

26th Annual Canadian Military History Colloquium

FRIDAY, 8 MAY 2015

8:00 – 8:45 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

8:45 – 9:00 Opening Remarks
Senate & Board Chamber
Dr. Deborah MacLatchy, *Vice President: Academic & Provost*
Wilfrid Laurier University

9:00 – 10:00 Plenary Address
Senate & Board Chamber
“A New Type of War: Casualties at the Second Battle of Ypres”
Mark Humphries, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

10:00 – 10:15 COFFEE BREAK

10:15 – 11:45 SESSION 1

Paul Martin Centre
Perspectives on Wartime Captivity
Chair: TBA

“They Didn't Train Us to be Prisoners: The Treatment of Canadian Prisoners of War during World War II”
Amanda Shepherd, *University of New Brunswick*

“The Role of Canada's Military in the Liberation of Concentration Camps”
Mark Celinscak, *Trent University*

“Free Us From Our Liberators: Canadian Soldiers in the Netherlands in the Summer and Fall of 1945”
Hugh Gordon, *Keyano College*

Arts Wing, Room 1C16
Naval Issues in the 20th Century
Chair: Roger Sarty

“British Maritime Commercial Control in World War I: Far More Than Mere Blockade”
Joseph Zeller, *University of New Brunswick*

“Revisiting the Contributions of the Royal Canadian Navy's Convoy System in the Second World War”
Andrea Taylor, *Independent Researcher*

“The Development of the Royal Canadian Navy's Submarine Service, 1950-1995: Canadian Priorities for Subsurface Service During the Cold War.”
Ambjörn L. Adomeit, *Royal Military College*

11:45-12:30

LUNCH

12:30 – 2:00

SESSION 2

*Senate & Board
Chamber*

WORKSHOP: “Doing Our Bit for Those Who Did Their Bit: Creating a Website to Honour Local Men & Women Who Served in the Great War”

Peter Farrugia, *Wilfrid Laurier University Brantford*
Evan Habkirk, *Western University*
Geoffrey Moyer, *Brantford Public Library*

*Paul Martin
Centre*

Canadian Leaders in War
Chair: TBA

“Natural Leaders of a Democratic Army”: Colonels of the Canadian Expeditionary Force”

Matthew Barrett, *Queen’s University*

“Maurice Arthur Pope: A Canadian Junior Officer in the First World War”

Claude LeBlanc, *Royal Military College*

“J.L. Ralston and the Removal of A.G.L. McNaughton as GOC-in-C, First Canadian Army, November-December 1943”

Daniel Byers, *Laurentian University*

*Arts Wing,
Room 1C16*

Re-Evaluating Casualties of the First World War
Chair: Mark Humphries

“Honouring the Sacrifice of the ‘Old Originals’”

Steve Wells, *Independent Researcher*

“Colonial Sons: Rank, Class, and Colonial Status in the Wartime Treatment of Shell Shock, 1915-1918”

Stephen Collins, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

“Psychotic Soldiers in the CEF: the Cobourg Case”

Ben Toews, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

2:00-2:15

COFFEE BREAK

2:15-3:45

SESSION 3

*Paul Martin
Centre*

The Legacy of the Great War in Canada
Chair: Cynthia Comacchio

"Director of War Trophies: the work of Dominion Archivist Arthur Doughty"
Alexander Comber, *Library and Archives Canada*

"Canada's Wilsonian Moment"? Canadian Nationalisms in the "New World Order"
Geoff Keelan, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

"A Changing War: The Canadian Militia's Intelligence Branch Evolution in Post-War Canada"
Trevor Ford, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

*Arts Wing,
Room 1C16*

Air Power in the Postwar Period
Chair: TBA

"Canadian Air Power in Peace-support Operations - Towards a New Definition of Air Power in RCAF Doctrine"
Andrew McNaughton, *Royal Military College*

"Israeli Rocket Defenses during Operation Pillar of Defense"
Michael Armstrong, *Brock University*

3:45-4:30

SESSION 4

*Paul Martin
Centre*

Dealing with Death at the Front
Chair: Lyndsay Rosenthal

"Representing Canadian Interests in all Matters Relative to Canadian War Dead:" Lt. Col. J.A. Bailie and the Recovery, Concentration and Burial of the 'C' Force Casualties in Japan and Hong Kong"
Mark Sweeney, *Saint Mary's University*

"We Regret to Inform You"; Death, Danger and the Canadian Women's Services During the Second World War
Sarah Hogenbirk, *Carleton University*

*Arts Wing,
Room 1C16*

Colonial Wars
Chair: TBA

"The Five Rivers Run Red: Analyzing the Failures of the Sikhs in their Wars Against the British"
Tejvinder Toor, *Royal Military College*

"They Had Become Quite Old Soldiers to Alarms and Disturbances:" Women of Upper Canada and the War of 1812"
Sydney Dale-McGrath, *Ryerson University*

The grad pub *Veritas* will open from 4:30-6:00 for food and drinks.

