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Our fearless sailor hygienist, Sgt Karen Nelmes, working hard at sea

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

I regret to announce that BGen Kearney, a distinguished DGDS from 1966 –1970 passed away on May 19, 2001. I have requested that a brief CV be included in this edition in recognition of his outstanding service to his country and the CFDS. As you will note BGen Kearney’s service as dental officer began in World War 2 and continued until his retirement in 1970. The tradition of excellence in the CFDS has been passed to all of us from former members such as BGen Kearney. We must never fail to recognize that the dedication and service of our former Officers and NCMs who have made us what we are today.

I am extremely pleased to see the success of some of our specialist officers on their respective Board exams. Though the examination process is different for each specialty, what they do have in common is the fact they are extremely challenging and represent tremendous effort and sacrifice to achieve success. The members of the CFDS who have successfully challenged the Boards is as attached. So as not to offend any of the old guys/gals, I’ve included a complete listing of serving CFDS “boarded” officers.

A related question to “Boards” that has been often been posed to me, concerns the value of civilian certification of our officers and NCMs. The answer to the question involves issues of maintenance of standards and professional credibility. The standard of practice to which we are compared is the Canadian civilian standard. Our CFpatients rightly feel that they should have, at the very least, access to a standard of dental care that their dependant’s receive. A strong case could in fact be made

that our patients, by virtue of the unique character of their job, need and deserve a *higher* level of care than their civilian counterparts who would only rarely be remote from access to emergency care. In any case by ensuring that we are very selective in choosing our personnel and maintaining the highest standards possible we send a clear message about our professionalism.

In the CF context, our officers and NCMs will continue to meet all of the traditional military standards for entry and promotion. I personally believe that you cannot belong in the truest sense, to this organization called the Canadian Forces, unless you have the credibility of meeting the common CF standards. I’m loath to ask for exemptions or exceptions to be made for CFDS personnel.

I am extremely pleased with the quality and enthusiasm of the dental officers that have been recently recruited into the CFDS. Recently an impressive group of 14 officers (8 DEO and 6 DOTP) completed the Basic Dental Officers’ Course (BDOC) and the Basic Field Medical Services Course (BFMSC). Capt Bussière topped the course. BZ!

I am pleased and excited about the future of the CFDS. It is a pleasure and honour to be a part of this organization. Have a great summer!

Colonel John Currah

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Maj Goheen		
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Maj Dumas		Maj Vankka
Advanced General Dentistry – Fellow of the Federal Services Board of General Dentistry		
Col Currah	LCol Field	Maj Collins
Maj Gerry (Part 1)	Maj Lemon (Part 1)	Maj Maltais
Maj Nguyen (Part 1)		
Public Health – Member of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada (MRCD(C))		
LCol Swan		

MESSAGE DU DIRECTEUR

J'ai le regret de vous annoncer que le bgén Kearney est décédé le 19 mai 2001. Il a été, de 1966 à 1970, un éminent DG du SDFC. J'ai demandé qu'un court C.V. soit inclus dans la présente édition en reconnaissance de son dévouement remarquable envers son pays et le SDFC. Comme vous le constaterez, le bgén Kearney a commencé son service à titre de dentiste militaire pendant la Seconde Guerre mondiale et a été actif jusqu'à sa retraite, en 1970. La tradition d'excellence du SDFC a été transmise à chacun d'entre nous par d'anciens membres du Service comme le bgén Kearney. Nous devons toujours nous rappeler que le dévouement et le travail de nos anciens officiers et MR ont fait de nous ce que nous sommes aujourd'hui.

Je suis très heureux de constater la réussite de certains de nos officiers spécialistes aux examens de leur Conseil respectif. Bien que le processus d'examen diffère d'une spécialité à l'autre, il comporte une constante : il est extrêmement rigoureux et exige des efforts et des sacrifices énormes. La liste des membres du SDFC qui ont relevé, avec succès, le défi de leur Conseil est annexée à la présente. Afin de ne blesser personne, j'ai joint la liste complète des officiers actifs du SDFC qui ont passé cet examen.

Une question se rapportant aux « Conseils » m'a souvent été posée et concerne la valeur de l'accréditation civile de nos officiers et MR. La réponse touche au maintien des normes et à la crédibilité professionnelle. La norme à laquelle notre pratique est comparée est la norme civile canadienne. Nos patients des FC considèrent, à juste titre, qu'ils devraient, à tout le moins, avoir accès à une norme de soins dentaires équivalente à celle de leurs personnes à charge. En fait, nous pouvons

affirmer sans nous tromper, que nos patients, en vertu du caractère particulier de leur travail, nécessitent et méritent un niveau de soins *supérieur* à celui de leurs homologues civils qui se trouvent rarement éloignés de soins d'urgence. De toute manière, en nous assurant d'être très sélectifs quant au choix de notre personnel et en maintenant les normes au plus haut niveau possible, nous diffusons un message clair quant à notre professionnalisme.

En ce qui a trait aux FC, nos officiers et nos MR devront continuer de satisfaire à toutes les normes militaires traditionnelles, tant à l'égard de l'enrôlement que des promotions. Je crois, personnellement, que vous ne pouvez appartenir, dans le vrai sens du terme, à cette organisation appelée les Forces canadiennes à moins que vous ne répondiez aux normes communes des FC. Loin de moi l'idée de demander des dérogations ou des exceptions à l'égard du personnel du SDFC.

Je suis donc, encore une fois, très heureux de la qualité et de l'enthousiasme des dentistes militaires que le SDFC a récemment recrutés. Un impressionnant groupe de 14 officiers (8 EDO et 6 PIDM) vient de terminer le cours élémentaire de dentiste militaire (CEDM) et le cours élémentaire de services médicaux en campagne (CESMC). Le capt Bussière a remporté la palme. Bravo Zulu!

Je me réjouis et m'enthousiasme en pensant à l'avenir du SDFC. C'est un plaisir et un honneur de faire partie de cette organisation. Je vous souhaite de passer un bel été!

Colonel John Currah

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Commanding Officer's Message

Spring is here, and as in nature, it brings a time of change, growth, and renewal.

Once again we are coming off a marvelous Winter Working Group in Winnipeg and I very much enjoyed seeing many old friends and new faces. As the old axiom goes, the only thing that ever stays the same is change. As is the case every year, we will be saying good bye to some old friends and valued CFDS members as they move on to a new phase in their lives. Some of our new, and not so new, members will be called upon to accept new challenges and in some cases, greater responsibilities and rank. I salute you who willingly answer the call.

As I have said many times before, the greatest strength of our Dental Corps is, has been, and will continue to be, our people. We have survived a very difficult and tumultuous period of our history, emerging even stronger and more resolved to succeed than ever before. We are not as "big" as we once were, and we are certainly not perfect now, but successes and improvements have been substantial and even better things are not far on the horizon.

Even COs are not immune to change. I am sure everyone is aware my current tenure as your Commanding Officer is coming to an end this summer with my posting to the yearlong French course. There were a great number of things I set out to do when I became CO 3 years ago. Although a great number of things were accomplished, there remains much work to do. I will sign over command of 1 Dental Unit to LCol Martin Field at a ceremony in the NDMC building on Friday 6 July 2001.

I wish to especially thank my Headquarters staff for their enormous support and efforts on behalf of 1 Dental Unit and myself. They have been the epitome of teamwork and the primary reason for our success. I would be remiss if I also did not thank our Director, Colonel Currah, for his steadfast support and guidance over the past three years. I look forward to having enough time to finally learn French properly and to an adequate level. I also look forward to coming back to the CFDS into an active role; wherever the Director feels I can best serve our Corps.

It has been a distinct honour to serve as your Commanding Officer.

SA Becker
Lieutenant-Colonel
Commanding Officer 1 DU

Message du commandant

Le printemps est arrivé, et tout comme dans la nature il apporte le changement, la croissance et le renouveau.

De nouveau, le groupe de travail à Winnipeg a été très productif, d'où j'ai eu le grand plaisir de revoir un bon nombre d'anciens amis et de faire la connaissance des nouvelles personnes. Selon le vieux proverbe, la seule chose qui ne change pas c'est le changement. Chaque année, nous devons dire au revoir à certains vieux amis et à des membres importants du SDFC qui continuent leur chemin vers de nouvelles étapes dans leur vie. Certains de nos nouveaux et moins nouveaux membres seront appelés à relever les nouveaux défis et dans certains cas, ils assumeront de plus grandes responsabilités et grades. Je salue tous ceux et celles qui répondent volontiers à l'appel.

Comme j'ai souvent dit dans le passé, la plus grande force de notre corps dentaire est, a été et sera toujours notre personnel. Nous avons surmonté une période difficile et tumultueuse de notre histoire et nous en sommes sortis gagnants et plus résolus à réussir qu'auparavant. Nous ne sommes peut-être pas aussi « grands » que nous l'étions auparavant et certes, nous ne sommes pas encore parfaits, toutefois nous avons connu des succès et nous avons fait beaucoup d'améliorations et l'avenir s'annonce très favorable.

Les commandants ne sont à l'abri des changements. Comme vous le savez tous que la durée de mes fonctions en tant que commandant se termine cet été avec l'affectation à un cours de français d'une durée d'un an. Lorsque je suis devenu commandant, il y a trois ans, je me suis lancé à accomplir un bon nombre de tâches. Même si plusieurs d'entre elles ont été achevées, il en reste toujours beaucoup de travail à faire. Je céderai mon poste de commandant de la 1^{re} Unité dentaire au lcol Martin Field au cours d'une cérémonie qui aura lieu au CMDN, le vendredi 6 juillet 2001.

Je désire remercier notamment mon personnel du quartier général pour leur immense appui et efforts au nom de la 1^{re} Unité dentaire et moi-même. Ils sont l'exemple parfait du travail en équipe et la raison principale de notre réussite. Ce serait négligeant de ma part, si je ne remerciais pas notre directeur, le colonel Currah, pour son appui constant et son orientation au cours des trois dernières années. J'espère avoir suffisamment de temps pour apprendre finalement le français convenablement et à un niveau approprié. J'envisage également à revenir au SDFC pour y participer activement, n'importe où le directeur jugera que je servirai mieux notre Corps.

C'était tout un honneur de servir en tant que votre commandant.

Commandant 1^{re} UD
Lieutenant-colonel S.A. Becker

FROM THE BRANCH CWO

The process of reorganizing our MOCs is almost complete. An Occupational Structure Review Board sat in Ottawa on 7-8 Mar to review the Terms of Reference for Dental Assistants and Hygienists under a new occupation called the Dental Technician. 27 hygienists will remain in uniform within this occupation with 1 MWO, 8 WOs and 18 Sgts. MWO and WO hygienists will be eligible to compete for other positions both in and out of the Branch such as UWO, Career Manager, LCMM and several others. Dental assistants who meet the criteria will be able to apply for OT into the hygiene occupation. As a pilot project, Sgt Carol Buxcey from CFDSS, has been accepted into the Georgian College Hygiene Program. She will provide the Branch with information and direction on how we hope to implement this OT program.

I would like to extend my congratulations to WOs Tracy and Morash who successfully completed their SLC Course in St Jean. Also to all of the NCMs who were recently promoted

MWO Shirley and I have been quite active in the recruiting field since Feb. We have presented our powerpoint presentation to the dental assisting classes at Algonquin College and Career Canada here in Ottawa, to the New Brunswick Dental Assisting School in St John, to Holland College in Charlottetown and to the Nova Scotia Technical College in Halifax. We have also met with the Director of the Hygiene School at Dalhousie University in Halifax and with the Associate Registrar of Georgian College. The results have been very positive with a very high level of interest from the dental assistants and we have had an offer of a guaranteed position for hygiene training from Georgian College. MWO Champagne has also approached a college in Quebec City for hygiene training and they have expressed a keen interest in getting involved with our program. Dental assistants considering competing for a hygiene training position should be making an effort to upgrade their academic standards if required. This information has been passed to all Clinic Coordinators.

The posting plot is out, there are few hiccups but approximately 30 dental NCMs are on the move this year. Additional funding was procured to implement the Reforger Plan and we have tried to bring the establishments of the Detachments into line. The following is a summary of the postings and promotions that have been announced for the Branch at the time I submitted this article. Be advised that we are expecting additional promotions to MCpl and Sgt before the end of

the year. Posting dates may change as personnel make local arrangements for amendments to their reporting in times.

