# **BASE COMMANDER'S MESSAGE**

Historically, June is an important transitional time for our Defence community as active posting season is underway. I would like to offer a warm welcome to all newly posted military members, and their loved ones, to Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Halifax. We all know that relocation can be challenging and stressful, so I commend you and your families for your strength, resilience, and commitment. Throughout this process, do not hesitate to lean on your new colleagues and Chain of Command for guidance. And to all members leaving for a posting or new professional opportunity, thank you for your countless contributions to the local Defence community. I wish you fair winds and following seas.



To support and inform Defence Team personnel, the Base boasts a variety of resources such as the MARLANT Intranet site (DWAN access only), Base Service Directory, CFB Halifax Newsletters, CFB Halifax social media channels (Facebook, Twitter (X), and Instagram), the Halifax & Region Military Family Resource Centre, Defence Advisory Groups, Mental Health Resources, Canadian Forces Morale & Welfare Services, and the Trident Newspaper, to name a few. We also have in-person services and supports for both military and civilian personnel. To our members supporting their new teammates during this transition and helping them navigate our Base community – thank you for your leadership.

This month is also a busy time when it comes to commemorative events, activities, and outreach. June is <u>National Indigenous History Month</u> (NIHM) and June 21 is <u>National Indigenous Peoples Day</u> – opportunities to learn about the unique cultures and experiences of First Nations, Inuit and Métis across the country. CFB Halifax recognizes the vital importance of reconciliation, awareness, and education around Indigenous issues. To know more about this year's NIHM activities and other activities taking place in June, please see the event listings below and monitor our intranet site and social media channels.

June is also Recreation Month, a time to get energized with the help of recreational activities and events such as the <u>Navy Bike Ride</u> (June 8) and the Halifax Wanderers Football Club's <u>DND Appreciation Match</u> (June 8). Defence Team members can also utilize our <u>three gyms, golf course, and other recreational facilities on Base</u> to help you stay active and maintain your mental and physical well-being. And of course, Nova Scotia is home to some of the most incredible land and seascapes in the world, so don't forget to enjoy the recreational benefits of "Canada's Ocean Playground".

This month, many opportunities exist to recognize our outstanding Defence Team members and their families, with Canadian Armed Forces Day on June 2, <u>National Public Service Week</u> from June 9-15 and <u>DND Family Days</u> on June 21-22. CFB Halifax would not function without the hard work and commitment of the individuals, and their loved ones, at the heart of the organization. It is important to take moment to celebrate everything that you do in service of others.

# **BASE CHIEF'S MESSAGE**



Thank you to all the Defence Team members who participated in our Base Clean Up in May. It's important that we take pride in our Base and do our part to keep it tidy.

I would like to take this opportunity to highlight the updated access and safety measures that have been implemented at Canadian Forces Health Services Centre (Atlantic)'s Stadacona and Shearwater Clinics. These new measures are as follows:

- All unsecured (unlocked) entrances to the facilities are now under constant supervision;
- All members will be requested to present military or DND identification to enter the facilities;
- All members accessing medical or dental care at the Stadacona clinic (building S80) are to use the main patient doors (exterior dental entrance near the Lorne Terrace/Lady Nelson Road intersection is now closed); and
- All members will be reminded that weapons, including knives, are not authorized within the facilities.

Please respect these new measures to ensure a safe work environment for all members of the Base and remember to be kind when accessing these and other Base services.

- CPO1 Troy Beazley

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CFB HALIFAX?

# INFRASTRUCTURE 1



**Windsor Park Helipad**: Starting in fall 2024, Emergency Health Services (EHS) will operate a temporary, backup helipad on our Windsor Park property. This helipad will be used for the EHS LifeFlight critical care helicopter that is part of Nova Scotia's air ambulance service; Emergency Health Services expects the helicopter will make about 95 landings per year. Between now and fall 2024, you may notice some construction activity in the vicinity of the existing helipad as upgrades are completed in anticipation of more frequent use of the site. Our temporary provision of this landing location will continue to ensure Nova Scotians have access to life-saving emergency health services.

**Cogswell District Project**: For the latest on this Halifax Regional Municipality project and its impacts on our Defence team and property, visit <a href="https://www.tridentnewspaper.com/cogswell">www.tridentnewspaper.com/cogswell</a>.

**Land-Based Testing Facility:** To help bring the new Canadian Surface Combatant ships into service and support them through their lifecycle, the Department of National Defence (DND) is building a Land-Based Testing Facility on a portion of DND-owned land at Hartlen Point in Eastern Passage, Nova Scotia. For the latest updates, visit <a href="www.tridentnewspaper.com/lbtf">www.tridentnewspaper.com/lbtf</a>.

