

Scarlet and Gold



June 2018 Royal Canadian Mounted Police Veterans Association, Vancouver

The Day I Got My Bell Rung by Ric Hall (RDH)

While searching through some boxes of old Vancouver Division correspondence I came across a letter written to the Editor of the Scarlet and Gold magazine dated February 17, 1997. The letter was written by retired **Staff Sergeant Leon Duane "Smokey" Stovern, Reg #20252**, in which he indicated he had attached three short stories for the Scarlet and Gold to consider for publication. The letter I found only had one story attached, whether any of the three stories was ever published I do not know. I don't recall having met Smokey Stovern after arriving in "E" Division in 1989, but his name often popped up when stories were being told. He was, it appears, one of those larger than life characters. When checking the RCMP Graves web site I found that Smokey is buried at "Depot" and his grave marker probably indicates his zest for life.... "Always Absolutely Excellent". I thought this particular story offers up a learning lesson that many young members learned the hard way when they thought they were the "cock of the walk", well trained, tough and could take on all comers. Sometimes the adversary may be a wolf in sheep's clothing.

Smokey all these many years later gets his life lesson told:

The early 1960s were interesting times in the sunny Okanagan and the City of Kelowna was the centre of my policing universe. Enforcing the laws of Canada as a young 21-year-old constable in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police always proved fascinating and on some occasions, quite enlightening, in most cases we "protectors" developed and gained experience with on the job training. It is unfortunate that some of it came through the trial and error method.

As for me, well, I was tall at 6'3", about 190 pounds, strong, not about to walk away from trouble and bit pugilistic by nature. (I think

Smokey was saying he liked a good scrap! RDH). In a word, I thought I was pretty "skookum" - strong, brave, or impressive. RDH).

I specifically recall one event where my recruit training in Regina was overlooked and I regret to say, I under estimated, mis-read and stupidly failed to appreciate the intent of my opponent. The opponent in this case was a young Indian lad from Westbank who was about 19 years of age, 5'8" or so and perhaps 150 pounds soaking wet. The passage of time has conveniently removed all memory of his full name, but if he still resides in Kelowna, he may just remember teaching me a little bit about of police work on that humbling spring day of 1961.

It happened thus on a warm and humid evening in the cramped RCMP Detachment office that was then located inside the north end of Kelowna City Hall. I was alone and dressed in full police regalia. High brown boots with spurs a-jingling, flared riding breeches supported by blue suspenders, khaki coloured shirt and blue tie. Brown serge jacket with full Sam

Browne and a long white nylon lanyard around my neck that was attached to a 6-shot .38 Special Smith & Wesson revolver loaded with five shells (I remember this from my early days...leave the first chamber empty, in case someone took your revolver from you, at least you might have a chance if the bad guy tried to use the revolver on you and it did not fire on the first attempt. RDH). One of two cellblocks was in use and five or six prisoners were in custody for a variety of criminal offences.

As was the custom and routine in those years, the members typed out their own reports. The accepted rule of thumb was that if you made three typing errors on one page, you started over again. That evening I stood at the front counter typing on an old and temperamental



Imperial typewriter. The keys kept jamming. On more than one occasion I reefed the report from the typewriter and started over. I was frustrated and I had better and more important things to do. Or so I thought!

My frustration and mutterings were, indeed, only beginning. To my left I heard the rapid knock on the cell room door. The words from a young Indian prisoner still haunt me. "Constable. Constable, come here. I want to talk to you." "Just a minute" I gruffly yelled out. I stopped typing, walked to the cellblock door, opened a small shoulder level 6" x 6" mini-door and peered inside. The pungent jailhouse aroma pierced my nostrils as I sternly said, "What do you want?" the young Indian waved me off and sarcastically replied, "Never mind Constable, I've changed my mind."

With that, I slammed the mini-door shut and returned to my typing. Over the next half hour, I was similarly interrupted three or four times in the exact same manner and I was getting more than a little annoyed with his silly game. No prisoner should mock his jailer and I was in no mood for such foolishness. I very firmly and officially indicated to all the prisoners that if this happened one more time, they would all spend the night on the floor in the metal drunk tank. I returned to my typing.