DENTAL ASSISTANTS

DDent Svcs/1 Dent Unit HQ

Sgt Boisjoly promoted to WO 1 Apr and posted to Dent Det HCC Ottawa 2 Apr

Borden

MCpl Forbes posted to 2 Fd Amb Petawawa 3 Jul

CFDSS

Sgt Wilson promoted to WO 1 Apr
Sgt Buxcey posted to ATL for Hygiene Training 1 Jul
MCpl Tremblay promoted to Sgt 1 Apr
Cpl Jordan promoted to MCpl 1 Apr

Cold Lake

Sgt Black promoted to WO 1 Jul and posted to 2 Fd Amb Petawawa 13 Jul

Comox

Sgt Maggiolo posted to Dent Det Trenton 13 Jul
Cpl Shepperd posted to Dent Det Edmonton 9 Jul

Edmonton

WO Giroux promoted to MWO 1 Apr
Sgt Sarrazin promoted to WO 1 Apr and posted to Dent Det Edmonton 2 Apr
MCpl Chaisson promoted to Sgt 1 Apr and posted to 1 Fd Amb Edmonton 2 Apr
Cpl Clark posted to Dent Det Goose Bay 6 Jul
Cpl Molyneaux posted to Dent Det Ottawa 2 Jul
Cpl Morris(Direct Entry) posted in 2 Apr

Esquimalt

Cpl Rousseau promoted to MCpl 15 Jun and posted to Dent Det Comox 6 Jul

Gagetown

Cpl Miller posted to Dent Det Toronto 13 Jul

Geilenkirchen

WO Savoie posted to Dent Det Valcartier 25 Jun

Goose Bay

MCpl Denault posted to Dent Det North Bay 13 Jul

Greenwood

MCpl Lacousiere posted to Dent Det Halifax 13 Jul

Halifax

Sgt Burns posted to Dent Det Gagetown 13 Jul
MCpl Marche posted to Dent Det Greenwood 13 Jul
MCpl Marcoux posted to Dent Det Edmonton 13 Jul

HMCS Protecteur

Sgt Cantwell posted to Dent Det Comox 6 Jul

Longue Pointe

MCpl Asselin promoted to Sgt 1 Jun and posted to Dent Det Borden 15 Jun
Cpl Charette posted to Dent Det St Jean 2 Apr

North Bay

Sgt Weir posted to Dent Det Toronto 3 Jul

Ottawa

Sgt Bizier posted to 1 Dent Unit HQ 2 Apr
Cpl Burley promoted to MCpl 1 Apr
Cpl Kerr post to Geilenkirchen 1 Jun

Petawawa

MWO Leitch posted to Dent Det Ottawa 2 Apr
MCpl Haley promoted to Sgt 1 Apr
MCpl Ryan promoted to Sgt 1 Apr and posted to Dent Det Halifax 2 Apr
MCpl Deslauriers posted to Dent Det Longue Pointe 15 Jun
Cpl Norris promoted to MCpl 1 Apr
Cpl Legault promoted to MCpl 1 Apr and posted to Dent Det Petawawa
Cpl Montgomery promoted to MCpl 1 Apr and posted to 2 Fd Amb Petawawa

St Jean

Cpl Alarie promoted to MCpl 30 Jun and posted to Dent Det Borden 13 Jul

Toronto

MCpl Desmarais promoted to Sgt 1 Apr and posted to HMCS Protecteur 3 Jul
Cpl Johnson posted to Dent Det Moose Jaw 3 Jul
Sanitas in Ore

Trenton

WO Burton promoted to MWO 1 Apr and posted to 1 Dent Unit HQ 2 Apr

Valcartier

Sgt Vincent posted to 5 Fd Amb Valcartier 1 Jun
Sgt Southall posted to Geilenkirchen 11 Jun
MCpl Tremblay posted to Dent Det Bagotville 3 Jul
MCpl Veilleux posted to 5 Fd Amb Valcartier 13 Jul
Cpl Beaudoin promoted to MCpl 1 Apr

Wainwright

Sgt Thibault posted to Dent Det Cold Lake 13 Jul

Winnipeg

Cpl Johnson promoted to MCpl 1 Apr and posted to Dent Det Wainwright 3 Jul

DENTAL HYGIENISTS

Esquimalt

WO Simpson posted to Dent Det Petawawa 15 Jul
Sgt Nelmes posted to Dent Det Trenton 15 Aug

Kingston

WO Bernabei voluntary release Apr 01

Goose Bay

WO Wood posted TBC

Halifax

Sgt Vanthournout posted Dent Det Edmonton 11 Jul

North Bay

WO T Roberge posted to Dent Det Ottawa 29 Jul

Farewell and good luck to those personnel who are taking their release/retirement from the CF; WO Fortin, WO Cote, Sgt Dwyre and MCpl Grantham.

I hope everyone has a safe and fun filled summer. I will see some of you at the fall conference in Trenton.

Sanitas in Ore
CWO Andy Baird
Branch CWO

BGen (Ret'd) Kearney

Brigadier-General Bertram Patrick Kearney, MBE, CD, QHDS, DDS, FICD

Director General of Dental Services

9 December 1966 – 14 July 1970

Born 12 February 1915 – DDS University of Toronto, 1936

It is with great regret that we inform you of BGen (Ret'd) Kearney's passing on 19 May 2001. BGen (Ret'd) Kearney was inspirational in paving the way for the CFDS and he will be sadly missed. Below is a brief biography of BGen (Ret'd) Kearney.

Lieutenant CDC (NPAM), May 1940; Lieutenant, 2 Company CDC, 10 June 1940; promoted Captain, 10 September 1940; proceeded to United Kingdom with 6 Company CDC, 25 September 1942; posted to 9 Company CDC, 7 December 1943; proceeded to Northwest Europe, 9 July 1944; promoted Major 2 August 1944; posted to 8 Company CDC, 31 July 1945; returned to Canada 15 September 1945 and posted to 22 Company CDC; appointed Assistant Director of Dental Services, Army Headquarters, 22 April 1946; qualified parachutist, 12 October 1948; posted to 11 Company RCDC (Whitehorse

Clinic), 18 August 1950; posted to 13 Company RCDC, 31 July 1952; promoted Lieutenant-Colonel and appointed Commanding Officer, 25 Field Dental Company RCDC, 15 May 1953; proceeded to Korea, 20 May 1953; posted to 13 Company RCDC (Senior Specialist Ottawa Clinic), on return to Canada, 6 July 1954; appointed Commandant RCDC School, 8 April 1957; promoted Colonel, 1 February 1958; appointed Commanding Officer, 11 Dental Company RCDC and Command Dental Officer Western Command, 15 July 1961; appointed Deputy Director General of Dental Services and Senior Consultant, Canadian Forces Headquarters, 13 July 1965; promoted Brigadier and appointed Director General of Dental Services, 9 December 1966. BGen Kearney received the following decorations: MBE – 1945; CD – 1952; QHDS – 1965; FICD – 1964 and retired from the Canadian Forces 11 March 1971.

From the FANG Editor

I would like to take this brief opportunity to thank you all, once again, for your great submissions - many of which required a lot of ingenuity and effort! I would also like to extend my thanks to Maj Ross for showing me a more efficient method of putting photos in the FANG - you actually saved me a lot of grief Maj Ross!

Thanks also goes to WO Simpson, the Dockyard Clinic Coordinator in Esquimalt, for her photo and profile submission of Sgt Karen Nelmes. The photo has graced this Edition's front page!

Submissions for the next edition of the FANG should arrive at D Dent Svcs NLT than 7 August. Capt Al Brown will be posted into the D Dent Svcs AO position effective 16 July and will become the new editor of the FANG. I would like to express my thanks to the CFDS for the opportunity to be the first Medical HCA, and airforce person, to work for the dental world. I will always cherish the four years I have spent with you and remember it as a highlight of my career!

Until we meet again...after all, the CF is a small world!

Tracey MacCormack
Captain
The FANG Editor

IJOMI Award

During the 16th Annual Meeting of the Academy of Osseointegration in Toronto (March 22-24, 2001), LCol James Taylor was presented with this year's award for the "Best Article Published in the International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants", for an investigation done at Dalhousie with Drs. Gail Anderson, Elliott Sutow and Doug Mackey. He is shown here receiving this award from Tomoko Tsuchiya of Quintessence Publishing.

LCol Taylor has also been recently appointed by the Academy's Board of Directors as the Chair of the Academy's Council on Research, under which falls the Committees of Research, Grants, Publication Review, and Position/Consensus Development.

Au cours de la 16ème réunion annuelle de l'Académie d'Osseointegration à Toronto (le 22-24 mars, 2001), le lcol James Taylor a été présenté avec la récompense de cette année pour le "meilleur article publié au *International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants*", pour une recherche faite à Dalhousie avec les Drs. Gail Anderson, Elliott Sutow et Doug Mackey. Il est montré ici recevant cette récompense de Tomoko Tsuchiya de *Quintessence Publishing*.

Le lcol Taylor a aussi été récemment nommé par le conseil d'administration de l'Académie comme Président du Conseil de l'Académie sur la Recherche, sous laquelle tombe les comités de la recherche, des subventions, de la revue de publication, et du développement des Propositions/Consensus.



Ops & Trg Update

By LCol James Taylor

Let me start by congratulating Maj Jerry Collins and his team (including Capt Al Brown on the Headquarters end) for their great success in organizing and conducting the 2001 CFDS Working Group in Winnipeg. BZ to all and thanks for your efforts on our behalf.

In advance of the main program, we held an Ops Meeting in the Mynarski Room on Sunday, 25Feb01 for CFDS personnel currently posted to Role 2 and Role 3 HSS organizations. Along with a briefing by me, and a good deal of productive discussion during our Dent Ops reorganization exercise, we were treated to several excellent presentations by CFDS personnel:

CF Joint Staff Structure and Function – Maj Drew Fullerton
Training Initiatives – Maj Charmaine Payne
OP TOUCAN – Sgt Bill Cantwell
UNTAET – East Timor – Maj Drew Fullerton
A-dec Training – MCpl Brent Chaisson & MCpl Dave Hall

I presented the *CFDS Ops Update* to the Introductory Plenary Session on Monday, 26Feb00; MWO Shirley organized and moderated a half-day Ops Plenary Session on Wednesday, 28Feb01, which comprised the following high-calibre presentations and with Col Currah and BGen(ret) Thompson and Col Cmdt Neilson in attendance:

HMCS Preserver & EX ROVING SANDS 2000 – Maj Dan Stuart
OP PALLADIUM Roto 6 – Sgt Cathy Dwyre
HMCS Protecteur – Sgt Bill Cantwell
1 Canadian Field Hospital - WO Mark Horodecky,
 Sgt Chris Ingersoll,
 MCpl Kim Haley,
 MCpl Marilyn Ryan, and
 Cpl Denis Legault
2 Field Ambulance – Maj Carolyn Silver

We also had the privilege to announce, on behalf of their Units, the upcoming promotions of several CFDS Ops personnel - Capt Colin Duffy, Capt Mike Kaiser, Sgt Susan Sarrazin, MCpl Marilyn Ryan and Cpl Denis Legault.

Bravo Zulu to all of this year's presenters and promotees, and we'll look forward to getting together in a similar forum next year. Please contact Maj Drew Fullerton (D Dent Svcs 3-2) or MWO Lorraine Shirley (D Dent Svcs 3-4) for information regarding CFDS Ops.

J'aimerais commencer par féliciter le maj Jerry Collins et son équipe (y compris le capt Al Brown [côté QG]) pour leur grand succès en organisant et en conduisant le 2001 Groupe de travail du SDFC à Winnipeg. BZ à tous et merci pour vos efforts en soutenant nous autres.

Avant le programme principal, nous avons tenu une réunion d'Ops dans la Salle Mynarski la dimanche, 25fév01 pour les Members du SDFC qui sont présentement muté aux Unités du rôle 2 et du rôle 3 du SAS. Avec un briefing par moi, et beaucoup de discussion productive pendant notre exercice de réorganisation d'Ops Dent, nous avons eu la plaisir d'écouter plusieurs excellentes présentations par le personnel du SDFC:

CF Joint Staff Structure and Function – le maj Drew Fullerton
Training Initiatives – le maj Charmaine Payne
OP TOUCAN – le sgt Bill Cantwell
UNTAET - East Timor – le maj Drew Fullerton
A-dec Training – le cplc Brent Chaisson & le cplc Dave Hall

J'ai présenté une mise à jour de l'Ops du SDFC à la session plénière préliminaire le lundi, 26fév01; l'adjum Shirley a organisé et a modéré une session plénière d'Ops d'une demi-journée le mercredi, 28fév01, qui a comporté les présentations suivantes de haut-calibre (le col Currah, le bgén(ret) Thompson et le col cmdt Neilson ont y assisté):

HMCS Preserver & EX ROVING SANDS 2000 – le maj Dan Stuart
OP PALLADIUM Roto 6 – le sgt Cathy Dwyre
HMCS Protecteur – le sgt Bill Cantwell
1 Canadian Field Hospital - l'adj Mark Horodecky,
 le sgt Chris Ingersoll,
 le cplc Kim Haley,
 le cplc Marilyn Ryan, et
 le cpl Denis Legault
2 Field Ambulance – le maj Carolyn Silver

Nous avons également eu le privilège d'annoncer, au nom de leurs Unités, les promotions prochaines de plusieurs personnel de l'Ops du SDFC: le capt Colin Duffy le capt Mike Kaiser, le sgt Susan Sarrazin, le cplc Marilyn Ryan, et le cpl Denis Legault

Bravo Zulu de à tous les les présentateurs et les promus de cette année, et nous attendrons avec intérêt de se réunir dans un forum semblable l'année prochaine. Veuillez entrer en contact avec le maj Drew Fullerton (D Svc Dent 3-2) ou l'adjum Lorraine Shirley (D Svc Dent 3-4) pour l'information concernant l'Ops du SDFC.