June: National Indigenous History Month

June: Launch of Pride Season

June: Filipino Heritage Month

June: Italian Heritage Month

June: Portuguese Heritage Month

**June 2: Canadian Armed Forces Day** 

#### June 2-8: Canadian Environment Week

MARLANT Safety and Environment will be setting up booths from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the following locations to hand out educational material and share environmental tips:

June 4: Willow Park Armoury (Bldg WL59, Willow Park)

June 5: Tribute Tower (Bldg S117, Stadacona)

June 6: New Wave Cafe, (Bldg D155, HMC Dockyard)

June 5: World Environment Day

#### June 8: Halifax Wanderers DND Appreciation Match

3 pm at the Wanderer's Grounds in downtown Halifax. Save 15% with promo code HFXDND. Tickets.

#### June 8: Navy Bike Ride

A recreational bike ride along the Shearwater Flyer, Salt Marsh and Atlantic View Trails. Departing from the Shearwater Fitness and Sports Center at 10 am. Four distance options offered. <u>Details</u>.

#### June 9-15: National Public Service Week

#### June 10: Canadian Blood Services Blood Donation Clinic

10 am - 3 pm in the Windsor/Atlantic Room at Juno Tower. Book your appointment here.

#### June 14: Naval Museum of Halifax 50th Birthday Celebration

12:30 – 2:30 pm at the Naval Museum of Halifax & Admiralty Gardens (Stadacona Building S20, 2729 Admirals Way). Local Defence Team members and community members are invited to attend a 50th birthday celebration at the Naval Museum of Halifax! View the latest exhibitions inside the museum and enjoy music and light refreshments while learning about the museum's history of excellence in showcasing the Royal Canadian Navy from 1910 to its more modern configuration. Government-issued photo ID required to access Stadacona property.

#### June 16: Father's Day

#### June 21: National Indigenous Peoples Day

#### June 21-22: DND Family Days

Join us for two days of non-stop fun with rides, games, bouncy castles, and plenty of entertainment for all ages. Plus, don't forget to explore our sponsor booths and enter to win exciting prizes! Monitor MARLANT splash page, PSP Halifax base-wide emails and the CFMWS website for details.

June 23: National Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism

June 24: Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day

June 27: Canadian Multiculturalism Day

#### June 28-July 1: Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo

The RNSIT is back this year with 'Horizons,' a special show celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Air Force and the continuing work of the Canadia Armed Forces. Receive 10% off tickets with promo code THANKYOU24. Kids 18 years and under are free with the purchase of adult and senior <u>tickets</u>.

July 1: Canada Day (statutory holiday)

# **SAVE THE DATE**



July 18-28: Halifax Pride Festival

July 20: Halifax Pride Parade



#### CFB Halifax High School Navy Outreach Program

Congratulations to the 12 local high school students who completed the annual CFB Halifax High School Navy Outreach Program on May 30. The program consisted of 11 sessions over an 11-week period, spanning several units/sections and Base properties. Thank you to all the units/sections who participated in the program! A recap of each week can be found on the CFB Halifax Facebook page.

#### **PSP Flag Football Initiative**

Military members who are interested in playing flag football are asked to fill out a brief online form here.

#### Canadian Forces Health Services Centre Atlantic BIPOC Clinic

Canadian Forces Health Services Centre Atlantic has opened a new BIPOC Clinic to serve the unique needs of Canadian Armed Forces members at CFB Halifax who are Black, Indigenous and People of Colour. To book an appointment with Nurse Practitioner Rizg, call 902-721-8890.

# CFB HALIFAX LEADERSHIP/KEY POSTION CHANGES



Effective May 31, 2024, Lt(N) retired Kim Boucher will assume the Base Commander's Executive Assistant (EA) position and can be reached at 902-721-1924. Congratulations to outgoing EA Joe Chaput on his retirement, effective May 31, 2024, and many thanks for his support to the Base and larger Defence community over 40 years of service (34 in uniform, 7 in a civilian capacity).

Welcome to CWO David Finamore, the new unit Sergeant Major for Canadian Forces Health Services Centre (Atlantic) who assumed the position on May 3, 2024, from CWO Erkin Cicecki during a Change of Appointment ceremony. Thank you to CWO Cicecki for their efforts in this role. <u>Details</u>.



