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676 CHANGE OF COMMAND

On Wednesday October 12th, 2011, the command of the 676 Lorne Scots Army Cadets was transferred from Capt. Dave Lima to Capt. Anita McConkey in a ceremony held at the Armoury.

Capt. Lima oversaw much change during his 3 years as commanding Officer. During his tenure, the Corps grew from 30 to 80 Cadets, and was awarded a Trillium grant. Capt Lima will remain at 676 as the Deputy Commanding Officer and the Gold Star instructor.

Capt. McConkey came to the 676 in 2008 from the 557 in Brampton. Capt McConkey became an officer in 2002 after being a Cadet from the age of 12 then a Civilian Instructor. Capt McConkey becomes the 12th Commanding Officer of the 676.

"I am very fortunate to be the Commanding Officer of a unit that has such a dedicated team of Officers and volunteers. Cadets should know the work that goes on behind the scenes and take the time to thank the officers and volunteers around them. They spend a lot of their free time planning events such as the Washington trip. We have an incredible program in Georgetown because of their hard work. My goals for the next 3 years are modest. I want to continue to build on the successes of the last few years. I want to see the 676 compete in the drill competition, the only competition we have not participated in and to win the Lord Strathcona award for a large Corps."

Capt McConkey lives in Orangeville with her husband Lt. Mike McConkey and her two sons Nickolas and Xander.



Remembrance Day ceremonies at the Glen



Signing the change of Command (from left to right) Capt McConkey, Capt Lima and LCol. Phelps commanding Officer of the Lorne Scots Regiment

676 STAFF CHANGES

NEW CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS AND PROMOTIONS

Fall was a busy time for promotions and changes. CV Paul House is now an Officer Cadet and 2Lt Michael Cameron and 2Lt Faith Bruce were promoted to Lieutenant. We are fortunate to have added 4 new volunteers at the Corps.

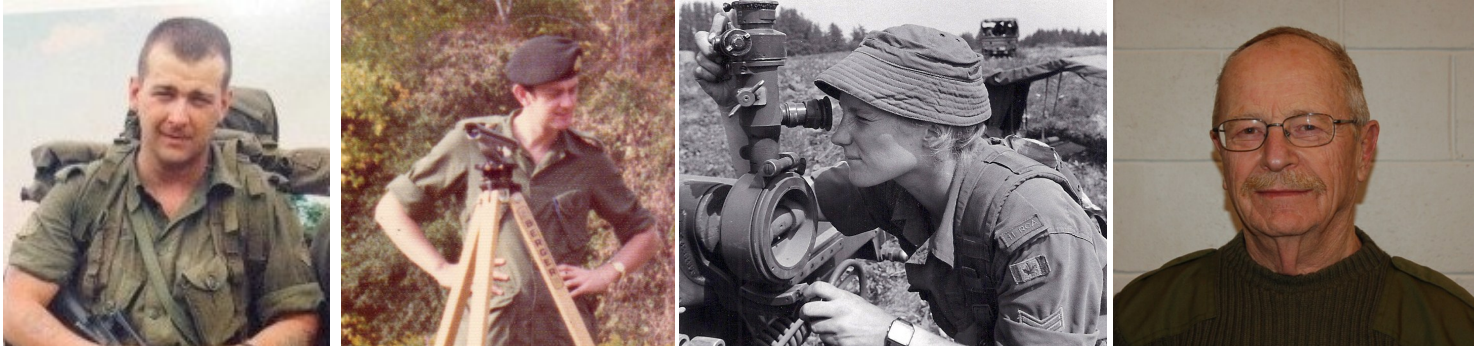
CV Cara Lacey joined the 11 Field Artillery Regiment with Canadian Forces Reserves in 1987. When Canadian women were first entitled to enter combat roles, she was the first woman in 11 Field to train in as an Artilleryman. She worked as a soldier both full and part time for eight years in many different roles retiring as a Master Bombardier when she became a mother. Cara is the Silver Star advisor and is coaching the Drill Team.

CV Harold Rosborough CD, joined 2 Field Engineering Regiment student training plan as a summer job in high school and stayed on in the primary reserve for 17 years. Harold spent much of his time training recruits and attained the rank of WO. Harold is currently the Green Star advisor.

CV Doug Sword was part of the 17/21st Lancers as a Tank Crewman in the British Army. After returning to Canada he re-joined the Lorne Scots and served as a Section Commander, Fire Controller with the Mortar Platoon, Doug finished his service with the Regiment as a Sergeant also volunteering as the Liaison Officer with the 557 Lorne Scots Cadet corps. Doug is currently the Red Star advisor.

CV John Tatham is retired from the TTC and a former Auxiliary police officer with Toronto and Halton Police. John was also the 756 Air Cadet Support Committee chair from 2003-07. John will be assisting in supply.

The senior cadet ranks also changed with Master Warrant Officer Bruce promoted to Chief Warrant Officer holding the position of Regimental Sergeant Major, Warrant Officers' Sevigny, Cameron and Rueda were promoted to Master Warrant Officers assuming the positions of Drill Sergeant Major and Company Sergeant Majors respectively.



