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#783 WING PRESIDENT'S REPORT

March 2010

On March 6th I attended the Alberta Group AFAC Meeting in Red Deer.

A number of Wing members were there in various capacities. 1st Vice-president Keith Mann, Kendall Spielman our Wing Membership Director, Bev Spielman is Alberta Group Secretary and Kenn Nixon is Alberta Group Treasurer. Past President Grant Whitson, RJ Roe Group Vice-president South and Past Group President Steve McDonnell were also at the meeting.

Pat Sulek had another famous bus tour on March 13th. This time the group went to Rosebud to attend a theatre production. Although the group of Wing members and other seniors was smaller than usual, according to reports received they had a good time.

I would like to remind you that I have Registration forms and Hotel information for the Alberta Group AGB on May 7th to 9th at the Best Western Port of Call Inn. The registration fee is \$80.00.

Also a reminder that the annual RCAF Mess Dinner is scheduled for Friday March 26th at the Aero Space Museum.

Our thoughts go out to the Mascaro's who are recuperating at home and to Allen Spielman who is still in the Foothills Hospital.

Respective submitted,

Robert Clarke
President 783 (Calgary) Wing AFAC

Per Ardua Ad Astra

ALBERTA GROUP PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Members:

This year we have two projects for funding; the first one is similar to last year project of support to the Trenton Air Museum in conjunction with the AFAC Annual General Meeting in that city, this year we are trying to do the same thing with the Comox Air Museum.

Second project; every year the Snowbirds dazzle us with their prowess from coast to coast. This year, October 2010, they are celebrating their 40th Anniversary.

We, as a group or individual, have the opportunity to show our thanks, support, and solidarity to the men and women of the Snowbird Demonstration Team. Any donation in support of that event can be made to your local Wing or the RCAF Trust Fund. If requested, a Tax receipt through the Trust Fund can be issued for either project.

Gilles McDermott
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Yours truly,
Gilles McDermott

**A Message from the National President of the Air Force Association of Canada
and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Royal Canadian Air Force
Association Trust Fund**

Dear Fellow Members,

A few of you have raised important questions about the Trust Fund's recently initiated campaign to raise funds for the Canadian Forces' Snowbirds' 40th anniversary. We want to assure everyone that we would not embark on such a campaign without reflecting first on the potential positive outcomes. For this reason we would like to share with you a very positive outcome from which our sister-association - the Royal Air Forces Association - has benefited, all because in a similar sponsorship-driven activity they secured the membership in their association of their country's Aerial Demonstration Team - the Red Arrows.



We believe an expression of solidarity with and sponsorship of the Snowbirds, by the Air Force Association of Canada, can only help to improve our image and standing with the Canadian air force. As an organization made up of former military personnel and aerospace-minded community-focused citizens we understand the benefits of bringing to the attention of Canadians the extent to which our members devote their time and effort to ensure a better present and future for the men and women who find themselves in Canada's air force.

Promotion and marketing of our association, and the good that our members do in their communities, is an essential element of efforts to increase our membership. When we make others aware of the value of

membership they tend to become enthusiastic supporters. We need them; and, we need to make the most of our promotion and marketing opportunities.

In return for a respectable and successful sponsorship fund-raising campaign for the Snowbirds it is our hope that the Snowbirds' members will give positive consideration to joining our association. As part of that effort we would like to ask them to adorn their flight and crew-suits with the Air Force Association of Canada crest. We cannot think of a more effective promotion method than having our symbols and marks on the Snowbirds' uniforms and aircraft. This is an important part of our goal to build stronger social capital - enhance our image - with the members of the Canadian air force, and bring to their attention the great work all of you do in your communities.

