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Colonel of the Regiment

Col (Ret'd) Greg Hug

The call for Newsletter articles from Kathy stated that there was frost on the pumpkins. In many parts of the country, there was early snow as well. I hope that you had a good summer followed by a plentiful fall and you are now ready for Christmas. It seems that the days pass faster than ever.

The feedback that I have received from various sources about the commemoration of Moreuil Wood was universally outstanding. The Regiment held comprehensive and very successful commemoration events in Edmonton and France. The Association branches also had unique events to mark the 100th anniversary of the Battle. The battlefield tour was also a success; well done to **Brian Talty**.

You will read in this Newsletter that your Regiment has continued to be extremely busy. Between floods and forest fires, many of the soldiers have spent considerable time in British Columbia over the past 6 months. Concurrently, the Regiment is back in the high readiness training program preparing for operational deployments planned for 2019. And if this is not enough, the Regiment also completed a Change of Command as well as summer leave.

Several of the Association branches have also held events over the summer and fall with golf tournaments and social gatherings. Despite the fact that I am still in the hospital in Ottawa, my wife **Maria** and I were able to host the serving Strathconas and their spouses in Ottawa for a BBQ at our house in June that included the CO designate and his wife.

The Change of Command was conducted in late June. **LCol Mark Lubiniecki** handed over to **LCol Eric Angell**. We thank **Mark** and **Marie** for their leadership of the Regimental family and wish them continued success in the future. We welcome **Eric** and **Lena** back to the Regiment.

My term as your Colonel of the Regiment is coming to an end. This will be my last article for the newsletter. It has been an honour and privilege to serve as your Colonel for the past 3 1/2 years. It is unfortunate that I have not been able to visit the Regiment and various Association branches to be with you. I sincerely appreciate the support that you have provided to me and Maria since my accident 2 1/2 years ago. We will announce my successor's name via Strathcona E-News once he has been formally approved by the Minister of National Defence.

CO & RSM

LCol Eric Angell & CWO Rob Clarke

Well, as always seems to be the case, the summer was eventful. After Change of Command, your Regiment went into an early Primary Combat Function (PCF) training cycle, offset with our commitments to Immediate Reaction Unit duties.

After some much deserved summer leave in late July, the Regiment returned to work only to once again deploy to assist the fine people of British Columbia – only this time with fires instead of floods. Due to the seemingly more often occurrence of extreme weather, this has become less of a contingency operation and more of a steady-state one. In fact, the 2018 fire season was the worst that BC has ever experienced on record. Your soldiers were more than up to the challenge and spent just shy of three weeks fighting fires in the Vernon, Merritt and Keremeous areas of BC.

That said, the domestic deployment was an excellent opportunity to build new teams and offered junior leaders opportunities to hone their craft and to prepare for future challenges. The deployment set our fall PCF cycle off somewhat, but we made up for lost ground with only a few hiccups. These culminated with an awesome Gun Camp that saw the bulk of our platforms putting “steel on target”, including the Leopard 2, Coyote, LAV 6 and our new Tactical Armoured Patrol Vehicle (TAPV). The TAPV is a very capable vehicle in many roles and your soldiers have been “putting it through its paces” while developing SOPs and drills for its best employment.

The fall saw 1 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group begin its training to be prepared for deployment overseas,

the training cycle required being called the Road to High Readiness. As part of this, the Regiment deployed to Wainwright for a somewhat “non-traditional” Exercise STEELE SABRE 2018. Normally the entire Regiment’s worth of vehicles are shipped to the field for training, but due to some serviceability issues, we arranged to have a staggered approach that saw A Squadron execute their ranges first, followed by Recce and finished by B. To be honest, the serviceability of the Leopard 2 fleet remains a challenge, but we are implementing some unique and creative approaches to training and maintenance that will pay dividends in the long term.



CWO Rob Clarke and LCol Eric Angell move to place the wreath on behalf of Commander 3rd Canadian Division as part of No Stone Left Alone, Photo Credit: MCpl Gerald Cormier

Following our field deployments, we moved directly into preparation and participation in Remembrance Week activities. The RSM and I had the honour of representing the Canadian Armed Forces at the No Stone Left Alone event at Beechmount Cemetery in Edmonton. This excellent initiative, which started in Edmonton, has spread across Canada and internationally thanks to the efforts of its founders, Randall and Maureen Purvis of Edmonton. For Remembrance Day itself, your soldiers participated in multiple different ceremonies across Alberta.

