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BRANCH UPDATE

COMMENTS FROM YOUR BRANCH CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER

CWO Crystal Krammer, Branch CWO



Well we are almost three months into 2017 and the Branch has already experienced a very busy start. The month of March will bring with it a lot of excitement, angst, stress and disappointment for some as we are gearing up for PER and posting season. With this time of year we need to prepare ourselves for the excitement and turmoil it could bring. Posting season affects all of us from one degree to another, you may be losing a close friend to a posting or you yourself need to prepare your family for that move. Just remember that there are not too many people that like change, but it truly is about how you look at it and what you make of it. Now is the time to start preparing your family for an eventual move, commence the talk and look forward to the good side of change. Remember during this time to check your buddy's back, and provide the support and motivation that they need to be successful with their next challenge.

As always, we have a lot of folks doing amazing things whether on deployed operations, patrols or employed in specialized areas. The Military Police Branch cannot be successful without all of you pulling on the rope at the same time. For this, I thank you for making this Branch a professional and recognized force within the greater CAF. In keeping up with tradition, the Jr and Snr MP of the Year nominations will be made by your CoC by the 26th of Feb, and the board will sit in early March. This year's winners will attend the Mess Dinner at the MP Symposium on 11 May 17, and will sit at the head table with BGen Delaney and myself, along with other notable guests.

I am looking forward to the new fiscal year and budget so I can get out and see as many of you as possible during my tenure as your Branch CWO. As always I remain open for candid discussion on how we can make this Branch better and move it forward supporting the future needs of the CAF and the community. Once again thank you for working so hard in demanding circumstances, the Op Tempo will not slow down. Take care of yourself mentally and physically as we need all of you in the fight to succeed. I would like to give a special shout out to those of you who are deployed away from home right now and thank you for your sacrifices.

Until next time, keep your chin up, and soldier on. I am extremely proud of you!

ITEMS OF INTEREST

CANADIAN MP HONOURED BY SENEGAL AND FRANCE

Lt(N) Blake Patterson, CF MP Gp PA

A long-time member of the Canadian Forces Military Police recently received international recognition for his service as a Defence attache.

On December 19, 2016, the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff, Vice-Admiral Mark Norman, presented MP member LCol Guy Savard with the Senegalese National Order of Lion (Commander) and the "Médaille de la Défense nationale" for his outstanding work as the Canadian Defence Attaché Senegal during the past five years.



*Vice Chief of the Defence Staff, Vice-Admiral Mark Norman, presents a medal to Lieutenant-Colonel Guy Savard during a small presentation ceremony held at the National Defence Headquarters on 19 December 2016, in Ottawa, ON.
Photo: Corporal Michael MacIsaac, Canadian Forces Support Unit (Ottawa) - Imaging Services*

“LCol Savard’s recognition is truly fitting of an officer who has served his country with distinction and who has brought immense pride to all members of the MP Branch,” said Brigadier-General Robert Delaney, Canadian Forces Provost Marshal and Commander of the Canadian Forces Military Police Group.

The National Order of Lion is an honour bestowed sparingly by the Senegalese government (in order not to dilute the honor of the Order) to recipients in recognition of their distinguished service to Senegal. The medal has been given only since 1960 and the recipient list is very small. In receiving the honour, LCol Savard joins a select company including Aga Khan IV, Salim Ahmen Salim, Juan Carlos I of Spain and Albert II Prince of Monaco, to name a few.

The Médaille de la Défense nationale is a French military decoration. It was created by Charles Hernu, Minister of Defence and established by decree on April 21, 1982. Although it is predominantly given to members of the French military, it can be given under exceptional circumstances as well. LCol Savard was given the honour in recognition of his service to both Canada and France while posted in Senegal.

“Please join me in congratulating LCol Savard on his prestigious awards,” said BGen Delaney.

MPs RESPOND FOR OPERATION LENTUS



*Master Corporal Jennifer Cossette, 3 Military Police Detachment Canadian Division Support Base Gagetown, directs members of 4th Artillery Regiment (General Support) to remove fallen tree branches and damaged trees that could cause a safety concern in Shippagan NB during Operation LENTUS in the Acadian Peninsula of New Brunswick on January 31, 2017.
Photo: WO Jerry Kean, 5 Cdn Div Public Affairs*

CANADIAN FORCES PROVOST MARSHAL VISITS OP CALUMET

*Lt(N) Maj Michael J. Lemire, Provost Marshal, Multinational Force and Observers
Sinai, Egypt (South Camp)*

Canadian Forces Provost Marshal (CFPM) BGen Robert Delaney visited with members of the Force Military Police Unit (FMPU) in Sinai, Egypt, in November to observe first-hand how deployed MP personnel contribute to the MFO mandate.

