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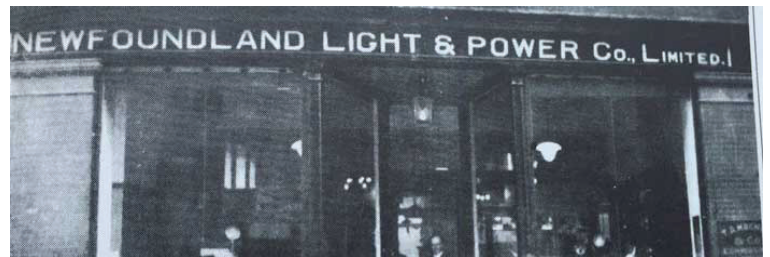
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Coady Dunne #17445 An Exceptional Soldier

CAPT. SHEILA MERCER

ST. MICHAEL'S COMPANY



November 21, 2021, we were saddened to hear the devastating news of the passing of a former member of the CLB, Coady Dunne. Coady was the nephew of Capt. Craig Dyer, of Mount Pearl Company, and former Company Commander of St. Michael's Company.

Coady joined the CLB as a member of St. Michael's LTC section in the Fall of 2004 at the tender age of 5. Throughout his years in the LTC, YTC and JTC sections, he earned just about every badge possible. During his JTC years, he was awarded good conduct chevrons, as well as being promoted to both Jr/L/Cpl and Jr/Cpl. In May of 2012, to round out his time as a JTC, he received the Best JTC Award for St. Michael's Company, and therefore the JTC Medal.

Coady spent 2 years of his time as a Senior Corp. member with us, before transferring to Mount Pearl Company in September of 2014, no doubt chasing his uncle Capt. C. Dyer to lend his hand with the youth there. While with us as a senior, he again had many accomplishments including good

conduct chevrons, attendance medal, best overall band member, and Best Senior Corp. member. One of his most prestigious awards while with St. Michael's, is the Colonel's Award, having earned it as a YTC member in May of 2009.

Having attended many CLB summer camps, St. Michael's annual fall camps, along with battalion tournaments and other CLB events, it would be an understatement to say Coady embraced all aspects of the CLB.

Not only was Coady active with CLB at the company level, he also worked as a camp counsellor for several summers at the CLB Summer Day Camp and served as head counsellor for a couple of them. The many children who attended these camps thoroughly enjoyed Coady's fun and silly nature, all you had to do is look to see where a group of children were, and you would most likely see Coady in the middle of them.

Having heard many stories from friends and members of his family while visiting the funeral home, there was no doubt that Coady was a true friend to many. He would often be found lending a hand to help others, whether it was setting up a fundraiser for a friend in need or grabbing a shovel and digging out neighbours after a snowstorm. Many would say without a doubt, Coady was taken way too young from his family and friends, but I would like to think that he is shining down on them while still looking out for them in his own caring way.

Au Revoir, thou true and faithful soldier, you have fought THE GOOD FIGHT and all your comrades now, Salute You 🇨🇦



Challenge Camp 40th Anniversary

**CAPT. DERECK TUCKER
CAPT. KAREN DAWE
WO1 CHRISTOPHER LOCKYER**

This year's Challenge Camp was once again a one-day event due to the issues with Covid, and was held on the Thanksgiving Day weekend, Sunday, October 10, 2021.

Traditionally, Challenge Camp is an extension of the Senior Corps Camping Program, however, this year, it was opened up to our JTC members as a taste of what the SC program would be. The Regiment invited each Battalion to host their own, so we decided this year to hike the Coastal Trail in Chance Cove. With the approval of TC Battalion, Capt. Dereck Tucker,

who organized the camp, extended an invitation to members of the Avalon Battalion's JTC & SC Corps to join with us.

All companies in the TC Battalion were well represented. We also had three members from Mount Pearl Company attending, as well as Lt. Col. Greg Read, our Regimental Commander, and his daughter WO2 Gillian Read.

Since travel by bus is still prohibited, all the members were brought by their parents who joined in with us on the hike. This way we could maintain the COVID Protocol, as families travelled together within their "bubbles".

The weather wasn't promising for Sunday, however, as they say in Newfoundland wait 5 minutes! The weather did finally cooperate for

us and our hike was a go. We met at the trail's parking lot and began our hike around 12:30 and ended around 3:45, stopping along the way for lunch. The trail itself was a 3.7 km loop and rated as moderate. It featured several beaches - two of which we had to access by repelling down into them with ropes from the main trail. Almost everyone repelled down into the first beach while only the die-hards tried the second!

The scenery along the way was specular with the waves breaking along the shoreline and cliffs due to a storm surge. The members also had the opportunity to "skip" rocks into the ocean and enjoy the sunshine with their families.

