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Pond Hockey Classic gearing up for another year



Photo by Makala Chapman

Members of 8 Wing Trenton, the City of Quinte West, Trenton Memorial Hospital Foundation, Trenton Military Family Resource Centre, Personnel Support Programs and Batawa Development Corporation at a media launch for the ninth annual Pond Hockey Classic at Batawa Community Centre on Jan. 7.

By Makala Chapman

Preparations for the ninth annual CFB Trenton Pond Hockey Classic are underway. The event, which has been running since 2012, is a hockey tournament open to the community that raises funds for the Trenton Memorial Hospital Foundation (TMHF) and Wounded Warriors Canada. While

the first organization focuses on local health care, the other sees to it that Canada's ill veterans, first responders and their families are taken care of in times of need. In the last eight years, the hockey tournament has raised \$352,000. This year is set to carry on that same momentum as more than 40 teams are expected to lace up for some old-fashioned winter fun. The tourna-

ment takes place at the Batawa Community Centre at the end of the month and will run from Jan. 31 to Feb. 2. Speaking about how proud he has been to see the event grow was Pond Hockey Classic chair retired Captain (Capt.) Jeffrey Moorhouse. He noted without the community's continual support and partnership with organizations like the

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A year in review: The best of 2019

By Makala Chapman

If the last year has shown us anything, it's how amazing the 8 Wing Trenton community continues to be. From the members who served domestically and abroad to the military fami-

lies and the community that continue to support them, all will agree it was a record-breaking year. Many changes took place including the opening of new Military Family Resource Centre (MFRC) hub in Batawa, the arrival of a new command team and much more. There were countless stand-out mo-

ments both on and off the base. So, please, sit back and enjoy as we take a look at some of the moments that helped shape another incredible year at 8 Wing Trenton. This week's edition will take a look at the first half of the year. The remainder of the year will be shared in next week's paper.



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January: Ready, set, go!

By Makala Chapman

What a strong start to the year. This month was defined by esprit de corps – a feeling of pride and fellowship – which is a value that 8 Wing members embody every day. It began with a special visit from Mr. Moosey – a stuffed moose travelling across Canada and the U.S. raising awareness for Canada’s first responders and emergency personnel. When Mr. Moosey stopped in at 8 Wing Trenton, members of 21 Military Police Flight made the plush toy an honorary member of their team. They then sent their thanks to his owner, 5-year-old Mackenzie Brown, for caring enough to share him with them. In the sports community, the RCAF Flyers men’s hockey team skated their

way onto the podium at the Ontario Regional Championship. Taking home silver, the Flyers proved they were a force to be reckoned with. Just a few days before the end of January, a special delivery arrived on Base – the return of 437 Transport Squadron members who were deployed on Operation Impact in the Middle East. The mission was one of Canada’s official offers of support to the Global Coalition where they offered a myriad of services including air-to-air refuelling of aircrafts. Also, on Base, 2 Air Movement Squadron welcomed Honorary Colonel John Cairns to the family. At his investiture ceremony, the incoming squadron member promised to uphold traditions and honour the legacy of all those before him. To finish off the month, Personnel Support Programs (PSP) engaged the Base for their annual Bell Let’s Talk Campaign in support of mental health.



The Askin children patiently await the arrival of their father, Sean Askin, a L3-MAS civilian contractor working alongside 437 Transport Squadron on Jan. 28, 2019.



Photos by Makala Chapman

Cpl. Jason Barnim (left), Quinte West OPP officer D. Osmond (middle) and Sergeant Matt Tremblay (right) with Mr. Moosey on Jan. 10, 2019.

February: Hockey and cake and space, oh my!

By Makala Chapman

Wasting no time, the 8 Wing Trenton community really began to pick up speed in February. The month began with the eighth annual CFB Trenton Pond Hockey Classic – a charitable hockey tournament in support of the Trenton Memorial Hospital Foundation and Wounded Warriors Canada. In addition, the Trenton Military Family Resource Centre’s Winter Jubilee saw hundreds of families enjoy a day of free outdoor activities in Batawa. Over at the Yukon Galley, members of 8 Wing Food Services were busy cooking up a storm. As they have for several years, they once again celebrated the Royal Canadian Logistics Services’ (RCLS) anniversary by partaking in a national cake baking contest. Weighing

in at approximately 50 pounds and taking close to 100 hours to construct, the custom creation was ready to impress the judges and was a fantastic tribute to members of RCLS.

