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WO Miller receiving this honour at the investiture ceremony in Ottawa.
Photo Credit: Governor General's Office

On 10 Nov 17, WO Steve Miller (a Traffic Technician) was invested as a Member of Military Merit (MMM) for his outstanding contribution to the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) and Canada. This honour was bestowed upon him by the Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada, Julie Payette.

Created in 1972, the Order of Military Merit recognizes meritorious service and devotion to duty by members of the CAF. The Order honours them for their commitment to Canada, according to the following three levels of membership: Commander (C.M.M.), Officer (O.M.M.) and Member (M.M.M.).

WO Miller is currently employed within Standards Division at the Canadian Forces Logistics Training Centre.





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Logistics Branch 50th Anniversary opening ceremony



The Logistics Branch Flag on the largest naturally frozen skating rink in the world, the Rideau Canal Skateway. Photo Credit Cpl Mélanie Girard



MGen M. McQuillan (Ret), Logistic Branch Colonel Commandant addressing the audience during the NCR Logistics Branch 50th Anniversary held 2 February 2018. Photo Credit Cpl Mélanie Girard



LGen C.A. Lamarre, Senior CAF Logistician and Commander Military Personnel Command with PO 2 S.M. Chisholm, from the National Planning Committee of the Logistics Branch 50th Anniversary passing the Log Br Flag. Photo Credit Cpl Mélanie Girard





Logistics Branch 50th Anniversary opening ceremony



Logisticians gather to celebrate Branch Jubilee

By Capt Catherine Côté

“Today we celebrate 50 years of excellence,” announced Lieutenant-General Chuck Lamarre, Commander, Military Personnel Command and Senior CAF Logistician in front of hundreds of fellow Logistics Branch members gathered at Cartier Square Drill Hall this past February 2nd.

The Year of the Logistician was officially launched on January 26th at NDHQ (Carling) by LGen Lamarre. It was followed by larger festivities on February 2nd to mark the anniversary with custom cake and speeches as well as showcase some of the trade’s aspects. A special tribute was paid to the branch and its personnel by Major-General (Ret’d) Mark McQuillan, Logistics Branch Colonel Commandant. Additionally, the Logistics Flag made its grand arrival

into the Drill Hall after months of travelling to bases and mission posts across the world, with its last stop being the Rideau Canal.

Various events will be held throughout the year to celebrate this fiftieth anniversary. Please visit the Defence Team’s Intranet (<http://intranet.mil.ca/en/organizations/sjs/logistics.page>) for more information.



LGen Lamarre addressed all Logisticians in attendance.
Photo Credit Cpl Mélanie Girard



The official cutting of the NCR Logistics Branch 50th Anniversary. L to R: Col Goodyear, MGen (Ret’d) M. McQuillan, & LGen Lamarre
Photo Credit Cpl Mélanie Girard





An Incredible Journey - Logistics Branch Flag Relay

From the hot desert in the Middle East



On 09 July 2017 all available Logisticians serving on Op Impact - OSH Kuwait stand proudly with our 50th Anniversary Flag.
Photo Credits: Cpl Bryan Carter



On 10 July 2017 Captain Jack Murdock (left) and CWO Doug Robert (right) brave the heat in Bagdad to stand with our flag.

Photo Credit: LCol Catherine Deri



To our nations Frozen North



MS Ronald Stevenson & PO1 John Logan celebrating the Logistics Branch 50th Anniversary in Iqaluit, Nunavut, January 2018
Photo Credit: Capt Benoit Léveillé

South to the Carling Campus



Accompanied by many Logisticians from the NCR, CWO Flowers, PO2 Chisholm and LGen Lamarre are proudly holding our 50th Logistics Anniversary Flag.