Until next time Keep the Flag Flying 🇳🇫



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Bay Roberts Company

CAPT. KAREN DAWE

BAY ROBERTS COMPANY

Hello from Bay Roberts Company. It feels so good to have something to report to the Bugle from our Company. It's been a hard couple of years, but when we opened this year, we gained one new LTC member for our Company. All of our members but one returned for another training year. In total we have 17 active members. So far, have been busy with our Recruits and Personal Safety badge work. We held a non-electronic games night, Halloween party, visited the Bay De Grave Regional Fire Dept. and attended a service at the Church of the Resurrection, both located in South River. We were very pleased to attend a bonfire sponsored by one of our CLB family, the Mugford's. Marshmallows and wieners were on the menu that night. We followed all COVID protocol when attending CLB parade nights and our outings. I am very pleased to have Major Joe Skanes joining me with the LTC and YTC as CI Valerie Pearce is away doing courses at Queen's College. Capt. Tucker and Capt. Crane who work with the JTC and SC Section Corps have been busy as well, and just recently held a Uniform/shoe shining night. They joined us at the church service and bonfire. This coming weekend our Company will be participating in an outing at Pirate's Path in Harbour Grace.

The last two training years have been rough, but let's be positive and concentrate on what we can do, and not what we can't. Until next time, Keep the Flag Flying 🇩🇪





Great C.L.B. Traditions

COL. ADRIAN HEFFERNAN

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

If there is anything that the Brigade is known well for, it is traditions which are many and varied. Can you identify the C.L.B. tradition from the attached photo? It shows our Regimental Chaplain, Bishop Sam Rose with Upper Gullies Company #1004 J.T.C. members on left Jr. L/Cpl. Leah Clarke and on the right Jr. L/Cpl. Maddison Dinham outside their Upper Gullies Church. That's right, it has something to do with the Church. The tradition is the wearing of ones C.L.B. uniform during their confirmation ceremony. We are reminded from a recent BUGLE article, that Darcy O'Brien of Foxtrap Company # 4435 wore his YTC uniform at his confirmation ceremony at the Basilica cathedral of St. John the Baptist in St. John's in 2007. He was attended by his Godparent Captain Carl Dawe, also in uniform at the ceremony. The Roman Catholic Bishop of the day Arch Bishop Brendan O' Brien (no relation to Darcy) inquired as to the background of his uniform. Also present and complimenting Darcy on the wearing of his uniform was our own Captain Craig Dyer. For many of our present members as well as former members, we affectionately recall those wonderful Brigade memories 🇨🇦



St. Michael's Company

CAPT. SHEILA MERCER

COMPANY COMMANDER

Well, Covid is still with us!! Our last Bugle article highlighted what St. Michael's Company was able to accomplish in what was for sure, a very different 2020-2021 training year. To close out that training year, we did however manage to get together safely outside at a campground right in the middle of the big city... Mount Pearl! Waterford Valley Campground was all to happy to host a bunch of very excited youth members and even more enthusiastic officers from St. Michael's, St. Mark's and St. Augustine's Companies. Several activities were planned, including archery, scavenger hunt and our own version of the amazing race!! As it was only May in NL, to help us stay nice and warm, we had a campfire while enjoying smores and refreshments!! To closeout the evening and training year, badges and awards were presented.

Several members were able to partake in the camp day in July. It may not have been a traditional week long summer camp we are accustomed to having, but leave it to the CLB to fit a good portion of camp in one fun filled day. I think we even got a week of camp weather in that one day!!!

With Covid protocols in place, September saw us able to start our 2021-2022 training in person. Boy were our members glad to be back, we have even seen several new members join. Again, this year St. Michael's and St. Augustine's Companies have been parading together at the Armoury on Monday nights.

Throughout the fall, members have been working on some badges along with basic drill. Most importantly we have been trying to have as much fun as possible to help bring some "normal" back to our youth!

Our Hallowe'en party in October saw some interesting characters show up for an evening of spooky

fun, and even got to see a member of the senior corp. carve their very first pumpkin!!! In November, we ventured out for an outing where our members got to burn off some energy and play laser tag. Not sure who had more fun, the 14 youth members or the 2 youth members at heart aka officers!! We also had the privilege of WO2 David Mercer come along and provide us with a tour of the Museum. Thanks again WO2 Mercer for a very informative evening!

To close out 2021, we had a very special visitor join us for a Christmas party, yes, the man in the red suit... SANTA!!! After decorating Christmas cookies, a few games of fun and a feed of Mary Browns, Santa handed out goodie bags to everyone before heading back to the North Pole!

