

### The Princess of Wales' Own Regiment Association

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## A PWOR Tribute To a Great Soldier: Col. Dos Einarson, OMM, CD



By Capt. Pic Albertson (Ret'd)

Military historians, biographers and news reporters have often written about the infantryman, who achieved his objective and is satisfied within himself that he can do no more. It is then that he will pause for a while and reflect on two things.

One is of the many memories that he will take from this place. The other is the fact that he has left something of himself on this spot. After doing this, he will pick up his pack, and move on to the next objective in his life.

So it is with one of the members of our Regimental Family. A man who joined our Unit in the late 1960's. He came to us as a healer, our Medical Officer. In this capacity he would look after us with care, compassion, and empathy. He immediately became a role model for young recruits because his campaign medals indicated that he had been tempered and tested in WWII, and jumper's wings on his chest were a sign that he had fought as a paratrooper.

Young aspiring officers could relate to him because at war's end he had entered university and obtained a



Photos by Gord Hobbs

degree in medicine. With this experience he could understand and help them with their militia and career problems.

This man was welcomed, loved and respected by everyone in the Regiment and it's Association. All ranks recognized and admired this complete infantryman who could function ably on land, sea and air.

To this man who came up through the ranks to attain the highest appointment in the Regiment, Honorary Colonel, we say this: "Colonel Einarson, it is a privilege to have known you."

To your beautiful wife and supportive family, we give our sincere thanks for sharing you with us for all these years. For this we will be forever grateful.

So to you Dos Einarson, as you pause and contemplate your achievements, we hope that you will have many fond memories of us, which you will recall very often. As for us, we know that you have left a part of yourself in the heart and history of this regiment and its Association.

Really and truly, you have lived our motto:

"Ich Dien"

## **ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING**



The 98/99 executive from the left: 2nd Vice Pres Dom Pritchard, Treasurer Gord Hobbs, Secretary Tom Lodge, Past Pres Eric Coombs, President Bob Pollitt, 1st Vice Pres Chuck Beavis. Absent Padre Rev. Canon Alex Wakeling. Photo by Doug Thompson

#### By Tom Lodge

A general Meeting of the PWOR Association was held in the WO's and Sgt's Mess on 23 March 1998. The attendance was disappointing to say the least, considering notice of the meeting was given in a letter from the President in the February issue of Association Newsletter.

The president, Eric Coombs chaired the meeting, with the usual agenda of minutes, financial report, letters and other items of old and new business. During this meeting a motion of significant interest and importance was passed -- important because the first Honorary Member of the Association was approved and selected, and significant that it was awarded to the Chairman of the original steering committee and the first President of the PWOR Association. The certificate reads, "I.J. (Pic) Albertson is granted the status of HONORARY MEMBER in recognition of his service, dedication and loyalty to the Regiment and for his initiative, leadership and valuable contribution to the formation of the PWOR Association." Congratulations Pic, the recognition is well deserved and long overdue.

Before the business meeting closed, the President asked for nominations and/or volunteers to serve on the 1998 executive. With one new member, the committee was given a (railroad ticket?) mandate to continue for another year. The executive for 1998 appears below. Doug Thompson thanked Eric for his work as President of the Association, and for continuing the objectives of the association with little visible support from the members.

This member seconds Doug's remarks to our Past President and I thank Eric for sharing his energetic enthusiasm with the committee. However, it seems the enthusiasm of a few is not getting through to the members, and the spirit of the Regimental Family is lagging. Several questions come to mind:

\* Is the newsletter getting through to members? Do members read the newsletter?

\* Is there sufficient interest and value to continue printing and mailing the newsletter?

\* Is there sufficient interest and value to continue with the Regimental Association?

\* What can we do to make the association more effective and meaningful?

Perhaps the first step is to **spread the word**. Read the enclosed brochure, note the activities and objectives and be an ambassador for our Association to all former members of the Regimental Family.

The second step is to motivate the Regimental Family to join the Association. Hand out the enclosed registration forms and actively recruit new members.