An Incredible Jump - Logistics Branch Flag at CAAWC

Logisticians – SkyHawks Style

By MCpl Annie-Claude Venne
Human Resources Administrator, CJOC



As part of the lead up for the celebration surrounding the 50th Anniversary of the Logistics Branch, a flag relay has been organized to highlight the contribution to the Canadian Armed Forces by Logisticians. This autumn 2017, the journey brought the flag to Trenton where two members of the Canadian Armed Forces Parachute Demonstration Team, The Skyhawks, took it for a skydive from 6,000 feet. Along with the two members from the team were six other Logisticians on board the aircraft to do various types of airborne currency training.

“The SkyHawks’ Team Warrant Officer, WO Steve Ouimet, informed me about (the Flag Relay). His wife, Sgt Isabelle Dufour, is a Logistician and they thought that this would be a good opportunity to show that riggers are also logisticians,” said Master Corporal Jeremy Canfield, a Supply Technician and Parachute Rigger.

Parachute riggers are supply technicians by trade. There are around 50 who are currently qualified to rig parachutes in the Canadian Armed Forces. They are mainly located in Trenton, but can also be posted with Search and Rescue squadrons and other units with parachutists. It takes three years of training to qualify as a parachute rigger.

“Perfection” is the word MCpl Canfield uses to describe a parachute rigger’s job. “It has to be perfect every time,” he says. “When we give a parachute to a guy he has to have no doubt in his mind that the chute is going to work.”

Corporal Jason Bent, a Parachute Rigger, had the privilege to carry the official 50th Anniversary Logistic Branch flag during the dive, while MCpl Canfield, who has more experience with doing camera work, took the lead with imagery.

Cpl Bent describes this event as a good opportunity to show pride in the Logistics Branch. “It feels special to be part of the only few people that will have the opportunity to jump with this specific flag,” he said. “Other than that, it was like any other day at work. It was fun to have my teammate filming to get the perfect shot.”

To prepare for the jump, the riggers removed numerous lapel pins attached to the flag and a small banner for safety reasons. These items were put in

a small bag and were also part of the jump.

MCpl Canfield explained that they did a quick rehearsal, what the SkyHawks call a “dirt dive,” to plan the whole sky dive before the actual dive. “This jump is a good opportunity for us to show what we can do, not only as logisticians, but also to take what we do as job and show the rest of the community what we can achieve.”

Logisticians are the back bone of military operations and the flag relay contributes to get the word out about the 50th Anniversary of the Logistics Branch. “It is important, we have been around for 50 years,” MCpl Canfield said. “Especially within my unit, this place couldn’t run without logisticians.”





Logistics officer Maj Mathieu Gauthier (kneeling), along with parachute riggers Cpl Jason Bent and MCpl Jeremy Canfield proudly pose with the Logistics Branch 50th Anniversary Flag and Pennant at Trenton.

Photo credit: Sgt Dan Pop



Cpl Jason Bent, a SkyHawks parachute rigger, flies the Logistics Branch 50th Anniversary Flag and Pennant during a recent skydive at Trenton.

Photo credit: MCpl Jeremy Canfield





Canadian Forces Logistics Training Center



Returning to Traditions

By Yanik Gagnon, Borden Citizen

Old is new again at the Canadian Forces Logistics Training Centre (CFLTC) with the reintroduction of the cap badge ceremony. A class of supply-qualified logisticians finally got to wear the Logistics Branch badge on Dec. 7, 2017.

The ceremony signifies students' official qualification in their trade, a proud moment for the newly qualified supply logistician Cpl Joseph Brake.

"For me it's important because this way I can serve the Canadian Military in a way that I wanted to," Brake said. "It's a point of pride, and it means a lot to me."

Earlier this year, Cdr Francis Turcotte, CFLTC Commandant, signed an

order stating they would go back to the tradition of the students earning their cap badge and be properly welcomed into the Logistics Branch. Cap badges bearing the Logistics Branch insignia will now only be awarded to NCMs upon successful completion of QL3 or RQ Pte courses.

Whether it's the "cornflake", a gold tri-service cap badge given to BMQ graduates with no trade qualification, or a member who is re-mustering from another trade, members will continue to wear their badge until completing the trade qualification.

For Capt Karmen Hill, receiving proper training is crucial in serving the Canadian Armed Forces.