6:00
*Senate & Board
Chamber*

BOOK LAUNCH & CASH BAR

Book Launch, UBC Press

In Peace Prepared: Innovation and Adaptation in Canada's Cold War Army

By Andrew Godefroy

Book Launch, LCMSDS Press of Wilfrid Laurier University

Canadian Battlefields of the First World War: A Visitors Guide, Revised Second Edition

By Terry Copp, Mark Humphries, Nick Lachance, Caitlin McWilliams, and Matt Symes

7:00
*Senate & Board
Chamber*

KEYNOTE SPEAKER & DINNER

John Buckley, University of Wolverhampton

"Understanding Second British Army at War, 1944-45"

SATURDAY, 9 MAY 2014

9:00 – 10:30

SESSION 5

*Paul Martin
Centre*

Myth & Identity in the First World War

Chair: TBA

"A man who knows "what he is writing about:" Why we should re-think the reception of Charles Yale Harrison's *Generals Die in Bed*"
Jonathan Scotland, *Western University*

"Canada, the First World War, and Military Scottishness"
Jeffery Noakes, *Canadian War Museum*

Room B
*Arts Wing,
Room 1C16*

Canada and the Cold War

Chair: TBA

"Cold War Acclimatization: Operation Sun Dog and the Science of Northern Indoctrination"
Matthew Wiseman, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

"Dr. Andrew Taylor, Operation Tabarin, and the Struggle for Recognition"
Daniel Heidt, *Trent University*
Whitney Lackenbauer, *St. Jerome's University*

“Bilingual Signalling: The Royal Canadian Corps of Signals, the Royal 22e Regiment, and Bilingual Communication during the Korean War”
Julien Labrosse, *University of Ottawa*

10:30 – 10:45 **COFFEE BREAK**

10:45-12:15 **SESSION 6**

*Paul Martin
Centre*

Home Fronts in the Great War
Chair: TBA

"Booze, Temperance, and the Idealized Image of the Soldier on the Canadian Homefront"
Fay Wilson, *University of Calgary*

"Cleanse the Ancient Colony of the Cursed Drink:" Patriotism, and Prohibition in Newfoundland, 1915-1924"
Michael Westcott, *Memorial University of Newfoundland*

“Politics and Catastrophe: The relief efforts following the Halifax Explosion”
Megan Nascimben, *Independent Researcher*

*Arts Wing,
Room 1C16*

Operational Studies
Chair: Trevor Ford

“Where are the Donkeys? Remembrance and the Battle of Flers-Courcelette”
Robert Dienesch, *University of Windsor*

“Choppy Seas: 1st Canadian Infantry Division and Combined Operations Training, 1942-1943”
R. Daniel Pellerin, *University of Ottawa*

“The Effects of Combat versus Mechanical Unreliability on 1944 German Panther Tank Operational Returns”
Arthur Gullachsen, *Western University*

12:15 – 1:30 **LUNCH**

1:30 – 3:00 **SESSION 7**

*Paul Martin
Centre*

Canada’s Veterans and Re-Establishment
Chair: TBA

“A War of Inclusion: Veteran Identity and Canada’s Second World War Merchant Navy Redress Campaign 1989-2000”
Matthew Moore, *Carleton University*

"Not Useful to Veterans" The War Assets Corporation, Military Surplus Disposal, and Veterans Rehabilitation
Alex Souchen, *Western University*

"Law and Justice: Social Policy Trends and the Social Covenant with Canadian Veterans"
Jonathan Minnes, *University of Victoria*

*Arts Wing,
Room 1C16*

Command and Civil-Military Relations
Chair: Matthew Wiseman

"Canadian Civil Military Relations at the Dawn of the Cold War: Laying the Seeds of Confrontation through Seeming Congruence"
Hughes Canuel, *Royal Military College*

"The 1951 Unified Command Proposal"
Richard Goette, *Canadian Forces College*

"The Two Towers: The Evolution of National Defence's Strategic Governance Diarchy"
Daniel Gosselin, *Canadian Forces College*

3:30 – 4:30

Plenary Address

*Senate & Board
Chamber*

"The Ypres Salient: A Backstory"
Terry Copp, *Wilfrid Laurier University*