As for the Snowbirds' themselves, the men and women assigned to 431 Air Demonstration Squadron are amongst the finest our country can offer. However, the unit has no public-funds upon which it could rely, for significant commemorations like a 40th anniversary. And, the importance of such a milestone should not be overlooked. That is why we believe it is important to provide the Snowbirds with some funding, money that will allow them to fund some of the important public functions that come with providing an open house, over a four-day period in October 2010. Our donation, should it amount to \$2,500, for example, would secure four invitations to our association members, to attend the military functions planned. The donation is also required, if we want our association to be formally recognized as a sponsor. The money will help fund a number of activities, including printing of programs, information brochures, and historical reflections made by former members of the Snowbirds. We have a sense that the absence of any Air Force Association of Canada representation - in person and in symbols and marks - would not reflect positively on our association and would only make our future recruiting and retention efforts more of a challenge.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to those members who have sought this information. We hope that it provides everyone with an appreciation for the importance of promotion and marketing, but also the importance of showing support for the incredible work

done by the men and women in Canada's air force, including the members of 431 Air Demonstration Squadron - the Snowbirds.

Brian Darling, CD and Ted Mahood, CD

GREETINGS FROM THE I.P.P.

It is time to consider the Governance of the Wing for the following year.
Not that there is anything wrong with what we have currently, (in my opinion)
HOWEVER; our Constitution & Bylaws require the Wing Membership to undertake the usual ritual of nominations and elections annually.

(I've always been under the belief that - IF IT AIN'T BROKE - DON'T FIX IT!)
Oh Well!

I am counting on the Editor in Chief and P.R. Director to include the Nomination Form (*see pg. 20*) in this edition of the Wing Newsletter, to allow all the current Wing Executive as well as any other members who would like to "step up to the plate", for the upcoming election. All current Executive, who are planning to "STAND" for re-election, please fill in "the form" and return to (RJ) Robert Roe, 783 Wing, I.P.P. at the April Wing meeting. All nominations must be submitted prior to the commencement of the May 2010 Wing meeting. Thank you for your cooperation!

I do apologize for missing the March Wing meeting - a very rare occurrence on my part. A family member has just been transferred to the Lougheed hospital for surgery and due to the extra commotion and activity; the Wing meeting was completely overlooked. Thank you, to the members that expressed their concern on my absence. Until we meet again, - - -

"RJ" Robert Roe
I.P.P., 783 Wing, AFAC

WEBSITE INFORMATION & NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

783 (Calgary) Wing website is up and running but still in under construction. This is your original website that we are currently updating and revising. One new item on this website is the calendar. Please submit events for the calendar in writing (snail mail or email) to Brian Lewis.

www.783afacwingcalgary.ca

Distribution of this newsletter is either by e-mail or Canada Post. In an effort to be fiscally responsible and eco friendly, e-mail is the preferred method of distribution. (It will continue to be mailed to those for whom we have no e-mail addresses.) If anyone who receives the mailed copy but now has an e-mail address, please contact Anna Lewis with your new email address.

We encourage all members to become active in this newsletter by submitting ideas, recipes, news stories, pictures or general comments. I'll even take some good "clean" jokes. Feedback will help in the development of your newsletter and website.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

As of our last meeting, we have 83 regular and 6 life memberships for a total of 89 wing members.

Our Membership Director, Kendal Spielman is getting ready to start working on next year's membership renewal - membership fees are \$18.00 for singles and \$25.00 for couples. She will be sending out invoices in the very near future. Please contact Kendal Spielman if you have any questions. Remit payment to #783 (Calgary) Wing AFAC, c/o Kendall Spielman, 95 Shawcliffe Circle SW, Calgary, AB T2Y 1J3 or phone 403-256-3612.

If you have any changes to your membership information, such as address, phone or email addresses, please contact her to update your file.

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

It seems that we have been offered an opportunity to have a casino 6 months early, so Keith Mann our Casino Chair jumped at the opportunity. Our next Wing casino has been set for Dec 30 & 31th.

At our January 25th meeting, it was voted (and approved) that the #783 Wing would donate \$5,000 to the Red Cross in regards to the Haiti catastrophe. Also, brought up at this meeting (by Pat Sulek) was the fact that some of the wing members are now on a steering committee for the Remembrance Day Service at Mewata. This is to get more cadet involvement, to be sponsored by the #783 Wing and a budget of \$2,500 was approved at the March Wing meeting.