In closing, we must assure you all that your Regiment is doing extremely well. We have strong teams and leaders at all levels, and there is a tangible hum of excitement as we embark on the Road to High Readiness; with projected deployments of significant numbers of Strathconas to international missions commencing as early as July 2019. We would be remiss not to mention that we currently have 4 soldiers and officers deployed on operations across the world, please keep them in your thoughts. We wish you all the very best moving into the holiday season and we hope to see you down the road.

Regimental Association Update

MCpl (Ret'd) Brad Norman

Your Regimental Association is in good shape and as of September 4, 2018 we have 235 registered members.

I take the role of being the President of the Association very seriously and I am very proud with the contributions the individual branches and their committees are making to the welfare of our members and in supporting the objectives of our Association. It's the little things that count when it comes to keeping the Association thriving. This includes, **Alex Graf** hosting wing nights in Fort Saskatchewan, **Brad Norman** (ALFIE) hosting wings nights and meet & greets with members of the Regiment, Kingston hosting the Moreuil Wood Celebration, our Atlantic and British Columbia Chapters hosting social events. These events play a major part in maintaining the interest and most importantly keeping everyone up to date on what the Regiment is up to and what is coming up in the future.

As mentioned, if everyone does their one part and passes on the information regarding the Association to their fellow Black Hatters we can keep the Association thriving.

WARNING ORDER, OVER - there are rumblings of possibly having a Reunion in 2020 and for this to proceed we will need volunteers to assist with organizing this. I know the group in the Edmonton area is small but they will be required to assist with the brunt of the work due to them being in close proximity of the Regiment. I also know 2nd Vice President **Mr. Tom Falls** is ready for the order to go ahead and I am hoping the work soon gets underway. If you are interested in assisting please send me a message and I will add your name. We will need committee heads and committees to share the work load. It is impossible for one person to carry the entire work load. Let's show the Strathcona spirit and get these positions filled.

As for the Association as a whole I have to thank both **Peter Wonderham** and **Howie Owen** for leading me in the

right direction when I assumed the President's role. I also want to thank **Slider and Mary Walsh** for always being there to help in any way possible and keeping the membership lists in order and I thank our Board members **Ken Huff, John Senior, Tom Falls** and **Clair Lane** for their time and commitment.

For our Chapters across this vast Country, thank you for keeping the spirit alive and chiming in with suggestions for events or activities throughout the year.

I want to thank the Colonel of the Regiment **Colonel Hug**, the members of the Regiment, **LCol Lubiniecki, LCol Angell, Maj Wong, CWO Clarke** and **Kathy** for their guidance and support to the Association.

I strive to promote the Association in a big way and I challenge each member to recruit ONE fellow former Strathcona to sign up. I did have one person ask, "What will the Association do for me?" The best answer I can give is that the most important thing you get are updates on what Regiment is doing and the direction it is going. We also have social events and golf tournaments across the country that everyone is more than welcome to attend. You can download the application from the website or you can contact Slider or myself and we will get that application to you.

Just a reminder, our membership fees have not increased however the expenses keep going up. As **Peter Wonderham** stated in the past, it would be a great show of support and THANK YOU to all of our volunteers if every former Strathcona became a member.

I believe we have to also acknowledge that if anyone out there is having problems and needs help we are all here to assist or, at least, we can point you in the direction required to get you the assistance required. Please reach out and look out after each other.

In closing I hope all of you have a good rest of 2018 and if you require anything please contact me.

Calgary Branch Family Golf Tournament

MCpl (Ret'd) Brad Norman

As August 4th approached, I was busy securing the course and working on ensuring all who played would receive a prize. August 4th proved once again to be an excellent day for golf as the weather gods were on our side as we golfed in nice weather. It started raining once the last team finished on the 9th hole. I would like to thank Cassidy our photographer who took photos of each team as they approached the T-Box.

I managed to secure some prizes for the Longest Putt – putter and umbrella, Longest Drive Male- Flames package, Longest Drive Female- women's hair accessories and Closest to the Pin – 100 dollars in cash. Congratulations to all those that won.

After the last team completed the 9th hole we all met at the Horton Legion for some food and beverages. I gave an overview of the sponsors and I presented the trophy to the Owen family for winning the tournament with a -6.