CFDS Operations / Opérations du SDFC

Op PALLADIUM

NATO Stabilization Force (SFOR)

ROTO 7

Welcome home! Capt Colin Duffy
 Capt Mike Kaiser
 MCpl Sylvie Marcoux
 MCpl Marilyn Ryan

ROTO 8

Currently deployed: Capt François Theriault
 MCpl Dave Hall

Alternate Team: Capt Geneviève Bussiere
 MCpl Richard Asselin

Force de Stabilisation de l'OTAN (SFOR)

ROTO 7

Maison bienvenue! le capt Colin Duffy
 le capt Mike Kaiser
 le cplc Sylvie Marcoux
 le cplc Marilyn Ryan

ROTO 8

Présentement déployé: le capt François Thériault
 le cplc Dave Hall

Équipe Alternative: le capt Geneviève Bussiere
 le cplc Richard Asselin

CFDS Training/Formation du SDFC

Bon voyage to the following personnel who will be commencing Postgraduate Training with the US Army Dental Corps in APS 2001:

Advanced General Dentistry

Fort Hood, TX Maj Ray Warmerdam (2 Fd Amb)
 Fort Bragg, NC Maj Charmaine Payne (D Dent Svcs)

Prosthodontics

Fort Gordon, GA Maj Duncan Chambers
 (1 Dent U Det Greenwood)

Welcome home to the following personnel who will be returning from Postgraduate Training in APS 2001:

Advanced General Dentistry

Fort Hood, TX Maj Tony Nguyen
 Fort Bragg, NC Maj Bruce Gerry

Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

UNC Chapel Hill Maj Lee Chamberlain

Periodontics

UToronto Maj Brenda Joy
 UManitoba Maj Denis Gagnon

Sanitas in Ore

Bon voyage au personnel suivant qui débutera leur formation post-graduée avec le Corps dentaires de l'Armée des E-U pendant la SAM 2001:

Dentisterie generale avancée

Fort Hood, TX le maj Ray Warmerdam (2 Fd Amb)
 Fort Bragg, NC le maj Charmaine Payne (D Svc Dent)

Prosthodontie

Fort Gordon, GA le maj Duncan Chambers
 (Dét 1^{re} U Dent Greenwood)

Bienvenue maison au personnel suivant qui retournera, de leur formation post-graduée, pendant la SAM 2001:

Dentisterie generale avancée

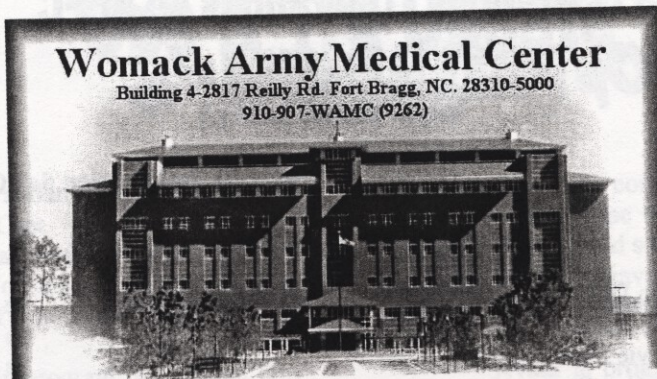
Fort Hood, TX le maj Tony Nguyen
 Fort Bragg, NC le maj Bruce Gerry

Chirurgie buccale et maxillo-faciale

UNC Chapel Hill le maj Lee Chamberlain

Parodontie

UToronto le maj Brenda Joy
 UManitoba le maj Denis Gagnon



Col Currah announced, during the CFDS 2001 Working Group in Winnipeg, the following projected CFDS Postgraduate Training starts for APS 2002:

Advanced General Dentistry

Fort Hood, TX one position
 Fort Bragg, NC one position

Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

Fort Bragg, NC one position

Public Health Dentistry

TBA one position

Le col Currah a annoncé, pendant le 2001 Groupe de travail du SDFC à Winnipeg, les positions projetées pour le SDFC de commencer la formation post-graduée pendant la SAM 2002:

Dentisterie generale avancée

Fort Hood, TX une position
 Fort Bragg, NC une position

Chirurgie buccale et maxillo-faciale

Fort Bragg, NC une position

Dentisterie de la santé publique

AC une position

En conclusion, le capt Christian Rouleau (Dét 1^{re}



Finally, Capt Christian Rouleau (1 Dent U Det Gagetown) will be the CFDS candidate on the CF Basic Parachutist Courses at the Canadian Parachute Centre in Trenton 30Apr-19May01; AIRBORNE! Please contact Maj Charmaine Payne (D Dent Svcs 3-3) for information regarding In-Service, Out-Service, or Foreign-Military training opportunities.

En conclusion, le Christian Rouleau (Dét 1^{re} U Dent Gagetown) sera le candidat du SDFS sur le cours de base de parachutisme des FC au Centre de Parachutisme canadien à Trenton 30avr-19mai01; AÉROPORTÉ! Veuillez contacter le maj Charmaine Payne (D Svc Dent 3-3) pour l'information concernant les possibilités de la formation interne, la formation externe, ou l'instruction militaire étrangère.

OP PALLADIUM ROTO 7 - TFBH VK

MCpl Ryan and I arrived at the Zagreb airport in Croatia on the morning of 9 September 2000 where we were hustled onto waiting buses and then whisked off for the two-hour ride to TFBH VK in Bosnia-Herzegovina (BH). At first the scenery looked much like it does in Canada with farms, fields, streams and hills. However, as we got closer to the Croatia-BH border we started to see burned-out and bullet-ridden houses obviously not like back in Canada. We were well prepared for our mission having completed all of the pre-deployment training and courses that are necessary to come on a peace support operation. That being said, you still suffer from jet lag and the feeling of " Oh my god I'm finally here! ".

Once in camp we were given more mine-awareness training, issued our weapons and given the camp RSM's brief which is basically "the rules to live by". After a few days of slowly getting accustomed to camp routine, sorting out our personal living spaces, sorting out the dental van so we could see patients and trying to get some sort of PT program started for ourselves, we were ready to officially begin our tour.



Clinic is Open for Business

Those coming on future tours can be rest assured that the conditions here are much more comfortable than for those people on Roto 0. Our personal accommodations are somewhat small, at approximately 3 meters by 2 meters, but are far more comfortable than a tent or hooch. Our van here in Camp Black Bear (VK) is supplied power directly from the main building as is the ground wire so there are no more ground spikes to pound. There is a piped drainage system in place as well as a water hose hookup for filling the van's internal water tank so no more hauling Jerry cans of water. We are also wired up with telephone and computer lines making communication within the AOR and back to Canada much more convenient. It is

amazing what you receive when you tell people you will clean their teeth (yes hygienists, I do still clean teeth). Camp Holopina (Coralici) has all of the same amenities as in VK enabling us to set up the clinic quickly when we travel there. MCpl Ryan and I are responsible for the dental needs of military and civilian personnel (Canex, PSP and Atco Frontec) in both VK and Coralici, the latter being where the bulk of our unit, the ASC, is located. As such, we make a concerted effort to travel there weekly. The ASC will no longer exist after Roto 7 but will be replaced by holding facilities in both VK and TSG, at which time the dental team will be placed under the command of the Senior Medical Advisor.

The patient load is much less than we are used to seeing back in Canada which is an indication of the quality of dental care received by members of the battle group and their associated support and service support units prior to their departure for this tour. After-hours we occupy our time by participating in sports, clubs and our respective messes. MCpl Ryan is an excellent basketball

player and has a decent lay-up however I have stuffed her on occasion, not that she'll admit to it. There are organized sports every night in VK and clubs too numerous to list. Suffice it to say that if you like a particular activity there is a club or league here for you.

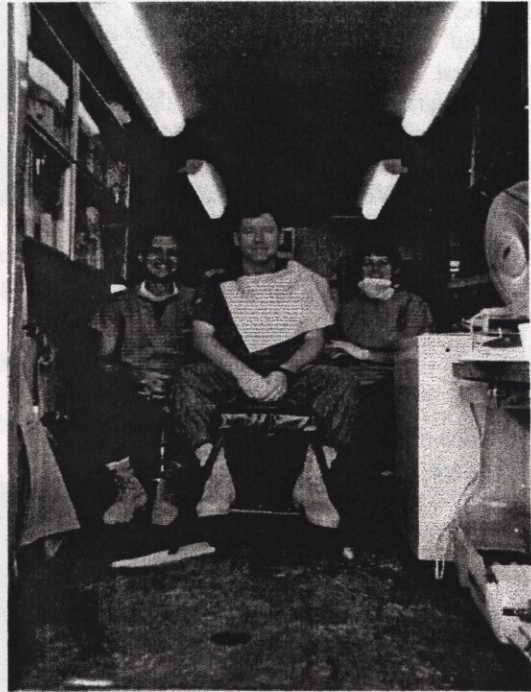
As we are the only element from the ASC here in VK we have managed to be unofficially adopted by the VK helicopter detachment, which is from our parent base back in Canada, 427 Sqn of CFB Petawawa. They have invited us to many unit functions including day trips to Zagreb, a mini-golf/barbecue and a Christmas barbecue, all of which were truly enjoyable events. We were also able to go on some training flights around the AOR, which was especially exciting at night wearing NVGs.

We were both very fortunate to be able to attend the Theatre Surgeon's Conference in late October that was held in the historic walled city of Dubrovnik, a resort area which is located on the coast of Croatia. During this conference we met medical personnel from many of the SFOR armies here in BH and Kosovo and heard presentations on various aspects of preventive medicine that are specific to this theatre of operations. For the finale of the conference we were given a guided tour of the old city and were treated to a first hand account by a, now retired, senior member of the Croatian army, of the events that took place during the war when the old city was attacked.

As enjoyable as this all was, the highlight of our tour would have to be when MCpl Ryan and I met Rick Mercer (we have the pictures to prove it) and got to appear in an episode of This Hour Has 22 Minutes. We were two of the small people involved in the "HI MOM" skit. For those couple of days the camp was filled with excitement over the casts' visit and was a real treat for the people who were to spend Christmas and/or New Years Eve in BH.

In the final analysis, this was a memorable experience and we both feel that we were fortunate to participate as members of OP PALLADIUM Roto 7.

MCpl M Ryan & Capt M Kaiser



Improved Dental Chair

OP PALLADIUM ROTO 7 - Camp Maple Leaf Zgon

Here we are, almost at the end of ROTO 7 in Bosnia, and where did the time go? It seems not so long ago, I arrived with the 2PPCLI Battle Group in Zagreb, Croatia, not awake yet from the time change and really unaware of what to expect. To my surprise, I did not see any destruction from the war, such as blown out houses, but instead, a beautiful city appeared in front of my eyes. What a relief!

As soon as we landed, we zoomed through customs, got on buses and started our journey for Bosnia-Herzegovina. Our first stop was in VK (Velika Kladusa) where every one does their in-clearance. Then they are issued their flak vest, rifle, munitions and everything else that was not issued and is required. By the time the DAG was completed in VK, the day was almost over and I was waiting for the long ride to camp Maple Leaf in Zgon.

I believe the worst part of being in Bosnia, is the time spent traveling especially during the HLTA (19 days of vacation away from the camp) or R&R (4 days of vacation away from the camp but remaining in Europe). This beautiful country is filled with many mountains, so the roads pass through all of them or crawl over them. What would be a two hours drive in Canada, takes double and maybe more to do in Bosnia. The speed limit for SFOR (Stabilization Force) is 40km in town and 60/80km on the countryside.

I could not see the scenery between VK and Zgon because of the darkness, but especially because I slept most of the way, I was dead tired. When we finally arrived at Camp Maple Leaf (CML) in Zgon, all I could think of was a bed or a corner, somewhere to crash. I gathered my military kit and I was assigned a room in a weatherhaven (a half dome shape tent that accommodates six small individual rooms). As soon as I did hit the pillow, I was out like a light.

I slept until lunch the following day and finally got a good view of the camp, which use to be an old carpet

factory. All the weatherhavens and facilities are located inside the building. Outside the building you will find some ISOs, sea containers used as room for two soldiers, or used as offices for the MP's, Intelligence, Translators, EME, Supply, Command Post, Transport and other sections.

For the first day at CML, I got familiar with the camp and the environment, I even had a chance to visit an old castle on the mountain overlooking Kljuc, the closest town, and what a view it is from up there. It is such a beautiful country and I felt sorry for what the war had caused. At least the population is getting back on their feet, slowly but surely. The main roads and some bridges have been cleared of land mines and anti-personnel mines. Most have been rebuilt and repainted, and some of the bridges repaired. The devastated towns have a ghostly look that gives you a chill when driving through them, but they also have started to reshape and the residents are coming back, trying to rebuild their lives.

While taking Capt Mosher to VK for his out-clearance before redeploying to Canada, I was initiated to the local's driving habits. Capt Duffy and I were surprise at the risks that were taken, but we made it back to our camp safe and sound. We started to feel at ease once we had survived a few more trips and were safely back in camp. We first started visiting the camps at Drvar and Tomislavgrad (better known as TSG) with the mental health officer, Capt Farell and the physiotherapist, Capt Bickford. This let us get used to the road conditions and meet our contacts at the UMS (Unit Medical Station) in the different camps. Once our familiarization was completed, Capt Duffy and I started our rounds to Drvar and TSG with the Dental van, going every second week, or depending on the patient treatment requirement. That was, until the mechanical problems started. If the MLVW sits in one location too long, it will breakdown on you. One day the transmission broke down and the gas line punctured because of the rust. Or course this only happens after you have been driving for one hour and the vehicle will be in a



The Dental Crew

curve and on a foggy day. The recovery team loved us! All the MLVW's were recalled because of tire rim problems. We had to change the six tires including the spare. Some were amazed to see an officer wearing coveralls. Way to go Capt Duffy! Then the compressor started to cause problems and the air conditioning ceased to work but at this time of the year this wasn't a real problem. The water pump inside the van broke down, the examination light gave out and so did the X-Ray unit. Cpl Salo, the equipment technician, was quite busy during his tour with our equipment. If you have seen the movie, "The Bicentennial Man" with Robert Williams, you probably would be saying as we did, "Can you fix this thing?" ROTO 8 will be lucky, the truck will be fit and roadworthy and won't have as much downtime because of mechanical problems as we did. Even the generator's trailer gave us a hard time, with the wheel locking up on us. Soon the generator won't be needed from camp to camp, as the MLVW will be able to get power from the camp itself with a special cable hookup.

Since our Canadian soldiers have to be dentally fit to go on tour, we had very few emergencies, mostly endo treatments, ulcers, mouthguards and a few extractions. Lots of soldiers are hoping for cleanings and those cleanings made them feel good and are very appreciated. When cleaning teeth, Capt Duffy found some cavities and very old fillings with poor contact to be repaired which filled our schedule. Some emergencies were done on Bosnians that worked on the camp.

As I said earlier, because of the mountains and road conditions, there was some time consuming travelling from Zgon to Drvar (two hours drive) and Zgon to TSG (four hours drive) and TSG to Glamoc (two hours drive). We usually stayed overnight in TSG and Glamoc depending on the types of treatment required. Capt Duffy and I didn't mind the driving but we were not too crazy about the snow, or the sheep, or goats, or horses, or cows, or packs of wild dogs encountered on the roads. We shall not soon forget the little buggies loaded with hay and pulled by horses, we had to be very patient.

We started ROTO 7 with two dental teams (Capt Kaiser/ Mcpl Ryan & Capt Duffy/ Mcpl Marcoux) but because of the lack of work for two dental teams, as one team could cover the entire AOR (Area of Responsibility), unfortunately one team had to return earlier to Canada. Capt Duffy and myself stayed to finish the tour.

