

COUNTDOWN



JULY AUGUST 2018



Cadet Change of Command 534 Squadron June 11th 2018

Capt Neil DePass to LT Matt Veals

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President's Message

First of all I would like to thank all members who stood up and donated funds to the Wing and our Spring Cleanup project, it is not finished to date but will be completed soon, from your generous donations we cut the expense of the painting etc. by 75%, and thanks to Viv Maybe for the excellent job on our gardens in front of our Wing.

Our luncheon General Meeting was held on May 29th there was a very disappointing attendance of Wing Members just enough to have a Quorum. After the report by our treasurer it was brought to the attention of the members present of our poor financial situation at the Wing. The past 2 years we have had to use monies from our GIC'S to pay bills and if this financial situation continues into the future we will have to think about selling our quarters. The executive has cut back on wages for our bartenders by using volunteers 2 days a week for the summer, we still have openings if you wish to help a smart serve card is needed, there were suggestions of a membership drive which is presently ongoing and a survey taken to include a movie day, karaoke, putting greens, card tournaments and other attractions to get the members and friends into the Wing.

On May 1st our membership was 114 members which included 24 RCAFA members and 6 Honorary, to date 10 members have decided not to renew for various reasons and 6 have decided not to rejoin National and there are 15 yet to indicate if they are rejoining, which leaves a membership in the 90 range for the upcoming year, so you can see that our membership decline is very disturbing, let's hope our drive for new members increases and support of our Wing for the foreseeable future.

Our 1st VP Andy Downer and our Secretary Cindy Byers have resigned from the Wing executive for personal reasons. I have elevated Jodie Smith to the position of 1st VP and have given her the membership chair, I have also elevated Andrea Cole to membership assistant to help Jodie with her duties. If there is anyone interested in doing the Secretary duties for the upcoming year please contact me.

From our Horizons grant we purchased a deliberator and presently it is not being used, if anyone is interested in a training session which includes a first aid course which takes approximately 8 hours there is no cost as the New Horizons fund obtained money to train any members and staff to use this.

I would like to thank Dale Walker our master of ceremonies for a job well done in conducting our Past Presidents and Long Service Awards night, there were 35 people in attendance, and representatives from the local Branch 52 Legion and the Naval Association were in attendance. Thanks to our Kitchen Coordinator Thelma Cole and Staff for a delicious meal.

We are in need of Bingo workers to serve at our Bingo's this once a month two hour session on a Monday help's support our Cadets and Wing, if you know of anyone interested please contact our Bingo Chair Chris Choate.

Bill Devereaux

President



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2nd Vice President Report

On June 2nd the Past Presidents long Service dinner on the surface a great success, but financially not so, we made just over \$30.00 so next year the price will go from \$20.00 to \$25.00 and there will only 6 free dinners instead of the 10 this year.

Just a reminder that on September 16th at 1PM at the Peterborough War Memorial we will be hosting the Battle of Britain service, there will be more information to come.

Dale Walker 2nd VP

Greetings Padre's Pulpit:

This time of the year always is a busy season. We enjoyed a short period of warmer weather followed by cooler days. Finally warmer weather has come.

It has been busy with many events. I enjoyed be part of D Day gathering also the Cadet inspections. The transfer of the Air Cadets Commanding Officer from Captain Neil De Pass to the Incoming officer Lieutenant (Navy) Matthew Veals CD2.

There has been Memorial Service for Dorothy June Johnston which was well attended.

There has been sent or handed out several cards of get well, Thinking of you, and Sympathy. Many of the members and friends of 428 Wing added comments or their name on the cards when possible.

It is my Privilege to be asked to be part of all activities pertaining to 428 Air Force Wing Club. I am blessed to have my wife Marlene who is blessed with a singing voice especially when she can bless others.

As always the success of any position including the Padre is when we all have grace to co-operate and grace to forgive. The supreme commander of the Universe will grant the blessing if we will receive that gift from Him. Remember we are all human and are not without fault!

Enjoy the few weeks of the summer weather. Enjoy life safe be a blessing to others. Remember we only pass through this life once. Enjoy family and friends to the fullest.

I always look forward to greeting each member and those who come into 428 Wing for a time of fellowship. Bring a friend, many out in our Community need a handshake, a smile, and encouragement.

