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1 Air Movements Squadron

Airlift Support Competition



MCpl Gerry Marin guiding an LSVW up the ramp of a C-130 Herc during the team loading event. Cpl Sean Walsh is the driver.

By Cpl Laurie Moore
1 Air Mov Sqn

For the past 30+ years, Traffic Techs from across the country have competed in the Annual Airlift Competition. The aim of this competition is to promote esprit de corps, camaraderie and professionalism. "The competition is one of the best morale builders that we have for the Traffic Trade, it promotes fellowship through friendly but vigorous competition", says WO Keith Telfer of 429 Sqn in Trenton. The bulk of the participants are MCpl's and below, with Sr NCO's as officials. There is, however, one event for the officers and one event for the COs and SWOs. In the beginning, the events comprised mainly of

sporting events but as the Traffic Tech trade became more elaborate, the events took on a more 'Traffic Tech' look.

The '98 competition consisted of the following events which reflect the day-to-day routine found at any Air Movements Squadron (with a few minor exceptions).

1. A large forklift competition (10,000 lbs cap) which required a driver, with the aid of a guide, to navigate through a maze of pylons carrying 2 x Paul Bunyons strapped to a pallet. The team which finished the course in the least amount of time and knocking down the least amount of pylons won.

2. A similar event was conducted with a few small

variances. A small electric forklift (5000 lbs cap) was used and this time the team had to make their way through a maze of wooden pallets carrying a large tri-wall.

3. Prepare a CCC-1 according to rigging specifications without parachutes.

4. Load an LSVW w/trailer and a pallet on a C-130 Hercules aircraft. This event consisted of 4 team members plus a driver.

5. Airlift planning exercise for the officers.

6. CO's and SWO's competition (a version of jeopardy re-named "Squeal of Misfortune").

7. Sports events which included ping-pong, Euchre, strap rolling, softball, packing of a tri-wall, stacking and sorting top &

side nets, backing off of MB-2 devices, chaining relay race, pallet weighing and the infamous mechanical bull riding.

1 CAD, our sponsor for the competition, requested judges from all over Canada. The lucky winners were MWO D. Beland (Kingston), MWO R. Bonneau (Trenton), WO L. Wood (Toronto), WO L. Kraus (Esquimalt), Sgt G. Lacroix (Borden) and Sgt G. Martel (Ottawa).

So how does 1 Air Mov Sqn fair at these competitions? In the past there have been times when 1 Air Mov Sqn has won all events but in most recent years, namely the past two, 2 Air Mov Sqn from Trenton has come out victorious.

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VOXVIEWS

A win-win proposition Update for residents

By Major CM Walton-Simm
Managing Editor

Many of you will have noticed recent construction activity west of Whytefold Road and north of Peter Avenue, adjacent the MPDRs (row housing). In the 18 Mar 98 issue of the Voxair 'Seeing the forest from the trees...', readers were informed of some land transfers that 17 Wing was negotiating. At this time an update on this issue will outline what has transpired, and why.

The site of the new construction, an area of approximately 12.5 acres, was formerly Crown property. This land has been transferred to the City of Winnipeg. The City in turn has disposed of the land to a local firm, Winpac Ltd, which has a plant situated in the Moray Industrial Park immediately west of the parcel of land in question.

Winpac owns and operates a total of 11 plants in North America, including its original plant in Winnipeg. The firm manufactures and distributes packaging machines and materials for the protection of perishable food, beverage, dairy and pharmaceutical products. Winpac has acquired the additional land in order to build a new \$25M plant for the manufacture of biaxially oriented nylon film - the material used in sanitary food containers such as the individual packages of ketchup and vinegar found in fast food restaurants. The new facility is part of a joint venture with a Japanese firm, and will create approximately 50 new full-time jobs when it begins operations next year. The plant expansion will occur in the northern half of the parcel of land, not close to the existing military housing.

The Wing's motivation to dispose of the 12.5 acres in question came from several sources. First and foremost, individual Federal Departments have been directed to dispose of lands that are surplus to current or foreseen needs. This permits savings in payments in lieu of taxes (PILT) to municipalities and reduces operating and maintenance costs. As further incentive, the disposing Department may be allowed to recoup a portion of the funds generated by any sale, for its own use.

Secondly, recent changes in

vehicle traffic patterns have resulted in a large increase in non-DND traffic on both Whytefold Road and Air Force Way. Both roads, north of Silver Ave, were owned and maintained by DND. In order to reduce the Wing's operations and maintenance (O&M) expenditures and exposure to liability, transfer of these roads to the City was included in negotiations. It was eventually agreed that the City will assume Whytefold Road north from Silver Ave to Peter Ave, and Air Force Way from Silver to the gate to the CAD HQ site. In the long term, unauthorized (non-DND) traffic on Whytefold Road north of the MPDRs will be curtailed, most likely by reconfiguration of the 17 Wing west entrance. Access to Airforce Way will remain status quo.

The final factor in this land transfer between DND and the City of Winnipeg was the reconstruction and expansion of HMCS Chippawa facilities in downtown Winnipeg. In order to acquire the vacant City lot adjacent to Chippawa, the Wing included this requirement and a second downtown parcel of land, managed by DND but undeveloped, in the negotiations. This eventually assisted DND in acquiring the property it needed to proceed with its plans to rebuild and expand HMCS Chippawa.

In summary then, this project has assisted in the attainment of the following DND, Air Force and 17 Wing objectives:

- a. reduce infrastructure holdings to meet minimum military requirements;
- b. minimize O&M expenses and potential liabilities on roadways; and
- c. acquire property required for expansion of HMCS Chippawa, at no cost to the Project Office.

Although not a great deal could be said during negotiations, the quality of life enjoyed by the 17 Wing MQ residents who live in and around this area was kept in mind throughout the process. Wing and Community Council representatives recently met to discuss land transfers and address questions and concerns. Perhaps the most obvious negative impact of this transfer is loss of several hundred metres of the jogging trail. Re-routing of the trail is under study in Wing Construction Engineering.

VoxBACK

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Quality of Life

In the military culture, the mission comes first. As the defence budget has been cut to contribute to the elimination of the deficit, the Canadian Forces and the Department of National Defence have compensated by restructuring, downsizing and re-engineering. None of this has been allowed to affect the institution's duty to mission. Despite fewer resources, Canada's military has maintained the capacity to field multi-purpose, combat capable forces. However, as the recent report of the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs (SCONDVA) shows, the price of this duty to mission has been paid through an inexorable slide in the quality of day to day life in the military.

Members of the committee were alarmed to find so many military personnel testifying that they believed they had been forgotten by the nation they had sworn to serve. In this respect, SCONDVA made, in my view, a critical point in its report when it spoke of the need to "make explicit the unwritten 'social contract' which has traditionally existed between the military and government, and by extension, with the public at large." As the report points out, that contract is about *due recognition* - about fair compensation; affordable and suitable accommodation; adequate support services for military personnel and their families; appropriate equipment for the job, proper training, effective leadership and being treated with dignity and respect.

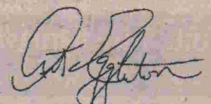
In the end, all institutions are about people. The best training and the best equipment available can't guarantee successful mission outcomes if the people who take the training and operate the equipment are demoralized. No organization like the military can function indefinitely, let alone thrive, if it fails to meet the basic needs of the women and men from whom it demands such a high level of professionalism, dedication and sacrifice. That is why I and the Chief of the Defence Staff have declared that improving the quality of life of all

Canadian Forces members and their families is now the number one priority within the Department of National Defence and the Canadian Forces.

There is an irony in military service in a modern democracy - you voluntarily give up many of the basic freedoms that you are trained to fight for: the freedom to choose what to do, where to live and when to move. The freedom to pick your own doctor; to live in the home you want; to plan your holidays when you want them; to come and go as you please. These sacrifices do not affect you alone; they have a profound impact on your families. The spouses of military personnel find that they too must give up many of the freedoms that are taken for granted in civilian life, added to which they must also shoulder an unfair burden on the home front when their wives and husbands are thousands of miles away, often for months at a time.

