



The Lorne Scots Regimental Association Newsletter

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Summer story Recaps

This edition of the Newsletter begins by wrapping up some stories previously presented.

Major Paul Hale successfully completed the Wounded Warriors Battlefield Ride 19, from Dieppe to Juno Beach in June. Paul achieved 107% of his goal by raising \$5,345, which will go to support the Wounded Warriors Canada Mental Health programs. Pictures and stories can be seen on the website at <http://bbr19.ca> Well done Paul.

The annual Col Tom Dunn softball tournament was a splendid success, with a lovely day and a good turnout of people from across the Regimental family. Congratulations go to Peel Company for providing the winning softball team. Pictures and comments are on the Association Facebook home and public group pages

The 1st Battalion, Royal Regiment of Fusiliers have wrapped up their deployment to BATUS, where they achieved their battle readiness status and have redeployed to the UK for some well- deserved leave before starting workup for their next tasking.

The 5th Bn, RRF sent 85 of their members to this exercise, getting great training and opportunities to bond with the 1st BN. Pictures and story are on the First and Five Fusilier Facebook pages.

The Fergus Highland Games Tug of War was won by the Essex and Kent Scottish team, who were also the winners of the Reserve Tug of War at the Glengarry Highland Games in Maxville earlier in the summer. They beat the Toronto Scottish at both Games.

Major Federico's new Job

Major (Ret'd) Gillian Federico has a new job. She has been appointed a Director of the Army Cadet League (Ontario). This is latest in a series of moves through the Army Cadet program for Gillian. She has been a parent of Cadets, a staff member at 557 Cadet Corps in Brampton and chaplain at the Trenton Air Cadet summer training centre. Since retiring from the Canadian Forces, Gillian continues to work with 557 as their Liaison Officer as well as being the Liaison Officer 1849 Orangeville and 329 CFHSTC Corps in Tottenham. One of her first tasks as a Director was to present 329 CFHSTC with the League award as Best Small Corps in Central Ontario for 2018



Major Federico presenting the Maddox Trophy for Best Small Corps to 329 CFHSTC CO Capt Austin and RSM MWO Picco. Picture courtesy of the Army Cadet League (Ontario)

FORTISSIMO

In July, members of the Pipes and Drums made their annual trek to Ottawa to take part in FORTISSIMO, the Canadian Forces annual military show held on the front lawn of the Parliament buildings. In addition, several of the new students learning to play pipes and drums with the band were taken to Ottawa to see the amount of work that goes into preparing for a show like Fortissimo. As is customary, the Lorne Scots members were easily spotted in the massed pipe band, although there were two members camouflaged as members of the Ceremonial Guard Pipes and Drums. The video of the show is posted on the Pipe Band Facebook site <https://www.facebook.com/LorneScotsPipesandDrums/>, so you can try and spot them all. (Hint - watch the Bass Drums closely)

1188 Oakville Cadet Corps Bursary

1188 Cadet Corps in Oakville is now the recipient of a bursary created by their sponsor, the Oakville Historical Society. The Oakville Historical Society Memorial Bursary is intended to help a Cadet who is leaving the program to attend post secondary education purchase books, tools or other materials



1188 CO Capt P Ingalls, OHS President G Chisholm, MWO Chang. Picture courtesy of the Oakville Historical Society

required in their program. The bursary is \$500 and will be presented at the Annual Ceremonial Review. Any cadet in their final year may apply. This includes Cadets who age out before the ACR. The first award of the bursary was made to Cadet Master Warrant Officer Douglas Chang. MWO Chang has been a cadet for six years, receiving the Royal Canadian Legion Medal of Excellence among many other awards and qualifications. He spent his last summer as a cadet working as a Staff Cadet at Blackdown Cadet Training Centre in the Band Company. He was also one of the volunteers who went to England with the Regimental Pipes and Drums to take part in the Fusilier50 celebrations. MWO Chang is heading off to Waterloo to study Nanotechnology. He plans to keep up his interest in music and the Band once he gets settled into his school program. Pictures of the presentation can be found on the Association and Historical Society Facebook pages.

Veterans Wall at George's Square

The Town of Oakville expanded the Cenotaph in Georges' Square by adding walls on three sides in 2010. The walls to the left and right list all those who served in the First and Second World Wars. The third wall behind the Cenotaph honours all those who have served on operations since the Second World War. The criteria are given on the Town of Oakville web site, but the rule of thumb is anyone who was living in Oakville who served on operations overseas and received a medal for that service is eligible.



