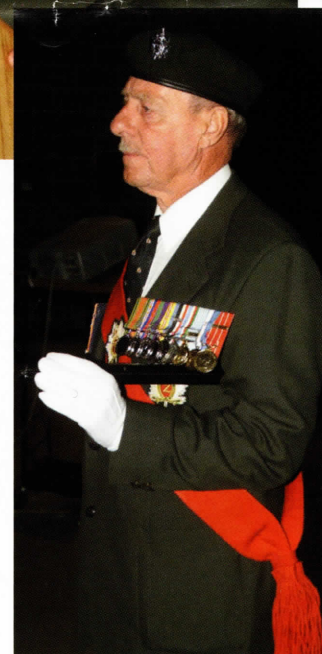
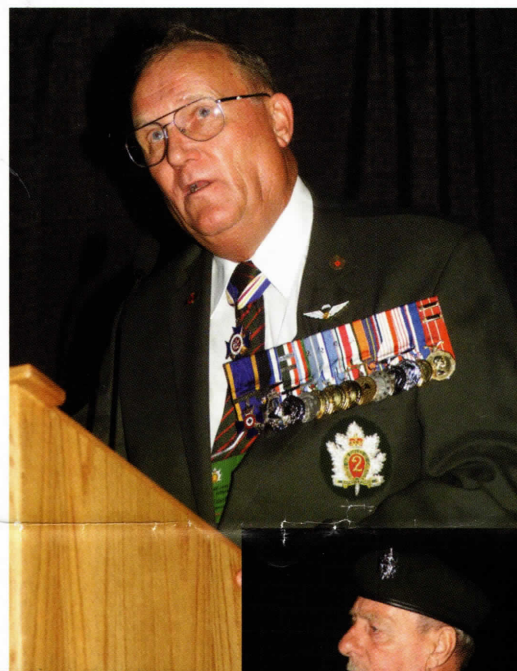




# The Powder Horn

Summer 2005

## 2005 REUNION A SMASHING SUCCESS



*It has been a busy summer for members of The Queen's Own, with the Reunion taking centre stage as over 500 converged on Calgary from all over Canada. On this page and inside are some of the hundreds of photos taken at the event. Time does not permit us to identify them individually, but we're sure you'll recognize many of those pictured. Congratulations to Don Ethell (top right) and his able committee for a magnificent show.*