After a lot of hard work and determination, the nation's finances are in better shape today than for more than a generation. Year after year, the Canadian military has made a significant contribution to winning this battle. Yet, despite having to work with significantly fewer resources, as proudly as ever, the Canadian Forces are there when we, the civilians they serve, protect and defend, need them. Now, they need us.

It's up to those of us who have not had to make such a big sacrifice to serve our country to dig a little deeper and show our military men and women that we respect their duty to mission and appreciate what it means - that we understand how essential it is to our security, our quality of life and the freedoms we enjoy every day. The best way to do that is to support increased funding to improve the day-to-day quality of life in the CF.



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Charlie Company flies south

By Maj M.M. Kenneally
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Like migrating birds, a plethora of planes descended upon sweltering Fort Polk, Louisiana in early October, off loading five thousand soldiers and equipment from the Fort Drum, New York based First Brigade of the 10th Mountain Division.

One aircraft stood out, a CF Airbus disembarking C Company, of the Second Battalion, Princess Patricia's Light Infantry from Winnipeg. Having left behind an early frost, the soldiers were faced with a sixty degree F change in temp and remained immersed in the 80-100 degree F temperatures for the rest of the month.

The occasion: a month long joint international exercise at the Joint Readiness Training Centre (JRTC), a world class light and special forces modern training centre which uses the MILES (Multiple Integrated Laser Emission System) to allow force on force training against a professional OPFOR which fights year round at Ft Polk. JRTC OPFOR are equipped with former WP aircraft, helicopters, tanks, AFVs, and fight with similar doctrine. (NTC in California does the same mission for heavy US Forces.)

The month long exercise was extremely realistic, incorporating all the Clausewitzian "frictions" of combat through three phases: LIC (Low Intensity Combat), a conventional defensive phase against an armour heavy enemy, and a village fighting (FIBUA) phase to conclude the ex.

Each JRTC phase is separated by an After Action Review in which Observer-Controllers coach platoons and leaders above platoon in a detailed review of battle procedure and command procedures. For example, reviewing the time subordinates actually received to carry out assigned tasks and their understanding of the mission. Professionally conducted with a view to "Coaching, Teaching, and Mentoring," in a neutral forum, the AAR is an outstanding training method which encourages self realization and unit improvement. American units will base much of their subsequent annual training plan on

the JRTC lessons learned package.

Fort Polk was used by Vietnam bound US forces for training because of its similarities in terrain, vegetation, climate, and "wildlife." One memorable image was having my O Group disrupted by a herd(?) of wild pigs, which confirmed for all present that the "enemy" attack the previous night was more likely a wily four legged porcine food flanking attack. Another was watching MCpl Brad Fowler remove a black widow spider nest from his helmet one morning - everyone took more time to inspect their helmets after that. The triple grand slam occurred when Coy HQ moved to a new location: Capt Rob Hart, of IRCHA, and his FOO party found a hasty position in a fire ant nest, but made a swift tactical movement elsewhere; MCpl Pete Carlos found himself sharing a tree trunk with a copperhead rattlesnake, and Capt Mike Gagne got a close up look at a scorpion.

Poisonous snakes, malevolent spiders, nasty disease bearing ticks, fire ants, chiggers, scorpions, poison ivy/oak/sumac...Fort Polk has them all. Perhaps there is something to be said for the Winnipeg "dry cold".

Charlie Company performed superbly during 14 continuous days of ops, from the last light helo insertion for a five day patrol to the final night attack on a village. During the defensive phase, Sgt Rick Barker created an impenetrable wire obs which bounced the tanks off to the flank. The troops leapt out of their trenches led by CSM Ed Larabie and "tank hunted" on the run, killing five t-62 tanks. Team Mac, under the command of Capt Kevin McCloughlin, was an ad hoc Ploop (troop & platoon) of M1s, Bradleys, and HUMMV gun trucks combined with 6 Platoon to form a formidable flying column, chasing after the CLF (Cortinian Liberation Force) with great success. The final attack was a two-battalion assault



Left to right: Sgt Rick Barker, WO Ed Seymour and Sgt Bruce Frampton. In the area of C Coy (2PPCLI) defensive position, JRTC, Louisiana, October 1998.

on Shugart Gordon village, a 60 million dollar FIBUA (Fighting in Built Up Areas) site. During the noisy and confused night battle, our medics MCpls Genny Power and Brad Fowler, and Cpl Chris Shadbolt performed a professional no duff casevac of a helmetless US soldier who was hit in the head by a cinder block that fell two stories. At first light, approx 60% of the coy remained, with seconds and thirds in command having led throughout the fighting. The remainder were somewhere in the casevac chain, which culminated in the operating table of a field mash unit. One of the great training benefits of JRTC was the opportunity for subordinates to assume command immediately in the most realistic (that word friction again) of conditions - dead commanders don't give detailed handovers and sitreps!

Following end ex, post ex drills, and some very kind remarks by the CO 1/87th (TO THE TOP) and 1st (Climb to Glory) Bde Comd, it was off to the Big Easy (New Orleans) for a Patriots Game and cultural visit before returning to Winnipeg. All in all, the best training experience an inf coy or battalion could hope for, which again reinforced for us the need to maintain dismounted skills in addition to our mounted battlecraft.

SECOND TO NONE.

1 CAD Commander's Commendation



On 22 December 1998, Maj Paul Godwin from A1 Nav Training at 1 CAD was presented the Commander's Commendation by MGen Lloyd Campbell in recognition of his outstanding contribution in coordinating the Flying Supervisor's Course for Officers and NCMs.

Photo by Sgt D. Mah, 1 CAD



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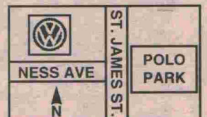
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Airlift Competition

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"Not the important events though", says CWO Gaetan Chasles of 1 Air Mov Sqn referring to the Joint Airdrop Inspection, and the ERO (engines running on-load/off-load). What makes these so important? Every other year the Airlift Competition is hosted by 2 Air Mov Sqn, the winner in this case gets an all expense paid trip to the United States to compete in the International Airlift Competition. In the past few years there have been at least 8 international teams plus observers and 28-30 teams from the US. "We (Canada) usually place in the top 10%", boasts Cpl Paul Makarchuk of 1 Air Mov Sqn. Cpl Makarchuk has competed in 3 ATG Rodeo's, 2 International Rodeo's and has been part of the events staff twice. Most participants feel that this competition is good for morale, boosts team spirit and it gives great benefit to the future and progress of the trade through shared knowledge of all its participants.

The sporting events were filled with excitement, especially the Bull Riding event. Close to 76 people tried their cow-poke skills! It's not as easy as it looks, just ask CWO McDougall who holds the record for the fastest "buck-off", 0.2 seconds! For those of you who have never had the experience of riding a mechanical bull, here are some words of wisdom from Cpl Donna Neil (Toronto), "Don't wear tight pants!" If you chose to ignore this advice be sure to wear a neutral color of underpants. The results were: 1st 2 Air Mov Sqn, 2nd 1 Air Mov Sqn Host Committee, and 3rd Judges.

The softball game between 1 Air Mov Sqn and 2 Air Mov Sqn was unpredictable. 1 Air Mov Sqn was leading by a substantial margin late in the game when Cpl Cam Barnhill hit what was to be the game winner. A fly ball right to the fence put him at third base but his heroics would be left uncelebrated after Cpl Sean Walsh touched home plate and was declared out. This woke up the 2 Air Mov Sqn team and they rallied to come out victorious.

WO Keith Telfer was the leader of the 'Master Team', a.k.a. Ole Boys Team, at this years event. 1998 was the first year that a Master team was entered and was well represented; Sgt Len Bales (1 Air Mov Sqn), WO Joe Myers (CFSAL Tn Coy Borden), WO Keith Telfer (429 Sqn Trenton), WO Hank Snow (1 Air Mov Sqn), CWO Kirk Newhook (1 CAD), MWO John Melanson (NDHQ

NWSO/RC&S). Even though this team competed in all the events, the results were unofficial. They were simply there to have fun and share their knowledge with the other competitors. "The Masters made the competition because they were so much fun and had so much fun", says Cpl Cam Barnhill of 1 Air Mov Sqn. The Masters Team had a hot commodity, their team flag designed by WO Telfer, which was stolen many times by Cpl Sean Walsh and Cpl Dwayne Spencer. If they were trying to throw the Master's Team off their winning pace, it certainly didn't work.