From Left to Right
Sgt. Doug Sword, WO. H Rosborough, MBdr. Cara Lacey, John Tatham

CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Cadets in the 676 collected a total of 272 lbs of non perishable food in the 2011 Christmas food drive. All the food collected was donated to the Georgetown Bread Basket, a food bank for Georgetown residents located at 55 Sinclair Ave. The food drive was organized as a competition between the 4 platoons and the senior cadets. 2 Platoon collect the most food at 74 pounds. As the winner, 2 platoon will be excused from cleanup duties on parade nights until after March break. Thank you to all the families that participated in this years food drive.



Promoted to Master Warrant Officers

DSM MWO R. Sevigny, CSM MWO, M. Cameron,
CSM MWO N. Rueda

ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION FOR EVENTS ADDED TO THE WEBSITE PARENTS CAN NOW REGISTER FOR SOME EVENTS ONLINE IN 2012

As all parents know, there are some cadet events or activities that require forms and some that do not. For those events that do not require forms, it has always been a problem estimating how many would be showing up, how many lunches to order etc. and with close to 90 cadets we need a better way of doing business. Starting with spring tagging, parents will be able to register their cadets for participation electronically through the website. Simply go to the forms page or the page detailing spring tagging and complete the electronic form. This will be further expanded in the fall to cover all armoury events and Remembrance day activities.

PHOTOS FROM FORT GEORGE



Learning to fire a cannon c1812



Sgt Escobar, WO Cole, WO Franks



LCpl. Dulong inspecting the cannon

CAPT. TEETER RECEIVES CD

This fall, Capt Teeter was awarded the Canadian Decoration, a medal given to Canadian Forces members after 12 years of service. The presentation was made by Major (Retd) J. H. Harrison CD, the former Commanding Officer of the 676 when Capt Teeter was a Cadet.

Maj. (Retd) J. H. Harrison CD & Capt. Scott Teeter CD



CAMP SIGNUP WEDNESDAY 18 JANUARY

WASHINGTON TRIP & DISCOVER SCUBA INFORMATION FORMS & PAYMENT DUE

The camp sign up and information night for 2012 will be held on Wednesday January 18 starting at 7:15 pm. The sign up procedure is slightly different this year compared to past years. Parents will receive a preprinted form with all your cadet's information. Parents will verify the information and select 3 camps in priority. (First year cadets all attend the same course.)

There will also be an update on the Washington trip. This night will be the final opportunity to submit final payments, all outstanding forms and passports. Cadets that are unable to meet this deadline, will be replaced by cadets on the wait list.

Forms and payment are also due on this day for all cadets participating in the Discover SCUBA activity on scheduled for February 11. This is the last day forms and payment will be accepted for this event.



CORPS PROFILES

Each newsletter will profile a 676 staff member. The Seventh in this series features CV Lisa Capobianco, a dedicated member of the Support Committee and our Fitness Instructor..



Lisa grew up in Etobicoke, moved to Mississauga in 1992, and has been living in Georgetown for the past 10 years.

"I love the small town feeling that is still a part of Georgetown. Having worked at the PowerZone gym, I got to know many people around town, and always run into someone I know."

"My son has been a Cadet since 2008, and I think it's an incredible program for young adults. They learn so many skills that will enable them to grow into responsible adults – leadership, teamwork, confidence. I wish I could have been a Cadet when I was a teenager."

Lisa joined the Support Committee in 2008 and has volunteered for the Sports Nights since 2010

"Fitness has been a big part of my life since I was a teenager. My love of fitness and my desire to overcome my shyness prompted me to become a certified fitness leader, and I have been teaching for over 10 years. I especially enjoy working with young people and showing them how an active lifestyle can improve your life in so many ways. It's not about 'being skinny'."

Lisa currently teaches Boot camp and Spin classes at Atlantis Athletics in Georgetown. In her spare time she enjoys running, hot yoga and weight training. When she gets tired, Lisa enjoys reading and cooking.



NEW CHALLENGE COIN STRUCK FOR RETIRING CADETS

As a way to recognize long serving Cadets and volunteers, 100 unique numbered coins were minted and will be presented to retiring and resigning Cadets with 3 or more years of service.

"The coins are a way of saying thank you for your contribution and a reminder of the Corps they are leaving behind. said Lt. Cameron the designer of the coin. Unfortunately there is a stigma on Cadets that resign but the reality is work, school and changing lives sometimes lead to that difficult decision to leave after investing a number of years. After 3 years, the time required to qualify for this award, the cadet has made a lot of friends and has helped to shape the Corps. They should be recognized for that and be proud of their time in the 676 and they should leave with their head high. "

Each coin is numbered and will be recorded on the website indicating who it was awarded to.

The coins will also be presented to volunteers after they have accumulated a year of service and to special guests. Complete eligibility requirements can be found on the website under the new "Awards" page expected to appear in the next month..



Lt Cameron and RSM Bruce placing a wreath at the Glen Cenotaph during Remembrance day ceremonies



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