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This week's transfer lists start with the appointment of a new Commanding Officer for "J" Division plus a good number of new Commissions as well as transfers in the Insp, Supt. C/Supt. and other EX Categories.

Under the Veterans News segment we have a request for Information about an RCMP Veteran who has been diagnosed with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. Perhaps we have readers who may be familiar with this or who would know someone who may be able help our retired member. Then we have additional information on the RCMP Medical Examination Class Action where there seems to be some confusion. The RCMPVA has provided contact information for the Legal firms working on this as well as links to forms to remove your names from the Action if members wish to do that. There is also a second letter from the RCMPVA that provides further information on this Action. The Town of Indian Head, is working with a community-based volunteer committee, including RCMP members, is developing a **Memorial Park to honour Cst. Patton's sacrifice and commitment to his community**. The **development committee is seeking donations from those who wish to be part of this legacy project, with a fundraising goal of \$150,000**. There is information on where to send donations and **charitable receipts will be provided**. Then there are **Job Opportunities to Supply Drivers for Winter roads to the mines that are from Yellowknife plus perhaps other positions in the North**. There is contact information in the article. That is followed by information on the RCMP Quarterly that needs our support. I have been a regular subscriber for many years of The Quarterly. I find that they provide a lot of interesting historical articles to remind us of the many unique activities the Members have had in their areas. More recently the Divisions provide operational situations that they have encountered in their Divisions. **The Quarterly needs our support**. Then we **have another Centennial Rifle for sale** for you collectors out there.

If all of this is too serious I have included a few stories in the Lighter Side segment for your reading enjoyment.

- A) Transfer List – 2021-09-29

The following transfers/promotions are approved:

O.2344, C/Supt. K.F. Leahy  
From: National Div., Director, Parliamentary Protective Service, Ottawa  
To: "J" Div., Commanding Officer, Fredericton (A/Commr.)

O.3330, Insp. N.L. Varkonyi  
From: HQ, OIC Terrorism Prevention Program Intervention, National Security, Federal Policing, Ottawa  
To: HQ, Recourse Adjudicator, Recourse Services Branch, Professional Responsibility Sector, Ottawa

O.3339, Insp. D.N. Ward  
From: "F" Div., IC Support Services – Contract, Regina  
To: "F" Div., IC Indigenous Policing Services, Regina

49425, S/Sgt. S.A. Brillon  
From: HQ  
To: HQ, OIC National Conduct Management Section, Workplace Responsibility Branch, Professional Responsibility Sector, Ottawa (Insp.)

48898, S/Sgt. D. Pankratz  
From: "E" Div.  
To: "E" Div. IC, Management and Administrative Services, Lower Mainland District, Chilliwack (Insp.)

48662, Sgt. S.T. Rose  
From: "E" Div.  
To: "E" Div., Operations Officer, West Shore Detachment, Victoria (Insp.)

46042, Sgt. A.K. Hobson  
From: "K" Div.  
To: "K" Div., Staff Sergeant Major

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(B Transfer List – 2021-10-06

The following transfers/promotions are approved:

O.2965, C/Supt. W.Y-M. Ng  
From: "E" Div., Detachment Commander – Contract, Richmond City Detachment, Richmond  
To: "E" Div., OIC Criminal Operations, Federal Investigative Services & Organized Crime, Surrey (A/Commr.)

339932, Jason Mombourquette  
From: Executive Director, Information Technology Services, Corporate Services Branch, Health Canada, Ottawa (EX-02)  
To: HQ, Director General, Digital Systems and Solutions Delivery, Chief

Information Officer, Specialized Policing Services, Ottawa (EX-02)

O.3320, Insp. M.R. Moos

From: HQ, OIC Financial Integrity, Federal Policing Criminal Operations, Federal Policing, Ottawa

To: HQ, OIC National Crime Prevention, National Crime Prevention and Indigenous Policing Services, Contract & Indigenous Policing, Ottawa

48484, S/Sgt. K.R.W. Horwood

From: "K" Div. To: "K" Div., OIC Plain Clothes Services, Wood Buffalo (Insp

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(C Transfer List - 2021-10-13

The following transfers/promotions are approved:

O.2848, Supt. R.A. Carfantan

From: "E" Div., Southeast District, Assistant District Operations Officer, Kelowna

To: "E" Div., District Operations Officer, Island District, Victoria (STE)

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From: HQ, Director, Indigenous Co-Development, Collaboration and Accountability, HR Policies, Strategies and Programs, Human Resources, Ottawa (EX-01)

To: HQ, Director, EDI, OL Strategies and Outreach, HR Policies, Strategies and Programs, Human Resources, Ottawa (EX-01)

Nadim Lakhani

From: HQ, Director, National Recruiting Program, HR Policies, Strategies and Programs, Human Resources, Ottawa (EX-01)

To: HQ, Director, RCMP Sustainability Project, Ottawa (EX-01) (Assignment)

O.2987, Supt. M.P.O.J. Roach

From: "C" Div., Assistant Criminal Operations Officer, Border Integrity, Montreal

To: "C" Div., Assistant Criminal Operations Officer, Organized Crime, Montreal

O.3254, Insp. J.T. Graham

From: "F" Div., Operations Officer, Central District, Saskatoon

To: "F" Div., Plain Clothes Services Senior Investigative Officer, Major Crime Branch, Saskatoon

O.3241, Insp. D.C.D. Rusk

From: HQ, OIC RCMP-Indigenous Relations Services, Contract and Indigenous Policing, Ottawa

To: HQ, Ethics Officer, Professional Responsibility Sector, Ottawa

106173, Sgt. S.A. Archibald

From: Depot

To: "F" Div., Sergeant Major

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(D Passing the Torch

**C/2225** Civilian Member (Ret'd) Lorne Harold **Donaldson** - June 30, 1936 - September 6, 2021. It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Lorne Harold Donaldson on September 6th, 2021. Lorne was born in Vancouver on June 30th, 1936 and passed away in Abbotsford, B.C. He is predeceased by his parents, Harold and Beatrice Donaldson, his loving wife Sheila Donaldson, his sister Maureen Pardek, and brothers-in-law Edward Bellefontaine and Mel Pardek. He is survived by his daughters, Kelly Newbery, Kim (Jim) Dolloway, Karmen Donaldson, Amanda Donaldson, and Amber (Gates) Donaldson, sisters Patricia Bellefontaine and Debra (Terry) Sewell, eleven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, along with many nieces and nephews. Lorne served in the Canadian Navy from 1953 until 1958, worked for Corrections, and was an owner-operator of a private ambulance company in the town of Haney (Maple Ridge). In 1977, Lorne joined the RCMP as a civilian member in communications in Penticton, Prince George, and Kelowna where he retired in 1998. Lorne was a very active member of the Freemasons and the Gizeh Shriners of BC, where he served as Potentate in 2008. Lorne had a wide group of friends and he will be greatly missed. A Memorial Service for Lorne will be held Friday, September 24, 2021 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at First Memorial Funeral Services Burkeview Chapel, 1340 Dominion Ave, Port Coquitlam, BC V3B8G7.



Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at [www.firstmemorialportcoquitlam.com](http://www.firstmemorialportcoquitlam.com) for the Donaldson family. Here is the link to view Lorne Harold Donaldson's service: [https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.legacystreaming.com/dignity-port-coquitlam/;!M2D\\_dUfSiN4E!aDtfbm98QsMu39nbvxzZ9K21DMnDxNI2t7pSN81M4uAu5EWJKxVX8WLV4Jisyi8NEw\\$legacystreaming.com](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.legacystreaming.com/dignity-port-coquitlam/;!M2D_dUfSiN4E!aDtfbm98QsMu39nbvxzZ9K21DMnDxNI2t7pSN81M4uAu5EWJKxVX8WLV4Jisyi8NEw$legacystreaming.com) - Years of Service: 1977 – 1998 - Postings: "E" Division

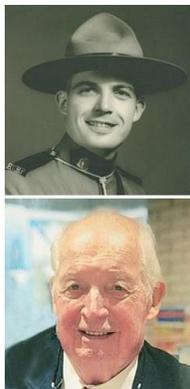
Aux Cst. Mathew Gilbert Stringfellow - June 21, 1931 ~ September 12, 2021. Mathew (Matt) Gilbert Stringfellow was born on June 21, 1931 in Nipawin, Saskatchewan. He passed away September 12, 2021 at the Bulkley Lodge in Smithers, BC. Matt was raised as one of seven children, living in Nipawin until the family moved to Vancouver, BC in 1941. He later met his future wife Kathleen (Kay) and was married in August of 1955. Matt and Kay raised four children while living in several communities throughout BC. Matt had many occupations throughout his lifetime, most noteworthy as Custodian at Silverthorne Elementary School, Manager of Claude Parish Memorial Arena and spent many years as an Auxiliary RCMP member in Houston, BC. Matt and Kay moved to Richmond in 1985 to help care for his mother and later retired in Nanaimo, BC. After the loss of Kay in 2010, from which he never fully recovered, Matt returned to the Bulkley Valley to be near family. He is survived by his children: Linda (Alan), Mathew (Carol), Thomas (Susan), Patrick (Patricia), 11 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, plus numerous nieces and nephews. Known for his hilarious quips and the teller of jokes, Matt will be deeply missed by his family and friends. A family memorial will be held at a later date. **In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Houston Retirement Housing Society.** To send sympathy gifts to the family or plant a tree in memory of Mathew Gilbert String fellow, please visit our tribute store. Postings: "E" Division



**#24499** Sgt. (Rtd.) Douglas Victor Honeyman - On Wednesday, September 22, 2021, Doug Honeyman of Spruce Grove, AB, our beloved husband, father, and Poppa, passed away after a lengthy illness. Doug is survived by his loving wife, Sheila; son Derek; daughter Erin; son-in-law Scott; favorite grandson, Grayson; his sister, Donna and brother-in-law, John. He was predeceased by his mother, Ruth, and father, John. Doug was born in September of 1945, in Vancouver, BC. He spent his early years playing hockey, curling, and scuba diving before joining the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1966. He married his wife, Sheila, in 1968, whom he met while stationed in Whitecourt, AB. He was stationed in the following locations, sometimes more than once: Whitecourt, Viking, Leduc, St. Paul, Forestburg, Evansburg, and Stony Plain before retiring from the rank of Sergeant in 2005 with 39 years and 8 months of distinguished service. Notably, in 2002 he was awarded the Queen's Golden Jubilee Commemorative Medal in recognition of significant achievements and distinguished service. He was well-respected and admired by his many, many co-workers, who remember him fondly for both his professionalism and sense of humor. Doug always gave back to the community through volunteering; he coached minor hockey, was involved in Scouts Canada and was always willing to lend a helping hand. One of his crowning achievements was being a founding member of the Super Cops Racing Society in 1997. The Society was the basis for the Super Cops Racing Team that started the Street Legal Program in Canada. The team drag-raced at the local racetrack in order to reduce street racing and improve communications with rural youth throughout western Canada.

In his retirement, he loved to travel, enjoyed coffee time with other retired members, listening to music, watching movies, working on jigsaw puzzles, camping, visiting with family, and building Legos with his grandson. In lieu of flowers, please donate to STARS Air Ambulance (<https://foundation.stars.ca/AB-tributegift>) Service details to follow at a later date. Years of Service: 1966 – 2005 - Postings: "K" Division - RCMP Veterans' Association Member - Edmonton Division.

**#14845/O.607** Chief Supt. (Rtd.) Donald Douglas **Cliffe** - 1925 – 2021 - Donald (Don) Douglas Cliffe September 12, 1925 – September 17, 2021. It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Donald Douglas Cliffe on September 17, 2021 at the age of 96 years. Doug was born in Hamilton Ontario on September 12, 1925. He served in the Royal Canadian Air Force during WWII and after returning home from the war enlisted in the RCMP. After completion of recruit training at RCMP Depot in Regina, he was posted to "F" Division serving at one point at Moosomin Detachment. He was transferred to HQ and subsequently was posted abroad as a Visa Control Officer in Italy and Sweden. Upon his return to Canada, he was transferred to "O" Division Security Service and worked out of the McKenzie Bldg., on Adelaide St. Toronto. He was commissioned to the rank of Inspector in 1966 and posted to "J" Division, Fredericton as their Admin officer. Later he was again promoted eventually reaching C/Supt. while serving in Vancouver and Victoria. He retired in 1979 as



Commanding Officer, District 2, Victoria. He is survived by three daughters, Shirley, Janet and Nancy and his brother, Bill Cliffe, S/Sgt. (Ret'd), #19066. Funeral arrangements have not yet been finalized. No other details are available at this time, but will be posted as and when known. Years of Service: 1947 – 1979. Postings: "F", HQ, "O", "J" and "E" Divisions. World War II Veteran – RCAF. Former RCMP Veterans' Association Member - Victoria Division. Remembered with respect and gratitude for his service. The following obituary was posted in the Times Colonist. CLIFFE, Donald Douglas In the light of the noonday, it is with great sadness and heavy hearts that our family announces the sudden and peaceful passing of Donald Douglas Cliffe, our beloved Dad, Grandpa, Comrade and Friend on Friday, September 17, 2021 in Victoria, BC. Don was born in Hamilton, Ontario on September 12, 1925, eldest son of the late Wilfrid and Ethel Cliffe. He was predeceased by his wife, June; his sister, Dorothy and his brother, Fred. Don joined the RCAF for Active-duty service in WWII. His public service included the RCMP (C/Supt.), BC Director of Liquor Control and Licensing, Past-President of the Red

Cross and the Royal Canadian Legion - Branch #7, lifetime member. Don is survived by his brother Bill and sister-in-law June; his daughters, Shirley (Errol) Keetch, Janet Olinoski (Manuel Thibault), and Nancy (Bill) Knott; seven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and several nieces, and nephews. A burial service will be held at the RCMP Depot Cemetery in Regina at the convenience of the family. Personal condolences may be offered through [www.dignitymemorial.com](http://www.dignitymemorial.com) .

Public Service Employee (Ret'd) - Phyllis Elaine **Bowles**. May 20, 1945 - September 18, 2021.



