finely thrown rock is LCol Ken Doerksen while the Base Chief, CWO Fred Smith and his wife, MCpl Ann Boucher-Smith sweep up after him.

The first Admin Bonspiel for 87/88 was held on 16 Oct 87. The day started off around 0800 hrs with LCol KW Doerksen, B Adm O throwing the first rock to open the spiel. His sweeping staff consisted of CWO F.P. Smith Base Chief and Mrs. Smith (MCpl Boucher-Smith).

There were 12 teams in the spiel consisting of Admin Clerks from Winnipeg and Portage. A fun day was had by all with lots of curling and food. The day wound down with the presentation of the Admin Bonspiel winners. The winning team was Sgt Paul Lelievre, Pte Dan Karau, Sgt Kevin Stark and Cpl Arlene Greentree.

NEXT BONSPIEL IS SCHEDULED FOR 8 APR 88. PLAN AHEAD.



Congrats to the winners, Paul, Dan, Kevin & Arlene! Remember rocks and glass don't mix!

Sports Seminars

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21 & 28 Jan 88, 1300-1600 hrs.
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RUNNING

Planned for May 88 — details to follow.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

See next Voxair for more info.

SQUASH

Several players' clinics will be run in new year. Section mini-clinics will also be available.



For information on any of the clinics/seminars listed contact MCpl Jim Weatherby at Loc 5511.

Inter-Section Ball Hockey

Inter-section ball hockey is scheduled to start in Jan 88, to be played on Monday evenings. Contact MCpl Weatherby at 5511 to register.

Men's Broomball

Well sports fans the Flyers Broomball team is rolling right along on schedule. We have gone from last place to second place in the league. The whole league is surprised because we are a first year team. After our first two losses at the start of the season we now stand at 7 wins and 3 losses. Basically we will be fighting the Rockies for top spot in the league and the province. The regionals are in CFB Shilo from the 15-18 Jan 88 on a weekend so if you have no plans come out and cheer the Flyers onto the first ever Prairie Regional Broomball Championship.

Women's Broomball

Go "Moody Blues" go. Yes devoted ones your Womans Base Broomball team has a name. Winnipeg "Moody Blues". It was almost unanimous. A few other names were brought up, such as Les Smurfettes (the French connections idea — Natalie Houde, Lucy Picard, Paule Dostie, et Issabel Lussier) but since majority rules and Coach Brian the terrible thought up the name, (well, his position does have something to do with it) we have adopted that name. So fans, when you see those broomball jackets next year proudly displaying the Moody Blues Crest, you'll remember this article and this team and how we went about our democratic name.

Now; an update on what's been happening since our last game that I told you about. We, the "Moody Blues" have played seven games and we won 1. But not to fret as the "Moody Blues" planned it that way as we would like to play in the B division this year. The one game we won, Pee Wee scored two terrific goals and took VIP honors. Pop-eye (Patti Mesnor) took VIP honors about 5 times and our team wimp who turned Goon, (Danica Dupont) took one VIP honour. Yes that's only 6 VIP honors but, the last game number 16 was mentioned VIP, but we don't have number 16, so "Brian the worse" received it. We lost Butter-ball Buttocks (Nicole Michaud) to CFB Trenton so Good-Bye to Mich-butter-ball, see you next year at the regionals and all the best to you. Issabel Lussier (or otherwise known as Bouncer) spent time in the penalty box for ruffing, and fighting, and elbowing and tripping and so on and so on and so on . . . as did her roommate Lucy Picard (Pic Pic) (Pic-Me), (Me-Pic). Now Pic Pic has a habit of kicking opponents' brooms down ice without getting caught by the officials, but helps out players like inch-worm (Natalie Houde) in crunches and subsequently receives penalties. Between Bouncer and Pic Pic, we don't know who's acting is worse. But Bouncer should be on the stage as her acting is outstanding on the ice.

Also Jamie Rowat (J.R.) supplies the team with drive and sheer determination. And of course Rose Kelly and Gerry Gallant have the past experience and are waiting for the rest of the Moody Blues to catch up to their level, so I really can't say anything too bad about them, except that experience does come with age, eh girls.