One of our Wing Members, John ter Kuile and his wife have moved to Nanimo this past February and will be greatly missed at our monthly meetings. He has assured us that he wants to continue to be a member of our #783 Wing and wants to keep in contact via our newsletter and emails from his wing member friends. He can be contacted by email - gjterkuile@gmail.com

Also the Provincial Annual General Meeting is fast approaching. See attached registration forms and agenda for those who would like to attend. Remember that we as the #783 Wing are this years hosts.

I invite any of our wing members to become a guest columnist or a comedian. Please flex your writing muscles and send me your thoughts/jokes.



*Wishing you a "Happy Easter Season",
Yours truly,*

Anna Lewis

Editor-in-Chief



P.S. I encourage you to continue with your feedback on the likes or "dislikes" of our newsletter or webpage.

Recipes! I need recipes, gals and guys for our "Recipe Swap" section! I understand that Marion's Monthly Luncheon Ladies/Peacetime Girls are great cooks! Would any of you like to share some recipes with us?

LAST POST



It is with deep regret that I must inform you that Helen Horne, wife of the National Honorary Padre Sid Horne, passed away Wednesday February 3rd, 2010 from a stroke she suffered on the Feb2nd.

Funeral services were held on Monday February 8th at St. Georges Anglican Church, Trenton, with a reception later at 413 Wing AFAC.

Dave Donovan, Ontario Group President attended the funeral on my behalf and of the NEC. Condolences may be sent to Padre Sid Horne, CD, 18 Marmora St., Trenton ON K8V 2H5. I have sent him a letter of condolence on behalf of the NEC and the membership of AFAC.

Further details may be obtained from Dave at ddonovan4@cogeco.ca.

Brian W. Darling
National President
Air Force Association of Canada

I will sadly miss Helen Horne; as our Air Force Careers had been interlaced since the 1970's. Major Sid Horne had been Snr. Prot. Chaplain and Command Chaplain in those days. (St. Hubert, Trenton and Borden). I had been the Chapel Organist at the time in the above locations with the Horne's at the Protestant Chapel.

Our friendship continued for years after retirement, up to and including the last National AGM; we socialized and talked about old times. Helen served with Sid for many years, with Sunday school, choir and all Church events in practically every capacity. She will be sadly missed.

Robert (RJ) Roe

AIR FORCE MUSEUM SOCIETY OF ALBERTA

The Air Force Museum of Alberta (AFMSA) is an equal partner in the new Military Museums at the location of the former Museum of the Regiments on Crowchild Trail. The Museum needs volunteers to be Tour Guides, so please consider volunteering by contacting Kenn Nixon. Official opening was on May 7, 2009.

The AFMSA website is www.airforcemuseumalberta.ca. Comments and suggestions should be directed to Kenn Nixon. Wing members are encouraged to become members of the museum. The AFMSA is an approved charitable organization, and can provide official receipts for tax purposes for all donations. For further information and applications for memberships, please call Don Norrie, the membership chairman, at 403-949-2579.

NOTICES

- Please save your used stamps for Marion Mascaro, to be donated to the Alberta Cancer Society. You can bring them to the monthly meeting or send them to:
 - #783 (Calgary) Wing, c/o 100 Rosevale Drive NW, Calgary, AB T2K 1N5
- Eleanor Berlin requests notification of any wing member who is ill so that she can send them a card from the Wing. Phone: 403-244-8217

CADET LIAISON REPORT

Air Cadet Reports January 25, 2010

Air Cadets is well underway for the New Year. They are currently preparing for the annual Scholarship boards 20 February. The squadrons are currently holding the mock boards to prepare the cadets. This year there will be no regular force officers participating in the boards which will make it difficult to find all the people need to fill all the boards. If you are interested in participating let me know and I should have your names put forward.

Air Cadets also getting ready for the Zone and Provincial Effective Speaking competitions. The Southern Zone Effective Speaking competition will be held at the Forest Lawn Legion on March 20 at 9:00. You are all invited to come out and enjoy a day of cadets presenting.

781 Squadron will be holding their Chinese New Years dinner on February 5. This year the dinner will be a buffet, which should be very well done. If you have any questions or would like to order tickets let me know and I will get a ticket order form.

