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## REMAINING IN TRUST



*The Loaves and Fishes*



The Regiment has seen service in various parts of the world, most famously in Europe during World War Two. During the Cold War that followed, with the antagonistic USSR, Hussars were part of the rotation through the high readiness brigade group, 4 CMBG in Germany. During its tour in 1961-63, the Regiment installed and dedicated this stained-glass window, *The Loaves and Fishes*, in a chapel near Sorest, Germany. Upon repatriation to Canada, the window followed in 1993, stored at RHQ.

In 1997, the congregation of the Holy Family Roman Catholic Church in Moncton was asked to preserve and safeguard the window on behalf of the Regiment whilst the church serve the Roman Catholic community of Greater Moncton.

The dedication reads, in part, "The Regiment entrusts the care, in perpetuity of the *Loaves and Fishes* to the congregation of the Holy Family Roman Catholic Church."

If visiting the Moncton area, the window may be viewed (appointment recommended):  
[Holy Family Church | St. Elizabeth of the Trinity \(setmoncton.com\)](#)

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## MESSAGE FROM THE HONORARY COLONEL

I trust all members of the Regiment and Regimental Family had a pleasant and enjoyable holiday season spent with family and friends. While we are into a new calendar year the Regimental Family is, nevertheless, still in our 175th anniversary year which will end on April 4th, 2024.

Members of the Regiment and the Association can be justly proud of the events held on the long weekend last May. It was great to see so many Hussars, members, and visitors for the events, including our Colonel-in-Chief who delighted everyone with whom she came in contact. As can be seen in the photographs taken during the event, she clearly enjoyed her visit with the Regimental Family. It was an honor and a pleasure having her join us. Everyone had a good time.

We are pleased that the events of those four days have been preserved in audio-visual presentations and in photographs taken by both military and civilian videographers and photographers. The NBYO 175<sup>th</sup> VIIIICH Commemorative Concert (YouTube) was an outstanding event incorporating the *Dream of Dawn* musical montage reflecting Regimental History. The huge number of photographs on websites clearly indicate everybody had fun. But, of course, that's what birthday parties are all about.

Here are the web links to the audio-visual presentations and the photographs taken during all phases of the 175<sup>th</sup> celebration: the 175th anniversary website at [Hussars175.ca](http://Hussars175.ca); the NBYO concert was recorded in full and can be found on the NBYO YouTube site and is accessed by clicking on the 175th 8th Hussar Anniversary Concert icon; "The Dream of Dawn" video is available for viewing and may be seen at <https://spaces.hightail.com/receive/4KGmNm5lky>; photographs of the Regiment's events taken by DND photographers may be found at 37 CBG Flickr. Photographs taken of all events by the provincially contracted photographer may be viewed by reviewing carefully the message set out below from the Office of Protocol and by accessing the links. Please follow the instructions from the Office of Protocol. If you've not had an opportunity to have look at these photographs and audio-visual presentations, they are well worth the time and effort. I urge you to have a look at them. They tell us about who we are and give us reason to be proud of what the Regiment and the Regimental Family have accomplished. I can tell you that the feedback we are getting is the 8<sup>th</sup> Hussars put on a spectacular 3 1/2-day event which has become the envy of both reserve and regular force units across the CAF. But, of course, that is the way Hussars do things.

This year (2024) marks the beginning of a new era for the Regiment. While this new era can best be described by the CO, suffice it to say that the Regiment is embarking on some significant changes in its training as they move from the traditional reconnaissance (recce) mode to the new "Cavalry" mode which essentially is focused on tank tactics. It's an exciting time for the Regiment. The soldiers are taking up the challenge with enthusiasm and commitment. It is impressive to see, and the Regiment is delighted with the progress being made.

On top of that is "Operation Reassurance" – the Canadian mission to Latvia. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the battle group stationed there will consist of reservists. The CO indicates there is significant interest with members of the Regiment participating in this deployment. He will describe the details of this commitment elsewhere in the Sabretache. It is an exciting time for the soldiers.