The message I would have to pass on to other member coming to Bosnia is to keep an open mind as the population has been through a war. This is the best opportunity to complete OPDP's, get in shape in the gymnasium facilities and run on the many scenic jogging routes.

MCpl Sylvie Marcoux
NCO IC Dental Section
Camp Maple Leaf Zgon

OP PALLADIUM ROTO 7 - Camp Maple Leaf Zgon

Nous voilà maintenant presque à la fin du tour ROTO 7, mais où est passé le temps ? Il me semble, il n'y a pas si longtemps, j'arrivais en Croatie avec le groupe de combat 2PPCLI à Zagreb. Encore endormie dû au décalage horaire et à l'accumulation de la fatigue du voyage, je ne savais pas trop à quoi m'attendre. À ma grande surprise, je n'ai vu aucun ravage laissé par le passage de la guerre tel que des maisons bombardées. Au contraire, devant mes yeux, s'étalait une très jolie ville, quel soulagement !

Aussitôt atterri, notre passage aux douanes se fit rapidement. Nous sommes montés à bord des autobus et c'est à ce moment que mon séjour en Bosnie-Herzégovine débutait. VK (Velika Kladusa) a été notre premier arrêt. Tous et chacun devaient faire les entrées, signer pour les vestes anti-balles, l'arme, munitions et équipement nécessaire pour la durée du tour. Une fois les entrées complétées, une bonne partie de la journée s'était écoulée. Il ne me restait plus qu'à attendre mon moyen de transport jusqu'au Camp Maple Leaf à Zgon.

Je n'ai pu contempler le paysage de la Bosnie entre VK et Zgon. Il faisait noir et j'ai somméillé durant tout le trajet. Quand nous sommes finalement entrés au Camp Maple Leaf, tout ce j'avais en tête était un lit, un coin ou un endroit pour dormir. On m'assigna un lit dans une tente "weatherheaven" (tente en forme de dôme pouvant loger six petits cubicules). Aussitôt que ma tête toucha l'oreiller, j'étais partie au pays des rêves.

Je crois que le plus désespérant en Bosnie, est le temps perdu, durant le transport d'un camp à l'autre, jusqu'à VK pour partir en HLTA (19 jours alloués pour des vacances loin du camp) ou en R&R (4 jours de vacances alloués en dehors du camp mais demeurant en Europe). Ce beau pays possède une multitude de montagnes avec ses routes sinueuses les contournant. Une heure sur les routes au Canada en prendrait le double en Bosnie si ce n'est le triple de temps. La limite de vitesse

pour la Force de Stabilisation (SFOR) est de 40 km en ville et 60/80km en campagne.

Je me suis assoupie jusqu'au midi le lendemain. Je pouvais enfin avoir un bon aperçu du camp, anciennement une usine de tapis, et de ses environs. La majorité des tentes sont montée à l'intérieur du camp. A l'extérieur, on retrouve quelques ISOs, wagons pouvant loger deux soldats ou servir de bureau comme celui du Poste de Commande, des sections de Transport, Mécanique, Police Militaire, Intelligence, Traduction et autres.



L'équipe dentaire

En cette première journée ensoleillée, je me suis familiarisée avec le camp. J'ai même eu la chance de visiter les vestiges d'un ancien château logé au sommet d'une montagne qui surplombe la ville de Kljuc. Quelle superbe vue de là-haut ! Un si beau pays et à l'idée des effets nocifs de la guerre, je me sentais peinée pour les habitants. Néanmoins, la population se remet petit à petit sur pied ; les routes principales ont été déminées, réparées et repeintes et les ponts majeurs reconstruits. Les

villages dévastés, contrairement à la Croatie, revêtent une allure de village fantôme qui vous donnent la chair de poule. Mais ils reprennent tranquillement leur aspect normal avec le retour de ses habitants espérant reconstruire leurs vies.

Au redéploiement du Capt Mosher au Canada, Capt Duffy et moi-même sommes allés avec lui jusqu'à VK. C'est à ce moment que nous avons été initiés à la façon dont les habitants conduisent sur les routes. Les risques pris par les conducteurs de la place sont époustouffants, mais nous sommes revenus sains et saufs au camp. On a commencé à se sentir à l'aise sur la route une fois quelques voyages complétés et toujours de retour au camp en une seule pièce.

Notre tour a débuté en visitant les camps respectifs de notre terrain d'opération. Soit les camps Drvar et Tomislavgrad plus communément appelé TSG,

avec l'officier de santé mentale (Capt Farrell) et le physiothérapeute (Capt Bickford). Histoire de connaître les routes et les personnes contactes des différents postes de santé d'unité (PSU).

Une fois la familiarisation complétée, avec notre clinique dentaire mobile, nous commençons nos tournées dans les camps Drvar et TSG, soit à tous les deux semaines ou selon la demande. C'est à ce moment que les problèmes mécaniques et techniques ont surgi. Si le deux tonnes et demies (VLMR) demeure en place trop longtemps, le moteur risque de saisir de même que d'autres pièces importantes. Une journée la transmission nous a lâchés, le conduit d'essence a perforé dû à la rouille. Et bien sur, cela arrive toujours en un moment non propice. Nous étions sur la route depuis une heure seulement quand le moteur a étouffé, dans une courbe et perdu dans un épais brouillard. L'équipe de remorquage nous a adorés !

Tous les VLMRs ont été rappelés pour un problème d'essieu. Nous avons eu la chance d'utiliser les outils des mécaniciens pour changer tous les pneus sur le véhicule de même que le pneu de secours. Les mécaniciens n'avaient jamais vu un officier en "coveralls", Bravo Capt Duffy ! Techniquement parlant le compresseur nous a lâchés à maintes reprises, l'air climatisé en a fait de même, en ce temps de l'année ce n'était pas un gros problème. La pompe d'eau potable, la lumière d'examen et l'unité de rayons X ont aussi été défectueux pour couronner le tout. Le Cpl Salo, le technicien de l'équipement dentaire, a été très occupé durant son tour avec notre équipement qui n'arrêtait pas de faire défaut. Si vous avez vu le film "L'Homme Bicentenaire" avec Robert Williams, vous diriez aussi comme nous l'avons fait : "Pouvez-vous réparer cet appareil ?" L'équipe de ROTO 8 sera avantagé, le camion sera en bon état pour prendre la route et les temps morts causés par les problèmes mécaniques seront minimisés. La génératrice s'en est mêlée lorsqu'une roue de la remorque refusait de tourner. Bientôt, cette génératrice sera de moins en moins utilisée car les contingents canadiens se munissent de prise de courant spéciale pour alimenter notre installation.

Puisque nos soldats canadiens doivent être aptes pour aller outre-mer, les traitements se concrétisent à l'endodontie, traitement d'ulcères, quelques extractions, mouthguards, nettoyages et polissages. Beaucoup de soldats espèrent recevoir un nettoyage durant leur tour et

comme qualité de vie, ces nettoyages leur donnent un effet de bien-être et sont grandement appréciés. Durant le processus du nettoyage, des caries et très vieux plombages avec pauvres contacts ont été découverts et ainsi, au fil des jours, notre livre de rendez-vous se remplissait. Des urgences ont été administrées à quelques travailleurs bosniens du camp.

Comme je disais plutôt, à cause des montagnes, des conditions routières et visites, des heures sont consacrées aux déplacements durant le trajet de Zgon à Drvar (deux heures de route) et de Zgon à TSG (quatre heures de route) et TSG à Glamoc (un autre deux heures). Les voyages à TSG et Glamoc requerraient que nous demeurions pour la nuit. Nous aimions tous les deux prendre la route quand les conditions étaient favorables. Par contre, nous n'étions pas friands des surprises sur la route comme les moutons, chèvres, chevaux, vaches ou meute de chiens sauvages. Il ne faut pas oublier les petits chariots surchargés de foin et tiré par un cheval, il faut être très patient !

Nous avons commencé ROTO 7 avec deux équipes dentaires (Capt Kaiser/ MCpl Ryan & Capt Duffy/MCpl Marcoux). Dû au manque de travail sur tout le RO (Région d'Opération), une équipe dentaire a dû rapatrier plus tôt pour le Canada. Capt Duffy et moi-même sommes demeurés pour compléter le tour.

Un message que j'aimerais passer aux autres membres qui viendront en Bosnie, est de garder un esprit ouvert. La mentalité bosnienne est bien différente de la notre. Il ne faut pas oublier qu'ils ont connu la guerre. Il y a beaucoup d'objectifs à atteindre durant les temps libres, comme compléter des OPDP's, se mettre en forme physique superbe avec l'accès à l'équipement du gymnase ou la course sur les différentes routes pittoresques autour du camp.

Cpl/c Sylvie Marcoux
Assistante Dentaire
Camp Maple Leaf, Zgon
Bosnie-Herzégovine

News from Dent Det Petawawa

Greetings from the Petawawa Detachment! With another Winnipeg Winter Conference behind us, and the promise of promotions and good things for the Dental Services, we are eagerly looking forward to another beautiful summer in the Upper Ottawa Valley.

Congratulations to the following personnel for acquiring their new rank:

- Maj Mike Kaiser – who is gleefully going to take over some of Maj Maltais' administrative stuff as his 2IC. It's great to have him back (the decibel levels have been kicked up a notch since his return).
- WO Sylvain Luneau – who is going to take over as our clinic coordinator as soon as he gets used to calling himself by his new rank (keep it up and he'll be owing us a lot of beer).
- MCpl Monty Montgomery – who was delighted about his promotion even though he didn't smile in his photo.

New and improved... better than ever... grand re-opening... yes, M-12 (the dental annex) has been rehabilitated *yet again* with brand new heaters (just in time for the summer). And not a moment too soon because we are expecting a big shuffle with lots of new smiling faces.

First we would like to bid a fond farewell to the following personnel:

- Capt Ralph West – is going to 2 Fd Amb
- Capt Deidre McLean – has gone to 1 Cdn Fd Hosp
- MWO Pat Leitch – is posted somewhere in Ottawa

- MCpl Monty Montgomery – is going to 2 Fd Amb

We've enjoyed your presence as part of our team. We wish you the best in all your new endeavors and hope to see you again.

New faces at the clinic include:

- Maj Mike Kaiser – he's back! (ok, so his face isn't so new...)
- Sgt Chris Ingersoll -- from part-time to full-time with our detachment (and his face isn't that new either...)
- Lisa Hagglund – our co-op student from General Panet High School and daughter of Cpl Norma Hagglund (2 Fd Amb)



WO Luneau receiving his promotion from Maj Maltais



MCpl Montgomery receiving his promotion from Maj Maltais

We expect many more this summer, but we'll have to keep you baited with anticipation until the next Fang edition. (It's our "Survivor" approach to postings... hopefully this will encourage contestants to sign up for the Petawawa experience.)

To celebrate the CFDS birthday, we planned a trip to a sugar bush in Quebec. This is where we will get at one with nature... seeing how our forefathers tapped into the noble maple tree capturing its lifeblood and transforming it to a sweet elixir that symbolizes Canada worldwide. Afterwards, we will enjoy a brunch consisting of bacon, eggs, pancakes, maple-bacon, and more bacon..... yumm.

Until the next edition, we wish everyone safe and happy summer holidays.

Submitted by: Sgt Anna J. Aldrich
Dental Hygiene

Dental Detachment Trenton News

By Capt R.R. Groves

This winter and spring has been a busy one in Trenton. Maj Dwayne Lemon and Capt Richard Groves were away for three weeks on the Det Comd Crse in Borden, and were joined for a day by WO Leslie Burton, who was a guest lecturer. Maj Lemon took advantage of the free evenings and weekends to study for his board exams early in March.

Once again the clinic participated in Winter Carnival. This year we joined the Med Sqn to field a team. The theme of the competition was 'Survivor' and consisted of tasks such as building a snow shelter and signaling for help. Ms Angela Breau was seen wrapped in tinfoil and drew a lot of attention, and no doubt was shiny enough to be seen be circling SAR aircraft.

The Winnipeg Winter Working Group was very successful for the Trenton delegates. Both Capt Groves and WO Burton received slip-ons for the next rank from LCol Becker. We also did well in the curling bonspiel – WO Burton reached the semi-finals, Cpl Tracy Gauthier was in the finals, and Capt Groves was part of the team

that won the 'D' event. Cpl Anna Gnurlantino-Lamarre also had a great time. When told next year's conference would be even better, Capt Groves wanted to know what would top a promotion AND a curling crest.

With promotions come postings. WO Burton will be at Dental Unit HQ in Ottawa and Capt Groves, upon promotion, will be Det Comd in Borden. Speaking of promotions, Maj Lemon's wife, Christina, has been promoted to LCol in the US Army.

While the five military pers have been traveling about the civilian members of our team have been very busy keeping us on target to reach our goals. The upcoming conversion of Term to Indeterminate positions is exciting news and well deserved.

Now that the longer than usual winter is finally in remission we are setting our sights on a long, hot summer and leave. Maj Lemon is trying to arrange some tandem jumps with the Para Centre, and we plan on beating Kingston at our next golf tournament. We wish you all a great summer.

Ottawa Clinic News!

Rumour Mill

Posted IN

WO Roberge
Cpl Molyneaux
Capt Batsos
Capt West
MWO Leitch
Maj Nguyen

Posted OUT

Capt Cupples (D Dent Svcs)
Capt Pohlman (CFB Toronto)
Capt Paquette (Retiring U of T Endo)
Maj Paul (Alert)
Sgt Bizier (1 Dental Unit HQ)
Cpl Kerr (CFE Geilenkirchen)

Promoted

MCpl Burley (When is the beer call)
More to follow:.....

Heart Section

Tim & Sara (Engaged)
Eileen & Wendell (Married)
Lindsay & Darby (Common Law)

Sanitas in Ore

What's in the water (...read births/pregnancies)

Angela and Jason Beairsto - Jaslyn Beairsto
Mario and Patricia Dumas - Justine Dumas
Chuck and Christine Burley - TBA
Grace and Frank Lee - TBA
Frank and Karen Plourde - TBA

Sincere Condolences

It is with profound regret that we offer our deepest sympathy and condolences to Capt Abbey and his wife Helen on the passing away of their newborn child, Dylan Joseph Abbey.

