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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Doug Arnold

At our General Meeting in March we were pleased to have two graduating Air Cadets installed as members of the 404 Wing. If our Wing is going to survive it is essential that we recruit new members, especially younger members and where better to recruit from than the local Air Cadet Squadrons. I hope that these new members will take an active role in the Wing and bring out their friends. It is important that we older members make them feel welcome and that this is also their Wing.

Thanks to Nancy and her amazing team, and Bob and his dedicated Jammers for a very successful Irish Pub Day held on March 18th. This was a sold out event, I was amazed as to how many Irish members we have if only for a day. The food was delicious, the entertainment was great and a good time was had by all who attended. There were many people involved in making this event the success that it was and if I try to name everyone involved I am sure I would miss someone so just let me say we greatly appreciate your participation, you know who you are.

Thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for purchasing the new valance and having it installed around the club room to cover up the loose

wiring, it looks great and gives the room a finished look. Also thanks for purchasing new feet for the tables in the club room, and thank you Larry for installing them. It is now easier to move and level the tables.

For many, Easter and spring are almost synonymous. It is a time of newness, freshness and beauty rising all around us as flowers and trees start to bud and blossom. The Resurrection story of Jesus Christ similarly, is a time of rejoicing for Christians, with hope arising from death. A new beginning. I want to wish everyone a Happy and Blessed Easter.

The June election of the 404 Wing Executive Council for the 2017-18 year is fast approaching. If you would like to put your name forward to serve on the executive please make your intentions known to Donna Kuehl. Donna is the Chair of the Nominating Committee.

Hope to see you
at the Wing
Per Ardua Ad
Astra



GENERAL MEETING NOTICE

Upcoming meeting dates - April 6, 2017, May 4, 2017, June 1, 2017
Meet & Greet 5:00 pm Dinner at 6:00 pm Meeting starts at 7:00 pm
Meetings are held the first Thursday of the month. All members welcome.
Please order your dinner ticket on the Tuesday prior to the meeting.



PADRE'S CORNER

Dr. Bruce Street

Growing up I found that Easter was never as big as Christmas. At Christmas, after all, we got stuff. It was great! Easter was a very distant second in terms of excitement. Searching for hidden eggs just could not compete with the haul of presents that just seemed to be bursting out of their wrappings. Perhaps, as I

have grown older, my thoughts and perspectives have also emerged from their tight wrappings to a deeper appreciation of life. Just as the Light of the world could not be confined to a tomb, or wrapped in rock, so too does a more expansive life emerge with maturity. And neither can the word "Faith" completely contain the depth of Easter. Some of the other

colours that make up this one light are challenge, courage, sacrifice, joy, death and rising. Perhaps these are some of the coloured eggs that remain in hiding, waiting to turn up days, or even years, later. Their discovery always bring Joy - Always Life!

Padre Sweet

EASTER EXULTET

Shake out your qualms.
Shake up your dreams.
Deepen your roots.
Extend your branches.
Trust deep water
and head for the open,
even if your vision
shipwrecks you.
Quit your addiction
to sneer and complain.
Open a lookout.
Dance on a brink.
Run with your wildfire.
You are closer to glory
leaping an abyss
than upholstering a rut.
Not dawdling.

Not doubting.
Intrepid all the way
Walk toward clarity.
At every crossroad
Be prepared
to bump into wonder.
Only love prevails.
En route to disaster
insist on canticles.
Lift your ineffable
out of the mundane.
Nothing perishes;
nothing survives;
everything transforms!
Honeymoon with Big Joy!
~ James Broughton ~
(Sermons of the Big Joy)



Donna Kuehl IPP



WING EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

We are looking for good people to run for office in the coming fiscal year 2017/2018. Nominations for the Wing executive council will take place at the May General Meeting on Thursday, May 4, 2017. And the election will occur at the June 1st General Meeting. All officer positions and two directors positions will be open for nominations at this time. Please consider running yourself or suggesting someone who may be a suitable member - Regular, Dual, and Life members are eligible, subject to Wing By-Laws. Nomination forms will be available at the bar.