All who participated were lucky to leave with a prize and I would like to thank the following sponsors:

Shaw Charity Classic Jim and Lucille Ellard, Rick Williams, Grady Owen, Tom Latta, Pete the Plumber, Calgary Flames, Canadian Tire, Calgary Co-Op, Don Wyatt, The Hannaford Family, Vulcan Golf Course, MEG Energy, Wild Rose Brewery, Auto Value, Rick Brown and Lonely Cars Storage. I also would like to thank the Regiment for the prizes they donated.

I have to mention that every year the Regiment usually sends down a foursome and they were missed in a big way. Our Association Members missed the chance to catch up on what the Regiment is up to and just conversing with the younger serving members. I know the Regiment was on their much needed and deserved leave and hopefully next year we will see the return of the Regimental Team.



Historical Vehicle Troop

Sgt Ryan Pasuta

Another great year in the Historical Vehicle Troop (HVT), an extremely busy year, but a great year as our team of volunteer soldiers worked diligently behind the scenes purging older artifacts, re-focusing our strategy, and surging efforts onto several high profile projects. While growing our numbers to 17 all ranks, we've really moved the proverbial 'yardsticks' this year - and we're excited for another busy year ahead. To re-cap 2018, we proudly participated at The Calgary Gun Show, the Annual Bar-U-Ranch Soldier Appreciation Weekend, The Veteran's Motorcycle Show & Shine, and most notably, we restored and donated a Centurion Tank to Spruce Meadows. Quite the travelling road-show we were, and where all these events featured our Sherman ('Catherine'), several keen soldiers and other vintage artifacts and weapons, we plan on concentrating our efforts around the Edmonton area in 2019.

*Bar-U-Ranch event,
Cpl Beck (left) Cpl Reetz (right)*



Looking ahead to 2019, we've re-invigorated the 1942 Harley Davidson project and hope to have it completed by summer, we've commenced the 'rebuild' of our aging Ferret (x3) fleet, and plan on adding a 4th to the stable which we plan on painting white - depicting the Regiment's service on UN Peacekeeping missions abroad. If anyone has any pictures of a Ferret serving in Cyprus, it will be much appreciated. We also expect delivery of two fully restored Bren Gun Carriers within the next year to help 'dress up' future ceremonies.

Lastly, several new external partnerships have also been forged this year, and contact has been made with the Ontario RCAC Museum who've provided a much appreciated contact in BC that may be able to supply NOS (new old stock) Sherman Track and other rare parts. These valuable contacts will undoubtedly strengthen our Troop in the coming years, and with no shortage of support from the community, our Society, and our soldiers, HVT will be in good stead for years to come.

From all ranks within HVT, a big "thanks" to everyone for their continued support.

*Motorcycle Show and Shine ,
Cpl Beck (left), Tpr Boothman (right)*



NIJMEGEN 2018

Capt (Ret'd) Chuck Hills

The Nijmegen Marches, originally a means for Dutch infantry to increase their long-distance marching and weight-carrying abilities, have evolved into an international four-day event, which draws 47,000 civilian marchers from over 50 countries, in addition to 5,500 military participants, seeking to challenge their physical and mental endurance. The Marches are now the world's largest walking event.

This year marks the 102nd anniversary of the Nijmegen Marches, although the CAF has been participating since 1952, making this the CAF's 66th year.

History

Over 7,600 Canadians died in the nine-month campaign in 1944-1945 to liberate the Netherlands and carry the Second World War to its conclusion, a sacrifice which has never been forgotten by the Dutch people. Now, over half a century later, Canadians and the Dutch still remember the events of that time and celebrate the lasting bonds that were created between our two countries years ago.

During the four days of the Nijmegen Marches, CAF members walk the same terrain where many Canadians fell. On the third day, CAF participants pay their respects at the Groesbeek Canadian War Cemetery, the final resting place of more than 2,300 Canadian soldiers and aviators who died fighting to liberate the Netherlands in 1944 and 1945.

The Nijmegen Marches also present an opportunity to remember our fallen from the First World War. On their way to the Marches in the Netherlands, the CAF teams have an opportunity to visit Tyne Cot Cemetery and hold commemorative events at the Passchendaele Canadian Memorial and the Menin Gate memorial in Belgium, and at the Canadian National Vimy Memorial in France.

By holding these commemorative events, the CAF mark the sacrifices made by two generations of Canadians so that we might continue to live in freedom and security.

The Event

The Nijmegen Marches consist of four days of marching, through the countryside and the crowded streets of towns and villages in the area surrounding the city of Nijmegen. For military participants, each day's march begins and ends at the same base camp, Heumensoord, which is built every year just south of Nijmegen. The four-day route loops into the countryside and back to camp, like the four leaves of a clover. Each military participant completes that day's itinerary while wearing standard combat clothing and carrying a military backpack weighted with 10 kilograms, in addition to individual provisions (water, snacks, etc.).

