

Despatches

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REMEMBERING OUR FAMILY

On behalf of the entire 32 Signal Regimental Family, our condolences to Capt (Retd) Joe Plut and family on the passing of Brenda Plut.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Plut family.

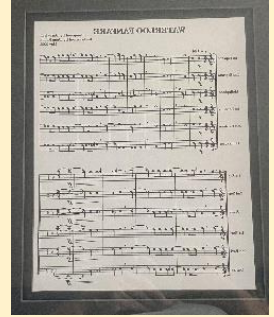


OP IMPACT – Supporting Our Troops Deployed Overseas

The Regimental Family is working to create 'care' packages for our ten soldiers deployed as part of OP IMPACT. Currently, under the guiding hand of our Chaplain, Padre Wilson, volunteers are being joining forces and accepting donations to purchase snacks (candy bars, chips), reading material and like items to send overseas. If you wish to make a cash donation in support of this effort, please contact:

Padre Donna Wilson – donna.wilson@forces.gc.ca
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A Fond Farewell To Music Director Barry Bell



On Sunday, 28 May, the Toronto Signals Band said farewell to Barry Bell, 48 years as Music Director. Barry has been inducted into “The World Drum Corps Hall of Fame” and “The Drum Corps International Hall of Fame”. Diane Beauchamp and Burke Gerhardt organised a well attended luncheon and presentation at the Canadiana Restaurant. The Band honoured Barry by playing “Waterloo Fanfare”, composed by Barry. A framed music sheet of “Waterloo Fanfare” was presented to Barry by Burt Gerhardt

Welcome To Summer!



Courses are happening throughout the Brigade and Division, our Regimental members are on overseas deployments, and BBQ's are smoking!

Taking some time for new friendships and old friends, on Saturday 8 July our Family BBQ was held at Armour Heights to shake the COVID cobwebs away. Thanks to Maj Ric Rangel-Bron who arranged the venue in the Officers' Mess, and to our very own 'chef' LCol (Retd) Greg Stasyna who delighted everyone with his BBQ skills.

We had 42 guests attend from across the Regimental Family, 4 Div, 32 Brigade and the Regiment's Cadet Corps, for a welcome afternoon of conviviality!

Skills At Arms Competition

The Regiment held its Skill At Arms Competition over the weekend 16-18 June 2023. A hard march brought together both the soldier and Signals skills. The weekend wasn't all marching though as it included awards and a welcome BBQ on 18 June!



A First Time For Everyone!



Vintage Signals Team Borden members Carl, Grant, Ghilain and Roger (not in the picture) sport their new Vintage Signals Polo shirts as they completed their first Regimental display sharing our Signals History. Our "Cold War" Line truck and "WWI" Pigeon Wagon were on display and enjoyed by all participants of the event.

Do YOU have a story or idea for *Despatches*?
Please submit your articles and photos to HCol Lloyd at:
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Out 'n' About



On Wednesday 28 June 2023, HCol Lloyd visited the Borden Squadron once more, this time having the pleasure of reviewing the graduation parade of RQ Signal Operator Pte Session #0004.

The top candidate was Pte S. Knack, with Pte J. Gaffiero being the course recipient of the Esprit d'Corps Trophy.

The quality and skill of the members on this recent course continues to build confidence in the future of Canadian Signals, and it reflects upon the integrity, dedication and overall knowledge and expertise of our Signals Instructors.

Bravo Zulu to all!

A Distinct Honour Indeed



The Toronto Signals Band was honoured to have a photo taken with 99 year old Lieutenant-General Richard Rohmer, Honourary Lieutenant-General of the Canadian Forces at the 65th Annual Ceremonial Review for 709 Toronto Signals on 10 June 2023 at Fort York Armoury.