Picture courtesy Chris Banks, The Primrose Hackle 2013

There are a lot of former Lorne Scots from Oakville and others who joined the CF who aren't on the wall, so let's try to add some more. If the individual nominated for inclusion is still living, they must consent to having their name added to the wall. Details on the wall and how to nominate an individual can be found at the Town of Oakville link <https://www.oakville.ca/culturerec/georgessquare.html>

Lorne Scots Cadets at Blackdown Cadet Training Centre

The peace and quiet of CFB Borden was shattered in July and August as approximately 2400 cadets from all three services arrived for training at Blackdown Cadet Training Centre, Canada's largest Cadet Training Centre. The Lorne Scots Corps were well represented with dozens of Cadets taking courses, as well as senior Cadets who are employed as Staff Cadets and officers from the Corps staff who act as instructors and the command staff for the Camp and courses.

The most notable achievement was by Master Warrant Officer Gabriel McQueen from 1188 Cadet Corps who was awarded the Order of St George Medal for excellence as a Staff Cadet. He was employed as the CSM for the Basic Drill Course. Blackdown CTC only awarded four of these medals this year. An individual can only win it once in a career. Winners must be an exemplary model for cadets, show outstanding leadership and compassion for subordinates, demonstrate leadership and instructional skills and participate in CTC community service events.



*BGen Valtonen, DComd 4Cdn Div presenting MWO McQueen with the Order of St George medal
Picture courtesy of Blackdown CTC*



The CTC Blackdown Facebook page posted a large album of the final graduation parade pictures. There are Lorne Scots cadets in approximately 10 percent of the pictures, which shows both the strength of the Corps and how the hackle makes them stand out. It is well worth the time to look at the page <https://www.facebook.com/BlackdownCadets/>

5 RRF in Army Reserve Football Final

The 5 RRF football team played 6 Scots (52 Lowland Volunteers) for the Infantry Reserve Cup on 25 Aug. The final started well with an early lead, but the Scots came back to win 4-1. More pictures and comments can be seen on the 5 Fusiliers Facebook page. Congratulations on making the final and better luck next year.

Coming events

The Colonel Frank Ching Memorial Golf Tournament will once again be happening at Acton Golf Club on Mon Sept 2nd. Registration opens at 8:00 and tee off is at 9:00. While it may be too late to squeeze in any more golfers, you can still be a sponsor or donate a prize. Contact Kevin Cranley at membership@lornescots.ca

The Regimental Birthday is Saturday September 14th. The serving members will be holding their annual Birthday dinner on Thurs 12 September. The Association Executive would like to remind all members not to forget to celebrate our 153 birthday. Air son ar duthchais!

LCol Dick Irvine will be touring Italy in September and has plans to visit those Lorne Scots graves and commemorative plaques in cemeteries that are on or near his trip. This will be a good opportunity to upgrade the collection of pictures in the Museum collection.

The Brampton Armoury and Regimental Museum will be open to the public on Saturday 28 September as part of Doors Open Brampton. This will be a good opportunity to drop in and catch up if you haven't been by the Armoury lately. It will also be a good chance to look at the restoration being done on the brickwork of the Armoury and the renovations in the Officers Mess. Details on Doors Open can be found on their website at: <http://www.doorsopenontario.on.ca>

Further ahead will be the Association Children's' Halloween Party, the WO & Sgts Mess Dinner and the Officers Mess Dinner. Watch for postings of the dates and other details as we move forward into September.

The Town of Halton Hills will be naming a park after the late WO1 Henry Shepherd. RSM Shepherd was a WW1 veteran and member of the Lorne Rifles Scottish/ Lorne Scots through end of WW2. He was RSM of the Lorne Rifles 1935 -36 and the Lorne Scots 1939. He was the Fire Chief in Georgetown and a founder of the Georgetown Legion branch. One of the, if not the first black RSM, in the Cdn Army, he was awarded an MBE for his WW2 service

Sergeant Christopher Cadorin CD

As posted on the Association Facebook page, Chris passed away from cancer on August 20th, with funeral services on the 27th. His family has requested donations to the Carlo Fidani Peel Regional Health Centre (Trillium Health Partners) in lieu of flowers.

Links to other parts of the Regimental Family

The serving Regiment - <https://www.facebook.com/LorneScots>

The Association - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/146923842093667/>

The Pipes and Drums - https://www.facebook.com/LorneScotsPipesandDrums/posts_to_page/

The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers – www.thefusiliers.org

1st Bn - <https://www.facebook.com/TheFusiliers>

5th Bn - <https://en-gb.facebook.com/FiveFusiliers/>

How to contribute to the Newsletter

If you have a story about an upcoming event, want to pass on how an event went or something that may be of interest to the Regimental Family, please send a short write up (100 – 150 words) with one or two good quality pictures to the Association Secretary at stewart.sherriff3@gmail.com by the middle of the month.

Please ensure that all people in any submitted pictures have agreed to having their image posted. The Association will assume that such permissions have been acquired before the picture was submitted. The Association reserves the right to vet all submissions for appropriateness before posting. items may not be deemed suitable for posting due to inappropriate language or content. Items submitted will reviewed for factual accuracy and may be edited for length.

Any mistakes which may occur are entirely accidental and no malice or harm is ever intended.