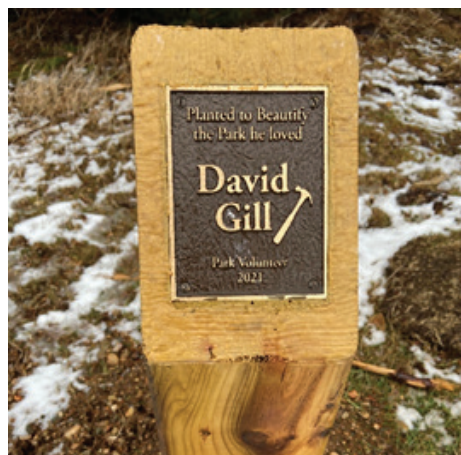
All of us can't wait to see what 2022 has in store for us, so till then Keep the Flag Flying 🇩🇪

Brigade Members Spread Their Wings Far & Wide

COLONEL J. A. HEFFERNAN

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Should one wander through the ever winding paths of Conception Bay South's Chamberlains Park, beauty is everywhere to behold. Peeking above a grassy knoll, I happened to view a beautiful newly planted Poplar Tree with a bronze marker nearby. It reads "Planted



to Beautify the Park he Loved, DAVID GILL, Park Volunteer 2021." S/Sgt. Gill was a long time dedicated member of our C.L.B. Regimental Band. Not only was he a great musician but a wonderful member who spread fellowship throughout the band. So it was not at all surprising that he was recognized for his good work at Chamberlains Park. We salute you S/Sgt Gill for this and all the good deeds you did 🇩🇪

Trinity East - Port Rexton Company

CAPT MICHAEL COOPER

COPMANY COMMANDER

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This is the 109th training year for us here in Trinity East-Port Rexton "M" Company # 3805!!! We started off this training year a lot different than most due to Covid-19, with a registration night with just the parents, with the CLBers coming in the week later. Even with that change, we came back stronger in strength than before the pandemic with 19 youth members (up 2 overall!). Not too bad considering that there are only 103 school aged children in Trinity Bight!!! Even with Covid-19

limiting what we can do, we have been having fun and learning the CLB way. We started with the Recruits badge right out of the gate using a very interactive activity for ranks, sections and Company history. October 10th, Sgt. Cooper and I were part of the TCB Challenge Camp hike on the beautiful Chance Cove Trail. October 28th, The CLBers had a "Mummy" of a good time turning each other (and Rev. Sparkes) into Mummies, and the best part is the toilet paper was taken by a couple of CLBers to be reused for some special craft projects! Nov 11th, Sgt Cooper and I represented

our CLB Company at a special Remembrance Day Service and Ceremony hosted by the Trinity Historical Society, where they revealed 4 memory boards highlighting the histories of the 21 men and women on the Trinity Cenotaph (which just had its base redone). We have also received approval from the Town of Port Rexton to hold a garden party/field day type of event on Sept 4, 2022, celebrating our 110th anniversary here in TEPR. More details to follow, but All CLB members will be invited to come celebrate with us for Keeping the Flag Flying for 110 years 🇨🇦



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C.L.B. Pride

CAPT. MICHAEL COOPER

TRINITY EAST - PORT REXTON COMPANY

CLB was founded in Newfoundland by Harold Blacker way back in 1892. "M" Company #3805 (Trinity East-Port Rexton) was formed September 4, 1912 under Doctor Conrad Fitzgerald. We take pride in knowing such information about the Brigade and our own Companies. We take pride in knowing that we were 1 of 5 organizations that came together to form the "Blue Puttees" and then have our band lead them down to the SS Florizel. We can take pride in that our CLB provides the bugler for the Memorial services honouring our fallen veterans. That is just a taste of CLB

Pride. Pride of an Officer, when you see a youth learn a new skill and get excited about it. Pride of a youth, realizing you just learned something new and you can take that new skill home and show your parents. Pride of a Chaplain, seeing CLBERS learning to be good Christian soldiers with huge smiles doing so. Pride of a Community, the CLB youth giving back and helping in the community while having fun doing so. Pride of a Commanding Officer, watching your CLBERS take the bull by the horns and doing an activity that only a few months ago they had no idea about. Pride in our programs, when you had a young man (LTC at the time) go to the hospital with 2 ear infections and when his mom asks him if he is crying due to the

pain, he answers no, he's crying because he's missing CLB. Pride of a City, we are one of the few groups that have been awarded the Freedom of the City from St. John's. Pride in "Helping Hands", where our CLBERS freely give their time both in uniform and out to help out people/community in need (Seniors, food banks, veterans, clean-ups etc) and then their CLB families honour them (TEPR has 2 awards Capt. Ray Fowlow Memorial and Alvin Piercey Memorial to honour youth lending a helping hand in and out of uniforms respectfully). These are difficult times but as CLBERS, take pride you are part of a great organization that with your help will Keep The Flag Flying for years to come 🇩🇪

