

WING DING - May – June 2020

Condensed Issue
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PRESIDENT's MESSAGE A. Douglas Arnold

I sincerely hope that all 404 Wing Members are keeping well and are finding some satisfying ways to pass the time as we go through this period of self-isolation. I am sure it must be much harder for some than for others, I especially think of those of you who are home alone, and although I am practicing self-isolation by staying at home, so therefore would not be able to do very much to help you out, I do have a telephone and would be happy to talk to anyone who would just like to talk to someone. It does appear that this self-isolation may be continuing for a while yet, and I know how depressing it can be listening to the news each day. However if we persevere we shall overcome and one day soon will be able to meet up with our families and friends and tell each other stories as to how we survived the covid-19 virus pandemic.

I have had a few calls and emails from members concerned about the future of the Wing. I think the Wing is in a good position to weather this shut down, and although we don't have any income, we also don't have many regular expenses. Therefore, when this is all over, I anticipate the Wing will reopen and it will be business as usual, and I just hope that all of you will come out and show your support.

Thanks to Donna Kuehl and her band of Irish Leprechauns, the Wing had a very successful Irish Party to celebrate St Patrick's, and thanks to "JUST A FEW OF US" for their enjoyable music. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the cost of replacing the under counter cooler compressor, your generosity is very much appreciated.

On behalf of the Wing and myself I want to say a special thank you to Larry Allenson for making regular visits to the Wing to ensure that the building is secure and that there are no problems. Thanks Larry, your assistance is greatly appreciated. I also want to thank Andy Glenn for ensuring that the Wing's finances are being looked after. Thanks Andy this is very much appreciated also.



"We have always held to the hope, the belief, the conviction that there is a better life, a better world, beyond the horizon." (Franklin D. Roosevelt).

So, let us all continue to have faith that this too shall pass, hopefully soon, and the end result will be a better and safer world.

Keep Safe
Per Ardua Ad Astra

GENERAL MEETING NOTICE

Upcoming meeting dates **for May and June are cancelled** due to the COVID-19 emergency measures in Waterloo Region. **The Annual General Meeting and Election slated for the meeting on June 4th, 2020 is deferred.** Currently, the next General Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 3, 2020.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Waterloo has extended municipal and facility cancellations to Tuesday, June 30th, 2020. The 404 K-W Wing, RCAFA will be closed until June 30th as well.

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LADIES AUXILIARY Donna Kuehl, President



The current health pandemic at home and around the world is demanding many changes in our lives. Staying at home is one of them. When it's your own choice it's easier than when it's imposed. Thank you for doing your part during the coronavirus pandemic. I hope you are well and have found creative ways to spend your time.

The Auxiliary's planned meetings, activities and events are cancelled and on hold until at least the end of June.

There were many disappointed card players due to the cancellation of our annual Card Party in April and given the present situation, it is unlikely it could be re-scheduled any time before next fall. If you purchased tickets, please hang on to them until we can meet in person and decide what to do.

Social get-togethers, like our June BBQ, are deferred. And the May theatre trip to St. Jacobs Country Playhouse is cancelled as well. Ticket money will be reimbursed.

These are difficult times right now. If you have news to share, need something, or just want to talk, you can call me at 519-744-3146 or send an email to adeline@sympatico.ca. I miss seeing all of you and am looking forward to being back at the Wing. Stay well.

Donna K.

PADRE'S CORNER Dr. Bruce Sweet

Dear all

I am told that this edition of the Wing Ding covers the period from May through June. I decided to offer a poem about that which has preoccupied us for a few months and for who knows how long into the future. Hopefully, by the end of August we will be through this virus which, in many ways, has infected everyone in the world. I also wanted a poem with a spiritual understanding of the events of our days. Here it is.

"Pandemic"

What if you thought of it
as the Jews consider the Sabbath—
the most sacred of times?
Cease from travel.
Cease from buying and selling.
Give up, just for now,
on trying to make the world
different than it is.
Sing. Pray. Touch only those
to whom you commit your life.
Center down.

And when your body has become still,
reach out with your heart.
Know that we are connected
in ways that are terrifying and beautiful.

(You could hardly deny it
now.)
Know that our lives
are in one another's hands.
(Surely, that has come clear.)
Do not reach out your hands.
Reach out your heart.
Reach out your words.
Reach out all the tendrils
of compassion that move, invisibly,
where we cannot touch.

Promise this world your love—
for better or for worse,
in sickness and in health,
so long as we all shall live.



Lynn Ungar

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING and ELECTION

On April 1, 2020 all voting members of 404 K-W Wing, Royal Canadian Air Force Association were given notice of the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Wing quarters at 510 Dutton Drive, in the City of Waterloo, Ontario on 04 June 2020, at 19:00 hours for the purpose of the election of Wing Executive and Directors, and any other issues or motions that may be rightly brought before this Meeting, in accordance with the By-Laws and Regulations of the Association and of the Wing.

