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Exercise Steadfast Warrior 21-30 August 2026. Above a field of tents a Signals flag flies in CFB Petawawa, identifying 32 Signal Regiment. The Regiment provided communication for **Exercise**



STEADFAST WARRIOR. 32 Canadian Brigade Group's (CBG) major summer exercise. This supported an opportunity for our Reservists to work in a warfighting simulated scenario with different units, enhancing each others skills and group cohesion. The Exercise

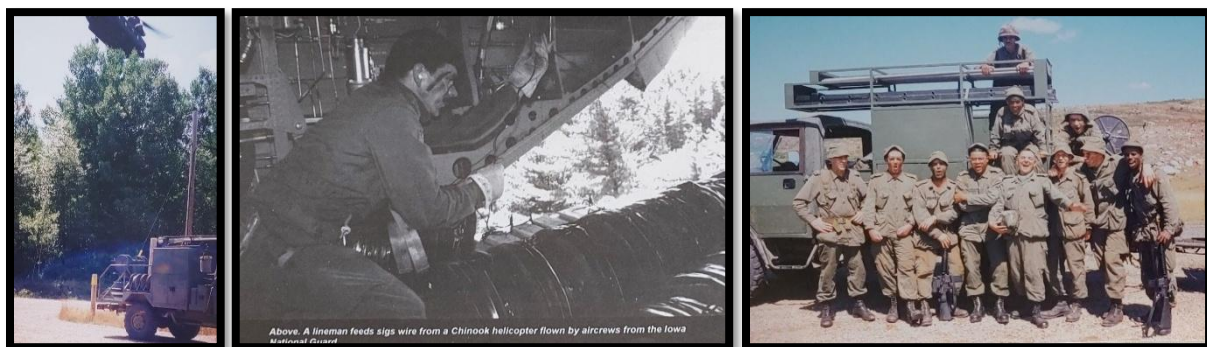


included the New York National Guard, the Duke of Lancaster Regiment (U.K), and "A" Company (London Scottish) of the London Regiment (U.K), forging teamwork and maintaining historic partnerships.

Helicopters provided excitement, mobility and flexibility for Ex STEADFAST WARRIOR. Our thanks to Pte K. Stoyka-Kay, Sig A. Lam, Cpl J Lacina Cpl I. Siddiqui and Cpl D. Jankulovski for the photos and report.



Seeing Chinook helicopters in Petawawa brought memories back of a previous major Brigade **Exercise TRILLIUM PHOENIX** in August 1996. Chinooks placed Radio Rebroadcasting Detachments (RRB's) on hard-to-reach hilltops and laid priority telephone line in high places away from 'enemy' Line cutters. It is good to see them again. (3 memories from 1996 below)



Left: Chinook dropping line to a Line truck. Centre: line feed from Chinook. Right: The Crew.



On 18th August 2026 **31 Canadian Brigade Group** deployed to Camp Grayling in Grayling, Michigan, as part of EX ARROWHEAD GUARDIAN 26, The annual military exercise for 900 members of the Brigade Group validating their readiness and soldier skills. In Grayling, the Brigade formed "31 Cavalry Tactical Group (31 Cav TG)" comprised of 1st Hussars and Windsor Regiment. Tactical Groups are a result of Canadian Army modernization initiatives to increase operational effectiveness. On EX ARROWHEAD GUARDIAN, 31 Cav TG members established observations posts

and screens and reconnoitred routes. The communications for such a critical role were provided by 31 Signal Regiment. The culminating battle of Ex ARROWHEAD GUARDIAN 26 did not disappoint! Stand-to was called at dawn as instructors deployed rocket flares and artillery simulators. Opposition Force (OPFOR) role players launched their attack, but 31 CBG's tactical groupings rose to the challenge. New skills were demonstrated and taught, including drones used in the exercise.



Our thanks to Capt Winiarczyk, Cpl Bierman, and Cpl Waszkiel for the pictures and report
A final comment from, Capt Winiarczyk, Cpl Bierman, and Cpl Waszkiel
“In order to fight you need to communicate! Our Signal Operators provide reliable wired and wireless communications and information systems using leading edge voice, satellite and data systems. On Ex ARROWHEAD GUARDIAN 26, Signal Operators support the effort by providing communications capabilities to AG26 and Ex ARCTIC BEAR participants. Did you know Signals is one of the most in-demand career fields in the Army Reserve? If the confluence of service to Canada and technology interests you, this field is for you! JIMMY!!”