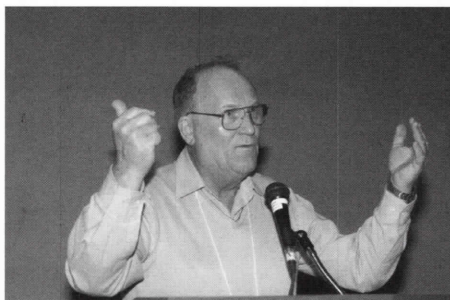
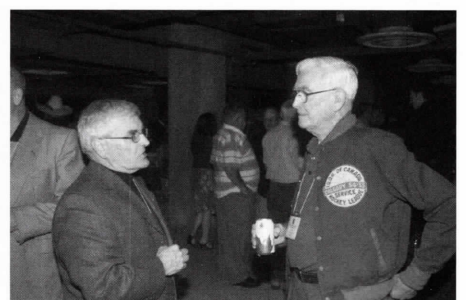
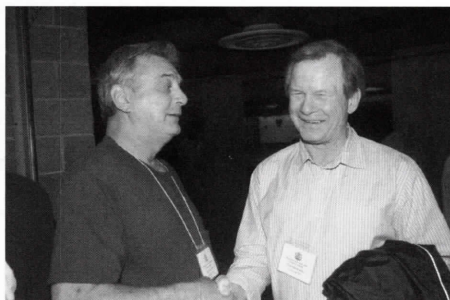
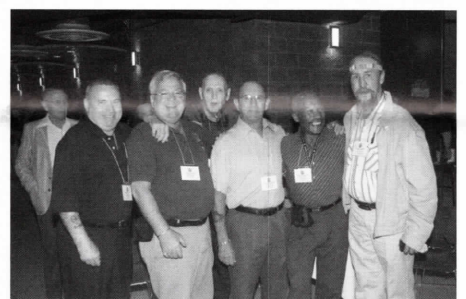
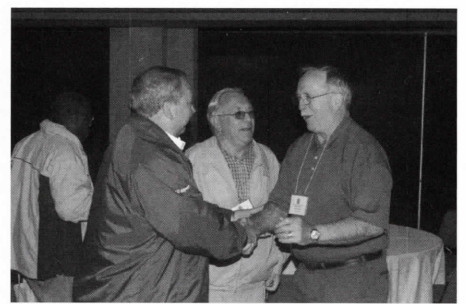
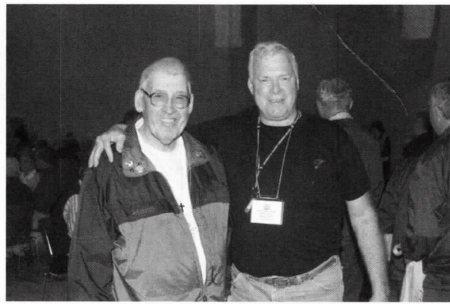
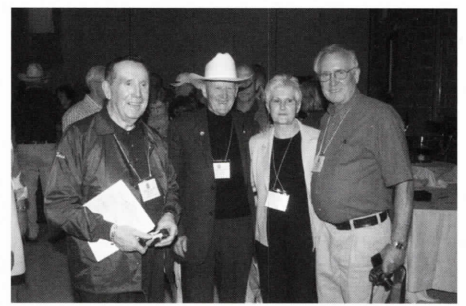
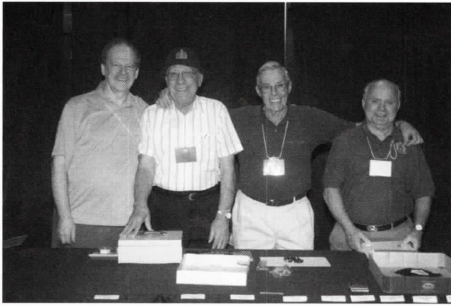
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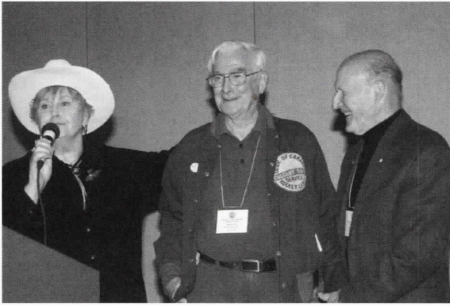
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## New Regimental Secretary Appointed

Honorary Colonel BGen Don Pryer is pleased to announce the appointment of Lt-Col (Ret'd) Robert A. Campbell as Regimental Secretary of The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada effective 1 April 2005. He replaces Lt-Col Bruce McEachern who has been of enormous assistance since assuming the position following the retirement of Gen Steve Andrunyk in 2003. Lt-Col (Bob) Campbell commanded The Queen's Own from 1990 to

1992 following a 33 year Regular Force career. Since then he has been an active member of the Regimental Senate, the Regimental Trust Fund and The Queen's Own Rifles Association, Toronto Branch. Lt-Col Campbell and his wife Margaret operate a successful business in Mississauga and in addition to their travels for business and pleasure, can now be expected to add regimental activities to their role.



*Outgoing CO Lt-Col John Fotheringham CD stands by as new CO Lt-Col Martin Delaney CD, receives the Commanding Officer's Sword from Col Gary Stafford CD 32 Brigade Commander at the Change of Command Ceremony held in September.*

### IN MEMORIAM

Havre Boucher  
Stanley Brown  
Maj L.J. Bush  
Robert Alexander 'Bucky' Buchanan  
Lt G.D. Chambers  
Robert L. Clarke  
A.A. Fougere  
Gordon Gofjanko  
Ross Hawthorne  
Major Richard D. (Dick) Medland DSO  
Tim McFarlen  
Sgt Charles McNabb  
Sgt J. P. Moore  
Tom Otto  
Rfn Stefan Surette





## Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Association, Toronto Branch

**Bob Dunk, President**

For those of you that weren't able to make QOR2005 in Calgary, you missed out on one of the best reunions ever held by The Queen's Own. The QOR2005 Organizing Committee and Association members of Calgary Branch are to be commended for putting together an absolutely wonderful weekend. The reunion gave the Association an opportunity for all Branches to get together and discuss changes that will make us a truly national organization. Herb Pitts has agreed to serve as the chairman of a steering committee, with representation from all Branches, to review the existing constitution and put forward recommendations that will make our Association more inclusive and ensure better representation for all Riflemen from coast-to-coast.