LADIES AUXILIARY

President, Bev Rylott

Another busy month has passed, hopefully Spring is just around the corner. After our General Meeting March 15th, I was pleased to hear many favourable remarks about keeping the L.A. working together with the 404 Wing. Having said this we still have a lot of work to do. May 17th is our nominations and election date, so if you can help to fill our Executive, please do. Carol or I will be calling

everyone.

Larry has finished all the new feet on the tables. Thankyou Larry.

On April 19th our Card Party or games of choice will be held. We are going to try a new format this year. We will serve chili, buns and desserts at 6:00 p.m. Cards will start at 7:00 p.m., all for \$8.00. Come and join in the fun.

See you soon at the Wing.



PARADE NOTICES & VETERANS EVENTS

The Legion's annual Poster & Literary awards night will be March 31st at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 412. Major community donations from the KW Poppy Fund will be presented at this event.

The annual parade for the Battle of the Atlantic, hosted by the K-W Naval Association will be held

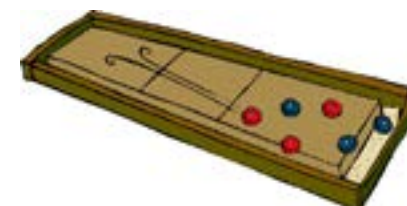
on May 7, at the Waterloo Cenotaph. The Parade form-up will be in the Waterloo City Hall back parking lot at 10:00 am. The ceremonies at the cenotaph will commence at 11:00 am. Wing members and veterans are encouraged to attend; blues and grey uniform with large medals.

The K-W Veteran's Council picnic is being planned for July 9, 2017 and

the popular consensus was to hold it at the 404 Wing again. The Army Navy Airforce Association has taken on the leadership for 2017. Tickets will be \$4.00 in advance and \$5.00 at the door.

SHUFFLEBOARD

We play Shuffleboard on Wednesdays 1:30-3:30. Come and join the fun.



WEDNESDAY ENTERTAINMENT

JUST US JAMMING!
Come out to play or just to enjoy every Wednesday, at 7 pm.



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

How much money does a skunk have? One scent.

Broken pencils are pointless.

I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.

A Navy dentist's license plate: "TOP GUM."

When a soldier went to the clinic for an MRI, he was put into the machine by an attractive, young technician. Sometime later, when the examination was over, he was helped out of the machine by a far older woman. The soldier remarked, "How long was I in there for?"

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION

All Regular and Associate Members of 404 K-W Wing, Royal Canadian Air Force Association are hereby given notice of the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Wing quarters at 510 Dutton Drive, in the City of Waterloo, Ontario on 01 June 2017, at 19:00 hours for the purpose of:

The Election of Wing Executive and Directors, and any other issues or motions that may be rightly brought before this Meeting, in accordance with the By-Laws and Regulations of the Association and of the Wing.

Notice is hereby given this 1st day of April 2017 in the City of Waterloo, Ontario

Doug Arnold, President

Nancy Ellis, Secretary

REMEMBER WHEN...

When was this picture taken? .. Who are they?



BAR HOURS

Larry Allenson

Monday	1-4:30 pm
Tuesday	6-9 pm
Wednesday	6-10 pm
Thursday	1-4:30 pm
Friday	11:30-1:00 5-10 pm
Saturday	2-6(+) pm



EUCHRE



BID EUCHRE
1:00 – 4:30
 Monday & Thursday Afternoons
 Come out for a fun game year-round
 \$3
 Contact: Ann (519-885-7030) or Kathy Joyce (519-885-4714)

FRIDAY LUNCHES

Ladies Auxiliary

Friday Lunches

served 11:30 to 1:00 pm.

The Ladies will be happy to see and serve you – September 16th till next May

Choice of soups and sandwiches



by the Desslers

Come out for a game of Euchre on Tuesday evenings at 6:45 pm.