Over at the National Air Force Museum of Canada, an inaugural forum on mental health, PTSD and sexual harassment was held. In a separate gathering, members also got the chance to learn about the importance of celebrating diversity and visible minorities. Hosted by senior members at 8 Wing and Personnel Support Programs, everything from coping with mental health to the supports available were discussed. Also, at the museum, the annual Family Day was a success. Boasting a theme of all things outer space, kids enjoyed everything from interactive exhibits to learning about Canada’s role at the International Space Station.



CLOCKWISE FROM UPPER LEFT: Members of the Trenton Military Family Resource Centre say they couldn’t have been more pleased with the turnout from their Winter Jubilee in 2019.



Wing Food Service’s MCpl (ret’d) David Charron and Private Patrick Gonzalez with their custom cake for the 2019 cake competition.

The Cyr family checks out a model of a satellite at the Space to Spoon exhibit on Feb. 18.

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March: Celebrations, congratulations and a standing ovation

By Makala Chapman

Despite the cooler temperatures, nobody was slowing down at 8 Wing Trenton. In fact, things began to heat up quite a bit. It started with the men's regional basketball tournament being held on Base. Although the Trenton team was bested in the semi-finals, they all agreed it was a great event and an honour to be able to host in on their home courts. A different team also spent the month of March celebrating their success. The Canadian Forces Aeromedical Evacuation Flight got together for an evening of festivities and to reflect on their 10-year milestone. March was also an important month for the military community as renovations to an emergency housing unit were completed and unveiled. Those in attendance at the ribbon-cutting ceremony learned how 8 Wing Trenton's 81 Construction Engineer Flight (81 CEF) had been kept busy over the last two years working on the home's roof, the foundation and more. Also credited for helping bring the home back to life and working along-side 81 CEF was contracting company Real Property Operations (RP Ops). Later in the month, 8 Wing took the time to celebrate International Women's Day with a series of workshops, activities and an open discussion on the importance of gender

parity. This month also marked the end of a major search and rescue mission for two people who went missing between Sudbury and Kapuskasing, Ontario. Personnel from 8 Wing Trenton, including members of 424 Transport and Rescue Squadron, were kept busy for over a week as they aided local authorities in the search.

Over at the RecPlex, a new mural in honour of military children in the community was commissioned. If one is to head towards the gym, stop-ping in the hallway, they will notice a large mural splashed upon the wall. The artwork features a large rainbow, children playing and dandelions blowing in the wind. Near the end of March, Royal Canadian Air Force Commander Lieutenant-General Al Meinzinger hosted students from the Royal Military College of Canada at 8 Wing Trenton. The annual visit, known as the Environmental Command Professional Development Weekend, is also one of the first opportunities for most students to see a fully operational military base in action.

To cap off the month, members of 8 Wing celebrated the 95th anniversary of the RCAF. At the festivities, then 8 Wing Commander Colonel Mark Goulding congratulated all for upholding the legacy of the RCAF and took the time to honour members who offered decades of service to their country - all who received a standing ovation.



Members of the Canadian Forces Aeromedical Evacuation Flight celebrate their 10-year anniversary in March, 2019.

Photos by Makala Chapman



A mural of military children in the community at the Quinte West RecPlex.



RCAF Commander Lieutenant-General Al Meinzinger shares a glimpse of the future of the Air Force with RMC students during a professional development day at 8 Wing Trenton on March 30.