BOWLES, Phyllis Elaine, 76, of Brighton, Ontario, passed away peacefully on Saturday, 18 September, 2021 at the QHC Trenton Memorial Hospital. Born in Amherst, Nova Scotia, she was the daughter of the late John Smith Trueman and Ruby Udella Trueman of Truemanville, Nova Scotia. She first attended grade school in Truemanville before heading to Amherst Regional High School and ultimately Oulten's Business College in Moncton, NB, lending to a professional administrative career with the RCMP. She is survived by her loving husband Lindsay Bowles of Brighton, ON; two sons Steven (Anastasia) Bowles of Ashton

Station, ON; and Gregory (Tracy) Bowles of Ottawa, ON; three sisters Jean Cameron of Amherst, NS; Carol (Leonard) Bzdel of Saskatoon, SK; Dorothy (Daniel) Smith of Truemanville, NS; brother Raymond (Jane) Trueman of Truemanville, NS; two brothers-in-law Karleton (Carol) Bowles of Russell, ON; and Curtis Bowles of Renfrew, ON; sister-in-law Susan McCulloch of Surrey, BC; seven grandchildren: Matthias, Nathanael, Diana, Cecilia, Emily, James and John-Paul; and a blessing of dear nieces, nephews and cousins. Phyllis was predeceased by her parents as well her in-laws Clyde and Marjorie (Crowell) Bowles of Amherst, NS; brother-in-law David Richard Bowles; and, sister-in-law Barbara (Beal) Trueman. Interment, Graveside Service including Livestream will take place in the Beechwood National Military Cemetery in Ottawa, ON, on Friday, 08 October 2021 at 12h00. Register in advance for the service: [https://foveo-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_utp6nYhRSh-Hvb5fvmsXw](https://foveo-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_utp6nYhRSh-Hvb5fvmsXw) After registering, you will receive a confirmation e-mail containing information on how to join the service. In lieu of flowers, **donations in her memory may be made to Myeloma Canada or the charity of your choice**. Arrangements entrusted to the Brighton Funeral Home, 130 Main Street West, Brighton (613-475-2121). Postings: HQ Division - CPIC, Pay & Administration Branches.

**#15059 / O.670** Superintendent (Retired) Edward James **Ard** - March 23, 1927 - September 13, 2021.



RCMP Superintendent (retired) Edward James Ard passed away at his residence at Missionwood Retirement Home in Kelowna, BC, on September 13, 2021. Ed was born on March 23, 1927 at Alsask, Saskatchewan. He grew up in Flaxcombe and later in Plenty, Sask. He attended high school in Mitchell, Ontario where he met the love of his life, Helen Jean Rice. Ed was an excellent athlete and played high school hockey, basketball, and baseball. After high school graduation Ed applied to the RCMP and in 1947 he was accepted into training as a Recruit Special Constable, number 9629. He trained at Depot (Regina) and N Division

(Ottawa). On his 21st birthday he was promoted to Constable Third Class and issued RCMP Regimental Number 15059. After training he was posted to Alberta and in 1949, he was transferred to Aklavik, NWT. In 1950 Ed was transferred to Tuktoyaktuk, NWT as the first permanent RCMP Constable in "Tuk". During his 3 years in the north, Ed and Helen kept up their relationship by letter. In 1952 after having served in the RCMP for 5 years, Ed was permitted to marry Helen. Over the next 33 years, Helen and Ed moved 11 times including 11 years in the Yukon and NWT. In 1969, Ed was commissioned as a Sub Inspector (Officer number O.670) and in 1970 he was posted to Depot Division (RCMP Training academy) at Regina, Sask where he served as the staffing officer. In 1973 Ed was posted to North Battleford, Saskatchewan as the Officer Commanding North Battleford, Sub Division. Ed's last posting in the RCMP was in 1978 to Thompson, Manitoba as the Officer Commanding Thompson, Sub Division. In July 1980 after 33 years of service in the RCMP, Ed and

Helen retired to Kelowna, BC. Ed learned to curl at an early age and filled his home with curling trophies including representing the Yukon at the Dominion Police Curling Championships in 1961. Ed loved to golf and was able to pursue this passion until his late 80's. In 2017 Ed and Helen moved to the Missionwood Retirement home in Kelowna where they met many new and old friends. At the time of his death, Ed Ard is believed to have been the oldest retired RCMP member who served in Canada's north. Ed and Helen have 5 children – Bill (Liz) born 1953, Rob (Bernie) born 1955, Brian (Ann) born 1959, Nancy Ferguson (John) born 1961, and Barry (Clare) born 1964. They have 13 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. The family will hold a memorial service at a later date. Years of Service: 1947 – 1980 - Postings: Depot, "N", G, "F" and "D" Divisions - RCMP Veterans' Association Member - Okanagan Division.

**#28164** Staff Sergeant (Retired) Gerald Alois **Matzner** - April 10, 1949 - September 21, 2021. In



Loving Memory of Gerald (Jerry) Alois Matzner - longtime resident of Valleyview, Alberta and formerly of Leoville, Saskatchewan - passed away Tuesday, September 21, 2021 after a short illness, with his family by his side. Gerald was born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; he was the fourth of five sons to Alois and Sarah Matzner. Gerald grew up on the family grain and cattle farm near Leoville, Saskatchewan. Gerald was an excellent student, played hockey and ball, hunted and fished, and worked with his brothers and parents farming until he left to attend technical college in Saskatoon where he was enrolled as a mechanical engineering technologist. In 1970, Gerald joined the RCMP and embarked upon a 27-year career that took him throughout Alberta and Saskatchewan. Jerry was to be a member of the RCMP; he forged friendships during those years that were everlasting. He worked hard and played hard, and did his very best to contribute positively and wholeheartedly in the communities he and his family were stationed. Ever the entrepreneur, Jerry continued farming, as well as owned a successful towing company, scrap yard, antique store, vehicle sales lot, auction company, and various properties. For those that knew Jerry, it was very apparent from an early age that he loved anything with a motor. Upon his graduation from the force, he bought a bright orange Pontiac GTO, as well as the best skidoo money could buy in those days. He spent much time cruising the streets of Wainwright (his first posting) and pushing the limits of his new skidoo in the river valley hills and later in Fort McMurray. After he mastered the art of driving on the ground, he decided to move on to flying airplanes. Jerry never sat still for very long – there was not much he wouldn't try or wouldn't do. In his later years, he collected cars and trucks (and actors/trailers/bikes/boats....) with abandon! His prized possessions were his Dodge Charger and his Corvette. Jerry was always completely devoted to his family – his family meant the world to him. He was a man that was larger than life – a huge presence with a huge heart. Boisterous, funny, generous, charming, quick witted and intelligent, he will be deeply missed by all that knew him. His loss is devastating to his family. It is impossible to imagine a future without Jerry's presence in it. Jerry leaves behind many family members and friends. With sorrow and sadness, he leaves behind his wife Lela, Andrew(Twyla) and Laurie(Brian). Jerry will be deeply missed by Lela's devoted daughter Cindy(Clayton) and children Jayda and Hunter. Jerry's cherished grandchildren Jorden, Jennae, Caitlyn, Breanne, and Ember will forever mourn the loss of their beloved and ever-present grandfather. Kigha, Zydel, Vox, and great-grandsons Jace and Arson, will miss Jerry's presence in their lives. Jerry will always be in the thoughts of his brothers Walter (Helen), Harry(Louise), Donald(Kathy), the mother of his children, and so many more family members, friends, and community members far and wide. Gerald was predeceased by his parents, Alois and Sarah, brother Ervin (Evelyn) and nephew Kelly. Celebration of Life Wednesday, September 29, 2021. 1:00 pm Memorial Hall Valleyview, Alberta. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, there is a maximum capacity limit of 50 people. This will be saved for immediate family and friends. For anyone that would like to watch via livestream, there will be a video link

posted in the coming days that you can use to join us live. Link to livestream:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5JmMjBXlaUE> In Lieu of **Donations: Lend a hand when someone needs it, help your neighbor, friend or stranger.** Love Jerry. Final Resting Place - Penn Cemetery, Saskatchewan. To be Interned at a later date. Years of Service: 1970 – 1997 - Postings: "K" Division.

