

The Raven & The Rock

The Glens' Association Newsletter—July 2020

A MESSAGE FROM OUR ASSOCIATION'S PRESIDENT

Fellow Glens:

As Canada Day 2020 comes to a close, I'm struck with the few opportunities we've had to properly celebrate it because of COVID 19 restrictions. I hope that you've found safe, satisfying ways to mark the occasion. My main thing was to hoist a new Canada flag on my flagpole. Nice thing to do but not particularly exciting. It's late evening as I write this and while there are sporadic fireworks going off, presumably, at private homes in Cornwall, there is quite a lot of noise coming from the south. So, it's interesting to note that the first nation's people of Akwesasne are the only ones really celebrating Canada Day in the Cornwall area and that this is a great, warm, dry and windless night for it. Likely the best in recent years.

Obviously, the activities of the Association are still suspended and will remain so until we get Government clearance to assemble. I did take the opportunity to represent the Association at a limited attendance, Health Unit approved D-Day event hosted at the Cenotaph by the Cornwall RCL Branch 297. This was almost immediately followed by a BLM parade in Cornwall, including 100's of people. It seems that some organizations can circumvent Health Unit social distancing regulations by declaring the gatherings as protests.

Tomorrow, Friday 3 July is the 152nd Anniversary of the formation of our Regiment. For the 150th, a number of Association members visited the Bergin Plaque at the Precious Blood cemetery in Glen Walter with fellowship following at the Blue Anchor Restaurant. Perhaps we can do this again at some point, however, a visit tomorrow or anytime soon would likely be unwise, considering COVID circumstances.

We can, however, do what some of us did on 2 May and that is to TOAST the Regiment on the occasion of its 152nd birthday.

Wherever you are, kindly join my wife, Frances and I at 1900 hrs (7 pm) EDT, tomorrow, Friday 3 July as we raise our glasses in honour of the 152nd Anniversary of the Regiment.

Take good care of yourselves and your loved ones.

UP THE GLENS

George

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