The Marches are neither a competition nor a speed test, but proper training and good team spirit are required to ensure success. During the months of training necessary to be selected for the Canadian contingent, candidates test their physical and mental stamina by marching a minimum of 500 km as a team, in addition to conducting two consecutive days of 40 km marches. In general, most CAF participants train an average of 700 to 1000 km in anticipation of the Marches. Moreover, Nijmegen is primarily a team event, which develops such core military values as leadership, teamwork, and camaraderie. The CAF contingent includes military personnel from across the country with diverse backgrounds, representing all ranks, trades, and Environments, Regular and Reserve Force. By working together and supporting one another, they will complete the Marches successfully and in good order.

My Walk

Being a military father and being away on many deployments and career courses, I had missed out on many things with our children because of my career. So when my daughter Christie Hills-Walton asked me two years ago if I would like to participate in the Nijmegen March with her, my immediate answer was an automatic "yes".

After doing some research I discovered that due to my age I only had to complete 30 kms a day, but my daughter



being much younger had to do 40 kms a day. So, it was inevitable I felt that I had no choice but to do the latter. This would be our father/daughter walk...a time to catch up and reflect on the many times that I missed out on her childhood due to deployments with the military.

Christie, who lives in Petawawa, and I, in Calgary, had weekly meetings on the phone, by Skype and exchanged information via social media. We discussed different strategies and encouraged each other as the training began.

The training began in earnest last October 2017 and I managed to walk 1,400 kilometers in preparation for this year's march which started July 17, 2018. I took my training very seriously as I did not want to let my daughter down nor disappoint myself. We were both entirely committed to the adventure and looked forward to our special time together. Christie did her thing in Petawawa while I did my training in Calgary and from many conversations, I knew she was ready to for our special journey.

Registration day which was the 15th of July, which was well organized with over 47,431 people registered to participate. Quite surprising, it took us only an hour to get through the massive line up.

Prior to the walk, we met up with some of the Strathcona Team, who had just finished an emotional ceremony at the Groesbeek Cemetery. I managed to chat with them for a bit, but time was tight as they still had much to do. It was inspiring to see some of the team members who filled us in on some of the experiences they encountered along the way.

Day 1 – We started at 0500 hrs with thousands of other people but realized that everyone could not leave at 0500 hrs. They had staggered starts. We managed to complete the first day in seven and a half hours and felt quite proud of our accomplishment. The crowd cheered and encouraged everyone to keep going. They provided food and beverages along the way.

Day 2 – On this day, we kicked off at 0600 hrs which gave everyone a chance to get out of the start gate as effortlessly as possible. It was another hot day, so it was pleasant to start early. We finished the second day in eight and a half hours and once again, felt proud of our achievement. We had lots of laughs and shared some great stories along the way.

Day 3 – With a start at 0500 hrs, we enjoyed a nice cool walk on this day which was great because one of the challenges ahead was the day of “The Seven Hills”. The hills were quite long with a gentle slope, but it still took some work to get to the top. Once again, we were encouraged by the large crowds cheering, singing, dancing and encouraging all the walkers. It was a delightful feeling to be there sharing this wonderful adventure with my daughter.

Day 4 -This was the hottest day with a temperature of 35°C. It was also the most difficult day because of the previous 120 kms that we had already completed. At times, we felt that it would never end but once the crowds started lining the streets it seemed like we would complete what we had set out to do. We stopped at all the military rest areas but unfortunately, we did not manage to catch the Strathcona Team again. It seemed that as we arrived, they had just left. As we approached the last few kilometers the streets were lined with people, bands and dancers. The crowds cheered the marchers offering encouragement and enthusiasm. What an experience this was. A once-in-a-lifetime experience and to be able to do this with my daughter was more than I could ask for. Oh, and the last day took us eleven hours, a hot one but enjoyable just the same.

Prior to the walk, Christie and I managed to pay homage to our fellow Canadians at various cemeteries including Beaumont Hamel, Vimy, Hill 62, Groesbeek, Moreuil Wood and we travelled as far south as Dieppe.

We also visited Lahr and Iserlohn to see Fort Beausejour. All the buildings are still there but none are occupied by military.

