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Future Ottawa Branch Dates

- 10 July 2005 TYCO Electronics Scottish Heritage Parade and Band Tattoo, Carleton Place
See next page of this Newsletter for more details.
- 11-15 July 2005 Manotick Piobaireachd and Light Music Summer School
See next page of this Newsletter for more details.
- 28 July 2005 B in the Park, Confederation Park, Ottawa
See next page of this Newsletter for more details.
- 29 July 2005 Piobaireachd Society Gold Medal (Canada) Contest
See next page of this Newsletter for more details.
- 29 July 2005 Glengarry Friday Night Tattoo, Guest Performer... John McDermott
www.glengarryhighlandgames.com
- 29-30 July 2005 Glengarry Highland Games
www.glengarryhighlandgames.com
- 31 July 2005 Montreal Highland Games
www.montrealhighlandgames.qc.ca
- 13 August 2005 2nd Annual Napanee Celtic Festival
More information is available at (877) 354-6601.
- 20 August 2005 North Lanark (Almonte) Highland Games
www.almontehighlandgames.com
- 08 October 2005 Ottawa Branch knock-out contests begin
Piping "A" and "B" Divisions
Drumming "A" and "B" Divisions
- 15 October 2005 *Ottawa Branch Mess Dinner, RCAF Officers' Mess, Ottawa*
Guest Speaker: Bob Allen, PPBSO President, Recitalist: Donald Lindsay.

Veterans Memorial (Spencerville) Highland Games Saturday 18 June 2005



Judges: Bob Worrall, Rob Crabtree, Amy Garson, Ed Bush, Steve Lanning

Band Results

Grade 2 Pipe Band (MSR and Medley)

1st Glengarry Gr2 2nd Oran Mor

Grade 3 Pipe Band (MSR)

1st Schenectady 2nd Mohawk Valley

Grade 4 Pipe Band (March Medley)

1st Rob Roy Gr4 2nd Glengarry Gr4 3rd Arnprior-McNab

Grade 5 Pipe Band (March Medley)

1st Rob Roy Gr5 2nd Sam Scott Memorial 3rd 413 Wing AFAC Quinte

Solo Results

Amateur Piper of the Day... **Amber Blair**

Amateur Drummer of the Day... **Robert MacLeod**

<i>Piping</i>	<i>1st</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>3rd</i>
Gr1 Jig	Andrew Killick	Amber Blair	Daniel Cole
Gr1 March	Andrew Killick	Will Ridley	Joe McGonigal
Gr1 S/R	Amber Blair	Kegan Sheehan	Andrew Killick
Gr2 Jig	Allison MacDonald	Amanda Pulling	Suzanne Stephenson
Gr2 March	Allison MacDonald	Christian McCartney	John Scott
Gr2 S/R	Allison MacDonald	Amanda Bush	Christian McCartney
Gr3 March	Jonathan Verrett	Amanda Pulling	Grant McDougal
Gr3 S/R	Karrie McLeod	Amanda Pulling	Grant McDougal
Gr4 March	Adam Campbell	Chris Grenke	Kevin Egginton
Gr5 March	Ashley Spruit	Andrew Munro	Andrew Dalziel
Snr Amat Piob	Amber Blair	Daniel Cole	Joe McGonigal
Inter Amat Piob	Rob McKenzie	Suzanne Stephenson	Allison MacDonald
Jnr Amat Piob	Dave Campbell	Amanda Pulling	Jonathan Verrett
Nov Amat Piob	Brittany Pinder	William MacNeill	Murray Bleakney
<i>Drumming</i>	<i>1st</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>3rd</i>
Gr1 MSR	Wesley Cole	Rob MacLeod	Doug Dixon
Gr1 H/J	Rob MacLeod	Doug Dixon	Wesley Cole
Gr2 MSR	Derek Cooper		
Gr2 H/J	Derek Cooper		
Gr3 MSR	Daryl Fowlie		
Gr4 March	Iain Bell	Jeff Cameron	Morag Mason
Gr5 March	Douglas Crowe	Dylan Stewart	Troy Hamstra
Amat Bass	Dale Bloss	Jason Overton	
Amat Tenor	Jennifer Hopkinson	Amanda Shulist	
Drum Major	Paul Lawrenson	Brendan Vallee	