I also want to welcome the new executive to *The Association of 8<sup>th</sup> Canadian Hussars (Princess Louise's) Inc.* While we do that, we also pay homage and appreciation to the now retired members who guided us

well over the last few years. In particular, Captain (ret'd) Rick Cosman, (now the Immediate Past President) and his faithful secretary Warrant Officer Austin Wilson (remaining as a Director). As you may know our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President Tom McLaughlin was awarded with the title of President Emeritus. Tom will continue to sit on the Board. These changes have brought about a new executive consisting of: Sean Wallace, President; Francine Allain, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Kim Nelson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Wayne Fogarty, Secretary, and; Perry Fullum continues as Treasurer. I thank those members of the new executive for accepting these responsibilities. I know the executive is working at putting together a nice calendar of events for Association members. I'm looking forward to these developments.

There also have been changes with the Sabretache. I want to thank Diane Lutes and Tom McLaughlan for the stellar service they've provided over the last few years, putting together and publishing our extensive Sabretache. Their contributions we're deeply appreciated and we are all very grateful. At the same time, I welcome Don Bourque as the new Editor-in-chief along with Trisha Jensen, who together will work on the Sabretache in the weeks and months ahead. We welcome them in their new capacity, and we wish them well as we provide our support and help to them achieving their goals.

One of the developments events that is being renewed after the pandemic is the annual curling bonspiel being piloted by Bill Nixon and Burton White. The curling bonspiel is planned for March. It's important curlers from across the Regimental Family sign up to participate in what will be an outstanding and enjoyable event. I can also indicate that Colonel Mac is contemplating an 8<sup>th</sup> Hussar Golf tournament at the Petiscodiac Golf and Country Club sometime in the spring. Details will follow.

I wish all of you a happy and prosperous 2024 with a renewed commitment to the events and ideals of the Regimental Family.

*Jim*

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***Regi Patriaeque Fidelis***



## THE REGIMENTAL UPDATE



Colin Beazley  
Lieutenant Colonel  
Commanding Officer

During 2023, the Regiment responded to the demand for reserve force augmentation to international and domestic operations and focused on converting from a reconnaissance regiment to that of light cavalry. The year commemorated the Regiment's 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of continuous service to Canada. To celebrate this historic milestone, we were visited by the Regimental Colonel-in-Chief, Her Royal Highness, the Princess Royal, Princess Anne. A multitude of celebrations were enjoyed over a three-day period which included two freedoms of cities exercised, Regimental Open Houses, a spectacular gala



Thomas Holland  
Chief Warrant Officer  
Regimental Sergeant-Major

dinner, and a dedicatory orchestral evening presented by the New Brunswick Youth Orchestra. Canadian Army regiments from across the country who also enjoy HRH, Princess Anne as their Colonel-in-Chief, were delighted to reestablish their connection to the Royal Family during the festivities. By all accounts, the celebration was a resounding success, and the Regiment was honored to be graced with HRH, Princess Anne's presence. The event garnered national attention, and brought great credit to the Regiment, the brigade, and the Canadian Army.

Between January and March, the regiment focused on the attainment of cavalry battle task standards. Notable events during this timeframe included: a squadron level camp; dismounted winter warfare training; mounted machine gun and 40mm grenade launcher requalification ranges for troopers and advanced dismounted training connected to the defense of Canada's sovereign arctic territories. The regiment made significant strides towards cavalry conversion by conducting virtual battlefield simulation exercises during the winter months.

During the summer months, the Regiment ceased parading while the full-time summer employment program provided support to army training. Fortunately, during this period, several Hussars accomplished their career courses. We sent out approximately two dozen soldiers to Canadian Forces Base Gagetown and the Royal Canadian Armored Corps School to assist in course delivery. Simultaneously, the Regiment conducted two serials of the TAPV Driver Course, which generated over 20 graduates for both the regular and reserve force.

2024 will see the continuation of cavalry conversion training. Soldiers across the Regiment are anticipating this period of transition to be an opportunity to demonstrate a relevant, flexible, and versatile capability to the brigade during both internal and domestic operations. Morale during the transitional period has been extremely high.