"As a spectator the most exciting event to watch was the CO's and SWO's competition called 'Squeal of Misfortune'", says Cpl Laurie Moore. Based on the popular game show Jeopardy, this event tested the knowledge and memory of its participants. Maj Randy Boucher and CWO Gaetan Chasles represented 1 Air Mov Sqn while Maj R. Ubbens and CWO D. Massicotte represented 2 Air Mov Sqn. The questions were both mind bending and hilarious! Most of the questions were made up by the Masters team during their 'Airlift Reunion'. Where did the game get its name? No one will say exactly but it seems that there is a connection between Traffic Techs and a certain farm animal. Hence, the pig roast, the pig noses worn by the Masters team and the pig costumes worn by the hosts of the 'Squeal of Misfortune'. Perhaps some things are better left unknown. This event was very close from start to finish with each team taking its turn in the lead. The categories were, Geography; Chains, Straps and Devices; Name that Mover; Aircraft; History; and of course, Pigs.

Resembling that of a secret agent carrying top secret files, CWO McDougall arrived with a briefcase chained shut and padlocked around his wrist with the final results. Small Forklift - 3 way tie between 1 Air Mov Sqn, 2 Air Mov Sqn and Masters; Large Forklift - West Air Mov Section; JAI - 2 Air Mov Sqn; Team Load Prep - 2 Air Mov Sqn; Team Load - 1 Air Mov Sqn; Mov Con Ex - West Air Mov Sec; Sports - Masters (unofficial), 2 Air Mov Sqn; Overall winner - 2 Air Mov Sqn.

Overall, this years Airlift Competition was a huge success. Thanks to everyone who participated and we hope to continue this great tradition in years to come! Until next year, push the pallet, eat the banana, and don't forget to breath!



Overall winners Team 2 AMU.

The Supply Line

By Maj D. L. Miller
Continued from 9 Dec 98

I'm told that in order to know where you are going you have to know where you've been, from where you've evolved. In Logistics we are no different. So where did we come from, where are we now, and where are we going? All good and interesting questions.

The Local Picture - The existing P1/P2 complex located at Kenaston and Taylor Avenue and known as Wing Supply came into being as No. 16 Regional Ordnance Depot (R.O.D.) on 1 January 1956. Prior to that time, units in the Winnipeg Area were supplied with materiel from No. 7 Area Ordnance Depot (A.O.D.), Winnipeg, which was located in Carpiquet Barracks on Keewatin Street.

The notification of the relocation of 16 R.O.D. from Regina, SK to Winnipeg was received in June 1954 and was part of the then new Regional Supply concept. At the same time, 7 A.O.D. was advised that their area function would be moved to Regina.

No. 16 R.O.D., although an NDHQ unit, was responsive to Prairie Command Headquarters (then located in Fort Osborne Barracks which subsequently became defunct 1 September 1959). The Depot carried out both a regional and area function and the Commanding Officer was also the Area Ordnance Officer. No. 16 R.O.D. was initially responsible for the supply of materiel to units throughout Saskatchewan and Manitoba as well as Units in Northern Ontario and as far east as Terrace Bay. This included providing materiel for No. 18 Company RCOC Churchill, 44 Central Ordnance Railhead, Shilo, and the Canadian Joint Air Training Centre in Rivers Manitoba.

In total there were some 130 Regular

and Militia Units being serviced by 16 R.O.D. and the Area Ordnance function. Included were annual unit verifications by supply staff who covered all units (approximately 80) in Manitoba and Northern Ontario areas. The R.O.D. was one of the biggest depots in Canada, carrying a stock of 28,000 line items worth up to \$30,000,000.

In 1967, with integration, the 'Base' concept was introduced throughout the CF and 16 R.O.D. as such ceased to exist; the areas of responsibility were reduced accordingly. The depot became the Base Supply Section and was responsible for materiel support to some 50 units, 40 Cadet Corps, and 250 distribution accounts. Such units were located in the area 'Winnipeg to Thunder Bay and as far north as Churchill'. The initial personnel complement of No. 16 R.O.D. was 173 personnel, all ranks. The Base Supply Section was slightly less due to the introduction of the Canadian Forces Supply System Mark 1.

In 1994, the 'Wing' concept was introduced throughout the Air Force and the Base Supply Section became the Wing Supply Section, responsible for the materiel support to a similar amount of units but with only 141 personnel. With the Air Command OPRAM reorganization, Wing Supply in 1998 now functions with 73 personnel (military and civilian) but has added the responsibilities of CFB Saskatchewan (128 distribution accounts) and the NORAD Outside Canada Units (9 in all).

Where are we going is anybody's guess. But one can be sure that there will always be a requirement for logistics in the military. What form it takes is yet another story. My crystal ball is on order, but there is no EDD.

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Promotions & Presentations



Left: BGen Steve Lucas, A3 Operations and Acting Commander is shown putting new rank epaulettes on Major Karen Tissot van Patot following the morning briefing on 1 December.



Right: Captain Lesley Mahon, the Air Reserve Flight Commander for 1 CAD/CANR HQ, receives her new Major rank from BGen Steve Lucas during a ceremony at the Billy Bishop Building in Winnipeg.

Photos by Sgt Dennis Mah



Right: Col D.C. McLennan, A1 Training, is shown congratulating Capt Don McLeod for earning his Master of Education degree conferred by the University of Manitoba at the Convocation, 22 October 1998.



Left: Col D.C. McLennan, A1 Training, congratulates newly promoted MWO Larry Rutt who is with Reserve Training Management.

The A-Team

By Capt Dave Masnyk
A3 Afd Sp O
17 Wg Operations

It's 0730 hrs Monday morning and everyone is gathered around the coffee pot looking as fresh as a daisy. Five minutes later, your office mate arrives looking like he had been partying all night. He tells you he was working in the Command Post (CP) aiding in the relief efforts to a flooded southern Manitoba community. You heard there was an emergency but you didn't think it affected the Wing.

There is a major exercise coming up and you have just been told that you will have to cover for your buddy because she is a member of the A-Staff. While she is living the good life of drinking coffee, eating donuts, playing computer games and going home early, you are having to cover for her, only getting half an hour lunch break, and maybe working a few minutes extra after work to catch-up.

Who are these mysterious A-Staff members & what do they do?

The 17 Wing A-Staff is the wing level manning of the CP aligned with the 1 CAD A-Staff (Air Staff). The A-Staff is responsible for the operation of the Wing and the coordination/ allocation of the Wings resources during times of tension or emergencies, as well as the passing/ coordinating of information concerning the emergency to higher HQ's and other agencies as required. The A-Staff are responsible for all the background efforts ranging from coordinating of 17 Wg emergency efforts, to directing personnel resources to aid in the evacuation of buildings,

to coordinating supplies and meals for flood relief efforts, etc.

The manning of the CP is broken down into two different levels of response: 17 Wing A-Staff consisting of representatives from 19 different sections/ branches of the Wing, and the Immediate Action Team (IAT) consisting of the 5 main branches of the Wing. Personnel chosen to fill A-Staff positions act as subject matter experts, aiding the CP Commander in formulating appropriate actions for dealing with any situation.

The A-Staff Commander is the Wing Operations Officer (A3). Working with him are representatives from the Personnel Branch (A1), Intelligence (A2), Operations and Readiness (A3), Logistics and Engineering (A4), Public Affairs and Legal (A5) and Telecommunications (A6). Whether the IAT or full A-Staff is called in, is depended upon the nature of the response and the resources the Wing is required to respond with. Normally incidents that require a limited response, without using a large amount of resources, will be handled by the IAT. The IAT was activated during the Swissair crash, as 17 Wing was required to have medical and airlift personnel on

standby in accordance with the 1 CAD Major Air Disaster Plan. Situations which affect wing facilities or situations requiring large amounts of resources such as disasters (floods, ice storms, etc), hijackings, or bomb threats to DND property, to name a few, require the full manning of the A-Staff.