"The ultimate goal of the Logistics Branch is to ensure the provision of members who are capable of effectively supporting Navy, Army,

and Air Force operations across the spectrum of conflict," Capt Hill said.

"The mission of the Logistics Branch is to produce highly skilled professional logisticians who deliver operational and institutional excellence."

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SAVE THE DATE

Celebrating the Logistic's Branch 50th Anniversary

Célébrons les 50 ans de service de la logistique

50th Anniversary Logistics Ball

50e anniversaire bal de la logistique

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From the NCR

If Compensation and Benefits matter to you, read on.

By Mr. Greg Duncan, MPC PA

Is there anything more important to a CAF member than having confidence that the compensation and benefits that they receive are handled by and administered by people that are well-trained, extremely knowledgeable and highly skilled?

Over 150 Human Resource Administrators (HRA), officers and members of the public service from across Canada attended Military Personnel Command (MPC) Administration Training Session over a three-day period in Ottawa recently. The professional development and informational sessions hosted by Director General Compensation and Benefits (DGCB), were directed at, and delivered to two primary groups; military and civilian personnel assigned to release centres across the Canadian Armed Forces and HRA managers and supervisors who are directly responsible for administrative processes. Attendance was comprehensive and representative of all geographic locations throughout Canada and sectors of activity with invited personnel having been selected to span all areas of expertise. Select participants from Europe and the USA in OUTCAN positions were also present for the training.

The training session held at the Infinity Convention Centre from October 31 to November 02 delivered on plans and a promise by DGCB to ensure that important training is provided each year so that procedural skill sets are refined continuously, and that technical proficiency of administrative subject matter experts is maintained for continued operational success.

Sessions and topics focused on everything from Pension and Release benefits to the Journey, Military Pay Quality Assurance



Ms. Valerie Xavier is briefing on Guardian from MPMCT and its upcoming launch of the new system of record replacing HRMS/Peoplesoft.
Photo credit: Sgt Colin Aitken.



Mr. Robert Smallwood, Special Advisor to the DG for Release Benefit Administration, briefed on changes and challenges as the new structure of Releases unfolds based on the CDS mandate/initiative to expedite the Release process for all releasing CAF mbrs. Most people are now receiving their benefits in a 30-45 day window as opposed to 6 + mths which was the previous standard.

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Program, policy on internal controls, HRA occupations and “the way ahead” to the new Relocation Program. A video preview of the modernized relocation services delivery model was delivered by Director Relocation Business Management. Working groups and brainstorming sessions were held in tandem. A town hall was held on day three for Director General Compensation and Benefits, Director General Military Careers and Military Personnel Management Capability Transformation.

Feedback from participants at the event was overwhelmingly positive with one attendee commenting that “DGCB delivered and did not disappoint.” while another said that they “really look forward to returning next year” based on the quality of information and training delivered at the sessions. Another participant noted that the event was long overdue, and remarked that they hoped to see this type of training delivered on an annual basis. Clearly, this year’s DGCB hosted event helped to satiate a strong thirst for knowledge and a desire for continued professional development by CAF HRA professionals, while whetting their appetites for more. All of the briefings and tools are available for consultation on the HRA Share Point site.

When asked why training like this is so important and what impact the training



Just some of the 150 + HRA’s who were in attendance at the Trg Sessions 31 Oct—02 Nov 17 at the Infinity Convention Centre.

was expected to have on attendees, chief event organiser MWO Paula Carpenter expressed her excitement on DGCB having been able to have revived what was once an important tradition of annual education and face- to- face interaction saying that;” it was an honour to be able to have put this type of training session opportunity together on behalf of MPC for this many administrators across the CAF and see the passion behind all the work that is accomplished on a regular basis on

behalf of all CAF members. This type of training ensures our trained professionals have up to date tools and information required to provide the best service to our members.”