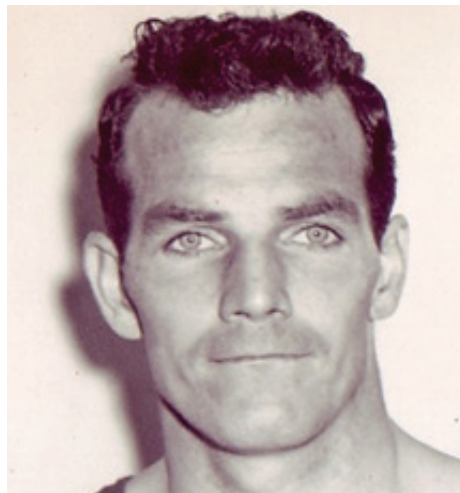
An All Around C.L.B. Champion, Gordon Clarence Follett

COLONEL J. A. HEFFERNAN

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Gordon Clarence Follett was one of the C.L.B.'s finest track and field athletics and we had many. He was known as the fastest man who never ran. That's because he was a race walker or heel and toe man as some called them. At one point he held 20 records out of the 25 categories in Newfoundland's track and field record books. Not only did he excel in competition, he held executive positions in associations such as track and field, rowing, hockey, coxswains, ball hockey and even coached in a woman's ball hockey league. His tenure was long and his success rate was

exceptional. For all of this he was inducted into the Newfoundland



Sports Hall of Fame in November of 2007. Of note is the fact that his two brothers namely Forest and Jeff were also members of the great

C.L.B. Award winning Track and Field Team. However, his greatest success was his record as a person and a family man. Here he excelled not only as a Brigade member but as a family leader. His courage as a competitor showed itself and as a family member where, later in life, he would visit his hospitalized wife daily even though he was disabled himself. People like Gordon Clarence Follett have left a legacy for all his fellow Brigade members to follow and aspire to be. He demonstrated loyalty, to never quit, to be a good sport and try to be the best at whatever you do. To say we are very proud of him is an understatement. We must try to do our best to carry the torch that has been handed over to us 🇩🇪

Old Comrades #1 And #3 Keep The Flag Flying

DERRICK BARBOUR

OLD COMRADE

Between July 20 and July 22, 2021, fifteen Old Comrades from Lodge #1 left St. John's and headed toward Port Rexton. Things went smoothly until we reached Clarenville where we stopped for supper. After a lovely meal, we began the last leg of our journey. Little did we know what lay in store. That evening we found ourselves in one of the worst thunder and lightning storms to hit the province. The storm went on for what seemed like hours, and the rain finally subsided on Saturday morning and things returned to normal. The dart tournament commenced at 10 am Saturday morning and concluded Sunday morning around 1130 am. Lunch was a lovely turkey

dinner with all the trimmings at the Galley Restaurant. Grace was said by Comrade Gord Reid, and after the dinner, greetings were brought by the Vice President of Lodge #1, Charlie Kearsey and Trevor Rex from Port Rexton. The winning team consisted of Captain Bruce Butler, Chris Murphy, Gord Reid, Bill Cofield, and Dave Maddigan. Presenting the winning team with the memorial plaque was Trevor Rex to Bruce Butler. Executive member Ken Rowsell presented the Port Rexton CLB company Mike Cooper a donation of \$60.00 collected from a 50/50 draw sold on Saturday. Bruce Butler, representing the Lions Club of Port Rexton, then surprised everyone, by presenting a cheque for \$89.50 to the Port Rexton CLB company from the

bartender, William Butler, a sergeant major, who is a former member of the Port Rexton and St. Michael's company. A very special thank you to Bill for his kind words, generosity, and donation. Bruce Butler representing the Lions Club, Pt. Rexton, presented the C.L.B. Company's Commanding Officer, Captain Michael Cooper the weekend bar tips from Bill Butler (Bartender) who himself, was the former Sgt. Major of St. Michael's Company # 4512 and Port Rexton Company # 3805 for the Port Rexton Company. Also, two former members of Port Rexton East Company, namely Jose Cole and Bret Rex were so impressed with the Dart Tournament that they pledged to be there for the 2021/22 Tournament 🇩🇪



Captain Cooper of Port Rexton Company receives multiple donations from Old Comrades Dart Tournament, 2021