The IAT is normally activated through the use of a pager system. This electronic leash requires all IAT members to be able to respond to the CP within an hour (day or night, weekday or weekend) of being called out. Once activated, the A3 Ops O will determine whether there is a requirement for the full team, or strictly the IAT. As well, he/she will determine if there is a requirement to operate the CP in excess of 12 hrs. If there is a need to operate in excess of 12 hrs (as was demonstrated during EX Vigilant Guardian, and Op Assistance - the Manitoba Flood Relief), the alternate A-Staff will be called in. Normal shifting is 12 on 12 off for the duration.

Once activated, the A-Staff members have the authority of the position they represent, ie: the A4 LOG rep has the authority of the Wing Log O in all required CP actions and over all personnel

within the W Log Branch. This authority applies to all members of the A-Staff.

17 Wing members can sleep easy knowing the A-Team is ready and able to respond to any

threat that may affect the Wing.

Upcoming engagements of the A-Staff include the Pan-Am Games (summer of 99) and Op Abacus (winter of 00 (2000 for non-Y2K pers)).

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OPERATION	COUNTRY	PERS DEPL
Op Danaca	Golan Heights	9
Op Palladium	Bosnia	4
Op Calumet	Egypt	1
Op Echo	Italy	1
Op Guarantor	Macedonia	4
Op Migration	Oustide Canada	1
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Indiv Tasking*		2
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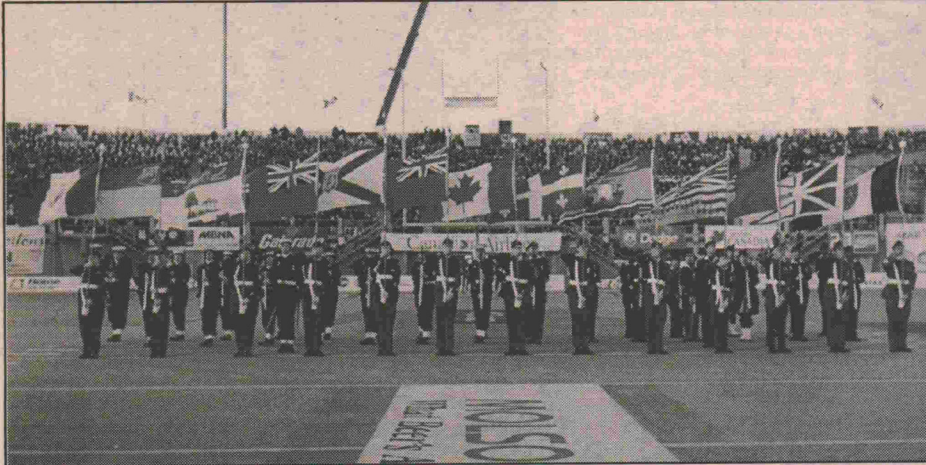
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Members of the Canadian Forces, Air, Army and Navy Cadets, SkyHawks and Snowbirds were once again involved in the pre-game ceremonies of the 86th Grey Cup game held at the Winnipeg Blue Bomber Stadium, 22 Nov 98. Grey Cup '98 was played between the Calgary Stampeders and the Hamilton Tiger Cats.



Capt Jim Scott, captain of the SkyHawk precision military parachute team prepares to hand over the game ball to official Jake Ireland. Photos by Sgt D. Mah, 1 CAD

Together in Church



CATHOLIC

CHAPLAIN: Father Joe MacLean 833-2500 ext. 5272
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Padre Tess Drabick 833-2500 ext. 5349
SECRETARY: Carol Cochrane 833-2500 ext. 5087
MASSES: Sat 5 PM, North Chapel
 Sun 9 AM, North Chapel & Sun 11 AM South Chapel

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Religious Education classes are available to all students from Preschool to Grade 6. Please call the office for information on registration.
CONFESSIONS: The sacrament of reconciliation is offered by appointment. Contact the Chaplain's office.
BAPTISMS: We recommend that you contact the Chaplain's office for an appointment prior to the birth of your child.
WEDDINGS-MARRIAGES: Contact the Chaplain at least six months in advance. A Marriage Preparation Course is a requirement.
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 1900 Hrs alternating between the North and South Chapel Annexes.

PROTESTANT CHAPLAINS

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SECRETARY: Carol Cochrane - Office 833-2500 ext. 5087
SUNDAY SERVICES: 0900 Hrs South Chapel & 1100 Hrs North Chapel
 ACC Eucharist is sometimes offered at 1015 at the North Chapel. Check the weekly bulletin for dates.
SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School is held during the service for children ages 3 to 12. Childcare is provided on a required basis for children under 3 years of age.

MARRIAGES: Six months' notice is required for marriages as counseling is necessary to prepare couples for Christian marriage. A Marriage Preparation Course is also required.
BAPTISMS: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is available by contacting a chaplain. Time is required to give sufficient instruction about the meaning of baptism.
PROTESTANT LADIES' GUILD: The Guild meets the first Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in the North Chapel Annex. All women are welcome.

FOOD BANK: The Food Bank is a joint under-taking by both Catholic and Protestant congregations. Please help by giving any food you can spare. The donation box is located at the rear of the chapel.
DUTY CHAPLAIN: After normal working hours, the Duty Chaplain can be reached at 227-4751.
OTHER PHONE NUMBERS: For your convenience, a phone number has been set up to provide callers with information on service times and contact with the Chaplain of your choice. Phone 833-2500 ext. 6800 and follow the prompts.

Community Policing Corner

Two Winnipeg MPs join Canadian Forces in Honduras

LS Mary Blois and Cpl Maureen Roache of the 17 Wing Military Police deployed from 11 Nov to 13 Dec 1998 to Honduras in order to join the contingent of Canadian Forces soldiers sent to aid the people of Honduras suffering from the effects of Hurricane Mitch. LS Blois and Cpl Roache were attached to the Airfield Security Force (ASF). The ASF's main role was to provide security for Canadian assets deployed in Honduras. A few of the jobs performed by LS Blois and Cpl Roache were security of the airfield, equipment, and field hospital, as well as VIP security for the Minister of National Defence. One of the highlights of the tour was providing security for 427 Helicopter Squadron while they conducted food drops to the hurricane ravished areas.

On many occasions ASF members were dropped off in small villages where they would spend an entire day with local villagers while the helicopters made continuous food drops. It is here that it was easy to see the appreciation the Honduran people had for the Canadian soldiers and the work they were doing to ensure the population of Honduras received food and medical relief supplies. Unlike the rest of the contingent who stayed in local hotels, the ASF found abandoned military barracks, and soon the renovations had begun.

The ASF member's diets consisted of Individual Meal Portions (IMP). Many of the ASF members saved their juice crystals and fruit packs for the local villagers. As seen in the picture, the children would swarm the ASF members hoping to get a share of one of these saved treats.

One of the most significant tasks the ASF did for the Hondurans was sponsoring a home for wayward boys and rebuilding a village school. Every Monday the ASF members would visit the home for wayward boys, which consisted of 18 boys from the ages of 6 to 14. The ASF would play basketball, soccer and help feed the children. The children's excitement was easy to see as the time with the boys was filled with many hugs, snuggles, smiles and laughter, something that these children do not get much of. The ASF also rebuilt a schoolhouse that was destroyed by the hurricane. This task involved many long hours of painting, wood work and cleaning. The result was a clean and safe building. The work that the ASF members contributed to these two projects was conducted on their time off.

LS Blois and Cpl Roache feel that the mission was an overwhelming success. They are thankful they were able to have the opportunity to represent the Canadian Forces but more importantly help the people of Honduras.



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Commander of 1 CAD ...overheard

By 2Lt John Price
Deputy Wing PAffo

On Friday December 4, 1998 the Commander of 1 Canadian Air Division, Major-General Lloyd Campbell toured 17 Wing. He took this opportunity to visit a number of 17 Wing units including CFTMPC, Wing Supply, Wing Transport and CFS Met to name a few. He also stopped for lunch at the Officer's Mess where he spoke to the members in attendance. Not every member of the Wing was able to hear him speak. Below are some highlights from his speech:

ON CANADA'S AIRFORCE

"How deployable are we and what kind of an Air Force do we want," were the first two questions he asked.
"Those are issues we need to define and the money needs to be spent in the right areas", he explained. He mentioned that the money will be tight for the next few years to come, but we need to

find money to keep our aircraft current.