Oh where oh where can Leslie Ragust and Gi Gi Greer be, oh where oh where can they be? (maybe we should look in the lost and found at the Shack) Now Rose Gallant . . . I don't have much room left, so next write-up, read-up on this most interesting forward or centre player, or whatever position she happens to be playing. Now listen fans, from the Coach, if you would like to get involved with the team, contact MCpl Pearce (Brian the utmost terrible) at Loc 5511.

From the Coach and "The Moody Blues", we wish you all a "Merry Christmas" and a "Happy New Year".

Remember Don't Drink and Drive and You'll Save lives.

Next write-up will be next year so stay tuned in. Until we read again, this F.M.P. (and the F stands for Friendly) is signing off NOW.



Basketball

The five game winning streak came to an end last Saturday as the Flyers were defeated 72-71. Trailing by nine points at halftime the Flyers fought back to within one point but were unable to take the lead, despite the efforts of Kevin Thurston (34 pts) and Kyle Easter (20 pts). The success of the team this year can be attributed to a combination of tenacious defense, aggressive rebounding and a potent offense. The key offensive players have been Kevin Thurston (avg. 29 pts per game) and Kyle Easter (avg. 15 pts per game). Much of the rebounding success is attributed to Roy Field and Don Barrill whose aggressive style have left opponents virtually on the floor. The pride of this Flyer team is their aggressive man defense which has been able to demoralize opponents and set up the run-and-gun fastbreak offense. The sparkplug for the defense is Ron Higgins whose speed and agility have forced countless critical turnovers by opposing guards. The Flyers possess the proper balance of talent which will enable them to capture the division title.

Squash

The Inter-Section League is in full swing with 7 teams participating. The format is for each team to show up on their scheduled day with 4 players who are ranked and each member of that team competes against his corresponding number of that day's opponent with matches won contributing to teams points and standings. Thus far 429 Sqn and ACHQ are leading the way with each of BAMEO's 3 teams getting stronger and closing in. The seeds usually match up very well with some excellent matches being played.

In the new year it is proposed to change from a team format to an individual format with a ladder system and divisions. This is open to all service members (including service women) of all calibre. For more information or to sign up contact MCpl Jim Weatherby at Bldg 90, Loc 5511.

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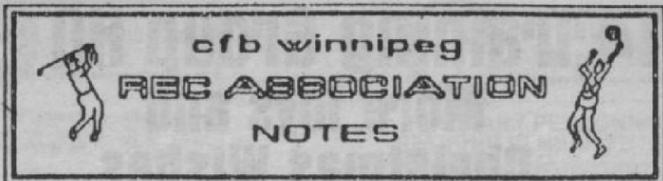
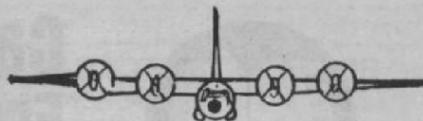
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Background

The CFB Winnipeg Recreation Association was formed to promote, plan, organize, and oversee all forms of leisure-time activity for the service community in Winnipeg. The Association is governed by the Recreation Council which consists of representatives from all the recreational clubs and the two community councils. The BPERO functions as the Executive Director for the Council and a Chairman, normally a service member, is appointed periodically by the Base Commander.

Services

The Association operates in two primary areas. It provides the staff and equipment to operate the several recreational facilities at CFB Winnipeg during off-duty hours and it provides an umbrella organization for the recreational clubs which are active on the base.

There is a gymnasium and swimming pool complete with weight room, sauna, etc. at both the North and South Sites. There are two new squash courts, a bowling alley, a sun-tanning room, and an indoor range located at the North Site gymnasium. The association hires the staff to supervise these facilities so that they may be opened in the evenings and on weekends for the use of base personnel and their dependants. As well, lifeguards and swimming instructors are provided for the various aquatic programs and courses. The Association purchases sports equipment (balls, racquets, etc.) for use during these periods. Hours of operation are published periodically in VOXAIR and are posted at each of the facilities.