February 22, 2010

Air Cadets have reached another milestone in their year. There were some 304 cadets who sat their scholarship boards. Dave Watson, Anna and Brian Lewis, Joanna Howard, Tom Gordon, Randy Fisher and Kenn and Pat were welcome volunteers at the boards. The Alberta Provincial Committee really appreciates the support from the Air Force Association.

The next event for the Southern Zone is the Effective Speaking. Pat has booked the Forest Lawn Legion for March 20. If you are interested and coming out to enjoy a day of listening to some very good speeches you will be welcome to come out any time after 8:30 am.

The Region has announced that the Honour Band will be coming to Calgary on April 3. We are not sure about the distribution of tickets at this time but we will keep you posted. It will be held at the Leacock Theatre at 7:00 pm.

March 22, 2010

Cadets are well into the training year and get to the busy activity before the final preparation for the Annual Cadet Reviews.

We have had several squadrons in the Calgary area identify their ACRs as follows:

538 "Buffalo Sqn	-	May 29
187 "High River" Sqn	-	Jun 5
878 Banff/Canmore Sqn	-	Jun 12
781 Sqn	-	Evening Jun 12
604 Sqn	-	Jun 19

Southern Zone held our Effective Speaking competition at the Forest Lawn Legion on Saturday Mar 20. The competition was very high which is a testament to the growing effort to improve the level of interest in the Zone. There were 12 cadet from seven squadrons. It was nice to see RJ Roe there representing the AFAC. 783 Wing continues to support this important youth activity with Pat Sulek, Bob Clarke, Sue Clarke, Bev Spielman and Kenn Nixon all were active in making the event a success.

The winners for this year were:

878 Banff/Canmore Sqn - WOII Montgomery
604 Sqn - Cpl Julia Qin
11 Lethbridge Sqn - FCpl Boora

The provincial competition will be held in Red Deer on April 10.

After much discuss and frustration the Region will financially help 903 Sqn host the Southern Zone Drill and Sports in Strathmore. They have planned a wonderful time for everyone. The Drill Competition will be held on Saturday morning. If anyone is interested in more information you can contact either Pat or Kenn.

It is interesting to note that there is a discussion about changing the designation of our zones. The idea is to take the Wing designation for the Zones. This is a discussion at the league to help align the naming with the Air Force and the Air Force Association. It has drawn favour from the Alberta Provincial Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenn Nixon

783 WING FUNCTIONS

Entertainment - Pat Trollope and Dot Deines have taken on the task of organizing Wing entertainment. They request that Wing members phone them to pass on their ideas and suggestions.

In February, we had a night out at the Jubilee Theatre to see "Luck be a Lady". The feedback from everyone was that it was enjoyable and the food service was great.

SPECIAL EVENTS TOURS

Special Events/Bus trips - Pat Sulek, our event coordinator, welcomes all suggestions and comments.



On March 13, our bus tour was to the Rosebud Theatre. While the group was smaller than usual all agreed that it was well worth it. It was a marvelous trip and the food was excellent. We took in the matinee performance called "We won't pay, we won't pay". It was so good that Pat is looking at another trip near the Christmas season.

Trivia information: Since starting the "Friendship Tours" in 2008, we have hosted nine tours.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



General Meetings are usually held on the fourth Monday of each month, except in July, August and December, when there are no meetings. They will continue to be held at 1930 hrs at the #285 Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, on Horton Road, for the foreseeable future. Members may enjoy dinner at the #285 Legion before the meeting (last call for the kitchen is around 1815 hrs).

All members are encouraged to attend the Wing Meetings to not only find out what's going on, but also to have input into the decisions and activities. Summer dress attire is from May 1 to Sept 30.

Date missing? Wrong information? Let us know! We're always looking ahead, so all dates (even a year in advance) are most welcome.

- **April 26, 2010** **Wing Meeting**
- **May 7-9, 2010** **Alberta AGM, Port 'O Call, Calgary, registration forms have been emailed out to our members- see Joanna Howard for more details phone#403-983-5796**
- **May 24, 2010** **Wing Meeting moved to May 31st**
- **May 29, 2010** **#702 Wing Lobsterfest - Lethbridge**
- **May 31, 2010** **Wing Meeting**
- **June 28, 2010** **Wing Meeting & AGM**
- **July & August, 2010** **No Wing Meeting**
- **August 10, 2010** **UN Peacekeepers Parade**
- **September 19 , 2010** **Battle of Britain, Military Museum**
- **October 15-17, 2010** **National AGM, Comox, BC**
- **December 5, 2010** **#783 Wing Christmas Party, Blackfoot Inn**
- **December, 2010** **No Wing Meeting – Enjoy the holidays!**

CATCH UP ON PAST EVENTS.....



