



THE 1860 CLUB

Supporting The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada

The Rifles Report

Monthly Update for June 2022

Welcome to the June 2022 edition of The Rifles Report, the monthly update for the 1860 Club. The 1860 Club is named after the year the Regiment was founded, and represents over 160 years of sacrifice and service to Canada during times of conflict and peace. The 1860 Club is intended to connect all elements of the QOR of C Regimental Family: the serving Regiment; the Band and Bugles; the Regimental Association and its Branches; the QOR of C (2881) Cadets; the Regimental Museum; The Senate; the Trust Fund, and other supporters of the Regiment.



Commanding Officer's Update

May has been a busy month for the Regiment and Regimental family. We started the month by joining the 3rd Battalion, The Royal Canadian Rifles, in CFB Petawawa to conduct Exercise Maroon Hammer. The exercise consisted of 2 platoons of the QOR joining Mike Company, 3 RCR with enablers from the Artillery and Engineers to conduct a deliberate attack. On Saturday, they conducted Battle Procedure, before deploying to the field in the evening and executing the attack at first light. It served as a great opportunity for QOR members to hone their soldier skills. After the attack, 3 RCR and QOR paratroopers conducted a static-line parachute descent onto DZ Anzio.



On June 4th, I had the opportunity to go to Robert Land Academy in Wellandport, Ontario to attend their Cadet Corps Annual Inspection. The Robert Land Academy Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps is affiliated with The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada; the Academy also has a deep connection with the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion.

On June 6th, the 1860 Club held the inaugural D-Day dinner at Casa Loma in Toronto to commemorate the 78th Anniversary of the landings: an important landmark in Regimental history. This was a great time for members of the Regimental Family to get together after 27 months of reduced engagement. Due to many requests, we have reopened the opportunity to become a Founder within the 1860 Club until June 30th, 2022.



On June 8th, the Regiment marched from Moss Park Armoury to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 344 located at 1395 Lakeshore (The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Legion). This was our official stand-down for the summer. It ended with a BBQ and free rounds. The Royal Canadian Legion offers a free membership for veterans for one year, and I encourage you all to [join](#).

In Pace Paratus

LCol Scott Moody, CD
Commanding Officer
The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada



First Annual D-Day Dinner

June 6th saw the 1860 Club's inaugural D-Day Dinner at Casa Loma in Toronto. More than 200 members, veterans and friends of the Regiment gathered to remember the sacrifice and courage of QOR riflemen at Juno Beach in 1944. Amidst readings of the recollections of D-Day veterans, including a recorded interview with our own Alex Adair, and multiple courses of great food, members shared a meaningful evening of community and remembrance. We were honoured to have with us Jim Parks of The Royal Winnipeg Rifles, one of our sister rifle regiments. At 19 years of age, Rifleman Parks was one of the first ashore on their section of Juno Beach, which is directly in front of the modern Juno Beach Centre.



The evening also provided the opportunity to award Maj (Ret'd) John Stephens, CD, the Director and Curator of our Regimental Museum and Archives, with a Lifetime Achievement Award for his outstanding work with The QOR of C museum.

Thanks to the organizing committee, led by LCol (Ret'd) John Fotheringham with WO (Ret'd) Phil ten Kortenaar, Jenna Misener, and 2Lt Steven Ye, as well as our museum volunteers, and Capt Megan Hodge and The QOR of C Band and Bugles for a great evening of camaraderie and great music.

Pictures from the evening are available [here](#).



Nijmegen 4 Day Marches 2022

The 1860 Club is now organizing teams to participate in the upcoming 4 Day Marches taking place in Nijmegen, The Netherlands from 19-22 July 2022. A team consists of a minimum 11 pers (which must finish together). We will field two teams, one each in the 40Km and 50km categories.

Accommodations have been secured and travel arrangements are to be made individually, with more information to follow. Work up training is required for all that participate with a distance test to be completed prior to departure. There will also be a callout for a support team (drivers, cooks, etc.).

If you are interested in participating in either the 40 or 50 km category or the support team, please forward your expression of interest via email to info@1860club.ca

CYPRUS

AN ANCIENT PEOPLE,
A TROUBLED HISTORY,
AND ONE LAST CHANCE
FOR PEACE

LAWRENCE and GLYNNIS
STEVENSON

Book Recommendation

This month's recommended book, *Cyprus: An Ancient People, a Troubled History, and One Last Chance for Peace*, was written by former QOR HCol Lawrence Stevenson. He served two tours of Cyprus as a United Nations peacekeeper during the 1970s and 1980s and saw an island at war with itself with no hope of resolution in sight. Those experiences, and Cyprus's intractable division between North and South, haunted him deep into adulthood. Now, fifty years later, he returns to the tiny island in the Eastern Mediterranean as its chances of a peaceful reunification are fast running out.