BGen Delaney, accompanied by LCol Dan Dandurand (CF MP Gp COS Ops) and CF MP Gp CWO Eric Saint-Pierre visited FMPU on November 7-9, 2016. While there, the CFPM and his team visited Forward Operating Base North (FOB-N) and South Camp, the two locations within the Sinai out of which members of FMPU operate.

In meetings with MGen Denis Thompson (MFO Force Commander) and Col Geoffrey Norman (MFO Chief of Staff), BGen Delaney was delighted and very pleased to hear that the Canadian Forces Military Police have brought a professional and very capable brand of policing to the MFO.

BGen Delaney, LCol Dandurand and CWO Saint-Pierre were also able to meet with the Canadian MP on several occasions. During a 'town hall' meeting, they briefed on Branch activities and projects, and FMPU MP received answers to questions they put forward.

The visitors had the opportunity to observe some of the capabilities within the MFO that included a windshield tour of South Camp, a static display of the South Camp Response Team (SCRT) armoured vehicles.

They also were given a demonstration by the FMPU American, Military Police Dog Handlers who are attached to the FMPU. For the amusement of all in attendance, a lone Canadian MP volunteered to wear the protective suit and fall victim to the dog's capability and powerful jaws by playing the role of the bad guy attempting to escape custody.

In addition to meeting with FMPU members, the visitors were able to brief all available Canadians at South Camp on CAF wide initiatives. The visit concluded with a march around the perimeter of the camp and a range shoot just to shake off the rust that the rigors of the office may sometimes induce.



From left: FMPU US Army MWD Handler, LCol Dandurand, BGen Delaney, CWO Saint Pierre, WO Douglas Bumstead, Maj Lemire, FMPU MWD Handler and his K9 JERRY

DEFENCE MINISTER VISITS MP IN MIDDLE EAST



Harjit Sajjan, Minister of National Defence, visited members of the CAF Task Force El-Gorah, OP CALUMET at South Camp Egypt, on December 21 -23, 2016. The Minister spent time with members of the Force Military Police Unit (FMPU). As well as meeting FMPU members, the Minister was shown the unit capabilities used to provide 'Front Line Policing' to the Multinational Force and Observers mission. While in the region, the MND also took time to visit MPs deployed on Op IMPACT as part of the Middle East Stabilization Forces to provide policing and security support to CAF operations in Kuwait and Iraq. During the visit, the MP unit was one of only a few units to receive an MND coin.

CANADIAN ARMY TRAINING UKRAINIAN MILITARY POLICE AT OP UNIFIER

Steven Fouchard, Army Public Affairs

A Canadian Army officer says efforts to bring the Armed Forces of Ukraine up to speed on NATO military policing practices as part of Operation UNIFIER (Op UNIFIER) have been a great success.

Op UNIFIER is the name of Canada's contribution to an ongoing multinational training mission that is building capacity in the Armed Forces of Ukraine. Canadian troops have been on the ground there since the summer of 2015 as Joint Task Force-Ukraine, sharing their expertise in a wide range of soldiering skills.

Major Greg Losier recently returned to his position at the Canadian Army Doctrine and Training Centre in Kingston, Ontario, after spending several weeks leading a team charged with training Ukrainian troops in various aspects of military policing.

In the following interview, Maj Losier discusses the challenges of the task, the enthusiasm of both his team and the trainees, and the role of the international military policing family.

What is the context of the military policing aspect of Op UNIFIER?

The Ukrainians have something called the Military Law and Order Service. It's a nascent military police capability that stood up just a few years ago. It's a bit different culturally compared to what we're used to in a Western military. The old Soviet structures didn't really have fulsome military police and investigative capabilities per se, and the Ukrainians were sort of a product of that culture.

Our main effort is training in proper use of force and personal protection so that they can become more interoperable with NATO in the future. And we've also provided a military police investigation course. Ukraine is actually collaborating with Poland and Lithuania to put together a brigade structure with a platoon of field-capable military police from each of the three countries.

What did the training consist of?

I was appointed as the team lead back in April, and I had the luxury of being able to assemble and hand-pick a very competent team. There were eight members of our team, five military police and three non-military police to provide us support.

Training consisted of a variety of lectures, practical scenarios to support the lectures, and some additional exercises. So we would do theory, demonstration, and then we'd go out and practice in the actual deployed environment.

How would you describe the experience?

The Ukrainians took some of their best and brightest and put them together in this particular platoon so they could train and work together to eventually deploy in the NATO environment. What we had as a training audience was a group of very fit, very experienced, very capable and very motivated military police soldiers that were hungry to learn as much as they could about NATO.

It was an absolute pleasure to work with such a group of professionals. They are phenomenal soldiers in their own right, very well experienced. I was incredibly impressed with the group, all ranks within the group, with how keen and motivated they are to work towards this goal.

We delivered the training in three weeks. It was very gratifying to see the progress of a group from start to finish in such a short period of time.

What were the greatest challenges?