This is what our President does when he's not working for the "Wing". Hmmm.....No, he is not the one in the dress!

President Robert Clarke and his wife Sue at a friend's party!

At our Jan 25 Wing Meeting, President Robert Clarke presented a chq to the Poppy Fund represented by the Delegate (Norm Harvey) of the 285 Horton Rd Legion.



As the #783 Wing, we donated \$5,000 for the Haiti relief fund.

President Bob Clarke and Vice President Keith Mann presented the cheque on our behalf to the Red Cross.



CHARTER TEA – 783 WING

On Saturday, March 27 the 783 Wing celebrated its 61st anniversary with an afternoon Charter Tea. We had an overwhelming turnout and the afternoon was enjoyed by all.

Our guest speaker for the afternoon was Wayne Cao, MLA who shared some of his history and insides. He has put forth a private members bill to the legislature that would recognize the training of the military in the civilian world once the soldiers/airmen have left military life.



As you can see, we had a full house.



Some of us went home with door prizes (above, Eleanor Berlin).



To the right, a picture of some of the past presidents (including our current president). Right to left – President Robert Clarke, Bev Spielman, Steve Macdonnell, RJ Roe, Art Hill, Grant Whitson and Kenn Nixon.

RECIPE SWAP

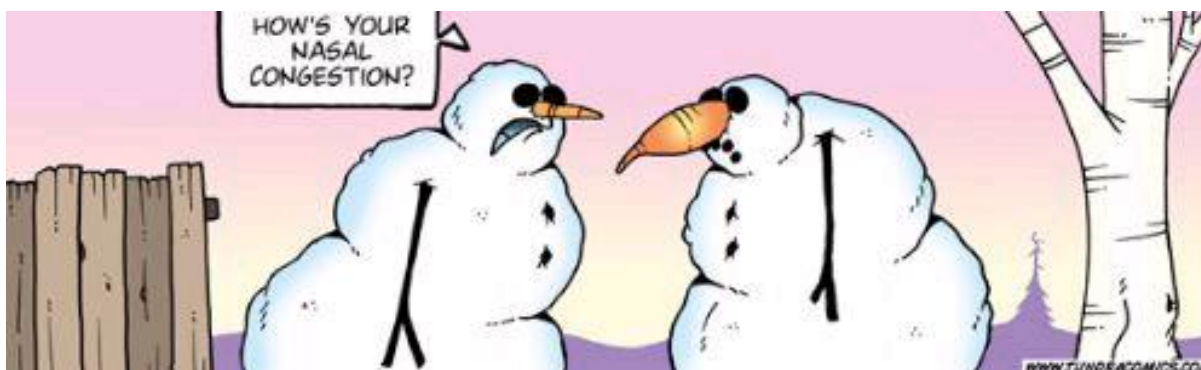
Dutch Apple Torte

Submitted by John ter Kuile #783 Calgary Wing

3 cups margarine
¾ cup sugar
1 egg
1 tsp vanilla
1 ½ cup flour
1 tsp baking powder
3-4 large apples
2 tablespoons sugar
1 tsp cinnamon

Cream margarine and ¾ cup sugar together, then add egg and vanilla. Combine flour and baking powder and add to the creamed mixture. Press 2/3 of this dough into a greased 10 x 6-inch spring baking dish. Arrange sliced apples on top and sprinkle with a mixture of cinnamon and 2 tablespoons of sugar. Roll remaining 1/3 of the dough into strands and arrange on top of apples. Bake 350 degrees until lightly browned.