Relying on his own insights and research—as well as interviews with a diverse lot of international lawyers, UN officials, politicians, and Cypriots—Stevenson and his daughter Glynnis, a historian, reflect on how the island came to its impasse, and why the UN, the EU, the US, and the UK have failed to return it to peace.

With a fair-minded appraisal of the wrongs committed and suffered by both sides and a clear-eyed sense of diplomatic possibilities, Lawrence and Glynnis outline the only remaining option available for those who wish to see Cyprus reunited under one government. It is an option they passionately endorse, not only for the sake of the Cypriots, but as a rare example of peaceful co-existence in an increasingly fractured world.



The QOR Association

The Association looks forward to doing our usual events this coming year. The June 6th D-Day Dinner at Casa Loma was a great evening, and we look forward to hosting, along with the 1860 Club, our Annual Golf Tournament in early September. More to follow.

Our Keep Connected group has increased over the last month or so and we presently have 68 members.

Congratulations to those members that completed The Ridgeway and Normandy Challenge March!

Health & Welfare Report—QORA (Toronto Branch)

Members at Sunnybrook Health & Sciences Centre

Major (Ret'd) David Vine - "L" Wing 2nd Floor - Room L2 - 40 LSSE

Sergeant (Ret'd) Andy MacNaughton - "L" Wing - 3rd Floor LTSE L341

At a LTC – The Golden Plough – Cobourg

WWII D-Day Veteran - Alex Adair (98 years old, 99 in August) - Cobourg, Ontario.

Alex is the oldest QOR Veteran. We had the opportunity to visit Alex Adair on May 28th, and he is doing quite well.

In Veteran's Wing at Parkwood – London, Ontario

WWII Veteran - George Beardshaw (98 years old, 99 in September) - London, Ontario.

At Home

Ron Craig - President – QOR National

Major (Ret'd) John Stephens – Curator, QOR Museum

Brian Budden
President
Health & Welfare Chairman
QORA (Toronto Branch)

In Pace Paratus
Rifleman Strong!



QOR of C Kit Shop

If you are interested in purchasing QOR of C merchandise, you may do so via our online Kit Shop. We now have the ability to issue invoices and accept payment online. We have several new items in stock, including Stainless Steel Coffee Cups and Water Bottles from canuckcanada.ca.

Please visit the [QOR Kit Shop](#) here.



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The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Regimental Museum

The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Regimental Museum and Archives, led by Acting Curator CWO (Ret'd) Shaun Kelly, CD, supported the First Annual D-Day Dinner at Casa Loma with the selection of historical vignettes, as well as displays staffed by museum volunteers.

During the dinner, Maj (Ret'd) John Stephens, CD, was honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award for his work with the museum. Special thanks to museum photographer Anne Frazer for her amazing photos of the event!



The museum is open again, and regular volunteer nights have resumed. Please visit our website at qormuseum.org for more information, as well as our [YouTube](#) channel!

If you have potential items for our Museum and Archive collection, please [read this page and complete the online form](#), or contact us at museum@qormuseum.org.

Watch and Shoot (Upcoming Events)

Brigadier General (Ret'd) Don Pryer, CD Event
Saturday, June 25th at RCMI from 2-5 PM.

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to info@1860club.ca

November 5
Museum's QOR Day at Casa Loma

TBC
Golf Tournament

Trust Fund and Fundraising Update

Since the launch of the 1860 Club, our members have donated over \$150,000 to support The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Trust Fund. We would like to express our sincere gratitude for your generosity, and recognize the following members:

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Over \$186,000 in lifetime contributions

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Over \$18,600 in lifetime contributions

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Online Links

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Information about The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Association Branches can be found at:

Toronto Branch — <https://www.facebook.com/qortorontoassociation>

East Coast Branch — <https://www.qor-east.com>

Calgary Branch — <https://www.qorcalgary.com>

Vancouver Island Branch — <https://www.qorvi.com>

The Rifleman Magazine (Annual Journal of the QOR of C) — <https://fliphtml5.com/insrc/jjni>

The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Regimental Museum — <https://qormuseum.org>

The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Website — <https://www.queensownrifles.com>

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