Currently there are ten clubs active at CFB Winnipeg covering a broad range of activities from sports to crafts. They are: Ceramics, Photography, Scuba, Badminton, Woodworking, Rifle and Pistol, Master Swim, Ladies/Co-ed Aerobics, and both Ladies and Mixed Bowling. There are means available to set up new clubs of almost any type should sufficient interest develop.

Financing

The Association is financed primarily by subscriptions from its members with some assistance from the Base Fund and, from time to time grants from various levels of government. The money is used to provide the staff and equipment mentioned above and to assist the clubs with unusual or unforeseen expenses. It is necessary for the Association to be largely self-supporting. The financial health of the organization, therefore, depends on the size of its membership.

Membership

Membership in the Recreation Association is not mandatory. It is,

however, a requirement if you wish to involve yourself or your dependents in the clubs and activities mentioned here. It is important to note that lack of a membership does not prevent service members from using the facilities during the normal workday nor for fitness activities (jogging, weight training, swimming) during evening/weekend hours when the facilities are open for members. As a non-member you will not have access to the Association's equipment and you will be asked not to interfere with organized activities which may be going on.

Members are identified by a special ID card which is provided when the individual joins the Association and which is required for access to the facilities during after-duty hours.

Every attempt has been made to keep membership fees as low as possible consistent with meeting financial obligations. Fees are paid on an annual basis or pro rata for those anticipating a posting part way through the year. A nominal drop-in charge will be levied on those wishing to try out an activity a few times before joining. The current rates are as follows:

Regular/Ordinary, Single: \$15.00; Family: \$25.00. Associate, Single: \$45.00; Family: \$60.00.

Joining The Association

An application for membership can be obtained from either of the recreation centres during duty hours or from the Association office located in Bldg 90. The office is open from 0900-1200 Tuesdays and Thursdays. A small photograph will be required for the production of the membership card. Fees may be paid by cash or cheque.

Odds and Ends

The Recreation Association has a great deal to offer both service members and their families. It is, however, a participatory organization which depends upon your support if it is to succeed in its goal of maintaining and, where possible, improving the quality of the leisure-time activities at CFB Winnipeg. You are invited to come out, bring your family, and ENJOY!!

Additional information can be obtained from the rec centres at locals 5511, 5514, and 6183.

CFB Winnipeg Recreation Council
President — Maj Chouinard 6566
Council Office — Mrs Robertson 5976

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— Ladies	Mrs Scott	885-2987
— Manager	Mrs. Gallagher	5580
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Ceramics	Mrs Milne	885-5167
Photo Club	Cpl Bourbonnais	5404
Rifle/Pistol Club	Major Vollelunga	6279
Scuba Club	MWO Abrams	5064
Woodworking Club	Capt McKinstry	5088
Ladies/Co-ed Aerobics	Mrs Robertson	888-4887
Master Swim Club	MCpl Pearce	5511

Well, Christmas is drawing near and before gearing down for the holiday season, here is the latest news from the Bison Squadron.

Lt Kevin Melanson was presented with his commissioning scroll from the CO, LCol Barnes. All the best in your military career Kevin, you couldn't have picked a better Squadron.

From the Loadmaster Section — MCpl Rob Sawatsky had his Operational category changed to Restricted because of an arm cast. We hope his "plastered" arm and his restriction will not extend through the drinking season.

Welcome to Capt Hal Steffler and his wife who come to us from down the road at 14 Trg Group. Wonder who sent him the plant??

