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HKVCA President's message

It seems that winter has been with us forever but there are slight changes in our area so hopefully spring will be here soon however as the temperature rises the snow comes. Oh well we need to be optimistic and will welcome the green grass when it shows.

As you will have noticed the Editor of this newsletter has changed. This change was due to some health issues that I experienced a couple of months ago. My situation has improved and I am hoping with medication I will be close to my But it was apparent that I needed to downside my activities. when I informed the Board of Directors and an email was sent to our members, I was very pleased to have Sheila Forsyth make the offer of becoming the Editor. Thank you so much Sheila, I know this important communication our members is in good hands.

I will continue as President until the upcoming elections but will not run It has been an honour and pleasure to serve you along with the members on the Board in our efforts for the veterans and widows and for the awareness of the Battle of Hong Kong.

Hello from a snowy New Richmond. Two major storms in a week are enough to make me long for summer. We shall survive.

I take this opportunity to say farewell to Carol as editor/ writer/producer of Wasureru-nai and thanks for her many years of dedicated effort in bringing the news to us. Carol also took over from Angus McRitchie to produce the Manitoba letter when Angus was no longer able to do so. Thank you, Carol. The good news is that Sheila Forsyth, daughter of Eursal Kaine, RRC, will continue in Carol's footsteps. We wish her good fortune and promise co-operation, and help if needed.

Written on December 24, 2013 ... A lifetime ago on the eve of the anniversary of the birth of the Prince of Peace, I. along with my comrades of "D" Company, RRC, huddled down in a bombed-out and still being bombed building at

RE: the Memorial Wall corrections - we received a phone call from Ryan Olshansky, assistant to the Minister of VAC that the Minister has signed off on our request for \$25,000 for the Wall repairs. He is unsure of the logistics of our receipt of the money but it was good to hear that it is coming soon. So hopefully it will be before spring when we hope to begin the work.

There have been several changes made to our bylaws as a result of the enactment to the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act ("CNCA"). This means there will be annual elections held. I am asking that you give this serious thought and if you have a few hours a month to volunteer for the executive in your Region or Nationally we would be happy to welcome you. You may also consider a project like education, which is an important part of our mandate. There have been a few people doing the work for a couple of decades now and we appreciate their efforts but with new people come new ideas and suggestions that can refresh the direction and enhance this Association. Please consider this thought.

Please enjoy your family and friends as we only come this way once. All the best family from my to yours. Carol HKVCA President

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Stanley Fort in Hong Kong. It was Christmas Eve, 1941. Greetings from Phil Doddrige, HKVA President Tomorrow, the holiest day of the year, we would face our fate. There was no turning back. We were at the end of Stanley Peninsula, with nothing at our backs but the South China Sea, and facing us the Imperial Japanese Army.

> Our orders to remove an invading patrol of fifteen Japanese in Stanley Village seemed simple enough to carry out. Down over the cliff with Jap mortar bombs following us step by step did not "deter us from our appointed task". We arrived in Stanley Village to face a far superior force. Chaos ensued. Many memories of that fateful day remain. One of them is of Eursal Kaine struggling back from the action with a shattered leg. Another is of Morris Delaney passing me with a head wound above his left ear. I was surprised to hear that he died later in hospital.

> The stupidity and futility of that foray still bother me and all who were involved. It is sad to reflect on the loss of the lives of so many friends.

More from Phil: Books

I recently acquired "The Hard Way" by Victor Stanley Ebbage. "Major Ebbage was a Captain with the Royal Army Ordinance Corps serving in Hong Kong in 1941 when the garrison was attacked by the Japanese Army. He was captured and taken prisoner to the notorious Hong Kong Death camp, Shamshuipo, where he was held from 30 December, 1941 to August, 1945".

In the book, the presence of Canadians in Shamshuipo gets scant mention. This is understandable given the fact that Ebbage was an Englishman and a commissioned officer, and therefore separated from most of the rest of us. Officers were not required to do heavy labour while ORs were sent out daily regardless of their health to work with pick and shovel. I was one of them.

The book is available at Amazon or any of the other booksellers. It is worth a read.