Meanwhile, keep an eye on the new Association pages on the Regimental website, [www.qor.com](http://www.qor.com). Each Branch now has its own distinct page and will soon feature local information, articles and notices of upcoming events and will effectively act as an electronic newsletter.

### **Dates to remember:**

Warrior's Day Parade, Saturday, 20 AUG 05

(Bus leaves Branch 344 @ 0915 hrs)

Annual Association Shoot, CFB Borden. Date TBA.

Check [www.qor.com](http://www.qor.com) for details

Have a safe and happy summer and we hope to see you all at Warrior's Day and the Shoot!



## The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada TRUST FUND

The 145th reunion, held this past 3 and 4 June in Calgary Alberta, is very well reported in this edition of our Powder Horn but I did want to say to Bev and Paul Hughes and Colonel Don Ethel ~ "OUTSTANDING!" It was a treat to be in attendance and to have had the opportunity to meet, for the first time, so many of 'the Regimental family'.

Now, may I take this opportunity to thank everyone who donated to your Trust Fund since the last mailing of the Powder Horn. I know we may start sounding like a broken record but each donation (\$10 or more attracts a tax receipt for the current year) really is important. Without your ongoing support we could not do our part maintaining our Regimental Headquarters, traditions and the un-funded (to read: not in the DND budget) necessities the Commanding Officer faces annually. With inflation, our annual budget doesn't seem to be getting any smaller either.

Last year I suggested, to those that could afford it, that we give a dollar for every year the Regiment has been in existence (or more if so inclined ~ we'd be delighted!). So, once again, I will be personally writing my cheque. May I encourage you to do the same?

Wills and Bequests are a very sensitive topic and we are, frankly, remiss in not asking the family to consider the benefit to the future financial maintenance of the Regiment's history and active elements of Regiment. I have recently reviewed my own Will and have up-dated my bequest to the Trust Fund. I encourage you to consider a similar course of action.

Again, thank you for your ongoing support. It is greatly appreciated.

In Pace Paratus

Adam Hermant  
President

**"We Look Forward To Mailing You A Tax Receipt Soon"**





## VE DAY + 60 AND D-DAY + 61 CEREMONIES

*(Queen's Own Rifles buglers Corporal Robert Franklin and Bandsman Jonas Feldman played a major role in D-Day+61 ceremonies in Holland, where they were accompanied by Queen's Own re-enactor Dutch Legion Member Tjarko Pot and his colleagues. Here's an edited version of Tjarko's lengthy and informative report).*

3 June, Caen: Unveiling of a sign dedicating a school to the Westlake brothers killed at Le Mesnil Patry. Cpl Franklin and Bandsman Feldman played the Last Post. Later we placed grave markers at Bayeux cemetery. 4 June, Giberville: Cpl Franklin and I unveiled the new QOR memorial on behalf of the Regiment, dedicated to the brave QOR riflemen who fought and died for the liberation of Giberville. 5 June: Official ceremony at Cintheaux Canadian cemetery. 6 June: Early-morning ceremony at Queen's Own Rifles house with the Family Hoffer and the CBF tour students. 11 a.m. ceremony at Juno Beach Centre and reception.. At the official ceremony at Bernieres-sur-mer there were about 100 visitors. (The audio system broke down and Bandsman Feldman saved the ceremony by singing O Canada

with a very good opera voice. He did the Regiment proud, singing the Canadian and French anthems.) At Beny-Reviers Canadian cemetery Cpl Franklin and Bandsman Feldman played the Last Post and both national anthems. 7 June: Ceremony in the garden of the Memorial museum in Caen. We picked some maple leaves from the trees for the ceremony at the Abbaye d'Ardenne to give to the students, to lay down on the Canadian monument when the names of the murdered Canadian soldiers were named. Every maple leaf symbolized one murdered Canadian soldier who died at the Abbaye d'Ardenne. This is a very emotional time for all of us. To Bretteville-l'Orgueilleuse and Le Mesnil Patry for the final ceremonies.