In March, the Regiment will be sending approximately 35 soldiers to Fort Barfoot, Virginia, USA for Ex MAROON RAIDER. The exercise is the divisional training main effort which will encompass elements from both 36 and 37 brigades. Participating Hussars will conduct a series of mounted, combat-oriented ranges with infantry cooperation. The exercise is designed to set the conditions for regimental augmentation to Canadian Army efforts in supporting our Latvian allies under Op REASSURANCE.

The Regiment will provide most of the soldiers assigned to the TAPV force protection platoon, set to deploy to Latvia under Op REASSURANCE in January 2025. We have been earmarked as the lead mounting unit due to it holding the highest number of qualified TAPV gunners, drivers, and crew commanders in Atlantic Canada.

### **THE PRESIDENT, ASSOCIATION OF 8<sup>TH</sup> CANADIAN HUSSARS (PRINCESS LOUISE'S), Inc**



Greetings fellow Hussars! My name is Sean Wallace, honoured to serve the association as your new president. A bit about me. I started my military career with 722 Communications Squadron in the early 80's and upon the advice of a close friend, and Hussar, I transferred to the Hussars and B Sqn Sussex, in the mid-80's. It was the best decision I made during my military career. I ended that career with the PEIR due to civilian work in Charlottetown. To me, being a Hussar is a privilege. My senior NCO's and Officers taught me important life skills that I attribute to my success in civi-life. Most of all, it is the lifelong friendships that remain over the decades with those I served with. The Association gives us opportunities to maintain and strengthen those relationships as we

progress in life. We are a strong family and I look forward to reconnecting with Hussars, past and present. Please feel free to reach out should you have any questions. My email is [mcplwallace@gmail.com](mailto:mcplwallace@gmail.com).

Last year, a monumental celebration of our long history in New Brunswick, Canada and the world, took place. HRH The Princess Royal and our Commander-in-Chief was present for our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. If you had the opportunity to attend the Regimental Gala or the many scheduled events that took place, you would have witnessed history in the making. Although Hussars are known for being humble and not taking credit, I must give credit where credit is due. Thank you to the officers and members who are currently serving the Regiment, to Honorary Colonel Lockyer and the Regimental Council for their guidance, to Rick Cosman, my predecessor, for his dedication not for just this event but for his many years as a Hussar and to the Association, to the Board of Directors of the Association, Tom McLaughlin and the museum board and last but not least, the many members of the Association that made this event one for the history books, specifically, our history book!

As we acknowledge the incredible year we had last year, I am looking forward to what we have planned in 2024. In addition to the upcoming Bonspiel, which is always a great memorable time, golf tournaments, mess dinners and ceremonial events will take place. I encourage you to attend these events to reconnect with your Hussar family. I also look forward to connecting to our Radley-Walters Chapter in Ontario and our Harold Gamblin Chapter in Hampton over the coming year.

In 2023, we saw some changes in command, some appointments, and retirements and sorrowfully, some Hussars who have passed on. We will remember them.

In closing, I thank the membership for this great honour and look forward to the year to come.

*Regi Patriaeque Fidelis*

Sean Wallace

President

## **PADRE'S CORNER**

Happy 175!

Hello Again Everyone!

What a year it has been! 2023 marked 175 years of the storied 8th Canadian Hussars (8CH). history in the life of this regiment. As this year draws to a close, the (8CH) has a lot to proudly look back upon. Two years of planning was devoted to this momentous celebration. A collective and intentional effort by a very large, committed group of people from the 8CH Association, the Planning committee, and the Unit, ensured that all of the hard work would bear fruit. It did.

Our Matron, Her Royal Highness, Anne, The Princess Royal came to join us once again for the festivities. She had previously attended our 150th Celebration in 1998. Spread throughout the week of May 16-23, were a series of events such as: A special concert featuring the Moncton youth orchestra, a wonderful Gala dinner, Unit "Open Houses" in both Moncton and Sussex, a Memorial service and a Sunday morning service. Of course, in both Moncton and Sussex, current and former members paraded and were inspected by Her Royal Highness.

Her Royal Highness is truly a delight. This year also marked her 50th year as our Matron. She has always eagerly taken an interest in, supported, and participated in the life of the 8CH. While visiting the Moncton Garrison and the Sussex armoury, she engaged and encouraged the members. She even demonstrated her commitment to this armoured unit by donning CADPAT and riding in a TAPV!