That will be all for this time. Be good to each other and may God Bless. Philip

Membership

Region	R	\	W	Total
Atl	75	5	4	84
ВС	75	4	35	114
ON	162	12	46	220
Pr	229	9	53	291
QC	61	9	41	111
Total	602	39	179	820

R= regular, V=veteran, W=widow

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Commemorative Trip to Hong Kong

Mike Babin, who organized commemorative trips to Hong Kong in 2005 and 2010, would like to gauge the interest from our members for a similar trip for the 70th anniversary of the release of the POWs in 2015. If vou would be interested in such a trip, which would take place in early December 2015, please send an email to Mike at msbabin@gmail.com including the number of people who might There is ioin vou. no obligation. At this stage the goal is to determine whether there is sufficient interest in proceeding with the planning of a trip. You informative find some material on the 2005 trip here [http://www.hkvca.ca/archives/hk 05/index.htm].

Membership Time

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their favourite veteran's organization. Yes, I mean the HKVCA and all the good folks who support our work in bringing appreciation to those Canadians who fought in Hong Kong in 1941. Our work is not costly, by any measurement, as we are totally run by volunteers and keep our activities to those where a few dollars will go a long way.

But here we are, almost a quarter of the way through the year any many of you have yet to send us your membership dues. After all, it's only \$20.00 for a whole year and we will even send you a tax receipt for donations of \$20.00 or more (over and above your dues). We think this is a reasonable fee to charge as it allows us to send you three newsletters a year and carry on our many other activities. Right now, for example, we want to initiate repairs and alterations to the Memorial Wall in Ottawa and while a very costly undertaking, it will bring long life to this outstanding monument.

Please send your dues to your regional membership person as soon as possible. We would like to have everyone paid up within the next few weeks so that we can plan all of the year's activities. We truly appreciate your contributions and hope you will also be able to attend some of our functions.

Thank you.

Barry Mitchell, National Treasurer

NOTICE ABOUT MEMORIALS FOR CLIFF CHADDERTON (from Brian Forbes, Chairman of the National Council of Veteran Associations in Canada (NCVA))

Following Cliff Chadderton's passing on November 30, it was announced that there would be a private family funeral with a memorial to be held at a later date.

It was Cliff's wish that the funeral service be held privately with family, but any memorial be organized under the direction of The War Amps in the way deemed most suitable.

The tremendous national outpouring from veterans, amputees, dignitaries and the general public made it readily apparent that a single memorial would not be appropriate or accessible for the multiple groups that Cliff touched throughout his life.

For this reason, and in the effort to allow as many to celebrate Cliff's life as possible, we will be holding individual memorials at the events being held by The War Amps this year. This will include the National Board of Directors Meeting, the CHAMP seminars and, with regard to NCVA, the Annual Meeting. On behalf of The War Amps organization and the Chadderton family, I would like to thank all of those who have passed on their condolences and words of tribute with respect to a truly remarkable man. ...

I know that Cliff would want us to not only recognize his outstanding achievements but to maintain his legacy in protecting the interests of veterans well into the future through the initiatives of NCVA.

Member contribution to the Teacher's Zone

Hi everyone. As a proud member of the HKVCA and the proud grandson of Laureat Bacon, Rfm of the Royal Rifles of Canada E30652, I asked myself "How could I involve myself in the Association?" It came to me in August 2013 at the Convention in Winnipeg, while I was having a conversation with Gail Angel. She told me that some of the students' winning contest entries had not been posted on the HKVCA website because of some "physical" challenges inherent in those entries. Pat Turcotte sent me he 9 winners' documents. First I scanned those that could be scanned safely without risk of damage. Some I needed to photograph with my SLR camera. The second step was editing in Adobe Photoshop. This included colour balancing each file of the same student's work to keep a visual homogeneity. Then I performed layering to some other documents; for example, I wanted to put 2 letters and their envelope on the same image. To do so I had to cut out each file and then, copy them on a separate layer, then apply a shade effect to it to give them a visual feeling of lightness and, finally adding a coloured layer background to it. Some other pages had 2 or 3 photographs that needed to be processed individually to get a visually balanced look. Again, working with layers was the secret recipe! Some entries needed more time and others were easier but all were great and interesting to work on! I felt honoured, having been hopefully helpful to the HKVCA in doing so. I also will be happy to do it again if needed! It will be my humble contribution to the Teacher's Zone!