Due to emergency measures during the COVID-19 pandemic, the annual election slated for June 4, 2020 is deferred until further notice. The current Wing Executive will continue until an election can take place. Members will be notified of the new date for the Annual General Meeting in due course.

Doug Arnold, President

Nancy Ellis, Secretary

NOMINATIONS & ELECTION: Donna Kuehl

Nominations for the Wing's Board of Directors/Wing Executive Council for the coming fiscal year 2020-21 can be submitted by regular mail or email (airmail@404wing.ca). Eligible nominees for the Wing Executive Council must be a Regular, Regular-Dual or Life member of the RCAFA. You can volunteer yourself or nominate someone else.

MEMBERSHIP Donna Kuehl

JOIN OR RENEW NOW ▶

Our current membership year ends on June 30th. Invoices for 2020-2021 annual dues will be emailed or sent in April and May. All members are asked to renew their membership and pay prior to June 30th. Your continuing support and participation is vital. Please note: 404 K-W Wing has not raised local dues despite two increases at the National level.

SPECIAL OFFER: Submit your membership fees by June 1, 2020 and be eligible for a \$50 discount draw. **Mail to:** 404 K-W Wing, RCAFA 510 Dutton Dr., Waterloo N2L 4C6. **Attention: D. Kuehl**

Types of membership at the 404 K-W Wing include the following:

Type	Member of 404 K-W Wing	Voting Privileges for 404 K-W Wing	Member of National RCAFA Association	Voting Privileges for RCAFA	Annual Dues
Regular	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes	\$85
Regular Dual	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes	\$29
Associate	Yes	Yes	No	No	\$60
Associate Dual	Yes	Yes	No	No	\$15
Social	Yes	No	No	No	\$40
Social Dual	Yes	No	No	No	\$15

** includes subscription to Air Force magazine*

The well-being of our members is important. Our padre, Bruce Sweet, is available for phone calls or a 'virtual visit'. You don't have to be sick to call. If you simply need someone to listen during these challenging times, his contact information is listed here, don't hesitate to connect. 519-579-8483 brucesweet4@gmail.com

AIR CADETS Tiffany Freer, Commanding Officer

404 Wing assists 530 Havoc Squadron. Due to COVID-19, the squadron's program has been cancelled until 31 August at the earliest, and this includes all summer training.

The Air Cadet program seeks to encourage and enhance the development of well-adjusted, civic minded youth in undertaking leadership roles in a great Canada and a better world. If you were an Air Cadet, you can join their alumni. Details on the website at <http://aircadetleague.com/join-us/air-cadet-alumni/>.

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PAST PRESIDENTS 404 K-W WING, RCAFA

1949-1950	C. Stover (d)
1950-1952	A. Snetsinger (d)
1952-1953	R. Swartz (d)
1953-1954	J. Vankiebel (d)
1954-1956	W. Roberts (d)
1956-1957	H. Beaupré (d)
1957-1959	S. Elnaugh (d)
1959-1960	R. Mills (d)
1960-1962	E. Dolan (d)
1962-1963	D. Gillies (d)
1963-1964	E. Kieswetter (d)
1964-1966	M. Yule (d)
1966-1967	C. Cressman (d)
1967-1969	J. Playford (d)
1969-1970	G. Delnet (d)
1970-1971	D. Thompson (d)
1971-1972	S. Kenmir
1972-1974	G. Dinsmore (d)
1974-1976	K. Brown (d)
1976-1978	S. Henderson (d)
1978-1980	W. Dahmer (d)
1980-1981	A. Bettridge (d)
1981-1983	F. Becroft
1983-1984	S. Kenmir (2nd Term)
1984-1986	S. Steip (d)
1986-1988	H. Hallman (d)
1988-1990	J. Ness (d)
1990-1991	V. Snowden
1991-1993	S. Henderson (2nd Term) (d)
1993-1995	J. Schmuck (d)
1995-1997	L. Legaarden (d)
1997-1999	Garry Kuehl
1999-2000	Sid Kenmir (3rd Term)
2000-2001	Harry Sreeves (d)
2001-2003	Ed O'Neill
2003-2005	Garry Kuehl (2nd Term)
2005-2007	Vic Snowden (2nd Term)
2007-2009	Mike Tuross
2009-2010	Ron Beaudreau
2010-2011	Mike Tuross (2nd Term)
2011-2012	Mike Tuross (3rd Term)
2012-2014	Harvey Fry
2014-2016	Donna J. Kuehl
2016-2020	A. Douglas Arnold