### Your 1998/99 Executive:

President 1st Vice Pres 2nd Vice Pres Secretary Treasurer Past President Padre Bob Pollitt542-6685Chuck Beavis546-3483Don Pritchard549-3084Tom Lodge389-2706Gord Hobbs544-3291Eric Coombs530-2809Rev. Canon AlexWakeling544-3465

# **PWOR ASSOCIATION EVENTS Association Participates in March of Dimes**

#### By Robin Bradley

\$19,000 was the final total that was raised for the Ontario March of Dimes through the eighth annual "PWOR March for the March of Dimes" held on March 7th, 1998.

There were 364 participants representing the Princess of Wales' Own Regiment, the PWOR Army Cadets, 58th Air Squadron Cadets, the Reserve Electronic Warfare Squadron, 79 Communication Regiment, the PWOR Association, the Canadian Forces School of Communications and Electronics. the 1st Canadian Headquarters Division & Signal Regiment and Canadian Forces Recruiting Centre. Mayor Gary Bennett kept pace all along the route. CFLY Radio and Pepsi were major sponsors.

The march this year

started from the Air Force Club at Norman Rogers Airport onto Front Road, and continued along King St. to Union St. onto University Avenue, to Princess St. through the downtown core, to Ontario St., up Market St. to King St., over to Queen St., onto Montreal St. to the Armoury. Following this route gave the Military a higher profile with the public. The marchers were very visible. The PWOR Pipe and Drum Band piped the marchers to the Armoury.

The Kingston O.P.P. and the Kingston City Police Force escorted the marchers along the 12 km route. Thousand Island REACT helped with safety and crowd control. Town Crier Chris Whyman was unable to attend so the mayor declared March of Dimes Day at the Market Square.

A free pancake breakfast was introduced this year. The field kitchen from the 1CDHSR was put to great use. It opened at 9:30 am and was in constant use till 1:00 pm.

Local celebrities flipped all morning under the well trained eyes of the military cooks. LCol Weicker of 1CDHSR, LCol Hamel of CFSCE, LCol Thibault of 79 Com and Capt Chabot of Recruiting were among the famous flippers.

Jennifer Fielding who was the Grand Marshall rode in the CFLY van with OMOD councillor Debbie Hill. Jennifer



Association members welcomed his worship Gary Bennett on his arrival at the Armouries. Pictured from the left are Tom Lodge, Chuck Beavis, Rod Morey, Dennis Muncey, Mayor G. Bennett and Mel Prince. Photo by Gord Hobbs

Over the last eight years a total of \$76,700 has been raised through the efforts of the Princess of Wales' Own Regiment and other military groups.

Khaki T-shirts were presented to all volunteers. The OMOD and PWOR logo were loated on the left hand side, pocket location with the sayng "TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE!"

The March of Dimes works in support of adults and teens with physical disabilities. The March of Dimes is a member of the United Way of Frontenac and Lennox & Addington Counties.

The weather was great, the marchers and volunteers were great and the pancakes were gourmet style.

Each year the march gets bigger and better!

Once again March of Dimes thanks you, PWOR ASSOCIATION for your help.

is one of the many people

that utilize the services

and programs available at

through each marcher col-

lecting pledges from family, neighbours and

friends. Other groups such

as Legions #9 Barrick St.,

#560 Montreal St., #227

and

Sydenham, CELANESE

Canada and Homestead

Land Holdings supported

this event through dona-

tions. Members of the gen-

eral public who enjoyed

the pancake breakfast also

were very generous with

#496

Bath.

donations.

Funds are raised

the March of Dimes.

## PWOR ASSOCIATION EVENTS A Memorial to the Battle of Vimy Ridge

By Eric Coombs

The PWOR Association was very proud to be part of the ceremonies held by the Regiment on April 9, 1998. As the reviewing officer Mr. Albert LeClaire, a veteran of WW1, was escorted onto the parade ground, you could see within his face that time was marching on, but you could also feel



Pictured after the Vimy Parade, Gord Lane and MWO Peter Finn. Photo by Gord Hobbs

the sense of pride that the battles which were fought by him and his comrades made all who attended very proud to be Canadians.