Yves Chevarie

FROM SEA TO SEA: REGIONAL NEWS

BC Banter

Lee Naylor, B.C. Region Director/Education Chair and Graeme Stacey Co-Education Chair

On December 4th and 5th 2013, Graeme Stacey and I were invited for the fifth year to co-present at the ALPHA (Association for Learnings and preserving WWII History in Asia) symposium. We once again addressed the Context of Hong Kong Veterans in WWII, the broader aspect of the Second World War, Who are Canadian Hong Kong Veterans, Canadians in the Battle for Hong Kong, The Geneva Convention, post battle implications, the conditions for Canadian POW's in Japanese camps and Closure?(an ongoing, contemporary issue post December 8th, 2013).

We gave two presentations per day for two days to thirty or more grade 11 and 12 students per class.

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BC Banter (continued)

Due to the fact we are very diversified in BC, the students relate more to the story of "C" Force (as some have relatives who were involved one way or another during the Japanese Imperial Army take over and occupying their countries).

One of the School maintenance custodians was very interested in our display and that we were teaching the Battle for Hong Kong. His Uncle was a member of the British Forces who was captured in Hong Kong. He also was very adamant that Kano Inouye, "The Kamloops Kid," was a student of Vancouver Technical School. He took me on a very special tour where Kano Inouye walked, played sports and showered. Most of these areas are very old and closed off. Kano excelled in sport, however failed in English!

All presenters at the B.C. Alpha Student Symposium were given copies of the book, "The Dog Named Gander." When Graeme got home and read the book with his five and six year old boys Porter and Roman they were asking so many questions, and went to bed upset that Gander died, although they both were proud of Gander knowing that he died saving fellow Canadian soldiers. Later that week Graeme's five year old son Roman did a bit of a report in his kindergarten class at church, first he drew a picture of the Newfoundland Dog Gander, and beside it he drew Gander running with the grenade in his mouth. Both of Graeme's boys like to shout out, at the craziest of times and situations, "bear on the runway" in direct



reference to what they read in Gander.

After speaking of Sgt Major John Osborn, the first recipient of the Victoria Cross in WWII, we introduced Sgt Ganders Bio and the similar story of saving Canadian soldiers by caring off a grenade which ended up killing him. Sgt. Gander's Gallantry earned him the Dickin Medal Citation, equal to the Victoria Cross in a dog's world.

At the end of our presentation we had the students take part in the Photo Narrative group activity. This proved to be very successful. Students work in groups of 4 to 8, to determine which of the 25 pictures provided best tell the story of Canadian Hong Kong Veterans. Pictures are in sets of five: pre-battle, the battle, as prisoners of war, liberation, and the issue of closure. Along with having to narrow down to their top 5 images, they have to justify why they think certain images are the most important, and come up with a creative title to post on the paper. As students finish they mounted them around the room and explained to Graeme and I why they selected the images they did, as well as the meaning of their title.

More from BC



The ALPHA organization is working on having a three-day symposium this December 2014 with the third day taking place at a school in Surrey.

After one of our presentations a young girl came forward and explained that she was in Japan on an exchange program and met the Vice Foreign Minister who gave our veterans an insincere apology. She stated," If she had been aware of the insincere apology, she would have questioned the Minister."

The best part of this assignment is that it is authentic learning, students are not looking for a single right answer, rather they are in charge of their own learning. The results speak for themselves – creative, insightful, well thought out, and all correct!

Prairie Prose

Carol Hadley, Secretary

The Prairie Region holds monthly meetings on the 2nd Thursday of the month at noon at the St. James Legion. We welcome any member to attend these meetings.

We have a Winnipeg Grenadier project in the works at the Field of Honour at Brookside Cemetery. We are waiting for further meetings on this.

We are also waiting for a date (probably June) when the **Arden 7** project will be dedicated. This project was revealed at Convention in Winnipeg last year. There are still a few things to complete and weren't able to do them with the extremely cold winter. But we hope to hear soon about the date.

George Peterson is the last of the Arden 7 and will be part of the ceremony. George broke his hip and spent about 7 weeks in the hospital but is out now and attended our meeting in March.

We were saddened to lose Linda Sloan, Juliet Lafortune's sister in January. She helped with many of our projects.

We also hold Ladies Tea & Tidbits for our female members to enjoy a light lunch and lots of conversation. Tea and Tidbits dates – April 12, August 9, and December 6 at 1 pm to 3 pm – At St. James Legion on Portage Ave. The invitations are out for the April gathering and we hope to have many of the ladies attend.