COMEDY CORNER

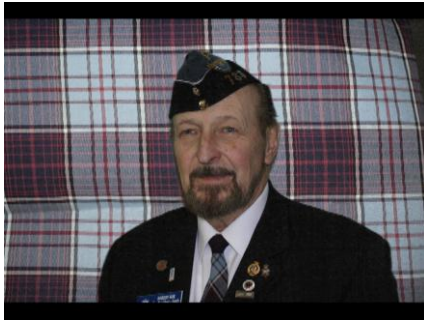


This is how I've been feeling the past two weeks as I recovered from my rhinoplasty operation!
[Editor's note]



A sample of an audit meeting I've had lately. Poor Barb! [Editor's note] *"The editor is not the one in need of a coffee!"*

GETTING TO KNOW YOU.....



Robert (RJ) Roe

50 Years -- 5 Decades -- Half Century -- **IN AVIATION**

“RJ” Robert Roe, CD (MWO ret’d. – RCAF / CAF)

Robert Roe, commonly called “RJ”, was born in Portsmouth, England in 1940 while his father (RCE – Sgt.) was attached to a British Regiment near Dover.

He was the 5th generation, first born son, of 6 consecutive generations to serve his country. Great, great grandfather Ephram Roebuck changed the original family name to ROE. (He passed the buck!) RJ and his mother, returned to Canada shortly after his birth, as all Canadian military dependants were ordered to return as a result of the German rockets being launched upon British coastlines. He took his schooling and grew up in Elgin County, of southern Ontario.

RJ joined the RCAF at Avenue Rd., Toronto; Dec. 1959 and retired in Calgary, in May 1997. During his 37 years of service, he became an Aircraft Structures Technician, Tech. Trade Instructor, and Maintenance Supervisor. He operated out of places such as Winnipeg, Borden (2), Aylmer, CJATC Rivers, El Arish, Egypt (UNEF), Clinton, Trenton (2), 429 Sqn. St. Hubert, 410 Sqn. Cold Lake and the last 10 years in Primary Air Reserves, Comox, Edmonton and Calgary.

RJ started his 2nd Career with CP Air in Vancouver, Jan 1987 (day job) while engaged with the Primary Reserve Force (weekends). CP Air soon became Canadian Airlines and he was transferred from the BIG aircraft, 747, DC10-30 and 767 –300’s to Calgary Canadian Maintenance on 737’s.

The combination of two overlapping careers constitutes 45 years plus of aviation activities. He joined the RCAF Association at 412 Windsor Wing in May of 1965 and continues to serve the AFAC to this day. During his 45 years in the Association, he has been Past President of 441 Wing, Central Region V.P., Ont. Group, Founder and Past President of 784 Wing, Cold Lake; V.P. (N) Alberta Group; Acting Pres. and Pres. Elect 806 Richmond Wing; Past President 783 Calgary Wing and currently serving as V.P.(S), Alberta Group. Of the 45 years in the Association; he has served as a Director or Executive Officer for the past 38 consecutive years – Ontario, Alberta & B.C.

Over the years through the Associations, he has received many individual member awards and several personal achievements. Two of his most memorable achievements was the initiation of the original Resolution to allow females as Pilots in the Canadian Forces and then being introduced to the first 5 Pilot candidates a few years later at Avenue Road Officers Mess, Toronto.

Secondly; was to recruit members and obtain a RCAF Assoc. Charter for today’s, 784 Diamond Jubilee Wing.

Another highlight of RJ’s Aviation Career was to present his oldest son, with his Graduation Certificate, on Parade; at Royal Roads College.

In spite of a damaged “main gear” the past couple years; repairs have been made and it would appear that RJ still has a few thousand miles left on the Main Frame. (Hip replacement)
He enjoys gardening, camping, site seeing and spending time with the grandchildren during his more leisure hours of retirement. The rest of his time is spent conducting AFAC business and activities.

Happy 50 Years of Aviation!

OTHER NEWS.....

WHO CREATED THE RCAF TARTAN?