2 CANADIAN MECHANIZED BRIGADE GROUP

PIPES AND DRUMS

Canadian Forces Base Petawawa takes its name from the Petawawa River. The origin of the name PETAWAWA is lost in antiquity, but legend has it that it is an Algonquin Indian word pronounced 'PETWEWE'. The translation means, "Where one hears noise like this", referring to the sound of the fast water over the rocks in the river. Another legend has said that the area was named after an indigenous woman who inhabited the banks of the Petawawa River and lived to the age of 115 years old.

In 1904 the Department of Militia and Defence purchased 150 properties from the original German settlers, totalling 22,430 acres. The Royal Canadian Horse and Garrison Artillery were the first to train at the Petawawa Military Camp during the summer of 1905. In 1906 the Royal Canadian Engineers constructed the first huts and stables, and installed water and gas systems. The first military aircraft flight in Canada took place at Petawawa on 31 July 1909 under perfect weather conditions when J.A.D. McCurdy and F.W. Baldwin flew the "Silver Dart" in the presence of Military Observers.



From December 1914 to May 1916 Petawawa was used as an internment camp for 750 German and Austrian prisoners of "The Great War". At the same time Canada Car and Foundry Company had developed 3-inch shells and were being tested at the camp by Russian artillery. The prisoners were instrumental in helping clear roads and timber to make these tests possible. From May 1916 to 1918, 10,767 Canadian troops were trained at Petawawa before being sent overseas. During the 2nd World War, Two Artillery and One Engineer training centres were established in the Camp. In September 1942, 12,515 troops were stationed on the Base. The peak load was reached during 1943 when approximately 20,000 troops were undergoing training at one time. As in the previous war, Petawawa was the site of an Internment Camp. The camp's official designation was Internment Camp No.33; located at Centre Lake it held 645 civilian internees. There were 28 different nationalities the majority being German and Italian. During 1946 the first Regular Army Units arrived in Camp Petawawa and it was established as a permanent camp.

In 1947, the training of Militia and regular units was resumed. The Royal Canadian Dragoons and 1st Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment were moved to Petawawa in 1948. Upon being given the status of a permanent camp, it was officially designated "Camp Petawawa" in May 1951. Units of the Special Force, such as 2 RCHA, 8th Hussars, PPCLI, and 1 RCR earmarked for service in Korea were concentrated at Petawawa before going to the United States for departure for the Far East. The 2nd Canadian Infantry Brigade Group was stationed to Petawawa upon return from Germany in 1959 and re-designated 2 Combat Group in 1966. The camp was renamed Canadian Forces Base Petawawa and allocated to Mobile Command.

On 01 April 1977, 2 Combat Group was disbanded and was combined with the Canadian Airborne Regiment at CFB Petawawa to form the Special Service Force. The Special Service Force was officially re-designated as 2 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group by a Ministerial Order signed on 24 April 1995. Currently there are approximately 5,000 persons employed at CFB Petawawa (4,400 of them military). The units that are currently active are: 2nd Regiment Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, The Royal Canadian Dragoons, 1st Air Defence Regiment (Lanark Renfrew and Scottish), 2 Combat Engineer Regiment, 2 CMBG Headquarters & Signals Squadron, 1st Battalion- The Royal Canadian Regiment, 3rd Battalion- The Royal Canadian Regiment, 2 Service Battalion, 2 GS Battalion, 2 Field Ambulance, 2 Military Police Platoon, 427 Tactical Helicopter Squadron, CMED (Central Medical Equipment Depot), 1 Canadian Field Hospital, 2 Area Support Group Signals Squadron (2ASG Sigs).