April: Springing into action

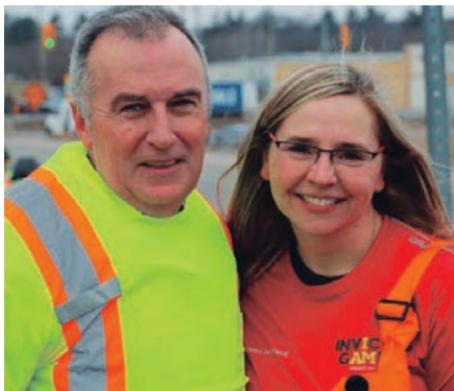
By Makala Chapman

As the warmer weather began to set in, so did the spirit of spring. To mark the occasion, members of 8 Wing Trenton participated in a spring clean-up. The cleaning crew, along with members of CFB Kingston, spent a morning picking up debris along the Glen Miller exit of Highway 401 on April 5. The annual cleanup, now in its second year, is a tribute to Canada's service members, both past and present.

In sports, 8 Wing Trenton was once again honoured to be able to host another sporting event. This time it was the women and men's national volleyball championships. Taking home gold was CFB Esquimalt for the men and CFB Comox for the women's team. April was also a great month for the Trenton Military Family Resource Centre as they hosted their 19th annual Bat-tawa Easter Egg Hunt. The event was free to the community and was attend-

ed by a crowd of more than 500 guests of all ages.

Over in Belleville, retired Corporal (Cpl.) Robyn May and army reservist Captain (Capt.) Neil Burrell were hard



Event organizer Kerri Tadeu and Bay of Quinte MP Neil Ellis are all smiles as they once again partake in the Highway of Heroes cleanup with members of 8 Wing Trenton in April 2019.

at work ensuring three of Canada's forgotten heroes would instead be forever remembered. Together, they approached Belleville City Council and requested that three veterans, with ties to the Belleville area, have their names engraved onto the local cenotaph. Thanks to their request, council unanimously approved the inclusion of Lieutenant David Alwyn Forneri, his sister Nursing Sister Agnes Florien Forneri and Flight Sub-Lieutenant Ellis Vair Reid to the cenotaph (their names would later be added in July 2019).

The month finished off with a tribute to the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) at the second annual ANZAC Day remembrance ceremony. Members of 8 Wing Trenton gathered



Cpl. (ret'd) May points out to Capt. Burrell where the Forneri siblings' names may be etched into the cenotaph.

at St. George's Cemetery in Trenton to honour two members of the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) who were laid to rest in Trenton during the Second World War. Being honoured for their service posthumously was Flight-Lieutenant Dudley Tabor Everett and Pilot Officer Alexander Robert Ross.



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Blizzards deserve the same respect that we would pay a tornado. Many of us who hear of a blizzard warning will carry on as if there weren't any danger, but blizzards warrant preparation and caution. The combination of snow, strong winds, cold temperatures and reduced visibility (due to the blowing snow) can be deadly.

Here are a few recommended precautions for driving in Canadian winter:

- Don't travel in a blizzard unless it's absolutely necessary. If you must travel, call the local authorities to see what condition the roads you are planning to travel are in.
- Monitor conditions on the radio
- Keep matches and a lighter, a candle, a flashlight, a fire extinguisher, and a hatchet or axe in your vehicle.
- If you get stuck in a blizzard, stay in your car, run it for 10 minutes with the heater on then shut it off. You don't want to waste gas.
- Make sure you keep the exhaust pipe clear of snow and keep a window open on the leeward (downwind) side of the vehicle. This will help ventilation and reduce the chance of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Be prepared to build a snow shelter if ever you run out of gas and are stranded in a blizzard. At temperatures approaching -30 C a candle won't give you enough warmth to survive if you're in a vehicle made of two tons of steel and glass. Your vehicle will quickly turn into one large icebox. Not planning to travel? It's still a good idea to bliz-



zard-proof your home or workplace. Stock up on necessities like fuel, oil, food, medications, diapers for the kids, milk - whatever you need to make sure everyone is fed, safe and warm until the danger passes.