One of the biggest challenges we have is language. It's the Cyrillic alphabet, Ukrainian language, and of course Ukrainian and Russian are spoken interchangeably. I was able to get the services of a Ukrainian speaker and writer as well as a Russian speaker and writer to assist with translation of our curriculum.



Ukrainian Military Law and Order Service trainees prepare a vehicle checkpoint following a lesson by Canadian instructors during Operation UNIFIER in Ukraine. Photo: Joint Task Force – Ukraine

People can translate information but when it comes to technical language, military language, there's always a challenge to ensure that the translation is being done as well as possible. We mitigated that in large part by bringing our own linguistic support, actual military police and military police officers that understood the curriculum and that broke down most of the communication barriers right there.

The NATO military police community is, as hokey as it sounds, very much a family environment. And that was one of the things we really stressed upon with this group – to say, 'Folks you're now part of the military police family.' And once they saw they were part of this wider community, it really assisted in focusing the efforts on both sides to ensure that we would be able to work well together in the future, which is the ultimate goal.

STILL THE CHAMPS

Sgt Toby Scott, CFNIS

On 16 December 2016, the Colonel Commandant's Cup took place at the Minto Skating Centre in Ottawa. This annual ice hockey tournament included three MP teams from the NCR (officers, Sr NCMs and Jr NCMs) that challenged one another in a fun, yet competitive round-robin tournament.

Once again, the turnout was great with more than 40 MP members laced up their skates for their respective teams, while a very enthusiastic crowd showed its support. For the fifth straight year, the Sr NCMs came out on top, having once again bested the Jr NCMs in a very close final game which ended 3-2. A special thanks goes out to the volunteers who coordinated the event (MWO Deveau, Sgt Scott and Sgt Smith), the time keepers (Lt(N) Pyke, Sgt Leury, MS Innes), and especially the referees (LCol S. Vouligny and R. Heron). The tournament MVP was Sgt Boyer who scored the winning goal in the final game.



*Sr NCMs team, Champions. (Back Row) Asst. coach Sgt Nicholson, photo-bomber BGen Delaney, Coach MWO Courmoyer, MWO Paulin, CWO St-Pierre, MWO Smith, Sgt Comeau, Brigadier General (Retired) Peter Atkinson (Honorary Colonel Commandant of Canadian Forces Military Police), Sgt Scott, CPO2 Roulliard, MWO Deveau, Asst. Coach Clowe; (Front Row) CWO Krammer, Sgt Smith, Sgt Maille, Sgt Froese, Sgt Daigle, MWO Lambert, Sgt Boyer.
Photo: Sgt Leury*

15 MP COY BUSY DURING VETERANS' WEEK

WO Justin Hanson, 15 MP Company, 1 MP Regiment



Members of 15 MP Company, 1 MP Regt, enjoyed an impromptu photo with Alberta Premier Rachel Notley (centre) during a tour of the Alberta Legislature in Edmonton on November 10, 2016. Members included Cpl Christopher Auger (left), Cpl Bernie Fitterer, WO Justin Hanson and MCpl James Phillips.

It was a busy Veterans' Week for members of 15 MP Company, 1 MP Regiment, in Edmonton.

On Wednesday, November 9, 2016, WO Justin Hanson attended Bessie Nichols School in Edmonton to participate in two Remembrance ceremonies. He was very proud to march with a mixed honour guard consisting of students in various uniforms including scouts, guides and cadets, as well as a member of the Alberta Sheriffs department. WO Hanson spoke at both these ceremonies and the students were very receptive to the message and theme.

On Thursday, November 10, WO Hanson, MCpl James Phillips, Cpl Christopher Auger and Cpl Bernie Fitterer attended a ceremony at Grandin School, also in Edmonton. The MP formed an honour guard and marched behind the colour party which consisted of an EPS Constable, a retired Engineer MCpl, and again, various children in different uniforms. WO Hanson again spoke and Cpl Auger and Cpl Fitterer laid a wreath. The ceremony concluded with the MP members marching out of the ceremony and flanking the exit to the gym. All the students then

passed through and thanked the CAF members. The school staff was thankful for the MP participation as they have never been able to secure military involvement in the past.

After the ceremony on November 10, WO Hanson took his Company members on a short tour of the Alberta Legislature, as it was close to the school and good professional development. This tour resulted in an impromptu photo with the Premier of Alberta, Rachel Notley. The Premier thanked the members for their service, who were in turn thankful for the opportunity to meet her and tour the Legislature.

On Remembrance Day, as has become tradition, members of 15 MP Company joined the rest of 1 MP Regiment parading in the annual ceremony in Wetaskawin, Alberta, where the Regiment has the Freedom of the City.