As this is the alternate year from the National Convention there will be elections this year in the Regions. The nomination form will be out soon as we finalize the Elections Committee. Please give this some thought and speak to the present Executive in Prairie Region if you would like to help with the events that we have. Especially our members in Saskatchewan and Alberta as we could Skype you into our monthly meeting to stay current. Let us know if you wish to run for a position.

We will be participating in the Red River Heritage Fair again this year at the University of Winnipeg. This is great exposure for our Association as 300 – 400 students, teachers and parents review the displays and interact with the participants. We are part of the Veterans Award for projects related to war. These are very interesting and informative for the students to research. We direct them to the website for information and hope to see this reflect in their projects.

Hoping Spring is soon – take care!

Ontario Offerings

Regional Director, Mike Babin
There hasn't been a luncheon in the GTA for some time, so it was a happy gathering on
January 18 when over 30 members got together for a fine lunch at the Boulevard Club in
Toronto. The day was bright and sunny but cold.
Inside, though, there was lots of warm and convivial conversation. Four Veterans were present, including Alfred Babin, Fred Cooper,
George MacDonell and Ken Pifher.



Caption: Hong Kong Veterans (l to r): Alfred Babin, Ken Pifher, Fred Cooper, George MacDonell.

Parm Gill, Member of Parliament and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Veterans Affairs was the guest speaker at the luncheon. Some additional photos of the event can be found here (http://www.parmgillmp.ca/?page id=8).

From Jackie Le Drew -

Northern Ontario HKVCA Representative: Salutations from the Great White North; They say Spring is just around the corner, keep up the faith. Everyone has been busy all winter either shovelling snow or flying somewhere hot. The only bit of news was sent in by Howard Raper, a member of the HKVCA and friend of "Flash" Clayton. He informs us that he is close to completing a biography on the life of Robert J. "Flash" Clayton of the Royal Rifles of Canada. The book will be published by the Brechin-Mara Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion. All proceeds will go to the Branch. Both "Flash" and his wife Jessie are life-members of the Branch. He is hoping to have the book ready to be ordered by this years Remembrance Day. I'm sure many of us are looking forward to an amazing biography of an amazing man. Wishing everyone a joyous and blessed Easter with all their family and friends.

REMEMBERING... by Dorothy (Wilbur) Constable

My family lived in Bathurst, New Brunswick. My father grew up in rural Big River, south of Bathurst. He and his two brothers, Clarence and Angus WILBUR, fished in summer, worked in lumbering in winter, and were woods and river guides. Their family farm was at the edge of a great salmon fishing river. It created their character and was a steady influence on their lives.

A neighbour was Herman J. Good, World War 1 Victoria Cross recipient. He undoubtedly was an inspiration and incentive as my uncles journeyed to Gaspé, Québec in 1940 to enlist with The Royal Rifles of Canada. Many men from the north shore of New Brunswick did likewise. Clarence and Angus were ages 26 and 19, respectively. My uncles travelled the breadth of Canada in their training and eventual departure in the fall of 1941 on HMCS Prince Robert "for what the sailors called the South Seas".

We, as children, learned the history and experiences of soldiers in the Battle of Hong Kong. We knew of the atrocities experienced by the POWs, but not from my uncle. He did not speak of it. These brave men were our heroes. They became our personal family war story.

Years later a folded, pencilled-in scribbler was found among Angus's possessions. A journal he managed to keep from his captors contained periodic entries of his life. He listed camps in Hong Kong where he had been stationed: Sham Shui Po, Lye Mun and Stanley. Prison camps were North Point, Sham Shui Po (formerly the barracks), and Niigatta in Japan where the prisoners had been sent on a labour draft in 1943. Time was spent in hospitals with little medication available. Each precious Red Cross parcel was a highlight. Its contents were noted indicating how many men shared each parcel.

"Sept. 6/43 the boys started to work at coal yard and docks and foundries".

January 17, 1943 a single lone entry reads, "Brother died in General Hospital". Few words - but filled with longing, sadness, grief and hopelessness. How could he possibly express the unbelievable life of a POW? Would he ever see home and loved ones? Would he ever again go fly-fishing for salmon on his beloved Big River??

"April 14/44 My third birthday since I am a Prisoner of war 23 years old today".

