

## "THE GEN"

#### Newsletter of 416 (AVM Godfrey) Wing, Royal Canadian Air Force Association of Canada

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#### Board Chair's Message - April 2024

I would like to wish a Happy Birthday to all RCAF and RCAFA members for 100 years of service to Canada. Although military aviation in Canada dates back to WWI, it wasn't until Royal assent was given on 5 March 1923 and the official creation of the RCAF on 1 April 1924 that we had a separate military air service in Canada. Thank you to all those that showed up at the Wing on 1 April to celebrate this momentous occasion. It was a great party and congratulations to those new members that were officially inducted into 416 Wing that day. And what a day we had on April 8<sup>th</sup> for our solar eclipse party. The weather stayed just clear enough to see the Sun's corona during totality in all its glory. Thanks to all who brought so much good food to the event.

Our next big event, and major fundraiser, comes up on April 27<sup>th</sup> when we will have our always popular Monte Carlo night. This is an event where everyone can have fun. It is a night of gambling games where everyone is using "funny money". You get the fun of gambling without worry as the funny money has no real actual value. However, we do have plenty of prizes to give away to participants so there is a good chance that you will go home a winner. The proceeds from the night go directly to support our Wing so that we can keep our doors open and continue to support you, our members. So please come out and support your club. Details in the

attached poster in this Gen. Please note that we are also having a Wing Spring clean-up day on the morning of April 27<sup>th</sup>. For hockey fans, you don't want to miss Hockey Talk with Rick Smith (former Boston Bruin) on Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm. This will be a great afternoon of hockey stores about some of your favourite players and Rick will also be bringing some special guests with him.

In terms of events coming up in May, please note that the Paint Night that was planned for 10 April has now been postponed to Friday 3 May. I hope to have an announcement soon on when tickets will go on sale for the 100th RCAF Anniversary Gala dinner to be held in conjunction with 1 Wing at the Jr Ranks Mess at CFB Kingston on Friday 24 May. This should be a great event and tickets will sell out fast.

Finally, I am making a last appeal for members to join the Board of Directors. Most of the current board has reached its maximum terms and new Board members are desperately needed. Please email Anna Paziuk, the current Board Secretary, or myself to indicate if you would be interested in serving.

Larry Paziuk Board Chair

**NOTICE:** If anyone has any interesting articles or items that you would like to see in the Gen, please submit them to <a href="mailto:416wingpresident@outlook.com">416wingpresident@outlook.com</a>. Maybe some historical Wing photos would be nice to see.

### **2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD) NOMINATIONS**

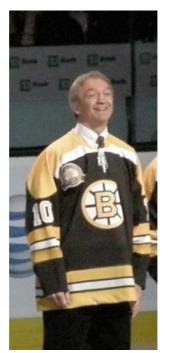
As described in our 416 Wing constitution, nominations are now open to join the 416 Wing BOD. There are 8 positions in total on the BOD and Directors are elected for a two year term. Five positions are available this year. In order to be eligible for nomination, the nominated member must be a regular RCAFA member. The nomination can be made by any member, including



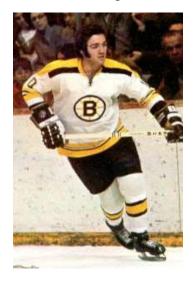
self-nominations. Nominations can be made by writing or emailing our Wing Secretary at <a href="mailto:annapaziuk@hotmail.com">annapaziuk@hotmail.com</a>. Nominations must be received by 27 April 2024. If there are less than six nominations then the nominated member(s) will be acclaimed to the BOD. If there are more than five nominations then an election will be held at the next Wing AGM on 2 June to determine the winning nominations.

## **Hockey Talk with Rick Smith**

## Saturday 20 April



With playoff season almost here, Rick Smith (Boston Bruins '76 to '80) will be joining us with some of his hockey friends at the Wing on Saturday 20 April at 3 pm for a hockey talk. Rick us a great story teller about the glory days of hockey so be sure to come out for this entertaining afternoon of hockey talk and beers.



# Wing Spring Clean Up



April 27<sup>th</sup> at 9 am

We need as many bodies to help as possible

Hot Dog BBQ to follow



## Save the Date

24 May 2024

RCAF 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Dinner

CFB Kingston, Jr rank Mess. Theme: Black Tie Bivouac. Ticket on sell soon.

# St. Patrick's Party Recap













# **RCAF 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memories**



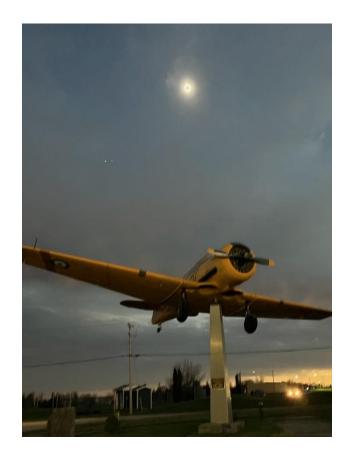








# **Eclipse Party**









## RCAFA 416 Wing Fundraiser

PAINT CLASS NIGHT



Only 25 totes available

# Postponed to Friday, May 3rd

200 Hampton Gray Gate, Kingston ON

COST \$45 includes donation and supplies

Light snacks will be served up prior to painting

If you would like to participate, tickets are available

at the Wing cockpit bar or you can e-transfer to Anna Paziuk at paziuka@gmail.com

Call Anna at 613-546-9109 for more information

# HORSESHOES & HOLE WASHER BOARD WEDNESDAY EVENINGS MID MAY THROUGH AUGUST 6:30 P.M. UNTIL DARK



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WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024 AT 6:30 P.M.

AT 416 WING

**200 HAMPTON GRAY GATE** 

KINGSTON, ON

(NEAR LANDINGS GOLF COURSE – LOOK FOR HARVARD PLANE IN PARKING LOT)

#### **416 Wing Board of Directors**

Chairman – Larry Paziuk

Secretary - Anna Paziuk

**Treasurer** – Kathy Dudley

Membership - Rick Main

House - Wayne Williams

Bar Manager – Andrew Robinson

Silver Wings - Shirley MacIntyre

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20 Apr - Hockey Talk with Rick Smith

27 Apr - Spring Clean-up

27 Apr – Monte Carlo Night

3 May – Paint Night

17 - 19 May - Ontario Group Convention (Trenton)

24 May – RCAF 100th Anniversary Dinner

1 Jun – 58 Sqn RCAC Annual Review

2 Jun - 416 Wing AGM

8 Jun – 416 Wing Memorial Golf Tournament

15 Jun – Deseronto Memorial Service