Matricule **41605** gendarme (retraité) J.E. Georges **Monette** - 1957 – 2021. La famille Monette a



le regret de vous annoncer le décès de survenu le 20 septembre 2021, à l'âge de 64 ans. Il était l'époux de Madeleine Gagné et le fils de feu Zéphyr Monette et de Aline Émond . Outre son épouse, il lai sse dans le deuil son fils Sébastien (Annie Charette) ; le fils de Madeleine, Martin Maher. Il laisse également son frère: Alain ainsi que plusieurs beaux-frères, belles-soeurs, neveux, nièces, cousin(e)s, parents et ami(e)s. Une célébration de sa vie, en présence des cendr es, aura lieu le samedi 30 octobre 2021 à 14 h à la COOPÉRATIVE FUNÉRAIRE DE

L'OUTAOUAIS située au 1369, boul. La Vérendrye O. à Gatineau. La famille recevra les condoléances à compter de 13 h . Vos marques de sympathie peuvent se traduire par un don à Société canadienne du Cancer. Vos messages de condoléances peuvent être envoyés à: [www.cfo.coop](http://www.cfo.coop) Années de service: 1978 – 2016 - Affectations: Division A et QG

**#21339** Cst. Ronald George **Jessop** age 81, 1940 – 2021 - of Stratford passed away peacefully



at his residence Spruce Lodge on Sunday, August 22, 2021. He was predeceased by his father George (1992) and mother Beatrice Voigt (1998). Ron will be lovingly remembered by his brothers, Steve (Nee-Ann) and Russell (Beth), niece Quenby (Sebastien) and nephews Britt (Jennifer) and Nicholas. Thank you to friends, family, caregivers and medical staff for the support and care he received during his life in our community. A conversation with Ron

went a long way to brighten his day. Ron was very proud of his service as a constable with the RCMP in Western Canada during the early 1960's. His love of music went back to his high school days, playing the saxophone in the Swinging Seven Band. Cremation has taken place and interment will be at a later date. A memorial donation may be made to the Canadian Mental Health Association through W.G. Young Funeral Home. Years of Service: 1960 - 1971 (circa).

**#20918/O.1102** Inspector (Retired) James Nathaniel **Dawe** - February 9, 1935 - September 15, 2021. Jim was born February 9th, 1935 in Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia and passed away in his sleep on September 15, 2021 at 86 years of age. Jim was pre-deceased by his daughter, Heather, in 1982. He is survived by his beloved wife Barbara of sixty years, daughter Jane (Alan), son Doug (Liz), grandchildren Brian, Mackenzie, Megan, Sidney, Sophie and sister Joyce MacKenzie of Halifax, Nova Scotia. Jim enjoyed a successful career in the RCMP and CSIS with postings in Newfoundland where he met his wife, Ottawa, Regina and Washington, D.C. He was a graduate of Carleton University in Ottawa with a degree in Political Science. A highlight for Jim was attending National Defence College in Kingston, Ontario in 1985. Upon retirement in 1993 in British Columbia, Jim became active in curling, fishing, golfing and hunting. He was an avid bird hunter and enjoyed annual trips to Saskatchewan with hunting friends of many years. Jim and Barb's fondness for travel took them to the United States, Europe, Asia and South America. Jim will be missed by his many colleagues and friends. By request, there will be no funeral service. Jim will be laid to rest in the RCMP Cemetery in Regina, Saskatchewan in a family plot with Heather. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to a charity of choice. Years of Service: 1959 – 1984 Postings: "B" & "F" Divisions, HQ and Foreign Liaison Directorate (Washington) Former RCMP Veterans' Association Member - Okanagan Division - *Remembered with respect and gratitude for his service.*

**#31048 Cst. Stanley Morgan Spray - 1945 – 2021.** Stan, late of Regina, SK passed away peacefully on September 21, 2021 at the age of 76 years. He was predeceased by parents Samuel and Ose Spary. Stan is survived by sons Sean and Tyrone Spray; daughter Claire Spray; sisters Holly and Sherry; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Stan grew up as an adventurous person, spending his time between Regina and Regina Beach. His taste for adventure later led him to joining the RCMP. After graduation he journeyed to British Columbia, where he continue to enjoy his love of the beaches, and his passion for martial arts and fitness. He won many championships and later opened his own martial arts school. Eventually Stan left the RCMP and attended the U of R, where he earned a Bachelors of Kinesiology. After graduation he returned to policing, which is the pathway he followed until retirement. Stan loved to spend time with his children. At every possible moment, he took them to go to Regina Beach to fish and swim; Moose Jaw to visit the Western Development Museum and Spa; road trips to BC; and playing racquetball and lifting weights at the YMCA. He will be greatly missed. His love and gentleness will always be remembered by his loved ones. In respect of Stan's wishes, there will be no funeral service. Years of Service: 1974 – 1984 - Postings: "E" Division



**Aux CST. James Allister Sears - 1934 – 2021.** James (Jim) Allister Sears, 86, passed away peacefully on September 29, 2021, at the Aberdeen Hospital after a short illness. He is survived by his wife Miriam (Thompson), sister Shari (John) Burns, children Michael, Matthew (Laurie), Lisa (Gordon), daughter-in-law Elizabeth Cameron, grandchildren Liam (Cynthia), Riley, Hope (Braedon), Kyle (Brittney), Cameron (Beka), Brianna (Kurtis), Mariah (Kurtis), Erica, and great-grandchildren Sawyer and Levi. He was pre-deceased by parents Ward Sears and Ruby (Crossman) Sears, and parents-in-law Gib Thompson and Mary (MacFarlane) Thompson. Jim was born in Glace Bay on Christmas Day, 1934 and later moved to New Glasgow where he enjoyed playing sports on a variety of school teams. He graduated from St. F. X. University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1959 and his education degree in 1960, working as a teacher in Pictou County for 30 years. "Big Jim" was a giant of a man, both in size and personality. He met Miriam at a dance at the IOOF Hall in New Glasgow and Miriam became the love of his life. This beautiful marriage lasted for 61 glorious years. Jim excelled at serving his community and building relationships, never hesitating to share his talents to make the world a better place. Coaching teams in various sports while teaching in Pictou, Stellarton, and Trenton was a true passion. He sang on the popular Sing-Along Jubilee program for two seasons, and in various church choirs as well as the Trinitarians adult choir his entire life. Jim had a life-long love of fitness and could often be found working out at the gym. He enjoyed many years volunteering as an auxiliary member of the RCMP as well as with the Telecom Pioneers. Jim was instrumental in the formation of The Old Scotia Heavy Events Association and competed for many years in Highland games throughout Canada, the United States and Scotland. He was a true ambassador and spokesperson for Scottish culture was admitted into the Pictou County Sports Hall of Fame as well as the Canadian Scottish Athletic Federation Sports Hall of Fame. Jim cherished friendships and had a remarkable ability to connect with others. He was a wonderful conversationalist and always took time to stay in touch with friends and family far and wide. Jim was fortunate to travel widely, but some of his favourite travel adventures were Sunday drives with Miriam, holding her hand while enjoying Nova Scotia's beautiful scenery. Those who knew Jim knew how much he loved his peanut butter. If desired, donations of jars of peanut butter can be made to your local food bank in his honour. He would also be grateful if today you told your loved ones how much you love them. Please, no flowers by family request. If so desired, donations can be made to the Pictou County Palliative Care Society (pcpcare.org) in Jim's



memory. Jim and his family are indebted to many medical professionals including the VON (especially Crystal), Dr. Brennan, Dr. MacDougall, Dr. Leighton, Dr. Kwasnik and the palliative care team, and the many staff members of the Aberdeen and Victoria General hospitals that compassionately cared for him over the years. Funeral arrangements are under the care of the HW Angus Funeral Home. Due to COVID restrictions, no public viewing is permitted. A service will be held for invited guests only. Jim's service will be livestreamed through the HW Angus Facebook account at 1pm on Saturday, October 2. [www.angusfuneralhomes.com](http://www.angusfuneralhomes.com) **Donations - If so desired donations can be made to the Pictou County Palliative Care [pcpcare.org](http://pcpcare.org)** Postings: "H" Division - RCMP Veterans' Association Life Member - Nova Scotia Division.