5th Annual RCAF Logistic Cake Competition

1st Place - 8 Wing Trenton

In keeping with the guidelines the inspiration for the overall cake design was to showcase a part of the logistic history and elaborate remembrance to all the logisticians who have worked so hard in making our Canadian

Armed Forces the great structure it is today. Utilizing different techniques and styles this year including paint with an airbrush and candied sugar that we have never attempted before, our team was able to produce a very elegant cake for the enjoyment of 8 Wing. All aspects of this cake are

100% edible, including the book and the 50th Anniversary sugar work. We then incorporated leaves into our cakes to bring out some of the design aspects that were created. The maple leafs are made from fondant and painted using the airbrush. They represent the fallen soldier.



The Parchment shows the occupations within the Logistic Branch with the dates they were created. We also made

one with a very special thank you to the Logistics Museum as they were generous and provided important



historical information. The book itself is made from Rice Krispy and covered with fondant used for this product.

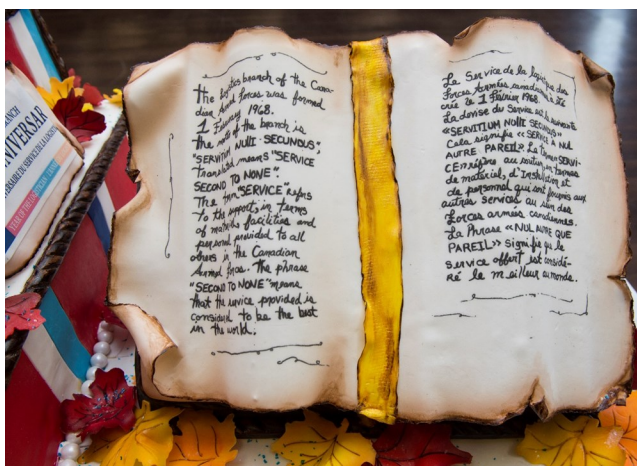


From everyone here at 8 Wing Trenton we would like to say thank you to all who came to celebrate the 50th Logistics Anniversary and we are already planning for next year's submission!



5th Annual RCAF Logistic Cake Competition

1st Place 8 Wing Trenton



The cover of the book is made from chocolate, hand formed. The book itself is made from Rice Krispy and cover with fondant. We used an airbrush to give it an old fashioned look, writing a part of the history of the Logistic Branch, with an edible pen. The cake is a citrus flavored cover with vanilla butter cream icing, wrapped in fondant. In the photo you can see the book. It represents a part of the Logistic history made throughout these years.

The crest was handmade with fondant using only a picture, no mold was used for this product.



The cutting of the cake this year was presided over by the Col Goulden, LCol Brown, CPO2 Blackmore and LCol Blue.

This years team consisted of MCpl Claudie Tremblay, Avr Annie Desmarais and Avr Maria Domincil who spent a combined total of over 120 hours work on this cake both at work and during their time off.



5th Annual RCAF Logistic Cake Competition

2nd Place - 4 Wing Cold



A few photos of the Cooks of 4 Sqn Cold Lake





5th Annual RCAF Logistic Cake Competition

2nd Place - 4 Wing Cold Lake

Our team consisted of 4 members this year. AS Megan Warren, Ms. Cassandra Clouter, Ms. Joanne Spence and Ms. Hillier-Hamilton.

The inspiration for this years' cake came from representing the 3 colours by re-creating their DEU Tunic's, while still showcasing logistics occupations. We also represented 4 Wing, by incorporating our 4 Wing Crest as well as our new 4 Mission

Support System Emblem.

All photos taken by:
AB Warren,
Cassandra Clouter, &
Joanne Spence





5th Annual RCAF Logistic Cake Competition

3rd Place - 19 Wing Comox

After cooling the Isomalt sugar it was poured and molded to simulate a flow of Champagne exploding out with the

cork from the bottle. The action motion of the cork created an exceptional effect. Edible gold leaves was used to underline the “golden anniversary” of the branch with a

commemorative poppy sealing the bottles’ golden wrapping. The fondant was steamed to help bring out the sheen.



The cutting of the cake this year was presided over by our D/Wing Commander, Senior Logistician LCol Paula Fraser and CWO Sexstone alongside our team members and 19 Mission Support Squadron command team.