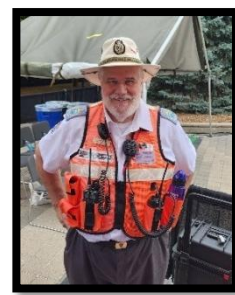
While Regiments were preparing for training, the **Canadian National Exhibition** opened in Toronto with “**Warriors Day**” on Saturday 22nd August 2026. A parade lead by the Toronto Signals Band celebrating 100 years of service and members of 32 Canadian Brigade Group on route to **Exercise STEADFAST WARRIOR** in Petawawa.



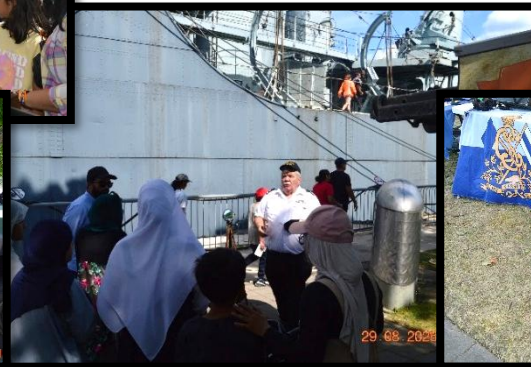
Following the Toronto Signals Band the **Vintage Signals Team** Line Truck was well prepared and the team used Semaphore and Morse flags to communicate with the crowds.



In the morning of the parade the Signals Band polished their performance. Behind the scenes the organisers arranged more than 60 Bands; vehicles and marching groups.



On 29-30th August 2026 The Vintage Signals Team were with **The Friends of HMCS HAIDA** at **HMCS HAIDA**, Celebrating HAIDA's 83 years since commissioning. Saturday was particularly busy with approximately 650 visitors. With the Line Truck the VST explained 'Ship to Shore' communications from flags and telephone to Pigeons and the secret ciphers that have won and lost wars.



-On Saturday, 8th August , 2026, the **32 Signal Regiment Family Council** brought members of the Regimental family together for an afternoon of good food, good company, and community at the Armour Heights Officers



Mess (AHOM) at the Canadian Forces College (CFC) in Toronto, Ontario. The 32 Signal Regiment Family Council is a support and community network for members of 32 Signal Regiment, their families, veterans, and affiliated groups such as local cadet corps. The Council helps build connections, support families, strengthen the wider 32 Signal Regiment community, and create opportunities for everyone to come together.

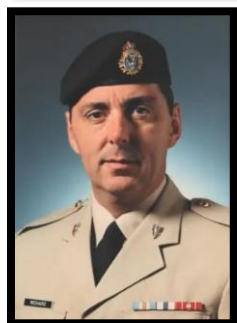
On Saturday 16th August 2026 the **Hamilton Signals Association and the Vintage Signals Team** enjoyed a first class four course luncheon with superb wines at the “Trias Winery” in Niagara Stone Road, Niagara -on-the-Lake. We celebrated the award of the **Sovereign’s Medal for Volunteers** to Capt (Ret’d) Kirk Campbell. Joined by his family Kirk has also been recently appointed as the Chairperson of the new executive of the Hamilton Signals Association and the Vintage Signals Team. Congratulations Kirk.



It is with sadness we remember members of or Signals family who have recently passed.

David Walter Cameron “Big Dave” 02 Aug 1942-27 Mar 2026

Dave was Vice President on the Band Executive. Dave was always the calm voice and the ‘go to’ person on issues. A friend who was always there and known to go beyond in dedication to the Band. Most certainly, Dave will be sadly missed. Rest in Peace.



William “Bill” Richard 19 July 1948-7 July 2026;

Brigadier General Bill Richard led celebrations such as HRH The Princess Royal ‘s visit for the 100th anniversary and Battlefield tours including D Day, Ypres and Vimy. Bill encouraged an understanding of the lessons from our history and the care of our veterans through education and initiatives such as our Family Council and Signals Education programme. Bill was an advocate for Veteran welfare leading with humility and compassion. Rest in Peace

Any thoughts or suggestions about ‘Despatches’? Please let me know