**#21072** Cst. Michael **Pierce** - 1938 – 2021. It is with heavy hearts we announce the passing of Michael Pierce of Pictou, NS (Formerly of Vernon, BC, Winnipeg and Thompson, MB, Belleville, ON and Miramichi, NB) on September 28, 2021. Mike was a devoted husband, father & grandfather who loved the outdoors and was active in whatever community he lived, in politics and volunteer organizations over the years. Mike was born in Carlisle, UK in 1938 and immigrated to Canada in 1958 where he joined the RCMP, completed basic training in Regina and was stationed in New Brunswick where he met Norma to whom he was happily married for nearly 60 years. Mike is survived by his wife, Norma; his sons, Robert and Stephen and their family's; 4 grandchildren; sister, Margery Jackson and her husband Jim as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Mike was predeceased by his father, Frederick; sister, Julie and mother, Kathleen. Mike loved the outdoors and worked multiple careers during his life after leaving the RCMP including community college educator, land administrator and in the justice department for the Province of Manitoba among others. He actively participated in politics as a school board trustee, ran for an MLA position in Thompson, Manitoba and was active in the scouting movement as a leader for many years. In his free time Mike enjoyed teaching downhill skiing, sailing, camping, fishing and generally enjoying the outdoors. He built a 16' dinghy sailboat called Jufred Petrel named after his father and sister and later sailed a 30' sailboat around Pictou which he lovingly refurbished. Rest in Peace Mike. Cremation has taken place. **In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Pictou VON or St. James Anglican Church, Pictou, PO Box 459 Pictou B0K 1H0.** Visitation will be held 2-3PM Thursday in McLaren Funeral Home, Pictou. A graveside ceremony will be performed at a later date at Riverside Cemetery in Miramichi, NB. [www.mclarenfuneral.ca](http://www.mclarenfuneral.ca) - Years of Service: 1959 - 1961 (circa) - Postings: "J" Division.



**#43254** Cst. Kevin Harry George **Missens** - April 25, 1961 – September 29, 2021. On September 29, 2021 Kevin Harry George Missens “ Osāwi-maskosīy; Yellowgrass” made his journey to the spirit world. Kevin was predeceased by his paternal grandparents Vincent and Margaret Missens (Fiddler), Step-grandfather John (Jake) McKay; Maternal grandparents George and Eliza (Ball) Obey, Parents George and Evelyn (Obey) Missens, brother Darren Missens. Kevin was survived by his loving wife Brenda and their Children; Cory (Char), Crystal, Shelly (Dano), Scott (Sheryl), Claudine (Sheldon), Travis (Jodie), Jennifer, Holly (Isadore), Laramie, Keltin (Dakota), Adopted Daughter Krystal (Chrystar), and 28 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Siblings; Sharon (Reg), Darcy (Doris), Hilda, Trudy, and Eddie. Aunties; Shirley, Diane, Sylvia, Yvonne, Uncle Pat McKay, Irvin Watson and family of Rocky Boy Montana, and Relatives of Mandaree, North Dakota. Special cousins; Shelley (Russ), Bev (Ron) and Daryl (Barb). Kevin worked in the Human Justice field for many years beginning with RCMP and continued on to become a Court Worker with FHQ Tribal Council. During his time at FHQ he took pride in working as head security for Treaty 4. Kevin was an avid Golfer, coached minor Hockey and



Fastball. He enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren's games. He was also a long time season ticket holder for the Saskatchewan Roughriders. Special Thank you to Pasqua Chief and Council, all the nursing staff at Paskow Muskwa Healing Centre. A Traditional Wake will be held Monday October 4th, 2021 beginning at 4:00p.m. in the Chief Ben Pasqua Memorial Hall, Pasqua First Nation. Traditional Funeral Service will be held the following day, Tuesday October 5th 2021 at 10:00 am, in the same location. Burial to follow in the Piapots First Nations Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Conley Funeral Home, Fort Qu'Appelle SK. 306-332-0555. Years of Service: 1983 – 1992 - On September 29, 2021 - Postings: "F" Division.

**#37290** Cpl. (Retd.) Thomas D. **Milne** - 1956 – 2021. I'm saddened to announce the passing of Cpl Tom Milne Reg #37290 (retired) on September 4, 2021 at Pitt Meadows, BC. Tom started his RCMP career with Troop 17 ('81-'82). Postings included Sherwood Park, Ft Chipewyan, Rocky Mtn House (Alberta); Ft Resolution NWT, Sanikiluaq (Belcher Islands) and Lake Harbour NWT (now Nunavut) and Ridge Meadows Detachment (BC). Tom was passionate about the RCMP; computers (he computerized Sanikiluaq and Lake Harbour before computers were an official tool), baseball and hockey (if you wanted to get Tom talking just ask him a baseball question); and his Yorkies, Rhea and Emma. Remembrance Citation by Beverley Zaporozan. There is no obituary presently, nor information respecting a possible celebration of life. Any details will be published as and when known. Years of Service: 1981 – 2010 - Postings: "K" Division *Remembered with respect and gratitude for his service.*



**#43310** Cst. (Retired) **JUNG IL KIM** - Passed on September 27, 2021 at Scarborough, Ontario. Mr. Kim worked as the first Korean RCMP from 1975 until his retirement in 2003. Following his retirement he began working as an interpreter for I.R.B and the Ministry of Attorney General. He was a loving husband to his wife Duk-Suk of 46 years, and a devoted father to William and Grace. Reflection and Visitation shall take place at Highland Funeral Home, 3280 Sheppard Avenue East, Scarborough ON M1T 3K3, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am on Friday, October 1, 2021. The funeral shall follow at 11:00 am. Years of Service: 1975 – 2003 - Postings: "O" Division.



**#18683** Staff Sergeant (Retired) Bruce Joseph **McNenly** - March 21, 1933 - October 1, 2021. A wonderful reunion took place as Bruce Joseph McNenly reunited with the love of his life, Laura Monica, in heaven on Friday, October 1st. Back in each other's arms, dancing to a Don Messer tune was no doubt involved before taking a break to watch the Blue Jays game together from front row seats!. At the age of 88, Dad passed away peacefully and unexpectedly in Sydney Forks in the home that he built and shared with so many friends and family over the years. The door was always open and memories immediately go to family meals, Crown Royal, fiddle tunes, hours of card playing - unless he was in the shop building and a love shared between parents like no other. Bruce was born in Ontario, son of Michael Joseph and Katherine (Munro) and is survived by his brother, Bob (Mary) of Lindsay, Ontario and predeceased by his sister, Julia. We know Dad's only regret would be that he left behind his four loving children: Stephen (Maria MacDonald) and Kelly (Sydney Forks), Janice (Danny Gray, Halifax) and Jennifer (Billy Dwyer, Sydney River). Confined to the house due to mobility issues the past few years, he loved hearing the stories of all the happenings that were going on through us, his children. He was surrounded by us constantly as he ordered up his favourite meals, got us to turn on his tunes or just enjoyed having us around. Sharp as a tack right up to the end, Dad was still overseeing projects, checking his accounts, rounding up the crew for woodchuck and reminding us to turn out the lights. Although born in Ontario, Cape Breton was truly Dad's home. At the age of 21, he



