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**THE C.L.B.**

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

**PATRON:** The Honourable Joan Marie Aylward O.N.L.

Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador

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REGIMENTAL CHAPLAIN The Rt. Rev. Samuel Rose

ASSISTANT REGIMENTAL CHAPLAIN The Ven. Amanda Taylor GOVERN0R AND COMMANDANT Col. Sheila Mercer

REGIMENTAL SECOND IN COMMAND Lt. Kassandra Hibbs

AVALON BATTALION COMMANDER Maj. Justin Evans

TRINITY-CONCEPTION BATTALION COMMANDER Maj. Wayne Lilly

**Regimental Orders**

**December 2024**

**Lt. Kassandra Hibbs, Regimental Second in Command**

**44. Appreciation and Congratulations**

Brigade Council and Regimental Staff wish to acknowledge and thank various members who Fight the Good Fight and represented our Brigade so well this past month:

* To all ranks who represented the CLB so proudly and with dignity by helping with the Royal Canadian Legion’s Poppy Campaign, at Remembrance Day Parades, School Assemblies, and Church Services as we remember all departed comrades, especially former CLB members who paid the supreme sacrifice. Lest We Forget. Special thanks to Rev. Col. Gail Dick, Asst. Chaplain Avalon Battalion, for laying a wreath on behalf of the Brigade at the National War Memorial, accompanied by WO1 Gillian Read, Regimental Sergeant Major, as Wreath Bearer.
* The Regimental Band for representing the CLB, with great reverence and pride, at various events surrounding the annual Remembrance Day Parade in St. John’s,
* Members of the Brigade Finance Committee, chaired by Col. Keith Arns, and Mr. Derek White, Executive Director, for planning and executing another very successful 132nd Anniversary Dinner and Auction on November 21, 2024. Also, to all ranks who attended and supported the Dinner at the Armoury. It was a splendid evening which superbly showcased our Brigade to the local business community and supporters at large. Special thanks to 2/Lt. Christopher Lockyer for a great job in emceeing the event and for leading the toast to the Brigade. And thank you to the Regimental Band for providing the beautiful live music.
* Warm Congratulations to Rev. Colonel Gail Dick on her Ordination to Sacred Order of the Priesthood on December 1, 2024, at St. Augustine’s Parish, St. John’s, by Bishop Sam Rose. Best wishes to Rev. Gail in her continuing service to the CLB and the Church.

**45.Appointments and Transfers**

**Appointed as Second Lieutenant**

Upon the nomination of the Rev. Sam Butler, and with the approval of Brigade Council, CLB # 19055 Officer Candidate Nadine Greeley is appointed as Second Lieutenant with Foxtrap Company.

**Transferred to Retired Officers List**

CLB # 15817 Captain Sandy Dinham, former Company Commander Upper Gullies Company, is transferred to Retired Officers List. Major Evans wishes to thank Captain Dinham for her more than 25 years of dedicated service to the Brigade.

**46. Promotions**

**Promotion to L/Sgt**.

18437 Cpl. Ben Greeley, Foxtrap Company

18856 Cpl. Lilly Tobin, Upper Gullies Company

**47. Service Awards**

Congratulations to the following recipients of Long Service Awards.

**10 YEAR BRONZE SERVICE BAR**

18450 Sgt. Julia Young, Foxtrap Company

18586 L/Cpl. Braxton Lockyer, Upper Gullies Company

**15 YEAR BRONZE SERVICE BAR**

16937 Lt. Tim Noel, St. Michael’s Company

**48. CLB Numbers**

Congratulations and a warm welcome to the following new members recently enrolled in the CLB.

**Upper Island Cove 4547**

19087 Grayson Chipman YTC 19088 Connor Comerford YTC

19089 Ryan Delaney YTC 19090 Jackson Mercer YTC

19091 Joey Mercer YTC 19092 Reed Mercer YTC

19093 Lucas Chipman SC

**Old Comrade Lodge #1**

19094 Christopher Murphy (Honoury Member)

**Foxtrap 4435**

19095 Nora Searle LTC 19096 Devin Strong YTC

19097 Russel Strong YTC

**Upper Gullies 1004**

19098 Landyn Hayward LTC 19099 Alexa Hayward JTC

19100 Kyannah Morgan JTC

**49. AGM - Advance Notice**

Please be advised that this year’s Regimental Annual General Meeting date has been moved to Sunday, January 19, 2025, commencing at 3pm to be held at St. Paul’s Hall in Harbour Grace. The deadline for having reports submitted was Friday November 15, 2024. Reports are now overdue! Please send them to Col Mercer via email [sheilamercer@theclb.ca](mailto:sheilamercer@theclb.ca) ASAP.

***DRESS: Full Uniform, Cloth Belt, and Ribbons***

**50. Training**

Online officer, WO and NCO proficiency courses are now available online in google classrooms. All members should be added to the appropriate level requested. If you have not received the link please contact Lt. Hibbs Via email below. These courses are complete at your own pace. There will be a weekend scheduled in the new year for in person leadership and drill development. Lt. Hibbs would like to come by your company training night to help with development of all staff and NCO’s during the training year.

It is never too late to sign up! Please encourage all eligible staff and NCOs in your companies to enroll. Please contact Lt Kassandra Hibbs Via email [kassandrahibbs@theclb.ca](mailto:kassandrahibbs@theclb.ca) or Call/text 709-685-3248 if you have anyone interested in joining Full name, rank, and GMAIL or CLB email needed to be added to the classroom.