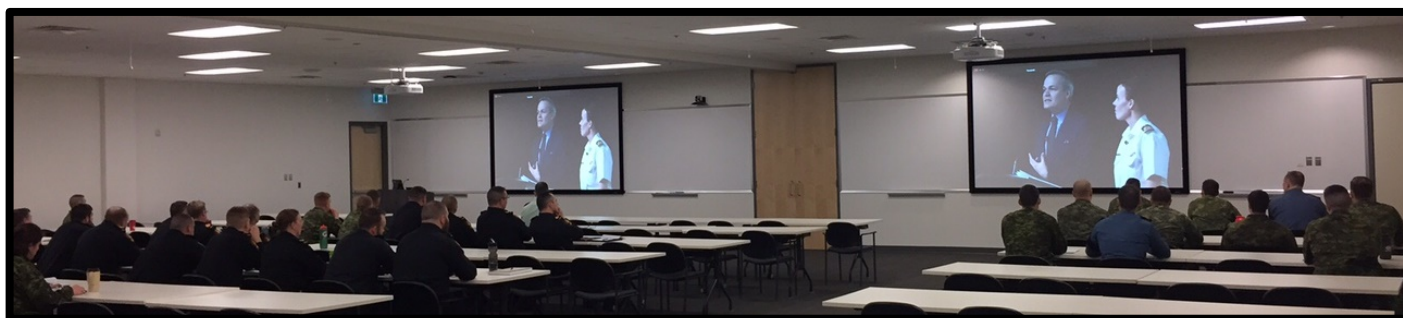
Major Paul King and CWO Richard Geals, the Command team of 1 MP Regiment, offered a well done to WO Hanson and the other members of 15 MP Company.

HONOURING BRAVERY AND LEADERSHIP



Sgt Jonathan L'Heureux salutes the grave of Cpl Filip Konowal V.C. during a Remembrance Day ceremony at Notre Dame Cemetery in Ottawa on November 11, 2016. Rather than attending the ceremony at the National War Memorial on Remembrance Day, members of the Military Police community in Ottawa took time again this year to remember the bravery and leadership of Cpl Konowal who was awarded our country's highest military valour decoration for his actions in the Great War. He is the only recipient of the Victoria Cross interred in Ottawa, and five years ago the MP took the lead to honour his legacy, pass on our gratitude and keep his legacy and memory alive.

BELL LET'S TALK



Leveraging the technology available in the Colonel Stone Building, Canadian Forces Military Police Academy (CFMPA) staff and students were able to listen in to the CAF, Bell Let's Talk Panel discussion held at NDHQ on January 25, 2017. CFMPA is committed to helping the members of the CF MP Gp build their resiliency skills through the continued instruction and development of the Road to Mental Readiness for Military Police.

Photo submitted by CFMPA

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE NETHERLANDS, THE CANADIAN WAY

Canadian Forces Morale and Welfare Services news article

On November 6th, an important hockey game took place in the Dutch town of Geleen between two competitive teams in the BeNeLiga league (Belgium Dutch EreDivisie): the LACO Limburg Eaters, the local team and the Bulldogs, a Belgian team from Liège. Entitled the **Knauf Wounded Warriors Charity Game** (Knauf being the corporate sponsor), the game, which the Eaters won 10–5, was a fun way to raise funds and awareness about ill and injured military members.

The mastermind behind this charity game was one of our own: Sgt Bradley Westerman, a CAF Military Police Officer and father of three posted to Geilenkirchen, Germany since 2014. You may not know his name, but Sgt Westerman is well-known in hockey circles in certain parts of Europe. A well-respected Canadian Armed Forces member by day, he has also been a valued competitive hockey player by night for the past couple of years. That's right! Until recently, Sgt Westerman was one of the few unpaid competitive players in the league, playing on the Limburg Eaters team. He decided to retire after this final charity game and will now be a volunteer assistant with the 1st Division team for youth development.



Sgt Bradley Westerman, CAF member and Limburg Eaters player, with a guest player and team mascot at the Knauf Wounded Warriors Charity Game (Nov. 6th, 2016).

Photo: Jan Hofstede

The event was a great success. The funds raised that night (\$5,500 CAD) were divided among three charities: 50% for Wounded Warriors NL, 25% for Wounded Warriors USA and 25% for our very own Soldier On program in Canada. The game also attracted over 1,000 spectators, many of whom were Canadians that travelled a great distance. The November charity game was actually the second one of its kind in Geleen. The first one was held in the previous off-season on April 30th against the GK Flyers, a recreational team consisting of Dutch, German, Canadian and American players, most of them affiliated with the military. Earlier that spring, Dave Sullot, GK Flyers player and former member of the Dutch Reserve army, approached Sgt Westerman to organize a fun post-season game between their two teams. This is when Sgt Westerman proposed to make it a charity game for the ill and injured. As the man himself puts it, "the focus I wanted to make as a player and a soldier was to get the word out."

Sgt Westerman's motivation is personal. Back in July 2009, he was deployed to Afghanistan and experienced first-hand the terrible consequences of war on the troops. While he was away on a day off, his team's armoured vehicle struck an improvised explosive device during a routine patrol. One of his fellow soldiers lost his life that day and several others were seriously injured. Unfortunately, another team member committed suicide a few years later.