faced the decision of staying to farm in Ontario or heading west to join the RCMP. He never once regretted the decision he made and retired from the force after almost 40 years from a career that he was so proud to serve. He was stationed in 10 different postings from one end of the province to the other covering places from Ingonish to Shelburne, always with the hope of coming back to Cape Breton which he did, retiring as Sub Division NCO in Sydney in 1993. The family never did get to avoid his farming desires as he involved us in growing strawberries, raspberries and rhubarb for half the island. Besides his love of the RCMP and being a gentleman farmer, Dad was a top notch carpenter who spent the evening hours working in the shop building furniture, cabinets or doing ongoing renovations to our homes. Dad will be forever missed by all those who knew him and forever remembered for his kindnesses, his tireless and unwavering work ethic and his love of family. He showed us such a good example of how to love life in simple ways, to accept what you are given and to give back more than you take. Dad always loved the closeness of our family that remains today. While our hearts are broken, we choose to focus on the exceptional examples of humanity and love that we were blessed to know through our parents. Rest in peace, Dad...your work is done. Wake will be held at Sydney Memorial Chapel on Tuesday, October 5th from 4-7pm with funeral mass at Our Lady of Fatima church on Wednesday, Oct. 6th at 11:00 am. All are welcome to join our family. (Please note that COVID vaccination confirmation will be required for both as per provincial regulations). The Funeral Mass will be live-streamed on the Sydney Memorial Chapel Facebook page. **In lieu of flowers, we ask that you contribute to others in need through an act of kindness or charitable donation.** Years of Service: 1954 – 1993 - Postings: "H" Division

**#19835** Sgt. Rtd. Edward **Moroziuk** - November 15, 1937 - September 18, 2021. Passed on September 18, 2021 while a resident of Oakville, Ontario. Edward joined the RCMP on March 20, 1957. Following recruit training, he was initially posted to "K" Division. He later transferred into the Security Service and was posted to "O" Division. He transferred into the Canadian Security Intelligence Service in July 1984 after CSIS was established. Edward continued to serve with CSIS until his retirement in 1988. There is no obituary at this time. Any information respecting a celebration of life will be shared as and when known. Years of Service: 1957 – 1984 - Passed on September 18, 2021 while a resident of Oakville, Ontario. Edward joined the RCMP on March 20, 1957. Following recruit training, he was initially posted to "K" Division. He later transferred into the Security Service and was posted to "O" Division. He transferred into the Canadian Security Intelligence Service in July 1984 after CSIS was established. Edward continued to serve with CSIS until his retirement in 1988. Postings: "K" and "O" Divisions There is no obituary at this time. Any information respecting a celebration of life will be shared as and when known. *Remembered with respect and gratitude for his service.*

**#23805** Staff Sgt. (Rtd.) Wayne Harold **Rudderham** - October 20, 1945 - October 1, 2021.



Mr. Wayne Rudderham, age 75, beloved husband of Donna Rudderham, passed peacefully away Friday October 1, 2021. Prayer Service will be held at 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 with Mrs. Margaret Ferchuk officiating. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 with Father Roque Concepcion as Celebrant. Both services will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 1401 4th Avenue West, Prince Albert. The late Mr. Rudderham is survived by his loving family: his wife Donna; son Clint (Colleen) and their family Matthew, Nathan, and Piper; son Kirby (Corky) and their family Jessie, Emily and Rowan; daughter Michelle Boyko; daughter Debbie Cowan and family Travis and Teagan; his sisters Iris and Donna; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Harold and Jessie Rudderham; brother Larry and his wife Cathy; his sister Marjorie; brother-in-law, Lem MacPherson; mother and father-in-law, Art and Claire Renaud; and sons-in-law Ryan Boyko and

James Cowan. Wayne was born October 20, 1945 in Sydney, Nova Scotia. He took his school in Louisbourg and Sydney. Upon graduating he worked in the bank, then in January of 1965 he journeyed to Regina to join the RCMP. He was stationed in New Brunswick, British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Newfoundland. He was an excellent officer and received the Merit Award for bravery in BC. During this time he met his young bride Donna Renaud and on January 9, 1971 they were married in Marcelin, SK. Wayne and Donna were blessed with 50 years together, and four beautiful children, Clint, Kirby, Michelle, and Debbie. His pride and joy grandchildren, Matthew, Nathan, Piper, Jessie, Emily, Rowan, Travis, and Teagan. They were the bright stars of his world and loved each and every one of them. After retiring from the RCMP Wayne moved back to Prince Albert and ran his own memorial business until complete retirement. Wayne loved travelling with family, and watching and cheering his grandchildren on during their individual achievements. Wayne was an inspiration to many and loved by many as well. He will be deeply missed by all who know and loved him. Rest in Peace my love until we meet again. In lieu of flowers, **memorial donations in memory of Wayne may be made to the Rose Garden Hospice - Development Office located in the Gateway Mall, or online <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/26521>** , or by mail P.O. Box 2092, Prince Albert, SK, S6V 5R3 - Family and friends wishing to send online condolences are welcome to visit [www.beaulacfuneralhome.com](http://www.beaulacfuneralhome.com) . Funeral arrangements are entrusted to the care of Beau "Lac" Funeral Home, Lorne Adams, Funeral Director, Prince Albert, SK (306) 763-3322. Years of Service: 1965 – 1985 - Postings: "J", "E", "K", "F" and "B" Divisions - Police Service Dog Master

**PSE** of the RCMP (Rtd.) Gordon Edward **Davidson** - 1940 -2021. It is with sadness that we



announce the peaceful passing of Mr. Gordon Edward Davidson on Saturday, September 25, 2021 at home surrounded by his wife Gaby and his sister Joan. Cherished husband of 37 years to Gabrielle Poirier Davidson. Loving father of John Davidson (Julie), Catherine Davidson Grant (Ray) and Daniel Poirier. He will be greatly missed by his sister Joan Davidson and his nephew Calif Berkeley (Leslie) and his niece Madison. He leaves in sorrow his grandchildren Micheal (Laura), Chelsea (Brent West), Joshua (Brittany Lipson), Payge Davidson and Karen (deceased) as well as his great-grandchildren William Smith, Grace West, Tiana West, Piper Lipson and Calvin Lipson. Mr. Davidson served in the Canadian Armed forces for 29 years. He also had a great passion for the National Defence Headquarters' Rifles and Pistol Team, Ottawa Connaught Rifle Range. He also worked at the National Energy Board and as a Public Service Employee for the RCMP. For those who wish, the family would appreciate donations to Canadian Charity Omacan ([omacan.com/donate](http://omacan.com/donate)) with a dedication to the memory of Gordon (Ned) Davidson and the Ddembe Home Uganda program. A special thank you to the staff, PSW's at the Perley Rideau Veterans Health Center and to Dr. Garth Nicholas and Dr. Cindy Wang for their continued support. Many thanks to the Nurses, family and friends who have been there for us during this time. A graveside service will be held on Monday, October 4, 2021 at 1 p.m. at the Notre Dame Cemetery. Postings: HQ - Public Service Employee of the RCMP.

**#20758** Staff/Sgt (Retired) Reginald Gerald **Chad** - August 30, 1940 - October 3, 2021. Reg, born



on August 30, 1940 in Portage La Prairie, Manitoba to Alfred and Doris, passed away peacefully at NHH on October 3, 2021. He was the younger brother to Thomas of Sidney, BC. Reg joined the RCMP in 1959, following in his father's footsteps. He worked in the Drug Section at various detachments throughout his career where he rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant. Reg retired from the Bowmanville detachment in 1994. Reg married Judi in 1964, a registered nurse, who was the love of his life. They were the proud parents of Michael (Jane) and Stephen (Dawne). The family loved to spend time at the cottage on Upper Stony Lake. Sadly Judi

passed in 1994 after a battle with cancer. In his retirement years Reg enjoyed working at McGregor's Auction, re-caning furniture, BBQ'ing a great brisket, and volunteering for the Cobourg Police at the 'Trailer in the Park' as well as promoting rail safety to elementary students. He was the recipient of the National Roger Cyr Public-Rail Award. The greatest joy in Reg's life was being the grandfather to Page, Hunter, Zoe, Tessa and Quenten. He loved to take them on trips to Pingle's Farm, Cobourg Beach, and the Sandbanks when they were young and in recent years enjoyed seeing them become the adults they are today. Reg will be fondly remembered by his family and friends. A family gathering is planned. A special thanks to the staff at Empire Crossing and NHH for their care of Reg these past few years. **Donations are welcomed to be made to the NHH foundation and the NH YMCA.** Years of Service: 1959 – 1994 - Postings: "O" Division.