On 02 July 2005 CFB Petawawa celebrated its first 100 years of service.

PIPES AND DRUMS

The Pipes and Drums were formed as the 2nd Canadian Guards Regiment stationed at Canadian Forces Base Petawawa in 1954. It was a regimental band with musicians drawn from the ranks of the regiment. When the Guards disbanded in 1970, the Pipes and Drums were re-badged to form the 4th Battalion Royal Canadian Regiment, with pipers and drummers once again drawn from the ranks. With the formation of the Special Service Force in 1977, the Pipes and Drums were

reorganized to support CFB Petawawa and the elements of land and air forces making up the Special Service Force. With the demise of the Canadian Airborne Regiment the Pipes and Drums were re-badged a final time to reflect the name of the Brigade: 2nd Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group in 1996.

The 2nd Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group Pipes and Drums currently have 19 members: a Drum Major, eleven pipers, eight drummers and an additional two members who help form a separate Ceilidh band. These all fall under the direction of the Pipe Major, Warrant Officer Colin Clansey, and the Drum Instructor, Corporal John Pakenham. The Band consists of regular force army musicians and armed forces personnel detailed from their respective units, augmented by military and civilian volunteers. The pipers and drummers of the 2 CMBG wear the Black Stewart Tartan. They have four orders of dress, depending on the occasion or function. The Pipes and Drums appear courtesy of the Commander, 2nd Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group: Col A.J. Howard, CD.

As well as their military duties at CFB Petawawa, the Pipes and Drums of 2 CMBG play for many celebrations across Ontario and the northern United States of America. They play street parades, mini-concerts and have played with brass/reed bands. On four occasions over the past eleven years, the Pipes and Drums have spent their summers competing in Pipe Band competitions. The record for those five years is: 1990 Ontario Champions, Canadian Champions, North American Champions and Champion Supreme Pipe Band Grade IV; 1991 Ontario Champions, Canadian Champions, North Eastern United States Champions, North American Champions and Champion Supreme Pipe Band Grade IV; 1997 Ontario Champions, Canadian Champions, North Eastern United States Champions, North American Champions, and Champion Supreme Pipe Band Grade IV; 2000 Champion Grade IV Band Almonte Highland Games.

For additional information about the 2nd Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group Pipes and Drums, please contact either the Pipe Major, Colin Clansey or Drum Instructor, John Pakenham CFB Petawawa, Petawawa, Ontario, Canada, K8H 2X3. Telephone (613) 687-5511, Ext. 5839



Pipe Major John T MacKenzie 2nd Btn Scots Guards & RCAF

The Queen Victoria School, Dunblane, Perthshire was established for the sons of fathers who served in the Scottish Regiments. It has many famous graduates, including J.T. MacKenzie, and others such as Angus MacDonald, "Gabby" Rowe, "Curly" Rowe, Jim Slatterly, Willie MacColl, all of them Scots Guards. In all there were eighteen former School members who became Pipe Majors of their Regiments. Another of the "old boys", Donald MacDonald, of Inverness, has written a 6/8 march in tribute to John MacKenzie named "Pipe Major John T. MacKenzie, 2nd Btn Scots Guards & RCAF Command". This came about from Jock Wrighte (formerly The Black Watch (RHR) of Canada and the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders in Scotland 1946-1952 and also an "old boy" of Queen Victoria School) extolling the praises of John and the overwhelming work he did in Glengarry County and the Ottawa area for piping and pipe bands. Donald, who's

brother is William MacDonald of Benbecula, both excellent pipers, asked Jock to contact John's sister Janice to ask if she would agree to a tune being named in tribute to John. The attached is the result. The Games Committee at the Glengarry Highland Games have agreed to include a presentation of the tune to Janice and his former wife Helen during the Glengarry Friday Night Tattoo this year.

Pipe Major John T MacKenzie, 2nd Btn Scots Guards & RCAF

Donald MacDonald (c) Inverness