Grey & Simcoe Foresters Regimental D-Day Dinner

Speech By: Murray Cayley

Remembering D-Day, Remembering the D-Day Dodgers!

“Canadians were at the front of the advance up through central Italy, enduring some of the most bitter fighting of the war before going on north to the relief of Holland and northern Europe. As D-Day Dodgers, as some wag (Lady Astor) put it in England, they were supposedly enjoying the climate and such scenic delights as the Melfa Crossing, Ortona, Monte Casino while the “Real Work” was being done at Normandy.

Commanded at the Melfa Crossing by **Col. P.G. “Paddy” Griffin, DSO** – his grandson, **Col Bruce Griffin** and a Strathcona, is here with us tonight - the Strathcona’s were central to this push in Italy, accompanied by Foresters.

Cpl Dick Hudson, MM, from Orillia went to England as a Forester. Serving as a clerk he was asked if he wouldn’t like a change of scene and volunteered to go to Italy with the Strathconas. With a broken shoulder he continued firing a Piat gun, blocking an advance by German Tanks at Melfa and was presented the MM by the King. Dick passed away at Orillia some years ago but only after being reunited with many of his old comrades at a Strathcona reunion in the year 2000.

Foresters have a record of service with the Strathcona’s going back to the origins of both Regiments, a history recently recognized and acknowledged in a letter by the Commanding Officer of the Strathconas congratulating the Foresters on the dedication of their new Regimental Colours in May 2016.

The connection goes back to **Sam Steele**. Born just up the road at Fair Valley in Medonte Township, Sam’s first military service was as a cadet in the Simcoe County Foresters and again with the Grey County Greys. He later went on to raise and command a new Regiment, Lord Strathcona’s Horse, to fight in South Africa. Men from Central Ontario and some known to have been Foresters, went with them, and later to WW I where Lord Strathcona’s Horse (Royal Canadians) created a distinguished record of service, suffering nearly three times its original strength in casualties.

At Moreuil Wood, on March 30, 1918, the Strathcona’s delivered the last known cavalry charge in western warfare against German positions near Amiens, effectively breaking the advance in that sector. But only 20 men survived. **Lt Flowerdew** died of wounds shortly after but received the Victoria Cross for his action. This year, the 100th anniversary of that charge, the Regiment organized a return to Moreuil Wood and offered a Regimental Lance as a fundraiser to finance the Mounted Troop on that trip. In support of our connection to the Strathcona’s and in response to the gracious letter of support by that Regiment at the dedication of our new



L-R: BGen (Ret'd) John C Hayter, LCol Perry Rittershofer, Murray Cayley, Col (Ret'd) Bruce Griffin.

colour, a group of us decided to provide one of these memorial lances to our Honourable Guard for presentation to our Regiment,

I ask **General Hayter**, Commander of the Guard, to come forward.

Sir: on behalf of myself, **General Garry Thompson**, **Colonel Bob Douglas**, **Colonel John Iversen**, **Colonel Kevin Carrol**, **Colonel Bruce Griffin**, Yourself, and in memory of **Captain Bruce Pearson**, I offer you this lance to present to the Grey & Simcoe Foresters Regiment as a lasting, visible symbol and reminder of the link between our two regiments, ourselves, The Grey & Simcoe Foresters, and Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians)."

***Editor's Note.** The Grey and Simcoe Foresters have long celebrated their affiliation with the Strathconas and always extend warm hospitality to any visiting member of the Regiment who happens to live in or visit their area.*

Your Photos

How Leicestershire soldiers helped remember fallen Canadian UN peacekeepers

28 Canadian soldiers died in Cyprus between 1964 and 1993

Troopers of the Royal Lancers (Queen Elizabeth's Own) form a Lance Guard at a service rededicating a memorial to 28 Canadian soldiers killed while serving as UN peacekeepers in Cyprus, a role now being carried out by the Royal Lancers who have refurbished the memorial

<https://www.leicesterm Mercury.co.uk/news/leicester-news/how-leicestershire-soldiers-helped-remember-1676099>



BGen Trevor Cadieu and WO (Ret'd) Marv MacNeill



John Douglas McPherson

He passed away the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. I am so grateful that we had his plaques done for his last birthday in May.

Your Dispatches

I've been a civilian for over 15 years now, and I deal regularly with the public, customers of our small business. We extend a DND (and former DND) discount, so military service often comes up in conversations with our customers.