"The work of raising awareness about physical disabilities, Operations Stress Injuries (OSI) and Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) as a result to time in a combat zone will never be complete. I think the fact that I was able to be the driving force behind raising that awareness for countries other than my own, while also helping Canada, is very rewarding," Sgt Westerman explained to CFMWS in a phone interview.

Thanks to Sgt Westerman's idea, hard work and willingness to share his personal experience as a member, more than \$10,000 CAD were raised for charities that support these members. More importantly, these events brought much-needed attention and recognition to this cause in the Netherlands. Job well done!

To see the full article and more pictures of the game, please visit:

https://www.cfmws.com/en/aboutus/library/mediacentre/newsreleases/pages/making_a_difference_in_the_netherlands-the_canadian_way.aspx

MILITARY POLICE FUND FOR BLIND CHILDREN

The Military Police Fund for Blind Children (MPFBC) was founded in 1957 and specializes in assisting visually impaired children up to the age of 21. The fund is operated entirely by Military Police volunteers and has no paid employees. Every Canadian Forces establishment has a local representative and there are regional representatives on the Board of Directors. All funds raised are used to benefit visually impaired children. For more information about the Military Police Fund for Blind Children please visit: www.mpfbc.com.

5 WING GOOSE BAY MILITARY POLICE RAISE FUNDS FOR BLIND CHILDREN

RCAF news article / February 1, 2017

With police lights flashing and traffic cones in place, members of the 25 Military Police Flight stationed at 5 Wing Goose Bay collected a total of \$2 100 in donations towards their charity, the Military Police Fund for Blind Children (MPFBC), on January 27 and 28, 2017.

The local Military Police personnel organized a boot drive fundraiser next to the security gate located on the Wing followed by a bottle drive within the Wing's Residential Housing Unit area. The Wing's fire department also contributed by providing volunteers during the boot drive.

"Once again, our community has shown its generous support towards a great cause. The contributions towards the 25 Military Police Flight fundraising events are a clear indication that this Town cares for its military and the charity it supports," said Lieutenant-Colonel Andrew Wedgwood, Commander of 5 Wing Goose Bay. "I'm also pleased with the level of effort generated by our local Military Police personnel in their endeavor to help blind children. This initiative will certainly have a direct impact on young Canadians and it will hopefully change their life."

"By donating our time and efforts we hope to encourage awareness as well as support to all visually impaired children and young adults in need of assistance," explained Petty Officer First Class Eric McLaughlin, Commander of 25 Military Police Flight. "The Military Police Fund for Blind Children is a source of great pride and accomplishment for all our Military Police members and we are thankful for the generous contributions during our two fundraising events."



Members of 25 Military Police Flight collected donations for the Military Police Fund for Blind Children, at 5 Wing Goose Bay, Newfoundland and Labrador on January 27, 2017.

Photo: MCpl Krista Blizzard, 5 Wing Goose Bay

FAMILY 'EXTREMELY GRATEFUL' FOR STROLLER DONATION

Troy Landreville, Langley Times, Feb 1, 2017

Article reprinted with permission by Langley Times

Funding for a new stroller from the Military Police Fund For Blind Children (MPFBC) promises to open up entirely new paths for Jessica Walker and her family.

Jessica, who attends Grade 9 at Brookwood Secondary and is part of the school's STRIVE program, and her family will receive funds to support the purchase of an EZ Rider 16-inch stroller.

Fourteen-year-old Jessica has cortical visual impairment as well as global developmental delays in all areas, her mom, Charlene, explained.

"This (stroller) will make a huge difference for Jessica.



"It'll allow us to go places that we normally couldn't take her. We are extremely grateful for this. This will make a huge difference in her life, and our life."

Jessica comes from a one-income family that otherwise wouldn't be able to afford the stroller.

"We don't have a wheelchair van so the stroller just allows her to go to appointments, go up the stairs at grandma's house... you can't take a wheelchair into all those places," Charlene said.

"It gives her the freedom to be part of the community. Otherwise she would be very, very limited."

Cpl. Rodrigo Zerecero-Garcia from 1 Military Police Regiment Detachment Chilliwack visited Brookwood Secondary Tuesday morning for a presentation.

... "There is a board of directors in Ottawa, and they are the ones who receive our files and they go through them, and realize where there is the most need," Zerecero-Garcia said. "And then they send the money out."

The commission representing the MPFBC approved the submission for Jessica's stroller on Jan. 16.

This foundation is not only for families military members, but for the general public as well, stressed Zerecero-Garcia. "We're so happy to be able to help people like Jessica," Zerecero-Garcia said.

To see full story and video included with the article, please visit the Langley Times at:

<http://www.langleytimes.com/community/412324293.html>

MP MOTORCYCLE RELAY READY TO RIDE ACROSS CANADA AGAIN THIS SUMMER

Lt(N) Blake Patterson, CF MP Gp PA

It starts with a back tire in the Pacific and ends with a front tire in the Atlantic.