From everyone here at 19 Wing Comox we thank everyone who came to celebrate this 50th Logistics Birthday, see you next year!





5th Annual RCAF Logistic Cake Competition



This years team consisted of Cpl Melissa Miller, Cpl Catherine Quick, Cpl Carl Lefevre and Cpl Patrick Espanola who together invested more than 180hrs of planning and hard work on this unique creation.



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The Logistics Branch Fund is open to Reg F and PRes serving members. Civilians and retired members are invited to join the Canadian Forces Logistics Association.





34 Service Battalion celebrates Log Br 50th Birthday



All the staff present at the event, behind the cake we notice in white Cpl Amélie Fillion who was the cook assigned.

By Capt Mario Tremblay

On the 1st of February 2018 on the occasion of the Logistics Birthday, LCol Mario St-Denis, Commander of the 34 Service Battalion, took the time to mark the event by

inviting all logisticians from three units of the Reserve Montreal area. The 34th Service Battalion, 438 Helicopter Squadron, and the HMCS Donnacona Naval Reserve, celebrated with coffee and cake. Forty logisticians took the time to celebrate and discuss the realities of each of their organizations.



The cake prepared by the staff of the 34th Service Battalion



L to R: Capt Desgagné (O end of 438) in the center
LCol St-Denis (commander 34th Service Battalion) and Lt (N) Parent (O Log HMCS Donnacona)



Task Force (TF) Jerusalem



Staff of TF Jerusalem and Honored Guests from CJOC celebrate the Logistics Branch Anniversary with the cutting of the cake. Photo credit: Lt (N) Rebecca MacDonald

Task Force (TF) Jerusalem celebrate the 50th Logistics Branch's Anniversary

By Lt(N) Rebecca MacDonald

Task Force (TF) Jerusalem was fortunate enough to celebrate the Logistics Branch's 50th Anniversary with RAdm Auchterlonie, the DComd CJOC, and CWO Gaudreault, the CJOC CCWO. After our weekly ball hockey game, where the CJOC CCWO received game MVP, TF Jerusalem's clerks, Sgt Ladean Morton and MCpl Gisele Adams, were presented with CJOC CCWO coins in recognition of their hard work at the National Support Element. Then, the TF enjoyed a quick

overview of our Branch by our senior logisticians, Capt(N) Daniel Bouchard and LCol Guy Leclerc who also thanked the logisticians of the TF, which include Maj Steve Ramey, Maj Charleen MacCulloch, Maj Kevin Davis, Lt(N) Rebecca MacDonald, Sgt Ladean Morton and MCpl Gisele Adams. To close the ceremony, a delicious Logistics Branch birthday cake from a Bethlehem bakery was then enjoyed by the TF and our friends from the International community.

Op PROTEUS has a strong logistics composition, with eight of the twenty-one positions in the Task Force occupied by logisticians. Each of the elements and many specialties are represented within the TF, including

Log Offr, Transport, Movements, Supply, HRA and Fin. Among other nations and disciplines, TF Jerusalem's logisticians serve in support positions at the National Support Element, or at the office of the United States Security Coordinator, whose mission is to build the security capacity of the Palestinian Authority in the West Bank. The logisticians and members of TF Jerusalem wish a happy 50th Anniversary to all Logisticians.



Operations

I'm Coming Home For Christmas! 2 Air Mov Sqn personnel reunite families over the Holidays.

By Capt Logan Daly-Doersam

The process starts long before the snow falls, it is October when Christmas Flight applications begin arriving in the National Passenger Service Centre inbox. Behind the scenes are two dedicated Traffic Technicians diligently entering hundreds of applications before the first aircraft leaves the ground in December; in total there were over 2,100 applications submitted for the 2017/2018 program.

