



New DND Projects Contracts Click into Place

DCC managed the procurement process on behalf of DND for two construction projects announced this spring: a central heating plant in Nova Scotia and a naval officer training centre in British Columbia.

The heating plant will be built at CFB Greenwood by a Halifax company, Cardinal Construction Inc. In the announcement on May 1, Gen. Ray Henault, Chief of the Defence Staff, said, "The new central heating plant will increase both the reliability and efficiency of the base heating system, while reducing maintenance costs by 50 percent."

The two 50-year-old systems will be replaced by a single modern plant, which will use far less fuel and can be converted to natural gas.

The second project is at Venture, the naval officer training centre in Esquimalt, British Columbia.

It is already through its first phase. The newly announced second and third phases will add 86 double-occupation accommodations and a 1500-square-metre dining hall. Ottawa's Westeinde Construction Ltd. was awarded the contract by DCC on behalf of DND.

The new facilities replace older buildings at CFB Esquimalt's Work Point property.

Recent Tender Awards

(all dollar amounts reported in thousands)

DREA Dockyard Lab

EllisDon Construction
\$4,274

FMF Cape Breton

Monad Contractors Ltd.
\$45,987

DLCU-Gladman Point, N.W.T.

Kitnuna Projects Inc
\$11,033



At left is an artist's rendering of the new Chief and Petty Officers' and Officers' Facility underway at CFB Halifax, by PCL Constructors.

DCC managed the procurement process and is providing contract management services for this \$32.3-million project.

Advances Made at CSD Retreat

More than two dozen people from the Contract Services Division (CSD) met at a retreat, held at Hotel du Lac Carling, Quebec, on March 27 and 28. The annual event gives all contract service providers a chance to exchange ideas with colleagues from across Canada.

The focus of this year's event was on client service delivery. Most of the sessions were structured around working groups. Richard Allie, a contract services manager, says that people were "able to provide input to the

contracting side of the business and make a difference to where the business is going, whether they're managers or administrative assistants."

One of the participants, John Graham from Kingston, approved of the format. "It gives you a chance to contribute to improving processes we work with on a daily basis and to get points of view on different issues out there from colleagues."

The retreat's theme was innovation, and in many cases, participants came up with ideas that could be implemented quickly.

Three guest speakers also attended. Motivational speaker Rosita Hall fired up the crowd for an hour on the second night, while DCC President Ross Nicholls offered a corporate perspective.

In addition, Col Sylvain Lescoutre, Director of Construction Projects and Engineering Policy, discussed the re-organization of his group, and upcoming large capital construction projects. This offered participants a better sense of DND's expectations.

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Safety on the Job

For a week each May, governments, unions and employers mobilize to increase awareness of worker safety in Canada, the United States and Mexico. The event, called North American Occupational Health and Safety Week, took place from May 4 to May 10. And as part of it, CFB Trenton held a safety show.

Jim Peeling, DCC Ontario safety coordinator, located in the Trenton office, took special interest in the show, which drew participation from tool manufacturers, vendors of safety equipment and many more.

Some of what Peeling saw can make an immediate difference and could be incorporated into DCC procedures. For example, he noticed a new drill that has a dust collection system. "If you're working with paint or something with lead, you can catch the dust before it gets into the atmosphere."

In addition to product demos, the show also included fitness and other tests to determine your overall health.

- Karen Ellis, Assistant Deputy Minister (Infrastructure and Environment) at the Department of National Defence (DND), has been appointed to DCC's Board of Directors.
- Solidifying objectives, discussing lessons learned and sharing successes were all part of DCC regional conferences held throughout May in Canmore, Alberta; Picton, Ontario; and Halifax, Nova Scotia. Most importantly, DCC benefited from having client participation at each of these forums. Special guests from DCPEP, DCPSP, CFHA, 1CAD, DCPM, ENGO and DREP attended the conferences this year.
- The ADMIE-DCC golf tournament was held on June 5, at Manderley on the Green just outside of Ottawa. DND hosted the tournament this year, and the play format was best ball. Special thanks to Bob Faulkner, Manager, Corporate Realty Assets, DRFMS 8, who organized the event. Internally at DCC, Brigitte Trau, Shawn Bindon and Rob Surgenor all helped organize players from DCC offices. Employees participated from the Ottawa, Kingston, Toronto, Borden and Petawawa offices.
- Ross Nicholls, President of DCC has announced an organizational change within the Corporation. Administration for the Central Region will now be divided into two separate offices — Quebec and Ontario. This administrative change will help DCC better serve its client's increased project volume in these two areas. Randy McGee, formerly Area Engineer, Western Region, has been appointed Director, Ontario Region.
- A proud supporter of the Canadian Military Engineers (CME), DCC was pleased to be able to participate in the CME centenary celebrations over the long weekend in June. These included the Century of Service Parade and the Century of Service Ball on June 30.

Work Hard, Play Hard

The Western Region roared at two events held in conjunction with the centennial celebrations for the Canadian Military Engineers (CME) in March and April. The DCC team took its fourth straight Pacific Beaver Cup, a hockey tournament in which it competed against various DND teams. In the final, it beat the firefighters from CFB Esquimalt by a score of 5–2.

Rick Gudz, Site Manager at DCC Esquimalt, who organized the DCC team with Tony Ambrosio, Site Manager (and team coach) at DCC Suffield, credits this year's success to his squad's team spirit.

Gudz and Ambrosio gather the team from throughout DCC Western Region, rotating players every year. This year's team included players from Winnipeg, Cold Lake, Edmonton, Suffield, Comox and Esquimalt. They make a special effort to recruit new employees, because, according to Gudz, "for people coming up through the ranks, playing on the

team gives them a good impression of what DCC is like, gets them involved with joint functions and helps with staff retention."

In addition to the hockey tournament, and also as part of the CME celebrations, a golf tournament was held at Cedar Hill Golf Course in Victoria. The winner was Rick Gudz.



Base Commander Capt (N) D.J. S. (David) Kyle presents the Pacific Beaver Cup to Rick Gudz, DCC Site Manager in Esquimalt.