*(Editor's note: Those of you who have attended D-Day ceremonies in Holland or France will remember there were many receptions held to honour visitors on those occasions. This trip proved to be no exception, it seems. A wonderful experience for all, and thanks to Tjarko Pot and his fellow re-enactors for keeping the spirit of The Queen's Own alive in their country.)*

*The following is an email from Gerben van der Els in Holland, where the memory of what Canadians did to liberate their country will never be forgotten.*

"On the 26th of February we had a remembrance walk to commemorate the winning of a Victoria Cross at Mooshof in Germany exactly 60 years ago by a member of the Queens Own Rifles of Canada, Sergeant Cosens, alas posthumously. Also that day at Mooshof, R. Dyson died, and his nephew from Canada was present when Members of the Queens Own Rifles of Canada-reenactment group and the owner of the farm paid their respects at a ceremony in Groesbeek, where these soldiers are buried and in Mooshof where the Last Post was played and we had a minute of silence."



## MOVING ON

With every issue of the Powder Horn we receive envelopes returned because delivery failed. Unfortunately, no forwarding address is provided so we are unable to keep in touch with these intended recipients. Here are the names of those we were unable to reach with the last issue. If you know the current address of any of the following, I'd appreciate a note to: Capt. C.D. McGregor, 22 Calder Cres. Whitby, ON, L1N 6M3 or e-mail me at [chickmcgregor@sympatico.ca](mailto:chickmcgregor@sympatico.ca). If any of these named have passed on and were

members of The Queen's Own, let us know that and we'll remember them in the Powder Horn's 'In Memoriam' column.

WO 1 Cy Arkinstall CD, Victoria; Col Wm. C. Ball, Honolulu; Capt Ray J.A. Bunner, St. Albert, AB; Gerry Brunet, Guelph; Barry Bryon, Victoria; Robert Chandler, Lake Cowichan, BC; Mrs Mary Collie, Toronto; Harold Coullrer, Burnaby; Sgt. Michael Currie, Toronto; Stan Faulkner, Crofton, BC; A.A. Fougere, Havre Boucher Capt. Lionel J. Goffart, Toronto; G.E. Goodale, Cambridge; Gordon Glover, Innisfil; Harry Groom, Victoria; Mrs. Hazel Haagenson, Carstairs, AB; H. Harper, Calgary; Cpl Winston L. Hewlin, Kingston; Ross Histeard, Calgary; Mrs. Norma Hurst, Victoria; Leonard C. Ingleson, Mississauga; Col H.G. Leitch, Abbotsford, BC; Mrs. Mary McLeod, Victoria, Capt Brenda Moore, Calgary; BC; Sgt. C.W. Presley, Ajax; Barry Russell, Scarborough; H.M. Scheak, Toronto; Bernie Schmid, Courtenay, BC.





## VANCOUVER ISLAND BRANCH

Ira MacDonald, President

**AGM:** Members unanimously supported the re-election of the entire Executive Committee for the 2005/2006 year. The Committee thanks you for your support.

A new position of Honorary Member was created on the Committee and Herb Pitts MC CD (Maj.-General Retired) was elected unanimously to that position. Thanks to Herb for coming on board and donating some of his valuable and scarce time to the membership.

**145th Regimental Birthday Weekend:** Once again, an unqualified success. The weekend celebrations kicked off Friday April 22nd with a Meet and Greet at the Prince Edward Branch RCL #91 located at 761 Station Road, Langford. More than 100 Members and their guests attended. The Dinner/Dance was held at the Naden Wardroom on April 23rd, 2005 with 224 in attendance. All those in attendance received a 145th Birthday commemorative wine glass. It was a wonderful evening of dining and dancing, which gave all the Members an opportunity to renew old acquaintances and enjoy the company of old comrades.

On Sunday evening, April 24th, Kevin Walsh's sister Mary Walsh (of "This Hour Has 22 Minutes" fame) was the special guest speaker at an open gathering in the Pro-Patria Legion that raised \$1,000 for the Broadmead Foundation. Our thanks to Bill Collins, President of the Newfoundland Club and an active member of our Branch for having arranged the evening. Through Kevin Walsh's efforts, his sister Mary was very busy over her holiday weekend in Victoria. She spoke at a luncheon, visited Broadmead residents and their families, did a radio interview and a radio spot for the Lodge Foundation as well as the "Newfie Night". Thanks to Kevin and Mary for helping support the Veteran residents of the Broadmead Lodge.