"We have yet to determine what kind of an Air Force we are trying to create", he said, "but if we want to be relevant to the population, we have to provide the resources to make it happen" he added.

He concluded by stating that "there are few air forces in the world that are as effective, deployable and capable as Canada's".

ON QUALITY OF LIFE

"People are the most expensive part of the puzzle", he mentioned while explaining that quality of life issues were now the top priority of the Department.

"1.5% [pay raise] doesn't seem like much in your pay guide", he said, "but it means 100 to 150 million from a Department point of view", he added.

All this said, he expressed optimism for the future. "I do believe we have a reasonable chance to find more money to invest in quality of life issues", he concluded.

ON PERSONNÉL

On this topic, MGen Campbell said that we often focus on things that are wrong but tend to forget talking about our strengths:

"We have one great bunch of people in this organization, both civilian and military", he said.

"If we compare ourselves to other air forces in the world, we have to realize we are good", he added, "give yourself a pat on the back. You don't get that enough. As your boss, I'm proud of you", he concluded.

During his visit to Wing Transport, MGen Campbell took the opportunity to present the following awards:

Right above: Cpl B.D. Naylor: Diploma of Achievement, Officer Professional Development Program.

Right below: Cpl S.L. Crowder: Airfield Special Purpose Vehicles Operator.

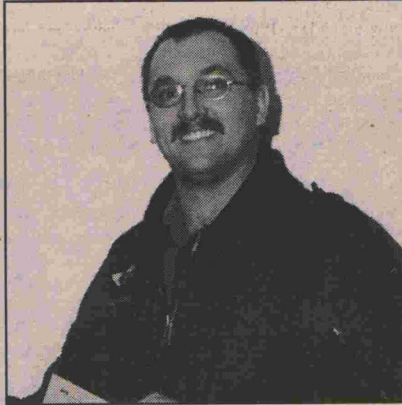
Photos by Cpl Dave Payne, 17 Wing Imaging



QOL appreciation awards



Cpl Mike Dutcher, Quality of Life member, presents a \$200.00 Appreciation Award to MCpl M.R. Maschio, 435 Squadron, on behalf of the 17 Wing Quality of Life Working Group.



Cpl Mike Dutcher, Quality of Life member, presents a \$200.00 Appreciation Award to MCpl S.P. Shrewsbury, 435 Squadron, on behalf of the 17 Wing Quality of Life Working Group.

MCpl Maschio and MCpl Shrewsbury were nominated by their unit for their dedicated professionalism which was demonstrated in the large task of developing a qualifying technical trade exam which is used to qualify all 500 series trade technicians.

MCpl Maschio and MCpl Shrewsbury came up with the idea of making two open book qualifying exams, they also came up with a bank of 312 questions from the 11 policy CFTOs which can be used to vary the exams. Due to a constricting time frame, much of the research had to be carried out on their own time. Presently 13

Air Force units across Canada utilize the exams to qualify their technicians.

Members of 435 Squadron felt this noteworthy accomplishment by these two dedicated MCpls made a significant contribution to a large part of the Air Force.



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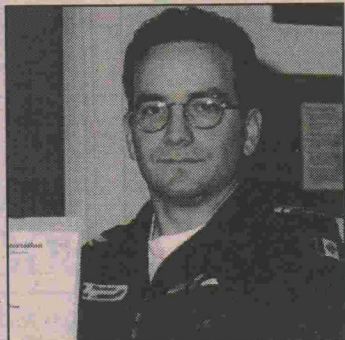


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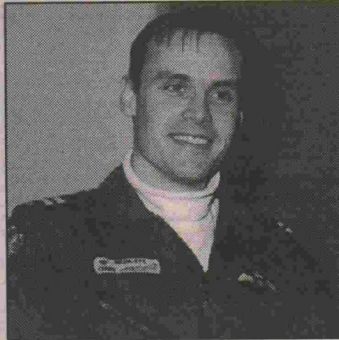


Staff Air Navigator Course 9802 Graduating Class

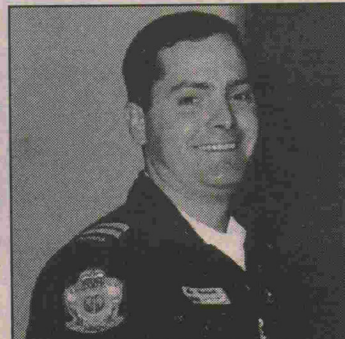
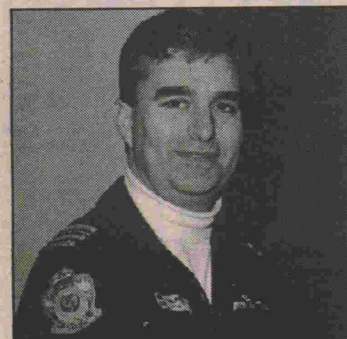
Left to right, back row: Capt Pete Jaeggi, Capt Kyle Rosenlund, Capt Scott Cursley, Capt Adam Chalmers, Capt Pat MacNamara, Capt Bernie Thorne, Capt Sylvain Collard, Capt Rob Albert, Capt Ken Rodzinyak, Capt Steph Morency, Capt Pascal Chouinard, Capt Anne-Renée Bouchard, Capt Eric Tabard. Front row: Capt Dave Cooper (SANC Stds), Capt Jim MacNair (SANC SC), Maj Grant Hughes (CStandO), LCol Steff Kummel (Cmdt), Maj Matt Halpin (Fit Comd), Capt Theo Heuthorst (Instructor), Capt Al McMillan (Course Director). Missing: Capt Doug Slaunwhite (Instructor).



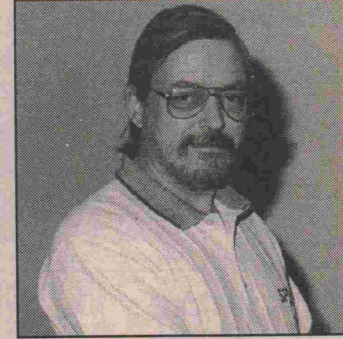
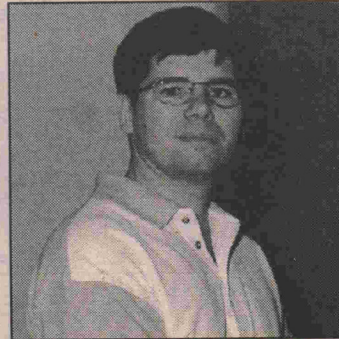
Capt Luc Guillette (left) and Capt Dave Proteau (right), CFANS United Way representatives, received letters of appreciation from the United Way of Winnipeg.



Capt Niemczyk (left) and Capt McGaney (right) received the Diploma of Achievement for successful completion of the Officer Professional Development program.



Maj Halpin (left) and Capt MacNair (right) receive their 'B' category Instructor Certificates.



Mr. Tim Keen (left) and Mr. Dale Johnson (right) receive Certificates of Appreciation for their work in implementation of the Transitional Tactical Awareness Trainer.



Maj Hughes accepts congratulations from LCol Kummel for his Master of Engineering degree from the University of Manitoba.



"Look at me!" Capt Steve Maude receives his Diploma of Achievement for the successful completion of the OPDP examinations.

CFANS PRESENTATIONS



CFANS Course 9706 Graduating Class

Left to right, back row: Lt Squires, Lt Hurlbut, Capt Slaunwhite (Course Director), Lt Hoddinott, Lt Poirier. Front row: Col VanRuiten (Honourary Col), Col Watt (WCmdr), BGen Findley (Reviewing Officer), LCol Kummel (CFANS Cmdt), Maj Trvant (Flt Cmdr).



