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## PRESIDENT'S ENEWS

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### REMEMBRANCE DAY EVENTS

#### 1100 HRS

- 20 RCA Gun Salute at Legislature
- Butter Dome Remembrance Ceremony
- Churchill Square Remembrance Ceremony
- Beverley Remembrance Ceremony
- West Edmonton Mall Remembrance Ceremony
- Legion Remembrance Ceremony at all Edmonton and Area branches.



#### 1230 HRS

- With permission from the Commanding Officer of HMCS NONSUCH, an all rank **EUSI REMEMBRANCE DAY LEVEE** will be held at RCN Base HMCS Nonsuch, 11807, Kingsway. Light Refreshment will be served. Please support this Levee as we try to revive the dwindling military social activities in the Edmonton area. Enter through Kingsway and 117 street, go behind the Chateau Louis Hotel to enter DND property and park between the boat shack and the big Canadian Tire sign.



**BRING A GUEST, FAMILY AND FRIENDS, TO  
THE 2014 EUSI REMEMBRANCE DAY LEVEE**

**11 NOVEMBER 2014**

**LEST WE FORGET**



## **LAST POST**

### **Lieutenant Colonel Colin W. Richle, CD (July 2, 1957 - 28 September 2014)**

Colin first joined the Military in 1973 as a private with the North Saskatchewan Regiment in Prince Albert. His military career saw him posted to Petawawa, Lahr, Germany, Gaagetown, New Brunswick, and Silo, Manitoba, and back to Prince Albert as Deputy Commanding Officer for North Saskatchewan Regiment between 1982 and 1990. Between 1993 and 1996, Colin commanded the 20<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Regiment in Edmonton and retired from the military. Thereafter, Colin held many executive positions in various "civvy" organizations and was last employed by the Privy Council as member of the Veterans Appeal Board. Colin is also involved in many community organizations, too numerous to mention all. Notably, he was the Deputy Grand Master of the Masonic Fraternity of the Athabasca District, Member of Edmonton Preceptory No. 46, Knight's Templar, Director of St John Brigade Alberta Council, President of Royal Life Saving Society, Chairman of the Royal Commonwealth Society of Canada, President of the Kiwanis International Foundation, and International Trustee. Colin Richle was an avid hunter and passionate about environment conservation. Thank you Colin, for being a patriot and served Canada in such a significant way.

### **President's Comment**

Public Safety Minister, the Honorable Mr. Steven Blaney announced a bill in Parliament that would enhance powers for the Canadian Security Intelligence Services (CSIS). This was clearly intended to target against the Islamic State (ISIS) which has been conducting offensive operations across borders, including cultivating "home grown" terrorists with impunity. CSIS has been slammed for spying on Canadians abroad using partner-agency warrants. In deed CSIS and the RCMP have been accused of using "tainted information provided by foreign government agencies" to detain terrorist suspects and argued by defense lawyers as grounds for acquittal.

In today's world, bad guys are using all sorts of advanced technologies which do not respect national borders. To be able to be pro-active in defending and protecting Canadians in Canada and abroad, innovative ways must be used, including the ability to conduct investigative operations abroad. At present, there is no enforcement agency in Canada is mandated to conduct investigations outside of Canada. Given the bad guys are able to deliver punches from the other side of the ocean, we must be able to return the punches. Before Canada closed all military bases in Germany, the Military Police was the only enforcement agency mandated to investigate criminal and espionage activities. The Branch within the Military Police that was given the responsibility was the Special Investigation Unit (SIU). However, their power of investigation was restricted to within the military base. Often, local police was enlisted to conduct investigations such as drug trafficking or smuggling. The SIU had an excellent record of respecting the laws of another country while ensuring Canadians were accorded due process entitled by all Canadians. I am a supporter that CSIS be given the enhanced power to conduct operations outside of Canada. It is expected that there will be oppositions and

rumbles about encroachment of individual rights. My comments are meant to add a historical perspective to the issue.

**The October 18 Symposium** was a success. We achieved our objective of raising awareness on threat to Canada's north. As this article was being written, Swedish Navy is pouring over their coastal waters looking for an un-identified and unauthorized sub-marine. The EUSI symposium has correctly brought to public attention that threat to NATO security is real. We only attracted limited attendance from university students but the symposium was featured on October 19 CBC News. Thanks to all who helped in making the event possible.