The Commanding Officer, LCol. M. Shultz, ordered a regimental salute to our honoured guest and then prayers were read by both regimental and association padres. The names of 42 soldiers from the 21st Bn who died at Vimy Ridge from the Kingston area were echoed throughout the armoury walls. As Mr. LeClaire inspected the parade, the pride in our young men and women's faces was evident as he made his way through the rank and file. Wreaths were laid at the 21st Bn memorial by our Honorary LCol. J.D. McQueen, the Commanding Officer, Mr. Bob Pollitt and the PWOR Cadet Corps. The Regiment then marched past our guest, exited through the wooden doors of the armouries and was dismissed outside.



Mr. Albert LeClaire accompanied by LCol. M. Shultz inspecting the Association. Photo by Gord Hobbs



The Princess of Wales Own Regiment Association on Parade. Photo by Gord Hobbs

Refreshments were available in all messes upon completion of the parade.

The Regiment works very hard producing parades and other events, so please join us on the square or in the armouries to help celebrate great historical events such as Vimy Ridge and other battles.

## **Battle of the Somme**

At Beaumont Hamel, where 80 acres of trenches are preserved, during the 1916 Battle of the Somme, the 800 strong Royal Newfoundland Regiment mounted an attack on enemy lines. After the thirty minute attack the Regiment was reduced to a total of 68 men of all ranks.

## A TOUCH OF NOSTALGIA



Sgt. R. Pollitt instructs recruits on FN Rifle during Mid-Term Break in 1954. Photo Courtesy of the Department of National Defence



Brig. Ross DSO, presenting Brig. Cunningham DSO, CD, QC, his Honorary Col. Scroll. Looking on is the C.O. of the Regiment, LCol. A. Tigg and Honorary LCol. Jones in January, 1962. Photo Courtesy of the Department of National Defence



2nd Batallion King's Royal Regiment of New York Province, Crawford's Company at Settlement of Cataraqui. Captain Crawford (Jeffery Paine) explaining Duties of the Day to Musketman (Tex Joyner) August 1783. Photo by Gord Hobbes

## Regimental Trust Fund

LCol. James D. McQueen, The Honorary LCol of the PWOR, is always looking for donations to the Regimental Trust Fund. Donations may be sent to him c/o the Armouries.

Donors receive a receipt for income tax purposes.

### Have you renewed your membership? If not... why not renew today?

Return this portion with your payment.

#### **PWOR REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION**

The annual membership subscription for the PWOR Regimental Association is now due. Your membership card for the current year will be forwarded by mail upon receipt of payment. Please complete the following, and return with your cheque in the amount of \$10.00 payable to the PWOR Regimental Association:

C/O	G. O. Hobbs, (Treasurer) 189 Fairview Rd. Kingston, Ont. K7M 3B4	or	T. G. Lodge, (Membership Chair.) 99 Briscoe St. Amherstview, Ont. K7N 1G2
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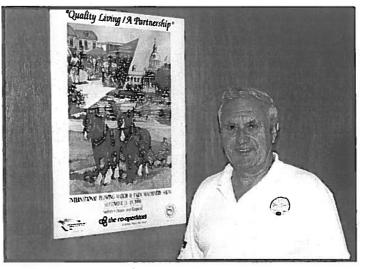
## POINTS OF INTEREST The International Plowing Match

President Bob Pollitt and his executive are urging the members of the PWOR Association to attend the International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Show.

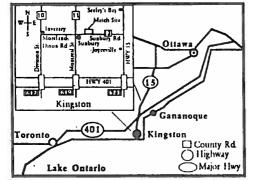
The event, which is to be held September 15-19, 1998 in the Hamlet of Sunbury (12 km north of Kingston), will be an opportunity to extend to the participants some of that good old fashioned Eastern Ontario Hospitality.

The theme of the event "Quality Living/A Partnership" describes the relationship between rural and urban residents and is representative of all that this great event will have to offer. From plowing competitions to antique displays, lifestyles exhibits to the Queen of the Furrow competition, this edition of the I.P.M. promises to offer something for citizens right across Canada.