Cpl Norine Ebel
1 Dental Det Ottawa
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Nouvelles du peleton dentaire

5e Amb de Campagne

Bonjour à tous les membres du service dentaire. J'espère que tous ont passé de belles vacances. Pour les membres du pon le retour du congé de Noël c'est bien passé. Le Maj Sim est revenue de son congé de maternité. Bienvenue au pon dent. Pour son retour, l'unité lui avait réservé une place sur le cours de guerre hivernal. Heureusement la température était de son côté. Pour les sous-officiers ont à eu la visite du gérant de carrière. Il a annoncé beaucoup de mouvement de personnel à la clinique et au pon dent. Le Sgt Southall était très heureux d'apprendre qu'il était muté en Allemagne. Chanceux.

Le Cplc Tremblay, quant à lui, a été impliqué comme adjoint au secrétaire lors de la compétition national de biathlon qui s'est tenu du 12 au 25 février 2001. Le Maj Sim et le Sgt Southall se sont rendu à la conférence dentaire à Winnipeg où ils ont revu beaucoup d'amis(es).

Pour le Maj Sim et le Cplc Tremblay le mois de mars a commencé sur une note de relaxation avec la semaine de relâche scolaire. Un exercice était planifié pour la semaine du 12 au 15 mars. Des gens de la clinique se sont joint au membre du pon dent. Les Capt Roy, Sgt

Vincent et Cpl Belhumeur ont beaucoup apprécié ce petit exercice maison. Un bon petit "refresher" n'a jamais fait de mal à personne. Et nous avons terminé l'exercice par un bon dîner pizza payer par notre Cmdt, le Maj Sim, merci de la part de tous. Le Maj Sim et le Capt Gendron se sont envolé pour un cours de forensic dentistry à Washington pour la semaine du 26 au 30 mars 2001.

Pour ceux qui se demandent où était le Capt Gendron durant ce temps, et bien il se faisait griller la couenne au soleil de la Floride avec toute sa petite famille. Et oui il a fuit l'hiver pour trois semaines de bon temps entre le 9 février et le 5 mars 2001.

Message de dernière minute. Le Cplc Tremblay vient d'apprendre qu'il s'en va à Bagotville. Bonne mutation. Le Cpl Magnan est de retour à la clinique. Comme vous le constatez tous les sous-officiers change au pon dent. Bonne chance aux nouveaux arrivants.

Cplc Tremblay
Pon Dent
Cmdt Sec 2

Hi from sunny Comox,

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We have had a busy winter here in Comox, however we are looking forward to spring as already in early March we have crocus flowers blooming, with the irises and tulips threatening to flower sometime soon as well. Captain Campbell, Sgt Maggiolo and Cpl Sheppard enjoyed the Winter Working Group in Winnipeg, however with -18 C temperatures spring time was not in the air in Manitoba as it was at home. This year will bring big changes to our clinic in Comox, and we would like to welcome Capt Antonella Trache, Sgt Bill Cantwell and Cpl Yves Rousseau. Capt Trache and Sgt Cantwell will be the new Det Comd and Det CI Coord. Capt Campbell, Sgt Maggiolo and Cpl Sheppard are leaving and going to Winnipeg, Trenton and Edmonton respectively. I am sure Capt Campbell will miss the seasonable winters here in Comox, as the foliage is sure to bloom much later in Winnipeg than Comox! Cpl Sheppard will have some good moose hunting opportunities in Alberta, and as long as he can find a good judo club for himself and his sons Sgt Maggiolo will be happy as a clam. Military wise, poor Sgt Isberg is the only person not leaving so she is going to have to break in the new folk arriving and show them the ropes of the new clinic. However most of us think she is the lucky one as she gets to stay in the land of paradise.....

WE'RE GROWING IN EDMONTON

By Capt Antonella Trache

There is something to be said about working in an overcrowded clinic, even when the situation is temporary. You either get closer to the people you work with, or you find yourself longing for those days when the only drill sound in the operatory was your own. Luckily, most of us at the Edmonton Garrison Dental Clinic have adapted well to this change, while our clinic is expanding. The construction of the Specialists' wing seems to be on schedule with its forecasted opening for May 2001.



MWO Giroux in rare form at the Edmonton Curling Funspiel on 16 Feb 01

Looking back on the first few months of this year, in the midst of a great deal of work, a couple of notable events come to mind. One was the curling fun spiel organized by MCpl Plante for which the detachments from Cold Lake and Wainwright were invited. We all had fun! It was a good opportunity for most of us to get to know our neighbours better than just their voices at the other end of the phone line.

The other event was the CFDS Conference in a very cold Winnipeg. We all reconnected with old friends, and made a few new ones. The staff involved with the Conference did such a tremendous job in organizing all the events to the smallest detail, in making us feel so welcomed. Having BGen (ret'd.) W.R. Thompson as one of the guests was quite inspiring. He is such an excellent speaker! At the mess dinner, our own Capt Mike Moser

and Sgt Cathy Dwyre were presented with the W.R. Thompson Award for Excellence in the Field, by BGen (ret'd.) Thompson himself. As for the curling tournament, it was won by Maj Vankka's team, which also included our Majors Lysechko and Austin. Hmm... The fix was in!

Congratulations to MWO Giroux and Sgt Chaisson for their promotions to their respective ranks.

As the summer approaches so does the APS. There will be quite a few significant changes within the clinic personnel. Those leaving will be dearly missed; those coming in will undoubtedly be "assimilated". A warm welcome from the whole clinic staff is extended to the brand new basic training grad Cpl Bonnie Morris.

Also this summer we'll be losing a very valuable member of our team. Sgt Cathy Dwyre is being lured away by the prestige of the Mountie scarlets, and has applied for the RCMP. Our begging, pleading and crying have done nothing to change her mind. Best of luck, Cathy! We'll miss you.

Well, that's about all that's new with the crew in Edmonton! Until the next installment we wish you all a wonderful spring and a fabulous summer.

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News from 2 Fd Amb Petawawa

The year 2001 will be a reconstitution year for 2 Brigade. As a result, training wise, 2 Fd Amb will have a quiet year, with no major exercises ahead. Under the command of Major Silver, the Dental platoon is peacefully getting ready for the year 2002, which will be busy, Brigade wide. While the medical personnel concentrate on their reorganization, we will take that time to finally work on making our four MLVWs operational. Actually, only two of them are, but according to the plan, one more should be ready in about 6 months, the other one within a year. Despite the calm water appearances, the platoon is going to pass through major changes. (Again!!!) We will experience some more personnel changes in the months to come! As a matter of fact, WO Fortin and MCpl Grantham announced their retirements for the middle of May. As if it was not enough, MCpl Deslauriers is being posted to Montreal, where her husband has been living and working since last summer. You also probably noticed that since Maj Silver is now the new platoon Commander, there is one Capt. missing!!! A new dental Officer will therefore be joining Capt Loranger in July 2001. With all these changes, Cpl Hagglund and Capt Loranger are the only ones who stayed where they were a year ago! Isn't it a good thing that this year is a "quiet one"?

Just before Christmas, Cpl Morin obtained one month of training at the base dental clinic, to familiarize herself with the job. She learned a lot and enjoyed the experience, even if it was too short. Ask her how she almost "killed" Capt West accidentally while working with him! She is actually doing very well in the selection process to play for the national hockey team. Good luck!

Cpl Hagglund has enjoyed herself on the french workshop and hopes to be on a full time course soon. She has also been selected to participate in the Army Fitness Trial, for a period of twelve weeks. I bet the rucksack 13-Km march will be so easy for her! (Can that march really be easy.???)

MCpl Deslauriers just finished a month of full time advanced French training. Just in time to go to the French speaking Province! Her wish was to be posted with her husband - which has been granted. We are so happy for her! Have fun in the big city

MCpl Grantham is one of the retiring members in May. However, she has been quite busy with her new First Aid Instructor qualification. Right after she finished the course, she was tasked as an instructor to 2 CER for ROTO 8 training, in Kingston. She also had two other taskings here on base. Happy retirement, MCpl Grantham!

WO Fortin is the other retiring member. Since her arrival in the unit last June, she has been so busy putting everybody on course, she did not have a chance to get herself on one! Luckily, she had the opportunity to participate to the unit annual professional development trip. For one week, the senior NCO s and Officers available traveled from Quebec city to Plattsburg, passing by Montreal, to visit historical sites and learn more about the battles that took place in those areas. Have fun in your new life, WO Fortin!

Capt Loranger has been very busy taking care of her little boy Maxim. She came back to work in early February, from six months of maternity leave. Beside the dental clinic, she keeps busy staying up to date as a harassment advisor, with the new policy that was just published. She also took part in the professional development trip, along with WO Fortin and Maj Silver.

Major Silver is comfortably adapting to her new responsibilities as the Platoon Commander. In March, she attended the detachment commander course in Borden, which was well placed to guide her learning process. She also took part to the Dental Forensic course at the end of March, right after the "history trip" to Quebec, Montreal and Plattsburg.

As you can see, the dental platoon will be very different in a few months. We are however looking forward to the arrival of the new members. Until then, time should fly; the two first weeks of April are reserved for treating people from the unit out of the dental vans. At the same time, the whole unit is starting the demanding training for the Battle Fitness Test and the 13-Km rucksack march planned in mid-May 01.

Written by Captain A. Loranger

Dent Det Gander

Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow

By Cpl Pattie Powell

In the last six months we have been shoveling snow, more snow and more snow still. It is now April and we have just had another base stand down because of another snowstorm (isn't that incredible!). Not as incredible as Capt Ross getting stuck in her driveway on the 9th of April, with a 4X4!! You know we could blame Mother Nature for all this snow but we at the clinic have another theory -we feel it has to do with a certain hygienist that came to St. John's with us in January. Yes, Sgt Isberg, from Comox, we know you are the cause of all this snow because we know how much you enjoyed pushing all those cars during the three snowstorms we had during your visit. If memory serves us correctly you said you wished that everyone could enjoy the snow has much as you did. Well, we did and still are. Thank-you very much! You can remove the curse anytime now. The snow is still blocking the windows at the clinic. I guess in a few more weeks the snow banks will be reduced to about four or five feet high. One could only hope. For those winter sports enthusiasts please note that my family and I are going ski-do'ing and perhaps a little ice fishing at the cabin during the Easter long weekend.

Besides the snow we have kept ourselves busy with Dental things as well. As I mentioned earlier we have

been to St. John's in January for a two week TD and enjoyed Sgt Isberg's company immensely. I must say she was a great sport about our weather and the traditional Newfie Screech In. Dawn you are the hardest person we have ever had to screech in so far, and after three secret attempts we finally got the job done on her last night in town. While in St. John's the whole dental team attended a seminar called **Don't sweat the small stuff**. MCpl Swindells was in Oregon for a week in February to attend the ADEC / earthquake survival skills training seminar. Capt Ross and I were happy to be in Winnipeg at the Winter Working Group far away from the earthquake zone. I was afforded the opportunity to be one of their incremental staff members. What a great experience! I would love to come back next year if you will have me. (Hint, hint) It was great to see old friends and to meet new ones. It was also great to discover that I had a second cousin in Dental, Cpl Tracy Gauthier, from Trenton. Capt Ross wasn't in the clinic too long and was off to Atlanta for the Hinman Dental Conference in March.

Well this is it for now and we hope everyone is in great health and spirits.

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Pictures and News from Winnipeg

We are proud to announce that Mrs Jill Boychuk and Mr Mike Boychuk are proud parents of a baby girl. Jill gave birth to their first daughter on Friday, 23-Feb-01. Brooklyn Josephine Boychuk weighed in at 7 Lbs, 7 ozs. Jill, who is our civilian hygienist, is currently taking her six-month maternity leave. Everyone in the clinic wishes the Boychuk's all the best.

Dent Det Winnipeg would also like to congratulate both Cpl Tom Johnson and Capt (Ret'd) Jeff Hines on receiving their peacekeeping medals.



Cpl Johnson receiving his peacekeeping medal



Capt (Ret'd) Hines receiving his peacekeeping medal

1 Dental Unit Detachment Greenwood

We think spring has finally sprung around here! March definitely left like a lion with a blizzard. We have had a long and cold winter – the worst in a number of years. So how much snow did we have? We had so much snow, we had to get on top our house roofs and shovel the heavy snow off for fear of our roofs collapsing and 14 Wing closed down for a day as their was no where left to park. Now that’s a lot of snow!

It is posting season yet again! Good news for soon to be Major Roussy, our upcoming Det Comd. Congratulations on your promotion and the detachment looks forward to your arrival. Major Chambers is off to a warmer southern climate to persue the prosthodontic program at Ft. Gordon. To bad he will not be able to enjoy the weather, as I hear the lab has no windows. MCpl Lacoursiere is posted to CFB Halifax, the det wishes her all the best, we hear the seafood is a little fresher and the nightlife a little livelier as you move east. Welcome to MCpl Church who is coming out west, although it is really not that far west to Greenwood. We look forward to your arrival.

As most detachments, we are actively establishing indeterminate civilian positions for some of our Dental Assistants and a Hygiene position. This should greatly increase their job stability and security. However, it has

meant initiating the competitive process with the good folks at the CPO’s office. The applicants here are likely having flashbacks of dental school with all the written and practical tests. The good news is that the hygiene competition is complete and congratulations are in order for Mrs Glenna Dondale.

We are extremely glad to have Capt Langevin back from parental leave and BDOC training. He is really making up for lost chair time and should leave his operatory just in time for summer.

Sgt MacNeil successfully completed her level II civilian dental assisting qualifications and recently completed the new FMAS certification.

Much needed renovations for the detachment have finally been approved. It just a matter of working out the details like timing and convincing CE that closing the det for three months is not our first option.

Mrs Cathy McGrath, civilian dental assistant, is expecting her second baby sometime in April, so by the time you read this she will likely be a proud new mother.