## CANADIAN GEAR **CC-144 Challenger**



The CC-144 Challenger, DND's twin-engine, long-range executive jet, offers rapid air transportation to Canadian and international VIPs. With a range of up to 5930 km and a maximum speed of Mach 0.83, the Challenger can quickly deliver passengers almost anywhere in the world.

The Air Force's Challenger fleet includes four VIP aircraft and two utility aircraft. The utility jets are used for military transport and can be configured for medical evacuations (medevacs) when our troops are in need. The CC-144's crew consists of two pilots, one flight engineer and one flight steward to tend to government officials and foreign dignitaries.

## **To a Conscript of 1940**

A soldier passed me in the freshly fallen snow,  
His footsteps muffled, his face unearthly grey:  
And my heart gave a sudden leap  
As I gazed on a ghost of five-and-twenty years ago.  
I shouted Halt! and my voice had the old accustom'd ring  
And he obeyed it as it was obeyed  
In the shrouded days when I too was one  
Into the unknown. He turned towards me and I said:  
'I am one of those who went before you  
Five-and-twenty years ago: one of the many who never  
returned,  
Of the many who returned and yet were dead.

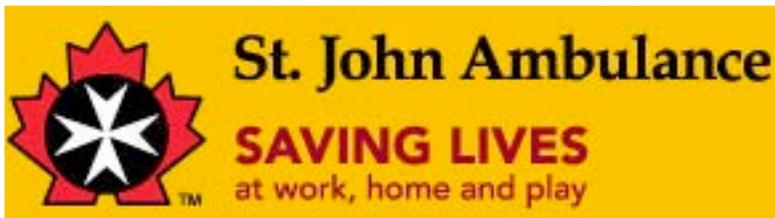
We went where you are going, into the rain and the mud:

We fought as you will fight  
With death and darkness and despair;  
We gave what you will give-our brains and our blood.  
We think we gave in vain. The world was not renewed.  
There was hope in the homestead and anger in the streets,  
But the old world was restored and we returned

The glitter of garland round their head.  
Theirs is the hollow victory. They are deceived.  
But you my brother and my ghost, if you can go  
Knowing that there is no reward, no certain use  
In all your sacrifice, then honour is reprieved.  
To fight without hope is to fight with grace,  
The self reconstructed, the false heart repaired.'  
Then I turned with a smile, and he answered my salute  
As he stood against the fretted hedge, which was like  
white lace.



**WWI Japanese War Memorial**



Get trained!



## HUMOUR

Having just moved into his new office, a pompous, new colonel was sitting at his desk when an airman knocked on the door. Conscious of his new position, the colonel quickly picked up the phone, told the airman to enter, then said into the phone, "Yes, General, I'll be seeing him this afternoon and I'll pass along your message. In the meantime, thank you for your good wishes, sir."

Feeling as though he had sufficiently impressed the young enlisted man, he asked, "What do you want?"

"Nothing important, sir," the airman replied, "I'm just here to hook up your telephone."

**This ought to make you feel better about your computer skills .**

**Tech support: What kind of computer do you have?**

**Customer: A white one...**

**Tech support:**

Click on the 'my computer' icon on the left side of the screen.

**Customer: Your left or my left?**

**Customer:** Hi, good afternoon, this is Martha, I can't print.

Every time I try, it says 'Can't find printer'. I've even lifted the printer and placed it in front of the monitor, but the computer still says he can't find it.

**Tech support:** What's on your monitor now, ma'am?

**Customer:**

A teddy bear my boyfriend bought for me at the 7-11.

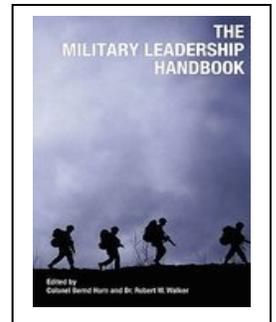


## CANADIAN MILITARY READING

### The Military Leadership Handbook

Bernd Horn, Robert W. Walker

A concise and complete manual that identifies, describes and explains various concepts, components and ideas that directly relate to military leadership. This book focuses on cohesion, command, cultural intelligence, discipline, fear and trust.



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**IT IS TOO LATE TO SHARPEN SWORDS, WHEN THE DRUMS OF WAR ARE BEATING**