BLOSSOMS OF SPRING CARD PARTY

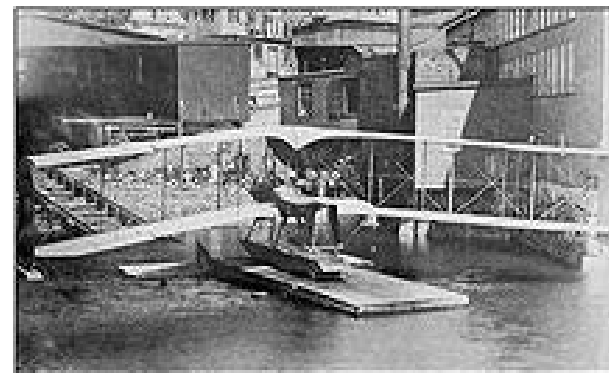


Coming Event
Blossoms of Spring
CARD PARTY
April 19, 2017

Sponsored by
404 Wing Ladies Auxiliary

NEW → supper at 6 p.m. followed by cards at 7 p.m. \$8

RCAF



The Royal Canadian Airforce came into being on Apr 1st, 1924.

The Burgess-Dunne was Canada's first military aircraft, although it never saw military service

SIT AND BE FIT 2017 ~ WINTER SESSION

Sit & Be Fit 2017
Winter Session



A fun & gentle work out in a chair exercise program for older adults.

Tuesday mornings 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
January 10th – March 28th, 2017

\$30 per person for 12 weeks. Drop-in fee \$3 per visit.

For information & registration call the Wing at 519-884-1272 or email airmail@404wing.ca

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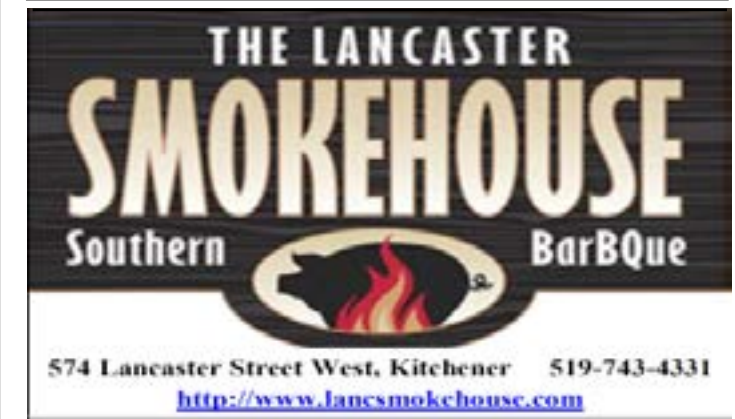
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ENTERTAINMENT

What a wonderful crowd for the Irish Pub Day - 61 tickets were sold. I would like to thank everyone for coming, and I hope you all had enough to eat. I would like to thank the musicians for the great entertainment, enjoyed by everyone. I would also like to thank all my little leprechauns that helped prepare, serve and do the clean up after this great occasion.

Don't forget about our Games Day on Saturday from 2- 5 pm.

Nancy Ellis



NATIONAL TARTAN DAY



Did you know 6 April will be "National Tartan Day"? If you have air force tartan in your wardrobe, we would love to see you in tartan on 6th of April.

The story of the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) tartan goes back to January 1942. Group Captain Elmer G. Fullerton, station commander of No. 9 Service Flying Training School, RCAF Station Summerside, Prince Edward Island, wanted to celebrate his Scottish heritage by organizing a "Robbie Burns Night" mess dinner. He borrowed bagpipes for his station band and searched

for a suitable tartan to outfit the band in full Scottish regalia.

Group Captain Fullerton decided to design an original pattern that represented the Air Force. With coloured pencils in hand, he produced the prototype using light blue, dark blue and maroon colours. The original sample of the proposed RCAF tartan was created by Patricia Jenkins and Loom crofters of Gagetown, New Brunswick, with the Gagetown weavers also adding a white line in the design.