Another few minutes went by. Then came the rapid knock on the door followed by the same voice saying, "Constable. Constable. Come here. Come here". My limit had been reached! My teeth were clenched. Grabbing the large brass key to the cell block door, I quickly and boldly proceeded to the door. As I opened it and very officially entered the cellblock, I placed the key between my tunic and front of my Sam Browne buckle. I reached to grab the young Indian fellow by the shirt collar, confidently thinking and knowing I would teach him a quick lesson or two on jailhouse manners.

That's when I got my bell rung! I never got to lay a hand on him. In fact, the only part of me that came in contact with him was my nose, cheek, chin, ears and stomach. He literally ambushed me. He quickly and efficiently pounded the "be-jeepers" out of me. The key popped loose and bounced on the floor.

Jeez! He must have been a prize fighter. Mercifully for me, he didn't blacken my eyes. He must have known how hard he had stroked me as mist had already formed in both my eyes and I could hardly see, let alone breathe. As I lay on the smelly floor looking up at him, I could taste blood on my upper lip.

Time froze as he momentarily stared down at me before pompously lifting his nose and head into the air. Smugly, he stepped right over me and walked inside the drunk tank. He loudly slammed the heavy metal door behind himself. I was hurting all over and my foolish pride had

been soundly knocked out of me. I didn't think it wise or timely to check and see what he was doing inside the drunk tank.

This time, for all I knew, it might be a real bushwhacking. The other prisoners, looking ever so serious, were standing near to me in the tiny cellblock and their escape route was wide open. I quickly grabbed for the key to the cellblock door, leaped up off the floor and made a very hasty jailhouse exit.

I was just fuming. I was humiliated, mad and my hand was so jumpy I couldn't even make notes in my little black police notebook. In fact, I couldn't have made an "x" signifying my name. Fortunately, none of the prisoners escaped on me. After all, there was nothing I could have done to prevent a mass jail break. I was about to yell for assistance over the police radio and then thought better of it.

It hurt even more as I listened to the laughter coming from the cellblock, but I made no further effort to look inside or tell any of the prisoners what I would or would not do. I had been soundly set upon by a scrapper that would have made heavyweights like Joe Louis or Jersey Joe (Walcott) proud. I gave up trying to complete my police report, never did make any notes for the official record and months passed before I told a soul about how badly **my bell had been rung!** Over time, blessedly, none of the prisoners seemed to tell anyone how the young constable was beaten up.

I learned lasting and important lessons in life skills that evening. Never abuse your power of authority and never, ever underestimate your opponent.

Smokey

(L.D. "Smokey" Stovern, RCMP Regimental No. 20252, retired to pension on May 13th, 1994 at the rank of Staff Sergeant and makes his home in Delta, BC. He joined the RCMP on Nov. 7th, 1957 and served in Kelowna from Oct. 8th, 1959 to March 1st, 1965).

There are probably not many members early in their careers who have not experienced similar situations.

For me it was a two-man detachment in Northern Alberta. I was called to local hotel's beer parlour to deal with an intoxicated male. Fresh out of training, not allowed to enter the local public house by order of my Corporal and also being under aged for such things at that time. This was my first adventure in dealing with such situations.

Upon entering the beer parlour I see an obvious drunk, small in stature. This should not be a problem. I went over and took him by the arm and the next thing I knew I was sliding down the shuffle board. They never told me about this training! The scrap was on and with the help of some locals, who liked to get into a fight for any reason, he was placed in the back



seat of my police car. The next morning, a very remorseful man told me that he had just come off an oil rig for some R & R and had been a Golden Gloves boxer, a champion on some level. Small packages can be deceiving! I contacted Smokey's son, Sergeant Shane Stovern, Reg # 45638, of Surrey Detachment, to see if he was aware of this story and if it would be OK to use the story on our Veteran's web site. He was well aware of the story and it had been used as a life lesson by his father on him. Shane's story goes like this:

"I know and remember this story very well. It was a life lesson my dad shared with me when I was a kid; maybe 12 or 13 years old. It followed a very quick and decisive loss in a Judo tournament to a girl. I still remember taking the mat, overcome with confidence seeing my opponent was a girl. We bowed, the match commenced and about 30 seconds later it ended with a quick throw (followed by some poignant "air time" by me) and me being pinned on the ground. From the side line I heard the raucous laughter from both my Sensei and my dad. I promptly rose to my feet, bowed to my opponent, shook her hand and left the mat. My

Sensei and my dad met me as I tried to "flee" any further embarrassment. Both told me the same thing, "be confident, but not overconfident, and never underestimate an opponent." When you're 12 or 13, you're not really mature enough to understand an opponent is an opponent, regardless of size, age or gender, but my assumption that I could easily defeat a girl in a bout had led to my almost immediate defeat! Still stung and nursing my pride on the drive home, my dad told me this story and ended it with, "you can't and won't win them all, but it's what you learn from the wins and losses that counts." I've never forgotten that. Thank you again for sharing his story and yes, please, send the letter my way."

I have asked Shane, several times over, for some photos of his father to go with this story. They are supposedly on their way, that has been about a year and half of waiting! I give up! For those that knew Smokey Stovern, you probably can relate to this story.

There are millions of similar stories out there!

Ric Hall 24394/O.1330

Name That Book?

"Elizbeth never experienced a catharsis like soldiers do on a battlefield, a decisive moment when she got to stand over her fallen enemy with a sword and plunge a killing stroke into his heart. Rather, all through the war, she dissected fascists in the dark. If you were her adversary you never felt the blade going in. You bled slowly, painlessly, for months or for years, from tiny internal wounds, and then sometimes there was a terrible morning when you woke up groggy and confused, and your kidney was sitting in a bowl of ice on the counter." By permission, 'brief quotation for review.'

The above is a short passage from current book that describes a science that turned WWII in favour of the Allies. It covers the both World Wars and prohibition. If you recognize it you will know the book riveting. **Title, Author?** Peter

Two Mexican detectives were investigating the murder of Juan Gonzalez.'
How was he killed?' asked one detective..
'With a golf gun,' the other detective replied.
'A golf gun! What is a golf gun?'
'I don't know. But it sure made a hole in Juan.'

And [Prince Harry's Bachelor Party - Quote of the Day](#)
"It's gotta be weird stuffing money into a stripper's G string when every bill has a photo of your grandmother printed on it."

John Smith is on his deathbed and knows the end is near; His nurse, his wife, his daughter and 2 sons, are with him. He asks for 2 witnesses to be present and a camcorder to record his last wishes. When all is ready he begins to speak: My son, Bernie, I want you to take the Mayfair houses." My daughter "Sybil, you take the apartments over in the east end." My son, "Jamie, I want you to take the offices over in the City Centre." "Sarah, my dear wife, please take all the residential buildings on the banks of the river."

The nurse and witnesses are blown away-- they hadn't realized his extensive holdings. As John slips away, the nurse says, "Mrs. Smith, your husband must have been a hard-working man to have accumulated all this property".

The wife replied, "He had a paper route."

From the wit of Russ Borys



President's Report

This report is being forwarded on behalf of our President Donna Morse.

Your Executive is very busy with a number of important issues.

Vice President Bob Underhill recently attended the RCMP Veterans Association Annual General Meeting in Winnipeg. This was a modified AGM which means that it was shortened to only one day. The Focus of this meeting was:

Recruitment and Retention of members.

The decision centered on how we can put our best points forward to members of the RCMP who are about to or have recently retired. Some ideas came forward which National will be working on to get out to the Divisions.

The new National Website and E Commerce.

There are two Divisions that are going online with the National Website. The others were encouraged to join in.

This may help our Division to keep in contact with our Membership.

The E Commerce portion will allow members of the Division to renew their membership on line.

There was also an update on the state of the RCMP, which included the latest available information on the Unionization of the force.

It was pointed out that what has caused significant delays in this being completed is the various interest groups who are vying to represent the members of the Force. In particular

Quebec has made application to have separate representation from the rest of the bargaining unit. The presenter reported that the Force cannot negotiate a new contract until all this is completed which may take a considerable length of time given the expected court proceedings to determine these outcomes. The long and the short of this is don't expect any increases in pension as we are tied to this as well.