The Military Police National Motorcycle Relay (MPNMR) will hit Canadian roadways again this summer to raise funds for visually impaired children across Canada.

The MPNMR is the world's longest annual motorcycle relay, travelling more than 10 000 kilometres from coast to coast each year with stops at Canadian Armed Forces establishments and points of interest along the way.

"The Canadian Forces Military Police take pride in leading this annual relay that has contributed so much to helping meet the needs of visually impaired children in Canada," said BGen Robert Delaney, Canadian Forces Provost Marshal and Commander Canadian Forces Military Police Group. "Each year, thanks to the contributions of people across this country, the Military Police National Motorcycle Relay helps improve the lives of visually impaired children and their families."



Participants in the 2016 Military Police National Motorcycle Relay roar down a Canadian highway on route raising \$60 000 for blind children.

The 2017 Relay will begin on July 30 in Victoria, British Columbia, end on August 23 in St. John's, Newfoundland. About 300 riders are expected to participate.

Founded as a way to build camaraderie between Military Police motorcycle enthusiasts, the Relay is now open to anyone (military or civilian) who wishes to ride for a day, a province or from coast to coast.

To see the scheduled stops for this year's Relay or to find out how to donate or participate, visit the Military Police National Motorcycle Relay website at: www.nationalmotorcyclerelay.ca.

Helping blind children

In 2016, the Relay raised \$60 000 for the MPFBC, and organizers of the 2017 Relay have set a goal to reach that mark again this year.

"It's an honour to lead the Military Police National Motorcycle Relay and help raise funds for the Military Police Fund for Blind Children," said Petty Officer Second Class, Tony Brooks National Chairperson for the Military Police National Relay. "This is an experience that is unforgettable as a Canadian and a member of the Canadian Armed Forces. I am filled with pride when I think about the work we are all doing to raise funds for visually impaired children everywhere."

A NEW SPIN ON COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR THE MILITARY POLICE FUND FOR BLIND CHILDREN



*The staff and students of CFMPA want to take this time to thank the community of Alliston for their donations. In photo (left to right) Cpl Caron, Cpl St-Gelais, Cpl Cote and Cpl Nadeau-Collin.
Photo: Capt C.J. Hogan*

Students from the Canadian Forces Military Police Academy (CFMPA) put a new spin on collecting donations this year for the Military Police Fund for Blind Children. They conducted a 12-hour spin-a-thon outside the Zehrs in Alliston, Ontario, on November 26, 2016, and raised \$1,626. Then, on December 3, the students held a gift wrapping event at the Alliston Walmart to finish the week with fundraising total of \$4,444. By reaching out to the communities of Borden, Angus and Alliston, the students not only raised needed funds, they provided valuable insight and awareness of the MPFBC.

2 MP REGT LENDS HELPING HAND

2 MP Regt provided some needed relief to families in Toronto this Christmas. On behalf of the Regiment, WO Frederick Langlois and 2Lt Élodie Maltais delivered more than \$600 worth of gifts to Toronto MFRC on December 14, 2016, to assist families in financial need. The generous donation helped put smiles on the faces of many kids on Christmas day and provided some relief to families at Christmas time and beyond. Photo submitted by 2 MP Regt.



ON A PERSONAL NOTE FROM THE MP BRANCH FAMILY

DONATE BLOOD TO HELP A MEMBER OF THE MP FAMILY FIGHTING LEUKEMIA

On 27 October 2016, while attending a course at the Toronto Police College, MCpl Charlesworth, a member of the Canadian Forces National Investigation Service (CFNIS) was informed that his wife Vanessa had been diagnosed with Leukemia. MCpl Charlesworth immediately returned to Ottawa and met Vanessa at the hospital where she had been admitted and commenced her radiation therapy.

Interested in helping, LS McLachlan reached out to the family to determine what could be done. MCpl Charlesworth and Vanessa, were extremely appreciative and indicated that blood donations would be best as Vanessa will require a large quantity of blood in her fight against Leukemia.

In order to show our support for Vanessa, members of the CFNIS as well as MCpl Charlesworth's classmates from the Toronto Police Service and the York Regional Police Service donated blood through their the Canadian Blood Bank Service (<https://blood.ca/en>) in their local area.

If you are interested in helping support this effort, please contact LS McLachlan at corbin.mclachlan@forces.gc.ca.

DECORATIONS, COMMENDATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WO LONDON RECEIVES JTFU COMMENDATION

Commandant, Military Police, Joint Task Force – Ukraine

On November 10, 2016, WO Dave London received the JTFU Commander's Commendation from LCol Wayne Niven in recognition of his dedication to the development and delivery of Use of Force Training to the Ukrainian Military Law and Order Service.