For more information contact the 1998 International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Show, P.O. Box 20027, Kingston, ON K7P 2T6. Phone (613) 544-8767 or 1-888-291-1998.



Ken Keyes, the Match Chairman extends a cordial invitation to the PWOR Regimental Family to attend the 1998 International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Show. Photo by Gord Hobbs







## **POINTS OF INTEREST**

### **Welcome New Members**

The Regimental Association welcomes 41 new recruits of the PWOR into the Regimental Family:

RANK	NAME	INITIAL
Pte	Aggus	MME
Pte	Akey	DJ
Pte	Beaubiah	RJ
Pte	Berry	AC
Pte	Billings	AW
Pte	Boland	JA
Pte	Bouchard	PG
Pte	CaveRLy	RJ
Pte	Corkey	SJ
Pte	Devlin	RDJ
Pte	Fonger	CSM
Pte	Fowler	AE
Pte	Galloway	JD
Pte	Garvin	SJ
Pte	Hetherington	BM
Pte	Hickey	EM
Pte	Hon	F
Pte	Howe	CJ
Pte	Johnston	IA
Pte	Kellar	RL
Pte	Laton	TR
Pte	Lavell	WSA
Pte	Maggiacomo	NW
Pte	Manchester	JA
Pte	Montgomery	RD
Pte	Morgan	GL
Pte	Morrison	JE
Pte	Pantrey	MS
Pte	Paquet	S
Pte	Perry	WJD
Pte	Reavie	CA
Pte	Sanford	JRW
Pte	Shultz	ME
Pte	Siloterio	РJ
Pte	Smith	BA
Pte	Tandy	MBE
Pte	Tucesku	TD
Pte	Tysick	NSJ
Pte	Van Bruinessen	HL
Pte	Vincent	SD
Pte	Westgate	CJ

### A Message from the Past President

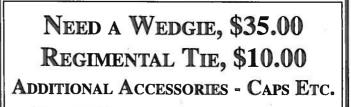
By Eric Coombs

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all the support you have given me during my tour as President of the PWOR Association. We have participated in many events over the past twelve months, some were very sad occasions and others were extremely happy. The next tour for the committee will be a very busy one as you can see in this newsletter. I hope that you give our new President, Mr. Bob Pollitt, and the incoming committee your fullest support and cooperation as you did for me during my term.

I wish all members of the Regiment and the Association the very best in the future. Please remember that the Association is only as strong as its membership. The committee must receive 100% support from each and every one of us in order for it to be successful in every manner.

Thank you once again for all your efforts to make our Association an effective one - we hope to see you at the next event.

#### NUNQUAM CEDE





Do what the President did:

See Sgt. Rick McQueen at the Kit Shop in the Armouries.

The Kit Shop is open on Parade nights 19:00 to 22:00 hrs.

## A FINAL NOTE...



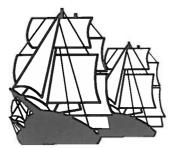
The Association recently honoured "Pic" Albertson by making him an Honorary Member of the PWOR Association. The President Bob Pollitt presented Pic with a certificate. Looking on is Honorary LCol. James D. McQueen.



The C.O. flipping gourmet style pancakes at the March of Dimes Pancake Breakfast.

### Did You Know...

In 1792, the French Navy & Army opened the Scheldt and Antwerp port for their use.





With a reception like this is it little wonder we have no problems getting volunteers for the March of Dimes. Pictured left to right are MCpl. M. Turcotte, Doug Thompson and Art Twigg. "Get your hands out of your pockets, soldier!" (I've always wanted to say that to a Col.)

### In Memorium

We remember before God and commend to his memory in keeping, those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure.

David J. Travers Robert E. Walker G.V. Holdron I.A. MacArthur

## **About the Newsletter**

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Submissions for the October edition should be received no later than September 24, 1998.

Any comments or suggestions from members or readers can be directed to Gordon Hobbs or Bob Pollitt.



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