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We knew in Wars and Peace and in
Our services both Home and Abroad.

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PRESERVING THE
HISTORY OF:

NEW WESTMINSTER

VOLUNTEER RIFLES

SEYMOUR BATTERY OF
GARRISON ARTILLERY

104th WESTMINSTER
FUSILIERS OF CANADA

131st BATTALION
CANADIAN EXPEDITIONARY
FORCE

470th BATTALION
CANADIAN EXPEDITIONARY
FORCE

THE WESTMINSTER
REGIMENT (INF)

THE WESTMINSTER
REGIMENT (MG)

THE WESTMINSTER
REGIMENT (MOTOR)

THE ROYAL
WESTMINSTER REGIMENT

Annual General Meeting

Thursday, March 20, 1986

TIME: 8:00 p.m.

PLACE: The Armoury, New Westminister, B.C.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1939 - 45

42ND. ANNIVERSARY



SATURDAY, MAY 24, 1986

MELFA GOLF TOURNAMENT

EYLORA GOLF CLUB

9411 Sidaway Rd.,

Richmond, B.C.

Cost per person:
\$12.00

Tee-off time: 10:45 AM

SOMME 1916
ARRAS 1917-1918
VIMY 1917
HILL 70 1917
YPRES
PASSCHENDAELE
GROCCOURT QUEANT
CAHAL-DU-NORD
AMIENS
VALENCIENNES

ROYAL WESTMINSTER REGT. ASSOC.

ANNUAL MELFA DINNER 1944 - 1986

MELFA CROSSING
GOthic LINE
CORIAHO
LAMONE CROSSING
HISAHO RIDGE
HAVIGLIO RIDGE
ITALY 1944-1945
IJSEL MEER
DELFIJL POCKET
NORTHWEST EUROPE 45

** MENU **

SEORGASBORD

PLACE:

Royal Canadian Legion
260 12th St.
New Westminster, B.C.

Cost: \$12.00 per person. Drinks: Cdn. Legion Bar

Time: TBA

SUNDAY BRUNCH, MAY 25/86

ARMOURIES, New Westminster, B.C.

Time: 11:30 am. Cost: \$6.00 per person.



1914-18

M E L F A 1 9 8 6

I APOLOGIZE FOR FORGETTING A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF MY LAST ARTICLE IN THE GROUNDSHEET FOR MELFA 86, THE DATE. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR MAY 24 and 25. GOLF WILL BE HELD AT MYLORA GOLF COURSE AGAIN AND THE DINNER WILL BE HELD AT THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION ON 12TH ST. IN NEW WESTMINSTER. THE FOLLOWING DAY THE BRUNCH WILL BE HELD AT THE ARMOURY. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO PUT TOGETHER A VERY SPECIAL BRUNCH THIS YEAR SO PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND. THE OTHER VERY IMPORTANT ITEM OF CONCERN IS FOR OUR FRIENDS FROM OUT OF TOWN THAT MUST GET HOTEL ACCOMODATION. WE MUST WARN YOU THAT HOTEL/MOTEL SPACE WILL BE AT A PREMIUM DUE TO EXPO 86 STARTING IN THE BEGINNING OF MAY. WE ADVISE YOU TO MAKE RESERVATIONS THROUGH A TRAVEL AGENCY OR DIRECTLY TO THE HOTEL. THIS IS SO YOU WILL BE GUARANTEED ACCOMODATION.

ANOTHER ITEM I WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU ALL OF IS THAT WHEN YOU ARE SENDING IN YOUR REPLIES, PLEASE ENCLOSE A CHEQUE OR MONEY-ORDER FOR THE MELFA. PLEASE MAKE PAYABLE TO THE ASSOCIATION. WE WILL NOT BE TAKING MONEY AT THE DOOR.

I WILL PUBLISH A PROGRAM IN THE NEXT GROUNDSHEET AFTER THE AGM. FOR THOSE WHO PLAN TO ATTEND THE AGM YOU WILL BE ABLE TO PAY FOR MELFA AT THAT TIME.

FOR THOSE GOLFING THIS YEAR, WE WOULD APPRECIATE A LITTLE HELP IN CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PRIZES. IF YOU ARE IN A POSITION TO HELP IN THAT AREA, PLEASE LET DOUG GLENN KNOW.

TED USHER, MELFA COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

N.B.:

We would like to emphasize the urgency of confirming accommodations in advance, due to an extreme shortage expected because of Expo '86. A suggestion would be to contact travel Agencies in your own locality, or the following might be of help:

Mrs. Ethel Field
New Westminster Bed and Breakfast Registry
c/o New Westmr. Expo accom. coordinator
City Hall Phone: 521-5733

Vancouver Automobile Club,
Reservations West
University of B.C. Phone: 662-3300

Good hunting!

GOLF

XPO
GOLF

GOLF

ROYAL WESTMINSTER REGIMENT ASSOCIATION

MAY 24 1986

MYLORA GOLF COURSE
9911 SIDAWAY RICHMOND

TEE OFF 10.45 A.M

MAKE FOUR-SOMES SEND TO
DOUG GLENN 666 WALKER AVE
BURNABY BC V5E 3B9
LADIES WELCOME. PHONE 522-0890YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A GOLFER
BUT IT HELPS



PROXY VOTING

THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING Nov. 14/85 unanimously approved the resolution circulated in the Oct. issue of the Groundsheet and is reproduced below for your pleasure:

WHEREAS a great number of members in good standing are geographically unable to express their wishes at any annual or extraordinary meeting of the society,

BE IT RESOLVED to allow the practice of proxy voting in The Royal Westminster Regiment Association, subject only to final approval of the Registrar of Companies, Government of the Province of British Columbia.