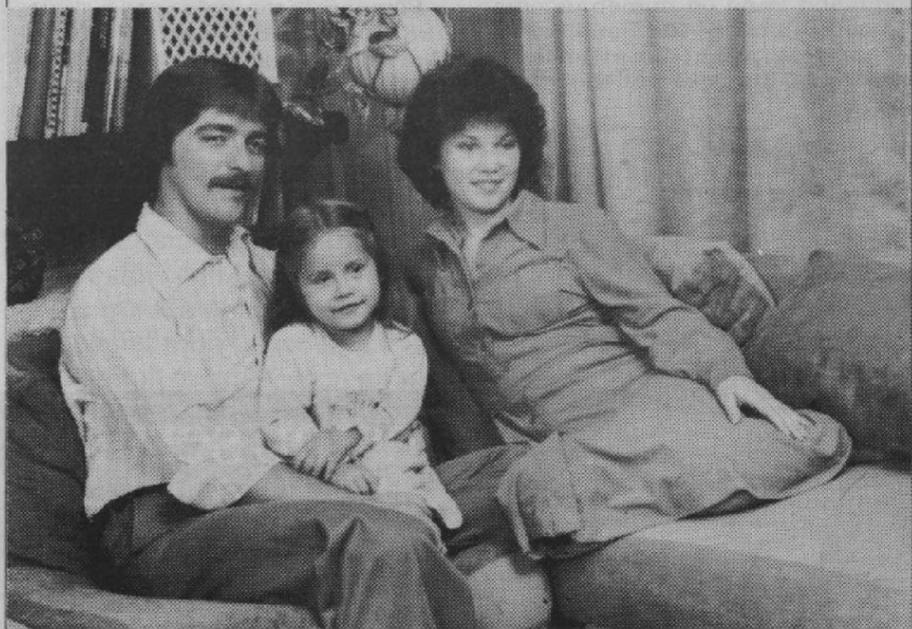
One of the aircrew borrowed some Estee Lauder Cover-up just before having his photo taken. Worked wonders — his photo was blemish free!!

To the more serious side of the holiday season — let's keep our drinking in moderation. We need, and want to see, everybody in the best shape ever in the New Year. On behalf of the Commanding Officer and members of 429 Squadron we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and all the best for the coming New Year.



LCol Barnes, CO of 429 Sqn, presenting Lt Kevin Melanson with his commissioning scroll.

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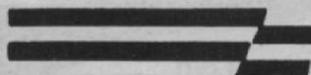
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Pour commencer, nous devons annoncer les promotions de deux de nos confrères étudiants. Félicitations à notre nouveau capitaine Rory Radford et notre nouveau adjudant maître Harry Gerstheimer. Nous aimerions aussi féliciter le capitaine Glenn et Deb Clarke sur la naissance de leur nouvelle fille. Katrina Ann est née le 24 octobre. Nous leur souhaitons une

bébé en bonne santé qui dort beaucoup la nuit!

A l'école, nous continuons avec le jeu de stratégie militaire, "Français Stratégique" et pendant les mois précédents, les professeurs nous présentent d'autres activités très intéressantes. Sol le clown est toujours populaire, et la semaine ne peut jamais finir sans M. Anana, l'anana qui parle dans "Téléfrançais". Nous avons aussi le roman "Chemins Dangereux". Au 1 décembre la classe 'C' est allé à l'école Lavalee pour visiter la sixième année. Elle a eu une belle visite et les classes 'A' et 'B' sont jaloux.

Notre équipe de baseball reste vaincu! Peut-être l'année prochain nous jouerons avec une autre équipe!

Nous vous souhaitons un joyeux Noël! Adieu.

1987 Military Police Big Band Ball Another Success

by MWO Keith Chapman

The Canadian Forces Military Police support a special charity known throughout the military community as the Military Police Fund for blind children. This is the only registered charity administered solely by Canadian Forces personnel. It was formed in 1957.

In support of the fund during the past seven years, the Base Military Police in conjunction with the Air Command Band have sponsored the Annual Big Band Ball.

On the 31st of October 1987 Building 21 came alive with music and the super voice of Yvette Shaw. Yvette is a local singer who over the past two years has entertained with the Air Command Band on numerous occasions including the Big Band Ball.

This year, with the attendance exceeding 500 supporters, the bottom

line read in excess of \$4,500.00 being donated to the fund.

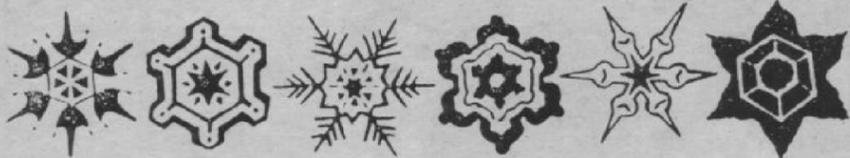
The Base Military Police and the Air Command Band could not succeed in this "fund raiser" without the support of attendees and the numerous base sections who provide many of the necessities required to make the "Ball" a success.