- Always travel with a full tank of gas, extra warm clothes including winter boots, mitts and a sleeping bag.
- Also carry a shovel, tire chains, road flares, a bag of sand, an emergency food pack, booster cables

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May: Galas, gold and gunners

By Makala Chapman

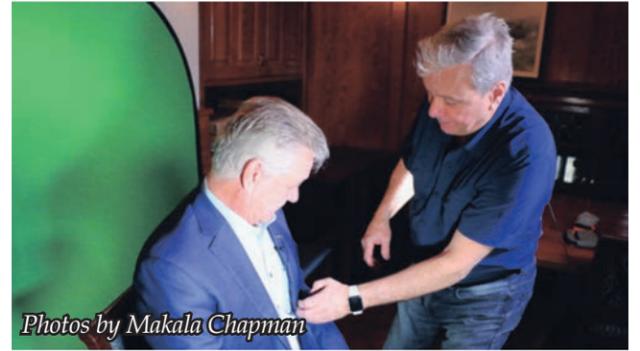
May was another great month as the community began to step out and once again enjoy some of their favourite outdoors activities. It began with the annual Blessing of the Boats on Baker Island. Members gathered to mark the official opening of the boating season and the traditional blessing of the fleet by a Padre. The athletes of 8 Wing Trenton's running department also stepped up – or ran rather – as they once again proved they are some of the best in the country. Four members made their way to Ottawa and placed well in their respective categories during the 2019 CAF Running Nationals on May 26. Competing in the half marathon event, a 21-kilometre trek around the city, the runners were pushed to their limits as they raced to the finish line. Taking home first place in the Female Under 40 category was Captain (Capt.) Amanda Whalen with a finish time of 1:37:15. May was also a great month for the Trenton Military Family Resource

Centre as they held their 15th annual Invisible Ribbon Gala. They were able to raise more than \$127,000 for programming and services for the military community. Also put-



Col. Dan Harris, Director of Military Family Services, thanks the community for their support of military families at the Invisible Ribbon Gala in May 2019.

ting the military community in the spotlight in May was Alberta film producer Karen Storwick and Robert Curtin. Together, they vowed to ensure the sacrifices of those who lost their lives during the Afghanistan War would never be forgotten. Spending a day at 8 Wing Trenton, the team collected footage and interviews from various members. Entitled "Fallen Heroes: Their Journey Home", the feature-length educational docudrama will focus on the history of repatriation ceremonies and is set to air later in 2020. To end May on an even sweeter note, a Second World War veteran was reunited with the Halifax Bomber aircraft that he once flew in. Making the trek from Montreal to the National Air Force Museum of Canada, then 96-year-old Stuart Vallières and his family were treated to a special tour of the aircraft. On site to greet them was RCAF Commander Lieutenant-General Al Meizinger. He noted it had been an honour to host the veteran and was in awe of his commitment and time in service.



Former 8 Wing Honorary Colonel John Williams prepares to be interviewed for the educational film on Canada's contribution during the Afghanistan War.



Flt.-Lt. (ret'd) Stuart Vallières shares stories of his time as a gunner with his grandchildren while sitting aboard the Halifax bomber at the National Air Force Museum of Canada in Trenton, Ont. in May 2019.

June: Rallies, races and remembrance

By Makala Chapman

Already at the halfway point of the year, June was an exceptionally busy month. It began with an appreciation dinner for all military spouses, courtesy of Honorary Colonel John Cairns – who also owns and operates Earl and Angelo's Steakhouse in Belleville. Together, he and his team served up more than 70 gourmet meals to hungry guests. Then, the annual Quinte West Relay for Life was held. Once again organized by Leading Seaman Lauren Dashnay, at the time of the event, she noted it had been heartwarming to see the community's continual support. In the last five years alone, Quinte West has helped raise more than \$420,000 for cancer research. In other efforts to raise funds for the Canadian Cancer Society, members of 8 Wing Trenton's Cut for the Cure team sprang into action to raise over \$500 through fundraising. Back on Base, the Deputy Wing Commander Branch welcomed the arrival of incoming Deputy Wing Commander Lieutenant-Colonel (Lt.-Col.) Jennifer Kennedy. She took over the reins from outgoing Deputy Wing Commander Lt.-Col. André Delhommeau. 8 Wing Trenton was also celebrated for their commitment to leading the way for a greener future. In the last three years, 8 Wing has generated a verified energy saving of 4,600 Megawatt-hours (MWh), which is approximately \$506,000 annually in electricity costs. The Trenton Military Family Resource Centre and 8 Wing Personnel Support Programs also took the month of June to thank its volunteers. In their honour, an appreciation dinner was held at Occasions by the Bay in Quinte West. It is estimated that more than 200 community volunteers aid the MFRC and PSP in ensuring their various programs and services run smoothly throughout the year. Also being thanked for their service at a separate event was 8 Wing Trenton's public service workers. In celebration of National Public Service Week, a free barbecue was held. To finish off an incredible first month of summer, 8 Wing Trenton held an impressive athletic season. It all started with their 32 annual Surf N' Turf relay race. More than 500 athletes took part in the tough competition. Originally created in 1987 by a group of Search and Rescue (SAR) Technicians, the Surf N' Turf has since been a way to challenge and test an individual's level of athleticism. The 60-kilometre race takes full advantage of the diverse terrain in the Quinte region and includes everything from mountain biking to trail running, as well as swimming and canoeing. 8 Wing Trenton's men's ball hockey team also had much to celebrate as they took home gold at the Ontario Region Ball Hockey Championship.