Her Royal Highness possesses a warm, gentle spirit, and sharp wit. Her demeanor put all at ease and contributed so much to making this a very enjoyable time. At the Gala Dinner in Moncton, a classy book depicting and describing the history of the 8th Hussars was unveiled and also present to the Her Royal Highness.

For my part, I organized and participated in the two church services. The Princess Royal attended both services and participating in the reading of Scripture. The Memorial Service was held at St George's Anglican Church in Moncton in honour of the many Hussars who gave their lives in the service of Canada. Many dignitaries were in attendance including: the mayors of both cities and also Retired General Walter Natynczyk. The Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) were well represented by the 5 Division Commander, The Unit CO, as well current and former members and officers.

The congregations of both churches eagerly supported the services as well. The Anglican Diocesan Bishop, The Most Rev. David Edwards, and the Right Rev. Nigel Shaw, Bishop Ordinary to the Canadian Armed forces also participated. Several clergy attended both services as well including former 8CH Padres Major (Padre) Malcolm Berry and Major (Padre) Chris Vanbuskirk and myself.

As this year draws to a close, we find ourselves looking back with gratitude to the many faithful members who have served before us. Truly we stand on the shoulders of giants! We also look forward in anticipation and excitement to this year ahead. I wish you all the best in all that you do. I look forward with you to many more years of continued service with the faithful 8CH!

Have a wonderful New Year!

Faithfully yours,  
Padre Rob Salloum,  
Chaplain, 8CH.

## THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM was held at the Sussex Legion on Dec 9<sup>th</sup>, with video access for remote participation. The event drew a good crowd, and it was great to see everyone there. In addition to the recurring business of finances and reports, we took the opportunity to recognize the ongoing superlative job that Tom McLaughlan does for the Association, naming him *President Emeritus*. At the conclusion of business, we held our elections. The new Board of Directors and Executive Officers are published here:

### Directors (Alpha)

Francine Allain  
Mike Baxter  
Don Bourque  
Rick Cosman  
Andrew Drover  
Wayne Fogarty  
Trisha Janssen  
Jamie Kendall  
Scott MacDougall  
Tom McLaughlan  
Kim Nelson  
Mac Robinson  
Sean Wallace  
Austin Wilson

### Executive (By Office)

Past President - Rick Cosman  
President Emeritus - Tom McLaughlan  
President - Sean Wallace  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Francine Allain  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Kim Nelson  
Treasurer - Perry Fullum  
Secretary - Wayne Fogarty



President Rick Cosman presents Tom McLaughlan the certificate naming him President Emeritus of the Association.

## EDITORIAL

When I last helped edit *The Sabretache* in the mid 90's, with the late Ron Ferris as my Editor-in-Chief, the newsletter was a collaborative effort of the Association and the serving Regiment. It's my hope that during my tenure as E-in-C, we will continue to reflect the Regimental Family, and its three elements I referred to while CO as "The Blue and Flannel Hussars", "The CADPAT Hussars" and the "Hussar Cadets". To succeed in this, I need input from each of these elements, to make *The Sabretache* truly yours.

Each issue continues to include regular features, like the greetings from senior appointments and The Last Post, but why not mark celebratory events like promotions and the awarding of honours? I'm also adding a bit of fun with the Hussar Crossword. Some of the tricky words will have clues within the pages, so be sure to read the whole newsletter!

Don Bourque

# The Hussar Museum

By Tom McLaughlan, Museum Chair



The summer of 2023 was a very successful for the 8th Hussar Museum. After the close of HRH's visit to the Regiment, the summer staff focused on preparing the displays for the 2023 tourist season. This included planning and creating one dedicated to HRH. Several other displays were also upgraded, and tour guide information was reviewed and revised where necessary. During the summer, the summer staff, Dylan Capstick, Jessie Rowe and Taylor Tays received numerous compliments from our visitors. In addition to tour guiding, they also conducted museum related duties to ensure our museum retains and tracks the artifacts and archive materials entrusted to our care. Currently the museum holds 4135 artifacts from 297 donors. These artifacts have been registered with the Canadian Heritage information network (CHIN). The information related to these artifacts is available Canada wide.