Lest We Forget

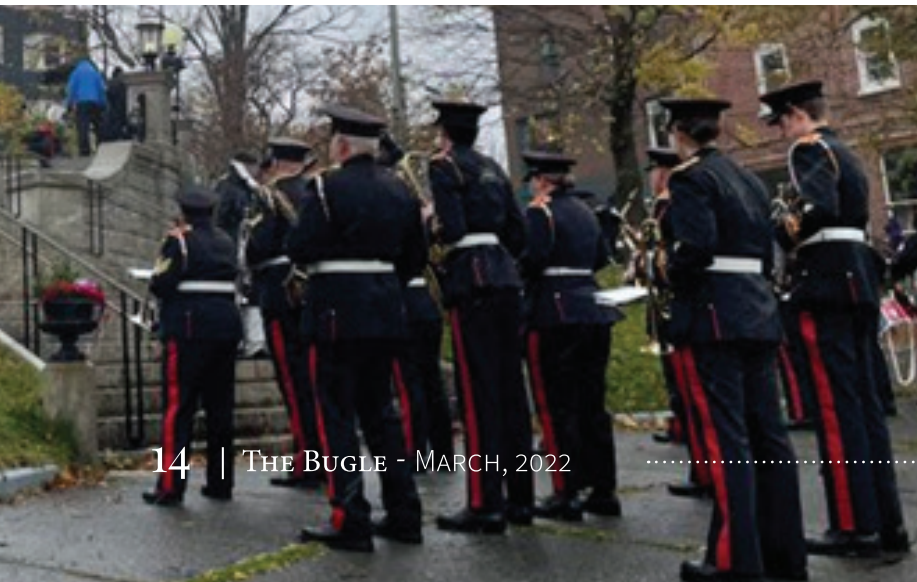
COLONEL J. A. HEFFERNAN

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Amid freezing wet snow and high winds, members of the C.L.B. made themselves present, at the National War Memorial in St. John's this November 11th, 2021. Members and former members alike would shutter with pride at seeing their C.L.B. Regimental Band and senior officer presence in this very inclement weather. WWI, WWII, Afghanistan, wars and other conflicts have taken their

toll on our brave Brigade members and we must always remember them and all our soldiers. Another good example of this dedication occurred with Mr. Bernie White and his granddaughter Neveah White, now 9 years old who was also attending. Mr. White was a member of our Regimental Band for some 25 years, now retired. His granddaughter said, "it was good to show appreciation for what service members have done. I wouldn't be able to step foot outside of my house if they didn't do what they did." What wisdom comes

from such young people. Also known only to C.L.B. members present was the fact that because of the torrential rain, some band members had to retire their instruments for fear of damaging them. Having done this, they then returned to the ceremony to stand by their comrades in the pouring rain. Like a famous CBC reporter once said at the 1985 Grey Cup Parade, now that's class. These are the things that makes us so proud of our Brigade 🇨🇦



Upper Island Cove

LT. NANCY LIEFF

UPPER ISLAND COVE COMPANY

A belated Happy New Year to all CLB members and staff of the Brigade! We hope this year brings good health, cheer and strong faith to all.

We kicked off the second leg of the 2021-2022 CLB training year in hyperspace with Capt. Michael Cooper of Trinity-East/Port Rexton Company. for the virtual scavenger hunt. Several members of our company attended, and a good time was had by all. This journey through Covid-19 has stretched many of us beyond our comfort zones and has introduced more opportunities to grow and learn for us on an individual and company level. We welcome fresh new ideas such as this to stay connected, you never know what we might get up to next...and that's

kind of exciting!

In mid-February, things started up again in-person for our CLB company. We wasted no time getting back into the routine of implementing badgework/drill and hosting special events. We began with a Valentine's Day party for our members; played fun and interactive games and capped the night with delicious pizza for all. Our staff has been having as much fun as the members throwing these fun nights, we look forward to each one.

Regarding badgework, we chose to start running the Put The Child First (PTCF) program for each section of our company and completed the JTC PTCF session. Upon reflection of the past two years of the pandemic and the impact of this on the CLB, we decided one of our main goals this year as a staff (besides having lots of fun) is placing emphasis on

three basic core components of the CLB: respect for the CLB uniform, connection to community and our unique connection to the church. Focusing on this goal, (and inspired by the "A Way forward" project) we started brainstorming ways to enhance some of the badges to make them increasingly interactive for our members. We greatly look forward to sharing our experiences in the next edition of The Bugle with you all.

In closing, it has been said there are two ways to look at a challenge: as a threat, or as an opportunity for growth and change. It goes without saying however, which perception is of the greatest of benefit. Every day we have the freedom of this choice, that is something within our control during an uncertain time. With that, keep the faith and Keep the Flag Flying 🇺🇸



C.L.B. In the Community

CAPT. MICHAEL COOPER

TRINITY EAST - PORT REXTON COMPANY

In these times of self-isolation and bubbles, a word gets lost in the mix - Community. Community - a feeling of fellowship with others as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals. (Oxford Dictionary). For the TEPR CLB Company, this community is a 2 way street as showcased in our local motto "Helping Hands". Our CLB Company has done a lot of giving back to the Community, but to do these big events there is a lot of community giving to us also. Here are just a few examples (I apologize if I miss anyone in these examples):

Community Breakfasts - Held Jan 26th and Feb 16th, 2020 at Lions Clubs in Port Rexton and Goose Cove respectfully. These were pancake breakfasts cooked up by the JTC/SC and served by the LTC/YTC, totally free to attend, but a donation bucket and food bank box was by the door if you wished to donate. The CLB youth did an amazing job serving their "customers", to great reviews from the local community and social media telling everyone to come. The things you don't see are how the Community backed us on this. Both Lions Club Halls were rented to us for free for the events. Trinity Branch of the Royal Bank helped with funding and advertising. Gregg Porter and his Foodex staff donated a portion of the bologna, and even cut it all up for us to use. Also, the community coming out, joining us for breakfast, then asking all their friends to come out.

