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## 2020 A Year for the History Books

"There is a history in all men's lives." William Shakespeare



### *We are now open Virtually*

With the COVID 19 pandemic the Vernon Military Camp has been closed down to all non essential staff. As such the museum will not be able to open our doors to visitors this summer.

The Vernon Cadet Camp has touch the lives of so many people all over the world. With this, the board of directors have been working hard to get the museum online. With all of the current uncertainty, it is important to us to ensure that the museum is viable and accessible to the public everywhere. As we expand we are hoping to be able to have interactive displays and learning portals available on our web page.

We are pleased to be able to present the museum to you in a virtual manner.

The first sample of this will be with our year boards.



Photo of C39 the old post office taken by Wayne Emde in 1983

### *It started small.*

The museum started as an idea, and from that idea we have touched the lives of over 10,000 young men and woman at the CTC.

With your continued support we have grown to become a museum of knowledge and empowerment.

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**This Months featured cadet is  
Captain Diane Scott**



Diane Scott'nee Neatby was born in St. Boniface, Manitoba December 8th, 1962. She comes from a military family. Her father, brother, sister, son, uncle, great uncle and numerous cousins have all served in various units.

Diane enrolled in cadets on her 13th birthday in 1975 with 2479 Winnipeg Service Battalion because her brother was in cadets. Her father's posting to Calgary in 1976 had Diane joining 1955 Calgary Service Battalion where she reached the rank of Cadet Captain in 1980. In 1978 Diane attended Vernon Army Cadet Camp's Army Cadet Leader Instructors (ACLI) course. In 1979 she obtained her Gold Star with wreath and attended March Break Exchange to England. That summer she attended Banff National Army Cadet Camp Leadership and Challenge. She fondly remembers the early runs in the cool crisp air. Diane was a staff cadet in 1980 at Camp Wright, Alberta which was a tri service bush/survival camp.

After graduating the program (aging out) she became a CIL Officer with 1955 Calgary Service Battalion and then when her husband was posted to Germany, she transferred to 2596 RCACC in Lahr, West Germany, both as Administration Officer.

In 2000, after moving to New Brunswick, Diane transferred back to the CIC from 12 years on the Sup List to 318 RCACC Woodstock, NB. Here she filled every position: Administration Officer, Commanding Officer, Supply Officer and Training Officer. Diane also served two years with 2550 RCACC (Harvey) as Admin O then returned to 318 Woodstock.

Looking back on her cadet history, Diane said, "There have been so many lessons learned from the Cadet Program: confidence, discipline and respect. One of the

best things about the program for me is knowing that I've been a positive role model in a teenager's life. As a teenager there were many who positively influenced me and took the time to mentor me, including our training Officer, Captain Dave MacDonald, Lt. Molly MacKenzie and Captain Mike Crabbe to name a few."

Diane has spent 13 summers attending CTC Argonaut in Administration positions with one as a General Training Platoon Commander for two weeks.

"So many friendships made over the years and working with everyone at Argonaut for so many years, they have become my extended family." said Diane

Besides cadets Diane enjoys Geocaching and day hikes. She is very involved with the Woodstock Quilt Guild, participating in many activities within the Guild including the Quilt Show.



1976 When Diane first Joined.  
There were no set uniforms for female cadets at this time.



Waiting for cadets to arrive at the Argonaut CTC in 2017

If you or someone you know should be featured as the cadet of the month contact the [Operations Manager](#).

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