Participants at the 2019 Surf N' Turf relay are all smiles.



Members of the 8 Wing Trenton's command team serve up hamburgers and hot dogs to very hungry guests on June 11, 2019.



LEFT: Lt.-Col. Jennifer Kennedy thanks Lt.-Col. André Delhommeau for his years of leadership, mentorship and friendship.



ABOVE: Former Wing Chief Warrant Officer Troy Zuorro picks the raffle winner at the June 2019 volunteer appreciation dinner.



ABOVE: A chef serves up food at the inaugural military spouse appreciation dinner on June 1, 2019.

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Feb. 2 – Trenton MFRC and 8 Wing PSP bring you their annual Winter Jubilee. A free event open to the military community. The festivities will include all sorts of winter fun, games and activities from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. For more information, contact the Trenton MFRC at 613-965-3575.

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12 CLOSED	13 Balloon Tennis Ages 6-8 6-8 p.m.	14 Mario Party Ages 7-9 6-9 p.m.	15 CLOSED	16 Energy Bites Ages 10-12 6-9 p.m.	17 'Chill Zone' Ages 10-14 6-9 p.m.	18 CLOSED
19 CLOSED	20 Brownies Ages 6-8 6-8 p.m. \$0.50	21 Winter Soccer Ages 7-9 6-9 p.m.	22 CLOSED	23 Positivity Boards Ages 10-12 6-9 p.m.	24 Minute to win it Ages 10-14 6-9 p.m.	25 Pirate Party Ages 6-10 1-3 p.m. \$3
26 CLOSED	27 BINGO Ages 6-8 6-8 p.m.	28 S'mores Ages 7-9 6-9 p.m.	29 CLOSED	30 Giant JENGA Ages 10-12 6-9 p.m.	31 Frosty Manhunt Ages 10-14 6-9 p.m.	

Welcome back for a new year of fun and games at the Youth Centre!

PLEASE NOTE: We are closed December 21-January 6 for Christmas Holidays.

Pirate Party!
January 25 : 1 - 3 p.m | \$3
Back by popular demand. Dress like a pirate and join us for our everything pirate themed event!
Don't forget to register by JANUARY 23 - Spaces are limited!

Dressing for the weather!
Please remember to wear appropriate clothing for the weather so we can enjoy outdoor games during screen-free time!

A Note to Parents:
Please keep all personal items and toys at home - there's plenty to do at the Centre. We are not responsible for lost or damaged items.

For canteen purchases: Please remember to send your kids



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12 Francophone Film 'Menteur' at Centre Theatre Trenton Dance with France – Ladies Night begins	13 EarlyON: Explore with Korena VFP: Open Art Studio begins Mindful Masters begins	14 Kids Have Stress Too	15	16 VFP: Manulife Info Briefing	17	18
19	20 EarlyON: Explore with Korena Building Blocks Club (French) begins	21	22	23 Prenatal Education Classes begin	24 YAS PA Day	25 Pirate Party in the Youth Centre Voyage à Kingston Spectacle de Guillaume Pineault
26 MFRC Day at Batawa Ski Hill	27 EarlyON: Explore with Korena Knit & Chat	28 Kids Have Stress Too	29 RDSP Info Session	30 Book Club	31 YAS PA Day Vaccination Clinic	1
2 WINTER JUBILEE	3 EarlyON: Explore with Korena	4 The Puzzle Project	5	6	7	8 Wen-Do Women's Self Defense Workshop