The museum archive section holds 21 meters of documents from 174 donors. stored in 63 archive boxes.

The museum had 975 registered visitors in 2023 not counting numbers allocated to the Royal visit.

Currently we have applied for two federal employment grants and one provincial grant. These grants cover 75% of our summer employee's salary. Fund raising is also conducted annually at the armouries under approval of the Commanding Officer and the Base Properties Officer. Parking cars for the annual flea market and Balloon Fiesta also supports two Hussar Cadet Corps. This year the partners' share was \$14,200.

The kit shop had \$7300 in sales and \$3200 in expenses for a profit of approximately \$4100.

The museum plans for this tourist season will focus on military anniversaries. The ceremony celebrating D Day will be sponsored in Moncton by VAC and the museum Bren Gun Carrier will likely play a part in this event. It is hoped that the museum can attract visitors as well.

To enhance the Lest We Forget videos of WWII Hussar casualties it is planned to complete and post the remaining tributes. In keeping with this plan, a project was planned for this winter which will develop a 20-minute video which tells the story of Motosauke Akagi (Charlie Motorcycle), the only Japanese soldier to join the Canadian Forces in WW II when he joined the Hussars in 1940.

Fund raising for the summer of 2024 will hopefully include both the Flea Market (Aug 23-25) and the Balloon Fiesta (Sept 06-08) and we look forward to working with our cadet partners.

To all our donors, volunteers, and members of the Regiment, we acknowledge your support. It would not be possible to fund and commit to operating a historical venue that covers more than 175 years of military history without your help and support. Thank you so much.



## **RADLEY-WALTERS CHAPTER**

Doug Seed

Secretary, Radley-Walters Chapter

The R-W Chapter 8<sup>th</sup> Canadian Hussars sends greeting to the Regiment, the Association, and all members of the regimental family. The events of last year featuring the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in Moncton and Sussex, which included the visit of HRH Princess Anne in May; followed by our chapter reunion in Jun 23 made for a busy year. All events were exceptionally well done, and it will be hard to beat in the years ahead.

Our reunion numbers in 2023 increased from the lows following the pandemic years. The good news is that reunion 2023 went off as planned and was quite successful. Those attending appeared to enjoy the Meet & Greet, Golf and Dinner all at the Petawawa Golf Club venue. We were pleased to see a few folks attend from the Association down east. Always a warm welcome to Association members.

The Meet and Greet was well attended and as always some could not spend the entire weekend with us, but we are always grateful for those that make the effort to participate in our reunion. This year John Heymans, Lenard Martin, Bob Lucking, Roger Munger, Frank Smith, Bob Shutter, Jim Mackenzie, and Dave Gowers, all joined us for the Friday evening Meet & Greet. So glad that you were able to attend, your support of the Chapter is appreciated.



The R-WC golf Tournament got underway with a briefing of participants by Charlie Butt. Charlie has given us several years of service to organizing and directing the tournament. Always an exceptional job. Charlie, please accept our thanks and gratitude for all that you do.

Pictured on the left is the starting lineup for the 2023 R-W Cup.

Dinner on Saturday evening is always a highlight of the weekend. We had 83 sit down to a dinner of Slow Braise Roast Beef or Chicken supreme. The meal by all accounts was very well received. A Toast to the Regiment, and Fallen Comrades was followed by a ceremonial cake cutting to celebrate our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the regiment and the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Chapter.

A Thank you to all the ladies who continue to support the chapter through their presence at our annual reunions. Pictured here are L to R, Marilyn Clarke, Judy Nurse, and Bonnie Taylor.



The R-W Chapter committee has started plans for our next annual reunion. Reunion 2024 is the weekend of 24-25 May 2024. As a reminder this is not the long weekend in May but the weekend that follows. We look forward to seeing many of you again in May for your chapter's main event in 2024. The Chapter newsletter will be prepared for distribution by end March 2024 with further details and the attendance form entitled "I plan to attend" will be distributed.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend. Pass on the word, as we look forward to hosting you again in Petawawa for Reunion 2024.



