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Summer is here. Training, and Ranges, fill the Regimental calendar while our Signals Trumpet Band and Vintage Signals Team carry the name of Signals far and wide. On the 6th April the Junior Ranks Mess held another successful dinner at the Canadian Forces Staff College at Yonge Boulevard, Toronto.



HLCol Regan gave the Signals History speech and the Vintage Signals Team provided their historical display for the guests.



Capt (Ret'd) Rick Little demonstrated the versatility of



the heliograph as a highly mobile and effective signalling device. During the dinner LCol (Ret'd) Alfred Lai presented a TA43 magneto phone to add to the VST display. On the display our pigeons added to the event and are now joined with our new Field phone. Guests are drawn to the waving signal flags, flashing mirrors and the chatter of Morse keys. As 32



Sigs Recruiting team discovered at the Unionville festival on 1-2 June 2024, a Field phone is a new and attractive experience for visitors. An event is made into a special Occasion by our Band members with scarlet coats and silver trumpets provided a martial flavour to an excellent dinner.



Summer is for being in the Field. Black flies and mosquitos are all about being Canadian. 32 Signal Regiment completed Exercise Javelin Titan II . A Personal Weapons test in Borden on 26-28 April 2024. The test included C7 rifle; C9 Light machine gun and the C6 General purpose machine gun. The photo provided by MCpl Krebs Vandeloosdrecht shows members preparing for their Individual Battle training Standards test.



Our past CO LCol (Ret'd) Mike Duteau posted a message on the 4 May of a visit from LCol Lisa Smid, CO 31 Sig Regt Maj Jim Clarke CWO Tony Spinoso. 31 Brigade Exercise Trillium Venture was in Bruce, Ontario. 31 Sig HQ was in Blyth and LCol (Ret'd) Duteau was able to visit them and enjoy a gormet IMP dinner. 32 Sig Regt was providing communications for more than 800 troops operating over 4,000sq Km operational area.



The Toronto Signals Trumpet Band has some events coming up. On Saturday June 15th at the Annual Parade for 709 Cadets; Friday June 21st at the Sharpesville PA Anniversary weekend; Saturday July 6th in Battavia, NY; and Warriors Day on Saturday 17th August at Fort York and the CNE. More to follow.

The Vintage Signals Team will have displays on 9th June at Dundurn Castle Decoration Day in Hamilton; Friday 14th June at Waterdown Legion for their "Remembering Deployed members" and 15th June at John Foote Armoury for 31 Sig Regt Change of Stick ceremony and Dinner. More to follow.

Thanks to Capt (Ret'd) Roger Caron and his Line Truck Team. Sgt (Ret'd) Carl Ragal has cared for our "green goddess" and now it is ready for the road. Conversation has flowed around a name for the truck. Some thought "Larry the Linetruck." Another was "Lola" others thought



'Roger'. Overall, it probably too early to give it a character yet. Thank you to Sgt Trias and his team for arranging the move for the South Western Ontario events.

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