On the 5 June 2018, there was a Ceremony at Mountainview Cemetery in Vancouver to dedicate a headstone at the grave of Sgt. Donald McRae Reg #716. His grave had been unmarked since his passing on the 19th of October 1928.

Thank you to all those who took part in the ceremony.

On Friday the 8th of June 2018, The Vancouver Maritime Museum will be hosting a reception to honour the 90th Birthday of the RCMP Vessel St. Roch. The President and Vice President will be attending this function to represent the Veterans Association.

We have the Surrey Detachment OIC Awards Ceremony which is being held at the Bell Centre for the Performing Arts in Surrey on the 14 June 2018. Your Vancouver Division of the Veterans Association will be presenting an Award to a member who most typifies the Mission, Vision and Values of the RCMP. Thanks to those who assisted in determining the winner of this award. Also special thanks to Ric Hall for assisting in the wording of the certificate and to Gord Cave for arranging for the keeper plaque that will be presented to the winner. If you would like to take part in this process next year please let the Vice President know.

On a disappointing note, the Executive has had to make the unpleasant decision to cancel the upcoming social event at PRTC on the 16th of June. We were unable to obtain the required number of fifty (50) participants to hold this event. It is important that members let the executive know, well in advance, of their planned participation in functions and luncheons. The success of these events relies heavily on these commitments.

Laurier Cadieux has agreed to take over the liaison with the NCO's Mess appointment for the Division effective immediately. Thank you Laurier. We know you will do a great job.

In September the Executive will be reviewing the Division's Operations to determine how best to keep this, the oldest Division of the RCMP Veterans Association, alive and proceeding forward. This may mean that we have to curtail some of the things that we have done in the past or limit what we do in the future. This is your association and we need your input and involvement in its future. If you have some ideas any member of the Executive would be happy to hear from you.

The meeting at the Pacific Regional Training Centre in Chilliwack on June 16th will be cancelled due to an insufficient number of attendees. The Deadline for meeting the necessary quota of 50 was June 6 and, unfortunately, this event was unable to attract the required number to proceed. The Executive will decide on Friday, June 8th whether or not to hold a June General meeting.

Further information will be distributed.

VANCOUVER DIVISION FALL EVENT

The Vancouver R.C.M.P. Veterans' Association's Social Committee is planning a LOCAL WINE TOUR AND TASTING EVENT WITH A LUNCHEON for a week-day date near the end of September 2018. There are several local wine tour companies available for such an event, or we may decide to provide our own tour for a smaller group. Particulars will be announced in the e-mail communications to be sent out by Veteran Eric Ross between now and September. If you are interested, or have any suggestions, please contact Veterans' Social Director, Dorothy Martinson at (604) 261-4630 or demartinson@shaw.ca.



General Meeting Minutes of May 17th, 2018, Hazelmere Golf and Tennis Club, Surrey, BC

The meeting was called to order at Noon by Vice President, Bob Underhill. Following the Bob's welcome message and the National Anthem, Bob read the roll of those who had recently passed and called for a moment of silence. Retired Padre Dr. Frank McLeod spoke and gave the blessing for the gathering and Lunch. The Life Members were asked to stand and be recognized and then lunch followed.

The Business Meeting followed lunch:

Membership Director Ric Hall introduced Veteran Hugh Meiklejohn who was awarded his Service Bar for his 35 years as a member of the Veterans' Association

Social Director Dorothy Martinson and Past President Keith Leishman spoke on the June 16th "Ease into Summer" event at the RCMP Pacific Region Training Centre. This will be a dinner event and the speaker will be the OIC PRTC. Overnight accommodation and breakfast can be arranged at PRTC (\$92.09 including tax and \$10.00 for Breakfast). Full particulars have been circulated and set out in Scarlet and Gold. There is a deadline of June 8th for notification of attendance. Brochures of the event are on the front desk if anyone requires one. Contact Dorothy Martinson for tickets (\$50.00), but book accommodation with the Hotel at PRTC and refer it to the Association event.