● **Trenton MFRC – Trenton Location**

Monday – Thursday: 8 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Fridays: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

● **Francophone Movie Morning– Menteur**

The Trenton MFRC brings one of the latest French comedies produced and filmed in Quebec (summer 2019) which will be presented at the Centre Theatre: 'Menteur' Sunday, January 12 at 10 a.m.
Please purchase your tickets at the Trenton MFRC prior to January 10.
\$5/regular ticket or \$8 combo - Tickets in advance
\$6/regular ticket or \$10 combo - Tickets at the door
Come to laugh, relax and practice your French!

● **Military Family Ski Day at Batawa Ski Hill**

Sunday, January 26 is our annual Military Family Ski Day at Batawa Ski Hill. Military families can spend the day on the slopes and enjoy a hot lunch for a discounted price. \$45 or \$35 if you have your own equipment
\$20 - 5 years old and younger (no lesson)
This includes:
• lift ticket • equipment rental • group lesson • BBQ lunch
Vouchers on sale at MFRC reception. Call 613-965-3575 for more information.

● **Veteran Family Program: Open Art Studio**

For Medically Releasing Members and Veterans
Facilitated by: Sara Skipper, Art Therapy Student, Kutenai Art Therapy Institute
What are the benefits of art therapy? A safe space to intentionally immerse oneself into a creative process, while being supported by a trained art therapist, personal expression and choice making interpersonal communication and connection insight and self awareness intentional creation of identity and meaning.
When: 4 Sessions beginning January 13 Time: 9:30 -11:30 Where: Trenton MFRC
No Cost! To register please contact Tanya Bown, Facilitator Veteran Family Program tanya.b@trentonmfr.ca.

● **Veteran Family Program: Manulife Briefing**

Plan for the future & learn how to plan for now with the Veteran Family Program's Manulife Information Session.
Thursday, January 16 from 9 – 11 a.m.
Register: email Tanya Bown VFP Facilitator, tanya.b@trentonmfr.ca.

● **SNIP: Building Blocks (in French!)**

*Please note, this session of Building Blocks is offered in French.
Building Blocks Program is an evidence based social skills program using Lego to assist in the development of communication and appropriate social interaction.
It starts Monday, January 20 and runs every Monday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. and runs for 8 weeks. The program is being held at the Trenton MFRC Site.
For more information or to register, please contact Brittany.j@trentonmfr.ca.
Register: email Tanya Bown VFP Facilitator, tanya.b@trentonmfr.ca.



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Batawa Development Corporation – who are this year’s title sponsors – an event of this magnitude would not be possible. He added that this year’s theme would be centered around the idea of perseverance. “Everything and anything good in life you have to really work at,” he said. “Nine years in, the organizing committee has had to put in a lot of perseverance to get this far.” Sharing further tournament details, he noted the first portion of the event would be dedicated to adult teams both non-competitive and competitive. In addition, an old timer’s category for athletes 35 years and older has been added. Capt. (ret’d) Moorhouse then explained that the Sunday would be focused on younger players as a kid-friendly hockey tournament would be held. All youth teams that register can expect to play three games and to enjoy a pizza party. “This is a great fundraiser that affects a lot of lives in a positive way,” said Capt. (ret’d) Moorhouse. “But how neat it will be on Sunday to see all the kids outside playing hockey the way most of us played when we were young.”