## HAROLD GAMBLIN CHAPTER

By Steve Wilson



The 8th Canadian Hussars (Gamblin Chapter) had their annual Christmas Dinner on December 2, 2023 at the Hampton Resource Center. There were 65 people in attendance, almost all related to a Hampton veteran of the Second World War. This is a decades old tradition started by area veterans who would gather on a Friday night, peel potatoes, prepare other side courses, tell stories and perhaps have a few drinks. The next day they would enjoy a great feast with their family and friends. So nice that the tradition continues. I'm sure these men were looking down at all those gathered



today and appreciated that this is still taking place in 2023. It was a great gathering.

James Lockyer brought greetings from the Association. Major Joe Burchat gave an update on the Regiment. Anthonie de Hoog, a post-war Dutch immigrant, was our guest speaker.



Congratulations to the following Hussars:

PTE SHEPPARD J.A. 836 – PROMOTED TO CPL

PTE LAWRENCE J. 721 – PROMOTED TO CPL

CPL VAILLANCOURT L.M. 625 – PROMOTED TO MCPL

MCPL PLANTE J. 927 – PROMOTED TO SGT

Provided by PO2 Bishop, CClk

## REGIMENTAL BURSARIES

As a reminder to all our members, please note that the deadline for applications to the bursary program is 30 June 2024. Details for applying are found at the following address:

<http://www.8chassociation.com/bursary.html>.

For additional information please contact Jamie Kendall at [jkendall\\_nb@outlook.com](mailto:jkendall_nb@outlook.com)

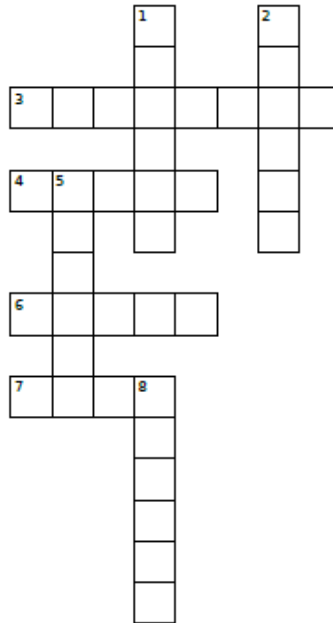
## CADET SITREP

Hot on the heels of the Hussar 175 weekend, our five Hussar Cadet Corps were busy with their Annual Ceremonial Reviews and preparing for summer training. This didn't stop some from supporting the Association's fundraisers by helping to tend the parking lots at both the Sussex Flea Market and Balloon Fiesta.

Recently, 2335 Port Elgin RCACC bid farewell to Capt Bronwyn Yves who returned to Nova Scotia and new challenges within the Cadet Instructor Cadre. We wish her well. Our 1535 Shediac Corps also said goodbye to Capt Roger Benoit who moved to Montreal.

Dieppe's 3006 RCACC stood well in zone marksmanship competitions held in the late autumn. This coming autumn, 560 Moncton RCACC turns 110! We can all take pride in these, and all the other achievements by our Regimental Youth Ambassadors.

# Hussar Crossword



**Down:**

1. The training system used by the Regiment in Fort Knox, Kentucky
2. Famous Daimler scout car
5. Earliest Operation in Afghanistan with an 8th Hussar
8. Location of Princess Louise Park

**Across:**

3. The New Brunswick Regiment of \_\_\_\_\_ Cavalry
4. First CO from 1848-1869
6. Regimental beret colour
7. Hussar casualty in Gaza, 1964

(Solution on the last page)

## HUSSARS IN AFGHANISTAN



Stopping enroute to a Provincial Reconstruction Team in mountainous Gardez.

Operations in Afghanistan after the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks of September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001 had Canadian participation until 2014. The Regiment sent soldiers of all ranks during these operations. Many are familiar with activities during Op ATHENA, and Op ARCHER. What is less known was the Hussar on Op APOLLO. Then-Maj Bourque made up 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the Canadian Army in Afghanistan in the first half of 2003. This was after the incident at Tarnack Farms and Canada's decision to pull all forces, less a small liaison team, from the country. I and my roommate from 2PPCLI lived in Kabul, attached to the US Army, while our Senior Liaison Officer from the R22eR was in Bagram.