*Last week one customer said he'd served in Afghanistan as a surgeon, and when he asked I told him I'd been with the Strathconas. This doctor (now at U of A) said when he was in Afghanistan, his home unit didn't check on his wife once during the entire deployment. But every week, either in person or by phone, **Trevor Cadieu** checked in on her to see how things were going. And that's stuck with this doctor ever since. And he's proud to tell that story and of how well the Strathconas care for their family and extended family.*

John Vreugdenhil

*BRAVO ZULU, **Gen Cadieu**. We brought you up properly. Junior Officers, take note. Ed*

*As the first Cadet Captain of the Strathcona's Cadet Corps I am glad that the group is still in existence. I came across a picture a while ago of, then, **Major Berwick** presenting me with a Cadet Captain second gold ribbon. This was during the first parade of the group after the Alberta United Services Military Institute, decided that they no longer wanted to support an army-oriented group as they were after Air Force and Navy members.*

Seems so long ago.

Capt (Ret) W.A. Jacobs

Hate to tell you Bill, but it was a long time ago. Ed.

Looking back, it is still hard to believe how quickly the time has

passed since the initial deployment of B Squadron in 2006 and it has already been a decade since the end of my second deployment in 2008.

Since my book was published nearly a year ago, I did not completely understand the impact this book would have and how a few words and pictures would not only re-kindle a few lost memories but also to help heal and support veterans across the nation and around the world. I was fortunate enough to have an editor/publisher based out of England who was able to distribute my book to a far greater audience that was able to read about the soldiers and the exploits of the Regiment during the time we proudly served in Afghanistan.

I have personally shipped books to Australia and Portugal and a few other countries in between. I can honestly say my biggest audience to date have been the "black-hatters" from coast to coast across this great country and I am deeply humbled by the messages of appreciation I received after they read my book. Without the events that occurred at the time and the soldiers I served with none, of this would have been possible.

*Over the past year, I took part in numerous book signings and events throughout British Columbia and engaged with serving soldiers, veterans and the public to tell our story. I had the fortunate opportunity to be invited as a guest this past summer by **Capt (Ret'd) Warren Kerek** to the Vancouver Club to attend their Annual Charity event to raise funds for Wounded Warriors Canada. I donated the proceeds from the sales of my book that evening to support another former Strathcona, **Andy Cook**, as*

he took part in the Battlefield Bike Ride 2018 through the Balkans to raise money for Wounded Warriors Canada. I managed to raise \$1,000 to support the cause through the profits of my book.

The book is currently being sold in a few private book stores and a variety of kitshops across Canada but most of the purchases still occur online through Amazon.ca or through the publisher at trackpadpublishing.com.

*I cannot give enough credit to **BGen Trevor Cadieu** for taking the time to write the foreword in this book as I know he is without a doubt, the busiest soldier in all of Western Canada. I sincerely hope this book is around long enough for future generations of Strathcona's to read and understand how armoured warriors lived and fought while serving on main battle tanks of the time.*

Thank you all again for your support and "Perseverance".

WO (Ret'd) Marvin MacNeill

Congratulations on the success of your book, Marv, and we know that your generous donations are much appreciated. Hopefully our publishing this will generate more sales and support. Ed.

*Association Golf Photos from page 5,
Top to Bottom, L-R*

***Jeff Warne, Peter Wonderham,
Scott Vanderveer, Ken Huff***

***Peter Hauenstein, Jason Moran,
Golf Starter Lady, Ken Tebin***

***Landon Owen, Grady Owen,
Brad Norman, Howie Owen, Dallas Owen***

***Craig Dunn, Randy Gray,
Debbie Mcauley, Brian Mcauley***



LAST TRUMPET CALL



BORYLO, Eric, 9 September, 2018, Age 68, Calgary, AB

BROWN, Clifford, 12 July, 2018, Age 89, Calgary, AB

CALWELL, Floyd 13 May 2018

HOWARD, Ron, 23 May 2018, Age 73, Calgary, AB

KUNSTMAN, Arthur, 10 July, 2018, Age 84, Edmonton, AB

MCPHERSON, John Douglas, 9 October, 2018, Age 89, Regina, SK

MURRAY, Robert (Bert), April, 2018, Age 94, Nanaimo, BC

PITTS, Herb, 27 September, 2018, Victoria, BC

ROBERTSON, Richard, 2 September, 2018, Huntsville, ON

SCHNARR, A.E. (Sam), Victoria, BC

SWANTON, John, 17 July, 2018, Age 97, Fredericton, NB

OUR APOLOGIZES FOR LACK OF DETAILS IN SOME CASES