



# Grand Opening

## LCol George Taylor Denison III Armoury

The LCol George Taylor Denison III Armoury held its grand opening in Toronto on September 13, 2002.

The new, 33,000 square meter facility houses 23 military units. Some of its features include a drill hall, classrooms, 3 messes, a cafeteria, medical and dental clinics, LFCA HQ, as well as the DCC Site office.

The design-build contract was awarded to Bird Construction Company on September 12, 2000. The sod turning ceremony was held on October 6, 2000, and the building was ready for occupancy on May 6, 2002.

The final cost of the project was \$43.5 million, falling within DND's budget and meeting the contract completion date of

August 19, 2002.

To support DND in the implementation of the Toronto Consolidation Project, it was critical that DCC finished this building on time. The new armoury provides a state-of-the-art workplace for both Regular and Reserve Force members of the Canadian Forces.

Dignitaries attending the ribbon cutting ceremony and pictured here are from left to right: Col Mark Hodgson, 2 ASG Commander, Mrs. Sarah Denison, a relative of the building's namesake,

local M.P. Art Eggleton, Col Sylvain Lescoutre, DCPSD, and Ross Nicholls, DCC President.

For more information on this project, contact Siva Gnananayakan, Project Engineer at (613) 541-6000.



## Upgrade at 5 Wing Goose Bay

An airfield lighting upgrade project is a challenge for the project manager who has to juggle all of the operational requirements while trying to get the job done. With the added factors of a shorter than usual construction season and an increase in project size, the potential for unexpected delays and problems increases.

In May 2001, the contract for the airfield lighting upgrade project at 5 Wing Goose Bay was awarded to Emery Construction.

5 Wing Goose Bay hosts the busy flight schedules of the Canadian forces, four allied countries, as well as cargo and passenger services. The

upgrade was completed while taking into account runway operations, and the schedules of air traffic controllers, maintenance personnel and contractors. The upgrade work could not disrupt air traffic.

The project was finished a few days ahead of the contract completion date in September 2002. The final cost was \$1.8 million.

The success of this project is in part due to the work of DCC Contract Co-ordinator, Daren Wells, a licensed electrical journeyman, who co-ordinated the upgrade work under the NDHQ project management of CWO Valmont Levesques

and CWO Normand Denis.

An interesting side note - Daren's grandfather worked on the initial airfield lighting installation 50 years ago on the same runway. Daren's expertise will be put to the test again this year at Cold Lake where a similar airfield lighting upgrade project is planned.

For more information on this project, Daren can be reached at (709) 896-6900 Ext. 7893.

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- David McCuaig was appointed DCC Director, National Operations Group in September. David has extensive construction and project management experience in the residential, institutional and commercial sectors. Most recently, he managed the delivery of the fire fighter training facilities in CFB Esquimalt, BC and CFB Halifax, NS for DND. David can be reached at (613) 998-8718.
- Alan Dunn was appointed Area Manager in DCC's Central Region Office in Kingston, ON. One of his new responsibilities includes the management of DCC's Commissioning Resources Group. Alan joined DCC in 1986 as an electrical inspector and was promoted to Project Supervisor in 1987. Most recently he has been working at the London, ON site office. Alan can be reached at (613) 384-1256.
- On September 9, DCC's Board of Directors attended the departure ceremony in Halifax, NS for the HMCS Montreal. The ship sailed for the Persian Gulf as part of Operation Apollo.
- DCC is hosting an intermediate development seminar for its staff December 1 to 4, in Cornwall, ON.

**What's New at DCC**

## Bridging the Gap in Bosnia

Faced with increasing demands on its resources in deployed operations, DND seeks the help of outside service providers to meet current and future requirements.

These additional outside resources free up military personnel for other tasks and reduces the time military personnel are stationed overseas.

Since June 2002, DND has engaged DCC to provide support to its deployed operations in Velika Kladusa, Bosnia-Herzegovina. Initially, DND had sought out help conducting two environmental assessments and assistance in getting one of the five camps connected to the municipal power grid. Once DCC personnel arrived on-site, the workload was reviewed and other projects became a priority. To start, the contract management of a storm water pipe installation was completed.

The next task in the works is to get Camp Black Bear on the municipal power grid

and to install 3 transformers. Getting the camps supplied with a stable source of power is critical. Currently the camps are powered by diesel generators. When the switch to electricity is made, it has the potential to save DND up to \$1 million per year in diesel fuel. The supply of a stable source of power is a priority to ensure that the camps have an adequate supply of heat for the winter.

Other projects are in the planning stages. A new sewage treatment plant is to be built as all 5 camps require treatment systems that meet Canadian standards. A recycling program is being considered for the 2 largest camps. The waste to be recycled consists of aluminum cans, cardboard, and bottles. Finally, there is contaminated site remediation work to be done.

DCC contract co-ordinator, Paul Champagne, acting in the capacity as deployment liaison officer in Velika Kladusa, has been assisting DND on-site

since June 2002. In January 2003, Paul will be stationed in Bosnia for 9 months to assist on the outstanding project work. Paul can be reached at e-mail [champagnie.pa@forces.ca](mailto:champagnie.pa@forces.ca).



Tomislavgrad, Bosnia-Herzegovina - Canadian Forces patrol the region to show a stabilization force presence and to monitor health and welfare of the residents.