Canada recommitted forces, under the United Nations, in subsequent operations, moving from Kabul to Kandahar in the process. The extended story can be found in the Regimental History Book (see ad in this issue).

On September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, Royal Canadian Legion Branch #10 in Amherst, Nova Scotia unveiled its Afghanistan War Memorial. Included on the memorial are the names of the 158 Canadian Armed Forces members killed in operations from 2002-2014.

The Regiment was represented at the unveiling, with both veterans of the Afghanistan operations and supporters from the Association, including our Mike Baxter and his Daimler Ferret Scout Car, Hussars with the Canadian Army Veterans Motorcycle Club.



Seen here, the front and back views of the Afghanistan War Memorial in Amherst, Nova Scotia.

## Regimental Family Bonspiel 2024!

This fun event is again being planned for March. The fee per team will be \$100. We can certainly place individuals on 'ad hoc' teams at the start of the day so being part of a team is not a requirement.

Troops attending that are doing Class A service are subsidized so that their fee is reduced to \$13.00 from \$25.00. The tentative schedule looks like this:

15 Mar 24: 18:00-2359 hrs. Meet & Greet at B Sqn Mess in Sussex. Finger-food for the setting.

16 Mar 24: 0900 hr. First rock down the ice at the Sussex Curling/Golf Club on Piccadilly Rd, by a distinguished Hussar (To be announced at the event)

1700 hr. Steak dinner and presentations. Various prizes will be displayed.

Don't hesitate to contact Bill Nixon regarding any points and thank you for your support of this event.

## GAZA AND THE RAFAH CROSSING OVER 60 YEARS

The current situation in Gaza brings to mind a previous mission in that region, 60 years ago. As part of the UN Emergency Force 1, D and A Sqn would alternate 12-month rotations on the Gaza Strip between 1964-1967. It was early on in this mission when a Hussar jeep hit a mine, killing Cpl PR Wallace and Tpr AA Bons, along with a Bedouin infiltrator they picked up along the way. This was in February, 1964. For a more complete story of the Regt in Egypt, check out this well-written Web Log (or Blog) by Hayden Johnson who was among our summer employees at the Hussar Museum: [Blog Archives - The Association & Museum of the 8th Canadian Hussars \(Princess Louise's\) Inc. \(8chassociation.com\)](#)



The headstones for Cpl Wallace and Tpr Bons remain at the Gaza War Cemetary.



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### LOST TRAILS?

CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS: THE *SABRETACHE* IS OFTEN UNDELIVERED DUE TO CHANGES IN SUBSCRIBERS' EMAIL ACCOUNTS. PLEASE BE SURE TO ADVISE THE COMMITTEE OF ANY CHANGES IN YOUR MAILING ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, ETC. CONTACT THE SECRETARY, ABOVE. THANKS.

## DONATIONS 2023

The following members made donations either to the Association or to the Museum. We gratefully acknowledge their support and thank them sincerely.

### Donations to the Association:

Canada Org	United Way	Dave Henderson	Linda Webb	Michael Blanchet
Jim Ellard	Sheila Billings	Sean Wallace	Senator Day	Sarah Lockyer
Kevin Murray	Malcolm Robinson		Jack Slade	Thomas Falls
Alan Bolster	Eugene Lake	Don Bourque	James Lockyer	Richard Mungall

### Donations to the Museum:

Robert Black	Sean Wallace	Steven Bowes	Terry Switzer	James Lockyer
Brian MacNichol				

### Donations to Regiment:

James Lockyer

PLEASE NOTE THAT AT THIS TIME WE HAVE RECEIVED 60 NEW LIFE MEMBERSHIPS.

THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR ARTICLES IN THE NEXT ISSUE IS 15 JUNE 2024. THIS SHOULD GIVE EVERYONE PLENTY OF TIME TO WRITE THEIR ARTICLES. ARTICLES AND PICTURES MAY BE FORWARDED TO THE EDITOR, DON BOURQUE, AT [8HUSSAR@GMAIL.COM](mailto:8HUSSAR@GMAIL.COM)

Couldn't make it to the Regimental Birthday gathering? Are you entitled to a 175<sup>th</sup> History Book?