His citation read: "As the Chief Instructor for Use of Force training in the Ukraine during the period January to August 2016, WO London has demonstrated complete and absolute dedication to the shaping the future of this training and the development of a Ukrainian program and training cadre. His dedication, flexibility and determination allowed this Line of Effort to overcome the complex dynamics and barriers associated with training Ukrainian personnel, while developing an effective, efficient cohesive and focused team of future Ukrainian Instructors."

Once again deployed on OP UNIFIER, WO London has delivered seven Use of Force courses to Ukrainian members, delivered a comprehensive Use of Force Manual, and is continuing his outstanding efforts developing the program as a key member of a Qualification Standard and Planning board for a Ukrainian Use of Force Instructor course.

A Bravo Zulu to WO London for he exemplifies the hard work and professionalism of the MP Branch and its dedicated cadre of senior NCOs.



WO Dave London receiving his JTFU Commander's Commendation on Nov. 10, 2016, for Use of Force training has provided in the Ukraine. Maj Paul Mellema (left), OC LOE3, WO Dave London, Chief Instructor - Use of Force, LCol Wayne Niven, TF Comd JTFU, and CWO James Smith, JTFU RSM.

BRIGADE COMMAND TEAM COMMENDATION



On February 2, 2017, LCdr Ryan Scanlan and MWO Michael Kennedy, the command team of 3 MP Regt, on behalf of the Regt, received the Brigade Command Team Commendation from CWO Brent Gittens (left) and Col Shawn Hale, 36 CBG Commander, for the outstanding support 3 MP Regiment provides to the Princess Louise Fusiliers.

NEW GRADUATES

LCdr Kristin Topham, DCO CFMPA

QL3 GRADUATING CLASS DECEMBER 2016



QL3 Course 1602 graduated on 13 Dec 2016. This was the first graduation in the history of the branch where all elemental Commanders granted permission for the parading members and those MP in attendance to wear the red beret while dressed in parade dress (1As). We had 79 proud young men and woman on parade; and all parade positions were filled by students. The parade was quite remarkable and the students proudly represented in front of one of the largest contingents of family and friends the academy has witnessed (well over 350).

Photo: MCpl Turcotte

QL3 1602 – ALPHA PLATOON GRADUATING CLASS DECEMBER 2016



Front row: WO Turner (CFMPA Trg WO), Capt Hogan (CFMPA OC Trg), MWO Ridley (CFMPA CSMTrg), Cpl Hern, Cpl MacIntosh, Cpl Chemerys, Cpl Michael, CWO Krammer (ACWO), Cpl Le Poivre, LCol Battista (Cmdt CFMPA), Cpl Stelmack, Cpl Borges, LS McGrath, Cpl Hewitt, Cpl Hollen, Sgt Laidlaw (CFMPA Instr)

Second row: Sgt McGall (CFMPA Instr), Cpl Frazer, Cpl Paxton, Cpl Yeon, Cpl Burns, LS Paley, Cpl Vincent

Third row: Cpl Robert, Sgt Gibbons (CFMPA Instr), Cpl Frost, Cpl Schillemat, Cpl Ambrochi, Cpl Bennett, Cpl Rourke, LS McEwan, LS Bourque, LS Carriere, Cpl Harmsen, MCpl Hall (CFMPA Instr), Sgt Haggith (CFMPA Instr)

Fourth row: Cpl Prokop, Cpl Self, LS Hann

Photo: MCpl Turcotte

QL3 1602– BRAVO PLATOON GRADUATING CLASS DECEMBER 2016



Front row: MCpl Poirier-Desloges (CFMPA Instr), Capt Hogan (CFMPA Trg OC), MWO Ridley (CFMPA CSM Trg), LS Lack, Cpl Arksey, Cpl Nogoy, CWO Krammer (ACWO), Cpl Pelkey, Cpl Hill, Cpl Coulson-Fuller, LCol Battista (Cmdt CFMPA), Cpl Fowler, LS Brown, Cpl Robertson, Cpl Boyd, WO Turner (CFMPA Trg WO)

Second row: Sgt Woolridge (CFMPA Instr), Cpl McPherson, Cpl Ellergodt, Cpl Morris, Cpl Stuart, LS Baker, Cpl Amos, Cpl Luker, Cpl Correia, Cpl Pyefinch, Cpl Collins, Sgt Beswick (CFMPA Instr)

Third row: Cpl Binkley, LS Wright, Cpl Shah, Cpl Veltri, Cpl De Boer, Cpl Coon, Cpl Reichmann, MCpl Looyenga (CFMPA Instr)

