

26/XII Museum Newsletter



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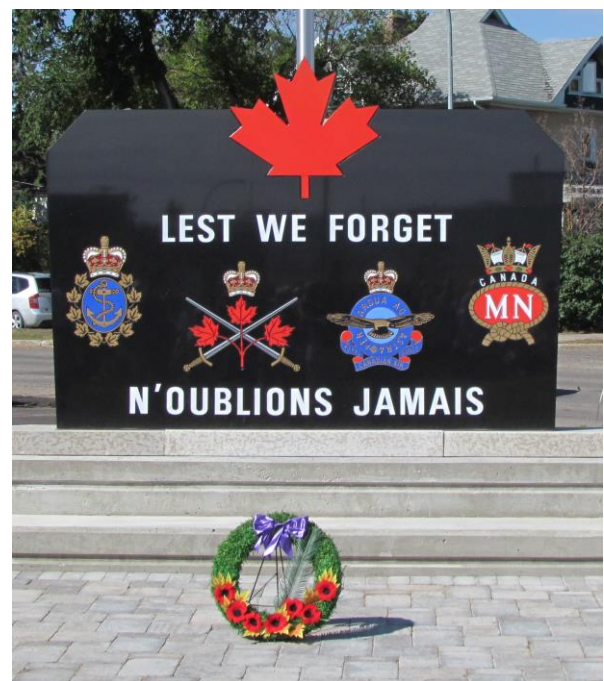


Fig 1 Brandon New Veterans' Memorial

On the 14th of September Veterans and Citizens of Brandon and area gathered at the Brandon Police Service parking lot at the corner of 11th Street and Victoria Avenue for the dedication of the new Brandon Veterans' Memorial.



Fig 2 Museum Board President Col (retired) Don Berry was master of ceremonies for the dedication.



Fig 3 Her Worship Mayor Shari Decter Hirst speaks to the Veterans and Citizens of Brandon and area at the dedication.

Representatives from Federal and Local Government, Veterans, Royal Canadian Legion (RCL), Army Navy Air Force Veterans (ANAVETS), Korean War Veteran's Association (KWVA), Canadian Association Veterans United Nations Peacekeeping (CAVUNP), Cadets from Brandon and Virden and Citizens of Brandon attended the dedication.

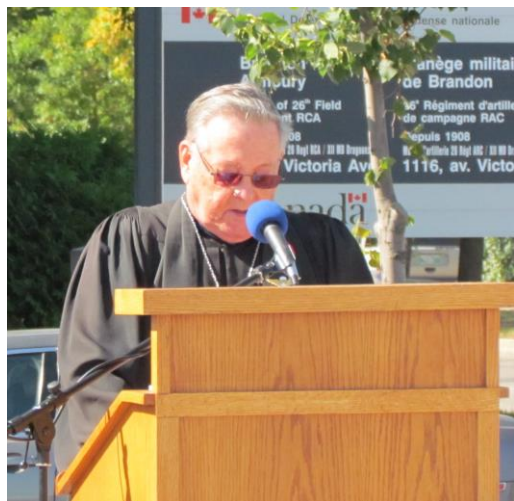


Fig 4 Reverend Dave Wilson dedicates the Memorial to the Veterans of Brandon and Area in War and Peace.



Fig 5 Piper Officer Cadet Brent Lowrie Plays the lament as the Colour Guard for all the Brandon Veterans' Organizations stands at attention.



Fig 6 RCSCC SWIFTSURE



Fig 7 Betty Coleman



Fig 8 Art Lyon XII Mb Dragoon WWII Veteran



Fig 9



Fig 10



Fig 11



Fig 12

Figs 9 through 12 Veterans and Citizens of Brandon attend Reception in Armoury after the dedication. The reception was hosted by 26 Field Regiment Royal Canadian Artillery, Brandon's own Army Reserve Unit, Commanding Officer LCol Dave Dalal, CD.

Museum Volunteers service of remembrance



Fig 13 On 5th November, Col (retired) Don Berry Museum Board President Don Berry carries the wreath to the New Brandon Veterans' Memorial while Bill Pierson reads the stand and volunteers gather at the memorial.



Fig 14 Don Berry places the Museum's wreath in memory of the Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen and Women who lost their lives in all of Canada's wars and peace keeping missions.

38 Canadian Brigade Group Commander visits Museum

During the hot and muggy month of August the Museum welcomed the new 38 Canadian Brigade Group Commander Colonel R.W. (Ross) Ermel, CD. Colonel Ermel was appointed Commander of 38 on 15th June 2013. The 38 Canadian Brigade Group (38 CBG) is an Army Reserve Formation of 3rd Canadian Division, headquartered in Winnipeg, Manitoba. 38 CBG comprises a Headquarters, located in Winnipeg, and 13 Army Reserve units distributed throughout Northwestern Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan to which 26 Field Regiment RCA belongs. He was accompanied by his Brigade RSM CWO Rishchynski, LCol Dalal CO 26 FD Regt and 26 Fd Regt RSM CWO Sembalarus,



Fig 15 L to R Colonel Ross Ermel Comd 38 CBG, Chief Warrant Officer Allan J Rishchynski 38 CBG RSM, Lt Colonel Dave Dalal Commanding Officer 26 Fd Regt, Chief Warrant Officer Dan Sembalarus RSM 26 Fd Regt.