Here is something to think on. Today's preparation may, determine Tomorrow's Achievements. Plan purposefully- Prepare playfully – Proceed positively – Pursue persistently.

I will close with the Following:

The Observation of a Child: One day a little girl was sitting and watching her Mother doing the dishes at the sink. She suddenly noticed that Her Mother had several strands of white hair sticking out in contrast to her brunette head.

She looked at her Mother and inquisitively asked, "Why are some of your hairs White Mom?" Mother replied, "Well every time that you do something wrong and make me unhappy, one of my hairs turns white."

The girls sat quiet and thought about this Revelation for a while and then said, "Mommy how come all of Grandma's hairs are White?"

Blessings

Padre Harvey

Air Cadets

On the 9th of June 2018 the annual Cadet inspection was held at the armories. It was well attended by parents, guests and Wing members, there were 70 Cadets on parade, after the parade there was food for all provided by the cadets parents.

On that day a flying scholarship from the Farquharson Bursary was presented to FSGT Aislynn Vink.

On Monday June 11th it was the change of Command ceremonies from Capt. Neil Depass to LT (Navy) Matt Veals. Also there was the presentation of trophies, medals and cadet promotions. It was also an appreciation night for all Cadets, parents and staff, over 200 showed up for the meal.

The summer trip for the cadets is scheduled for August and they are going to Niagara Falls.

Pierre Brunet Immediate Past President

Pictures from the Annual Inspection at the Armories.





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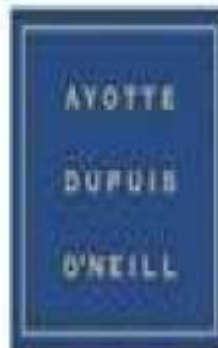


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Hello Everyone

I attended the Kawartha Bingo Sponsor's Association AGM on June 11, 2018 at Delta Gaming Center which includes someone from each of the 50 charities. This is a "Not for Profit" Organization. Total revenue is up 13% -- saying that, they need to get new people into the building.

They have been making improvements to the Delta Gaming Center with outside and inside painting etc. new chairs and carpet are coming. These are from Capital Investments. As well as Bingo, there are dart boards, and pool tables.

The "Tap Tix" machines are doing well, so they are expanding these and adding Progressive machines.

Thank you for your donations to the yard sale we attended in June. Thank you to the volunteers who helped me, I really appreciate it. We didn't make a lot of money, and I felt it could have been better advertised.

At 428 Wing, we are down to 6 very dedicated Bingo Volunteers. If you know of someone that would like to volunteer, send them in my direction. It is a couple of hours a month to help support the Air Cadets.

Thank you, and have a great summer.

Chris Choate Bingo Director

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Entertainment

This past year has been a lot of fun and thanks to all who help me out!

The Catch the Ace will be running throughout the summer with a free draw on all Fridays, hope everyone's summer is a great one.

Jodie Smith

HOUSE & SECURITY

Our spring cleanup is going well with some painting still to be done, the shutters on the front of our building have been repaired and replaced, our front door is not working properly and a part is on the way to fix it. Everything else is working and in good repair.

Our security and Fire system has been checked by Trent Security and is in good working order. I am in the process of finding a Honey Badger to patrol our Wing for security purposes but comments from the members and the availability of one leaves this process in limbo.

Krijn

2018 Recipients of long Service Anniversary Pins

5 Years: Joan Adams, Harold Barclay, Joseph Blythe, Dean Doherty and Martin Fellows.

10 Years Dale Walker

15 Years Mike Anglesey, Mary Blaby, Arnold Graham and Sidney Hughes.

20 Years Donald Ridyard and Robert Young

35 Years Alf McDonald

45 Years Howard Johnston

50 Years Donald Frederick and Frank Mancini

For those members who have not received their Pins drop by the Wing and pick it up or give us a call and it will be forwarded to you.

SEE PHOTO'S ON BACK PAGE

Pictures from our Past President and Anniversary awards Dinner



Pierre Brunet Past Pres. Badge



Harold Barclay 5 Years



Dale Walker 10 Years



Sidney Hughes 15 Years



Alf McDonald 35 Years



Howard Johnston 45 Years

