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## SPECIAL EDITION

## 102<sup>nd</sup> WARRIORS DAY PARADE – Saturday 19 August 2023





Our very own Toronto Signals Band and members of the Vintage Signals Team proudly 'flew the Signals Colours' at the 102<sup>nd</sup> Warriors Day Parade at the 2023 Canadian National Exhibition on Saturday, 19 August 2023.

As usual, the Warriors Day is a spectacular opening to the CNE, which is celebrating its 144<sup>th</sup> year! In addition to Drum Major Burke Gerhardt and his magnificent band, the VST had the

Line Truck in the parade, entered in the Reenactor Historical Category. Driver Grant Longaphie was joined by Rick Little and Carl Ragala.

The VST is particularly proud of the Line Truck, which is now equipped with a 1960's Line Ladder from the 1<sup>st</sup> Independent Signals in Hamilton, a great find and addition to this historic Signals vehicle. Of course, the Line Truck and crew were well received.





Special thanks to Grant and Carl for all of their outstanding work in preparing the Line Truck and bringing it down from Borden.

Well done all! You have done the Regiment and the VST proud!

## **RQ Signal Operator Course Grads**



On Thursday 17 August 2023 the Colonel Commandant, Brigadier-General (retd) Josee Robidoux, inspected the latest class of the RQ Signal Operator Course at CFB Borden.



The 26 new Signalers come from 31, 32 and 33 Signal Regiments, and were lead in this combined course by Lt Griffin Baird and WO Erik Maise.

Joining the marking of the completion of the course were representatives from each of the Regimental command teams, including Capt Clark, CWO Spinosa, LCol Moore, Maj Wilson and Sgt Bradley

## **Some Things You Just Never Forget!**

Joining in the celebration of the newest Signal Operators graduating, the Vintage Signals Team and the Line Truck Team presented another display of the history of the Corps to all those attending the parade. Thank you to Rick Little and Ghistain Arsenault for your efforts in support of the day!

It seems that we may have a 'new recruit' for the VST in the Colonel Commandant as she quickly manned the SB22 Switchboard, demonstrating to all of the graduates and families the finer points of operating the SB22 system.



The guests had many questions for Rick Little, who happily passed them over to BGen Robidoux, an expert former SB22 Operator.



If you wish to know more about our Signals history, or the outreach programmes offered by the Vintage Signals Team, please contact Terri McCGillvary at mcgillivrayterri@gmail.com or HCol Ken Lloyd at kenlloyd.mediator@gmail.com.