#### Awards, promotions, certificates

- OCdt Glenn Tumampil: Promoted to 2Lt on May 10, 2024.
- SLt Natasha Badowski: Promoted to Lt(N) on May 10, 2024.
- Capt Meghan Nicholls: Awarded Special Service Medal Expedition Bar on May 10, 2024.
- Cpl Shonia McMullin: Awarded Canadian Forces Decoration on May 10, 2024.
- Lt Erica Corbin: Awarded Commissioning Scroll on May 10, 2024.
- A/SLt Nicolas Ray: Awarded Commissioning Scroll on May 10, 2024.
- MCpl Nicole Doyle: Awarded Human Resources Administrator Occupation Coin on May 10, 2023.
- MS Kelsey-Jean Ross, S1 Jennifer Wall, Cpl Blair Roy, S3 Sid Grim and Pte Chelsea Stevens: Awarded Sentinel Badges on May 10, 2023.
- Capt Jessica Proulx-Yergeau, PO1 Jason Young, MS Joshua Beals and MS Blair Baillie: Awarded Base Administration Bravo Zulu Excellent support to AJAG for General Court Martial
- Avr(B) Larissa Donnelly: Promoted to Avr(T), effective February 22, 2024, then promoted to A/L Cpl effective February 23, 2024.
- Pte(B) Rylan Conrad: Promoted to Pte(T), effective March 6, 2024.
- S1 Duncan Hulford: Promoted to A/L MS, effective Apr 29, 2024.
- MS Bryanna Swartz: Promoted to A/L PO2, effective May 7, 2024.
- S1 Cameron Huckabone: Promoted to A/L MS, effective May 9, 2024
- S1 Brendan Barnard: Promoted to the rank of A/L MS, effective May 8, 2024.
- S1 Justin Smith: Presented the Canadian Forces Decoration medal on April 30, 2024 for completing 12 years of service exhibiting a good record of conduct.
- MCpl Colin Grace: Presented the Special Service Medal with Alert Bar in recognition of their deployment to Alert, Nunavut from July 19, 2023 to January 17, 2024.
- CPO2 Sophie Williams: Presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for their performance as the NCS Operations Chief from November 2022 to May 2024.

#### Miscellaneous

• Bravo Zulu to the CFB Halifax Base Orderly Room for participating in the Military Personnel Generation Group's initiative "Learning in the Workplace," which allows CAF members to learn how to perform their job while in a working environment. <u>Details</u>.



### **FACE OF BASE: OCDT NANETTE BLACK**

Meet our most recent <u>#FaceofBaseHFX</u>, Officer Cadet (OCdt) Nanette Black! After serving in the Canadian Armed Forces as a Medical Technician for nearly 20 years, OCdt Black was chosen for the University Training Plan for Non-Commissioned Members. She is currently enrolled in the Bachelor of Business in Human Resource Management program at Mount Saint Vincent University, a program that will lead her to her goal of becoming a Health Services Management Officer. Read more <u>here</u>.

If you would like to nominate a Defence Team member to be featured as a Face of Base, please email cfbhalifaxpublicaffairs@gmail.com.



## **BASE SERVICE SPOTLIGHT: KINGS HARBOUR MASTER**

A sub-unit of CFB Halifax's Port Operations & Emergency Services Branch, King's Harbour Master Halifax is responsible for tasking the Canadian Forces Auxiliary Fleet (Atlantic) to support operations within and outside Halifax Harbour as required. Read more <u>here</u>.



#### **Facebook**

<u>Battle of the Atlantic ceremony</u> <u>CFB Halifax Mariners men's and women's volleyball teams</u>

#### Twitter (X)

International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia

Deadman's Island U.S. Memorial Day ceremony

#### Instagram

Moose Hide Campaign
TEME Ex Dirty Hands

Visit our CFB Halifax social media channels for more content!



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# DID YOU KNOW: THE <u>CFB HALIFAX PARKING AUTHORITY WEBPAGE</u> CAN BE FOUND ON THE MARLANT INTRANET (DWAN ACCESS ONLY)?

Under the Common Links tab and Parking Authority sub-tab, you can access a variety of information and resources such as forms, parking maps, etc. The Parking Authority team recently updated its "Did You Know?" section, which you can find <a href="https://www.nee.com/here">here</a>. Always remember to pay close attention to signage and time restrictions, and to remain courteous, when parking on Base. For any Parking Authority questions, please click <a href="https://www.nee.com/here">here</a> or email <a href="mailto:cfb/fxparkingauthority@forces.gc.ca">cfb/fxparkingauthority@forces.gc.ca</a>.



## **RESOURCES**

- Base Services Directory
- Defence Advisory Groups
  - Defence Visible Minority Advisory Group (DWAN only)
  - <u>Defence Women's Advisory Organization</u> (DWAN only)
  - Atlantic Defence Indigenous Advisory Group (DWAN only)
  - Defence Advisory Group for Persons with Disabilities (DWAN only)
  - Atlantic Defence Team Pride Advisory Organization (DWAN only)
  - o <u>Defence Advisory Groups Trident Newspaper</u>
- Mental Health & Wellness
- Base closures and delayed openings Q&A
- Lactation Spaces
- Base Student Services
- Base Executive Services Accessible via DWAN only
- Trident Newspaper

# **QUESTIONS/SUBMISSIONS**

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