Bob spoke on the cancelation of the Golf Tournament for this year that led to Alan Merriman, of Remax Colonial Pacific Ltd, a long time supporter of the Division and particularly a supporter of Golf and Scarlet and Gold, sending a number of boxes of Golf Balls and Starbuck Cards for distribution. Veteran Laurier Cadieux presided over the draw and among the winners were Les Holmes, Bob Underhill, Anna Rowden, and Lesley Leishman.

The 50/50 totaled \$147.00 and Laurier Cadieux and Bob Underhill presented the 50/50 winner Dorothy Martinson with her half and the balance will go to the PRDA Charity.

A proposal for another wine tour was briefly discussed with a show of hands of those who would be interested. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1320.



Photos taken at May Meeting by Mert Rowden: On left Director Ric Hall, Hugh Meiklejohn receiving his 35 year pin in the Vets' Association, Vice-president Bob Underhill; on Right, Vancouver member Laurier Cadieux, Dorothy Martinson, winner of 50/50 and Bob Underhill

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Overlooked Photographs Recovered

These photos were taken at our general meeting, June 2016. Guest speaker was Drum Major Mike Guillemain.

It was the beginning of a relationship between the RCMP "E" Division Pipe and Drums Band and Vancouver Vets' Association.

<http://rcmppipeband.com>

Photos by Sheldon Boles



R.C.M.P. Veterans' Ladies' Auxiliary

R.C.M.P. VETERANS' LADIES AUXILIARY September 6, 2018 Ladies Auxiliary

Luncheon/Meeting: This will be the first meeting for the Fall Session, to be held at our usual location, "Hazelmere Golf & Tennis Club," 18150 - 8th Avenue, Surrey, B.C. The phone conveners will be contacting our members to give them the particulars regarding this luncheon/meeting. The cost is \$25.00 per person for the buffet lunch, the doors open at 10:30 a.m., and everyone is to be seated at 11:45 a.m. for lunch.

Ladies Auxiliary October 4, 2018 Luncheon & Fashion Show:

To be held at "Hazelmere," in the "Garden Room," following our lunch, when we will be treated to a show of the latest Fall Fashions, presented by a ladies boutique shoppe in the Semiahmoo Mall in White Rock, B.C. The commentator and event planner is well-known in the area for her fashion knowledge and presentations. There will be an opportunity to buy the items from the showing, or by reserving items, or by attending the store itself. Jewelry and accessories will also be shown. Plus, there will also be prizes and surprises! We invite our members to bring along female family members or friends to attend this event, to enjoy lunch and view the fashions, etc. The cost for this event to Auxiliary members and their guests will only be the usual \$25.00 each for the buffet lunch. The fashion show is being presented at no cost to the Auxiliary.

Ladies Auxiliary Members Registering with the RCMP Veterans' Association: For those Auxiliary members who have not already



completed the new Registration Forms re Associate Membership in the Vancouver Division of the R.C.M.P. Veterans' Association, these forms are available by phoning Dorothy Martinson at (604) 261-4630 or e-mailing at demartinson@shaw.ca, and they will be sent out by mail. For those who have already paid their 2018 Ladies Auxiliary dues of \$25.00, only an additional \$5.00 is required to be returned with the forms to complete the \$30.00 required for Associate Membership. Those Ladies Auxiliary members who are "Life Members" will be advised of their special status prior to completing their forms. It is hoped that all Auxiliary Members who register as Associate Members to the Veterans' Association will have submitted their completed forms by or before

the September 2018 Ladies Auxiliary meeting. The Veterans' National Headquarters would like to have this matter completed as soon as possible so that they have an accurate accounting of members and revenues when they complete their 2018 financial reports. This is required by the Canadian

Government's new "Not-for-Profit Act" and includes all members of the R.C.M.P. Veterans' Ladies Auxiliary.

This will be the last issue of the "Scarlet & Gold" until the September issue, so all of our Ladies Auxiliary members are wished a happy, healthy and sunny summer . . . until we meet again in September!

