



The sesquicentennial of the Princess of Wales' Own Regiment (PWOR)

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Lieutenant-Colonel J. Joseph Parkinson



Born on the island of Guernsey to a schoolteacher father, Joe Parkinson came to Canada at the age of five, living first in Montreal for a couple of years before moving to the southwestern Ontario town of Essex, where he grew up.

LCol Parkinson assumed command of the Regiment during a ceremony presided over by the Brigade Commander and former Commanding Officer, Col Howard Coombs. LCol James McKay, the outgoing Commander of the P-Dubs has assumed duties with the Brigade Battle School.

LCol Parkinson: "It is with considerable professional pride that I assume command of the Princess of Wales Own Regiment. Having commanded the Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment from 2007 to 2010, I am not completely new to PWOR. Since transferring to the Army in 1985 I have met and worked with many members of the PWOR most notably as a Company Commander at EX STALWART GUARDIAN 04 and 06. I look forward to facing the challenges ahead with the outstanding officers, NCOs, soldiers and entire Regimental Family of the Princess of Wales' Own Regiment."

Pipes and Drums

One year ago the band strength was 17 members. Now there are over 30 members on the nominal roll. Current parade strength is 17 pipers and 7 drummers.

Success breeds success. As more public appearances are made and audiences are impressed with the band's sound, size, dress, and deportment; thereby attracting more members. Since May 1st, the band has appeared at:

- Freedom of the City Parade
- CFB Change of Command Parade
- Cancer Relay for Life RMC
- RCEME Memorial Service CFB Kingston
- Bath Canada Day Parade
- Trenton Scottish Irish Festival and Tattoo (mini band)
- Brighton AppleFest Parade (mini band)
- PWOR Change of Command Parade
- 85th birthday celebration Branch 560 Legion
- Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment 150th Ball CFB Trenton
- PWOR Church Parade
- Remembrance Day Services
- Christmas Dinner

Royal Visitor



HRH, Princess Anne, The Princess Royal, Colonel-in-Chief, Communications and Electronics Branch, in conversation with HLCol James Reid, HCol Mark Hutchings and Debra St. Gelais during a reception celebrating the 110th

anniversary of the Branch and its predecessors.

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Cadets

Fullbore Phase 2

by Sgt Matthew Kirkeby, who went to Connaught for the summer, and next year will be going to Bisley



Overall, this summer I had a great time! It was great getting to see everyone from last year's training as well as getting to know the British cadets on exchange to Canada. I had a great time as well with all the competitions and it was a great experience just to meet other people outside of cadets who also do competitive shooting. It was awesome being able to meet some of the shooters that you always heard about and going and talking with them in person. Overall, this summer was one of the best I've had yet.

This summer was also great because of the results I achieved in competition. Throughout the 7 week course I achieved 3 highest possible scores of 50 at 300 yards and 600 yards. At competition I also placed in 7 matches in my category. At the Ontario Rifle Association competition I made the Lieutenant Governors finals which is the top 40 shooters out of about 150-200 competitors. Going into the finals I was placed 23rd out of all the civilian competitors and cadets. At the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association competition I placed in 6 matches in my category as well. Overall out of the 36 cadets selected to do this course from across the country I placed 8th overall meaning that I am one of the 18 cadets selected to be on the cadet National Rifle Team that goes to Bisley England next summer

MCpl Scriver in the 100 Man Guard during the Blackdown Sunset Ceremony



Remembrance 2013

On 10 November the Regiment gathered at St. Paul's for the dedication of a plaque and embroidered cap badge that explains the laying up of the Regimental Colours during its centennial anniversary.

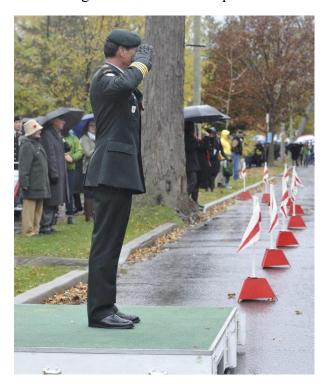


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Remembrance 2013 continued

HCol Mark Hutchings took the salute during the Remembrance Day parade in honour of the Regiment's Sesquicentennial Anniversary. (left)

Commanding Officer LCol J. Joseph Parkinson and CWO Dean Yuile lay the wreath at the Cross of Sacrifice. (right)





The Ceremony at the 21st Battalion Monument:



CWO (retd) Bob Pollitt leads the parade to the 21st Battalion Monument



LCol J. Joseph Parkinson

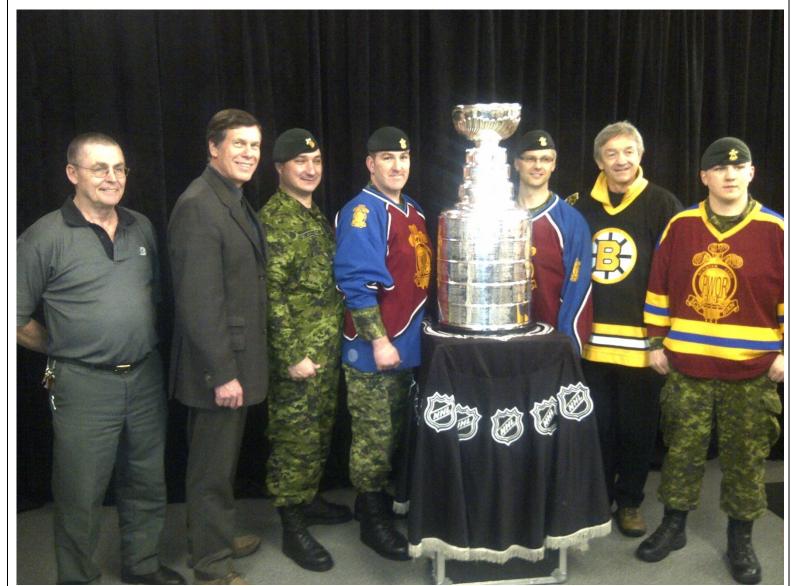


Pipe Major Mike Weaver plays the lament

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PWOR hockey team members, having just won the "big" game, are pictured with their prize.



LtoR: Bill Fielding; HCol Mark Hutchings; Capt Marc Gallant; Sgt Colin Banham; Sgt Frank Gillis; Rick Smith, a Kingston native who did a summer camp with the Regiment in the 60 and was a member of the 1970 Stanley Cup winning Boston Team; and, Cpl Wilson.

At the end of February, 2013 Bill Fielding hosted a photo opportunity to showcase The Stanley Cup, notably the oldest trophy competed for by professional athletes in North America. It was donated in 1892 by Sir Frederick Arthur Stanley to be presented to "the championship hockey club of the Dominion of Canada." Overshadowing all other championship trophies in sports, the legend and glory of the Stanley Cup continues to live in the dreams of hockey players and fans alike.

Full Stanley Cup:	Height - 89.54 cm / 35-1/4 inches Weight - 34-1/2 lbs - 15-1/2 kg
Bowl:	Height - 19.05 cm / 7-1/2 inches Diameter - 28.57 cm / 11-1/4 inches Circumference - 88.9 cm / 35 inches

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