Fourth row: Cpl Hoert, Cpl Webster, Cpl Zapotoczny

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QL3 1602 – CHARLIE PLATOON GRADUATING CLASS DECEMBER 2016



Front row: Capt Hogan (CFMPA Trg OC), MWO Ridley (CFMPA CSM Trg), Cpl Gagnon, Cpl Tremblay, Cpl Talbot, Cpl Beaulieu, CWO Krammer (ACWO), LS Heroux, Cpl Gilbert, LCol Battista (Cmdt CFMPA), Cpl Touchette-Bourget, Cpl Baron, Cpl Cote, Cpl Harvey De Roy, MCpl Riel (CFMPA Instr), Sgt Roy (CFMPA Instr)
Second row: WO Turner (Trg WO), Cpl Nadeau-Collin, Sgt Carrier (CFMPA Instr), Sgt Seguin (CFMPA Instr), Cpl Caron, Cpl Lapierre, Cpl Bouchard, Cpl Berube, Cpl Vincent
Third row: Cpl Lerourneau, Cpl Irakoze, Cpl Bonneau, Cpl Fortin
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Front row: Sgt Pifer (CFMPA Instr), Sgt Calhoun (CFMPA Instr), Capt Hogan (CFMPA OC Trg), CWO Krammer (ACWO), LCol Battista (Cmdt CFMPA), Sgt Roy (CFMPA Instr)
Second row: Cpl Tempelman, Cpl White, Cpl Hearn, Cpl Thibodeau, Cpl Vass, Cpl Simms, Cpl Fagan, Cpl Fraser, Cpl Quint-Pugsley, Cpl Cumby, Cpl Piercey, Cpl Ursini, Cpl Downy, Cpl Desroches
Third row: Cpl Cuugliari, Cpl Mailman, Cpl Russell, Cpl Booth, Cpl Levesque, Cpl Denning, Cpl Best, MWO Ridley (CSM Trg), Cpl Conetta, WO Martel (CFMPA Instr), Cpl Mignault
Photo: Sgt Picard

RETIREMENTS (Since Last Issue)

Ms Nicole Vidal, CF MP Gp AA



On 13 Dec 16, witnessed by the graduating QL3 course 1602, Capt Pat MacMullen (left) surrendered his credentials and received his retirement badge after 39 years of service. Congratulations Pat, enjoy your retirement you will be missed.

COMING UP

LCdr Mike Amirault will retire on 04 July 2017. A DWD is scheduled for 07 July 2017 in Ottawa. Messages and anecdotes can be sent to Maj Casswell (phillip.casswell@forces.gc.ca).

WO Mike Stuber will retire on 14 May 2017. Well wishes, photos and anecdotes can be sent to Capt Osborne (robert.osborne@forces.gc.ca)

Sgt Richard Draper will retired on 13 March 17. Messages and well wishes can be sent to Sgt Ciraco (patrick.ciraco@forces.gc.ca)

RETIRED (chronologically descending order)

MWO Scott Yantha, 02 Mar 2017. Last military contact was WO Rose (james.rose@forces.gc.ca)
MWO Ron Scoffield, 28 Feb 17. Last military contact was WO Forget (jason.forget@forces.gc.ca)
Cdr Peter C. (Guy) Killaby, 13 Feb 17. Last military contact was Maj Moore (cory.moore@forces.gc.ca)
Maj Michel Zybala, 15 Feb 17. Last military contact Maj Goudie (shannon.goudie@forces.gc.ca)
WO Jim McNaught, 14 Feb 17. Last military contact WO Murphy (tim.murphy@forces.gc.ca)
WO Rod Jackson, retired on 08 Feb 17. Last military contact was WO Scandrett (donald.scandrett@forces.gc.ca)
Cpl Tyler Furnis, released 05 Feb 17. Last military contact was LS Marcelli (charles.marcelli@forces.gc.ca)
CWO Denise D'Astous, retired on 20 Jan 17. Last military contact MWO Lambert (steve.lambert@forces.gc.ca)
Capt Raymond King, retired on 16 Jan 2017. Last military contact Maj Lemire (darren.lemire@forces.gc.ca)
Sgt Oreste Matta, retired on 16 Jan 2017. Last military POC was WO Gallagher (john.gallagher@forces.gc.ca)
Sgt Marie-Josée Langlois, retired on 16 Jan 2017. Last military POC was Sgt Keeble (Stephen.keeble2@forces.gc.ca)
MWO Denise Bolduc, retired on 10 Jan 2017. Last military POC was Sgt Smith (cory.smith@forces.gc.ca)
Maj Terry Langs, retired on 10 Jan 2017. Last military contact Maj Campbell (dean.campbell@forces.gc.ca)
LCol Guy Savard, retired on 10 Jan 2017. Last military contact Capt Collings (daniel.collings@forces.gc.ca)
Maj Jonathan Méthot, retired on 04 Jan 2017. Last military POC was MWO Paulin (marc.paulin@forces.gc.ca)
MWO Shawn Doolan, retired on 03 Jan 2017. Last military POC was MWO Richards (ward.richards@forces.gc.ca)
MS Cindy Krammer, began retirement leave 02 Nov 2016. Last military contact CWO Krammer (crystal.krammer@forces.gc.ca)

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