**QOR of C Base Museum Project:** Jim Carroll and Russ Kierstead presented a Photo Album to the Museum Committee for display in the CFB Naden Base Museum as part of the Regimental Memorabilia collection. The Album contains pictures of all Branch Members and a history of each member's service with the Regiment as well as a brief history of their civilian employment. The Album will be a lasting record of our members to be enjoyed by generations to come. Jim Schulz is coordinating the development of a complete inventory of all the Regimental memorabilia on display in the museum, a daunting task. If you haven't had an opportunity yet to tour the Regimental display you should. Museum hours are 1000 to 1530 hrs Monday through Friday, except Statutory Holidays. The Museum is normally closed on Weekends but special tours can be arranged by contacting Jim Schulz at (250) 478-9633.

**Broadmead Lodge Support:** We once again sponsored a hole in the Broadmead Lodge's Charity Golf Tournament held April 29th, 2005 with a donation of \$250.00. Members interested in playing in the Service Vet's Golf monthly event can get further information at or by contacting Charlie Wendt at (250) 478-4184.

**Member News:** A special thanks to some of our members who continue to do exceptional things to promote the Branch and the image of the Regiment: Sergeant-at-Arms Lloyd Bond for carrying the Regimental Flag at all Victoria area Parades; Art Saretsky for his building of the Shadow Box that is given away each year and for donating the replica QOR of C 1910 Valentine Day Cards that were also given as prizes at the Dinner/Dance; Bill Brayshaw for his hard work in obtaining such terrific donations as door prizes; Jim Carroll and Russ Kierstead for the Photo album presented to the Museum; Ira MacDonald and Bill Westfall for representing our Branch at the rededication of the Memorial Wall in the new Arena, and Ira MacDonald and Bob Drinkwater for volunteering to act as Security for the Cadet Tattoo held in celebration of VE Day.

**Monthly Luncheon:** Members are reminded of the luncheon held on the last Wednesday of each month at the Pro-Pat's Legion on Gorge Road. Out-of-town guests should call Jim Carroll at (250) 727-2064 to let him know if you are coming to Victoria and would be interested in seeing some of your old comrades.

In addition the Up-Island members are continuing to meet for coffee at 10:00AM on the first Tuesday of each month at the MGM café at 240 Nicol Street in Nanaimo. All Members are invited to attend. Our best wishes go out to Gord Hryhoryshen, Harold Drinkwater, Bob Whelan, Hermit Koal and Ross Clark for continued recovery from recent setbacks.

**Branch Events:** October 22, 2005; Mixed happy Hour, 13:30, Wardroom – Lower Lounge. January 14, 2006, Annual General meeting, Members Only, 13:30, Wardroom – Lower Lounge. April 21, 2006, Mixed Meet & Greet, 17:30, Langford Legion. April 22, 2006, 146th Regimental Birthday, Dinner & Dance 18:30 for 19:00, Wardroom – Main Area

**Wrap-Up:** If you have any news or information of interest to the members please contact the Treasurer, Jim Carroll, at (250) 727-2064 or email him at tigerlily.sask@shaw.ca. Also: Very Important: If you change your mailing or email address please let Jim Carroll know.

**Last Post:** Robert L. Clark, April 8, 2005; Tim MacFarlen, April 20, 2005.





***The Queen's own Rifles of Canada***  
Newfoundland, Labrador and Maritimes Branch

**Second Reunion**

Location: Fort Pepperall - Mess Hall  
Bldg. 309, Charter Ave.  
Pleasantville, St. John's, NL., A1C 6B5

Date: Saturday, September 10, 2005

Time: Meet, Greet & General Meeting and Elections . . . . . 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Opening Address . . . . . 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
Dinner . . . . . 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
Dance . . . . . 9:00 pm - 1:00 am

Cost: \$40.00 per couple (member & guest)

Dress: Casual

RSVP No later than: August 10, 2005 - John J. Metcalfe (709)466-7306



*Fill in and return the bottom portion with blanks filled in.*



Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Kindly mail or deliver your cheque on or before August 10, 2005 to:

**John J. Metcalfe**  
**7 Cowan Place**  
**Clarenville, NL**  
**A5A 1E5**  
**(709) 745-8596**

e-mail - [john.metcalfe@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:john.metcalfe@nf.sympatico.ca)

If our 3<sup>rd</sup> REUNION was planned to be held in:

- Nova Scotia,
- New Brunswick or
- Prince Edward Island

would you plan to attend?

Yes ☐

No ☐