Guest Columnist – Peggy McAllister (#783 Wing Member)

The RCAF tartan, well known to all of us with its shades of light blue, dark blue and maroon, is one of the most attractive, popular and widely-worn tartans in Canada. There are two stories as to its origin:



ENID MARIAN INCH – (1920 – 2007)

Enid M. Inch of Gagetown, N.B. is said to be the originator of the RCAF Tartan. Enid was an expert weaver and worked at The Loomcrofters in Gagetown Village N. B. for some 67 years, taking over the management of the business toward the end of her career. The Loomcrofters wove quite a number of tartans as part of their business, and no doubt Enid was involved in constructing most of them. Enid never married, but had a multitude of friends and received several honors from organizations within her home community.

GROUP-CAPTAIN E. G. FULLERTON – (1891 – 1968)

Some accounts credit Group-Captain E. G. Fullerton, CO of No.9 Service Flying Training School at RCAF Station Summerside, P.E.I. with the conception of the RCAF tartan. Apparently G/C Fullerton was looking for a suitable tartan to kit out his pipes and drums band. Finding no existing tartan that suited him, he designed his own, using colored pencils, and submitted the design to Lord Lyon, King of Arms of Scotland, who was then the Official World Registrar of tartans. The official registration date of the tartan is 15 August 1942.

Whoever “invented” this tartan, it has become known as the official tartan of the RCAF, thus the RCAF became the first air force in the world to have its own distinctive tartan. It has been worn by both wartime and postwar Air Force pipe bands and continues in wear today by pipers and drummers of the Canadian Forces Air Command. It is used in other contexts as well, including the cummerbund worn with Air Force mess kit, ties, sashes, vests, capes, jackets and skirts, as well as accoutrements, awards and decorating. It is proudly worn by Canada’s Air Force personnel, CIC, Air Force Association of Canada, and Air Cadets across Canada.

So....who is the rightful creator of the RCAF tartan?

Here’s a twist on the puzzle: In one of the accounts relaying how G/C Fullerton came up with the design, the following statement is made: *“A firm in Gagetown, N.B. had a small hand loom and a sample was made up from the sketch with the Gagetown*

weavers also adding a white line in the design. The CO ordered a piece of the material to be sent through the proper channels to Air Force Headquarters for approval."

So....did both Enid Inch and G/C Fullerton have a hand in the same design? Are they equally responsible for production and establishment of an official tartan for the RCAF? We may never know the full story!



23/03/10

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NEWS RELEASE

The Air Cadet League of Canada

Welcomes First Female National Executive Director

Air Cadet League of Canada

OTTAWA, ON - The Air Cadet League of Canada is pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs. Sarah Matresky to the position of Executive Director effective March 22nd 2010, replacing out going Executive Director, Mr. Jean-Marc Lanoue after two years of service.

Sarah Matresky, who has returned to the Air Cadet League early from maternity leave stated, "I am honoured to serve as the first female Executive Director of the Air Cadet League and I am eager to continue working closely with the Members and Volunteers who give of themselves so selflessly to such a wonderful organization."

Sarah has a background in communications. She has worked within the cadet program in many roles such as administration, training and as a divisional officer for the last 10 years. This includes a Commission as a member of the Cadet Instructor Cadre since 2005 until recently accepting her new position.

National President Joe Johnson said, "We are very pleased to welcome Sarah back from her leave. She is extremely well-qualified and will bring new incite and fresh ideas to her increased responsibilities as Executive Director." As a former cadet who has been giving back to the program through the League for the past 5 years, Sarah added that, "The League has great momentum going on right now that can be felt by everyone and I look forward to keeping that positive energy alive. As we push forward and accomplish our goals put in place by the Strategic Plan Update, we must continue to remember who we're here for - the Cadet." She can be reached at sarahm@aircadetleague.com or 613-990-7641.

The Air Cadet League of Canada is a non-profit organization, who operates with the Department of National Defence in support of over 23,000 Royal Canadian Air Cadets. It is estimated that in one way or another 500,000 Canadians are involved in the Air Cadet movement today.

www.aircadetleague.com

Contact Leigh Ann Pingyin



**ALBERTA GROUP ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING**

**7 - 9 May 2010
CALGARY, ALBERTA**



Application for Registration

Accredited ☐

Fraternal ☐

Spousal ☐

Name (as per name tag) _____

Wing: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Postal Code: _____ **Phone:**