Bells of Peace - Nov 1-11th, 2018. A major undertaking started by the Legion, to honour the fallen on the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1, by first laying flags at the graves of all WW1 vets, and then on Nov 11th ringing the "Bells of Peace" at sunset. We as a CLB Company wanted to honour all fallen veterans, so we placed Flags and Poppies to all WW1 veterans, and Poppies to all others we found (British, US and Scottish included!!!). First, we have to thank the Royal Canadian Legion, Charleston Branch # 37, for providing all the flags and Poppies, plus helping us promote our CLB youth. Trinity Historical Society for copies of the veterans from their databases (we found about 40 more not listed during this) and where they were located (including maps of a couple of cemeteries). The CLB Parents and family/friends, helping us look for the graves, even some from the mainland got into the act. The Packet (our local newspaper), for covering our journey during the Bells of Peace, and whose article ended up going international from some of the comments and this is just the first part! As the CLBERS realized during this we honoured them all the same.... Stand at attention at the foot of their grave, salute, place the Poppy/Flag, then face the camera (to record, as we went along the CLBERS would say thank you to the veteran by name when the picture was taken) back to the foot of the grave, attention, salute and fall out and on to the next one. The second part, the ringing of the bells had a whole new round of community support. All Churches, (Anglican,

United, Roman Catholic) gave us permission to ring the bells in their Churches and offering people to show how to in some Churches (1 bell, the last time it was rung was over 60 years before!), plus the local Girl Guides came out to help us ring the bells right across Trinity Bight!!!!

That is just 2 examples of the behind the scene help we get from the local community. They help us in many aspects as we help the Community. It may be 1 night the Fire Dept teaches us about fire fighting, The Coast Guard water safety or Veterans telling the youth stories about the war. Or Bishop White School and staff, letting us use the school plus showcasing the CLB youth. Lions Clubs asking us to be servers for their annual Seniors supper, or helping with community cleanups, or going door to door doing a food drive for the local Food Bank. Clode Sound Sea Cadets; Bonavista & Catalina Girl Guide branches, we all come together to help each other. These are just a few examples of how the TEPR CLB Company give back to the Community, and how the community give back to us. These are difficult times, but as CLBERS, we are all part of a bigger community, no matter what Company you are with. Fight the Good Fight and let's keep The Flag Flying 🇨🇦

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

- Psalm 133:1



Upper Island Cove Company

LT. NANCY LIEFF

UPPER ISLAND COVE COMPANY

The staff of #4547 Upper Island Cove Company are pleased to share our experiences together over the past several months. It is our hope our reports - and the reports of others - shed some light during a time such as this, as we dive into the winter months amidst this continuing global pandemic. Throughout our CLB training year thus far, we've had lots of fun, recreational activities, and remain committed to the core elements of badge work and drill instruction. Some notable badgework completed was Recruits and a crowd favourite, the Nature badge, where we learned about animals, plant life and being good Stewards of the Earth. Despite the challenges we have all faced, we have grown as a company and come together as a community. On December 5th, we enrolled 3 new members in our company and were fortunate enough to do this safely in church with the support of the TCB Battalion Band and Battalion staff, as well as many people from the community. Noted with happiness by many, it was the largest number of people seen in our church in a long time. Along with the TCB Battalion Band and a new, supportive minister/company chaplain, this service felt hopeful and harkened back to a time when our church and community organizations were at their peak in numbers and vitality. Christmas festivities have been plentiful and joyous this year. This



month, our company took part in the Santa Claus Parade organized by our community that brought back a tradition of a lengthy route through the community, and ended with music at the community recreation centre, by our (also growing) ACAA brass band, which includes some of our CLB members. Our members showed up for the parade in great numbers and in full uniform to march with pride, throughout the community: no small feat for our youngest and eldest members. In addition, this year we had our CLB Christmas party in the community instead of our annual swimming pool party, due to Covid-19 restrictions. And well, didn't we have a "Time"! We hosted the "Candy Cane Olympics", provided music from our local DJ, had a visit from Santa and even had a run in with the local "mummers", all good...they were masked and had vax passes. To conclude, we know Covid-19 is tough, but so is the CLB. A virus does not have the armour we do: the helmet of salvation, the Sword of Spirit, the Breast Plate of Righteousness, the Girdle of Truth and the Shield of Faith. We are indomitable because we are held together with this protection and walk together in Christ consciousness. In good times and in hard times, together we Fight The Good Fight with all our might. Carry it with you this holiday season, the true meaning behind the CLB. From all of us out in Upper Island Cove, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 🇨🇦

MOM... "I did a Harold!"