"Sept. 7/44 A free pack of hair tobacco for a year with rinko". (Rinko Coal)

January 17, 2014, my husband and I visited Uncle Clarence's grave. It was **seventy years** to the day since his death and **one hundred years** since his birth. Hong Kong was a far distant world. As a child, I little thought I would ever kneel at his grave. I recall a framed photo sent to the family, a grave marker with a simple wooden cross marking the final resting place of my uncle. Today, a grey stone gravemarker indicates his place of burial.

I was invited to share my reaction and impression of a recent visit to Sai Wan Cemetery. My initial reaction as I gazed in disbelief at the large, never-ending sloping hill of grey stone was one of serenity and peace. Quiet and calm permeated the area. Birds chirped. Butterflies fluttered freely. I reflected on the horrors, malnutrition and brutality experienced by these young men. I contemplated their endurance for almost four years as a POW.

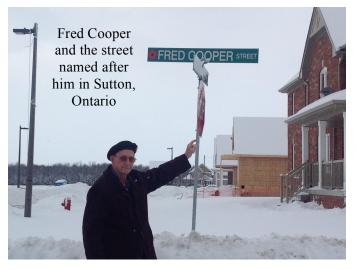
This battle took more than one uncle from our lives. It deprived my family of any future paternal cousins and extended family. Angus returned from Hong Kong and worked in mining exploration. Although he never

spoke of his experience there was a haunted look and air of sorrow about him. He quietly bore the pain of a POW in his short, young life. Angus died, a single man, age 42...less than 20 years after his homecoming.

Soldiers of the Battle of Hong Kong were the first Canadians in battle in the Second World War. They were said to be the worst treated of all Canadian POWs in history. 557 soldiers of The Royal Rifles of Canada and the Winnipeg Grenadiers were never to return home.

The entrance wall of Sai Wan War Cemetery in Hong Kong states,

"THEIR NAME LIVETH FOREVERMORE"



CENTRAL AND SOUTHEAST ONTARIO REPORT- Shelagh Purcell, area rep

If this column was about me, it would say, "Terrible winter weather, cranky lady who has a complete and sympathetic understanding of why bears hibernate:" But it's not, so....Irene Firlotte, widow of Lawrence Firlotte, RRC., got help through HKVCA and Veterans Affairs for snow removal at her home this year. She had to cancel appointments prior to this assistance. She has also arranged for a headstone marker [Monument Badge], which she hopes to be able to take to the Maritimes this summer to place on her husband's grave.

Dena Claricoates, widow of Ron Claricoates, RRC, said she and her family had a good Christmas. She has been watching the storms in Kingston this winter and said it reminded her of the last bad ice storm in 1998.

Steve Chapman, son of Frederick Orland Chapman, RRC, and his wife travelled west for a family gathering at Christmas.

Recovering from minor surgery, Connie Darling, daughter of Edward Phillips, RRC, said she had a quiet Christmas.

John Russell, son of Albert James Russell, RRC, went to the funeral of Marcel Mondou in Granby, QC. Marcel was a Korean veteran, a member of the Royal 22nd Regiment, and a friend of John's father.

Yvonne Southworth, widow of Donald Southworth, RRC, is dealing with an ankle problem this winter.

We are glad to hear Kittie Smith, widow of Thomas W. Smith, RRC., has moved and settled into Cleveland, Quebec.

Evelyn St. John, widow of Ralph St. John, RRC, said she was doing fine, when contacted.

Kathleen Mills Sevigny, daughter of Alfred Mills, RRC, and her family went to Ottawa for the December 7th ceremony at the wall. She plans to be in touch with the organizers of the event next year to place a wreath and make it a special family gathering.

My son Mark Purcell and I, daughter and grandson of Leonard Corrigan, WG, also attended the December 7th ceremony at the wall in Ottawa. We were impressed by the large number of people who braved the cold on this occasion and especially our two veterans who were involved. The organizers did a great job of assisting people with seating (and clearing off the snow around the wall) and then getting the lunch arranged.

For those people I wasn't able to speak to, I hope it was because you were somewhere warm and comfortable.

North East Ontario: Mitzi Ross: As I promised in the last newsletter, I have attached a picture from the Memorial service held in Ottawa on December 7, 2014. Thank you to everyone who shared a photograph with me.