The approval of this motion required that the by-laws of the Society be altered by:

- (a) Clause 15 (4) be deleted and the following inserted:
 - (4) All questions shall be decided by a majority vote and the presiding officer shall have the casting vote in the event of a tie.
- (b) Adding to Clause 15, the following sub-clauses:
 - (5) Every member of the Society in good standing shall have one vote at all annual and special meetings of the Society and votes may be given either in person or by proxy. The presiding officer shall have the casting vote in the event of a tie.
 - (6) The instrument appointing the proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointer or his attorney duly authorized in writing. Any person may act as proxy whether or not he is entitled on his own behalf to be present and vote at the meeting at which he acts as proxy for the appointer at every ordinary and special meeting of the Society that may be held in the future or within such period of time as the instrument shall designate.
 - (7) A form of proxy and the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy thereof shall be deposited with the presiding officer at 530 Queens Avenue, New Westminster, British Columbia, or at such other place as is specified for that purpose in the notice convening the meeting prior to the meeting in respect of which the person named in the instrument is appointed.
 - (8) A vote given in accordance with the terms of a proxy is valid

notwithstanding the previous death or incapacity of the member giving the proxy or the revocation of the proxy or of the authority under which the form of proxy was executed, provided that no notification in writing of such death, incapacity or revocation shall have been received by the presiding officer at the meeting or adjourned meeting for which the proxy was given before the vote is taken.

- (9) Every proxy may be revoked by an instrument in writing.
- (10) A proxy shall be for a specified meeting and shall be in the form following:

Jerry Gangur, Secretary

MEMBERSHIP CARDS AND DUES

All members will find included in the February issue of the Groundsheet, their current membership card.

In the event you have not forwarded your 1985 dues to us, or our records do not indicate payment of same, you will receive a colored piece of paper tucked in with this issue of the Groundsheet.

JN Gangur, Secretary

TEAR OFF SECTION FOR PROXY VOTE

THE ROYAL WESTMINSTER REGIMENT ASSOCIATION

The undersigned, being a member in good standing of the above-mentioned Society, hereby appoints _____

_____, or failing him _____ as proxyholder for the undersigned to attend, act and vote for and on behalf of the undersigned at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Society to be held on the 20th day of March 1986.

Signed this _____ day of _____ 1986

(Signature of Member)

Note: Forward this proxy to the member you wish to act on your behalf.

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SICK AND VISITING REPORT

MALCOLM STEWART - Coquitlam Rest Centre, recovering from a bad bout of 'flu. Lost some weight, but showing signs of recuperating.

LUCKY DRAKE - Shaughnessy Hospital. Wheel-chair bound, but remains cheerful. Visitors welcome.

LEGER MARIE - Shaughnessy Hospital. Mobility very limited, and confined to wheel-chair. Visitors welcome. Bring chocolate

TOM FAWKES - Down from Sechelt, also in Shaughnessy, confined to 4th floor, C wing. Problem is diabetes, now well controlled

CLARK MORRISON - Sudden heart attack while visiting on Van. Island, at present in Saanich Hospital. No report on his condition.

MUSEUM
HELP! MAYDAY! SOS!

The museum committee is desperate for your help. With the activation of the ALRT, EXPO '86, EXPO Bus Tours and Guided Tours organized by the city, the pressure is on us to operate on a daily basis. Irving House is already having problems, thanks to the influx of people via ALRT.

Surely with over a hundred members living within easy reach of the museum, we can ask you for a commitment of one or two afternoons per month, April to October '86. Please phone the museum any Tuesday or Thursday afternoon (526-5116) between 1300 and 1500 hours. We will give you a thorough briefing on a tour guide assistant's role. H.F.H.

XMAS DRAW REPORT

Gross:	\$6470.00	
Charity, 35%		2264.50
Prize:		2500.00
Expenses:		711.00
		<u>5476.49</u>
Over:	6470.00	993.51
		<u>6470.00</u>

IN MEMORIAM

Bill Starkell, WW 2
Winnipeg, Man.
March 11, 1985

Carl L. (Ikey) Jackson, WW 2
Vernon, B.C.
November 30, 1985

Howard Roy, WW 2
Las Vegas, Nev., USA
December 27, 1985

W.M. Reid (94) WW I
47th Battalion
Vancouver, B.C.
January 13, 1986

ANNUAL REGIMENTAL CHRISTENING

To be held at the Armoury
on Sunday, April 13th, 1986 at
14.00 hours.

Please advise Adjutant of
names of parents of infants
and expected infants who are
children of past or present
serving members, so that app-
ropriate arrangements can be
made re gifts and church.

Members and families of
the Association are welcome.

THE DUKE OF WESTMINSTER

Regimental Visit

On the occasion of His
Grace, The Duke of Westminster's
forthcoming visit to The Royal
Westminster Regiment, he has
expressed an interest in meet-
ing with members of the Regi-
mental family.

To this end, members of The
Royal Westminster Regiment
Association and their wives
will be welcome at a function
at the Armoury on Sunday, Feb-
ruary 23rd, 1986, at 1300 hrs.

It is hoped that as many
members of the Association as
possible will avail themselves
of this opportunity to meet
His Grace.

This is one of the very
few opportunities for us to
meet with all ranks of the
Regiment. Please make an extra
effort to attend.

Dress: Gentlemen -

Lounge suits

Ladies:

Afternoon dresses.

In Memoriam

R.H. (Bob) Carter WW 2
New Westminster, B.C.
December 10, 1985