The new BANC Serial 9804

Left to right, back row: 2Lt Ravenwood, 2Lt Lemieux, OCdt Soulard, OCdt Laurant, OCdt Faulkner. Front row: 2Lt Chapman, Capt Hebert, 2Lt Doyon-Gosselin



Congratulations to Lt Steve Hurlbut for receiving the coveted LCol K. Paul Trophy as the Top Student and Honour Graduate for Course 9706.



Congratulations to 2Lt Ryan Setter on receiving his Commissioning Scroll.



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Congratulations to Lt Donaldson. Enjoy the Sea King world.



Congratulation to Lt Venne on receiving your Graduation Certificate.



Congratulation Lt Joe Box on your graduation from CFANS.



Congratulations to Lt Cory Kwasny, a graduate from CFANS course 9707.



Lt Polycar is congratulated on her graduation from CFANS.



OCdt Bernie Barter receives the NATO Medal for service in the former Republic of Yugoslavia.



Capt Walton receives the medal for service in Somalia.



Capt Steve Maude receives the NATO FRY (former Republic of Yugoslavia) Medal from Col Watt.



Lt Lewick receives her Nav Wings from BGen Findley.

Commander's Commendations



Col T.F. Watt, WComd, presents Maj R. Kilburn of CFSAS with the 1 CAD Commander's Commendation for his exceptional performance which exceeded the responsibilities of the Canadian Air Liaison officer at the Coalition headquarters in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on OPERATION DETERMINATION. Maj Kilburn assumed a major role in air refueling scheduling and coordination for the entire theatre of operations. His efforts ensured the flawless integration of forces to meet rapidly changing mission requirements during a period of extreme tensions. He has truly embodied the core air force values of professionalism, excellence and teamwork. Maj Kilburn's performance, attitude and ability reflect great credit to the Canadian Forces.



Col T.F. Watt, WComd, presents Ms. Karen Jensen, secretary of the WO and Sgt's Mess (N) with the Wing Commander's Commendation for her outstanding support, above and beyond job requirements to the WO and Sgt's Mess. From Oct 96 to May 97, Ms. Jensen performed, in addition to her own, the duties of the Mess Manager. She has been and continues to be a mainstay of the organization and during times of under-staffing, her in-depth knowledge of mess administration has kept the organization from experiencing difficulties. In addition to these extra responsibilities, Ms. Jensen has always displayed a genuine interest in the mess, earning her the high respect of all members.

17 WING SPORTS

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Adult Co-Ed Volleyball

Every Monday night at Lipsett Hall, 'drop-in' from 1830 - 2000 hrs. Must have 17 Wing rec. card and be 18 years of age or older. For more information contact Carla Ryan, Community Rec. Directory at ext. 2059.

Aqua-Fit Classes

At Lipsett Hall Pool every Thursday from 1830 - 1930 hrs, instructed by Jill. Cost is \$3 per visit 'drop-in' fee. You must have a rec card. Call Carla at ext. 2059 for more information. **Please Note:** Tuesday night swim has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

Adult Swim

At Lipsett Hall, Thursday evenings, 1930 - 2030 hrs. Must have rec card. For more information, contact Carla at ext. 2059. **Please Note:** Tuesday night swim has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

Aerobics

At Lipsett Hall, Monday, Wednesday & Thursday nights, 1900 - 2000 hrs. Cost is \$4 per visit 'drop-in' fee or \$15 per month. Must have rec card. Call Christine at 888-9629 or Carla at ext. 2059 for more information.

Youth Indoor Soccer

At Lipsett Hall, Saturdays. Ages 4-6, 0930-1000 hrs; ages 7-9, 1015-1100hrs; ages 10-12, 1115-1200 hrs. Must have rec card. Call Carla at ext. 2059 for more information.

Judo... more than just pajamas

When an opponent throws you to the ground your entire life doesn't flash before your eyes - just the last mistake you made that shifted the balance of the match. At 17 Wing Judo Club our members have logged more 'air miles' than most pilots. Learning to choke, throw, arm-bar, or pin an opponent in a controlled setting is a great way to get to meet people. Judo also is a great aerobic exercise, can increase flexibility, and may improve your ability to defend yourself. For kids it provides self-confidence, discipline

and hands on martial arts training that have effects outside the class almost as impressive as the gains made on the mat. Judo is a Japanese martial art meaning the 'gentle way.' It is an Olympic sport with many clubs & numerous tournaments both across Canada & throughout the world. 17 Wing club offers training to youth or adults from beginner to advance at twice weekly practices. Everyone is encouraged to work at his or her own pace and safety is an important factor. Adults train with the kids for the first half of

the class and then it's adults only after the kids leave. The club has a turnover of members throughout the year due to postings and courses of military members, so newcomers are welcome at any time, not just at the beginning of the year. 17 Wing Club is a friendly atmosphere where the goal of the participants is to learn Judo and improve physical fitness. For more information contact John Price at 833-2500 ext. 2117. Where: Westwin Community Centre (Bldg 89) Room 2. Mondays: 7:30 & Thursdays: 7:00 Kids (ages 10 & up) finish at 8:30; Adults stay till 9:30. Cost: Kids \$32 a year with rec card Adults \$58 a year with rec card.



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Herc Challenge

Hard, extreme, rugged competition it was. The first ever Winter Herc Challenge took its toll on 11 competitors on Friday the 27th of November. It was +10 degrees celsius and no snow to be found

anywhere but that didn't matter because the 10 event, 1.5km obstacle course was challenging enough. The HERC Challenge got under way with Col Palmer and CWO Smith sawing the first log

and officially opening the Challenge. Thank you both for showing your support.

The competition consisted of log sawing, crawling under tarps, carrying medicine balls, pulling a weighted sleigh, carrying gerry cans filled with water, pushing a canoe, throwing tires through the football uprights, moving a tire on a table with a sledge hammer, pushing a football blocking apparatus and finally doing a 363m run with snowshoes. To make it even a little more challenging the competitors had to do the competition in combats and mukluks.

Even though there were only 11 competitors the Herc Challenge was still a success. The Fitness & Sports staff would like to thank and congratulate everyone for competing and also thank those

for coming out and supporting the competitors.

An extended congratulations to MCpl Ray McCoy for finishing third with a time of 12min 9sec, to Sgt Roger Moroni for finishing second with a time of 11min 49sec, and to MCpl Geordie Cheeseman for finishing first with a time of 10min 31sec. Unfortunately we only have one female competitor to congratulate, Cpl Caroline Abgral, our 1998 Women's Herc Challenge

Champion. Great job Caroline.

For those of you who didn't make it out to compete or to watch, you will have another opportunity in June for our Summer Herc Challenge.

Thanks again to those who competed and who came out to cheer on the competitors. See you in June.

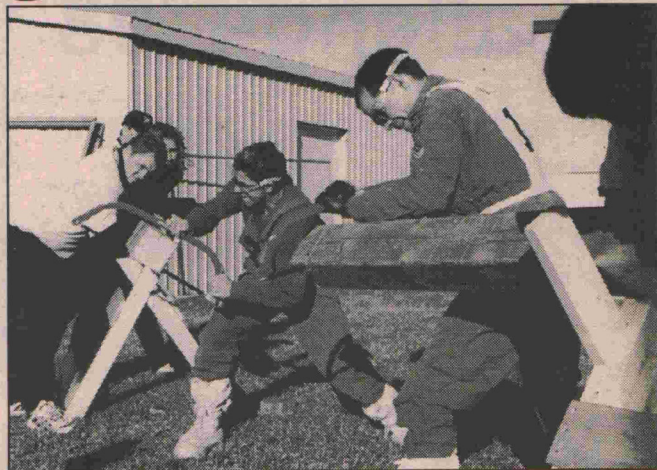
CHALLENGES:

"Accept the challenges so that you may feel the exhilaration of victory"



Back row, left to right: F & S Dir. Mr. Al Brazeau, Cpl Geordie Cheeseman, Cpl Joe Ryan, Cpl Paul Lafosse, Cpl Jay Lajoie, Cpl Caroline Abgral, Fit. Instr. Frank Charest, Sgt Roger Moroni, MCpl Ray McCoy, Cpl Scott Southwell, Cpl Sean McKeown, Cpl Rohan Wilson.