## **(E Veterans News**

### **(1 Seeking Information About RCMP Veterans Diagnosed with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis**

2021-09-29

**Eric Howard (Reg. # 33553) is a retired member living in Cochrane, AB. He was diagnosed with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis** (scarring of the lungs from an unknown cause) – IPF in November 2019 – his condition worsened to the point of requiring full time oxygen. During his decline in health, Eric was assessed for and was successful in being placed on the lung transplant list for Western Canada – these transplants are completed at the University of Alberta Hospital in Edmonton, AB. He had his lung transplant in October 2020 and is doing well adjusting to his new lease on life.

IPF is one of 200 Interstitial Lung Diseases that are often referenced as Rare Diseases – they receive little public attention unless you or someone you know have one. Eric is gathering information on retired and serving RCMP members and personnel who have some type of Pulmonary Fibrosis (PF). This will aid him in preparing documentation to Veterans' Affairs Canada (VAC) and will be shared with any other member who should apply. Having relevant data assists immensely in submitting a case that details the prevalence of this disease amongst those in the policing profession and exposed to various situations. Currently there are documented instances where VAC has supported retired members, and there are instances where VAC has not supported retired members diagnosed with PF. The goal is to have PF listed as an Occupational Disease.

**The following is being sought** – personal details will not be released without permission. This information needs to reflect a person's association to the RCMP in some form – it can be submitted by someone who has PF; are aware of or related to someone who has PF; or you are aware of or related to someone who has died from PF. Eric can be contacted if you would like to discuss your situation or that of someone else.

**Eric can be contacted at 403-803-3553 or [erthoward@gmail.com](mailto:erthoward@gmail.com) or**

Eric peut être contacté au 403-803-3553 ou à [erthoward@gmail.com](mailto:erthoward@gmail.com)

- **Name:**
- **Regimental #:**
- **Years Served:**

- **Divisions Served:**
- **Duties Performed (GD, GIS, ERT, FIS, Fire Investigator, Instructor, Firearms Instructor, etc.):**
- **Possible Exposures (Mold, Dust, Chemicals, Asbestos, Working Location):**
- **Diagnosis Date:**
- **Comments (Family history of this disease, is there an identified cause of your interstitial lung disease, etc.):**
- **Contact email & phone #:**
- **Any additional Comments you want to provide:**

A mailing list of those who supply information is being compiled and you will be kept informed of the research as it progresses. Your assistance is sincerely appreciated.

**To stay informed, keep your RCMP Veterans' Association Membership current.**

**Mike Duffy**

RCMP Veterans' Association (RCMPVA)

Chief Advocate

Reg. No. 33398

[Association.chiefadvocate@rcmpva.org](mailto:Association.chiefadvocate@rcmpva.org) (Email)

[www.rcmpva.org](http://www.rcmpva.org) (National Website)

**403-381-8200 (House)**

**403-866-8200 (Mobile)**

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#### **(2 RCMP Medical Examination Class Action**

RCMPVA

2021-10-01

Good day folks,

Apparently, some of you recently received messages from the law firm, "Kim Spencer McPhee Barristers P.C, regarding the RCMP Medical Examination Class Action. The message apparently implies you are participating in this action and refers to your ability to opt out, stating you must do so by using a form they have available for you. **The deadline is October 29th.**

I have included a link to the news article along with a link to acquire the "opt out" form.

I also understand some of you who received the message hadn't actually applied to be a part of the Class Action.

Regardless, if you did receive this letter from Kim Spencer McPhee Barristers P.C. and **want your name excluded from the Action, I suggest you complete the form and send it to them.**

I am advised they are indeed the firm that is handling this Class Action along with another, on behalf of a group of serving and former members.

As for their mailing address:

Kim Spencer McPhee Barristers P.C.

Attn: Megan B. McPhee

1200 Bay Street

Suite 1203

Toronto, ON M5R 2A5

**News Article:**

<https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/rcmp-medical-examination-class-action-notice-certification-federal-court-canada>

**Opt-Out Form:**

<https://www.rcmpdoctorsclassaction.com/optout.htm>

Regards to all.

A.P. (Sandy) Glenn, National President

**Association des vétérans de la GRC**

**Membres aidant les membres et leurs familles**

**Article d'actualité :**

**Recours collectif portant sur l'examen médical de la GRC - Avis d'autorisation - Cour  
Fédérale de Canada | Gendarmerie royale du Canada (rcmp-grc.gc.ca)**

**Formulaire d'exclusion :**

**Recours collectif des médecins de la GRC (rcmpdoctorsclassaction.com)**

**Regards à tous .**

**A.P. (Sandy) Glenn, National President**

**Association des vétérans de la GRC**

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**(3 A Letter From The President**

**RCMPVA**

2021- 10-06

On October 5, 2021, I sent a detailed message to all Division Presidents as a follow up to earlier ones in which the Notice of Class Action against the RCMP with respect to Doctors Examinations was being questioned.

**That message provided what I hope is a clear explanation of the notice provided to many of you by Dewar Communications.** It was very apparent the "Notice of the Class Action" left many with concerns they might be involved in the class action without agreeing to do so.

Likewise, the instruction on how to "Opt Out" if you did not wish to be involved. The message to the Division Presidents explained the situation and clarified why the "Opt Out" could be a step you might wish to take if you had no intention of taking individual legal action against the RCMP. I have attached a copy of that message for your easy retrieval.

You will note, towards the end of the message that I mentioned I had asked the RCMP to explain why so many of you had your personal information provided to Dewar Communications.

As per the message below, from the Director General, RCMP Compensation Services, the Federal Court had ordered the names and last known addresses must be provided, and that is how your personal information was made available to Dewar.

**I have been assured by the Law Firm, Kim Spencer McPhee Barristers P.C, it would be unusual for the designated communications company to release any of this personal information, and they believe this information is secure. They also assured me they have no idea what names were provided by the RCMP. The only question asked of the RCMP and not yet addressed is why have names of some former members who retired or left the Force prior to 1975 been released as well.**

I suspect these are very isolated cases, however, that question begs to be answered. If any of you have other concerns related to this litigation, please let me know and I will do my best to seek the answers.

Sincerrely

**A.P. (Sandy) Glenn, National President  
RCMP Veterans Association  
Members Helping Members and Their Families**

**Explanatory Conversation with Law Firm**

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**RCMP National Compensation Explanation**

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**(4 A donation to the Cst. Shelby Patton Memorial Park - 2021- 10-07**

**\*\*\*Update\*\*\* Tax Receipts Available\*\*\***

On June 12, 2021, Indian Head Detachment member Cst. Shelby Patton was tragically killed in



the line of duty at Wolseley, Saskatchewan after responding to a stolen vehicle report. The Town of Indian Head, working with a community-based volunteer committee, including RCMP members, is developing a Memorial Park to honour Cst. Patton's sacrifice and commitment to his community. Details regarding the Memorial may be seen at Town Of Indian Head - Constable Shelby Patton Memorial Park. The development committee is seeking donations from those who wish to be part of this legacy project, **with a fundraising goal of \$150,000.**

Acknowledgement of all donations will take place during an opening ceremony following the planned completion of the memorial, by the Fall of 2022. Tax receipts are available for donations made through the RCMP Veterans' Association Foundation. On behalf of the RCMP Veterans' Association, Regina Division is working with the RCMP VA Foundation in a campaign to contact and solicit donations from all Divisions and Members of the RCMP Veterans' Association towards a single, recognizable RCMP Veterans' donation to the memorial.