CAPT. CRAIG DYER

MOUNT PEARL COMPANY

As I start my 45th year in the CLB, I have many great memories growing up as a member of our organization, so many activities, camps, sporting events and parades. Some of my best memories as a young boy were at the CLB Armoury; especially Lt. Harold Laite.

Lt. Laite; now a retired Officer, always had a positive fun attitude that kept CLB interesting and enjoyable for all the members of St. Michael's Company. When Lt. Laite was in the building you knew it was going to be an exciting night. My fondest memory of Harold was his ability to make a great night out of nothing. What I mean is, if a leader/officer wasn't able to make the parade night, Harold wouldn't worry, he would just go to his Tickle Trunk and come up with an activity for the evening.



On September 30th, Mt. Pearl Company opened its doors to start another training year, a few weeks delayed due to Covid, but we started. It was supposed to be a registration night; drop in.... sign up.... pay your dues and go home. But that didn't happen, instead of going home members hung around, I guess they were excited to be back in the Parish Hall. After about 15 minutes I realized they weren't going home and we needed to do something quickly.

That's when "I did a Harold." We went out into the basement of the Church looking for an activity to do, we found 10 empty boxes. We took the boxes and had races, 3 legged races, backward races and even made up a bowling game.... one of the best evenings I've had in a long time.

It was such a great night, I had to call Lt. Laite on my way home to thank him for being my Officer, and let him know that "I did a Harold" 🇷🇺

A special evening at Mt. Pearl Company #4507

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With Remembrance Day approaching, Mt. Pearl Company spent their parade night learning about the importance of November 11th.

On Thursday November 4th, Mt. Pearl Company took time to honour our fallen soldiers and discuss the importance of this date in history, they watched a video called "A Pittance of Time" sung



by Newfoundlander Terry Kelly and another video called "The Last Post: A powerful and ubiquitous song of remembrance" by Charles Armstrong, Bugler RCMP pipe band.

Capt. Andrew Kane spoke about Sgt. Donald Lucas, as a member of the CLB, in the military, his life and his family. Capt. Clarence Squibb and Capt. Fronie Squibb spoke about the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and some of the history of the Brigade and the role that CLB played during the World Wars 🇷🇺



Upper Gullies Company

CAPT. SANDY DINHAM

UPPER GULLIES COMPANY

After the pandemic shut down, we are excited to be up and running for another CLB year! All our youth had an awesome summer and are now settled in for a fun packed training year. We have six new members this year that will be officially enrolled at our service on Dec 7th.

On November 9th, we attended a Remembrance Day presentation

at St. Peter's church. Mr. Wayne Miller, a retired veteran, spoke to our youth about his experiences and they then had an opportunity to ask questions. Thanks Mr. Miller for taking the time to speak to us!

We are also excited to be celebrating one of our very own officers with 60 years of service this year. Capt. Cliff Fowler joined Foxtrap CLB Company at the age of 11 years and was an active member with them for 17 years. He then transferred to Topsail Company where he remained until

the company closed in 2012. Then he transferred to Upper Gullies Company. Capt. Fowler, thank you for your work and dedication to the CLB. We salute you!

We have lots of activities planned before Christmas break including a Christmas party and, of course, regular parade nights with badge work. We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas!

Until next time, Keep the Flag Flying 🇨🇦

Once A C.L.B. Member, Always A C.L.B. Member

COLONEL J. A. HEFFERNAN

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

In 2017, the Brigade held a 125th C.L.B. reunion celebration at the Armoury on Harvey Road. Former Sgt. Maj. Greg Noble and a neighbour of our Major Coish, had a strong inkling to attend to meet some of his old comrades and teammates from his days as a member of St. Mary's Company # 911. In the years 1977- 80, Sgt/M. Nobel had helped to organize a very competitive team to play in the St. John's Basketball association's "D" Division. Some members of those teams were G. Noble, D Langdon, C. Gorman, D. Barnes, K. Rogers, T. Oliver, Greg Smith, Gary Smith, R. Vey, E. Dawe, K. Arns, D. Foote, and R. Smith. Of note is the fact that Mr. Gary Smith went on to become the president of Newfoundland Power who is the main sponsor of our Brigade's magazine THE BUGLE. In addition, K. Arns was our former Governor and Commandant, and presently chairman of our Brigade's Finance Committee. D. Langdon was a very successful businessman, whose generosity supported the C.L.B. The 1980 team was very competitive and survived to play in the leagues championship game. It was here that the St. Michael's Company # 4512 marched on their parade night, in uniform, to Bishop's College to support and cheer on their C.L.B. team. Unfortunately, our beautiful Championship Trophy was lost in the terrible Armoury Harvey Road fire. Meanwhile at the C.L.B. reunion, Sgt. Maj Nobel inquired of Major Coish at the QM Stores what may have become of the old colorful Brigade basketball uniforms. He was pleasantly surprised to be informed that they were not in the Armoury when we experienced the terrible fire of December 1992. They were stored elsewhere and escaped the fire, only to be returned after the opening of our new Armoury. He then requested of Major Coish if he could retain his old # 13 to be suitably framed, and donated back to our C.L.B. museum. He was granted permission and months later, beautifully framed it was returned to Major Coish. It now holds a special spot in our W.G. Tilley Museum, where it helps tell of our illustrious C.L.B. sports history. The Brigade is most grateful and thank you Sgt/M. Nobel 🇮🇪