'Twas the week before Christmas, and 2 Air Movements Squadron personnel were dispersed across our great

country in support of the National Christmas Flight Program. Originating from 8 Wing Trenton Ontario, individual teams of 2-5 Traffic Technicians made their way to Yellowknife, Edmonton, Ottawa, Quebec City, Goose Bay, Gander and Halifax in support of the task to reunite CAF personnel with their families. The tireless efforts of these deployed teams, their dedication and professionalism, went a long way to ensure the success of this program throughout the holiday season.

Back in Trenton a 24/7 Travel Services desk was both processing passengers and fielding phone calls from thousands of members across the country, going out of their way to ensure a positive experience for every individual regardless of circumstance.

Behind the scenes the rigorous task of managing applications, itinerary

changes, mitigating cancellation notifications and updating the 2 Air Mov Sqn website was continuous and managed with the utmost professionalism.

In all the 2 Air Mov Sqn team put their hearts into this effort to benefit the over 6,600 members & families traveling on military aircraft this past season. The completion of this critical mission is a key source of pride for the squadron and we look forward to the continued provision of support that is "second to none."



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From Sea to Sand

By LCdr Alister Lombardo



Never before have four senior Sea Logistics Officers been deployed at the same time on a Canadian Joint Operational Command (CJOC) operation on land. LCdrs Fleury, Cross, Cauty and Lombardo found themselves in that situation in the heat of sunny Kuwait during the summer of 2017. They were all deployed together in support of Operation IMPACT and occupied positions with the Operational Support Hub-South West Asia and the Joint Task Force Support Component, as well as in contracting support with a Contract Management Cell and a Technical Assistance Visit.

During the deployment, the four were found frequently spinning navy dits, discussing logistics and also sharing how they view the deployment from a

Naval Logisticians perspective. In addition to demonstrating their Joint Logistics support capabilities, it was obvious that the mission greatly benefited from the broad skill set and knowledge that the Sea Logistics Officers brought to their positions.

To conclude, I would also add that the deployment was an excellent experience and it was truly great to rub shoulders with fellow Pussers while

donning the tan uniform.
Ready Aye Ready



Left to Right: LCdr Andrew Cauty, LCdr Alister Lombardo, LCdr Sebastien Fleury, & LCdr Ian Cross

Photo Credit: Cpl Pierre Létourneau

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Esquimalt	Cdr Jeff Watkins	North Bay	2Lt Kevin Linklater
Gagetown	LCol Adam Zima/Malcolm McCabe	Petawawa	Maj Nadin Tischauser/Rory O'Connor Altn: WO Mike Laughlin/Capt Nick Kriaris



50 YEARS OF SERVING CANADA AND THE WORLD

Our roots are over 100 years old and our martial traditions have been well honed providing excellent logistics service to Canada during two world wars, the Korean conflict and more recently in Afghanistan. We are the Canadian Armed Forces Logistics Branch with a mission to feed, clothe, transport, supply and administer to the diverse needs of the Forces and to those victims of war and natural disaster; wherever and whenever it might occur.

From Africa to South East Asia, the Balkans to the Middle East, the Logistics Branch of the Canadian Armed Forces has also earned an international reputation for excellence in the humanitarian evacuation and relocation of refugees.

Be it earthquakes in Haiti, flooding in New Orleans or here in Canada during ice storms, floods and forest fires, Logisticians are among the first Forces personnel called upon to respond at home and abroad.

Logistics is the largest branch in the Canadian Armed Forces. It includes active personnel of every rank and trade serving in the regular force, reserve units and other DND organizations; as well as retired logisticians and DND civilians working in the logistics domain. All are represented in the Canadian Forces Logistics Association.

On 1 February 2018 the Logistics Branch will celebrate our 50th Birthday

The Branch remains firmly grounded in the quality and dedication of men and women who represent us as the Logistics Family of today. Yet, our 50th anniversary is a time to celebrate and collectively acknowledge the outstanding effort and professionalism demonstrated by those who have carried the load over the past decades. Due to the nature of our profession, we tend to focus on those we are supporting, not taking the time to truly appreciate our own real achievements as a Branch. We encourage you all to pause and reflect upon our journey, our many accomplishments, and our vibrant future!