He then ordered a sample of the material to be sent to RCAF Headquarters in Ottawa for approval. The design was endorsed by the Air Council, and Air Vice-Marshal J. A. Sully sent it off to Scotland's Lord Lyon, King of Arms, for approval in July 1942.

The approval was granted on August 15 and the design was officially registered as the RCAF tartan. Thus the RCAF became the first air force in the world to have its own distinctive tartan. The speed of the process from original concept to final approval in a period of eight months is truly awe-inspiring.

Since then, the distinctive RCAF tartan has been worn by members of RCAF pipe and drum bands. It is also used in other ways, including ties, mess kit cummerbunds, or ladies' sashes.

See Bar announcements for hours of operation

SATURDAYS
Game's Day
 2:30 – 4:30 pm
 Drop by for a fun & friendly game on Saturday afternoons

Ω OMEGA
 Restaurant
 (519) 745-2500
 685 Fischer-Hallman Road
 Kitchener, Ontario N2E 4E9

April, 2017



April 23 -29 is volunteer is volunteer week , many thanks to all our willing helpers

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						April 1st RCAF Birthday Lounge 2 - 6+ pm Games Day 2:30 - 4:30 pm
2 CLOSED Private 12 - 4 pm	3 Bid Euchre 1 - 4:30 pm	4 Sit & Be Fit 10 - 11 am Euchre 6:45 pm	5 Shuffleboard 1:30 pm "Just Us" Jamming 7pm WEC 9:00 am	6 Bid Euchre 1 - 4:30 pm General Mtg Dinner 6 pm Mtg 7:00 pm	7 Friday Lunch 11:30 - 1 pm Lounge 5 - 10 pm Singles Selective 7:30 pm	8 Private 10:30 - 2 pm Lounge 2 - 6+ pm Games Day 2:30 - 4:30 pm
9 CLOSED	10 Bid Euchre 1 - 4:30 pm	11 Sit & Be Fit 10 - 11 am Euchre 6:45 pm Optimist Exec 7 pm	12 Shuffleboard 1:30 pm "Just Us" Jamming 7 pm	13 Bid Euchre 1 - 4:30 pm	14 CLOSED Good Friday	15 CLOSED for Easter
16 Happy Easter CLOSED	17 Bid Euchre 1 - 4:30 pm	18 Sit & Be Fit 10 - 11 am Euchre 6:45 pm	19 Shuffleboard 1:30 pm Auxiliary Card Party 6 pm "Just Us" Jamming 7 pm WEC Mtg 10 pm	20 Bid Euchre 1 - 4:30 pm	21 Friday Lunch 11:30 - 1 pm Lounge 5 - 10 pm Singles Selective (Dance Big Hall) 7:30 pm	22 Lounge 2 - 6 pm Games Day 2:30 - 4:30 pm Private 6 - 9 pm
23 CLOSED Private 12 - 4 pm	24 Bid Euchre 1 - 4:30 pm Optimist Dinner 6:00 pm	25 Sit & Be Fit 10 - 11 am Euchre 6:45 pm	26 Shuffleboard 1:30 pm "Just Us" Jamming 7 pm	27 Bid Euchre 1 - 4:30 pm	28 Friday Lunch 11:30 - 1 pm Lounge 5 - 10 pm	29 Lounge 2 - 6+ pm Games Day 2:30 - 4:30 pm
30 CLOSED						

404 WING EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 2016 - 2017

(Call 519 area code unless otherwise stated)

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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Director (R)	Howard Dessler	885-3666
Director (R)	Adrian Vath	888-0980
Director (R)	Bob Drummond	226-972-2528
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¹ Reports through Editor

² Reports through President

^M Reports through Immediate Past President

¹ Reports through 1st Vice President

² Reports through 2nd Vice President


LADIES AUXILIARY EXECUTIVE 2016 - 2017

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

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**Having a birthday?
 anniversary? Wedding?
 or other special occasion?
 Call the Wing 519-884-1272**