Also returning for its third year, in partnership with the tournament, is the annual Winter Jubilee. This family friendly event promises a little something for everyone and is once again made possible by the Trenton Military Family Resource Centre and 8 Wing Personnel Support Programs (PSP). The Winter Jubilee runs in conjunction with the Pond Hockey Classic fun in Batawa and is set to run from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Feb. 2. Families can expect to enjoy a myriad of free indoor and outdoor winter activities including wagon rides, skating, live music and more. A free hot lunch will also be available to all youth 15 years and younger. Speaking to how pleased her team is to be one again partnering with



Event chair Capt. (ret'd) Jeffrey Moorhouse says this year's event would not be possible without the support from community partners such as 8 Wing Trenton. (From left to right: Capt. (ret'd) Jeffrey Moorhouse, Colonel Ryan Deming, Chief Warrant Officer Dan Baulne, Trenton Memorial Hospital Foundation's Laura-Lee Hogan and Quinte West resident Jane Harrison.)

the MFRC on the invaluable event was Jacqueline St. Pierre, PSP’s manager of business development. “PSP is thrilled to join with MFRC to create a family fun day outdoors as we bring together our members and their families to celebrate winter,” she said. “We live in an amazing region offering lots of outdoor activities and Batawa is a fabulous setting for our Sunday event.” She added the event was made all the more special by the fact that proceeds raised from the Pond Hockey Classic would go back into supporting the members and their families.

While hockey may not be everyone’s sport, there are still ways to contribute to the cause, says Capt. (ret’d) Moor-

house. As tradition has it, the first night of the tournament will once again be the “Legends of Hockey” dinner. Held at the Batawa Community Centre, guests will enjoy a gourmet meal by Chef Nicholas Loshak and the chance to partake in live music and an auction. This year’s special guest speaker includes retired NHL player Jim Kyte. Having been the first legally deaf athlete to play in the NHL, Kyte now serves as an honorary colonel in Ottawa. Tickets for the evening dinner are \$100 per person and can be purchased online at tmhfoundation.com. Alongside information on tournament details and event scheduling, tickets can also be bought at hockeyfortroops.com.



Event chair Capt. (ret'd) Jeffrey Moorhouse shares details on this year's CFB Trenton Pond Hockey Classic on Jan. 7.

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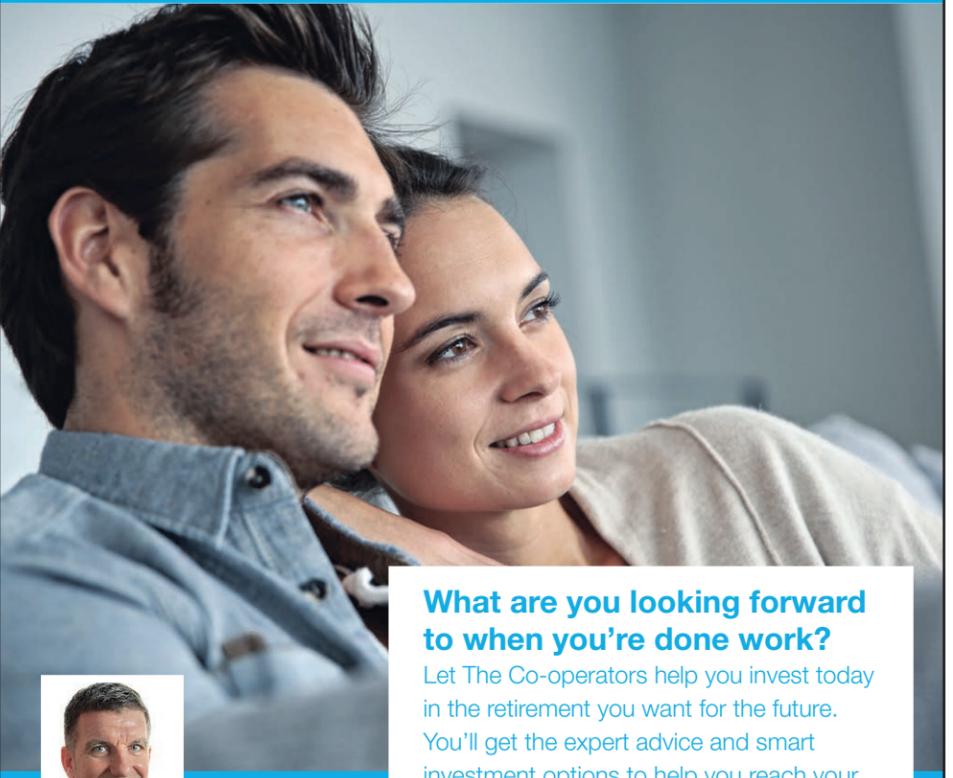
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