Front row, left to right: Sports Coord. Chris Merrithew, Fac. Coord. Andy Oxley, Fac. Coord. Rick Phillips, Volunteer Shauna Eggertson, Fit. Instr. James Follette, Fit. Instr. Jodi Peckover, Fit. Instr. Shauna Leduchowski, Fit. Instr. Don Mills, Fit. Coord. Lori Ann Mundt, Fac. Coord Chris Ouimet. Photo by Sgt D. Mah, 1 CAD



Competitors: Sgt Roger Moroni & MCpl Ray McCoy. Photo by Sgt D. Mah, 1 CAD

The Legend continues...

For many people the term Kung Fu brings to mind bald headed monks in flowing robes. Engaged in combat, they appear to be unbeatable and impervious to harm. Various forms of media portray this image and there are those who profess to teach magical levels of personal development through some form of Kung Fu. Although there are many benefits to learning Kung Fu, catching a bullet in your teeth or leaping tall buildings in a single bound are not included.

Most modern Martial Arts are based at some level on original Kung Fu perfected by the Shaolin Monks of Hanon Province in

China centuries ago. Based on animal movements, Kung Fu is a very effective means of self-defense. Praying Mantis Kung Fu, available through the 17 Wing Kung Fu Club, is based on the movements and strategies of the Praying Mantis insect. 300 years ago, Wong Long (a Chinese patriot boxer) developed Praying Mantis Kung Fu. He introduced it to the Shao-Lin temple where the monks were so impressed that they further

helped Wong to perpetuate this unique style of martial art. They combined Wong's technique, with the footwork of the monkey, and created what is today one of the many systems of Northern Praying Mantis Boxing. This system of self-defence deals not only with unarmed techniques but also the use of various Chinese weapons such as the pole or staff, and the long handled broadsword to name just a couple. People interested in learning this particular style of self-defence should be aware that training with weapons can only commence after mastering the many unarmed techniques which can take years of training.

The 17 Wing Kung Fu Club is newly formed and we wish to expand by seeking military members who are interested in training in a vigorous and physically demanding atmosphere. Anyone interested must be aware that our emphasis is on self-defense and personnel development. We do not train for sport. Our instructor Sifu Ken Deren is a 4th Level Black Sash, Member of the Martial Arts Hall of Fame and instructor of Kung Fu and Tai-Chi for the Chinese Institute of Language, Culture and Arts.

Training is physically demanding, however, technical teaching is done in a very relaxed manner and all students train together regardless of experience level. Training uniforms (black sweat pants with white t-shirt and running shoes) can be acquired at any retail outlet for low cost. We currently train at the Westwin Community Center on Sunday's 1300-1600 hrs and St. Charles Range Pavilion on Thursdays 1900-2200 hrs. There is no charge for interested individuals who wish to drop in and view a training class.

Anyone looking for a rewarding challenge come and

check us out. For more info please contact myself Sgt. Roy Croucher (Club President) at ext. 5661 or Carla Ryan (Recreational Director) at ext. 2059.

As a further point of interest,

individuals who may wish to learn a much gentler and less physically demanding form of Kung Fu, the club also offers training in Tai-Chi at Bldg 21, Monday nights 2000 hrs - 2130 hrs.



Sifu Ken Deren, on the right, and senior student El Stamatakos training with Chinese staff and broadsword.

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During the week of 1-7 November 98, the International Competition for Military Law Enforcement and Security Professionals, known as Defence Challenge, was held at Lackland Air Force base and involved our military police.

It gives me tremendous pleasure to announce that our Military Police Team, composed of personnel from across the Wings, won the prestigious Sadler Cup, which is considered the premier event of the competition. The Cup combines lead-

ership, tactics, marksmanship and fitness and involved MP forces from the USAF, RAF and CF.

I wish to congratulate the team for its gold medal performance. You have represented the Air Force in outstanding fashion and have achieved professionalism, excellence and teamwork.

LGen D.N. Kinsman
Chief of the Air Staff

Reading Corner

Library Hours: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Monday to Thursday; 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday.

The New Year has begun and we have a new selection of books.

Youth Fiction: Mary-Kate and Ashley Adventures, 9 mysteries to help solve. Brian Jacques, **The Long Patrol** (a Redwall Tale). Judy Blume, **Here's to You, Rachel Robinson and Superfudge**. John Danakas, **Hockey Heroes, Hockey Night in Transcona** and **Lizzie's Soccer Showdown**. Sandra Birdsall, **The Town that Floated Away**. Five new adventures with William Bell. Lynne Reid Banks, **Harry the Poisonous Centipede, Angela and Diabola** and **Moses in Egypt**. K.A. Applegate with three Animorph stories to

set your imagination on fire. Mary Pope Osborne, **Dinosaurs Before Dark**, A **Magic Tree House** story.

Adult Fiction: Danielle Steel, **The Klone and I** and **Mirror Image**. Barbara Erskine, **On the Edge of Darkness**. David and Leigh Eddings, **The Riven Codex**. Toni Morrison, **Beloved** and **The Bluest Eye**.

February is National Reading Month. Come and check out our selection of books. Read to someone this month...a child, your spouse or someone who cannot. During the month of February, we will be encouraging people to join us Wednesday evenings to read for anyone who is interested in hearing. Come on out from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

MFRC ANNOUNCEMENTS

MILITARY FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE, 350 Doncaster Street, Winnipeg MB, R3N 1W8 489-7003

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

The Military Family Resource Centre offers children's programs at two locations.

Lipsett Hall Children's Centre is located on the south side & the Westwin Children's Centre is on the north side.

Both centers are licensed nursery schools. They are licensed through the provincial government. The Manitoba government is a strong supporter of childcare and facilitates quality childcare with strict regulations and follow up inspections. Both centers are subject to regular health and fire inspections. The staff are trained in early childhood education and are all certified in first aid.

MFRC CHILD CARE CO-OP

Want to be able to go shopping, attend a party or just an outing without having to pay a babysitter? Here's how...JOIN THE MFRC CHILD CARE CO-OP.

We're a group of parents who exchange parenting services at NO CHARGE. Basic guidelines, monthly meetings (kids welcome) and membership conditions keep the co-op running smoothly. Members have a military police check done.

For more information, contact the MFRC at 489-7003. We're always looking for new members.

PARENTING PROGRAMS

For more information call Victoria Lambert, Coordinator, 489-7003

SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION & SUPPORT GROUP

will meet once a month on the first Wednesday evening of the month, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the Military Family Resource Centre. If you are differently-abled or someone in your family is, please join us. Our next meeting will be February 3. For more information, contact Victoria.

NEW & EXPECTANT MOMS GROUP

Join us at the MFRC on the first Wednesday afternoon of the month from 1:00-3:00 p.m. This group is for expectant parents, new parents and babies under one year old. A public health nurse will be available to do healthy baby checks. We will meet ONCE PER MONTH. Next meeting is February 3. For more information, contact Victoria.

DEVELOPING CAPABLE PEOPLE

Teaching adults how to assist children and teens reach their full potential. A full group is currently running - for inquiries regarding the next available session, contact Victoria.

PARENT'S MORNING

Tuesday mornings, 9 - 11 a.m. at Westwin Community Centre.

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PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

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QUALITY OF LIFE PROGRAMS

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TAX IMPLICATIONS FOR SELF EMPLOYED & HOME BASED BUSINESS OWNERS

This is an informative seminar for small business owners and those who are self employed. Business vehicles, repair bills, lease payments, gas bills, small tools, long distance phone bills...how much is a write off? Computers for your business, promotion/marketing expenses and bad debt expenses are a few of the topics that will be discussed.

Westwin Community Centre - February 16th - 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Cost for the seminar is \$10. Please register NLT February 9th.

YOUTH SERVICES

Please Note: All programs sponsored by the Youth Service are offered on a pre-registered basis ONLY. If there are less than 6 people registered for a program the program will be cancelled. This does not include the Afterschool Club or the Teen Drop-In program.