Nouvelles de (News from) Bagotville

Oui, nous sommes loin et vous n'entendez pas souvent parler de nous, mais nous sommes toujours ici, au nord du Québec où l'hiver est long, froid et rigoureux. Commençons d'abord par les changements survenus au détachement depuis l'été dernier. Nous avons un nouveau Cmdt de détachement, le Capt Yanik Roussy en provenance de la BFC Valcartier, il est venu remplacer le Capt André Villeneuve, qui a été libéré des Forces canadiennes au mois d'août 2000. Il s'est ouvert une clinique dentaire privée à Jonquière. Le Capt Roussy sera de nouveau muté cet été à la BFC Greenwood, avec une promotion à Major. Il a complété son cours de Cmdt de détachement à la BFC Borden, du 16 janvier au 1^{er} février 2001. Nous avons aussi une nouvelle dentiste, le Capt Mélanie Dumas, qui est une graduée de l'université de Montréal et qui en est à sa première mutation. La Capt Dumas a eu son entraînement de base pour officier médical/dentaire l'automne dernier à Borden. Nous avons aussi un nouveau coordinateur de clinique, le Sgt André Fillion qui a été muté de la BFC Kingston (CMR), au mois de mai 2000.

L'été dernier nous avons tous travaillé pour le fameux spectacle aérien de Bagotville, qui se produit en principe tout les 2 ans. Ce fut une belle expérience pour tout le monde car ça nous a permis de sortir des sentiers battus, c-a-d faire un travail complètement différent de ce que nous faisons tout les jours, et aussi de rencontrer beaucoup de gens. Ce spectacle est un événement très populaire dans la région et attire des milliers de spectateurs à chaque fois! Le premier ministre du Québec, M. Lucien Bouchard, est même venu faire un tour au spectacle aérien. L'attraction la plus médiatisée de l'évènement, fût la fameuse course d'une distance de 900 mètres entre un F-18 et une voiture de course de formule "Cart", conduit par Patrick Carpentier. Devinez qui a gagné la course? La voiture de course bien sûr!! Surprenant n'est-ce pas. Prochain rendez-vous à l'été 2002.

Malgré l'hiver qui est long nous essayons quand même de nous amuser! À chaque hiver il y a le fameux carnaval souvenir de Chicoutimi pour toute la population, et les militaires de Bagotville en font tout autant. Le 16 février, nous avons eu une journée de carnaval dont les activités consistaient en plusieurs types de compétition, à l'extérieur ou à l'aréna de la base. Plusieurs membres de notre personnel de la clinique ont participé à un "rally" pédestre qui fut très amusant! Le tout était précédé d'un déjeuner du carnaval au mess des Sgt et Adj de la base. Nous avons même un concours de barbe car le personnel militaire de la BFC Bagotville à la permission chaque année de se la laisser pousser pour une période d'environ 2 mois. La Cpl Michaud a été juge lors de cet événement qui a attiré une foule considérable!

Yes we're far away and you don't hear from us very often, but we are still here in the north of Québec where winter is long, cold and rigorous. Let's start by the latest changes at the detachment since last summer. We now have a new Det Comd, Capt Yanik Roussy, who came from Valcartier. He replaced Capt André Villeneuve who retired in August 2000 and opened a dental clinic in downtown Jonquière. Capt Roussy is posted again this summer to CFB Greenwood with a promotion to Major. We also have a new dentist, Capt Mélanie Dumas. Bagotville is her first posting after graduating from Université de Montréal. Capt Dumas completed her basic training (for medical and dental officers) at CFB Borden last fall. We also have a new clinic coordinator who arrived last May - Sgt André Fillion came from CFB Kingston (RMC).

Last summer, all detachment personnel worked at the famous Air Show of CFB Bagotville which takes place every two years. This has been a very good experience for everyone because it allowed us to do different types of work and also meet different people. The Air Show attracts a lot of people and is a very popular event in the region. Even the former premier of province of Québec, Mr Lucien Bouchard, came to see it. The event which attracted the most media coverage at the Air Show was the famous race of 900 meters between a cart formula car and a F-18. Guess who won the race? The car of course! The next Air Show will be in the summer of 2002.

Despite the long winters, we are still trying to have some fun, and every year there is a winter carnival in Chicoutimi for the whole area – the military base also joins in the fun. On 16 Feb, we had a carnival day which consisted of all kinds of outdoor games and events were also held in the arena. Several members of the clinic participated at the pedestrian rally which was preceded by a breakfast at the WO & Sgt's mess. We even had a beard contest. Every year, military personnel have permission to grow their beard for a period of approximately two months. Cpl Michaud was one of the judges for this event which attracted a lot of people.

WO Josée Gagné
Dental Hygienist
CFB Bagotville

The 2001 CFDS Winter Working Group

The 2001 edition of the CFDS Working Group was once again held at sunny 17 Wing Winnipeg from 25 February to 2 March. The Working group was both eventful and successful. Among the 156 attendees this year, we had the pleasure of hosting Brigadier General (Ret'd) W.R. Thompson and Colonel Commandant Neilson. Their contributions to this year's working group were memorable in many ways.

The opening address from Colonel Currah, Director of Dental Services, reinforced the optimism and bright future ahead for the CFDS. LCol Becker, CO 1 Dental Unit, shared statistics that Ottawa has been gathering on the Detachments and encouraged all personnel to continue to work hard and find ways to increase efficiency and output. LCol Taylor followed with an operations update and our continued commitments abroad. The highlight of the address was the numerous promotions, awards and recognition for service excellence.

This year's continuing education featured our own home grown talent for both dentists and hygienists. Maj Henry (Career Manager for the officer's) kicked off Tuesday morning with a career briefing. Capts Labbé and Mansour presented Dental Therapy for Sleep Apnea, Maj Dubois discussed Xyitol Gum, and Maj MacIsaac rounded out the morning with an Implant case study. LCol Swan led a round table discussion on Policy in the afternoon. The hygienists presented a pre-selected topic to each other under the watchful gaze of Maj Cuff. An educational and informative day was had by all.

Most had the opportunity to participate in the Small Arms Training at Minto Armouries which was coordinated through MWO Whitebone and MCpl Rideout of the Cameron Highlanders.

The social gatherings again proved to be successful. Attendance and attitudes were upbeat starting with the Meet and Greet and culminating with the Bonspiel Banquet. The Mess Dinner was truly eventful, with the highlight of the evening being the address from our Guest of Honour, Brigadier General (Ret'd) W.R. Thompson. Not only did his stories give the audience a sense of pride in the CFDS but his humour made the event most enjoyable. The presentation of the W.R. Thompson Trophy, by BGen (Ret'd) Thompson himself, to Capt Moser and Sgt Dwyre, was indeed a special moment. Honourable mentions went to Sgt Laroque and Sgt Langlois.

Glow bowling was a "smashing" success and featured a huge birthday cake for Cpl Madonna Redding. New this year was Tae Boxe with Maj Dubois and a few die hards hit the Squash courts as well. The Working Group wrapped up with Bonspiel Banquet where Colonel Commandant Neilson said a few words, including an American perspective on the sport of curling. Members were treated to a digital slide show of the week's events as they enjoyed the excellent meal for the Banquet. LCol Becker closed out the 2001 Working Group with a Unit Commendation to Dental Detachment Winnipeg for "their outstanding support of 1 Dental Unit and the CFDS in the organization and execution of the Winter Working Groups over the past three years. Their teamwork, dedication, and coordination amongst themselves, the Branch, and Wing personnel have contributed significantly to the overall morale and effectiveness of the Dental Corps".

I would like to express my appreciation to each member of the organizing committee with special recognition to Sgt Duane Forward. Your superior management skills ensured a smooth and seamless transition between venues, events and meetings. The following members are to be commended for their individual and collective efforts that ensured the success of this occasion:

Sgt Duane Forward (Working Group Coordinator); **Capt Al Brown** (Admin, Flights, Budget Coordination); **Capt Richard Mansour** (Aide de camp, CE Coordinator-Dentists, Digital slide show); **Capt Sandra Labbé** (CE Coordinator-Dentists, assisted with Aide de camp); **Sgt Linda White** (CE Coordinator-Hygienists, social convenor: meet and greet; glow bowling); **Cpl Kathy Tighe** (Welcoming Committee, Small Arms Training coordinator); **Mr. Marcel Roberge** (welcome packages); **Sgt Josee Dubois**, **MCpl Rick Asselin**, **Cpl Patti Powell**, and **Cpl Bill Norris** (drivers, photocopying, A/V techs at venues); **Sgt Mike Wilson** (Web site design, Menus, Name Tags, AV Rep ...); **Cpl Patti Powell** (Mess Dinner seating plan); **Major Rick Johnson** and **Major Gray Lysechko** (Bonspiel Coordinators).

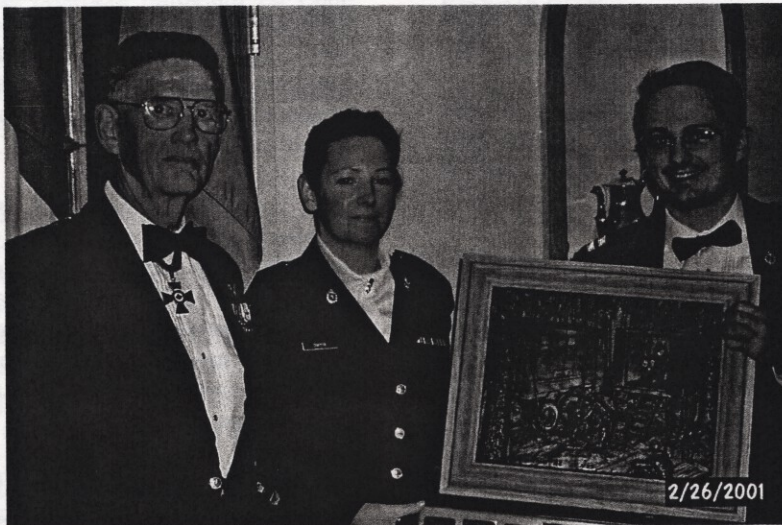
Major Jerry Collins
Coordinator, CFDS Working Group 2001

W.R. Thompson Trophy Recipients

The W.R. Thompson Trophy is presented annually to the individual or team, Officer or NCM, who has made the most significant contribution to the operational role of the CFDS during the past year, or over several years. This endeavour may be in the area of sea, land, or air operations, doctrine, training, concept development or any other aspect of the CFDS operational role.

The 2000 recipients of the W.R. Thompson Trophy were Capt Moser and Sgt Dwyre. Attached is the supporting narrative which was submitted to the award selection board.

“For the past three years, Capt Moser and Sgt Dwyre have held positions in the operational unit of 1 Fd Amb and 1 HSOTU, which culminated in a six month tour during OP PALLADIUM Roto 6. During that time, both of these highly dedicated individuals have performed admirably, sometimes above and beyond the call of duty.



BGen (Ret'd) Thompson presents the W.R. Thompson Trophy to the year 2000 Award Recipients, Sgt Dwyre and Capt Moser

Capt Moser and then Cpl Dwyre were posted to 1 Fd Amb Dent Pl in Sep 1997 during the initial stand up of the platoon. Starting up a dental platoon within a field medical unit presented some unique challenges and barriers to overcome. Both Capt Moser and Cpl Dwyre played key roles in the integration of the dental platoon into 1 Fd Amb. Upon its formation, the dental platoon was given 4 incomplete Dental SEV units in various states of disrepair along with 5 unserviceable diesel generators. Capt Moser oversaw the repair and re-equipping of the Dent SEVs back to a state whereby they had soon become the best in the CFDS fleet. Cpl Dwyre, although initially had little mechanical knowledge concerning MLVW and diesel motors, soon overcame this barrier and could often be found covered in grease while working side-by-side with the mechanics to repair and service the dental platoon's vehicles and field equipment.

Capt Moser and Cpl Dwyre distinguished themselves during OP RECUPERATION, the Montreal Ice Storm, with their personal acts of dedication and unselfish devotion to duty. Capt Moser was originally at CFB St-Jean for second language training when the ice storm hit the area. While other students and some other CFDS personnel left the area to be with their families, Capt Moser along with a few other dedicated CFDS personnel, remained behind. Capt Moser assisted in organizing the remaining students into work parties to assist with the influx of refugees fleeing the aftermath of the storm. The megaplex in St-Jean was hastily converted into an emergency shelter for the local population and

remained such for a period of three weeks after the ice storm. For the first week, Capt Moser was the team leader for one of the work parties that had the dubious honour of being responsible for janitorial duties. Capt Moser worked along side his teammates cleaning bathrooms, scrubbing toilets and mopping floors. He performed these tasks, without hesitation or complaint, because he wanted to help in any manner he could and realized that this

unpleasant task had to be done. His selfless actions during this time were even more impressive considering that Capt Moser was recovering from a recently broken collarbone and any upper body motion caused him considerable personal pain and discomfort. When the regular custodial staff returned to work during the second week, Capt Moser found himself without a task and quickly requested to re-join his won unit of 1 Fd Amb which had arrived in St-Jean a few days earlier. Though his shoulder injury precluded him from doing routine dentistry, he quickly volunteered to fill the role of a dental assistant in order to ease the workload on the small dental team from 1 Fd Amb. This allowed the 1 Fd Amb Dent Pl to provide 24 hours dental treatment for the following two weeks of OP RECUPERATION.