**51. The C.L.B. 50/50 Draw**

***Deadline is approaching fast, please, if you are able get your tickets before it is too late! Please share with all your friends and family.***

The C.L.B. 50/50 draw is now live online. This year the draw will be conducted through Rafflebox and all tickets will **only** be available and sold through the online site. Tickets are $10 each, 3 for $25 or 10 for $50. There is a maximum of 100,000 tickets available. The draw date is Monday December 16, 2024, with the last day to purchase tickets being Sunday December 15, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. As this is an online fundraiser, we are encouraging all members of the C.L.B. to share the link (see below) and QR code with all their family, friends, co-workers etc. Cards with the QR code are now available at the Armoury. If you would like some to share with family and friends etc., please contact Mr. Derek White at [derek@theclb.ca](mailto:derek@theclb.ca) or by calling the Armoury @ 709-722-1737 to arrange pick up.

<https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/clb>

**52. Annual Strength Returns**

All Brigade units are required to provide Annual Strength Returns (a.k.a. Nominal Roll) as of December 31, 2024, using the forms attached to these Orders. There are separate forms for youth members and staff. The completed forms are due on January 31, 2025. Please submit to [records@theclb.ca](mailto:records@theclb.ca)

**53. HST Rebate**

The C.L.B. qualifies for a 50% rebate on HST paid on invoices, through a semi-annual claim made by Brigade Council. Any Company or other Brigade unit that paid HST on purchases from July 1 to December 31, 2024, could qualify for the 50% HST rebate. To claim the rebate, please submit a list of paid invoices showing the amount of HST paid on each invoice, or copies of paid invoices, to Mr. Derek White [derek@theclb.ca](mailto:derek@theclb.ca) , by January 31, 2025. Original invoices should be retained by the Brigade units for six years.

**54. The Bugle**

For the 2024-2025 training year we will be publishing two editions of the Bugle.

The deadline for the next submission will be Friday, March 21,2025. Please send all submissions to bugle@theclb.ca, We prefer to receive articles in Microsoft Word format, and photos should be sent separately, in the highest quality possible.

**55. Regimental Staff Meeting**

There will be a Regimental staff meeting on Jan 14, 2025. This meeting will focus on preparation for AGM. Meetings will be in person at CLB Armoury and virtual for anyone out of town.

**56. Christmas Greetings**

On behalf of Brigade Council, Col. Sheila Mercer wishes all members, adult leaders and their families a safe and joyous Christmas! Please cherish the time spent with family, as it is priceless!

On behalf of Regimental Staff, Lt. Kassandra Hibbs would also like to extend best wishes to all C.L.B. members and their families for a joyous and blessed Christmas season!

***Merry Christmas!***

**The C.L.B. - Important Dates**

Dec 16 CLB 50/50 Draw

Jan 19 Regimental AGM

Jan 31 Annual Strength Return (Nominal Roll) Deadline

Jan 31 HST Rebate Deadline

April 4 Bugle Deadline

**Avalon Battalion #41**

**December 2024 Orders**

**Maj. Justin Evans, Battalion Commander**

1. **Battalion Staff Meeting**

Our next Battalion staff meeting for this training year will be Sunday, January 26th, 2025, at 7:00pm held virtually. If Commanding officers cannot attend, please forward along a representative for your company.

1. **Company Visitations**

Battalion staff are looking to visit companies.  If there is a day/day(s) you would like us to try to attend, please reach out at [justinevans@theclb.ca](mailto:justinevans@theclb.ca)

1. **Battalion Strength**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Company | LTC | YTC | JTC | SC | WO | Officers | Total |
| CBS (Foxtrap/Upper Gullies) | 3 | 8 | 8 | 7 | - | 8 | ~34 |
| Portugal Cove | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Paradise | - | - | - | - | - |  | - |
| St. John’s(Michael’s/Augustine’s) /Mount Pearl | - | - | - | - | - | - | 15 youth  14 officers |
| Avalon Battalion | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Total: |  |  |  |  |  |  | 65 |

1. **Seasons Greetings**

Avalon Battalion would like to wish everyone a safe and Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

**Trinity Conception Battalion #201**

**Orders December 2024 – Major Wayne Lilly**

**15. Strength (no change)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Company | LTC | YTC | JTC | SC | WO | Officers | Total |
| Bay Roberts | - | 5 | 7 | 4 | - | 5 | 21 |
| Hr. Grace-Carbonear | 4 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 21 |
| Trinity East-Port Rexton | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 12 |
| Upper Island Cove | 5 | 8 | 5 | 2 |  | 8 | 28 |
| Trinity Conception Battalion | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Total: | 10 | 19 | 17 | 12 | 3 | 23 | 84 |

**16. Band**

Continues to practice Sunday afternoons at St. Paul’s Hall. New members still welcome. They are currently preparing for Hr. Grace-Carbonear CLB Carol Sing.

**17. Training**

Senior Corps and JTC’s continue to meet bi-weekly for training under the direction of Captain Tucker.

**18. Upcoming Events**

a. December 4 – SC/JTC night – Upper Island Cove

b. December 14 – Christman Social – Canon Richard Tearoom, Bareneed

**19. Advance Notice**

a. TCB Spring Parade – Sunday, April 27, 2025

b. TCB Annual Review – Saturday, May 10, 2025

**20. Christmas**

Major Lilly would like to take this opportunity to wish one and all a safe and happy holiday season. See you all back in the new year.

Next Battalion Staff Meeting – in January at the call of the chair – St. Paul’s Hall.