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Honouring C.L.B. Members

TERRY HISSEY

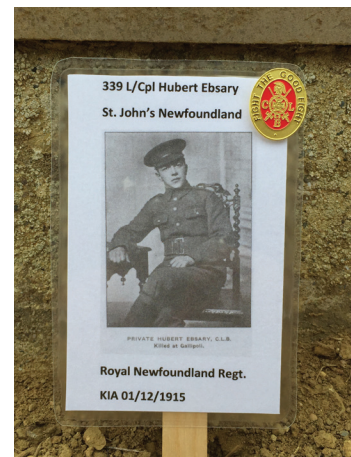
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Back in 2002, I started to record and photograph the final resting places and commemorations to the fallen CLB of both wars. Reflecting its global influence, WW2 casualties are spread far and wide around. In September 2019, I was given the opportunity to visit the Gallipoli Peninsula as part of the Trail of the Caribou Research Group. Of course this would give me the opportunity of paying homage at the graves of the four Nfld CLB members far from home.

At Azmak Cemetery, I stood in front of Pte Edward Bewhey's grave and affixed a CLB pin badge to his laminated portrait upon a small wooden cross. A paper provincial flag was also planted alongside a rock from Newfoundland. A short ceremony then took place in honour of the dozen Newfoundlanders, and I sounded the Last Post from where I stood. Looking down I reflected on the inscription before me: "Although gone you are not forgotten". We moved on to Hill 10 Cemetery and performed same for the eight Nfld graves. Three of them were CLB members and two, Ptes

William Hardy and Frank Roberts, almost rest side by side. The area of ground opposite the cemetery gates was soon going to be the site of the Caribou memorial standing alongside the ones in France, Belgium and Bowring Park. (It will be formally dedicated in September 2022.)

In conclusion, it was a great honour to pay my tribute to the CLB members from Newfoundland in the Gallipoli Peninsula 🇳🇫



CLCGB Memorial Gardens

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Since 2002, the CLCGB have had a Memorial Garden at the National Memorial Arboretum. Located in the heart of the midlands, this site has become the centrepiece of our country's perpetual remembrance. This is not just war-conflict related, but many organizations and periods in history.

A small informal service started in 2002 lead by Robin Bolton, Historical Group Chairman and Maynard Scott, former Brigade Association Secretary. A wreath was laid and names of the departed from the previous 12 months were read out. To commemorate the 90th Anniversary of the Battle

of the Somme and the 150th Anniversary of the Victoria Cross, a formal service was held in the adjacent chapel. The National Choir attended, a band played pre and post service, the Last Post was sounded and Poppy wreathes were laid in the Memorial Garden.

This formal service has continued every year and in 2015, when I became part of the organizing team, the names of departed Newfoundlanders were added. Eric Mercer and Erin Follett were the first of many who have had their name read out during the wreath laying part of proceedings. It was a matter of great pride to their respective son and daughter to visit the Garden in 2016 as part of the Regimental Band's Tour of Honour. The attendees held a short

service and Rev Lynn Courage said prayers.

Since then, the names of departed Newfoundlanders are printed in the order of service and read out in chronological order alongside their UK comrades. It warms my heart when I occasionally receive a message of appreciation from across the pond. We have now added the other Brigade parts of the Commonwealth to the tributes. This year's remembered were George Gavin (Fogo Island), Ralph Cooper (TEPR), Rt Rev Dr Geoffrey Peddle (Chaplain) and Colin Reid (Bell Island). The service was honoured with the presence of Adam Peddle and his family to represent the CLB 





On the 1st July this year the Canadian flag was hoisted at the U.K. National HQ for the very first time. This was in commemoration of your national day with a change to the Newfoundland flag at mid-day. National flags will now be flown annually, where the Brigade operates, on a relevant date for a few days. With thanks to Zoe Palmer at U.K. NHQ. Submitted by Terry Hissey



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THE PLACES WE
CALL HOME.**

Brian Malone, Environmental Coordinator, St. John's

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