YOUTH TREK '99

This year's Trek is to Calgary. We need a minimum of 6 youth to attend (maximum of 12). If you are between the ages of 10 and 14 and would like to go, please have your parent contact Diane Brine, Youth Services Coordinator at 489-7003. The cost of the trip is \$50 plus transportation fee. Payment must be made by 1 May 1999.

KIDZONE

January 17 - Mini Golf at the Golf Dome on Wilkes Avenue. We will be going to play a round of mini golf at the "Dome". Cost is \$1.50 per person. Pre-register ASAP.

February 7 - Cyclone Basketball at the Wind Tunnel (Convention Centre) at 2 p.m. We will car-pool from the Youth Centre. Cost is \$4 per person. Pre-register by January 24th.

BABYSITTERS COURSE

This course offers basic instruction in first aid, fire safety and childcare. Participants must be 12 years old to attend. All three sessions must be attended to complete the course.

Westwin Community Centre

Wednesdays, March 3rd and 10th, 5:45 - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 13, 9:45 - 3:00 p.m. Cost for the course is \$8. To register call 489-7003 or stop in at the main office of the MFRC at 350 Doncaster Street. Registrations must be in no later than February 19th.

A success story in progress

By 2 PPCLI/Maint O

As I reviewed the "AIR COMMAND AND THE ENVIRONMENT" brochure published a few years ago, I was impressed by the effectiveness of 17 Wing Environmental Cell in realizing the vision of Command Headquarters. How so much was done in so little time is noteworthy. The aforementioned brochure covered five areas as follows:

- **Air Command and the Environment:** described the commitment to protect our environment and implementing "green" initiatives;
- **Restoration and Remediation of the Past:** Worst - First approach. A lot of "clean-up" work has happened in the last 3 yrs to correct environmental contaminated sites and deficiencies;
- **Compliance & Stewardship in the present:** (1993) 17 Wg Environmental Baseline Study outlined the problems. Almost all of these issues, many being a major project on their own, have been corrected in less than 5 years;
- **Prevention and assessment for the future:** in 1998, \$670K for Incremental Environment program and \$30K for Sustainable Development Strategy (SDS) for pollution prevention initiatives and centrally coordinated replacement of ODS fridges;
- **Communication and training activities:** CF Sensitization sponsored Spill Response training and Environmental Officer courses.

At 17 Wing, the mission is being accomplished by having the responsibility centralized in a dedicated task force to provide expertise and deal with the issues that result from the vision; Environment programs are assigned sufficient resources to meet their purposes resulting in achievement of the mission.

Getting the tools to do the work is very motivating at unit level and reaffirms the commitment made by higher command. The environment cell provides timely results and supports units in meeting their goals. Once major issues are resolved, the mission will be accomplished because proper personnel and financial resources were allocated to the tasks from the start.

In a few years, we will look back at this program and, like ACES, will regard it as one of the great success stories of the Canadian Forces in implementing a vision.



17 Wing Environmental Cell, headed by Scott Edwards, giving part of the \$12,000 order of Pollution Prevention equipment to 2PPCLI Environment Officer.

QOL Award



Col W.F.G. Koch, CO of 1 CAD HQ, looks on while Capt Cathy Priestman, Quality of Life member, presents a \$200.00 Appreciation Award to MWO S.M. Black, A4 Log 1 CAD HQ, on behalf of the 17 Wing Quality of Life Working Group. MWO Black was nominated for her outstanding work in organizing and coordinating this year's RUN FOR THE CURE on behalf of all military and civilian members of 17 Wing Winnipeg. Members of 1 CAD felt MWO Black went above and beyond in leading team AIRFORCE to a most successful end.

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Dan Naylor of Wing Transportation receives his promotion to Capt from LCol K. Newnham, W Log 0 & Maj J. Labrie, W Tn O.



Thank you to all personnel who supported the 17 Wg Tn Sq Clock Raffle! Maj Bob Stark received an early Christmas present when his name was drawn as the winning recipient. Pictured here (l to r): Maj Labrie, W Tn O; Maj Stark; MCpl Page, clock craftsman; Cpl Todd, raffle coordinator.

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Scouts need your help

Scouting at 17 Wing is urgently in need of volunteers to organize and supervise the Group's activities. Without volunteers, the Group is in danger of ceasing activity.

Over the past three years, dwindling numbers of both leaders and participants enrolling in the Scouting program at 17 Wing necessitated several radical changes. The first was the combining of two existing Groups, the 51st and the 104th, into the 17 Wing Scouts Group, to eliminate duplication of accounting and administration. The second was choosing which Scouting District the Group would report to. The geographic location of 17 Wing straddles two Scouting Districts, Tuxedo and Bannytine, and it was

decided that the Group would locate in the more northerly Bannytine District.

Now with the Group streamlined and in sound financial shape, a lack of leaders threatens its existence. While postings and conflicting obligations and commitments have decimated our leadership, the interest in Scouting displayed by the children of the 17 Wing community remains! It would truly be a sad thing if volunteers could not be found to continue the Scouting program here - but to date, that is the case.

It is important to keep Scouting alive at 17 Wing. The Scouting movement evolved from the vision and drive of Lord Baden-Powell, himself a military man, over 90 years ago. Scouting has a

long history at CFB Winnipeg and 17 Wing. While Scouting is not a paramilitary movement, military personnel can add a valuable dimension to the program by drawing on their training and experience.

The Scouting program can be successful and very rewarding for both leaders and children but without immediate volunteer support, Scouting will cease to exist on 17 Wing. Please, if you have some time, volunteer to be a leader. With your help, we can keep Scouting alive at 17 Wing. Do it for our kids.

Contact the Group Committee Chairperson, Maj Mick Conway, at ext. 2453 or at home 488-1439 for more information.

Whole Life workshop

By Lt(N) Donna Dynes

The first workshop was held at the Canadian Force Recruiting Centre at the end of November. The Recruiting Centre requested a half-day program, concentrating on stress management and communication skills. Here's what participants had to say:

"I found the communication workshop the most useful because now I will be able to communicate better with my peers and children/husband."

"I found the workshop the most useful because now I will be able to communicate my thoughts/wishes more effectively and understand how others want their needs known."

"With this workshop I've learned how to relax and not worry about things I don't have control of."

"If I were running this session, I wouldn't change a thing."

The workshop was run at a location and time chosen by the CFRC, using their chosen topics and duration.

Your workplace can also benefit from a Whole Life Workshop. Topics include those given above, as well as Trends in Nutrition, Conflict Management, Anger Management, Home Security, Impaired Driving, Transitions, Dealing with Conflict, Budgeting, Fitness and Healthy Lifestyle, Substance Abuse, How to Talk to Your Doctor, etc. The sky's the limit! Virtually any topic that can be presented to a group will be accommodated to the best of our abilities.

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Meteorological Technician QL3 Serial 9801 Graduation

Left to right, back row: Sgt Dwyer, Pte Wells, Cpl Stevenson, Cpl Prost, Pte Donner, Cpl Cleary, Pte Graham, Cpl Fontaine, MCpl Sigurdson. Centre row: Sgt Vivian, Pte Bell, Cpl Smith, Pte Skulech, Cpl Raper, Pte Hardiman, Cpl George, Pte McAuley, MCpl McLellan. Front row: CWO Houde, WO Beaudoin, Mr Brown, LCol Kummel, CWO Boivin, MWO Van Acker.



CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

LCol Doyle presenting Sgt Pitts with CFS Met's Certificate of Achievement. Sgt Pitts received this award for attaining the highest academic standing while on course.



CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Pte Hardiman, a recent graduate of the Meteorological Technician QL3 course 9801, receives the Certificate of Achievement from LCol Kummel. The Certificate of Achievement is presented to the student who has attained the highest academic standing while on course.



PROMOTION AND APPOINTMENT

LCol Doyle and Mr Brown (Comdt) presents CWO Houde with his new rank and appointment as the CFS Meteorology School Warrant Officer, as witnessed by the retiring CWO Anderson.



SOMALIA MEDAL PRESENTATION

LCol Doyle presents MCpl Sigurdson-Hanna with the Somalia Medal. MCpl Sigurdson-Hanna was employed as the Navigator's Yeoman while serving as a crew member of HMCS Preserver in 1993 while in theatre of operations.

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