Memorial service held in Ottawa on December 7, 2014

We were honoured to have had two of our esteemed veterans in attendance at the Memorial Wall service on that cold and blustery day. Both George MacDonnell from Toronto and Dempsey Syvret from Montréal were able to attend and it was truly an honour to have them there. Following the service there was a luncheon held at a downtown restaurant, the Baton Rouge, where we were joined by another of our honoured veterans, Eric Maloney. It was indeed a pleasure to have these three gentlemen with us, particularly in light of the challenging health issues they are facing.

Each year we are able to attract a greater number of attendees as well as wreaths being laid from associations and individuals, and in 2013 we were extremely pleased to have approximately 100 people attending the service and 50 joining us for the following luncheon. I particularly want to acknowledge the attendance of our Regional Director, Mike Babin from Toronto as well as a contingent of the Royal Hong Kong Regiment (Volunteer) Association the Ontario branch who also made the trip from Toronto. Please accept my sincerest appreciation to all of those who attended and to those who organization participated in the and implementation of this event. We look forward to seeing you all next year.

Greetings All from a sunny, extremely cold Quebec. Lucette Mailloux Muir: QC Regional Director

Since our last newsletter, Quebec Region lost their Deputy Director and Membership Chairman Marcel Mondou on December 23, 2013. A Celebration of Life was held in the presence of family, friends, HKVCA members, fellow retired workers. Members of our local Royal Canadian Legion Branch and District held a Commemorative Ceremony and Poppy Drop. Later in the spring a farewell ceremony will be held at the Last Post Veterans' Military Cemetery in Pointe Claire, QC. Thank you for your messages of sympathy and good words.

We have been busy with a newsletter mailing and a Call for Elections for next August.

We made a donation to the Bay Chaleur Military Museum in New Richmond, OC.

Since dedicated citizens and many of our Hong Kong Veterans and Widows responded so well with their financial help in the past years, our executive decided that it was time for us to help again. This will enable them to continue with their success. We wish them a good season and continued success for many years to come.

We will be continuing with our executive meetings, bring our help when needed and keep everyone well informed on happenings etc.

We also continue to add members to our email list for mailings and newsletters. Thank you all.

Eastern Breezes:

Emmie Flanagan, Regional Director

Hello from northern New Brunswick, where our snow banks are still four feet high, with more on the way. We're still fairly optimistic that our tulips will bloom by June. ©

Here is a quick overview from HKVCA Atlantic Canada:

Our Reunion Committee Chairperson, Amanda Arseneault, is working diligently to ensure all events are well planned for our Atlantic Annual Reunion being held in Campbellton, NB - August 29 - 31, 2014. Our "schedule of events" will be posted in the next newsletter, and mailed to our regional members by June 30, 2014.

The Belledune 'C' Force Memorial Committee has gone back to the drawing board, with intentions of saving costs on the monument. Our sleuth, fundraiser extraordinaire, David, has been sourcing out sculpting artists from across North America, who may be able to create our memorial at a more reasonable cost. We will keep you updated.

I look forward to receiving many *Cross Canada Writing Contest* entries, which will be forwarded to our judges via e-mail or Canada Post. I am hoping the *winning student's names* can be posted in our next newsletter.

Have a wonderful spring everyone and take care.

Greetings from your new editor, Sheila Forsyth (nee Kaine). My dad was Eursal Kaine and my uncle, John Kaine both of the Royal Rifles.

Please bear with me as I get myself familiarized with this newsletter.

I am honoured to serve and do so as a tribute to my dad, uncle and mother (who was also a veteran -- Canadian Women's Army Corps serving in Britain during the war).

In my spare time, when I am not doing newsletters for a variety of non-profits I work with, I dabble as a scientist. I also am a visual artist and a full-time freelance writer.

Happy to be on board!

Last Post HKVA

- Tom Dewar H6265, WG, HK vet on Saturday, December 28, 2013.
- Joseph Aubin (John)
 Duguay RRC E30393 from
 St.Omer, QC, January 30
 2014

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- Marcel Mondou Dec 23 2013
- Linda Sloan, daughter of Marcien Lafortune WG, HK vet and Juliet Lafortune's sister, died January 19, 2014

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www.hkvca.ca of address and email changes so we can stay in touch with you. Here's to Spring. May it bring joy, once the snow recedes.

Underneath that white blanket, plants are stirring. Summer birds ARE braving the weather.