It is very important that we commemorate this important milestone. The 50th anniversary Logistics Branch Organizational Committee is therefore extremely pleased to partner with one of Canada's leading watch designers, Time is Ticking Inc., which has a long and honourable record of creating watches that reflect our nation's great military heritage.

To show your pride in the Branch and its history, we are pleased to offer a Limited Edition 50th anniversary Logistics Branch watch. The slim-line watch has a Seiko Japanese movement, 24K, raised gold plating on its face, an engraved case back and a designer leather strap which is being offered in black, red and blue. The watch will be delivered in an embossed velveteen collector's box. This limited edition commemorative timepiece will make an excellent gift. All sales are final.

The cost to you is only \$85.00 plus applicable taxes and postage. The watch is being sold far below its retail value of approximately \$220.00. Generous proceeds from each watch are being returned to the Logistics Branch Fund for them to use as a special initiative.

The Branch was founded on a proud tradition, one that hasn't changed over time, namely to provide the best possible support to Canada's military on land, sea and air. Anywhere. Anytime. Truly.

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Pearls of the Canadian Forces Logistics Museum

The “Ammunition Boot”

By Dr. Andrew Gregory, Curator of the Canadian Forces Logistics Museum

The boot, also known as the ‘ammo boot’ or the ‘ankleboot’ traces its roots to the 1880s. The ankle high boot provided significant ankle support, much like a skate. It had a pebbled surface. The soldiers worked the toe of their boots with a very warm spoon to rub out the dimples. Canadian boots in the First and Second World Wars did not have a toe cap, unlike their British counterparts. Our example has, as expected, both heel and toe plates, and at one time had hobnails.



The ankle boot Photo by J. Gagnon



Boot worn by a Logistician operating a water heater for showers, Germany, April 1945.
DND Photo

Impressively, the boots are triple soled with a half sole thrown in for good measure. One weighs 1080 grams which is almost 100 grams more than the old Mk III boot of which many of you are familiar.



View of the shoed sole and heel. Photo by J. Gagnon

Old boots are rare because the soldiers usually wore them after the war or bought them up from War Surplus stores. Our boots belonged to a RCOC NCM shoemaker who spent his war working in various RCOC installations in the Montreal area.



Occupational Updates

2017 Fuels and Lubricant

(F & L)

Workshop

By: Capt Darren Macklin

For two days in early December 2017, military and civilian personnel from across Canada joined together for the Fuels and Lubricants Workshop, hosted at CFB Esquimalt and organized by the Strategic Joint Staff J4 Fuels and Lubricants (SJS J4 F&L). The annual workshop, which historically has been known as the “Aviation Fuel Services Officer” workshop, has been handed over to SJS J4 F&L from the Quality Engineering and Testing Establishment (QETE), with the intent of expanding the workshop’s scope from an aviation fuels perspective to encompass the greater Petroleum, Oils and Lubricants (POL) community.

The workshop kicked off on 5 December at the Pacific Fleet Club. Approximately 65 personnel attended the 2-day workshop in a collaborative effort to expand their knowledge on all aspects of fuels and lubricants, as well as establish networking opportunities with key personnel within the POL community. The workshop was composed of a variety of personnel employed within various trades currently working in an F&L capacity. These included Supply Technicians, MSE Operators, Aviation Technicians, Supply Officers, Water Fuels and Environment Technicians, and

Aerospace Engineers.

On the first day, participants received a number of informative briefs from several key organizations. One such organization was QETE, which houses the Technical Authority for all Canadian Armed Forces ground and aviation fuels and lubricants. QETE personnel briefed the workshop on topics including the dangers and risks of fuel contamination, and provided a preview of the newly acquired deployable fuel testing kits. ADM (Mat) personnel presented on the intricacies of fuel tendering equipment, and a Joint Task Force North (JTFN) representative provided information on fuel cache operations in the Arctic. In addition, personnel from CJOC provided participants a unique perspective on fuels planning for expeditionary operations. Host nation support, international agreements, and NATO Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA) were identified by J4

Contracts as possible sources of supply. Day 2 of the Workshop began with a visit to the naval fuel facility at Colwood. Staff provided workshop personnel with hands-on demonstrations of comprehensive fuel testing techniques, as well as a tour of the warf and the bulk fuel storage facility. The workshop concluded with a series of breakout sessions to discuss F&L issues relating to training, effectiveness, readiness and compliance.