Cpl Dwyre's performance and unselfish dedication to duty during OP RECUPERATION were no less impressive. Although originally tasked as part of a small two person dental team to augment the existing St-Jean dental detachment, Cpl Dwyre arrived in St-Jean after a sleepless night's journey to find a non-functional dental clinic and herself to be the only available dental assistant. Her new living quarters and bed space consisted of a few square feet of cold tiled floor between the wall and the hydrobath tub in the hospital physiotherapy room. A borrowed dental SEV arrived the next evening from 5 Fd Amb and the only functioning dental treatment center in the area was quickly set up by Cpl Dwyre. Later that same evening, potential disaster struck when the dental diesel generator quit shortly after midnight. The outside temperature that night hovered around minus 25 degree Celsius with a strong north wind that drove the wind chill factor in excess of minus 40 degrees Celsius. Despite several attempts, Cpl Dwyre could not get the generator re-started. She realized that given the extremely frigid conditions, the diesel heater on the SEV was inadequate to keep the dental shelter properly heated and precious dental equipment and supplies could be damaged. After contacting the mechanics and stressing the urgency to get the dental generator on-line again, Cpl Dwyre completely drained the dental SEV water system and removed all the temperature sensitive dental supplies to a heated area. Her quick actions avoided potential disaster and resulted in no loss or damage to expensive dental equipment or supplies. Cpl Dwyre then spent the next several hours in the frigid temperatures, sometimes working with bare hands, assisting the mechanics in stripping down the dental generator's entire fuel system, which had become blocked with ice. It was later determined that the generator's fuel tank had unknowingly filled with water-contaminated diesel fuel from one of the less reputable local fuel dealers. The generator was restarted at approximately 0400 hours and appeared to be working well. Despite the lack of sleep from the previous few days, Cpl Dwyre remained with the SEV to ensure the generator would not fail again. Cpl Dwyre would not leave her post until ordered to do so by the Dental Platoon Commander. Her dedication and quick actions in this incident are commendable.

Capt Moser and Sgt Dwyre again proved themselves valuable team players in the 1 Fd Amb Dental Pl later that same year during Ex Prairie Ram. EX Prairie Ram was the largest concentration of CF forces in the past decade and involved some 11,000 regular and reserve personnel. Cpl Dwyre was assigned to one of the two dental sections that provided 24-hour dental care during the exercise. Cpl Dwyre was instrumental in orienting a new dental Captain to the field routine and dental SEV setup while enduring scorching heat, dust storms, threats from grass fires, torrential rainfall, and infestation of red beetles. Capt Moser, although still unfit for field duties due to his slowly healing collarbone, was the OC of the rear party back at 1 Fd Amb. He performed this task very Sanitas in Ore

well and was even able to co-ordinate an AirMedEvac of a seriously injured soldier to a civilian hospital in the middle of the night. With little assistance and no immediate medical guidance, he overcame several major civilian administrative barriers and was able to co-ordinate the medical air transport, obtain landing clearance and have the civilian hospital treatment team meet the military helicopter.

Capt Moser and Sgt Dwyre again teamed up as members of 1 HSOTU and participated in a six month tour during OP PALLADIUM Roto 6. Sgt Dwyre's performance during Roto 6 was outstanding and earned high praise from the Officer Commanding ASC. Her dental duties were carried out with professionalism, efficiency and to the highest level of technical skill throughout the tour. During the dental officer's absence on his HLTA, Sgt Dwyre was responsible for emergency dental coverage of the entire Canadian AOR by herself for 19 days. She screened patients, placed temporary restorations when required, and formalized a plan to refer those patients she could not treat to the British dental facilities. In addition to her own dental duties, Sgt Dwyre also filled the supervisory position of Hospital WO for a period of two months. Many times she could be found doing dentistry by day and administrative duties far into the evening hours. She eagerly learned new medical skills and fulfilled a variety of paramedical roles to become a very valuable member of the trauma team in the ASC. When Sgt Dwyre became aware of the critical shortage of driver qualified personnel in the ASC she volunteered as a driver and drove a variety of military vehicles throughout the Canadian AOR. On those occasions when Sgt Dwyre had some free time, she often rode along with "C Battery" on patrol in the Coyote reconnaissance vehicle. During these patrols, she would bring along toothbrushes to give out to the children that they met. Often she would also give a brief oral hygiene lesson on tooth brushing techniques, since many of the children had never seen a toothbrush before.

Capt Moser's performance and outstanding dedication during Roto 6 earned him praise from the TFBH Commander. He provided dental services at the ASC and the four different camps in the Canadian AOR. He participated with other members of the ASC in trauma scenarios and was prepared to respond to any dental/medical emergency in theatre. In addition to his primary role of dental support for NATO personnel and entitled civilians, Capt Moser had multiple secondary duties that occupied most of his free time. He was responsible for the daunting task of scheduling ASC personnel on R&R and HLTA, which became quite a dilemma with personnel assigned in two different geographical locations. With extreme diplomacy and personal initiative he was able to satisfy the needs of all the ASC personnel for their holidays. Capt Moser was also tasked as the sub-unit visits officer and was

responsible for preparing all details for medical VIP visits in the AOR. He planned and organized a very smooth and successful visit for the DGHS, Surgeon General, and medical Branch CWO.

Over the past three years of operational postings, major military exercise, aide to civil power, and operational deployments, Capt Moser and Sgt Dwyre have repeatedly proven themselves to be highly dedicated, highly motivated, professional individuals. They have become very valuable members of their operational units and have both performed above and beyond the call of duty on numerous occasions. Although their individual achievements and past histories of selfless actions in the

line of duty are impressive, these two talented individuals appear to work best as a team and exemplify the team spirit of the CFDS.”

Congratulations to Capt Moser and Sgt Dwyre as the year 2000 W.R. Thompson Trophy award recipients. It is always difficult to choose between the nominations for a prestigious award such as this. As a result, there are always other deserving personnel. Congratulations also go to Sgt Larocque and Sgt Langlois, honorary mention recipients, for their dedication and hard work.

1 Dental Unit Detachment Halifax

Greetings from the clinics of Halifax and Shearwater. We survived a rough winter of snow, wind and rain storms. Both clinics participated in curling one Friday afternoon in February - and the best rock went to Ms Bourque! Amazing, the rock was bigger than her.

As usual some personnel participated in the Winnipeg Working Group this year. Smiles from ear to ear on the faces of those who participated. After years of dedicated service, Miss Fitzpatrick and Mrs. Tonet were able to attend the Working Group. They had an excellent time and were very pleased that they were able to attend.

Accomplishments

WELCOME BACK MCpl Marcoux, we have not heard of her adventures yet as she is still on leave. She has spent the last 7 months on Roto 7, in Bosnia.

Promotion

Congratulations to Cpl Feltnate, who received her promotion on 26 Jan 2001 (effective 24 Jul 2000). When is the beer call...?!

Current Events

WO Morash is currently on his SLC; graduation day is 06 April. Hopefully upon his return he will have an office of his own. The Halifax clinic is in the process of creating an office out of the cloakroom area to provide WO Morash a proper hiding spot. Ha! Ha! thus giving MWO MacKenzie his own as well.

Posting Season

There will be some changes this APS. As you know these are subject to change.

Postings In

Maj Joy - from PG studies in Periodontology at the University of Toronto
 Maj Headley - from CFDSS, Borden
 Maj Chamberlain - from PG studies in Oral Surgery at North Carolina
 2LT Yim - from University of Saskatchewan
 2Lt Kahn - from University of Toronto
 Sgt Ryan - from 1 Cdn Fd Hosp Petawawa
 MCpl Lacoursiere - from 1 Dent Det Greenwood

Postings Out

Maj Anderson - to 1 Dent Det Esquimalt
 Sgt Burns - to 1 Dent Det Gagetown
 Sgt Vanthournout - to 1 Dent Det Edmonton
 MCpl Marche - to 1 Dent Det Greenwood
 MCpl Marcoux - to 1 HSOTU Det Edmonton

For those who are posted out, fair winds in following seas (Naval term for farewell and good luck). For those coming in; welcome to our clinics, you're in for an excellent time.

By MCpl Marche

Greetings from Gagetown

Greetings to all, from the Staff of Dent Det Gagetown. So many things have happened since our last entry to the Fang that I hardly know where to begin.

First of all, we need to know if anyone out there knows if the snow will ever stop coming and when it will stop! Enough on that subject for the time being.

One of the things that has happened is that Maj Brian Walker retired from the forces and was replaced by Maj Dan Stuart, who was a welcome addition to the clinic. There have been several other staff changes (and more to come) in the clinic since the last entry to the Fang. Sgt Guy Beaudet was posted to Bagotville and Cpl Anna Gnurlantino-Lamarre was posted to Trenton. Shortly after Anna had departed, Cpl Julie Driscoll was posted in fresh off of her recruit training in St Jean.

With the busy treatment schedule here, some of our staff managed to get in some continuing education. Maj Stuart and Capt Holmes attended the Det Comds course in Borden, Capt Rouleau went on an OS externship in Copenhagen, Denmark as well as in Halifax, NS, Capt Tardif was on the BDOC & BFMSC, Cpl Cormier attended the ADEC course in Portland, Oregon, and Cpl Rosenberg, after using the program for several years, was finally placed on an FMAS course. There were many other courses attended throughout the past several months but these were the ones that stuck out in my memory.

After 2 years and 5 months as the entertainment chairman of the Jr Ranks mess, I (Cpl Miller) finally stepped down from the position and walked into a paid position as club DJ.

One thing that had not previously been mentioned was that Cpl Marsha Dearman-MacIsaac competed in and won the Ladies Atlantic Golf Regionals. This earned her the right to compete in Borden for a position on the CISM national team. She earned a spot on the team and then went on to Colorado Springs, CO where she competed against the US National team.

Cpl Cleo Cormier went to St John's, NFLD in Mar 01 to compete in the Atlantic Dart Regionals where, in spite of the fact that he and his team had to lob their darts over 8" snow drifts, managed to come in fourth place for the region.

This doesn't refer to any sporting event, but still took a certain amount of physical ability - Dr Christine McLaughlin, who is a civilian dentist that works here with us, gave birth to a wee lad named Alec John. She was due in Feb but held off until March 2nd. She returned to work raring and ready to go on the 3rd of April. (Maritime women are so damn tough) haha.

A few of our staff members decided they had enough of this winter wonderland and headed south for a revitalizing soak in the southern sun. Cpl Faye Rosenberg headed south to Mexico (where she drank all the rum she had promised to bring back for CWO Baird - he he...), Cpl Paula Dyke headed off to sunny Florida to work on her tan, Cpl Dearman MacIsaac headed off to Myrtle Beach to look for some birdies, and WO Linda Crowell and Cpl Driscoll disappeared to the Dominican Republic for some fun in the sun (not at the same time). The remainder of us had to stay back here and enjoy the copius quantities of what Tourism New Brunswick refers to as the "white gold rush" or, as it is better known - "snow".

Well, that is, in a nutshell, what has been going on in our lives and in our clinic here at the home of the army, CTC Gagetown. Until next time, stay safe and try try try to be happy.

Cpl Glen Miller
1 Dent Unit Det Gagetown



NCR Dental SKI DAY at Mont Tremblant

The day started out with the sun actually shining before 0630 hrs. We were on our way to the great Laurentian Mountains, which I had never seen before. We were a small group, seven military members and their families, but none the less the day of adventure was about to begin.

After making a few stops to pick up a few stragglers, we were on our way. I had never traveled on Quebec roads before and for those of you lacking the experience like myself you can compare it to crossing the border from Alberta to Saskatchewan, that smooth. We were warned ahead of time not to partake of any libations because of this.

Once we reached the hill everyone was ready to hit the slopes. It was a balmy -7 according to the proprietors but with mitts off and trickles of sweat running before we even skied, we knew it must be warmer. The creator himself couldn't have made a more beautiful day for skiing.

Now I come from the "Rockies" and didn't expect much, but I'll tell you, when you're standing at the top of the hill and take in this breath taking site, you will stop comparing the beauty between the provinces and appreciate the beauty Canada as a whole has to offer.

Our group consisted of three pods: Daredevils – Maj Cuff and Mr. Plourde, Soloist – Capt McCormack, and Acrobats – Ms Lalonde, Cpl Proctor and myself. The LCol's and family were also there, but I think it is safe to say that they didn't want to expose their children to the rambunctiousness of the pods.



Cpl Kevin "Bushman" Proctor enjoying the slopes

We knew at the end of the day how well everyone enjoyed themselves by how they looked and walked. The daredevils looked as if they had been horsebackriding instead of skiing. The kind of strolled like "John Wayne". The Soloist, was happy go lucky, a little tired, wild hair but with a grin. The acrobats hit the chalet early and hard. Still smiling although it must have been painful with the sunburn they had. I'm not sure if they skied or just lay in the sun.

A great time was had by all. There was no bank machine at the chalet, so Maj Cuff was kind enough to be a temporary ATM. You would think that with a day of hard skiing everyone would want to sleep on the way home. Not likely with this crew. The bus driver made the first mistake of plugging in a movie to subdue us. "The Russian Tea House", now I don't know how many of you actually stayed awake to watch this film but all it did for the rest of us was make us sing louder. Mr. Plourde led the group in a resounding rendition of "The wheels on the bus". I think it was the only song

that we all knew the words to.....still trying to quiet us the bus driver stopped at a depanneur. Yeah that worked, now we were singing with beer. If you ever get a chance to take this trip don't miss it. I know if given the opportunity I'll be back.

Cpl Norine Ebel

Dent Det Ottawa Pictorial Adventures



On 23 Feb 01, the Ottawa Dental Detachment went tubing at the Carling Avenue Winter Park. Pictured to your left is the dental crew who became battered and bruised throughout the day.



Another tubing picture – I think they were having just too much fun!!



March 23rd was the Detachment's annual outing to the Sugar Shack. This year they went to the Proulx Berry Farm. This is a picture of the HCC Clinic personnel. Some people really enjoyed the snow taffy – right Frank!

PROFILE - Sergeant Karen Nelmes Dental Hygienist, HMCS ALGONQUIN

Sergeant Karen Nelmes, a native of Nairn Centre near Sudbury, is a dental hygienist on board HMCS ALGONQUIN. Her ship is part of a three-ship Canadian Task Group participating in the three-month Pacific Exercise 2001 (PACEX.) PACEX 2001 includes a major multi-national maritime exercise in Australia called Tandem Thurst, advanced operational training, and visits to Hawaii, Japan, the Philippines, Australia, New Zealand and a number of Polynesian territories in support of Canada's security agenda in the Pacific.