**Donations may be made via:**

1) CHEQUE payable to RCMPVA Foundation and mailed to: **RCMPVA Foundation c/o RCMP Veterans' Association**  
**Canadian Police College**  
**Box 8900 STN T-CSC**  
**Ottawa, Ontario**  
**K1G 3J2**

**a) identify your donation as for the Cst. Shelby Patton Memorial Park and request a tax receipt in the name of the donor and provide or verify your address.**

**2) E-TRANSFER to [rcmpvafoundation@gmail.com](mailto:rcmpvafoundation@gmail.com) .**

- a. include "Shelby Patton Park" and your name in the donation notes if possible;
- b. in addition to your e-transfer, send an e-mail to [rcmpvafoundation@gmail.com](mailto:rcmpvafoundation@gmail.com) requesting a tax receipt, providing your name and mailing address, the amount of your donation and identifying it as for the Cst. Shelby Patton Memorial Park.

### **3) CREDIT CARD to canadahelps.org**

- a. On the internet, go to the Canada Helps (EN) or website Canada Helps (FR) website and search for RCMP Veterans' Association Foundation
- b. Enter your donation amount and in the message section, **identify it as for the Cst. Shelby Patton Memorial Park and request a tax receipt, providing your name and mailing address.**

**To the end of September, approximately \$37,000** has been donated by the community, businesses,

RCMP members and Veterans and as you can see, there is a long way to go.  
Lets' get behind this worthy cause honouring the memory of Constable Shelby Patton.

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### **(5 Job Opportunities - Tibbit to Contwoyto Winter Road - 2022 .**

**Oct 12, 2021**

Mr. Frank Richter  
"Frank's Facts and Funnies"  
RE: Tibbit to Contwoyto Winter Road - 2022 .

Dear Frank

The Scarlet Group of Companies is a diverse Security Company operating throughout Canada. One of the Company's contracts is with the Joint Venture for the "Tibbitt to Contwoyto Winter Road" in the Northwest Territories. For many years, the road has been constructed for travel up to 400 km north of Yellowknife to reach the Ekati, Diavik and Gahcho Kue' Diamond Mines. The main purpose of the winter road today is to resupply the Diamond Mines. Approximately 85% of the road is over ice with the remaining 15% travelling on overland portages. The Winter Road builders monitor and maintain the road to ensure that it meets all requirements for the respective freight loads.

**Safety is the highest value in managing the winter road. Supply drivers to the mines are from Yellowknife dispatched approximately every 20 minutes in convoys of 4 trucks.** A security team of 19 people patrol the Ingraham Trail from Yellowknife as well as the Winter Road 24 hours a day while the road is operating. The security team works with the drivers to ensure they comply with the Winter Road rules. The rules are designed with safety in mind for all road users. The security team employs retired law enforcement officers. **The season is short, approximately 10 weeks in duration beginning the last week of January until the first week of April, with shifts being rotational 12 hrs. per day. Days off are included during the period. Accommodation is divided between 3 maintenance camps on the winter road, and four members of the team work from Yellowknife, NWT for the duration of the season.**

**There are presently vacancies for some positions.** Retired members who have served in isolated communities, in northern communities or small communities are best suited for this work environment.

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detachments are best suited for this work environment. Any individuals interested in the opportunity are requested to provide a resume to the undersigned for consideration. I would appreciate it if you would add this to your next newsletter in hopes that some retired members may have a "northern experience" on their bucket list.

**Please note: Double covid vaccinations are mandatory with a minimum of 14 days prior to employment.**

Kind regards  
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Manager, Special Projects  
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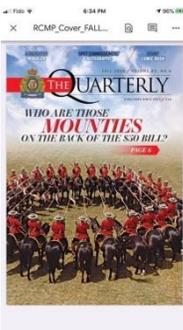
**(6 The Quarterly**

**RCMPVA**

2021-09-25

The Quarterly has existed since 1933, and is the flagship publication of the RCMP Veterans' Association.

**Despite our longevity, we're hurting. In order to remain financially viable, we need to increase our readership significantly in the weeks and months ahead.**



If you've never subscribed to the magazine, or if your subscription has lapsed, take a close look at the Quarterly. I've often said that we're no longer writing stories about members attending community bake sales. Our articles are now more operationally-focused, instructional, and even a tad controversial at times. And for you history buffs, we find it necessary to devote some content to the Force's rich history and traditions.

Subscribing to the Quarterly is simple. Just visit our portal at [www.rcmpva.org](http://www.rcmpva.org) . **The cost is \$40 for four issues.** You don't have to be an RCMP employee to receive the magazine. **The Quarterly can be gifted to anyone. Remember, Christmas is coming.** **Your support of this not-for-profit publication is truly appreciated by our mostly volunteer staff.**

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### **(7 RCMP Centennial Rifle MP24XX – For Sale**

2021-29-09

Hi Frank

I have an RCMP Centennial Rifle MP24XX that I would like to sell to a member (retired or active). If you could do this, and include my email: [jpb23441@gmail.com](mailto:jpb23441@gmail.com) I would appreciate it. Thanks and please stay safe and well.

**James Brown**

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### **(F The Lighter Side!**

**A man is visiting his elderly father in a care home.**

**The man asks how his father is settling in.**

**“Oh, it’s wonderful son, I’ve made some great friends, I’m well rested and at night the nurses give us a hot chocolate and a viagra before bed every night”.**

**When, leaving, curious to know about the viagra, he asks a nurse.**

**“Excuse me, my dad told me that you serve him hot chocolate and a viagra before bed every night, why?”**

**The nurse replies, “Oh, the hot chocolate is to help them fall asleep.”**

**“And the viagra is to stop them rolling out of bed”**

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**Sign over a Gynecologist's Office: "Dr. Jones, at your cervix."**

**In a Podiatrist's office: "Time wounds all heels."**

**On a Septic Tank Truck: Yesterday's Meals on Wheels**

**At an Optometrist's Office: "If you don't see what you're looking for, you've come to the right place."**

**On a Plumber's truck: "We repair what your husband fixed."**

**On another Plumber's truck: "Don't sleep with a drip. Call your plumber."**

**At a Tire Shop in Buffalo: "Invite us to your next blowout."**

**On an Electrician's truck: "Let us remove your shorts."**

**In a Non-smoking Area: "If we see smoke, we will assume you are on fire and take appropriate action."**

**On a Maternity Room door: "Push. Push. Push."**

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**How does an attorney sleep?**

**First he lies on one side, then he lies on the other side**

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**I have a few jokes about unemployed people,  
but none of them work**

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**How do you make holy water?**

**You boil the hell out of it**

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**Will glass coffins be a success?**

**Remains to be seen**

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**What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo?**

**One is really heavy and the other is a little lighter**

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**Two windmills are standing in a wind farm.**

**One asks, "What's your favorite kind of music?"**

**The other says, "I'm a big metal fan."**

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**I went to buy some camouflage trousers yesterday**

**but couldn't find any**

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**What do you call a bee that can't make up its mind?**

**A maybe**

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**I tried to sue the airline for losing my luggage.**

**I lost my case**

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