Initial feedback from the workshop participants has been very encouraging. SJS J4 F&L will be establishing a SharePoint site in the near future in order to further the discussions that transpired. Overall, the workshop was a huge success and we look forward to improving fuel operations and inviting members of the F&L community to come together again in late 2018.



Participants of the 2017 Fuels and Lubricants Workshop at the Colwood Fuel Facility, 6 Dec 17
Photo Credit: Mr. Dale Tallyn



CFAD Angus' New Ammunition Transit Facility

By Maj D.F. Van Raes

Colonel Chris Zimmer, Commander of Canadian Material Support Group was on hand at CFB Borden, 07 December 2017, to conduct the ceremonial ribbon cutting of Canadian Forces Ammunition Depot Angus' (CFAD Angus) new Ammunition Transit Facility (ATF). This new facility, in contrast to the older facility, is a major upgrade, favoring increased space and safety. With state of the art technologies such as blast protection walls and doors, the facility will now allow more storage in order to better support international operations, and

second and first line units. According to Mr. David Gillis, CFAD Angus' Explosive Safety Officer, "It's a huge upgrade from the older building where there was a lot of insufficiencies. This new building is more modern, and has the ability to support domestic and foreign operations". Prior to the construction of the new facility, functions were spread over three and sometimes four separate sites at the depot. Now, with Receipts and Issues, and Warehouse and Distribution under one roof, operations will run more smoothly according to Major David Van Raes, Commanding Officer CFAD Angus. "Because the depot's personnel and its functions were separated, we were forced to develop

multiple mitigation strategies to maintain our operational effectiveness," said Maj Van Raes. "Now, efficiencies are being introduced, that will simplify tasks, improve communications, and consolidate a work force who will be better able to react to unforeseen domestic and deployed operational support requirements."



Colonel Zimmer along with Civilian and Military staff of CFAD Angus cut the ribbon to officially open the new ATF.
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Logistics Branch Chief Warrant Officer



What a fantastic year to be a Logistician!

Recently, I had the honour to be present for LGen Lamarre, CAF Senior Logistician's opening statement concerning the 50th Anniversary Commemoration Program about "The Year of the Logistician".

This great event was followed just a few days after by the Logistics Birthday organized by the NCR OPI. The event provided an opportunity for LGen Lamarre and our Col Commandant, MGen(ret'd) McQuillan to address the participants. Their words of wisdom resonated with all participants and we could feel the pride everyone has to be part of such a wonderful Branch. I also heard that throughout the CAF, similar events took place and even saw some great pics of marvelous cakes that were baked for the occasion.

I would also like to take this opportunity to mention the great work the Logistics Branch 50th Anniversary National Committee as well as the Regional representatives and Activity OPIs have done so far. I invite all of you to seek information about the upcoming activities and events organized throughout the year. Be engaged and participate whenever possible! After all, these activities are organized for us so we can celebrate

together fifty years of outstanding

service to the CAF and DND. Lastly, please consult the Canadian Forces Logistics Branch web page as you will find a lot of information concerning the 50th anniversary.

Happy 50th Anniversary and I wish you all an excellent year!

CWO P. Côté

The Logistics Branch Newsletter—Staying Connected!

Thank you to all who have contributed and provided input to the Logistics Branch Newsletter. As we continue to develop, we want to hear from you! It doesn't need to be long (**normally 350 words but no longer than 500 words**) and don't forget to include high resolution pictures. Please ensure articles are submitted in both official languages. If you have questions or feedback, do not hesitate to contact us at +Logistics.Branch.Secretariat@SJS LBI@Ottawa-Hull or directly:

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