PAST PRESIDENTS 404 K-W WING, RCAFA, LADIES AUXILIARY

1958-1960	Marie Elnaugh (d)
1960-1961	Dorothy Mills (d)
1961-1963	Linda Tucker (d)
1963-1965	Terry Delaney (d)
1965-1966	Eleanor Budd
1966-1967	Barbara Henderson (d)
1967-1968	Evelyn Yule (d)
1968-1970	Molly Playford (d)
1970-1972	Madeleine Bowman (d)
1972-1974	Marie Elnaugh (2nd Term)(d)
1974-1975	Ellen Young (d)
1975-1977	Linda Tucker (2nd Term) (d)
1977-1979	Reda Bateman (d)
1979-1980	Wynn Armstrong (d)
1980-1982	Fran Leschak (d)
1982-1984	Terry Bruce (d)
1984-1986	Dorothy Dippel
1986-1988	Barbara Fraser (d)
1988-1990	Terry Bruce (2nd term) (d)
1990-1991	Pat Snowden
1991-1993	Ann Knill (d)
1993-1995	Barbara Henderson (2nd term) (d)
1995-1997	Terry Bruce (3rd term) (d)
1997-1999	Fran Leschak (2nd term) (d)
1999-2001	Ada Monaghan
2001-2003	Terry Bruce (4th term) (d)
2003-2005	Bev Rylott
2005-2007	Dianne Giles (d)
2007-2009	Carol Totzke
2009-2011	Terry Bruce (5th term) (d)
2011-2013	Bev Rylott (2nd term)
2013-2015	Carol Totzke (2nd term)
2015-2016	Ev Berg
2016-2018	Bev Rylott (3rd term)
2018-2020	Donna J. Kuehl



RCAF ASSOCIATION NEWS:

The Ontario Group Executive RCAFA has officially cancelled the annual AGM being hosted by Cornwall Wing this year on May 15 to 17, 2020.

The National convention for fall 2020 is pending.

A limited edition coin marks the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe - remembering those who never came home, and those who did but forever injured, supports Air Cadets. Visit the VE-Day Commemorative Coin promotion page at:

<https://rcfassociation.ca/victory-europe-75th-anniversary-commemorative-coin/>

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE NEWS

On April 1st 2020, the RCAF marked 96 years of service. In 1917, the era of military aviation dawned in Canada with the establishment of the Royal Flying Corps Canada (RFCC) in southern Ontario. Camp Borden – now Canadian Forces Base Borden – in Ontario was the RFCC's main base.



This photo is a Fairchild FC-2 Razorback at Camp Borden, Ont., in 1927. The Razorback was in service with the RCAF from 1927 to 1938 and was initially designed for aerial photography. Camp Borden – now Canadian Forces Base Borden – in Ontario was the birthplace of military aviation in Canada. DND Photo

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 5 pm-10 pm Lounge 7:30 pm Silver Stars	2 6:00+ pm Lounge 10 Games Day
3 CLOSED	4 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	5 6:45 pm Euchre	6 1:40 pm Newcomers Club 7 pm Just Us Jamming	7 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	8 5 pm-10 pm Lounge 7:30 pm Silver Stars (big hall)	9 6:00+ pm Lounge 10 Games Day
10 CLOSED	11 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	12 6:45 pm Euchre 7 pm Optimist Exec p	13 1:40 pm Newcomers Club 7 pm Just Us Jamming	14 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	15 5 pm-10 pm Lounge 7:30 pm Silver Stars (big hall)	16 6:00+ pm Lounge 10 Games Day
17 CLOSED	18 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	19 6:45 pm Euchre 7 pm Optimist Exec p	20 1:40 pm Newcomers Club 7 pm Just Us Jamming	21 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	22 5 pm-10 pm Lounge	23 6:00+ pm Lounge 10 Games Day
24 CLOSED	25 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	26 6:45 pm Euchre	27 1:30 pm Boogie Ball 7 pm Just Us Jamming	28 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	29 5 pm-10 pm Lounge 5:30 pm Silver Stars	30 6:00+ pm Lounge 10 Games Day
31 CLOSED						

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MAY programs & Activities are cancelled**

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	1 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	2 6:45 pm Euchre	3 1:40 pm Newcomers Club 7 pm Just Us Jamming	4 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre General Meeting 6 pm Dinner	5 6:00+ pm Lounge 10 Games Day	6 6:00+ pm Lounge 10 Games Day
7 CLOSED	8 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre 1:00-2:30 SABLE	9 6:45 pm Euchre 7 pm Optimist Exec p	10 1:40 pm Newcomers Club 7 pm Just Us Jamming	11 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre	12 6:00+ pm Lounge 10 Games Day	13 6:00+ pm Lounge 10 Games Day
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28 CLOSED	29 1:40-3:30 Bid Euchre 2-4 Old Salts	30 6:45 pm Euchre				

**Due to the COVID-19 pandemic
JUNE programs & Activities are cancelled**