We are happy to mail you a copy if you're willing to pay the postage (\$23.00 for delivery in Canada). The book — valued at \$100 — is on us!

NOTE: Offer ~~valid until 31 December 2023~~. EXTENDED!

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## LAST POST (Courtesy of the Radley-Walters Chapter)

With sadness we announce the passing of the following members of the Corps and Regimental families, since last reported in *The Sabretache* Edition 2023 Volume 1.

MAJ (R) DONALD JAMES MACNEIL	OTTAWA ON	02 JUN 2023
CWO (R) DON BEATTIE	OTTAWA ON	08 JUN 2023
COL (R) GREG HUG	OTTAWA ON	16 JUN 2023
MR. DON C. WHITE (WWII VETERAN)	OSHAWA ON	20 JUN 2023
MR. ROBERT "BOB" FINDLAY	PORT AUX BASQUE NL	06 JUL 2023
MR. ROBERT "BOB" FELTHAM	INNISFIL, ON	10 JUL 2023
SGT (R) ALEX GRAF	FORT SASKATCHEWAN AB	28 JUL 2023
WO (R) GARRIE WAN LAMBERT	ST. GEORGE, NB	01 SEP 2023
CWO (R) VINCENT D. "Bing" GELDART	SALISBURY, NB	11 SEP 2023
CWO (R) BILL PROUSE	MEDICINE HAT AB	30 OCT 2023
REV CANON MAJ. MALCOM DAVID BERRY	SAINT JOHN NB	20 NOV 2023
MR. CONNEL REECE KEITH	SUSSEX NB	24 NOV 2023
MR. JAMES CABLE (Brother of Bob Cable)	ALYMER ON	05 DEC 2023
MR. VICTOR RICE	OROMOCTO NB	27 DEC 2023
EMMANUEL (BUD) TOBIN	SYDNEY MINES NS	30 DEC 2023
DERLE ALBERT JAMES DELEAVEY	OROMOCTO NB	02 JAN 2024
JAMES CLINTON HENDERSON (Brother of Dave Henderson)	RIVERVIEW NB	12 JAN 2024
MALCOLM CRICHLLOW	PEMBROKE ON	21 JAN 2024

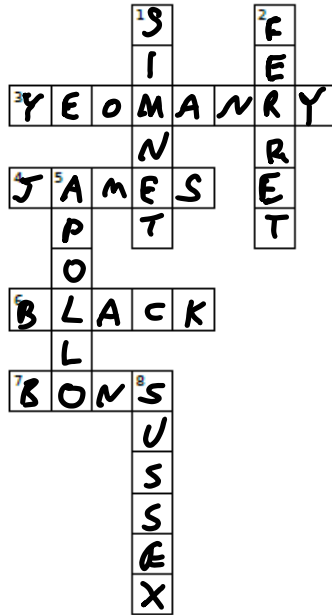
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The list of fallen comrades within the Corps and Regimental families is certainly not complete. Information is posted as received and put into the association records.

The 8CH Association and the members of the Radley-Walters Chapter would like to acknowledge the sacrifice and contribution being made today by our soldiers and particularly those of the Armoured Regiments so actively involved. We offer our support to those that leave home to carry on the tasks that the people of Canada have asked you to do. In doing so, you uphold the fine tradition of your Regiments and The Canadian Forces. You have our utmost support and thanks.

We wish to pass our condolences to the families who have lost loved ones in these recent times. There has been no greater sacrifice than the giving of one's life so we may all live in a better world in the future. To the families of those who have fallen we offer our thanks, our admiration and deepest gratitude to all.

# Hussar Crossword



**Down:**

1. The training system used by the Regiment in Fort Knox, Kentucky
2. Famous Daimler scout car
5. Earliest Operation in Afghanistan with an 8th Hussar
8. Location of Princess Louise Park

**Across:**

3. The New Brunswick Regiment of \_\_\_\_\_ Cavalry
4. First CO from 1848-1869
6. Regimental beret colour
7. Hussar casualty in Gaza, 1964

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