HMCS ALGONQUIN does not normally have a dental detachment so Sgt. Nelmes had to adapt what is normally the air maintenance control office into a floating dentistry office. She has a field dental kit that includes a folding chair and suction device, but has to walk to the adjoining boatswain's area in order to use a sink, and the dental chair extends out past the door.

Caring for the dental needs of more than six hundred sailors in the task group is a big job, but on a Navy ship everyone is a sailor first. Sergeant Nelmes is being taught how to fight fires and assist with casualty evacuation in the event of an emergency.

According to Sgt. Nelmes, there are several differences between work on shore and work at sea. For example, ashore she can take the short walk to medical stores to pick up supplies. At sea, when the supplies required were on another ship, she had to get them by a crossing a rope jackstay set up between the two ships. In her words the experience was "A total riot. A real adrenaline rush."

Walking around while the ship moves back and forth, and dealing with the confined space can be trying. To relax Sergeant Nelmes exercises on the stationary bikes, Stairmaster, or with the free weights in the ship's gym. Her time at sea has also allowed her to appreciate the amenities of shore, "At sea we have pussy showers (get wet, shut off water, lather up, rinse) and you can't just order in a pizza."

The exotic ports of call are one of the best parts of being at sea. Sergeant Nelmes is looking forward to seeing Brisbane, Australia, and is hoping to get to see the Great Barrier Reef. She is happy to be sailing with the crew of HMCS ALGONQUIN. "This ship has a good crew and they work hard," she said. With Sergeant Nelmes on the job their smiles are sure to improve.

Le Sergent Karen Nelmes, qui viens de "Nairn Centre" près de Sudbury, est une hygiéniste dentaire à bord du NMRC ALGONQUIN. Le navire fait partie d'un Corps Expéditionnaire des Forces Canadiennes qui est composé de trois navires et participant à une operation de trois mois nommée "Pacifique Exercise (PACEX) 2001". PACEX 2001 inclue une opération maritime multi-nationale majeure en Australie qui s'appelle Tandem Thurst, un entraînement opérationnel avancé, et des visites à Hawaï, au Japon, aux Philippines, en Australie, en Nouvelle-Zélande et dans plusieurs territoires Polynésiens, en support de la politique de sécurité du Canada dans le Pacifique.

Normalement, il n'y pas de détachement dentaire à bord de L'ALQONQUIN. Alors, le Sergent Nelmes a dû adapter la salle de contrôle de la maintenance de l'air pour en faire une baie de dentiste. Elle a de l'équipement dentaire portatif avec une chaise pliante et un appareil de succion, mais, elle doit utiliser un lavabo dans la salle adjacente des cuvettes de bateau. De plus, la chaise étant trop longue pour la salle, une partie de celle-ci dépasse la porte jusque dans le corridor.

Avoir la charge des soins dentaires de plus de 600 membres est énormes, mais à bord d'un navire il faut réaliser que tous le personnel est d'abord et avant tout un navigateur. Donc, le Sergent Nelmes a pris l'entraînement de combat d'incendie et aussi l'entraînement CASEVAC en cas d'urgences médicales.

D'après le Sergent Nelmes, il y a beaucoup de différences entre le travail dans une clinique dentaire en garnison et le travail à bord d'un navire. Par exemple, en garnison la section d'approvisionnement est facile d'accès. Mais à bord d'un navire, lorsque le matériel nécessaire se trouve sur un autre navire, ils doivent se servir d'une corde qui joint les deux bateaux (jackstay) pour s'approvisionner. D'après le Sergent Nelmes ce fut une expérience incroyable et très excitante.

Vivre constamment avec les mouvements du bateau et dans des espaces restreints et très exigeant! Pour relaxer, le Sergent Nelmes fait de la bicyclette stationnaire, du Stairmaster et aussi de l'haltérophile dans le gymnase. La vie en mer lui fait apprécier les avantages de la vie sur terre comme l'eau courante à volonté pour la douche et pouvoir se commander une pizza.

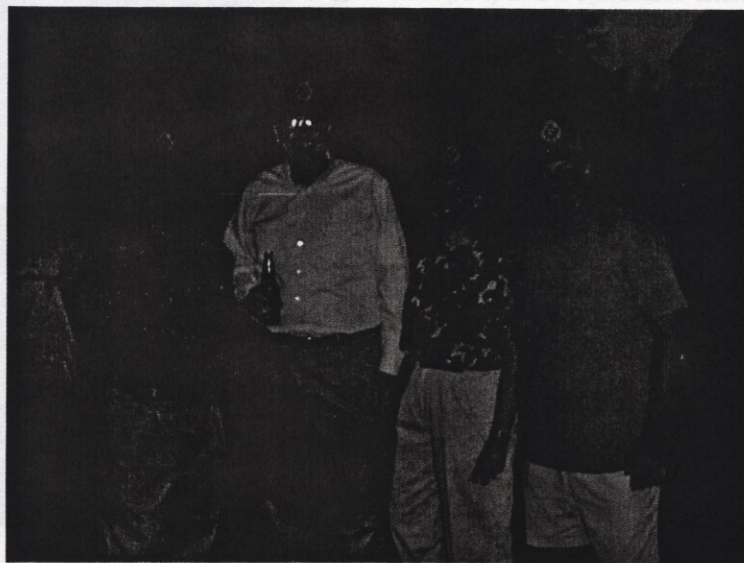
Les ports exotiques visités sont une des plus belles expériences de la vie en mer. Le Sergent Nelmes à très hâte d'aller à Brisbane, en Australie et espère avoir la possibilité de voir le "Great Barrier Reef". Elle est heureuse de naviguer avec l'équipage du NMRC ALGONQUIN. Elle dit: " Ce navire a un bon équipage et tous travaillent très fort. Cependant, leurs dents sont plus ou moins en bon état ...!"

Avec le Sergent Nelmes à bord, leurs sourires ne pourra que s'améliorer.

BRAVO ZULU, le Sergeant Nelmes

The CFDS Visits Fort Drum

The CFDS made a visit in force to Fort Drum, NY on 4-5 May 01 for the US Army Dental Activity (DENTAC) CE Symposium. In attendance were Col and Mrs Currah, LCol and Mrs Strilesky, and LCol Becker, Reid and Taylor. LCol Reid gave a presentation on Forensic Odontology during the Symposium. The Program was followed by a BBQ hosted by the DENTAC Commander, COL Storz, at his home at Fort Drum. In attendance were MG Scully (Deputy Surgeon-General of the US Army and Chief, US Army Dental Corps) and COL Pollock (MEDAC Commander). In the below photo, Col Currah has just presented CFDS golf hats, and a "Blue" Canadian beer, to his US counterparts at the BBQ (L to R: Col Currah, MG Scully, COL Pollock, COL Storz).

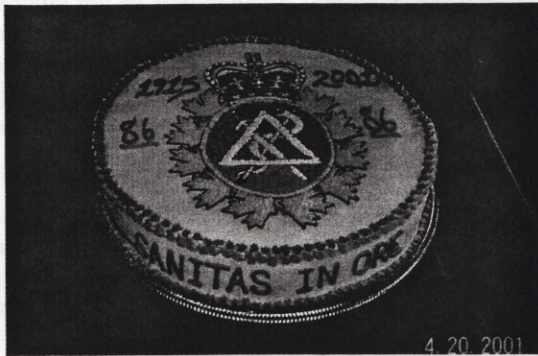


Le SDFC Visite le Fort Drum

Le SDFC a fait une visite en vigueur au Fort Drum, NY le 4-5 mai 01 pour le colloque de *US Army Dental Activity* (DENTAC). Le col et Mme Currah, le lcol et Mme Strilesky, et les lcols Becker, Reid et Taylor ont été de service. Le lcol Reid a donné une présentation sur Odontologie légale pendant le colloque. Le programme a été suivi d'un BBQ accueilli par le commandant du DENTAC, le COL Storz, à sa maison au Fort Drum. Le MG Scully (Chirurgien-général-adjoint du *US Army*, et le chef du *US Army Dental Corps*) et le COL Pollock (commandant du MEDAC) ont été de service. Dans la photo ci-haut, le col Currah vient de présenter des chapeaux de golf du SDFC à ses contre-parties des E-U au BBQ (G à D: le col Currah, le MG Scully, le COL Pollock, le COL Storz).

Dental Corps Birthday Party

A CFDS/RCDCA luncheon was held in Ottawa on 20 Apr 01 to celebrate the 86th Birthday of the CFDS. Mr Luc Chartrand treated us to his gastronomic artistry and created a cake for the occasion. Numerous military, civilian and retired Dental Corps personnel attended the function, which was organized by Capt Tracey MacCormack and held at Capone's restaurant. LCol Taylor gave an address on behalf of Col Currah (who was simultaneously celebrating the Corps' Birthday in Toronto at the ODA Meeting), and then called upon BGen (Ret) Wright to give an historical perspective to the occasion. In the photo below, our RSM, CWO Andy Baird, is cutting the cake with LCol Taylor and the RCDCA guests looking on (L to R: Sgt (Ret) Ron Lindsay, MWO (Ret) René Tremblay, BGen (Ret) Jim Wright, LCol James Taylor, CWO Andy Baird, BGen (Ret) Fred Bégin, CWO (Ret) Earl McFadden)

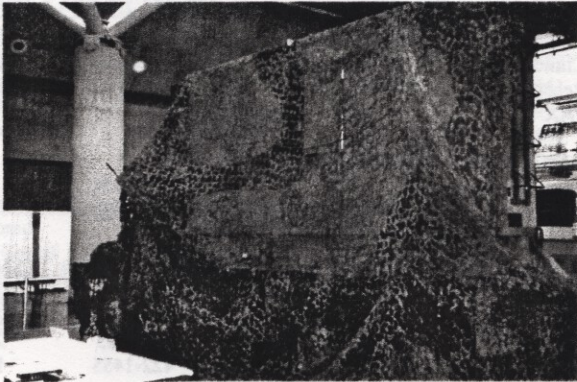


L'anniversaire du Corps Dentaire

Un dîner du SDFC/ACDRC a été tenu à Ottawa le 20 avr 01 pour célébrer le 86^{ième} anniversaire du SDFC. M. Luc Chartrand nous a traités à son art gastronomique et a créé un gâteau pour l'occasion. Beaucoup de personnes militaires, civiles et retraité du Corps dentaires ont assisté à l'événement, qui a été organisé par le capt Tracey MacCormack et s'est tenu au restaurant *Capone's*. Le lcol Taylor a pris la parole au nom du col Currah (qui célébrait simultanément l'anniversaire du Corps à Toronto lors de la réunion d'ODA), et a invité le bgén (ret) Wright de parler de l'histoire du Corps. Dans la photo ci-haut, notre SMR, l'adjuc Baird, coupe le gâteau avec le lcol Taylor et les invités de l'ACDRC (G à D: le sgt (ret) Ron Lindsay, l'adjum (ret) René Tremblay, le bgén (ret) Jim Wright, le lcol James Taylor, l'adjuc Andy Baird, le bgén (ret) Fred Bégin, l'adjuc (ret) Earl McFadden).

Hello from Borden!!

Now that winter is finally coming to an end, it seems that the time has simply flown by! We have been extremely busy providing patient care and adjusting to changes in personnel this year.



The autumn months of 2000 were very eventful here at CFB Borden. Major Ford took his two week release from the CF. We saw two of our dental officers away for extended periods of time from SEP 00 to NOV 00. Capt Shaw was completing her Basic Dental Officers Course and her Basic Field Medical Services Course. Capt Ratkowski was called away to serve on the HMCS Preserver and then upon his return he attended the CFDS Oral Surgery Course at CFB Kingston. Capt Ratkowski has since been appointed as the A/DDC.

The ODA requested our presence at the annual Winter Convention from 18-19 NOV 00. As a result of our attendance over the last number of years, our visibility and popularity has grown. We have provided a visual reference to the public and civilian dental personnel, which has shown how the CFDS serves our military members at home and abroad.



This year MCpl Forbes, Cpl Buchanan, Cpl Fredette and I set up our display to reflect an actual field setting consisting of the SEV, generator, 10 man tent, sleeping bags, cam net, and even rations! During the two days, our display was one of the most frequented. This enabled us to answer questions and educate the public about our role in the Canadian Forces. The pictures in this article were taken at the Convention.

Sanitas in Ore

Christmas was fast approaching after the ODA Winter clinic. Capt Shaw and MCpl Forbes organized Dent Det Borden's Christmas breakfast. Our senior dental staff served a wonderful breakfast to the staff; their service and the food was exceptional!

Capt Shaw provided dental treatment while on TD to Goose Bay from 11-24 Jan 01. WO Roberge arrived in Borden from 11-16 Feb 01 to provide hygiene treatment on TD; note, she indicated that she liked her stay. We have only one question for WO Roberge, when are you coming back? We promise not to destroy any more of your instruments!



Spring has almost sprung, finally! Along with the sunshine and milder weather comes "Posting Season". There are three new personnel who will be joining us here at CFB Borden. 1 Dental Unit Detachment Borden is pleased to welcome the following personnel to our Clinic: Maj Groves from Trenton, Sgt Asselin from Longe-Pointe, MCpl Alaire from St-Jean and Mrs. Forgues, a civilian hygienist who will be working as a casual for 3 months.

As we welcome these new members, we will be saying farewell to MCpl Forbes who is posted to CFB, Petawawa, 2 FD AMB. We wish him and his family all the best.

1 Dent Unit Det Borden is preparing to provide full time dental support to LFCA TC Meaford from JUN 01 to AUG 01. LFCA TC Meaford requires full time dental support (Mon-Fri) to cover the summer training period, from JUN 01-AUG 01. The summer is always a busy period with additional support provided to 1500 reserve force personnel at LFCA TC Meaford as well as 1000 cadets here at CFB Borden.

We are currently looking to hire a civilian dentist for a 6-month period! This will provide some much needed relief.

That's all the news from our Detachment, until next time have a great Spring!

Cpl Ingram

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