Registration fee: \$80.00 each

Banquet only: \$35.00

Spousal program: \$15.00 each

TOTAL: _____

Spousal program: (check one) Cross Iron Mills Mall _____
or Calgary Casino _____

Cheques payable to:

783 (Calgary) Wing
c/o Joanna Howard
9 Westlake Circle
Strathmore, AB T1P 1P9

Registration
Early Bird Draw
7 April 2010

Estimated Day and Time of Arrival: _____

For more information:

Joanna Howard

1-403-983-5796 or jph-rbh@shaw.ca

(See attached agenda for more information)

For Group Executive use:

**ALBERTA GROUP AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
MAY 7/8/9, 2010**

AGENDA

LOCATION:

**PORT O' CALL HOTEL
1935, MCKNIGHT BLVD NE
CALGARY, AB T2E 6V4
403-291-4600**

Accommodations and Meetings will be held here.

RATES:

\$119.00 + 10% tax per night.....rooms will be held till April 21, 2010.

Be sure to ask for the room block under “**783 CALGARY WING AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION OF CANADA**”.

Friday May 7, 2010

MEET AND GREET and **REGISTRATION** will be in **Room 747** from **1700hrs-2200hrs**.

Saturday May 8, 2010

Continental Breakfast from **0700hrs-0830hrs** in the **YANKEE BEACON ROOM** on the 7th Floor.....The meetings to follow in the same room.

LUNCH will be Buffet Style in the same room.

DINNER BANQUET will be served in the **STRATHMORE BALLROOM**

Cocktails: 1800hrs

Dinner: 1830 for 1900hrs

Sunday May 9, 2010

Breakfast 0800-0930hrs in the **YANKEE BEACON ROOM**

SPOUSES PROGRAMME - SATURDAY May 8, 2010

CROSS IRON MILLS

This is a new Shopping Mall just outside the city limits, which is very interesting and houses the largest SPORTSMAN's STORE in Canada!

This is definitely worth a visit, the displays are fabulous! Plus the rest of the Mall is pretty impressive!

There is also the **Calgary Casino**, which is located just off Barlow Trail and within easy access from the hotel.

Transportation will be provided for both.

Please indicate on your registration form, which you might be interested in doing.



NOMINATION ACCEPTANCE FORM

#783 (Calgary) Wing

Air Force Association of Canada

I _____ do hereby accept the
nomination for the position of:

PRESIDENT

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

TREASURER

SECRETARY

DIRECTOR

(Please sign on the line opposite the position for which you are accepting the nomination)

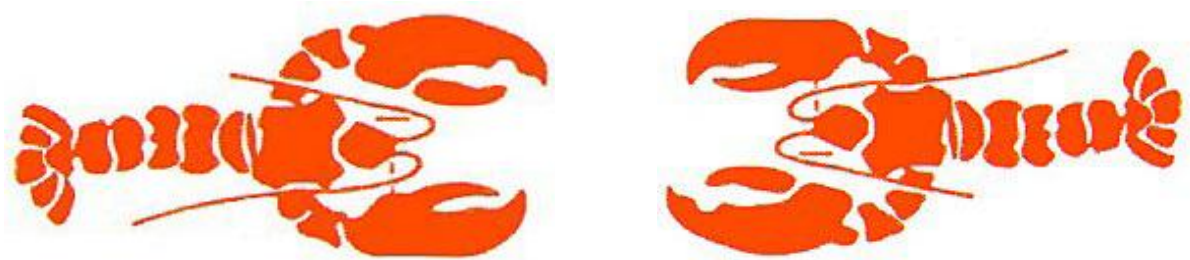
Chair-Nominations Committee

Robert (R.J.) Roe

**702 RCAF (LETHBRIDGE) WING
AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION**

Lobsterfest

May 29, 2010



**Place: 702 Wing Building
174 Stubb Ross Road
At the Lethbridge Air port
No Host Bar:**

**First Sitting 4:00 PM Dinner: 5:00-8:15PM
Second Sitting 7:30 PM Dinner: 8:30 – 10:30
PM**

Cost: \$50.00 per person

**For tickets: Call Walter or Barb at 403-381-
4352**

Or

**E-mail wdenhoed@shaw.ca or
bdenhoed@shaw.ca**