Base sections deserving of special recognition are:

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Plans are in the making to make the 1988 Big Band Ball bigger and better. Watch the Voxair for further information.



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14 Training Group HQ - More Toys and Christmas Wishes

As this Yuletide issue of Voxair hits the cold concrete, HQ Groupies will have decked the halls of 11 Hangar, wined and dined at the annual dinner n' disco, had the office bash at the bowling alley, no less, and generally whooped it up to celebrate the closing of another hectic year.

In the last issue, we opened Santa's toy box to see what is new for this season and, lo and behold, we missed a couple. Capt Don McLeod hopes St Nick will bring him the latest Rambo toy, a length of string attached to half a little wooden disc. It's simply called a 'Yo'. And everyone at the Group wants the latest Winnipeg telephone set. It consists of two Campbell soup cans and 10 feet of string. Add a bigger ball of string and you can make long distance calls.

Of course, as the festive season approaches, thoughts turn to warm, fuzzy things like family, children and puppy dogs. Since another Voxair columnist likes to write about his pooch, this writer claims the same privilege.

Our little house on the prairie is guarded by a 25-pound Cocker Spaniel attack puppy who goes by the handle of Skippy.

Now, Skippy possesses all those qualities that endear us to dogs, and some of those attributes which have

the opposite effect. Recently, Skippy's 10-year-old 'older brother', Mike was busy at home with school work, trying hard to concentrate on the task at hand.

Skippy, of course, had other ideas; like chase the ball around the house, or wrestle on the floor. Anything but homework!

Finally, in exasperation, Mike physically removed the hound from his room, proclaiming, "Skippy, you're the Dutch Elm Disease on our family tree!"

On a rather disquieting note, which is probably a sign of the times we live in, a local crowded shopping centre was recently the scene of an ear-splitting roar, clouds of smoke and flying sparks. Only one soul was a casualty, though. A poor shopper was dragged out by the heels, totally done for. Terrorist bomb? Airplane crash? Nope. Exploding credit card.

Capt 'Kirk' Kirkpatrick and family will be beamed up shortly as they depart for a year's stay in England. Capt Kirk will be attending the Empire Test Pilot School at Boscombe Down to study 'advanced floppy-wing flying'.

Happy holidays to all Voxair readers from the 14 Training Group Headquarters poison pen. You too, Quincy.

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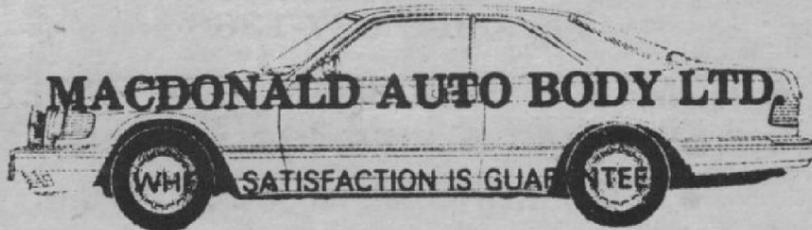
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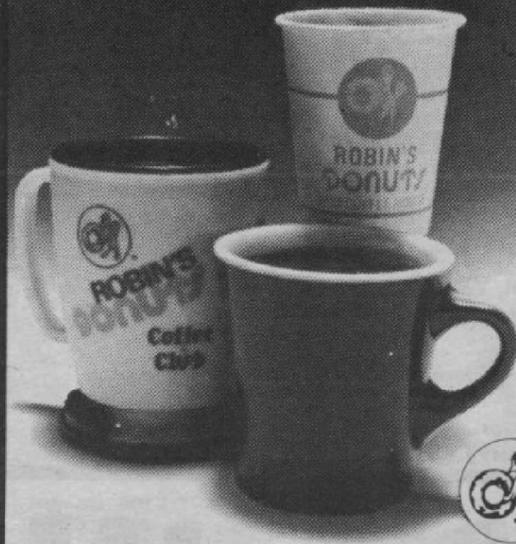
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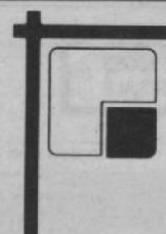
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