Dorothy Martinson, President, RCMP Veterans' Ladies Aux. (604) 261-4630

R.C.M.P. VETS' LADIES AUXILIARY COFFEE KLATCHES

CHILLIWACK/ABBOTSFORD: Last Wed. every month, 10 am Chilliwack at "I-HOP" Cottonwood Corners/Freeway, and alternating monthly in Abbotsford at "Ricky's Restaurant" (Best Western) off Clearbrook Road & Freeway. Myrna Meyer (604) 847-8977.

WHITE ROCK/SURREY/RICHMOND: Third Wed. every month, 10 AM at White Spot restaurant, 1681 152nd Avenue (Semiahmoo Mall) White Rock Kathy Turnbull, 778-292-1864.

VANCOUVER: First Thurs. Summer months & January only, 9:30 AM, "Bean Bros., W. 41st Ave. in Kerrisdale. Dorothy Martinson (604) 261-4630.

NORTH & WEST VANCOUVER: Summer months only. TBA

COQUITLAM/PT. MOODY/NORTH FRASER: Third Thurs. every month, 10:30 a.m., "Coquitlam Grill," 2635 Barnet Hwy. Helen Kielan (604) 936-6062

DELTA/SAWWASSEN: Locations vary each month., Last Thurs. each month, 10:30 a.m. Sheila Zerr, 604-943-3012
Email: Sheila Zerr (srzerr@telus.net)



White Rock Koffee Klatch

Ricky's Restaurant on King George Hwy.
10:00 AM, Second Tuesday of Every Month

Abbotsford Koffee Klatch

Roseland Family Restaurant, 5 Corners
33550 South Fraser Way, Abbotsford
10:00 AM, last Wednesday

Richmond Koffee Klatch

... has been disbanded and now meets in with the Vancouver Klatch, see below

Friday Lunch Crew

Every Friday at 11:00 AM at the Legion in Ladner.

Chilliwack Vets & Ladies Coffee Klatch

Homer's Restaurant
46090 Yale Road, Chilliwack
2nd Monday each month, 10 AM

North Shore Koffee Klatch

The 2 Lions Pub, Westview Mall, 11:00 AM ,
1st Tuesday of every month

Vancouver Koffee Klatch

White Spot Restaurant in Oakridge Mall
Second Thursday each Month, 10 AM
Call Herb Martinson, 604-261-4630

Coquitlam Koffee Klatch

Coquitlam Grill on the Barnet Hwy.
3rd Tuesday of each month at 10:30 AM

Maple Ridge Coffee Crew

Town Hall Public House, 206-20690 Lougheed Hwy.
Every Sunday morning at 10:00 AM

Langley Koffee Klatch

Langley Golf Centre, 21550—44th Avenue, Corner
of 216th Street and 44th Avenue, Langley 9 AM,
first Tuesday of the month.

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Dinners and Lunches Call Secretary Mert Rowden at 604-434-0424 prior to meeting to ensure a meal will be available for you. Bars open 11:30AM/5:00PM, meals served 12 NN/5:30PM

Are you shut in? Would you like a visit from a fellow vet? Call Jim Druchet at (604)-536-1925.

Dues The dues for the Veterans Association at \$65.00 per year and are due on January 1 of each year. Funds should be forwarded to the Veterans Association office using **our mailing address.**

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Rides to Vet's Meetings Don't drive at night? Don't drive in the rain. Don't drive at all but want to go to a meeting? **Ray Kielan** will arrange transportation for you. If you're willing to provide a ride for a fellow vet to a meeting please call Ray at 604-936-6062.

Sick Parade

By Ray Kielan

Arnie Nyland is living out at Cultus Lake on his own. He is recovering from a stroke and is looking for a ride to attend the Vet's Meeting Luncheon at Hazelmere. Are there any Members who live in that vicinity who might be able to provide this service to Arnie? He may be reached at 604-858-3149.



If you know of someone who is ailing please advise **Ray Kielan** at 604936-6062 or rayandhelen@telus.net by email.

Last Post

By Dan Lemieux

- 15790 Reginald BLACKMORE
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