Fig 16 Col Ermel and Curator Edd. Mc Arthur discusses the day to day operations of the Museum.

Badges of the Canadian Army past and present

On the page of this and following editions of the 26XII Newsletter there will be pictures of the badges of Canadian Army Units past and present. Some examples are below.



Fig 17 38 CBG
Credit Wikipedia



Fig 18 Halifax Rifles
Credit Wikipedia



Fig 19 Les Voltigeurs de Québec
Credit Wikipedia



Fig 20 Manitoba Volunteer reserve
Credit British Badge Forum

Identify the Artefact



Answer to last Identify the Artefact
Front wheel of the 26XII
Museum deck gun see fig 21



Identify the Artefact:
For answer see next issue of



Fig 21 26XII Museum Deck Gun



Fig 22 Gun in action L to R Ross Neale and Bill Mummery

26XII Museum Kit Shop



Fig 23 26XII Museum Kit Shop



Fig 24 26XII Museum Golf Shirt



Fig 25 26XII Museum Hat \$20

All items show at Fig 23 are in stock items, shirt at Fig 24 has to be ordered please see curator for details.

Name that Ribbon

In this section different ribbons will be shown. The names of the ribbon and its associated medal will be published in the next issue of the newsletter. Note these ribbons will be world-wide.



Ribbon 1



Ribbon 2



Ribbon 3



Ribbon 4



Ribbon 5

Answers to last issue ribbons



Ribbon 1



Ribbon 2



Ribbon 3



Ribbon 4



Ribbon 5

Emergency Medical

Order of the Nile

Order King Leopold 1

Order of

International Force for

Service Exemplary

Republic of Egypt

Belgium

Nova Scotia

East Timor (INTERFET)

Service Medal Canada

26th Field Regiment 65th Military Ball

On the second of November the regimental family gathered at the Victoria Inn to partake in the sixty fifth Military Ball. The guest of honour was Brigadier General James Selbie, OMM, CD. A third generation Brandonite Brigadier General Selbie started his thirty-seven year association with the military by joining 82 RCACS in the Brandon Armoury. He joined Brandon's own Regiment 26th Field Regiment RCA in 1973. Brigadier General Selbie had a distinguished career serving at several Canadian locations and overseas in Germany, Bosnia-Herzegovina, USA, Cyprus, Afghanistan, Turkey and Belgium. Brigadier General Selbie and his wife Anne live in Ottawa.

The menu for the 65th Military Ball was a delicious main course of Angus Beef Tenderloin, Oyster mushrooms, Duchess Potatoes and fresh baby vegetables. The desert was red Velvet and Chocolate Supreme Cheesecake. The meal was delicious and was very different from the first Military Ball meal of roast turkey. Of course the price was different also first Military Ball was \$15 per couple whereas the 65th Military Ball the cost attendees \$150 per couple.

Betty Coleman former Honorary Colonel of 26th Field Regt RCA presented the Regiment a framed copy of the programme and menu from the first Military Ball.



Fig 26 Betty Coleman and son Rob are shown with the Military Ball Menu and programme.



Fig 27 Jacquie Thompson and The Honorable Brian Midwinter, CD Justice Court of Queen's Bench enjoy the dinner and company.

Royal Canadian Air Force Band provided the music for the regimental marches, Royal Salute and Salute to the President of the USA. The Military Ball had the privilege to have sixteen members of the United States Air Force and their spouses at the ball. Members of the USAF have attended the mil ball on a regular basis for several years and soldiers attend the Minot International Military Ball held each spring in Minot. The Jet Stream the RCAF Band dance band played into the late hours providing an excellent variety of dancing music.



Fig 28 The RCAF Band Jet Stream sets up to rock the night away



Fig 29 The Jet Stream trio belts out a tune



Fig 30 The Brothers Popovits stand for the Artillery Salute.



Fig 31 Hon Lt Col Lorie Dangerfield rises for the Royal Salute



Fig 32 Capt Dohan Shin salutes RCME the March Past.



Fig 33 member of the USAF salutes the USAF official song.



Fig 34 Arlene and George Haggerty enjoy the evening.



Fig 35 The over 200 people at the 65th military Ball enjoy the music of the 26th Field Pipes and Drums.



Catch a bus, Drive a car, Ride your bike or walk.

The Museum is open every Tuesday from 9:00 to 11:30 am and 1:00 to 4:00 pm. For tours at other times call:

Edd. at 204 726-3498 or
Gord at 204 727-7691.



Museum Coming Attractions and events

23 November 2013 38 CBG Recruiting Group will be in Armoury from 1100 to 1500 hrs. For more information contact Bdr Beaumont-Smith at 204 728-2559. There will be displays of Guns, Small arms, Mortars, Rocket launchers, Reconnaissance, Command Post and the Band. The Museum will be open during this recruiting event.

10 December 2013 Museum will host its annual Christmas Luncheon for the Regiment full time staff time 1200 hrs on Armoury floor. The Museum will be open during this event.

05 Apr 2014 Vimy Night 2014 save this Saturday evening. More details to follow on website and in March 2014 Newsletter.

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Lest we forget

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